

activity that would permit the transfer of water from the Missouri River Basin into Devils Lake".

NOTICE OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Mr. JEFFORDS. Mr. President, I would like to announce for information of the Senate and the public that a hearing of the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources will be held on Thursday, July 17, 1997, 2 p.m., in SD-430 of the Senate Dirksen Building. The subject of the hearing is Improving the Quality of Child Care. For further information, please call the committee, 202/224-5375.

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I would like to announce that a full committee hearing has been scheduled before the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

The hearing will take place Tuesday, July 29, 1997, 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 receive testimony on S. 967, a bill to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, and for other purposes, and S. 1015, a bill to provide for the exchange of lands within Admiralty Island National Monument, and for other purposes.

Those who wish to testify or to submit written testimony should write to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, U.S. Senate, Washington, DC 20510. Presentation of oral testimony is by committee invitation only. For further information, please contact Jo Meuse or Brian Malnak at (202) 224-6730.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent on behalf of the Governmental Affairs Committee Special Investigation to meet on Tuesday, July 15, at 10 a.m. for a hearing on campaign financing issues.

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 15, 1997, at 10 a.m., 2 p.m., and 4 p.m. to hold hearings.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary, be authorized to hold an executive business meeting during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 15, 1997, at 2 p.m., in

room 226 of the Senate Dirksen Office Building.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT AND THE COURTS

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 15, 1997, at 10 a.m. to hold a hearing in room 226, Senate Dirksen Building, on: "Judicial Activism: Assessing the Impact."

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AND REGULATORY RELIEF

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Regulatory Relief and the Subcommittee on Housing Opportunity and Community Development of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet jointly during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, July 15, 1997, to conduct a hearing on the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act [RESPA], the Truth in Lending Act [TILA] and problems surrounding the mortgage origination process.

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

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO THE TOWN OF BARRINGTON ON ITS 275TH ANNIVERSARY

• Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the town of Barrington, NH. On July 20, 1997, the people of Barrington will gather in celebration of the 275th anniversary of the town's charter.

On May 10, 1722 Gov. Samuel Shute signed Barrington's charter on behalf of King George I, encouraging the settlement of a new plantation of 50 dwelling houses, a meeting house for public worship, a parsonage, and a school. However, when Barrington's first settlers crossed the 20 miles between the harbor town of Portsmouth and their new plots of white pine forest land, they found the terrain wrought with the tough, plow-bending granite which has come to make New Hampshire famous. Early accounts depict fields overrun with rattle snakes and forests brimming with less-than-hospitable native tribes.

Nevertheless, in quintessential Yankee fashion, the people of Barrington cut out a tiny foothold for themselves. Together, they burned back the brush, felled the towering hardwoods, and quarried the granite using crude hand-held drills and chisels. By 1742, granite boulders had been hewn into foundations and apple orchards had been planted. By 1750, Barrington's lumber

mills were providing the timber for ships' masts in England, posts and beams for homes in surrounding towns, and chord wood for firing the seacoast's early ironworks.

Mr. President, on Sunday I will join with the people of Barrington on the steps of its landmark Calef's Country Store to commemorate this historic birthday. Since its rudimentary beginnings the town of Barrington has grown into a prosperous township of 6,600 people. Joining me on Sunday will be members of Barrington's volunteer fire department, Barrington's volunteer emergency medical service and Barrington's volunteer youth association. I am pleased to report the unwavering dedication to community is alive and well in Barrington after 275 years.

Happy birthday, Barrington. Live Free or Die.●

TRIBUTE TO THE 1997 GRADUATES OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF HEALTH PLANS' MINORITY MANAGEMENT DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

• Ms. MIKULSKI. Mr. President, I rise today to congratulate 14 individuals who recently completed the American Association of Health Plans [AAHP] Minority Management Development Program [MMDP]. This intensive year-long fellowship program prepares minority managers for middle management positions in network-based health plans.

The 1997 graduates are: Cheryl Bitoun, M.H.A.; Michelle Browne, M.P.A., M.S.W.; Kendrick Carpenter; Janice Cartera; Bernadette Cooper, M.H.A.; Lisa Lawrence Eggleston, R.N., M.H.A.; Juli Harkins, M.S.H.A.; Lisa Little Axe; Elizabeth Mendoza, M.B.A., M.H.A.; and Erik Thorne, M.P.H.

The Minority Management Development Program was created in 1994 when AAHP and the health plan community recognized the need to develop diverse management teams—especially in light of the growing number of minorities joining health plans. Since the MMDP's inception in 1992, 42 fellows of diverse ethnic backgrounds have participated in this innovative management training program and have distinguished themselves as leaders throughout the health care community. The MMDP is a comprehensive program designed to provide managerial training, work experience, and knowledge of health plans through focused didactic and practical interactive training opportunities. The program's varied curriculum is focused on key health care related management tools, including quality management and accreditation, marketing, delivery systems, financial management, and operations.

Fellows in the 1997 class trained at health plans in Washington, DC, and in several neighboring counties in Maryland. This year's training sites were Kaiser Foundation Health Plan/Mid-Atlantic States, Rockville, MD; NYLCare