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MEMORANDUM OF THE CHAIRMAN

To Members of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

The enclosed report reviews the accomplishments of the Committee in the 109th Congress. It will be submitted to the Senate pursuant to section 8 of Senate Rule XXVI.

JEFF BINGAMAN, *Chairman.*

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Mr. BINGAMAN, from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, submitted the following

SPECIAL REPORT ON COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES

SUMMARY

The Committee on Energy and Natural Resources conducted an extensive oversight and legislative program during the 109th Congress. A total of 491 bills and resolutions, 29 nominations, and 307 Executive Communications were referred to the Committee for consideration.

The Committee held 104 days of public hearings, including 5 field hearings during the 109th Congress. These hearing encompassed 67 days of oversight, 24 days of legislative, and 13 days of nomination hearings. The Committee also held 27 business meetings.

Action was completed on a broad range of oversight, legislative, and executive matters. Legislatively, 120 bills or resolutions were reported by the Committee, and the Committee was discharged of 13 other matters.

The Congress enacted a total of 67 public laws within the jurisdiction of the Committee. In addition, 33 Senate-passed measures within the jurisdiction of the Committee were pending before the House of Representatives when the 109th Congress adjourned sine die. Seventeen other measures reported by the Committee were pending on the Senate Calendar or being held at the desk.

Twenty-nine nominations submitted by President Bush were referred to the Committee during the 109th Congress. Twenty-four nominations were reported by the Committee and confirmed by the Senate. Four nominations were discharged from Committee and Confirmed by the Senate. Five nominations were returned to the President under the provisions of Senate Rule XXXI, paragraph 6 of the Standing Rules of the Senate.

The Committee filed 120 reports on measures it ordered reported, and published 113 hearing records.

JURISDICTION

Rule XXV(1)(g)(1) of the Standing Rules of the Senate gives the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources jurisdiction over matters relating to the following subjects:

1. Coal production, distribution, and utilization.
2. Energy policy.
3. Energy regulation and conservation.
4. Energy related aspects of deepwater ports.
5. Energy research and development.
6. Extraction of minerals from oceans and Outer Continental Shelf lands.
7. Hydroelectric power, irrigation, and reclamation.
8. Mining education and research.
9. Mining, mineral lands, mining claims, and mineral conservation.
10. National parks, recreation areas, wilderness areas, wild and scenic rivers, historical sites, military parks and battlefields, and on the public domain, preservation of prehistoric ruins and objects of interest.
11. Naval petroleum reserves in Alaska.
12. Nonmilitary development of nuclear energy.
13. Oil and gas production and distribution.
14. Public lands and forests, including farming and grazing thereon, and mineral extraction therefrom.
15. Solar energy systems.
16. Territorial possessions of the United States, including trusteeships.

FULL COMMITTEE

PETE V. DOMENICI, *Chairman*,

JURISDICTION

During the 109th Congress, the Full Committee retained jurisdiction, without reference to a subcommittee, over the following matters: National Energy Policy, including international energy affairs and emergency preparedness; strategic petroleum reserves; Outer Continental Shelf leasing; nuclear waste policy; privatization of Federal assets; territorial affairs, including Freely Associated States; regulation of Trans-Alaska Pipeline System and other oil or gas pipeline transportation systems within Alaska; National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska; Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act; Antarctica; Arctic research and energy development; and Native Hawaiian matters. In addition, the Full Committee retained, on an ad hoc basis, issues which: (1) required extremely expeditious handling; (2) substantially overlapped two or more subcommittee jurisdictions; or (3) were of exceptional national significance in which all members wished to participate fully.

OVERVIEW

Nominations

During the 109th Congress, 29 nominations were submitted by President Bush and referred to the Committee. There were 24 nominations reported favorably by the Committee and these were subsequently confirmed by the Senate.

Executive communications

The Committee received a total of 307 Executive Communications transmitting legislative recommendations and relating to the Committee's oversight responsibilities.

Reports and publications

During the 109th Congress, the Committee filed 120 Senate Reports on measures reported by the Committee.

The Committee also published 113 hearing records. 15 of those dealt with Presidential appointees, and the remaining publications provided background material pertinent to the Committee's legislative activities and oversight responsibilities.

Nominations confirmed

The Committee held hearing on and favorably reported 24 nominations, which were subsequently confirmed by the Senate. These nominations were for:

Department of the Interior

Patricia Lynn Scarlett, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, Department of the Interior; hearing held March 9, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–20. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on March 16, 2005; confirmed March 18, 2005.

R. Thomas Weimer, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Policy, Management and Budget, Department of the Interior; hearing held July 14, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–145. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on July 21, 2005; confirmed December 21, 2005.

Mark A. Limbaugh, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Water and Science, Department of the Interior; hearing held July 14, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–145. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on July 21, 2005; confirmed July 22, 2005.

David Longly Bernhardt, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior; hearing held March 9, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–432. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on September 13, 2006; confirmed September 26, 2006.

Dirk Kempthorne, to be Secretary of the Interior, Department of the Interior; hearing held May 4, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–507. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on May 10, 2006; confirmed May 26, 2006.

Mark Myers, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; hearing held July 20, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–721. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on September 13, 2006; confirmed September 15, 2006.

Robert W. Johnson, to be Commissioner of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; hearing held September 14, 2006; S. Hrg. 10–767. The Committee ordered discharged by unanimous consent the nomination on September 29, 2006; confirmed September 29, 2006.

C. Stephen Allred, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Land and Minerals Management, Department of the Interior; hearing held September 14, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–767. The Committee ordered discharged by unanimous consent the nomination on September 29, 2006; confirmed September 29, 2006.

Mary Amelia Bomar, to be Director of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior; hearing held September 21, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–776. The Committee ordered discharged by unanimous consent the nomination on September 29, 2006; confirmed September 29, 2006.

Department of Energy

Samuel W. Bodman, to be Secretary of Energy, Department of Energy; hearing held January 19, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–1. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on January 26, 2005; confirmed January 31, 2005.

Jeffrey Clay Sell, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, Department of Energy; hearing held March 9, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–20. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on March 16, 2005; confirmed March 17, 2005.

David Garman, to be Under Secretary of Energy, Department of Energy; hearing held April 6, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–31. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on April 13, 2005; confirmed June 15, 2005.

David R. Hill, to be General Counsel for the Department of Energy; hearing held July 12, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–127. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on July 21, 2005; confirmed July 28, 2005.

Jill L. Sigal, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy (Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs), Department of Energy; hearing held July 12, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–127. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on July 21, 2005; confirmed July 28, 2005.

James A. Rispoli, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management), Department of Energy; hearing held July 12, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–127. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on July 21, 2005; confirmed July 29, 2005.

Jeffrey D. Jarrett, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy), Department of Energy; hearing held November 10, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–346. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on November 16, 2005; confirmed December 17, 2005.

Edward F. Sproat, to be Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy; hearing held November 10, 2005; S. Hrg. 109–346. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on November 16, 2005; confirmed May 26, 2006.

Raymond L. Orbach, to be Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy; hearing held March 9, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–432. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on March 15, 2006; confirmed May 26, 2006.

Alexander A. Karsner, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy), Department of Energy; hearing held March 9, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–432. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on March 15, 2006; confirmed March 16, 2006.

Dennis R. Spurgeon, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy (Nuclear Energy), Department of Energy; hearing held March 9, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–432. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on March 15, 2006; confirmed March 27, 2006.

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Philip D. Moeller, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; hearing held June 8, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–609. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on June 21, 2006; confirmed July 14, 2006.

Jon Wellinghoff, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; hearing held June 8, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–609. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on June 21, 2006; confirmed July 14, 2006.

Marc Spitzer, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; hearing held June 28, 2006; S. Hrg. 109–674. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on June 12, 2006; confirmed July 4, 2006.

Office of the Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects

Drue Pearce, to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects, Office of the Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects; hearing held July 20,

2006; S. Hrg. 109–721. The Committee ordered reported the nomination on August 3, 2006; confirmed August 3, 2006.

OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

Energy

On February 3, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing to review the Energy Information Administration's Annual Energy outlook 2005 report, which provides supply, demand and price projections for oil, natural gas, nuclear, coal, and renewable resources. S. Hrg. 109–3.

On March 3, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the President's fiscal year 2006 budget request for the Department of Energy. S. Hrg. 109–25.

On March 8, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on ways to encourage the diversification of power generation resources. S. Hrg. 109–27.

On April 12, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on developing a reliable domestic supply of oil from the vast U.S. oil shale resources. S. Hrg. 109–35.

On April 19, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing regarding offshore hydrocarbon production and the future of alternate energy resources on the outer Continental Shelf. S. Hrg. 109–95.

On April 26, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing by full committee on the Department of Energy's Nuclear Power 2010 Program. S. Hrg. 109–103.

On July 21, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing regarding the current state of climate change scientific research and the economics of strategies to manage climate change. S. Hrg. 109–188.

On September 20, 2005, the Full Committee continued an oversight hearing regarding climate change. S. Hrg. 109–188.

On September 6, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on gasoline prices and factors contributing to current high prices such as global oil demand, constraints on refinery capacity, and increased speculation in the futures market. S. Hrg. 109–235.

On October 6, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the impact of hurricanes Katrina and Rita on U.S. energy production and related infrastructure located in the Gulf of Mexico region. S. Hrg. 109–279.

On October 27, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing by full committee continued to review the Administration's hurricane recovery efforts and to discuss energy policy in general. S. Hrg. 109–279.

On October 18, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the winter fuels outlook and impact on consumers of high energy prices this coming winter. S. Hrg. 109–287.

On October 18, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing to consider the importance of technological innovation to the strength of our economy, and the capacity of our nation's scientific and research institutions to produce continued innovation. S. Hrg. 109–290.

On November 9, 2005, the Full Committee held a joint oversight hearing with the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation on oil prices and price gouging. S. Hrg. 109–307.

On February 9, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the President’s fiscal year 2007 budget request for the Department of Energy. S. Hrg. 109–410.

On February 16, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing to review the Energy Information Administration’s Annual Energy Outlook 2006 report, which provides supply demand and price projections for oil, natural gas, nuclear, coal and renewable resources. S. Hrg. 109–362.

On March 7, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing regarding the goal of energy independence. S. Hrg. 109–412.

On April 12, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing in Casper, Wyoming, on the legislative, economic, and environmental issues associated with the growth of the Wyoming coal industry. S. Hrg. 109–476.

On April 24, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued regarding the economic and environmental issues associated with coal liquefaction technology and the implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 addressing coal liquefaction. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 1.

On May 1, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued regarding the economic and environmental issues associated with gasification technology as it relates to the production of syngas for industrial purposes and the implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 addressing gasification of coal, petroleum coke and other materials. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 1.

On May 8, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued regarding the economic and environmental issues associated with hydroelectric licensing and the implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 1.

On May 15, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued regarding the implementation of the electric reliability provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 2.

On May 22, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued regarding developments in nuclear power as a result of the passage and implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 2.

On June 12, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued on the next generation nuclear plant project as a result of the passage and implementation of the provisions of the Energy Policy Act of 2005. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 2.

On June 19, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued on the implementation of the renewable fuel standard as contained in Title XV of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 and additional opportunities to develop and deploy technologies for the production of renewable fuels. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 2.

On June 27, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued on implementation of Energy Policy Act provisions on enhancing oil and gas production on Federal lands in the Rocky Mountain Region. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 3.

On July 11, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued on implementation of Energy Policy Act provisions on geothermal energy and other renewable energy production on Federal lands in western states. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 3.

On July 17, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing continued on implementation of Energy Policy Act provisions on hydrogen and fuel cell research and development. S. Hrg. 109–503, Pt. 3.

On May 16, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the Department of Energy's Yucca Mountain Project. S. Hrg. 109–547.

On July 18, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing to examine United States and India energy cooperation in the context of global energy demand, the emerging energy needs of India, and the role nuclear power can play in meeting those needs. S. Hrg. 109–692.

On September 12, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing to receive testimony relating to the effects of the BP pipeline failure in the Prudhoe Bay Oil Field on U.S. oil supply and to examine what steps may be taken to prevent a recurrence of such an event. S. Hrg. 109–766.

Natural Resources

On March 1, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the President's fiscal year 2006 budget request for Department of the Interior. S. Hrg. 109–17.

On March 2, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the President's fiscal year 2006 Forest Service Budget Request. S. Hrg. 109–29.

On November 15, 2005, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the Environmental Management programs of the Department of Energy with discussion of the general status of progress at DOE cleanup sites. S. Hrg. 109–351.

On February 28, 2006, the Full Committee also held an oversight hearing on the fiscal year 2007 Forest Service budget request. S. Hrg. 109–395.

On March 1, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the state of the economies and fiscal affairs of the Territories of Guam, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and the United States Virgin Islands. S. Hrg. 109–417.

On March 2, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the proposed Fiscal Year 2007 Department of the Interior budget request. S. Hrg. 109–436.

On April 19, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on current drought conditions affecting New Mexico, research efforts by Sandia National Laboratories to address water scarcity, and the Bureau of Reclamation Water Conservation, Efficiency, and Management Improvement Act, S. 2561. S. Hrg. 109–477.

On May 23, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing on the National Research council report, Managing Construction and Infrastructure in the 21st Century Bureau of Reclamation and

the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Report, *Managing for Excellence: An Action Plan for the 21st Century*. S. Hrg. 109–573.

On November 15, 2006, the Full Committee held an oversight hearing to receive testimony on the December 2005 report from the President’s Task Force on Puerto Rico’s status. S. Hrg. 109–796.

LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS

Energy

On September 27, 2005, the full committee held a hearing on S. 1701, a bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to improve the reclamation of abandoned mines; and S. 961, a bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to reauthorize and reform the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Program, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–256.

On February 15, 2006, the full committee held a hearing on S. 2197, to improve the global competitiveness of the United States in science and energy technology, to strengthen basic research programs at the Department of Energy, and to provide support for mathematics and science education at all levels through the resources available through the Department of Energy, including at the National Laboratories. S. Hrg. 109–358.

On June 22, 2006, the full committee held a hearing on S. 2747, to enhance energy efficiency and conserve oil and natural gas, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–666.

On July 13, 2006, the full committee held a hearing on H.R. 5254, the Refinery Permit Process Schedule Act.

On August 3, 2006, the full committee held a hearing on S. 2589, to enhance the management and disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste, to ensure protection of public health and safety, to ensure the territorial integrity and security of the repository at Yucca Mountain, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–736.

Natural Resources

On May 11, 2005, the full committee held a hearing to receive testimony on S. 895 a bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a rural water supply program in the Reclamation States to provide a clean, safe, affordable, and reliable water supply to rural residents. S. Hrg. 109–105.

On October 20, 2005, the full committee held a hearing on S. 1016, to direct the Secretary of Energy to make incentive payments to the owners or operators of qualified desalination facilities to partially offset the cost of electrical energy required to operate the facilities, and for other purposes; and S. 1860, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve energy production and reduce energy demand through improved use of reclaimed waters, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–314.

On February 16, 2006, the full committee held a hearing on S. 2253, to require the Secretary of the Interior to offer certain areas of the 181 Area of the Gulf of Mexico for oil and gas leasing. S. Hrg. 109–381.

On April 19, 2006, the full committee held a field hearing in Albuquerque, New Mexico, on S. 2561, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make available cost-shared grants and enter into cooperative agreements to further the goals of the Water 2025 Program by improving water conservation, efficiency, and management in the Reclamation States, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–477.

On September 1, 2006, the full committee held a field hearing in Havre, Montana, on S. 3563, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct studies to determine the feasibility and environmental impact of rehabilitating the St. Mary Diversion and Conveyance Works and the Milk River Project, to authorize the rehabilitation and improvement of the St. Mary Diversion and Conveyance Works, to develop an emergency response plan for use in the case of catastrophic failure of the St. Mary Diversion and Conveyance Works, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–764.

Territories

On October 25, 2005, the full committee held a hearing on S. 1829, to repeal certain sections of the Act of May 26, 1936, pertaining to the Virgin Islands; S. 1830, to amend the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003, and for other purposes; and S. 1831, to convey certain submerged land to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and for other purposes. S. Hrg. 109–291.

BUSINESS MEETINGS

January 26, 2005

The Committee subcommittee assignments were announced.

The Committee ordered reported:

S. Res. 13, an original resolution authoring expenditures by the Committee.

The nomination of Samuel W. Bodman, to be Secretary of Energy.

February 9, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

S. 47—A bill to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico. S. Rept. 109–7.

S. 63—A bill to establish the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–1.

S. 74—A bill to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. S. Rept. 109–8.

S. 134—A bill to adjust the boundary of Redwood National Park in the State of California. S. Rept. 109–23.

S. 153—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study of the Rim of the Valley Corridor in the State of California to evaluate alternatives for protecting the resources of the Corridor, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–9.

S. 156—A bill to designate the Ojito Wilderness Study Area as wilderness, to take certain land into trust for the Pueblo of Zia, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-13.

S. 163—A bill to establish the National Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area in the State of Utah, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-2.

S. 176—A bill to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska. S. Rept. 109-681.

S. 177—A bill to further the purpose of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment of demonstration program to control salt cedar and Russian olive, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-15.

S. 178—A bill to provide assistance to the State of New Mexico for the development of comprehensive State water plans, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-16.

S. 200—A bill to establish the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-3.

S. 203—A bill to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced on Federal lands, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-4.

S. 204—A bill to establish the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana. S. Rept. 109-5.

S. 205—A bill to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers. S. Rept. 109-24.

S. 207—A bill to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-25.

S. 212—A bill to amend the Valles Caldera Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera, and for other purposes, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. S. Rept. 109-10.

S. 214—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States on the border with Mexico and other appropriate entities in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for priority transboundary aquifers, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-17.

S. 225—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on recreational users of public land. S. Rept. 109-11.

S. 229—A bill to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-18.

S. 231—A bill to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-30.

S. 232—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to assist in the implementation of fish passage and screening facilities at non-Federal water projects, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-31.

S. 243—A bill to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–26.

S. 244—A bill to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming. S. Rept. 109–32.

S. 249—A bill to establish the Great Basin National Heritage Route in the States of Nevada and Utah. S. Rept. 109–6.

S. 252—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land in Washoe County, Nevada, to the Board of Regents of the University and Community College System of Nevada. S. Rept. 109–38.

S. 253—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the land to the Edward H. McDaniel American Legion Post No. 22 in Pahrump, Nevada, for the construction of a post building and memorial park for use by the American Legion, other veterans' groups, and the local community. S. Rept. 109–39.

S. 254—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka. S. Rept. 109–12.

S. 263—A bill to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–36.

S. 264—A bill to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize certain projects in the State of Hawaii. S. Rept. 109–33.

February 16, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

S. 48—A bill to reauthorize appropriations for the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–41.

S. 52—A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a parcel of real property to Beaver County, Utah. S. Rept. 109–43.

S. 54—A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the feasibility and suitability studies of four national historic trails, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–44.

S. 55—A bill to adjust the boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado. S. Rept. 109–19.

S. 56—A bill to establish the Rio Grande Natural Area in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–45.

S. 57—A bill to further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000. S. Rept. 109–20.

S. 97—A bill to provide for the sale of bentonite in Big Horn County, Wyoming. S. Rept. 109–37.

S. 99—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the storage of the city's water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming. S. Rept. 109–27.

S. 101—A bill to convey to the town of Frannie, Wyoming, certain land withdrawn by the Commissioner of Reclamation. S. Rept. 109–46.

S. 128—A bill to designate certain public land in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake, and Napa Counties in the State of California as wilderness, to designate certain segments of the Black

Butte River in Mendocino County, California as a wild or scenic river, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-47.

S. 136—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide supplemental funding and other services that are necessary to assist certain local school districts in the State of California in providing education services for students attending schools located within Yosemite National Park, and to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area. S. Rept. 109-63.

S. 152—A bill to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Washington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-28.

S. 161—A bill to provide for a land exchange in the State of Arizona between the Secretary of Agriculture and Yavapai Ranch Limited Partnership. S. Rept. 109-40.

S. 182—A bill to provide for the establishment of the Uintah Research and Curatorial Center for Dinosaur National Monument in the States of Colorado and Utah, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-42.

S. 272—A bill to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System. S. Rept. 109-34.

S. 276—A bill to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota. S. Rept. 109-21.

S. 301—A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont. S. Rept. 109-22.

March 16, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Clay Sell, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of Lynn Scarlett, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

April 13, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of David Garman, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

May 17, 2005

The Committee began consideration of comprehensive energy legislation, focusing on provisions relating to Indian Energy, DOE management, and Personnel and Training, but did not complete action thereon.

May 18, 2005

The Committee met to consider comprehensive energy legislation, focusing on provisions relating coal matters, vehicles and fuels, hydrogen matters, and research and development, but did not complete action thereon.

May 19, 2005

The Committee met to consider comprehensive energy legislation, focusing on provisions relating to energy efficiency, and electricity, but did not complete action thereon.

May 25, 2005

The Committee met to consider comprehensive energy legislation, focusing on provisions relating to renewable energy, nuclear matters, and studies, but did not complete action thereon.

May 26, 2005

The Committee met to consider comprehensive energy legislation, focusing on provisions relating to PUHCA Repeal and Merger Review, native land, incentives, oil and gas, liquefied natural gas siting, and ordered reported an original bill entitled "Energy Policy Act of 2005." S. 10, S. Rept. 109–78.

July 21, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Mark Limbaugh, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

The nomination of Thomas Weimer, to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

The nomination of James Rispoli, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of David Hill, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of Jill Sigal, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy.

September 28, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

S. 166—To amend the Oregon Resource Conservation Act of 1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–164.

S. 206—To designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–144.

S. 213—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. S. Rept. 109–166.

S. 242—To establish 4 memorials to the Space Shuttle Columbia in the State of Texas. S. Rept. 109–145.

S. 251—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Sub-basins in Oregon. S. Rept. 109–165.

S. 592—To extend the contract for the Glendo Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project in the State of Wyoming. S. Rept. 109–167.

S. 652—To provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. S. Rept. 109–147.

S. 761—To rename the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in the State of Idaho as the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in honor of the late Morley Nelson, an international authority on birds of prey, who was instrumental in the establishment of this National Conservation Area, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–162.

S. 777—To designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–171.

S. 819—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reallocate costs of the Pactola Dam and Reservoir, South Dakota, to reflect increased demands for municipal, industrial, and fish and wildlife purposes. S. Rept. 109–168.

S. 891—To extend the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska. S. Rept. 109–169.

S. 895—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a rural water supply program in the Reclamation States to provide a clean, safe, affordable, and reliable water supply to rural residents. S. Rept. 109–148.

S. 955—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Williamson County, Tennessee, relating to the Battle of Franklin. S. Rept. 109–149.

S. 958—To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail. S. Rept. 109–150.

S. 1154—To extend the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission, to provide improved visitor services at the park, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–151.

S. 1170—To establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area. S. Rept. 109–163.

S. 1238—To amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to provide for the conduct of projects that protect forests, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–152.

S. 1338—To require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–170.

S. 1627—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study to evaluate resources along the coastal region of the State of Delaware and to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing a unit of the National Park System in Delaware. S. Rept. 109–153.

H.R. 126—To amend Public Law 89–366 to allow for an adjustment in the number of free roaming horses permitted in Cape Lookout National Seashore. S. Rept. 109–154.

S. 584 (H.R. 432)—To require the Secretary of the Interior to permit continued occupancy and use of certain lands and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park. S. Rept. 109–146.

H.R. 539—To designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System. S. Rept. 109–155.

H.R. 584—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to recruit volunteers to assist with, or facilitate, the activities of various agencies and offices of the Department of the Interior. S. Rept. 109–156.

H.R. 606—To authorize appropriations to the Secretary of the Interior for the restoration of the Angel Island Immigration Station in the State of California. S. Rept. 109–157.

H.R. 1101—To revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California. S. Rept. 109–172.

S. 485 (H.R. 2362)—To reauthorize and amend the National Geographic Mapping Act of 1992. S. Rept. 109–161.

The Committee presented Senate Service Awards to Carol Craft, Vicki Thorne, Mia Bennett, and Nancy Hall.

October 19, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

Reconciliation legislation to be submitted in accordance with the reconciliation instructions contained in the budget resolution for 2006 with report language and minority views to be filed.

November 16, 2005

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Jeffrey Jarrett, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of Edward Sproat, to be Director of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

S. 310—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District in the State of Nevada. S. Rept. 109–188.

S. 435—To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–189.

S. 648—To amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to extend the authority for drought assistance. S. Rept. 109–190.

S. 1025—To amend the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas, and for other purposes” to authorize the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project. S. Rept. 109–192.

S. 1096—To amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate portions of the Musconetcong River in the State of New Jersey as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–193.

S. 1310—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation to increase the diameter of a natural gas pipeline located in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. S. Rept. 109–194.

S. 1552—To amend Public Law 97-435 to extend the authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to release certain conditions contained in a patent concerning certain land conveyed by the United States to Eastern Washington University until December 31, 2009. S. Rept. 109-195.

S. 1578—To reauthorize the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin endangered fish recovery implementation programs. S. Rept. 109-196.

S. 1760—To authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within Rogue River Valley Irrigation District or within Medford Irrigation District. S. Rept. 109-197.

S. 1860—To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve energy production and reduce energy demand through improved use of reclaimed waters, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-198.

March 8, 2006

The Committee ratified Senator Menendez's appointment to the subcommittees on Energy, National Parks, and Water and Power.

The Committee ordered reported:

S. 1131—To authorize the exchange of certain Federal land within the State of Idaho, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-232.

S. 1288—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park System. S. Rept. 109-233.

S. 1346—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of maritime sites in the State of Michigan. S. Rept. 109-234.

S. 1378—To amend the National Historic Preservation Act to provide appropriation authorization and improve the operations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation. S. Rept. 109-235.

S. 1913—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease a portion of the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center for use as a visitor center for the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-238.

S. 1970—To amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-239.

S. Con. Res. 60—Designating the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as America's National Negro Leagues Baseball Museum. S. Rept. 109-228.

S.J. Res. 28—Approving the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President Dwight D. Eisenhower. S. Rept. 109-227.

H.R. 318—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating Castle Nugent Farms located on St. Croix, Virgin Islands, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109-241.

H.R. 326 (S. 505)—To amend the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Act of 2000 to adjust the boundary of the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area. S. Rept. 109-242.

H.R. 409 (S. 179)—To provide for the exchange of land within the Sierra National Forest, California, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–243.

H.R. 1129 (S. 100)—To authorize the exchange of certain land in the State of Colorado. S. Rept. 109–245.

H.R. 1728 (S. 323)—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the French Colonial Heritage Area in the State of Missouri as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–246.

H.R. 2107—To amend Public Law 104–329 to modify authorities for the use of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–247.

S. 2197—To improve the global competitiveness of the United States in science and energy technology, to strengthen basic research programs at the Department of Energy, and to provide support for mathematics and science education at all levels through the resources available through the Department of Energy, including at the National Laboratories. S. Rept. 109–249.

S. 2253—To require the Secretary of the Interior to offer the 181 Area of the Gulf of Mexico for oil and gas leasing. S. Rept. 109–240.

March 15, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Raymond Orbach, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of Alexander Karsner, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of Dennis Spurgeon, to be Assistant Secretary of Energy.

The nomination of David Bernhardt, to be Solicitor of the Interior.

S. 476—To authorize the Boy Scouts of America to exchange certain land in the State of Utah acquired under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. S. Rept. 109–231.

S. 1829—To repeal certain sections of the Act of May 26, 1936, pertaining to the Virgin Islands. S. Rept. 109–236.

S. 1830—To amend the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–237.

H.R. 562—To authorize the Government of Ukraine to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor the victims of the manmade famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932-1933. S. Rept. 109–244.

H.R. 3443 (S. 1498)—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District. S. Rept. 109–248.

May 10, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Dirk Kempthorne, to be Secretary of the Interior.

May 24, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

S. 997—To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge Forest, Montana, to Jefferson County, Montana, for use as a cemetery. S. Rept. 109–299.

S. 1529—To provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in the city of Yuma, Arizona. S. Rept. 109–300.

S. 1548—To provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska. S. Rept. 109–301.

S. 2003—To make permanent the authorization for watershed restoration and enhancement agreements. S. Rept. 109–302.

S. 2028—To provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory Commission project (West Virginia Hydro Extension). S. Rept. 109–303.

S. 2035—To extend the time required for construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–304.

S. 2054—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the State of Vermont. S. Rept. 109–305.

S. 2150—To direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain Bureau of Land Management Land to the city of Eugene, Oregon. S. Rept. 109–306.

S. 2373—To provide for the sale of approximately 132 acres of public land to the city of Green River, Wyoming, at fair market value. S. Rept. 109–307.

S. 2403—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to include in the boundaries of the Grand Teton National Park land and interests in land of the GT Park Subdivision, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–308.

S. 2568—To amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail. S. Rept. 109–309.

S. Res. 468—A resolution supporting the continued administration of Channel Islands National Park, including Santa Rosa Island, in accordance with the laws (including regulations) and policies of the National Park Service. S. Rept. 109–310.

H.R. 394—To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to evaluate the significance of the Colonel James Barrett Farm in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and assess the suitability and feasibility of including the farm in the National Park System as part of the Minute Man National Historical Park, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–311.

H.R. 482—To provide for a land exchange involving Federal lands in the Lincoln National Forest in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–312.

H.R. 486—To provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base. S. Rept. 109–313.

H.R. 1492—A bill to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–314.

H.R. 4000—To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise certain repayment contracts with the Bostwick Irrigation District

in Nebraska, the Kansas Bostwick Irrigation District No. 2, the Frenchman-Cambridge Irrigation District, and the Webster Irrigation District No. 4, all a part of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and for other purposes. S. Rept. 109–315.

June 21, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Philip Moeller, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

The nomination of Jon Wellinghoff, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

July 12, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Marc Spitzer, to be a member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

August 3, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of Drue Pearce, to be Federal Coordinator for Alaska Natural Gas Transportation Projects.

The nomination of John Ray Correll, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior.

The nomination of Mark Myers, to be a Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

September 13, 2006

The Committee ordered reported:

The nomination of David Bernhardt, to be Solicitor of the Department of the Interior.

The nomination of John Ray Correll, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, Department of the Interior.

The nomination of Mark Myers, to be a Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior.

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JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction of the Subcommittee includes oversight and legislative responsibilities for: nuclear, coal and synthetic fuels research and development; nuclear and non-nuclear energy commercialization projects; nuclear fuel cycle policy; DOE National Laboratories; global climate change; new technologies research and development; nuclear facilities siting and insurance program; commercialization of new technologies including, solar energy systems; Federal energy conservation programs; energy information; liquefied natural gas projects; oil and natural gas regulation; refinery policy; coal conversion; utility policy; strategic petroleum reserves; regulation of Trans-Alaska Pipeline System and other oil and gas pipeline transportation systems within Alaska Arctic research and energy development; and oil, gas and coal production and distribution.

OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

During the 109th Congress, the Subcommittee held two oversight hearings.

On February 15, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to examine the prospects for liquefied natural gas (LNG) in the United States and to discuss the safety and security issues related to LNG development. S. Hrg. 109–10.

On July 27, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing on the recent progress in hydrogen and fuel cell research sponsored by the Department of Energy and by private industry and the remaining challenges to the development of these technologies. S. Hrg. 109–179.

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JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction of the Subcommittee includes oversight and legislative responsibilities for: public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service including farming and grazing thereon, and wilderness areas; establishment of wildlife refuges on public lands and wilderness designation therein; military land withdrawals; reserved water rights; Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; territorial affairs; national mining and minerals policy and general mining laws; surface mining, reclamation and enforcement; mining education and research; Federal mineral leasing; Outer Continental Shelf leasing; Naval oil shale reserves; National Petroleum Reserve—Alaska; and deep seabed mining.

OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

During the 109th Congress, the Subcommittee held ten oversight hearings.

On February 8, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the implementation of Titles I through III of P.L. 106–393, the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000. S. Hrg. 109–5.

On March 2, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to receive testimony on the President's fiscal year 2006 budget request for the U.S. Forest Service. S. Hrg. 109–29.

On April 26, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the preparedness of the Departments of Agriculture and the Interior for the 2005 wildfire season, including the agencies' assessment of the risk of fires by region, the status of and contracting for aerial fire suppression assets, and other information needed to better understand the agencies' ability to deal with the upcoming fire season. S. Hrg. 109–86.

On September 28, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the grazing programs of the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service, including proposed changes to grazing regulations, and the status of grazing permit renewals, monitoring programs and allotment restocking plans. S. Hrg. 109–245.

On October 26, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to receive testimony on the implementation of the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act, P.L. 108-447 by the Forest Service and the Department of the Interior. S. Hrg. 109-321.

On February 15, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the progress made on the development of interim and long-term plans for use of fire retardant aircraft in Federal wildfire suppression operations. S. Hrg. 109-368.

On March 1, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the role of the Forest Service and other Federal agencies in protecting the health and welfare of foreign guest workers carrying out tree planting and other service contracts on National Forest System lands, and to consider related Forest Service guidance and contract modifications issued in recent weeks. S. Hrg. 109-427.

On April 5, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the 2005 wildfire season and the Federal land management agencies' preparations for the 2006 wildfire season. S. Hrg. 109-475.

On June 21, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the General Accountability Office report entitled "Wildland Fire Suppression—Lack of Clear Guidance Raises Concerns about Cost Sharing between Federal and NonFederal Entities" (GAO-06-570). S. Hrg. 109-629.

On July 19, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to provide oversight on the implementation of Public Law 108-148 (The Healthy Forests Restoration Act). S. Hrg. 109-506.

LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS

March 8, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-19.

S. 179, to provide for the exchange of land within the Sierra National Forest, California, and for other purposes;

S. 213, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Rio Arriba County, New Mexico;

S. 267, to reauthorize the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, and for other purposes;

S. 305, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to recruit volunteers to assist with or facilitate the activities of various agencies and offices of the Department of the Interior;

S. 476, to authorize the Boy Scouts of America to exchange certain land in the State of Utah acquired under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act; and

S. 485, to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992.

May 11, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-104.

S. 100, to authorize the exchange of certain land in the State of Colorado;

S. 235 and H.R. 816, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to sell certain parcels of Federal land in Carson City and Douglas County, Nevada;

S. 404, to make a technical correction relating to the land conveyance authorized by Public Law 108-67;

S. 741, to provide for the disposal of certain Forest Service administrative sites in the State of Oregon, and for other purposes;

S. 761, to rename the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in the State of Idaho as the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in honor of the late Morley Nelson, an international authority on birds of prey, who was instrumental in the establishment of this National Conservation Area, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 486, to provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base.

July 20, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-157.

S. 703, to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Nevada to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway, and for other purposes;

S. 997, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge Forest, Montana, to Jefferson County, Montana, for use as a cemetery;

S. 1131, to authorize the exchange of certain Federal land within the State of Idaho, and for other purposes;

S. 1170, to establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area;

S. 1238, to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to provide for the conduct of projects that protect forests, and other purposes; and

H.R. 1101, to revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California.

November 2, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-347.

S. 405, to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a heliport;

S. 1541, to protect, conserve, and restore public lands administered by the Department of the Interior or the Forest Service and adjacent land through cooperative cost-share grants to control and mitigate the spread of invasive species, and for other purposes;

S. 1548, to provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska;

S. 1552, to amend Public Law 97-435 to extend the authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to release certain conditions contained in a patent concerning certain lands conveyed by the United States to Eastern Washington University until December 31, 2009; and

H.R. 482, to provide for a land exchange involving Federal lands in the Lincoln National Forest in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes.

March 29, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-444.

S. 1056, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the city of Henderson, Nevada, certain Federal land located in the City, and for other purposes;

S. 1832, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease oil and gas resources underlying Fort Reno, Oklahoma, to establish the Fort Reno Management Fund, and for other purposes;

S. 2150, to direct the Secretary of Interior to convey certain Bureau of Land Management Land to the city of Eugene, Oregon;

S. 2373, to provide for the sale of approximately 132 acres of public land to the city of Green River, Wyoming, at fair market value; and

H.R. 3507, to transfer certain land in Riverside County, California, and San Diego County, California, from the Bureau of Land Management to the United States to be held in trust for the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians, and for other purposes.

May 10, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-518.

S. 906, to promote wildland firefighter safety;

S. 2003, to make permanent the authorization for watershed restoration and enhancement agreements;

H.R. 585, to require Federal land managers to support, and to communicate, coordinate, and cooperate with, designated gateway communities, to improve the ability of gateway communities to participate in Federal land management planning conducted by the Forest Service and agencies of the Department of the Interior, and to respond to the impacts of the public use of the Federal lands administered by these agencies, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 3981, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out certain land exchanges involving small parcels of National Forest System land in the Tahoe National Forest in the State of California, and for other purposes.

May 24, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-582.

S. 2466, to authorize and direct the exchange and conveyance of certain National Forest land and other land in southeast Arizona;

S. 2567, to maintain the rural heritage of the Eastern Sierra and enhance the region's tourism economy by designating certain public lands as wilderness and certain rivers as wild and scenic rivers in the State of California, and for other purposes; and

S. 2788, to direct the exchange of certain land in Grand, San Juan and Uintah Counties, Utah, and for other purposes.

September 27, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-778.

S. 3000, to grant rights-of-way for electric transmission lines over certain Native allotments in the State of Alaska;

S. 3599, to establish the Prehistoric Trackways National Monument in the State of New Mexico;

S. 3794, to provide for the implementation of the Owyhee Initiative Agreement, and for other purposes;

S. 3854, to designate certain land in the State of Oregon as wilderness, and for other purposes;

H.R. 3603, to promote the economic development and recreational use of National Forest System lands and other public lands in central Idaho, to designate the Boulder-White Cloud Management Area to ensure the continued management of certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands for recreational and grazing use and conservation and resource pro-

tection, to add certain National Forest System lands and Bureau of Land Management lands in central Idaho to the National Wilderness Preservation System, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 5025, to protect for future generations the recreational opportunities, forests, timber, clean water, wilderness and scenic values, and diverse habitat of Mount Hood National Forest, Oregon, and for other purposes.

November 16, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-792.

S. 3636, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for high quality economic development in Washington County, Utah, and for other purposes; and

S. 3772, to establish wilderness areas, promote conservation, improve public land, and provide for high quality development in White Pine County, Nevada, and for other purposes.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

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*Senator Corzine resigned on January 17, 2006 and Senator Menendez was appointed to the vacancy on January 18, 2006.

JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction of the Subcommittee includes oversight and legislative responsibilities for: National Park System; Wild and Scenic Rivers System; National Trails System; national recreation areas; national monuments; historic sites; military parks and battlefields; Land and Water Conservation Fund; historic preservation; outdoor recreation resources; and preservation of prehistoric ruins and objects of interest on the public domain.

OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

During the 109th Congress, the Subcommittee held seven oversight hearings.

On February 17, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the National Park Service's implementation of the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act authorized in Public Law 108-447. S. Hrg. 109-11.

On April 12, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review management and planning issues for the National Mall, including the history of development, security projects and other planned construction, and future development plans. S. Hrg. 109-45.

On May 10, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the National Park Service's funding needs for administration and management of the national park system. S. Hrg. 109-84.

On July 14, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the National Park Service's business strategy for operation and management of the national park system, including development and implementation of business plans, use of business consultants, and incorporating business practices into day-to-day operations. S. Hrg. 109-150.

On November 1, 2005, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to receive testimony on the National Park Service's Draft Management Policies, including potential impact of the policies on park

operations, park resources, interaction with gateway communities, and solicitation and collection of donations. S. Hrg. 109–313.

On March 14, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to review the President’s proposed budget for the National Park Service for Fiscal Year 2007. S. Hrg. 109–422.

On June 20, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing to receive testimony on the National Park Service’s Revised Draft Management Policies, including potential impact of the policies on park operations, park resources, wilderness areas, recreation, and interaction with gateway communities. S. Hrg. 109–313, Pt. 2.

FIELD HEARINGS

During the 109th Congress, the Subcommittee held one field hearing.

On August 9, 2005, the Subcommittee held a field hearing in the Kilauea Visitors Center auditorium, Hawaii Volcanoes National Park, Hilo, HI, to gather information regarding invasive species. Specific areas of interest include challenges and needs of the National Park Service, existing legislation, legislative solutions, and use of partnerships for managing invasive species in and around National Parks. S. Hrg. 109–209.

LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS

March 15, 2005—S. Hrg. 109–28.

S. 175, to establish the Bleeding Kansas and Enduring Struggle for Freedom National Heritage Area, and for other purposes;

S. 322, to establish the Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership in the States of Vermont and New York, and for other purposes;

S. 323, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating the French Colonial Heritage Area in the State of Missouri as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; and

S. 429, to establish the Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area in the State of Connecticut and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and for other purposes.

April 28, 2005—S. Hrg. 109–74.

S. 242, to establish four memorials to the Space Shuttle Columbia in the State of Texas;

S. 262, to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of the Interior for the restoration of the Angel Island Immigration Station in the State of California;

S. 336, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study of the feasibility of designating the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Watertrail as a national historic trail;

S. 670, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of sites associated with the life of Cesar Estrada Chavez and the farm labor movement;

S. 777, to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 126, to amend Public Law 89-366 to allow for an adjustment in the number of free roaming horses permitted in Cape Lookout National Seashore.

June 28, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-101.

S. 206, to designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail, and for other purposes;

S. 556, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly conduct a study of certain land adjacent to the Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona;

S. 588, to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly conduct a study on the feasibility of designating the Arizona Trail as a national scenic trail or a national historic trail; and

S. 955, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Williamson County, Tennessee, relating to the Battle of Franklin.

July 28, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-201.

S. 584 and H.R. 432, to require the Secretary of the Interior to allow the continued occupancy and use of certain land and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park;

S. 652, to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin;

S. 958, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail;

S. 1154, to extend the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission, to provide improved visitor services at the park, and for other purposes;

S. 1166, to extend the authorization of the Kalaupapa National Historical Park Advisory Commission; and

S. 1346, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of maritime sites in the State of Michigan.

September 22, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-213.

S. 435, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes;

S. 1096, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate portions of the Musconetcong River in the State of New Jersey as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes;

S. 1310, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation to increase the diameter of a natural gas pipeline located in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area;

S. 1378, to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to provide appropriation authorization and improve the operations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation; and

S. 1627, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study to evaluate resources along the coastal region of the State of Delaware and to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing a unit of the National Park System in Delaware.

November 15, 2005—S. Hrg. 109–355.

S. Con. Res. 60, to designate the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as America's National Negro Leagues Baseball Museum;

S. 431, to establish a program to award grants to improve and maintain sites honoring Presidents of the United States;

S. 505, to amend the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Act of 2000 to adjust the boundary of the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area;

S. 748 and H.R. 1084, to authorize the establishment at Antietam National Battlefield of a memorial to the officers and enlisted men of the Fifth, Sixth, and Ninth New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry Regiments and the First New Hampshire Light Artillery Battery who fought in the Battle of Antietam on September 17, 1862, and for other purposes;

S. 1288, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park System;

S. 1544, to establish the Northern Plains National Heritage Area in the State of North Dakota, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 2107, to amend Public Law 104–329 to modify authorities for the use of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund, and for other purposes.

February 16, 2006—S. Hrg. 109–381.

S.J. Res. 28, to approve the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President Dwight D. Eisenhower;

S. 1870, to clarify the authorities for the use of certain National Park Service properties within Golden Gate National Recreation Area and San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park, and for other purposes;

S. 1913, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease a portion of the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center for use as a visitor center for the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, and for other purposes;

S. 1970, to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail, and for other purposes;

H.R. 318, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating Castle Nugent Farms located on St. Croix, Virgin Islands, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 562, to authorize the Government of Ukraine to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor

the victims of the manmade famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932-33.

April 6, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-447.

S. 1510, to designate as wilderness certain lands within the Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado;

S. 1719 and H.R. 1492, to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, and for other purposes;

S. 1957, to authorize the Secretary of Interior to convey to The Missouri River Basin Lewis and Clark Interpretive Trail and Visitor Center Foundation, Inc. certain Federal land associated with the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail in Nebraska, to be used as a historical interpretive site along the trail;

S. 2034 and H.R. 394, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to evaluate the significance of the Colonel James Barrett Farm in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and assess the suitability and feasibility of including the farm in the National Park System as part of the Minute Man National Historical Park, and for other purposes;

S. 2252, to designate the National Museum of Wildlife Art, located at 2820 Rungius Road, Jackson, Wyoming, as the National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States; and

S. 2403, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to include in the boundaries of the Grand Teton National Park land and interests in land of the Grand Teton Park Subdivision, and for other purposes.

May 16, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-547.

S. Res. 468, to support the continued administration of Channel Islands National Park, including Santa Rosa Island, in accordance with the laws (including regulations) and policies of the National Park Service;

S. 1686, to amend the Constitution Heritage Act of 1988 to provide for the operation of the National Constitution Center;

S. 2417 and H.R. 4192, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to designate the President William Jefferson Clinton Birthplace home in Hope, Arkansas, as a National Historic Site and unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes;

S. 2419 and H.R. 4882, to ensure the proper remembrance of Vietnam veterans and the Vietnam War by providing a deadline for the designation of a visitor center for the Vietnam Veterans Memorial;

S. 2568, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail; and

S. 2627, to amend the Act of August 21, 1935, to extend the authorization for the National Park System Advisory Board, and for other purposes.

June 22, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-663.

S. 574, to amend the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor Act of 1994 to increase the authorization of appropriations and modify the date on which the authority of the Secretary of the Interior terminates under the Act;

S. 1387, to provide for an update of the Cultural Heritage and Land Management Plan for the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor, to extend the authority of the John H. Chafee Blackstone River Valley National Heritage Corridor Commission, to authorize the undertaking of a special resource study of sites and landscape features within the Corridor, and to authorize additional appropriations for the Corridor;

S. 1721, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for certain national heritage areas, and for other purposes;

S. 2037, to establish the Sangre de Cristo National Heritage Area in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; and

S. 2645, to establish the Journey Through Hallowed Ground National Heritage Area, and for other purposes.

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JURISDICTION

Jurisdiction of the Subcommittee includes oversight and legislative responsibilities for: irrigation; reclamation projects, including related flood control purposes; power marketing administrations (e.g., Bonneville Power, Southwestern Power, Western Area Power, Southeastern Power); energy development impacts on water resources; groundwater resources and management; hydro-electric power; low head hydro; and energy related aspects of deepwater ports.

OVERSIGHT HEARINGS

During the 109th Congress, the Subcommittee held one oversight hearing.

On February 28, 2006, the Subcommittee held an oversight hearing on the Bureau of Reclamation's Reuse and Recycling Program (Title XVI of P.L. 102-575). S. Hrg. 109-400.

LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS

April 19, 2005—S. Hrg. 109-96.

S. 166, to amend the Oregon Resource Conservation Act of 1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy, and for other purposes;

S. 251, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins in Oregon;

S. 310, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard Facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District in the State of Nevada;

S. 519, to amend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 to authorize additional projects and activities under that Act, and for other purposes; and

S. 592, to extend the contract for the Glendo Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project in the State of Wyoming.

July 12, 2005—S. Hrg. 109–138.

S. 49, to establish a joint Federal-State Floodplain and Erosion Mitigation Commission for the State of Alaska;

S. 247, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assist in the planning, design, and construction of the Tumalo Irrigation District Water Conservation Project in Deschutes County, Oregon;

S. 648, to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to extend the authority for drought assistance;

S. 819, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reallocate costs of the Pactola Dam and Reservoir, South Dakota, to reflect increased demands for municipal, industrial, and fish and wildlife purposes;

S. 891, to extend the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska; and

S. 1338, to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes.

October 6, 2005—S. Hrg. 109–273.

S. 1025, to amend the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas, and for other purposes” to authorize the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project;

S. 1498, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District;

S. 1529, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in the city of Yuma, Arizona;

S. 1578, to reauthorize the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin endangered fish recovery implementation programs; and

S. 1760, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the Rogue River Valley Irrigation District or within the Medford Irrigation District, and for other purposes.

March 30, 2006—S. Hrg. 109–460.

S. 1577, to facilitate the transfer of Spearfish Hydroelectric Plant Number 1 to the city of Spearfish, South Dakota, and for other purposes;

S. 1962 and H.R. 4000, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise certain repayment contracts with the Bostwick Irrigation District in Nebraska, the Kansas Bostwick Irrigation District No. 2, the Frenchman-Cambridge Irrigation District, and the Webster Irrigation District No. 4, all a part of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and for other purposes;

S. 2028, to provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory Commission project;

S. 2035, to extend the time required for construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes;

S. 2054, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the State of Vermont;

S. 2205, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain parcels of land acquired for the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal features of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, James Division, South Dakota, to the Commission of Schools and Public Lands and the Department of Game, Fish, and Parks of the State of South Dakota for the purpose of mitigating lost wildlife habitat, on the condition that the current preferential leaseholders shall have an option to purchase the parcels from the Commission, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 3812, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to prepare a feasibility study with respect to the Mokelumne River, and for other purposes.

June 28, 2006—S. Hrg. 109–677.

S. 1812, to amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to provide for the conjunctive use of surface and ground water in Juab County, Utah;

S. 1965, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain buildings and lands of the Yakima Project, Washington, to the Yakima-Tieton Irrigation District;

S. 2129, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land and improvements of the Gooding Division of the Minidoka Project, Idaho;

S. 2470, to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within the A & B Irrigation District in the State of Idaho;

S. 2502, to provide for the modification of an amendatory repayment contract between the Secretary of the Interior and the North Unit Irrigation District, and for other purposes;

S. 3404, to bill to reauthorize the Mni Wiconi Rural Water Supply Project;

H.R. 2383, to redesignate the facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at 19550 Kelso Road in Byron, California, as the “C.W. ‘Bill’ Jones Pumping Plant”; and

H.R. 4204, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to transfer ownership of the American River Pump Station Project, and for other purposes.

July 27, 2006—S. Hrg. 109–738.

S. 3638, to encourage the Secretary of the Interior to participate in projects to plan, design, and construct water supply projects and to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to encourage the design, planning, and construction of projects to treat impaired surface water, reclaim and reuse impaired groundwater, and provide brine disposal in the State of California;

S. 3639, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to provide standards and procedures for the review of water reclamation and reuse projects;

H.R. 177, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Prado Basin Natural Treatment System

Project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2341, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the design, planning, and construction of a project to reclaim and reuse wastewater within and outside of the service area of the city of Austin Water and Wastewater Utility, Texas; and

H.R. 3418, to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Central Texas Water Recycling and Reuse Project, and for other purposes.

September 21, 2006—S. Hrg. 109-781.

S. 1106, to authorize the construction of the Arkansas Valley Conduit in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes;

S. 1811, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the feasibility of enlarging the Arthur V. Watkins Dam Weber Basin Project, Utah, to provide additional water for the Weber Basin Project to fulfill the purposes for which that project was authorized;

S. 2070, to provide certain requirements for hydroelectric projects on the Mohawk River in the State of New York;

S. 3522, to amend the Bonneville Power Administration portions of the Fisheries Restoration and Irrigation Mitigation Act of 2000 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2006 through 2012, and for other purposes;

S. 3832, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish criteria to transfer title to reclamation facilities, and for other purposes;

S. 3851, to provide for the extension of preliminary permit periods by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for certain hydroelectric projects in the State of Alaska;

S. 3798, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to exclude and defer from the pooled reimbursable costs of the Central Valley Project the reimbursable capital costs of the unused capacity of the Folsom South Canal, Auburn-Folsom South Unit, Central Valley Project, and for other purposes;

H.R. 2563, 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 Idaho, and for other purposes; and

H.R. 3897, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Madera Irrigation District for purposes of supporting the Madera Water Supply Enhancement Project.

MAJOR LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES

Comprehensive Energy Policy Legislation

During the 107th and 108th Congresses, both the Senate and the House of Representatives passed comprehensive energy policy legislation dealing with energy conservation and efficiency, energy research and development, renewable, hydrogen, oil, gas, coal, and nuclear energy resources, vehicle efficiency, and electricity regulation and infrastructure. None of these measures was enacted.

During the 109th Congress, the Committee conducted several hearings examining various aspects of energy. On February 15, the Committee conducted a hearing on the Future of Liquefied Natural Gas: Siting and Safety; on March 8, the Committee conducted a hearing on Power Generation Resource Incentives and Diversity Standards; on April 12, the Committee conducted a hearing on the Development of America's Oil Shale Resources; and on April 26, the Committee conducted a hearing on the Department of Energy's Nuclear Power 2010 Program. In addition, the Committee conducted a series of meetings on issues to be addressed in comprehensive energy legislation. On January 24, the Committee met on Natural Gas; on March 10 and April 21, on Coal; and on April 5, on Water Supply and Resource Management.

The Committee conducted five business meetings to consider comprehensive energy policy legislation. On May 17, the Committee considered title V, Indian Energy; title X, Department of Energy Management; and title XI, Personnel and Training. On May 18, the Committee considered title IV, Coal; title VII, Vehicles and Fuels; title VIII, Hydrogen; and title IX, Research and Development. On May 19, the Committee considered title I, Energy Efficiency; and title XII, Electricity. On May 25, the Committee considered title II, Renewable Energy; title VI, Nuclear Matters; and title XVI, Studies. On May 26, the Committee considered title III, Oil and Gas; and title XIV, Incentives for Innovative Technology. At the business meeting on May 26, 2005, the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources voted to report favorably an original bill. On June 9, 2005, S. 10 as reported by the Committee was placed on the Senate Legislative Calendar.

The House of Representatives passed comprehensive energy legislation, H.R. 6, on April 21, 2005. The Senate began consideration of that measure on June 14, 2005. The text of S. 10 as reported by the Committee was substituted for the text of H.R. 6 and further amended by the Senate. The Senate passed H.R. 6, as amended, on June 28, 2005. Following conference with the House of Representatives on the measure, the conference report on H.R. 6 was agreed to in the House on July 28, 2005, and was agreed to in the Senate on July 29, 2005, by a vote of 74–26. H.R. 6 was signed by the President on August 8, 2005, and became Public Law No. 109–58.

MEASURES ENACTED INTO LAW

Public Law 109–44 (H.R. 38, Mr. Baird): An Act to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Passed the House on June 27, 2005. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate in lieu of S. 74 (S. Rept. 109–8) on July 26, 2005. Approved by the President on August 2, 2005.

Public Law 109–45 (H.R. 481, Mrs. Musgrave, et al.): An Act to further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000. Passed the House on June 27, 2005. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate in lieu of S. 57 (S. Rept. 109–20) on July 26, 2005. Approved by the President on August 2, 2005.

Public Law 109–46 (H.R. 541, Mr. Gibbons): An Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries. Passed the House on April 12, 2005. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate in lieu of S. 254 (S. Rept. 109–12) on July 26, 2005. Approved by the President on August 2, 2005.

Public Law 109–48 (H.R. 1046, Mrs. Cubin): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the storage of the city’s water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming. Passed the House on May 16, 2005. Passed the Senate in lieu of S. 99 (reported on March 10, 2005, S. Rept. 109–27) on March 9, 2006. Approved by the President on August 2, 2006.

Public Law 109–58 (H.R. 6, Mr. Barton et al.): An act to ensure jobs for our future with secure, affordable, and reliable energy. Passed by the House on April 21, 2005. Passed by the Senate with an amendment on June 28, 2005. Conference report agreed to by the House on July 28, 2005, by the Senate on July 29, 2005. Approved by the President on August 8, 2005.

Public Law 109–69 (S. 252, Mr. Reid, et al.): An Act to authorize the exchange of lands between an Alaska Native Village Corporation and the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes. Reported on March 14, 2005. S. Rept. 109–38. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on September 13, 2005, and approved by the President on September 21, 2005.

Public Law 109–70 (S. 264, Mr. Akaka, et al.): An Act to amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize certain projects in the State of Hawaii. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109–33. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on September 13, 2005, and approved by the President on September 21, 2005.

Public Law 109–71 (S. 276, Mr. Johnson, et al.): An Act to revise the boundary of the Wind Cave National Park in the State of South Dakota. Reported on March 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–21. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on September 13, 2005, and approved by the President on September 21, 2005.

Public Law 109–93 (S. 55, Mr. Allard): An Act to adjust the boundary of Rocky Mountain National Park in the State of Colorado. Reported on March 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–45. Passed by the

Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on October 18, 2005, and approved by the President on October 26, 2005.

Public Law 109–94 (S. 156, Mr. Bingaman, et al.): An Act to designate the Ojito Wilderness Study Area as wilderness, to take certain land into trust for the Pueblo of Zia and other purposes. Reported on February 28, 2005. S. Rept. 109–13. Passed the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed the House on October 18, 2005, and approved by the President on October 26, 2005.

Public Law 109–110 (S. 161, Mr. McCain, et al.): An Act to provide for a land exchange in the State of Arizona between the Secretary of Agriculture and Yavapai Ranch Limited Partnership. Reported on March 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–40. Passed the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed the House on November 15, 2005, and approved by the President on November 22, 2005.

Public Law 109–117 (H.R. 126, Mr. Jones): An Act to amend Public Law 89–366 to allow for an adjustment in the number of free roaming horses permitted in Cape Lookout National Seashore. Passed the House on March 14, 2005. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–154. Passed the Senate on November 16, 2005, and approved by the President on December 1, 2005.

Public Law 109–118 (H.R. 539, Mr. Fortuño, et al.): An Act to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System. Passed the House on September 13, 2005. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–155. Passed the Senate on November 16, 2005, and approved by the President on December 1, 2005.

Public Law 109–119 (H.R. 606, Ms. Woolsey, et al.): An Act to authorize appropriations to the Secretary of the Interior for the restoration of the Angel Island Immigration Station in the State of California. Passed the House on May 23, 2005. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–157. Passed the Senate on November 16, 2005, and approved by the President on December 1, 2005.

Public Law 109–120 (H.R. 1972, Mrs. Blackburn): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Williamson County, Tennessee, relating to the Battle of Franklin. Passed by the House on November 15, 2005. Passed by the Senate in lieu of S. 955 on November 16, 2005. Approved by the President on November 28, 2005.

Public Law 109–125 (H.R. 584, Mr. Pombo): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to recruit volunteers to assist with, or facilitate, the activities of various agencies and offices of the Department of the Interior. Passed the House on March 14, 2005. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–156. Passed the Senate on November 16, 2005, and approved by the President on December 7, 2005.

Public Law 109–127 (H.R. 1101, Mr. Hunter): An Act to revoke a Public Land Order with respect to certain lands erroneously included in the Cibola National Wildlife Refuge, California. Passed the House on May 23, 2005. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–172. Passed the Senate on November 16, 2005, and approved by the President on December 7, 2005.

Public Law 109–130 (S. 52, Mr. Hatch, et al.): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey a parcel of real property to Beaver County, Utah. Reported March 30, 2005. S. Rept. 109–43. Passed the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed the House on December 6, 2005, and approved by the President on December 20, 2005.

Public Law 109–131 (S. 136, Mrs. Feinstein): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide supplemental funding and other services that are necessary to assist certain local school districts in the State of California in providing educational services for students attending schools located within Yosemite National Park, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust the boundaries of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, to adjust the boundaries of Redwood National Park and other purposes. Reported on April 28, 2005. S. Rept. 109–63. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on December 6, 2005, and approved by the President on December 20, 2005.

Public Law 109–132 (S. 212, Mr. Domenici, et al.): An Act to amend the Valles Caldera Preservation Act to improve the preservation of the Valles Caldera, and for other purposes. Reported on February 23, 2005. S. Rept. 109–10. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on December 6, 2005, and approved by the President on December 20, 2005.

Public Law 109–138 (H.R. 4195, Mr. Walden): An Act to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within Rogue River Valley Irrigation District or within Medford Irrigation District. Passed the House on December 6, 2005. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. The President approved the measure on December 22, 2005.

Public Law 109–152 (S. 205, Mr. Landrieu, et al.): An Act to authorize the American Battle Monuments commission to establish in the State of Louisiana a memorial to honor the Buffalo Soldiers. Reported on March 9, 2005. S. Rept. 109–24. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on December 19, 2005, and approved by the President on December 30, 2005.

Public Law 109–153 (S. 652, Mr. Specter, et al.): An Act to provide financial assistance for the rehabilitation of the Benjamin Franklin National Memorial in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the development of an exhibit to commemorate the 300th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–147. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Passed by the House on December 19, 2005, and approved by the President on December 30, 2005.

Public Law 109–154 (S. 1238, Mrs. Feinstein, et al.): An Act to amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to provide for the conduct of projects that protect forests, and for other purposes. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–152. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Passed by the House on December 19, 2005, and approved by the President on December 30, 2005.

Public Law 109–156 (S. 1310, Mr. Santorum, et al.): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to allow the Columbia Gas Transmission corporation to increase the diameter of a natural gas pipeline located in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, to allow certain commercial vehicles to continue to use Route

209 within the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, and to extend the termination date of the National Park System Advisory Board to January 1, 2007. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–194. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. Passed by the House on December 19, 2005, and approved by the President on December 30, 2005.

Public Law 109–183 (S. 1578, Mr. Allard, et al.): An Act to reauthorize the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basin endangered fish recovery implementation programs. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–196. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. Passed by the House on March 8, 2006, and approved by the President on March 20, 2006.

Public Law 109–219 (S. 592, Mr. Thomas, et al.): An Act to amend the Irrigation Project Contract Extension Act of 1998 to extend certain contracts between the Bureau of Reclamation and certain irrigation water contractors in the States of Wyoming and Nebraska. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–167. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Passed by the House on April 25, 2006, and approved by the President on May 5, 2006.

Public Law 109–220 (S.J. Res. 28, Mr. Stevens, et al.): An Act approving the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President Dwight D. Eisenhower. Reported on April 3, 2006. S. Rept. 109–227. Passed by the Senate on April 4, 2006. Passed by the House on April 25, 2006, and approved by the President on May 5, 2006.

Public Law 109–265 (S. 310, Mr. Ensign, et al.): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Project Headquarters and Maintenance Yard facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District in the State of Nevada. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–87. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. Passed by the House on July 24, 2006, and approved by the President on August 3, 2006.

Public Law 109–297 (S. 176, Ms. Murkowski): An Act to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Alaska. Reported on September 26, 2006. S. Rept. 109–681. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on September 26, 2006, and approved by the President on October 5, 2006.

Public Law 109–298 (S. 244, Mr. Craig): An Act to extend the deadline for commencement of a hydroelectric project in the State of Wyoming. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109–32. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on September 26, 2006, and approved by the President on October 5, 2006.

Public Law 109–299 (S. 1025, Mr. Roberts): An Act to amend the Act entitled “An Act to provide for the construction of the Cheney division, Wichita Federal reclamation project, Kansas, and for other purposes” to authorize the Equus Beds Division of the Wichita Project. Passed the Senate on December 16, 2005. Passed the House on September 20, 2006, and the President approved the measure on October 5, 2006.

Public Law 109–309 (H.R. 4841, Mr. Udall): An Act to amend the Ojito Wilderness Act to make a technical correction. Passed the House March 14, 2006. Discharged from Committee and passed the

Senate on September 29, 2006. Approved by the President on October 6, 2006.

Public Law 109–314 (H.R. 2107, Mr. Saxton, et al.): An Act to amend Public Law 104–329 to modify authorities for the use of the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Maintenance Fund, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on May 16, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–247. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on October 6, 2006.

Public Law 109–317 (H.R. 318, Mrs. Christensen): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating Castle Nugent Farms located on St. Croix, Virgin Islands, as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on November 15, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–241. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on October 2, 2006.

Public Law 109–318 (H.R. 326, Mr. Grijalva): An Act to amend the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area Act of 2000 to adjust the boundary of the Yuma Crossing national Heritage Area and for other purposes. Passed the House on November 15, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–242. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on October 11, 2006.

Public Law 109–319 (H.R. 1728, Mr. Carnahan, et al.): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to study the suitability and feasibility of designating portions of Ste. Genevieve County in the State of Missouri as a unit of the National Park System, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on February 28, 2006. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–246. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on October 11, 2006.

Public Law 109–321 (H.R. 3443, Ms. Musgrave): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain water distribution facilities to the Northern Colorado Water Conservancy District. Passed by the House on December 13, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–248. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on October 11, 2006.

Public Law 109–324 (S. 213, Mr. Bingaman, et al.): An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land to Rio Arriba County, New Mexico. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–166. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Passed by the House on September 27, 2006, and approved by the President on October 11, 2006.

Public Law 109–337 (S. 56, Mr. Allard, et al.): An Act to establish the Rio Grande Natural Area in the State of Colorado. Reported on March 30, 2005. S. Rept. 109–45. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on September 27, 2006, and approved by the President on October 12, 2006.

Public Law 109–338 (S. 203, Mr. Craig, et al.): An Act to reduce temporarily the royalty required to be paid for sodium produced, to establish certain National Heritage Areas, and for other purposes. Reported on February 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–4. Passed by the Sen-

ate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on July 24, 2006, and approved by the President on October 12, 2006.

Public Law 109-340 (H.R. 562, Mr. Levin, et al.): An Act to authorize the Government of Ukraine to establish a memorial on Federal land in the District of Columbia to honor the victims of the manmade famine that occurred in Ukraine in 1932-1933. Passed by the House on November 16, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109-244. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on October 13, 2006.

Public Law 109-370 (S. 435, Mr. Dodd, et al.): An Act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate a segment of the Farmington River and Salmon Brook in the State of Connecticut for study for potential addition to the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109-189. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. Passed by the House on November 13, 2006, and approved by the President on November 27, 2006.

Public Law 109-371 (S. 819, Mr. Johnson): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to reallocate costs of the Pactola Dam and Reservoir, South Dakota, to reflect increased demands for municipal, industrial, and fish and wildlife purposes. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109-168. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Passed by the House on November 13, 2006, and approved by the President on November 27, 2006.

Public Law 109-372 (S. 1131, Mr. Craig): An Act to authorize the exchange of certain Federal land within the State of Idaho, and for other purposes. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109-232. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Passed by the House on November 13, 2006, and approved by the President on November 27, 2006.

Public Law 109-375 (H.R. 409, Mr. Radanovich, et al.): An Act to provide for the exchange of land within the Sierra National Forest, California, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on September 20, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109-243. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on December 1, 2006.

Public Law 109-377 (H.R. 1129, Mr. Udall, et al.): An Act to authorize the exchange of certain land in the State of Colorado. Passed by the House on December 6, 2005. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109-245. Passed by the Senate September 29, 2006, and approved by the President on December 1, 2006.

Public Law 109-378 (H.R. 3085, Mr. Wamp, et al.): An Act to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on July 17, 2006. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Approved by the President on December 1, 2006.

Public Law 109-380 (S. 101, Mr. Enzi): An Act to convey to the town of Frannie, Wyoming, certain land withdrawn by the Commissioner of Reclamation. Reported on March 20, 2005. S. Rept. 109-46. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House

on November 15, 2006, and approved by the President on December 1, 2006.

Public Law 109–384 (H.R. 2383, Mr. Nunes, et al.): An Act to redesignate the facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at 19550 Kelso Road in Byron, California, as the “C.W. ‘Bill’ Jones Pumping Plant”. Passed by the House on March 8, 2006. Reported on October 17, 2005. S. Rept. 109–247. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006, and approved by the President on December 12, 2006.

Public Law 109–385 (H.R. 3817, Mr. Udall, et al.): An Act to withdraw the Valle Vidal Unit of the Carson National Forest in New Mexico from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on July 24, 2006. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006. Approved by the President on December 12, 2006.

Public Law 109–386 (H.R. 4000, Mr. Moran, et al.): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to revise certain repayment contracts with the Bostwick Irrigation District in Nebraska, the Kansas Bostwick Irrigation District No. 2, the Frenchman-Cambridge Irrigation District, and the Webster Irrigation District No. 4, all a part of the Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on December 19, 2005. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–315. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006, and approved by the President on December 12, 2006.

Public Law 109–396 (H.R. 3699, Mr. Davis, et al.): An Act to provide for the sale, acquisition, conveyance, and exchange of certain real property in the District of Columbia to facilitate the utilization, development, and redevelopment of such property, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on September 30, 2006. Referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. Discharged from HSGA, sequentially referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, discharged from ENR, and passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006. Approved by the President on December 15, 2006.

Public Law 109–419 (H.R. 394, Mr. Meehan): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a boundary study to evaluate the significance of the Colonel James Barrett Farm in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the suitability and feasibility of its inclusion in the National Park System as part of the Minute Man National Historical Park, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on September 20, 2005. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–311. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006, and approved by the President on December 20, 2006.

Public Law 109–431 (H.R. 5646, Mr. Rogers): An Act to study and promote the use of energy efficient computer servers in the United States. Passed by the House on July 12, 2006. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Approved by the President on December 20, 2006.

Public Law 109–436 (S. 1346, Ms. Stabenow, et al.): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of maritime sites in the State of Michigan. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–234. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Passed by

the House on December 6, 2006, and approved by the President on December 20, 2006.

Public Law 109-441 (H.R. 1492, Mr. Thomas, et al.): An Act to provide for the preservation of the historic confinement sites where Japanese Americans were detained during World War II, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on November 16, 2005. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109-314. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006, and approved by the President on December 21, 2006.

Public Law 109-448 (S. 214, Mr. Bingaman, et al.): An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to cooperate with the States on the border with Mexico and other appropriate entities in conducting a hydrogeologic characterization, mapping, and modeling program for priority transboundary aquifers, and for other purposes. Reported on March 7, 2005. S. Rept. 109-17. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Passed by the House on December 6, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-451 (S. 895, Mr. Domenici, et al.): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish rural water supply program in the Reclamation States to provide a clean, safe affordable, and reliable water supply to rural residents. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109-148. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Passed by the House on December 6, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-452 (S. 1096, Mr. Corzine, et al.): An Act to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate portions of the Musconetcong River in the State of New Jersey as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, and for other purposes. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109-193. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2006. Passed by the House on December 9, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-453 (S. 1378, Mr. Talent, et al.): An Act to amend the National Historic Preservation Act to provide appropriation authorization and improve the operations of the Advisory council on Historic Preservation. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109-35. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Passed by the House on December 9, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-454 (S. 1529, Mr. Kyl, et al.): An Act to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in the city of Yuma, Arizona. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109-300. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Passed by the House on December 9, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-457 (S. 2150, Mr. Wyden, et al.): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Bureau of Land Management Land to the city of Eugene, Oregon. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109-306. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Passed by the House on December 9, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-458 (S. 2205, Mr. Thune, et al.): An Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain parcels of land acquired for the Blunt Reservoir and Pierre Canal features of the initial stage of the Oahe Unit, James Division, South Dakota, to the Commission of Schools and Public Lands and the Department

of Game, Fish, and Parks of the State of South Dakota for the purpose of mitigating lost wildlife habitat, on the condition that the current preferential leaseholders shall have an option to purchase the parcels from the Commission, and for other purposes. Discharged from Committee and passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Passed by the House on December 9, 2006, and approved by the President on December 22, 2006.

Public Law 109-470 (H.R. 486, Mr. Pearce): An Act to provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base. Passed by the House on March 14, 2005. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109-313. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006, and approved by the President on January 11, 2007.

Public Law 109-474 (H.R. 482, Mr. Neugebauer, et al.): An Act to provide for a land exchange involving Federal lands in the Lincoln National Forest in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes. Passed by the House on April 12, 2005. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109-312. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006, and approved by the President on January 12, 2007.

Private Law 109-1 (S. 584, Mr. Salazar): An Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to allow the continued occupancy and use of certain land and improvements within Rocky Mountain National Park. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109-146. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005 in lieu of H.R. 432. Passed by the House on May 2, 2006, and approved by the President on May 12, 2006.

OTHER MEASURES ACTIVELY CONSIDERED

S. Con. Res. 60; Mr. Talent, et al.: A concurrent resolution designating the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum in Kansas City, Missouri, as America's National Negro Leagues Baseball Museum. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the bill on November 15, 2005. S. Hrg. 109-355. The Committee ordered reported S. Con. Res. 60 with an amendment on April 3, 2006. S. Rept. 109-228. The Senate agreed to the resolution with an amendment and an amended preamble on April 4, 2006. The House agreed to the resolution on July 24, 2006.

S. Res. 13; Mr. Domenici; An original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported on January 26, 2005 and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

S. Res. 468; Mrs. Feinstein, et al.: A resolution supporting the continued administration of Channel Islands National Park, including Santa Rosa Island, in accordance with the laws (including regulations) and policies of the National Park Service. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on May 16, 2006. S. Hrg. 109-547. The Committee reported S. Res. 468 on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109-310. The Senate agreed to the resolution on August 3, 2006.

S. Res. 595; Mr. Domenici, et al.: A resolution recognizing the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory as one of the premier science and research institutions of the world. Discharged from Committee and agreed to by the Senate on November 16, 2006.

S. 10; Mr. Domenici: A bill to enhance the energy security of the United States. The Committee ordered reported as an original bill on June 9, 2005. S. Rept. 109-78. The text of S. 10 was offered as an amendment to H.R. 6 in the nature of a substitute and was agreed to by unanimous consent on June 14, 2005. See Comprehensive Energy Policy Legislation under Major Legislative Initiatives and Public Law 109-58 under Measures Enacted into Law.

S. 47; Mr. Bingaman, et al.: A bill to provide for the exchange of certain Federal land in the Santa Fe National Forest and certain non-Federal land in the Pecos National Historical Park in the State of New Mexico. Reported on February 23, 2005. S. Rept. 109-7. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks on August 2, 2005.

S. 48; Mr. Lautenberg: A bill to reauthorize appropriations for the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route, and for other purposes. Reported on March 17, 2005. S. Rept. 109-41. Added as an amendment to S. 203, which became Public Law 109-338.

S. 54; Mr. Hatch, et al.: A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to update the feasibility and suitability studies of four national historic trails, and for other purposes. Reported on March 30, 2005. S. Rept. 109-44.

Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks on August 2, 2005.

S. 57; Mr. Allard: A bill to further the purposes of the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Establishment Act of 2000. Reported March 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–20. H.R. 481, which became Public Law 109–45, was passed in lieu of S. 57, which was indefinitely postponed, on July 26, 2005.

S. 63; Mr. Bingaman: A bill to establish the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes. Reported on February 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–1. Added as an amendment to S. 203, which became Public Law 109–338.

S. 74; Ms. Cantwell: A bill to designate a portion of the White Salmon River as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Reported on February 23, 2005. S. Rept. 109–8. H.R. 38, which became Public Law 109–44, was passed in lieu of S. 74, which was indefinitely postponed, on July 26, 2005.

S. 97; Mr. Enzi: A bill to provide for the sale of bentonite in Big Horn County, Wyoming. Reported on March 14, 2005. S. Rept. 109–37. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 99; Mr. Enzi: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to contract with the city of Cheyenne, Wyoming, for the storage of the city's water in the Kendrick Project, Wyoming. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109–27. The Senate passed H.R. 1046, which became Public Law 109–48, in lieu of S. 99.

S. 128; Mrs. Boxer: A bill to designate certain public land in Humboldt, Del Norte, Mendocino, Lake, and Napa Counties in the State of California as wilderness, to designate certain segments of the Black Butte River in Mendocino County, California as a wild or scenic river, and for other purposes. Reported on March 30, 2005. S. Rept. 109–47. Passed the Senate on July 26, 2005. See H.R. 233, which became Public Law 109–362.

S. 134; Mrs. Feinstein et al.: A bill to adjust the boundary of the Redwood National Park in the State of California. Reported on March 9, 2005. S. Rept. 109–23.

S. 152; Mrs. Murray et al.: A bill to enhance ecosystem protection and the range of outdoor opportunities protected by statute in the Skykomish River valley of the State of Washington by designating certain lower-elevation Federal lands as wilderness, and for other purposes. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109–28. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 1, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.

S. 153; Mrs. Feinstein, et al.: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study of the Rim of the Valley Corridor in the State of California to evaluate alternatives for protecting the resources of the Corridor, and for other purposes. Reported on February 23, 2005. S. Rept. 109–9. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 1, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 163; Mr. Bennett: A bill to establish the National Mormon Pioneer Heritage Area in the State of Utah, and for other purposes.

Reported on February 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–2. Added as an amendment to S. 203, which became Public Law 109–362.

S. 166; Mr. Smith, et al.: A bill to amend the Oregon Resource Conservation Act of 1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy, and for other purposes. The Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the bill on April 19, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–96. The Committee reported S. 166 on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–164. The bill passed the Senate on November 16, 2005. The House Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on April 26, 2006.

S. 177; Mr. Domenici: A bill to further the purposes of the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 by directing the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to carry out an assessment and demonstration program to control salt cedar and Russian olive, and for other purposes. Reported on March 7, 2005. S. Rept. 109–15.

S. 178; Mr. Domenici, et al.: A bill to provide assistance to the State of New Mexico for the development of comprehensive State water plans, and for other purposes. Reported on March 7, 2005. S. Rept. 109–16. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Referred to the House Subcommittee on Water and Power on August 2, 2005.

S. 182; Mr. Bennett: A bill to provide for the establishment of the Uintah Research and Curatorial Center for Dinosaur National Monument in the States of Colorado and Utah, and for other purposes. Reported on March 17, 2005. S. Rept. 109–42. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 200; Mr. Chambliss, et al.: A bill to establish the Arabia Mountain National Heritage Area in the State of Georgia, and for other purposes. Reported on February 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–3. Added as an amendment to S. 203, which became Public Law 109–338.

S. 204; Mrs. Landrieu, et al.: A bill to establish the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area in the State of Louisiana. Reported on February 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–5. Added as amendment to S. 203, which became Public Law 109–338.

S. 206; Ms. Cantwell, et al.: A bill to designate the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail, and for other purposes. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the bill on June 28, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–101. The Committee reported S. 206 on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–144. The Senate passed the bill on November 16, 2005. On November 30, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 207; Ms. Landrieu, et al.: A bill to adjust the boundary of the Barataria Preserve Unit of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve in the State of Louisiana, and for other purposes. Reported on March 9, 2005. S. Rept. 109–25. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 225; Mr. Stevens, et al.: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to undertake a program to reduce the risks from and mitigate the effects of avalanches on recreational users of public land. Reported on February 23, 2005. S. Rept. 109–11. Passed by the

Senate on July 26, 2005. On July 27, 2005 a hearing was held by the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.

S. 229; Mr. Bingaman, et al.: A bill to clear title to certain real property in New Mexico associated with the Middle Rio Grande Project, and for other purposes. Reported on March 7, 2005. S. Rept. 109–18. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Reported by the House Committee on Resources and placed on the House Calendar on November 18, 2005. H. Rept. 109–311.

S. 231; Mr. Smith, et al.: A bill to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to participate in the rehabilitation of the Wallowa Lake Dam in Oregon, and for other purposes. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109–30. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Water and Power.

S. 232; Mr. Smith: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to assist in the implementation of fish passage and screening facilities at non-Federal water projects, and for other purposes. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109–31. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans.

S. 242; Mrs. Hutchison, et al.: An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to carry out a study to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing memorials to the Space Shuttle Columbia on parcels of land in the State of Texas. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the bill on April 28, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–74. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–145. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 243; Mr. Thomas: A bill to establish a program and criteria for National Heritage Areas in the United States, and for other purposes. Reported on March 9, 2005. S. Rept. 109–26. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 249; Mr. Reid: A bill to establish the Great Basin National Heritage Route in the States of Nevada and Utah. Reported on February 16, 2005. S. Rept. 109–6. Added as an amendment to S. 203, which became Public Law 109–338.

S. 251; Mr. Smith; et al.: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek Sub-basins in Oregon. The Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the bill on April 19, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–96. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–165. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Water and Power.

S. 253; Mr. Reid; et al.: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to the land to the Edward H. McDaniel American Legion Post No. 22 in Pahrump, Nevada, for the construction of a post building and memorial park for use by the American Legion, other veterans' groups, and the local community. Reported on March 14, 2005. S. Rept. 109–39. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.

S. 254; Mr. Reid: A bill to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land to Lander County, Nevada, and the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Eureka County, Nevada, for continued use as cemeteries. Reported on February 23, 2005. S. Rept. 109-12. H.R. 541, which became Public Law 109-46, passed in lieu of S. 254. S. 254 indefinitely postponed on July 26, 2005.

S. 263; Mr. Akaka; et al.: A bill to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, and for other purposes. Reported on March 11, 2005. S. Rept. 109-36. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 8, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.

S. 272; Mrs. Clinton: A bill to designate certain National Forest System land in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System. Reported on March 10, 2005. S. Rept. 109-34. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. Received in the House and held at the desk.

S. 301; Mr. Leahy; et al.: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont. Reported on March 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109-22. Passed by the Senate on July 26, 2005. On August 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 476; Mr. Hatch, et al.: A bill to authorize the Boy Scouts of America to exchange certain land in the State of Utah acquired under the Recreation and Public Purposes Act. The Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests held a hearing on the bill on March 8, 2005. S. Hrg. 109-19. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109-231. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006, and held at the desk in the House.

S. 485; Mr. Craig, et al.: A bill to reauthorize and amend the National Geologic Mapping Act of 1992. The Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests held a hearing on the bill on March 8, 2005. S. Hrg. 109-19. The Committee reported S. 485 in lieu of H.R. 2362 on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109-161. The bill passed the Senate on November 16, 2005, and it was held at the desk in House.

S. 648; Mr. Smith; A bill to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 to extend the authority for drought assistance. The Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the bill on July 12, 2005. S. Hrg. 109-138. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109-190. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. On December 20, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Water and Power.

S. 761; Mr. Craig, et al.: A bill to rename the Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in the State of Idaho as the Morley Nelson Snake River Birds of Prey National Conservation Area in honor of the late Morley Nelson, an international authority on birds of prey, who was instrumental in the establishment of this National Conservation Area, and for other purposes. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109-162. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.

S. 777; Mr. Sarbanes: A bill to designate Catoctin Mountain Park in the State of Maryland as the “Catoctin Mountain National Recreation Area”, and for other purposes. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–171. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 891; Mr. Hagel: A bill to extend the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–169. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Water and Power.

S. 955; Mr. Frist et al.: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study to determine the suitability and feasibility of including in the National Park System certain sites in Williamson County, Tennessee, relating to the Battle of Franklin. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–149. H.R. 1972 passed in lieu of S. 955. H.R. 1972 became Public Law 109–120.

S. 958; Mr. Sarbanes; et al.: A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Star-Spangled Banner Trail in the States of Maryland and Virginia and the District of Columbia as a National Historic Trail. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the bill on July 28, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–201. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–150. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005 the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 997; Mr. Burns: An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain land in the Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest, Montana, to Jefferson County, Montana, for use as a cemetery. The Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests held a hearing on the bill on July 20, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–157. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–299. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006, and held at the desk in the House.

S. 1154; Ms. Collins; et al.: A bill to extend the Acadia National Park Advisory Commission, to provide improved visitor services at the park, and for other purposes. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the bill on July 28, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–201. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–151. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005, the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on National Parks.

S. 1170; Mr. Domenici; et al.: A bill to establish the Fort Stanton-Snowy River National Cave Conservation Area. The Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests held a hearing on the bill on July 20, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–157. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–163. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. On December 2, 2005, the bill was referred to the House Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health.

S. 1288; Mr. Wyden; et al.: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative agreements to protect natural resources of units of the National Park System through collaborative efforts on land inside and outside of units of the National Park System. The Subcommittee on National Parks held a hearing on the bill on November 15, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–355. Reported on

April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–233. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Referred to the House Committee on National Parks.

S. 1338; Ms. Murkowski; et al.: A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes. The Subcommittee on Water and Power held a hearing on the bill on July 12, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–138. Reported on October 27, 2005. S. Rept. 109–170. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006. Referred to the House Subcommittee on Water and Power.

S. 1548; Ms. Murkowski; et al.: A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Forest Service land to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska. The Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests held a hearing on the bill on November 2, 2005. S. Hrg. 109–347. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–301. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006, and held at the desk in the House.

S. 1552; Ms. Cantwell: A bill to amend Public Law 97–435 to extend the authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to release certain conditions contained in a patent concerning certain land conveyed by the United State to Eastern Washington University until December 31, 2009. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–195. Passed by the Senate on December 16, 2005. Referred to the House Committee on Resources.

S. 1627; Mr. Carper: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resources study to evaluate resources along the coastal region of the State of Delaware and to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing a unit of the National Park System in Delaware. Reported on October 19, 2005. S. Rept. 109–153. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2005. Referred to the House Resources Committee on November 17, 2005.

S. 1760; Mr. Smith: A bill to authorize early repayment of obligations to the Bureau of Reclamation within Rogue River Valley Irrigation District or within Medford Irrigation District. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–197. The Senate passed H.R. 4195 in lieu of S. 1760. H.R. 4195 became Public Law 109–138.

S. 1829; Mr. Domenici: A bill to repeal certain sections of the Act of May 26, 1936, pertaining to the Virgin Islands. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–236. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Passed by the House with amendments on December 6, 2006.

S. 1830; Mr. Domenici: A bill to amend the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003, and for other purposes. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–237. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Held at the desk in the House.

S. 1860; Mr. Domenici: A bill to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to improve energy production and reduce energy demand through improved use of reclaimed waters, and for other purposes. Reported on December 8, 2005. S. Rept. 109–198.

S. 1913; Mr. Lugar: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease a portion of the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center for use as a visitor center for the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, and for other purposes. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept.

109–238. Passed by the Senate on September 29, 2006. Referred to the House Resources Committee on September 29, 2006.

S. 1970; Mr. Coburn et al.: A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail, and for other purposes. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–239.

S. 2003; Mr. Wyden: A bill to make permanent the authorization for watershed restoration and enhancement agreements. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–302. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Held at the desk in the House.

S. 2028; Mr. Byrd: A bill to provide for the reinstatement of a license for a certain Federal Energy Regulatory Commission project. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–303. Passed by the Senate on November 16, 2006. Held at the desk in the House.

S. 2035; Mr. Craig et al.: A bill to extend the time required for construction of a hydro-electric project in the State of Idaho, and for other purposes. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–304.

S. 2054; Mr. Jeffords: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of water resources in the State of Vermont. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–305. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Held at the desk in the House.

S. 2197; Mr. Domenici et al.: A bill to improve the global competitiveness of the United States in science and energy technology, to strengthen basic research programs at the Department of Energy, and to provide support for mathematics and science education at all levels through the resources available through the Department of Energy, including at the National Laboratories. Reported on April 24, 2006. S. Rept. 109–249.

S. 2253; Mr. Domenici: A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to offer the 181 Area of the Gulf of Mexico for oil and gas leasing. Reported on April 20, 2006. S. Rept. 109–240.

S. 2373; Mr. Thomas: A bill to provide for the sale of approximately 132 acres of public land to the city of Green River, Wyoming, at fair market value. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–307. Held at the desk in the House.

S. 2403; Mr. Thomas: A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to include in the boundaries of the Grand Teton National Park land and interests in land of the GT Park Subdivision, and for other purposes. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–308. Passed by the Senate on December 7, 2006. Held at the desk in the House.

S. 2568; Mr. Sarbanes et al.: A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail. Reported on July 31, 2006. S. Rept. 109–309.