

report of the Thirtymile Fire and the prevention of future fire fatalities.

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AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. 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 October 17, 2001 to conduct a hearing on the nominations of Dr. Susan Schmidt Bies, of Tennessee, to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; and Mr. Mark W. Olson, of Minnesota, to be a member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, October 17, 2001, at 9:30 a.m. on pending committee business, including Rail Security.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet on Wednesday, October 17, 2001, at 9:30 a.m. to conduct a hearing to consider the following nominations: William W. Baxter to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority; Kimberly Terese Nelson to be an Assistant Administrator of the Office of Environmental Information, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; and Steven A. Williams to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior.

The hearing will be held in room 406 of the Senate Dirksen Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, October 17, 2001, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing entitled "Federal Efforts to Coordinate and Prepare the United States for Bioterrorism: Are They Adequate?"

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on

Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 17, 2001, at 2:30 p.m. to hold a nomination hearing.

Nominees: Mr. Brian Carlson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia; Mr. Joseph DeThomas, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia; Ms. Bonnie McElveen-Hunter, of North Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland; Mr. John Ordway, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Armenia; Mr. John Palmer, of Mississippi, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Portugal; and Mr. Clifford Sobel, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, October 17, 2001, at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed hearing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON IMMIGRATION

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, October 17, 2001, at 10:30 a.m. in Dirksen 226 on "Effective Immigration Controls To Deter Terrorism."

Panel I: Mary Ryan, Assistant Secretary of State for Consular Affairs, Department of State, Washington, DC; Mr. Lino Gutierrez, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State, Washington, DC; Mr. James Ziglar, Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, DC.

Panel II: Ms. Jeanne Butterfield, Executive Director, American Immigration Lawyer's Association, Washington, DC; Dr. Demetrios Papademetriou, Co-Director, Migration Policy Institute, Washington, DC; Mr. Richard Norton, Executive Director, International Biometric Industry Association, Fairfax, VA.

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

ESTABLISHING A MEMORIAL TO HONOR TOMAS G. MASARYK

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1161 which is being held at the desk.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1161) to authorize the American Friends of the Czech Republic to establish a memorial to honor Tomas G. Masaryk in the District of Columbia.

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

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent the bill be read the third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (H.R. 1161) was read the third time and passed.

TO AUTHORIZE COMMEMORATIVE WORK TO HONOR PRESIDENT JOHN ADAMS AND FAMILY

Mr. REID. I ask consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 179, H.R. 1668.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1668) to authorize the Adams Memorial Foundation to establish commemorative work on Federal land in the District of Columbia and its environs to honor former President John Adams and his family.

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

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the bill be read three times, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating thereto appear at the proper place in the RECORD as if given, with no intervening action or debate.

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

The bill (H.R. 1668) was read the third time and passed.

THE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. I ask consent that the Senate proceed en bloc to the consideration of the following calendar numbers: Calendar No. 171, No. 172, No. 173, No. 174, No. 175, No. 176, No. 177, and No. 178.

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

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that the following amendments be considered and agreed to en bloc: with respect to Calendar No. 174, S. 1097, the Bingaman amendment, No. 1903; and Calendar No. 175, S. 1105, the Thomas amendment, No. 1904; and the motions to reconsider be laid on the table en bloc.

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

Mr. REID. I further ask unanimous consent any committee amendments, where applicable, be agreed to; the bills, as amended, where applicable, be read three times, passed, and the motions to reconsider be laid on the table en bloc; any statements relating to these matters be printed in the RECORD at the appropriate place as if read; and that the consideration of these items appear separately in the RECORD with no intervening action or debate.