

SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

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For further information, please call Trici Heninger or Howard Useem at (202) 224-7875.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ENERGY RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION, AND REGULATION

Mr. NICKLES. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that an oversight hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development, Production, and Regulation.

The hearing will take place on Friday, March 31, 2000 at 9:00 a.m. in room SH-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C.

The purpose of this hearing is to review the Department of Energy's findings at the Gaseous Diffusion Plant in Paducah, Kentucky and to receive testimony regarding the Department of Energy's plans for cleanup at the site.

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For further information, please call Trici Heninger, Staff Assistant or Colleen Deegan, Counsel at (202) 224-8115.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at 9:30 a.m., in open session to consider the nominations of the Honorable Rudy de Leon to be Deputy Secretary of Defense and Mr. Douglas A. Dworkin to be general counsel of the Department of Defense.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at 9:30 a.m. on impact of interactive violence on children.

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at 2:30 p.m. to hold a hearing.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on E-Drugs, Who Regulates Internet Pharmacies? during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, at 9:30 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at 10:30 a.m. to conduct a hearing on S. 2102, a bill to establish a permanent homeland for the Timbisha Shoshone. The hearing will be held in the Committee room, 485 Russell Senate Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, to markup the SBA and SBIR Reauthorization bills and other pending legislation. The meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. in room 428A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on emerging threats and Capabilities of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at 2:30 p.m., in open session to receive testimony on the Defense Science and Technology Program, in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2001 and the future years Defense program.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EAST ASIAN AND PACIFIC AFFAIRS

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000 at 10:00 a.m. To hold a hearing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON HOUSING AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Housing and Transportation of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2000, to conduct a hearing on "HUD's Public Housing Assessment System."

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SUPERFUND, WASTE CONTROL, AND RISK ASSESSMENT

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Control, and Risk Assessment be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 2:00 p.m., to conduct a hearing on the current status of cleanup activities under the Superfund program.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, March 21, 10:00 a.m., to conduct a hearing on GSA's FY 2001 Capital Investment and Leasing Program, including the courthouse construction program.

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

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 2262

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I understand S. 2262 is at the desk, and I ask that it be read the first time.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2262) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to institute a Federal fuels tax holiday.

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I now ask for the second reading, and I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

The bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 2263

Mr. BROWNBACK. Mr. President, I understand S. 2263 is at the desk, and I ask that it be read the first time.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows: