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On page 158, line 10, after "Service," insert "\$2,000,000 shall be for National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for advanced remote sensing programs at the Center for Southeastern Tropical Advanced Remote Sensing, and":

SA 1691. Mr. NELSON of Florida submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

SEC. 304. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to undermine or otherwise limit the ability of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to continue—

(1) to make available forecasts and warnings of the National Weather Service, in a timely, open, and unrestricted manner using widely accepted information standards, including the Internet; or

(2) to cooperate closely with public safety agencies and other entities, including private sector entities and the media, to achieve the widest possible understanding of information critical to the protection of life and property and the enhancement of the economy of the United States.

SA 1692. Ms. CANTWELL submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 127, line 17, strike "\$4,889,649,000" and insert "\$4,870,349,000".

On page 165, line 24, strike "\$4,345,213,000" and insert "\$4,364,513,000".

On page 166, strike lines 2 and 3 and insert "\$67,300,000 shall be transferred from the National Science Foundation to the U.S. Coast Guard for operation and maintenance of the three polar icebreakers of the U.S. Coast Guard or in".

SA 1693. Mr. WYDEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 170, between lines 9 and 10, insert the following:

SEC. 304. (a) The Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Director of the National Science Foundation shall each establish a database system to assess the effectiveness of the measures taken by the National Aeronautics

and Space Administration or the National Science Foundation, respectively, to monitor and effectuate the compliance of educational institutions receiving Federal financial assistance from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration or the National Science Foundation, respectively, with title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

(b) The information collected and stored by a database system described in subsection (a) shall include—

(1) the key characteristics of each investigator and co-investigator for an application or proposal for Federal financial assistance, including sex, race and ethnicity, institution of higher education attended, degree earned, including the area or discipline and year of the degree, and, for an investigator or co-investigator in postsecondary education, type of academic appointment; and

(2) the amount requested in and the amount awarded for each application or proposal.

(c) In this section:

(1) The term "investigator" means the individual associated with an educational institution who submits an application or proposal, on behalf of the institution, for Federal financial assistance from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration or the National Science Foundation.

(2) The term "co-investigator" means an individual who is listed on an application or proposal for Federal financial assistance from the National Aeronautics and Space Administration or the National Science Foundation as an individual who will collaborate on the program or activity described in the application or proposal but who is not the investigator for such application or proposal.

SA 1694. Mr. LEAHY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2862, making appropriations for Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2006, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 142, after line 3, insert the following:

SEC. _____. The Attorney General shall waive the matching requirement for the purchase of bulletproof vests through the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 1998 for any law enforcement agency that purchased defective Zylon-based body armor with Federal funds pursuant to such Act between October 1, 1998, and September 30, 2005, and seeks to replace that Zylon-based body armor, provided that the law enforcement agency can present documentation to prove the purchase of Zylon-based body armor with funds awarded to it under such Act.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. COBURN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on the nomination of John G. Roberts to be Chief Justice of the United States on Monday, September 12, 2005 at 12 p.m. in the Russell Senate Office Building, Room 325.

Witness List

Panel I: The Honorable Richard G. Lugar, U.S. Senator [R-IN]; the Honor-

able John Warner, U.S. Senator [R-VA]; the Honorable Evan Bayh, United States Senator [D-IN].

Panel II: The Honorable John G. Roberts.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection it is so ordered.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Sally Hamlin, a legislative fellow in my office, be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of debate on S.J. Res. 20.

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

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME EN BLOC—S. 1681, S. 1682, S. 1683, 1684, AND S. 1688

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I understand there are five bills at the desk, and I ask for their first reading en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1681) to provide for reimbursement of communities for purchases of supplies distributed to Katrina Survivors.

A bill (S. 1682) to provide for reimbursement for business revenue lost as a result of the facility being used as emergency shelter for Katrina Survivors.

A bill (S. 1683) to provide relief for students affected by Hurricane Katrina.

A bill (S. 1684) to clarify which expenses relating to emergency shelters for Katrina Survivors are eligible for Federal reimbursement.

A bill (S. 1688) to provide for 100 percent Federal financial assistance under the Medicaid and State children's health insurance programs for States providing medical or child health assistance to survivors of Hurricane Katrina, to provide for an accommodation of the special needs of such survivors under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading and, in order to place the bills on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own requests en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bills will have their second reading on the next legislative day.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE ENHANCED BORROWING AUTHORITY ACT OF 2005

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 3669, which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislation clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3669) to temporarily increase the borrowing authority of the Federal Emergency Management Agency for carrying out the national flood insurance program.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (H.R. 3669) was read the third time, and passed.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, this National Flood Insurance Enhanced Borrowing Authority Act of 2005 is another example of the bills we are bringing to the Senate floor and working on in a bipartisan way because we are addressing quickly, responsively, and aggressively the natural disaster hurricane and its aftermath. There have been several of these bills over the last week, and we will continue to address them as they are presented to us and as they come forward—again, working together in a bipartisan way.

APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 276–276g, as amended, appoints the following Senators as members of the Senate Delegation to the Canada-U.S. Interparliamentary Group during the First Session of the 109th Congress: the Honorable CHARLES E. GRASSLEY of Iowa, the Honorable TRENT LOTT of Mississippi, the Honorable GEORGE V. VOINOVICH of Ohio, the Honorable SAXBY CHAMBLISS of Georgia, and the Honorable RICHARD BURR of North Carolina.

The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 99–498, re-appoints the following individual to a 3-year term, commencing

on October 1, 2005, as a member of the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance: Claude O. Pressnell, Jr., of Tennessee.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2005

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:45 a.m. on Tuesday, September 13. I further ask unanimous consent 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, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes with the first 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee and the final 30 minutes under the control of the minority leader or his designee; provided that following morning business, the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 2862, the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that at 12:10, the Senate resume consideration of S.J. Res. 20; provided further that there then be 20 minutes equally divided for debate between Senators INHOFE and LEAHY or their designees, and that following the debate, the Senate proceed to the vote on adoption of the joint resolution with no intervening action or debate. I further ask unanimous consent that following that vote, the Senate then recess until 2:15 for the weekly policy luncheons.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, under the order just entered, our next vote will be at 12:30 tomorrow on the pending disapproval resolution. Prior to that vote, we will resume consideration of the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill. We will be working in the morning with the two managers to begin to see how many amendments remain and which of the pending amendments are ready for votes. Again, I encourage Members to contact the chairman and ranking member and alert them if they intend to offer an amendment from that list.

Tomorrow, we hope to make good progress on the bill as we move toward final passage. We will alert Senators as we stack additional votes throughout the afternoon. I also ask my colleagues for their additional consideration during rollcall votes. We will try to provide some continuity to the committee hearings and nomination hearings over the course of this week. I ask Members to be prompt for rollcall votes so that we can dispose of these amendments in a timely fashion.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:45 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 13, 2005, at 9:45 a.m.