

meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 3 p.m. in 428A Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing entitled "Tax Reform: Removing Barriers to Small Business Growth."

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The Committee on Veterans' Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 2:30 p.m. in SR-418, to conduct a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2018 Budget for Veterans' Programs and Fiscal Year 2019 Advance Appropriations Requests.

COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Special Committee on Aging is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, to conduct a hearing entitled "Military Caregivers: Families Serving for the Long Run." The Committee will meet in room 106 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building beginning at 2:30 p.m.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES
SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

The Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources' Subcommittee on Water and Power is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate in order to hold a hearing on Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 2 p.m. in Room 366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EUROPE

The Committee on Foreign Relations Subcommittee on Europe is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 2:30 p.m., to hold a hearing entitled

"Southeast Europe: Strengthening Democracy and Countering Malign Foreign Influence."

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. KENNEDY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that privileges of the floor be granted to a member of my staff, Patrick Flanigan.

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

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

PROVIDING FOR STAYS DURING A PERIOD THAT THE MERIT SYSTEMS PROTECTION BOARD LACKS A QUORUM

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate the message to accompany S. 1083.

The Presiding Officer laid before the Senate the following message from the House of Representatives:

Resolved, That the bill from the Senate (S. 1083) entitled "An Act to amend section 1214 of title 5, United States Code, to provide for stays during a period that the Merit Systems Protection Board lacks a quorum.", do pass with an amendment.

Mr. GARDNER. I move to concur in the House amendment, and I ask unan-

imous consent that the motion be agreed to and the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 15, 2017

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Thursday, June 15; further, that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and morning business be closed; finally, that following leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of S. 722, as under the previous order.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it stand adjourned under the previous order and that our prayers be with the Capitol Police and the Members of Congress who were hurt today.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:44 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, June 15, 2017, at 9:30 a.m.