

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR,
AND PENSION

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet for a hearing on Stem Cell Research during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at 9:30 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, September 5, 2001 at 2:30 p.m., in Dirksen room 226.

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

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND
ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate for a roundtable entitled "The 7(a) Program: A Look at SBA's Flagship Program's Fees and Subsidy Rate" on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, beginning at 9:45 a.m., in room 428 A of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLAND

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Airland of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 5, 2001 at 9 a.m., in closed session to mark up the Airland programs and provisions contained in the Department of Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2002.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CONSUMER AFFAIRS,
FOREIGN COMMERCE AND TOURISM

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Consumer Affairs, Foreign Commerce and Tourism of the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, September 5, at 9 a.m., on prescription drug pricing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND
CAPABILITIES

Mr. SARBANES. 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 Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at 4:30 p.m., in closed session to mark up the Emerging Threats and Capabilities pro-

grams and provisions contained in the Department of Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2002.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at 11 a.m., in closed session to mark up the Personnel programs and provisions contained in the Department of Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2002.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND
MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at 10 a.m., in closed session to mark up the Readiness and Management programs and provisions contained in the Department of Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2002.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SEAPOWER

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Seapower of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, September 5, 2001, at 3 p.m., in closed session to mark up the Seapower programs and provisions contained in the Department of Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2002.

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

MEASURE READ THE FIRST
TIME—H.R. 2563

Mr. REID. Mr. President, it is my understanding H.R. 2563, just received from the House, is at the desk. I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2563) to amend the Public Health Service Act, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to protect consumers in managed care plans and other health coverage.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT
AGREEMENT—NOMINATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that in any instance where unanimous consent was previously granted in the 107th Congress for the referral of a nomination to more than one committee, such unanimous consent agreement apply to a second nomination of that individual if a previous nomination was returned to the President under the provisions of rule XXXI, paragraph 6.

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

JOINT MEETING OF THE TWO
HOUSES—ADDRESS BY THE
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
MEXICAN STATES

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort the President of the United Mexican States into the House Chamber for the joint meeting on Thursday, September 6, 2001.

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

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY,
SEPTEMBER 6, 2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 10:30 a.m., Thursday, September 6. I further ask consent that on Thursday, immediately following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate be in a period for morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes each; further, that the Senate recess from 10:40 a.m. until 12 noon for the joint meeting with President Fox, and that when the Senate reconvenes at 12 noon, the Senate resume consideration of the Export Administration Act.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we will convene at 10:30 a.m., as indicated earlier by Senator SARBANES. I hope to have a unanimous consent agreement for the purpose of disposing of S. 149. Senators should be in the Chamber by 10:40 to proceed to the House Chamber for a joint meeting with President Fox of Mexico. The Senate will recess from 10:40 until 12 noon for that joint meeting.