

an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

At the end of Title I, insert the following:
SEC. II. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in conveying the Twin Cities Research Center under the authority provided by Public Law 104-14, as amended by Public Law 104-208, the Secretary may accept and retain land and other forms of reimbursement: Provided, That the Secretary may retain and use any such reimbursement until expended and without further appropriation: (1) for the benefit of the National Wildlife Refuge System within the State of Minnesota; and (2) for all activities authorized by Public Law 100-696, U.S.C., 460 zz.

KERREY AMENDMENT NO. 1652

Mr. BYRD (for Mr. Kerrey) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

On page 13, line 9, after the word "expended" include: "of which to exceed \$1,000,000 shall be available to the Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge for land acquisition."

On page 13, line 8, strike "\$55,244,000" and insert "\$6,244,000".

BOND AMENDMENT NO. 1653

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. BOND) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

On page 17, line 22 insert before the colon the following: ", of which \$500,000 shall be available for the Wilson's Creek National Battlefield."

HOLLINGS AMENDMENT NO. 1654

Mr. BYRD (for Mr. HOLLINGS) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

On page 18, line 19 before the period insert the following: "and of which \$200,000 shall be available for the acquisition of lands at Fort Sumter National Monument".

ABRAHAM AMENDMENT NO. 1655

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. ABRAHAM) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

On page 10, line 16, after "herein," insert "of which \$150,000 shall be available to Michigan State University toward creation of a community development database, and".

WARNER AMENDMENT NO. 1656

Mr. GORTON (for Mr. WARNER) proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

On page 24, at the end of line 10 insert the following before the comma: "Provided further, That not to exceed \$198,000 shall be available to carry out the requirements of Section 215(b)(2) of the Water Resources Development Act of 1999".

GORTON AMENDMENT NO 1657

Mr. GORTON proposed an amendment to the bill, H.R. 2466, supra; as follows:

At the end of Title III of the bill, add the following:

Sec. . Each amount of budget authority for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000,

provided in this Act for payments not required by law, is hereby reduced by .34 percent: *Provided*, That such reductions shall be applied ratably to each account, program, activity, and project provided for in this Act."

NOTICE OF HEARING

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that a hearing of the Subcommittee on Public Health, Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will be held on Thursday, September 16, 1999, 10:00 a.m., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The subject of the hearing is Children's Health. For further information, please call the committee, 202/224-5375.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 1999, in open session, to receive testimony concerning the sinking of the U.S.S. *Indianapolis* and the subsequent court-martial of Rear Admiral Charles B. McVay III, USN.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 14, for purposes of conducting a full committee hearing which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on S. 1052, the Northern Marianas Island Covenant Implementation Act.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on "Education Readiness" during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 14, 1999, at 10:00 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, the Committee on the Judiciary requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, September 14, 1999 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in Room 226 Dirksen.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President. The Committee on the Judiciary requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, September 14, 1999 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in Room 226 Dirksen.

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

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate for a hearing entitled "Slotting: Fair for Small Business & Consumers?" The hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 14, 1999, beginning at 9:30 a.m. in room 608 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, AND REGULATION

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production, and Regulation of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 14, for purposes of conducting a subcommittee hearing, which is scheduled to begin immediately after the full committee hearing. The purpose of this hearing is to receive testimony on S. 1051, a bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to manage the Strategic Petroleum Reserve more effectively, and for other purposes.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE, PEACE CORPS, NARCOTICS AND TERRORISM

Mr. COVERDELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Peace Corps, Narcotics and Terrorism of the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 14, 1999, at 9:00 am to hold a hearing.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

MURRAY B. LIGHT, EDITOR OF THE BUFFALO NEWS

• Mr. MOYNIHAN. Mr. President, Murray B. Light will end his career in journalism on September 19th, the 50th anniversary of his first day at The Buffalo News. Throughout his long and outstanding tenure at The News, he has had a profound influence on Buffalo and Western New York. He will be greatly missed.

Murray and I have been friends for many years. On one occasion, during