(5) Subcontracts.—The health care consumer ombudsman office of a State may carry out activities and provide services through contracts entered into with 1 or more non-profit entities so long as the office can demonstrate that all of the requirements of this section are complied with by the office.

(6) Term.—A contract entered into under this subsection shall be for a term of 3 years.

(c) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the Secretary first awards grants under this section, and annually thereafter, the Secretary shall prepare and submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report concerning the activities funded under this section and the effectiveness of such activities in resolving health care-related problems and grievances.

(d) Authorization of Appropriations.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

NOTICES OF HEARINGS
COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on S. 1006, the Renewable Fuels for Energy Security Act of 2001.

The hearing, chaired by Senator Tim Johnson, will take place on Friday, June 7, at 9:30 a.m., at the Minnehaha County Administration Building, 415 N. Dakota Avenue, 2nd Floor, County Commission Meeting Room, Sioux Falls, SD.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Shirley Neff, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Shirley Neff at 202/224–6689.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on legislative proposals related to energy efficiency, including S. 352, the Energy Emergency Response Act of 2001; title XIII of S. 597, the Comprehensive and Balanced Energy Policy Act of 2001; sections 602–606 of S. 388, the National Energy Security Act of 2001; S. 95, the Federal Energy Bank Act; S.J. Res. 15, providing for congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to the postponement of the effective date of energy conservation standards for central air conditioners.

The hearing will take place on Friday, July 13, at 9:30 a.m. in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Deborah Estes, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Deborah Estes at 202/224–5360.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on legislative proposals related to reducing the demand for petroleum products in the light duty vehicle sector, including titles II and XII of S. 388, the Comprehensive and Balanced Energy Policy Act of 2001; title VII of S. 388, the National Energy Security Act of 2001; S. 883, the Energy Independence Act of 2001; S. 1053, Hydrogen Future Act of 2001; and S. 1006, Renewable Fuels for Energy Security Policy.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, July 17, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Shirley Neff, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Shirley Neff at 202/224–6689.

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—SENATE

June 29, 2001

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on legislative proposals related to energy and scientific research, development, technology deployment, education, and training, including sections 107, 114, 115, 607, title II, and subtitle B of title IV of S. 388, the National Energy Security Act of 2001; sections VII, XI and Division E of S. 597, the Comprehensive and Balanced Energy Policy Act of 2001; sections 112, 121, 122, 123, 125, 127, 201, 205, title IV and title V of S. 472, the Nuclear Energy Electricity Supply Assurance Act of 2001; and S. 90, the Department of Energy Nanoscale Science and Engineering Research Act; S. 193, the Department of Energy Advanced Scientific Computing Act; S. 242, the Department of Energy University Nuclear Science and Engineering Act of 2000; section 601 of S. 597, the Nuclear Power Partnership Improvement Act of 2001; and S. 636, a bill to direct the Secretary of Energy to establish a decommissioning pilot program to decommission and decontaminate the sodium-cooled fast breeder experimental test-site reactor located in northwest Arkansas.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, July 18, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Robert Simon, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Robert M. Simon at 202–224–4103.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on proposals related to removing barriers to distributed generation, renewable energy, and other advanced technologies in electricity generation and transmission, including section 301 and title VI of S. 388, the Comprehensive and Balanced Energy Policy Act of 2001; sections 110, 111, 719, and 711 of S. 388, the National Energy Security Act of 2001; and S. 933, the Combined Heat and Power Advancement Act of 2001. In addition, the hearing will consider proposals relating to the hydroelectric relicensing procedures of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, including title VII of S. 388, title VII of S. 597; and S. 71, the Hydroelectric Licensing Process Improvement Act of 2001.
The hearing will take place on Thursday, July 19, 2001, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD–336 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Deborah Estes, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please contact Deborah Estes at (202) 224–5360 or Mary Katherine Ishee at (202) 224–7865.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on proposals related to global climate change and measures to mitigate greenhouse gas emissions, including S. 597, the Comprehensive and Balanced Energy Policy Act of 2001; S. 388, the National Energy Security Act of 2001; and S. 820, the Forest Resources for the Environment and the Economy Act.

The hearing will take place on Tuesday, July 24, at 9:30 a.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Shirley Neff, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Shirley Neff at 202/224–6689.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources has scheduled a hearing to receive testimony on S. 976, the California Ecosystem, Water Supply, and Water Quality Enhancement Act of 2001.

The hearing will take place on July 19 at 2:30 p.m., in room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

Those wishing to submit written statements on the legislation should address them to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Attn: Patty Beneke, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510.

For further information, please call Patty Beneke at 202/224–5451.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Krisann Kleibacker, a fellow in Senator Daschle’s office, be granted the privilege of the floor during debate on S. 1052.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. DASCHLE. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations: No. 166, Nos. 169 through 181, including the nominations on the Secretary’s desk; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc, the motions to reconsider be laid on the table en bloc, the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations were considered and confirmed as follows:

AIR FORCE

To be major general
Brig. Gen. Neal A. McCaleb, of Oklahoma, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

To be brigadier general
Col. Tex W. Tanberg, Jr., 0000.

NAVY

To be major general

To be lieutenant general

ARMY

To be major general

To be lieutenant general

To be lieutenant colonel
Cpt. Joseph F. Heiser, Jr., 0000.
Capt. Ronald A. Perry, 0000.

To be colonel

AIR FORCE

To be vice admiral
Rear Adm. Patricia A. Tracey, 0000.

To be captain

NAVY

To be rear admiral
Rear Adm. John W. Wood, 0000.

To be commander
Comdr. Roger O. Moeller, 0000.

To be lieutenant commander

ARMY

To be lieutenant colonel
1st Lt. Steven T. Klinkenberg, 0000.

To be captain
Capt. Christopher W. Titus, 0000.

To be second lieutenant
2d Lt. Patricia A. Morse, 0000.

MARINE CORPS

To be major
Capt. Michael J. Connolly, 0000.

To be captain
Capt. Joseph L. DeBlasiis, 0000.