

which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 37, between lines 14 and 15, insert the following:

SEC. 305. SENSE OF THE SENATE.

- (a) FINDINGS.—The Senate finds that—
 - (1) the right to vote is fundamental under the United States Constitution;
 - (2) all Americans should be able to vote unimpeded by antiquated technology, administrative difficulties, or other undue barriers;
 - (3) States and localities have shown great interest in modernizing their voting and election systems, but require financial assistance from the Federal Government;
 - (4) more than one Standing Committee of the Senate is in the course of holding hearings on the subject of election reform; and
 - (5) election reform is not ready for consideration in the context of the current debate concerning campaign finance reform, but requires additional attention from committees before consideration by the full Senate.
- (b) SENSE OF THE SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that the Senate should schedule election reform legislation for floor debate not later than June 29, 2001.

SA 136. Mr. HATCH proposed an amendment to the bill S. 27, to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to provide bipartisan campaign reform; as follows:

On page 37, between lines 14 and 15, and insert the following:

SEC. 305. DISCLOSURE OF DISBURSEMENTS OF UNION DUES, FEES, AND ASSESSMENTS OR CORPORATE FUNDS FOR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

Title III of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 304 the following:

“SEC. 304A. DISCLOSURE OF DISBURSEMENTS OF UNION DUES, FEES, AND ASSESSMENTS OR CORPORATE FUNDS FOR POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

“(a) IN GENERAL.—Any corporation or labor organization (including a separate segregated fund established and maintained by such entity) that makes a disbursement for political activity or a contribution or expenditure during an election cycle shall submit a written report for such cycle—

“(1) in the case of a corporation, to each of its shareholders; and

“(2) in the case of a labor organization, to each employee within the labor organization’s bargaining unit or units; disclosing the portion of the labor organization’s income from dues, fees, and assessments or the corporation’s funds that was expended directly or indirectly for political activities, contributions, and expenditures during such election cycle.

“(b) CONTENTS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The report submitted under subsection (a) shall disclose information regarding the dues, fees, and assessments spent at each level of the labor organization and by each international, national, State, and local component or council, and each affiliate of the labor organization and information on funds of a corporation spent by each subsidiary of such corporation showing the amount of dues, fees, and assessments or corporate funds disbursed in the following categories:

“(A) Direct activities, such as cash contributions to candidates and committees of political parties.

“(B) Internal and external communications relating to specific candidates, political causes, and committees of political parties.

“(C) Internal disbursements by the labor organization or corporation to maintain, operate, and solicit contributions for a separate segregated fund.

“(D) Voter registration drives, State and precinct organizing on behalf of candidates and committees of political parties, and get-out-the-vote campaigns.

“(2) IDENTIFY CANDIDATE OR CAUSE.—For each of the categories of information described in a subparagraph of paragraph (1), the report shall identify the candidate for public office on whose behalf disbursements were made or the political cause or purpose for which the disbursements were made.

“(3) CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES.—The report under subsection (a) shall also list all contributions or expenditures made by separated segregated funds established and maintained by each labor organization or corporation.

“(c) TIME TO MAKE REPORTS.—A report required under subsection (a) shall be submitted not later than January 30 of the year beginning after the end of the election cycle that is the subject of the report.

“(d) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

“(1) ELECTION CYCLE.—The term ‘election cycle’ means, with respect to an election, the period beginning on the day after the date of the previous general election for Federal office and ending on the date of the next general election for Federal office.

“(2) POLITICAL ACTIVITY.—The term ‘political activity’ means—

“(A) voter registration activity;

“(B) voter identification or get-out-the-vote activity;

“(C) a public communication that refers to a clearly identified candidate for Federal office and that expressly advocates support for or opposition to a candidate for Federal office; and

“(D) disbursements for television or radio broadcast time, print advertising, or polling for political activities.”

NOTICES OF HEARINGS

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. LUGAR. Mr. President, I would like to announce that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry will meet on March 27, 2001, in SR-328A at 9 a.m. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the Research, Extension and Education title of the farm bill.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct an oversight hearing. The committee will review current U.S. energy trends and recent changes in energy markets.

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

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at 2 p.m., to hold a hearing.

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

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select

Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at 3 p.m., to hold a closed hearing on intelligence matters.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON CLEAN AIR, WETLANDS, PRIVATE PROPERTY AND NUCLEAR SAFETY

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Clean Air, Wetlands, Private Property and Nuclear Safety be authorized to meet on Wednesday, March 21, at 9:30 a.m., on the Clean Air Act with regard to the nation’s energy policy.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON READINESS AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at 9:30 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on installation readiness, in review of the Defense authorization request for fiscal year 2002 and the future years’ Defense program.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON SURFACE TRANSPORTATION AND MERCHANT MARINE

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet on Wednesday, March 21, 2001, at 9:30 a.m., on oversight of the Surface Transportation Board.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, at 2 p.m., to conduct an oversight hearing. The subcommittee will receive testimony on the Klamath Project in Oregon, including implementation of PL 106-498 and how the project might operate in what is projected to be a short water year.

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

DESIGNATING UNITED STATES POST OFFICE FACILITIES AT 620 JACARANDA STREET IN LANAI CITY, HAWAII, AND AT 2305 MINTON ROAD IN WEST MELBOURNE, FLORIDA

Mr. McCONNELL. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration, en bloc, of the following post office naming bills that are at the desk: H.R. 395 and H.R. 132.