

(1) The United States Government should be well prepared for the eventual redeployment of United States forces from Iraq.

(2) The redeployment of United States forces from Iraq will take careful planning in order to ensure the safety and security of members of the Armed Forces.

(3) The United States Government should take into account various contingencies that might impact the redeployment of United States forces from Iraq.

(4) Congressional oversight plays a valuable role in ensuring the national security of the United States and the safety and security of the men and women of the Armed Forces.

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—Not later than 45 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall, in coordination with the Secretary of State and the Joint Chiefs of Staff, submit to Congress a report on contingency planning for the redeployment of United States forces from Iraq.

(c) ELEMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The report required by subsection (b) shall include the following:

(A) A detailed description of the process by which contingency planning by the United States Government for the redeployment of United States forces from Iraq is occurring.

(B) A detailed description and assessment of the various contingencies for the redeployment of United States forces from Iraq that are being considered for planning purposes.

(C) A detailed description and assessment of the possible impact of each contingency described in subparagraph (B) on United States forces in Iraq.

(D) A detailed description of the resources and capabilities required to redeploy United States forces from Iraq under each of the contingencies described in subparagraph (B).

(E) A detailed description of the diplomatic efforts that will be required in support of each contingency described in subparagraph (B).

(F) A detailed description of the information operations and public affairs efforts that will be required in support of each contingency described in subparagraph (B).

(G) A detailed description of the evolving mission profile of United States forces under each contingency described in subparagraph (B).

(H) A cost estimate for each contingency described in subparagraph (B), including a cost estimate for the replacement of United States military equipment left in Iraq after redeployment.

(I) A detailed description of the results of any modeling and simulation efforts by the departments and agencies of the United States Government on each contingency described in subparagraph (B).

(2) CERTAIN SCENARIOS.—The report shall include contingency planning for each of the scenarios as follows:

(A) The commencement of the reduction of the number of United States forces in Iraq not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

(B) The transition of the United States military mission in Iraq to—

- (i) training Iraqi security forces;
- (ii) conducting targeted counter-terrorism operations; and
- (iii) protecting United States facilities and personnel.

(C) The completion of the transition of United States forces to a limited presence and missions in Iraq as described in subparagraph (B) not later than April 30, 2008.

(d) FORM.—The report required by subsection (b) shall be submitted in classified form, but shall include an unclassified summary.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

### COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. OBAMA. 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 September 19, 2007, at 10 a.m., to mark up H.R. 835, the Hawaiian Homeownership Opportunity Act of 2007; S. 1518, the Community Partnership to End Homelessness Act of 2007; and an original bill entitled the FHA Modernization Act of 2007.

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

### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., to hold a nomination hearing.

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

### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 3 p.m., to hold a hearing on protecting natural treasures through international organizations.

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

### COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., in room 628 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing on the process of Federal recognition of Indian tribes.

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

### COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on S. 1905, the Regional Presidential Primary and Caucus Act of 2007, to provide for a rotating schedule for regional selection of delegates to a national nominating convention, and for other purposes.

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

### COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent for the Committee on Veterans' Affairs to be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, in order to conduct an oversight hearing on information technology within the Department of Veterans Affairs. The Committee will meet in Dirksen 562, at 9:30 a.m.

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

### JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Joint Economic Committee be authorized to conduct a hearing entitled, "Evolution of an Economic Crisis?: The Subprime Lending Disaster and the Threat to the Broader Economy", in Room 216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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

### SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet on, Wednesday, September 19, 2007, from 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m., in room SD-106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

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

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE LAW

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, be authorized to conduct a hearing entitled "The 'Material Support' Bar: Denying Refuge to the Persecuted?" on Wednesday, September 19, 2007 at 2:30 p.m., in the Dirksen Senate Office Building room 226.

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

### SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION SAFETY, INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY, AND WATER QUALITY

Mr. OBAMA. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Transportation Safety, Infrastructure Security, and Water Quality be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 19, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in order to conduct a hearing entitled, "Meeting America's Wastewater Infrastructure Needs in the 21st Century."

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

## PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. DORGAN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that Deron Waldron be permitted floor privileges for this debate.

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

## TO PROVIDE SEPARATION PAY FOR HOST COUNTRY RESIDENT PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTORS OF THE PEACE CORPS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 3528, received from the House and at the desk.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows: