

of S. 1516, a bill to reauthorize Amtrak, and for other purposes.

S. 1633

At the request of Mr. TALENT, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. DEWINE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1633, a bill to allow law enforcement officers to represent themselves as minors on the Internet to better protect America's children from sexual predators.

S. 1926

At the request of Mr. INHOFE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1926, a bill to provide the Department of Justice the necessary authority to apprehend, prosecute, and convict individuals committing animal enterprise terror.

S. CON. RES. 46

At the request of Mr. BROWNBAC, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. ALLARD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Con. Res. 46, a concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that the Russian Federation should fully protect the freedoms of all religious communities without distinction, whether registered and unregistered, as stipulated by the Russian Constitution and international standards.

S. RES. 219

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 219, a resolution designating March 8, 2006, as "Endangered Species Day", and encouraging the people of the United States to become educated about, and aware of, threats to species, success stories in species recovery, and the opportunity to promote species conservation worldwide.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. REID, and Mr. ENSIGN):

S. 1941. A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain real property in the Dixie National Forest in the State of Utah, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. HATCH. Mr. President, I rise today along with my cosponsors Senators BENNETT, REID, and ENSIGN to introduce a very simple piece of legislation. The bill would direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey, at fair market value, 112 acres of property in the Dixie National Forest to Mr. Kirk Harrison. Let me explain why this legislation is necessary.

Mr. Harrison's family settled in southern Utah's Pinto Valley in 1860. The family was among the first to locate to the area. The Harrison family established their property boundaries by constructing fences that are still standing today. The family cleared, irrigated, and settled the property in question and continued to plant and

harvest crops, raise livestock, maintain fences, and otherwise work the land for more than 150 years. During that time, the family exercised unrestricted use, relying on those boundaries established in 1860.

In 1885, the Harrison family applied for and was granted a patent to those lands. Subsequent surveys in 1881 and 1905 found no discrepancies between the boundaries asserted by the Harrison family and the actual boundaries of the adjacent Forest Service lands.

It was not until 1984, when the Forest Service employed an independent firm to perform a survey, did any inconsistency arise. The 1984 survey found that the land occupied by the Harrison family was in violation of the boundary established in the 1885 patent.

The 1984 survey was flawed for two principal reasons: First, a rock survey monument used in the 1881 survey is 37 feet away from a different rock monument used in the 1905 survey, creating significant confusion. Neither of these monuments could be located or used during the 1984 survey. Next, the 1984 surveyors did not accept an historic "rock mound" monument, despite the fact that other surveyors had.

The Harrison family has used this land for nearly 150 years. Mr. Harrison wants nothing more than to be able to continue to use the land that his family settled and has used for so long. While Mr. Harrison has worked to resolve this issue with the Forest Service for nearly 15 years, the parties have not been able to agree upon a viable solution. This legislation offers a fair, commonsense answer to the problem.

The bill would direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell Mr. Harrison 112 acres at fair market value. This represents slightly more land than the Harrison family's original property to satisfy the Forest Service's requirement that boundaries be uniform. The Forest Service stipulates that its national forest boundaries must be straight and manageable, and the purchase of additional acreage will fulfill that requirement. The bill also would ensure that the Secretary uses the proceeds from the sale of the land to purchase other acreage for the Dixie National Forest. In my view, this legislation is the easiest and most effective way to resolve this longstanding dispute.

I am aware that some concerns have been raised about this bill in the past. For example, some have expressed concerns that this legislation would restrict sportsmen's access to the Dixie National Forest, prevent landowners from obtaining water, and allow for the subdivision of the land. However, since those concerns were raised, the plan has been cleared by the Washington County Commission, the State hunter interests, and the majority of landowners in the Pinto Valley. Only after receiving assurances that these groups did not oppose this legislation did I decide to move forward.

Thank you, Mr. President.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2345. Mr. MARTINEZ submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 1042, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe personnel strengths for such fiscal year for the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

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At the end of subtitle D of title XXVIII, add the following:

SEC. ____ . INCLUSION OF EXCESS DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE PROPERTY ON SANTA ROSA AND OKALOOSA ISLAND IN GULF ISLANDS NATIONAL SEASHORE.

Section 7 of Public Law 91-660 (16 U.S.C. 459h-6) is amended—

(1) by inserting "(a)" before "There are"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(b) If any of the Federal land on Santa Rosa or Okaloosa Island, Florida, under the jurisdiction of the Department of Defense is ever excess to the needs of the Armed Forces, the Secretary of Defense shall transfer, without reimbursement, the excess land to the administrative jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior. The Secretary of the Interior shall administer the transferred land as part of the seashore in accordance with the provisions of this Act."

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On page 188, after line 24, add the following:

SEC. 6037. 100 PERCENT FMAP FOR MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO A NATIVE HAWAIIAN THROUGH A FEDERALLY-QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTER OR A NATIVE HAWAIIAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEM UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.

(a) MEDICAID.—The third sentence of section 1905(b) (42 U.S.C. 1396d(b)) is amended by inserting " , and with respect to medical assistance provided to a Native Hawaiian (as defined in section 12 of the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act) through a federally-qualified health center or a Native Hawaiian health care system (as so defined)

whether directly, by referral, or under contract or other arrangement between a federally-qualified health center or a Native Hawaiian health care system and another health care provider” before the period.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by this section applies to medical assistance provided on or after the date of enactment of this Act.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS /MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. DOMENICI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been rescheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing originally scheduled for Thursday, November 3, 2005 at 10 a.m. in Room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, will now be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2005 at 10 a.m. in the same room.

The purpose of the hearing is to evaluate and receive a status report on the Environmental Management programs of the Department of Energy.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC, 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Clint Williamson 202-224-7556 or Steve Waskiewicz at 202-228-6195.

AUTHORITIES FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations be authorized to meet on Monday, October 31, 2005, at 1 p.m., for a hearing entitled “Corruption in the United Nations Oil-for-Food Program: Reaching a Consensus on UN Reform.”

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. DORGAN. I ask unanimous consent on behalf of Senator BAUCUS that the following Finance Committee fellows and interns be allowed floor privileges during the consideration of the reconciliation bill: Ray Campbell, Jorlie Cruz, David Hain, Richard Litsey, and David Schwartz.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, before we begin normal debate, I have a series of unanimous consent requests I wish to propound. I ask unanimous consent that the following staff members, two from my staff and two from Senator CONRAD’s staff, named on the list I send to the desk, be given “all access” floor passes during the Senate consideration of S. 1932: Cheri Reidy and Jim Hearn, John Righter and Jim Esquea.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Tatiana Lamón be granted privilege of the floor during consideration of S. 1932 and votes that may occur in relation thereto.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2005

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9 a.m. on Tuesday, November 1. I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate resume consideration of S. 1932, as under the previous order.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, tomorrow the Senate will resume consideration of the deficit reduction bill. I remind my colleagues that we will have a full week ahead considering this measure, and we will complete action on it this week. Senators should anticipate long days with many votes. I ask Senators to plan their schedules accordingly and to work with the bill managers in offering amendments to this bill.

As a reminder, the Senate will recess from 12:30 until 2 p.m. to accommodate the weekly policy luncheons.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. GRASSLEY. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 4:58 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, November 1, 2005, at 9 a.m.