

subclause (II) and by redesignating subclauses (III) and (IV) as subclauses (II) and (III), respectively.

(d) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) Section 149(f)(1) is amended by striking “paragraphs (2) and (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (2), (3), (4), and (5)”.

(2) Section 149(f)(7)(B), as redesignated by subsection (b), is amended by striking “paragraph (4)(A)” and inserting “paragraph (6)(A)”.

(3) Section 54(1)(2) is amended by striking “section 149(f)(4)(A)” and inserting “section 149(f)(6)(A)”.

(e) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to bonds issued after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 483. REPORTING OF INTEREST ON TAX-EXEMPT BONDS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 6049(b)(2) (relating to exceptions) is amended by striking subparagraph (B) and by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and (D) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respectively.

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 6049(b)(2)(C), as redesignated by subsection (a), is amended by striking “subparagraph (C)” and inserting “subparagraph (B)”.

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to interest earned after December 31, 2005.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS/MEETINGS

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Rules and Administration will meet on Wednesday, February 8, 2006, at 2 p.m., to conduct a hearing to examine procedures to bring greater transparency to the legislative process.

For further information regarding this hearing, please contact Susan Wells at the Rules and Administration Committee on 224-6352.

PERMANENT SUBCOMMITTEE ON INVESTIGATIONS

Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations of the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs will hold a field hearing in St. Paul, MN, entitled “Volatility in the Natural Gas Market: The Impact of High Natural Gas Prices on American Consumers,” regarding the subcommittee’s investigations into the natural gas market and allegations that price and supply manipulation have caused increasingly high and volatile natural gas prices. The subcommittee intends to hold a hearing to examine the impact higher prices have on the economy, business, and families, and the government’s role in ensuring that natural gas prices are determined in a competitive and informed marketplace.

The subcommittee hearing is scheduled for Friday, February 10, 2006, at 10 a.m., at the James J. Hill Reference Library at 80 West 4th Street in St. Paul, MN. For further information, please contact Raymond V. Shepherd, III, staff director and chief counsel to the Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, at 224-3721.

AUTHORITIES FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2006, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on “Proposals to Reform the National Flood Insurance Program.”

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, February 2, 2006, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a hearing on tax treaties.

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, February 2, 2006, at 2:30 p.m., to hold a hearing on nominations.

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Thursday, February 2, 2006, at 10 a.m. for a hearing titled, “Hurricane Katrina: The Role of the Governors in Managing the Catastrophe.”

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on “Executive Nominations” on Thursday, February 2, 2006 at 10 a.m. in Hart Senate Office Building, Room 226.

Panel I: Members of Congress TBA

Panel II: Paul J. McNulty to be Deputy Attorney General

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

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS’ AFFAIRS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, February 2, 2006, for a committee hearing titled “The Jobs for Veterans Act Three Years Later: Are VETS’ Employment Programs Working for Veterans?”

The hearing will take place in room 418 of the Russell Senate Office Building at 10:30 a.m.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select

Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2006 at 10 a.m. to hold an open hearing on the World Threat.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on February 2, 2006 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed hearing.

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet tomorrow, February 2, 2006 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. in Hart 216 for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. DORGAN. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator SCHUMER, I ask unanimous consent that Tovah Calderon, a detailee from the Department of Justice, be granted the privilege of the floor during today’s session.

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

NATIONAL WEEK OF PRAYER FOR UGANDA

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 366, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 366) affirming the importance of increased international action and a national week of prayer for the Ugandan victims of Joseph Kony’s Lord’s Resistance Army, and expressing the sense of the Senate that Sudan, Uganda, and the international community bring justice and humanitarian assistance to Northern Uganda and that February 2 through 9, 2006 should be designated as a national week of prayer and reflection for the people of Uganda.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. INHOFE. Mr. President, I want to speak about a matter of urgency and extreme concern to me that is going on right now in Uganda.

As my colleagues may know, I have spent much time in Africa, particularly in Uganda, talking with President Museveni.

The major issue that he and I discussed is the ongoing terrorist tragedy in his country. The Lord’s Resistance Army, LRA, is a rebel paramilitary group formed in 1987 operating mainly in northern Uganda and southern Sudan. The group is engaged in an armed rebellion against the Ugandan