

"(2) to ensure that the financial benefits of debt cancellation are in addition to the government's total spending on poverty reduction for the previous year or the average total of such expenditures for the previous 3 years, whichever is greater;

"(3) to implement transparent and participatory policymaking and budget procedures, good governance, and effective anticorruption measures; and

"(4) to broaden public participation and popular understanding of the principles and goals of poverty reduction.

"(e) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

"(1) COUNTRY SUFFERING A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS.—The term 'country suffering a public health crisis' means a country in which the HIV/AIDS infection rate, as reported in the most recent epidemiological data for that country compiled by the Joint United Nations Program on HIV/AIDS, is at least 5 percent among women attending prenatal clinics or more than 20 percent among individuals in groups with high-risk behavior.

"(2) DECISION POINT.—The term 'Decision Point' means the date on which the executive boards of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Monetary Fund review the debt sustainability analysis for a country and determine that the country is eligible for debt relief under the Enhanced HIPC Initiative.

"(3) ENHANCED HIPC INITIATIVE.—The term 'Enhanced HIPC Initiative' means the multilateral debt initiative for heavily indebted poor countries presented in the Report of G-7 Finance Ministers on the Cologne Debt Initiative to the Cologne Economic Summit, Cologne, June 18-20, 1999."

**SEC. 502. REPORT ON EXPANSION OF DEBT RELIEF TO NON-HIPC COUNTRIES.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to Congress a report on—

(1) the options and costs associated with the expansion of debt relief provided by the Enhanced HIPC Initiative to include poor countries that were not eligible for inclusion in the Enhanced HIPC Initiative;

(2) options for burden-sharing among donor countries and multilateral institutions of costs associated with the expansion of debt relief; and

(3) options, in addition to debt relief, to ensure debt sustainability in poor countries, particularly in cases when the poor country has suffered an external economic shock or a natural disaster.

(b) SPECIFIC OPTIONS TO BE CONSIDERED.—Among the options for the expansion of debt relief provided by the Enhanced HIPC Initiative, consideration should be given to making eligible for that relief poor countries for which outstanding public and publicly guaranteed debt requires annual payments in excess of 10 percent or, in the case of a country suffering a public health crisis (as defined in section 1625(e) of the Financial Institutions Act, as added by section 501 of this Act), not more than 5 percent, of the amount of the annual current revenues received by the country from internal resources.

(c) ENHANCED HIPC INITIATIVE DEFINED.—In this section, the term "Enhanced HIPC Initiative" means the multilateral debt initiative for heavily indebted poor countries presented in the Report of G-7 Finance Ministers on the Cologne Debt Initiative to the Cologne Economic Summit, Cologne, June 18-20, 1999.

**SEC. 503. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the President such sums as may be necessary for the fiscal year 2004 and each fiscal year thereafter to carry out section 1625 of the International Financial

Institutions Act, as added by section 501 of this Act.

(b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Amounts appropriated pursuant to subsection (a) are authorized to remain available until expended.

**AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET**

**COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry be authorized to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on Thursday May 15, 2003. The purpose of this hearing will be to review the nominations of Glenn Klippenstein, Julia Bartling, and Lowell Junkins to be a member of the Board of Directors of the Federal Agricultural Mortgage Corporation.

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

**COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 15, 2003, at 5 p.m., in closed session to receive a briefing by the General Counsel of the Air Force, Ms. Mary L. Walker, on the results of the inquiry into reports of sexual assaults at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

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

**COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to conduct a business meeting on Thursday, May 15 at 9:30 to consider the following:

A bill to provide for the security of commercial nuclear power plants and facilities designated by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

A bill to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to enhance the security of wastewater treatment works.

S. 994, Chemical Security Bill, a bill to protect human health and the environment from the release of hazardous substances by acts of terrorism.

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

**COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Thursday, May 15, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing entitled "Investing in Homeland Security: Challenges Facing State and Local Governments."

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

**COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Thursday, May 15, 2003 at 2 p.m. for a nomination hearing

to consider the nominations of Susanne T. Marshall to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, Neil McPhie to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board and Terrence A. Duffy to be a member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board.

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

**COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Indian Affairs be authorized to meet on Thursday, May 15, 2003 at 10 a.m. in Room 485 of the Russell Senate Office Building to conduct a hearing on S. 575, a bill to amend the Native American Languages Act to provide for the support of Native American language survival schools, and for other purposes.

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

**COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a markup on Thursday, May 15, 2003, at 10:00 a.m.

I. Nominations: Michael Chertoff to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit; David G. Campbell to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona; L. Scott Coogler to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama; and Mark Moki Hanohano to be U.S. Marshal for the District of Hawaii.

II. Bills: S. 878, A bill to authorize an additional permanent judgeship in the District of Idaho and S. 1023, A bill to increase the annual salaries of justices and judges of the United States.

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

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Select Committee on Intelligence be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 15, 2003 at 2:30 p.m. to hold a closed hearing.

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

**SUBCOMMITTEE ON OCEANS, FISHERIES, AND COAST GUARD**

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries and Coast Guard be authorized to meet on Thursday, May 15, 2003, at 2:30 p.m. on Marine Mammal Protection Act in SR-253.

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

**HOMETOWN HEROES SURVIVORS BENEFITS ACT OF 2003**

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Judiciary Committee be discharged from further consideration of S. 459 and that the Senate then proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.