SA 979. Mr. KENNEDY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 761, to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy, which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

SEC. 4015. DEFINITION OF HIGH-NEED LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.

Paragraph (8) of section 4 of the National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 1862n note) is amended to read as follows:

“(8) HIGH-NEED LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term ‘high-need local educational agency’ means a local educational agency—

(A) (i) for which not less than 20 percent of the children served by the agency are children from low-income families;

(ii) for which there is a high percentage of teachers teaching in academic subject areas or grade levels in which the teachers were trained to teach; or

(iii) for which there is a high teacher turnover rate or a high percentage of teachers with emergency, provisional, or temporary certification or licensure; . . .

SA 980. Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 761, to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy; as follows:

At the appropriate place in the bill, add the following:

“SEC. 1. DEEMED EXPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

This is the Senate that—

U.S. Government policies related to deemed exports should safeguard U.S. national security and protect fundamental research.

The Department of Commerce has established the Deemed Export Advisory Committee to develop recommendations for improving current controls on deemed exports:

The Administration and Congress should consider the recommendations of the Deemed Export Advisory Committee in its development and implementation of export control policies.”

SA 981. Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 761, to invest in innovation and education to improve the competitiveness of the United States in the global economy; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

“On page 49, line 3, strike “agency,” and insert—

(a) ‘‘agency’’ means a local educational agency.

(b) for which not less than 20 percent of the children served by the agency are children from low-income families;

(c) for which there is a high percentage of teachers teaching in academic subject areas or grade levels in which the teachers were trained to teach; or

(d) for which there is a high teacher turnover rate or a high percentage of teachers with emergency, provisional, or temporary certification or licensure.’’

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

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS’ AFFAIRS.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on April 23, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. in SD-106. The title of this committee hearing is, “Challenges and Opportunities Facing American Agriculture Producers Today, Part III.”

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

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a business meeting during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 2:30 p.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building.

The purpose of this meeting will be to consider and approve the following legislation following bills: S. 294, S. 428, S. 924, S. 311, S. 675, S. 1142, the Identity Theft Prevention Act, and the promotion of Mr. Gribbin, in the United States Coast Guard.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 10 a.m. in Dirksen Room 226.

I. Committee Authorization: Authorization of Subpoenas in Connection with Investigation into Replacement of U.S. Attorneys


SA 981. Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself and Mr. COCHRAN) submitted an amendment to the bill S. 459, to authorize the submission of the report required by section 101(e) of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004, as of April 25, 2007.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON AIRLIFT AND SPACE COMMUNICATIONS.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Airlift and Space Communications be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 10 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on whether the army is properly sized, organized, and equipped to respond to the likely missions over the next two years while retaining adequate capability to respond to all contingencies along the spectrum of combat in review of the Defense Authorization request for fiscal year 2008 and the Future Years Defense Program.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 10 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on the possible impacts of possible impacts on the work, work, work work work.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMY, BUSINESS, AND INDUSTRY.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Economy, Business, and Industry be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 10 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on the possible impacts of possible impacts on the work, work, work work work.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON PETROLEUM AND PETROCHEMICALS.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Petrochemicals be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 10 a.m., in open session to receive testimony on the possible impacts of possible impacts on the work, work, work work work.

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

SENATE."
The agenda to be considered: Oversight Hearing on the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON EMERGING THREATS AND CAPABILITIES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 2 p.m., to receive testimony on Department of Energy defense programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2008.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WATER AND POWER

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Water and Power be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 2:30 p.m. in room SD–366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills: S. 175, to provide for a feasibility study of alternatives to augment the water supplies of the Central Oklahoma Master Conservancy District and cities served by the District; S. 324, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the State of New Mexico; S. 542, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies to address certain water shortages within the Snake, Boise, and Payette River systems in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes; S. 752, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the implementation of the Platte River Recovery Implementation Program for Endangered Species in the Central and Lower Platte River Basin and to modify the Pathfinder Dam and Reservoir; S. 1037, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assist in the planning, design, and construction of the Tulamol Irrigation District Water Conservation Project in Deschutes County, OR; S. 1116 and H.R. 902, to facilitate the use for irrigation and other purposes of water produced in connection with development of energy resources; and S. 1112 and H.R. 235, to allow for the renegotiation of the payment schedule of contracts between the Secretary of the Interior and the Redwood Valley County Water District, and for other purposes.

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

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. BAUCUS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Elizabeth Goitein, a detaillee from the Department of Justice in Senator Feingold’s Judiciary Committee office, be granted floor privileges for the remainder of this session of Congress.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H.R. 1591

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of the conference report of the supplemental appropriations bill, H.R. 1591, on Thursday, April 26, at 10 a.m., regardless of whether the Senate has yet received the papers from the House; that the time immediately following the prayer and the pledge until 12:45 p.m. be equally divided between the two leaders or their designees; and that the Senate vote, without any intervening action, provided that the message has been received in the Senate on passage of the conference report at 12:45 p.m. on Thursday.

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

COMMEMORATING THE 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SETTLEMENT OF JAMESTOWN

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 172, which was submitted earlier today.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 172) commemorating the 400th anniversary of the settlement of Jamestown.

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

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, in a few short weeks, America will commemorate the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown, the first permanent English settlement in the New World. It is an event that I, along with many of my fellow Virginians and Americans, have looked upon with great anticipation.

Jamestown’s anniversaries have always been major national patriotic events, and this year will be no different. Visitors and dignitaries from all over the world will converge on the site, where, in 1607, CAP John Smith and his motley crew of Englishmen first stepped ashore to begin life in the New World. Commemorating the Jamestown anniversary allows Americans to not only remember the bravery and courage of the early settlers, but also to celebrate the democratic ideals and institutions that trace their roots to that remarkable beginning. The rule of law, the entrepreneurial spirit, the representative form of government, and cultural diversity all originated at Jamestown and all continue to have profound effects on America today.

To recognize the impact of Jamestown and to signal Congress’s support for the 400th anniversary of its founding, I introduce today this resolution. It marks the importance of Jamestown to our Nation’s history and recognizes its 400th anniversary as a seminal event for the American people. Furthermore, the resolution recognizes the critical role Native Americans played in the colony’s survival, notes the democratic ideals first instilled at Jamestown, and reflects on the unique confluence of cultures that made Jamestown strong and successful. With this resolution, Congress has a chance to officially record for history its support for the commemoration of the 400th anniversary of the founding of Jamestown.

Mr. President, I urge my colleagues to join me in support of this resolution.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The resolution (S. 172) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 172

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

WHEREAS the founding of the colony at Jamestown, Virginia, in 1607, the first permanent English colony in America, and the capital of Virginia for 92 years, has major significance in the history of the United States;

WHEREAS the Jamestown Settlement owed its survival in large measure to the compas- sion and aid of the Native people in its vicin- ity;

WHEREAS Native Virginia people substan- tially assisted the Jamestown colonists with food and supplies at times that were crucial to their survival;

WHEREAS the Native people served as guides to geography and natural resources, crucial assistance in the Virginia colonists’ exploration of the Chesapeake Region;

WHEREAS the Jamestown Settlement brought people from throughout the Atlantic Basin together to form a society that drew upon the strengths and characteristics of English, European, African, and Native American cultures;

WHEREAS the economic, political, religious, and social institutions that developed during the first 9 decades of the existence of Jamestown continue to have profound effects on the United States, particularly in English common law and language, cross cultural relationships, manufacturing, and economic structure and status;

WHEREAS the National Park Service, the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, and the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation of the Commonwealth of Virginia collectively own and operate signifi- cant resources related to the early history of Jamestown;

WHEREAS, in 2000, Congress established the Jamestown 400th Commemoration Commis- sion to ensure a suitable national observance of the Jamestown centennial, and Congress commends the Commission’s hard work and dedication;