

SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to review S. 988, a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer administrative jurisdiction over certain land to the Secretary of the Army to facilitate construction of a jetty and sand transfer system and S. 1805, a bill to provide for the management of Voyageurs National Park.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send two copies of their testimony to the Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, 364 Dirksen Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510-6150.

For further information, please contact Jim O'Toole of the subcommittee staff at (202) 224-5161.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES, SUBCOMMITTEE ON PARKS, HISTORIC PRESERVATION, AND RECREATION

Mr. CAMPBELL. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Parks, Historic Preservation, and Recreation of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place on Thursday, July 25, 1996, at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this hearing is to review S. 1699, a bill to establish the National Cave and Karst Research Institute in the State of New Mexico; S. 1737, a bill to protect Yellowstone National Park, the Clarks Fork of the Yellowstone National Wild and Scenic River and the Absaroka-Beartooth National Wilderness Area; and S. 1809, the "Aleutian World War II National Historic Sites Act of 1996".

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COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public an addition to the agenda of the Full Committee hearing previously scheduled for Wednesday, June 26 at 9:30 a.m. in Room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

In addition to receiving testimony on matters regarding the U.S. Territories,

the Committee will also receive testimony on S. 1889, a bill to authorize the exchange of certain lands conveyed to the Kenai Native Association pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, to make adjustments to the National Wilderness System, and for other purposes.

Those wishing to testify or who wish to submit written statements with regard to S. 1889, should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. Presentation of oral testimony is by Committee invitation. For further information, please contact Jo Meuse or Brian Malnak.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be allowed to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 19, 1996, to consider the committee's budget reconciliation instructions.

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

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. COATS. 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 Wednesday, June 19, 1996, to conduct a mark-up of S. 1815, the "Securities Investment Promotion Act of 1995".

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be allowed to meet during the Wednesday, June 19, 1996 session of the Senate for the purpose of conducting a hearing on Salmon Recovery Research.

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

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be granted permission to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 19, 1996, for purposes of conducting a Full Committee business meeting which is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. The purpose of this meeting is to consider pending calendar business.

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

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, the Finance Committee requests unanimous consent to conduct a hearing on Wednesday, June 19, 1996, beginning at 10:00 a.m. in room SD-215.

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

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 19, 1996 at 9:30 a.m. to conduct a mark-up on Title III of H.R. 3286, the Adoption Promotion and Stability Act of 1996. The mark-up will be held in Room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 19, 1996, to hold an executive business meeting.

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

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND ADMINISTRATION

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Rules and Administration be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, June 18, 1996 beginning at 9:00 a.m., and Wednesday, June 19, 1996, beginning at 9:30 a.m. until business is completed, to hold a hearing on Public Access to Government Information in the 21st Century, with a focus on the GPO Depository Library Program/Title 44.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. COATS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, June 19, 1996 at 9:00 a.m. to hold an open hearing on Intelligence Matters and at 2:00 p.m. to hold a closed business meeting.

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

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### PROPOSED MERGER BETWEEN THE UNION PACIFIC AND SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILROADS

• Mr. BOND. Mr. President, when Congress passed legislation last year transferring the authority to review proposed rail mergers from the former Interstate Commerce Commission to the Surface Transportation Board, a major issue of concern in the Senate was whether or not the Board should retain exclusive jurisdiction over ensuring that healthy competition is protected before any proposed merger is approved. That congressionally imposed responsibility is indeed important and its first major test will be seen soon when the Board issues its decision on the proposed merger of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific Railroads.

Never before has such a large consolidation of control over rail traffic been