

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, September 9, 2003, at 10:00 a.m. in the Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 226 on "Ensuring the Continuity of the United States Government: The Congress."

Witnesses

Panel I: The Honorable Brian Baird, United States Representative [D-WA]; The Honorable David Dreier, United States Representative [R-CA].

Panel II: Dr. Norman J. Ornstein, Senior Counselor, Continuity of Government Commission, Resident Scholar, American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC.

Mr. Doug Lewis, Director, The Election Center, Houston, TX.

Mr. Raymond F. DuBois, Deputy Under Secretary of Defense, Installations & Environment, Department of Defense, Arlington, VA.

Mr. Thad Hall, Program Officer, The Century Foundation, Washington, DC.

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on Tuesday, September 9, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. in the Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 226 on "Pornography, Technology, and Process: Problems and Solutions on Peer-to-Peer Networks."

Witnesses

Panel I: Linda Koontz, Director of Information Management, U.S. General Accounting Office, Washington, DC.

John Malcolm, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

Thomas J. Spota, Suffolk County District Attorney, Hauppauge, NY.

Robbie Callaway, Chairman, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, VA.

Stephen Hess, Associate Academic Vice President for Information Technology, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT.

Douglas W. Jacobson, President and Chief Technology Officer, Palisade Systems, Ames, IA.

Panel II: William Barr, Esquire, General Counsel, Verizon Communications, Washington, DC.

Cary Sherman, President, Recording Industry Association of America, Washington, DC.

Marybeth Peters, Register of Copyrights, U.S. Copyright Office, Washington, DC.

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

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON AGING

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Special Committee on Aging be authorized to meet on Tuesday, September 9, 2003

from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. in Dirksen 628 for the purpose of conducting a hearing.

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Financial Institutions of the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on September 9, 2003, at 2:00 p.m. to conduct a hearing on "Oversight of the Federal Home Loan Bank System."

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATIONAL PARKS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on National Parks of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, September 9, 2003 at 2:30 p.m.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills: S. 808, to provide for expansion of Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore; S. 1107, to enhance the Recreational Fee Demonstration Program for the National Park Service, and for other purposes; and H.R. 620, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide supplemental funding and other services that are necessary to assist the State of California or local educational agencies in California in providing educational services for students attending schools located within the park.

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

NATIONAL WORK AND FAMILY MONTH

On Friday, September 5, 2003, the Senate passed S. Res. 210, as follows:

Whereas the quality of workers' jobs and the supportiveness of their workplaces are key predictors of job productivity, job satisfaction, commitment to employers, and retention;

Whereas there is a clear link between work-family policies and lower absenteeism;

Whereas the more overworked employees feel, the more likely they are to report making mistakes, feel anger and resentment toward employers and coworkers, and look for a new job;

Whereas employees who feel overworked tend to feel less successful in their relationships with their spouses, children, and friends, and tend to neglect themselves, feel less healthy, and feel more stress;

Whereas 85 percent of U.S. wage and salaried workers have immediate, day-to-day family responsibilities off the job;

Whereas 46 percent of wage and salaried workers are parents with children under the age of 18 who live with them at least half-time;

Whereas job flexibility allows parents to be more involved in their children's lives, and parental involvement is associated with children's higher achievement in language and mathematics, improved behavior, greater academic persistence, and lower dropout rates;

Whereas a lack of job flexibility for working parents negatively affects children's

health in ways that range from children being unable to make needed doctors' appointments, to children receiving inadequate early care, leading to more severe and prolonged illness;

Whereas nearly one out of every four Americans—over 45 million Americans—provided or arranged care for a family member or friend in the past year;

Whereas nearly all working adults are concerned about spending more time with their immediate family; and

Whereas as an increasing number of baby boomers reach retirement age in record numbers, more and more Americans are faced with the challenge of caring for older parents: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That—

(1) it is the sense of the Senate that—

(A) reducing the conflict between work and family life should be a national priority; and

(B) the month of October of 2003 should be designated as "National Work and Family Month"; and

(2) the Senate requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe "National Work and Family Month" with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 10, 2003

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. tomorrow. I ask further that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and the Senate then resume consideration of the current legislation.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. SPECTER. For the information of all Senators, tomorrow the Senate will resume consideration of this bill, and we have already specified the amendments which are going to occur. Following those votes, the Senate will continue to work on the bill. The majority leader has stated his intention to complete the bill tomorrow. There are a number of pending amendments. The chairman and ranking member will be here throughout the day to work through the amendments. Senators can expect rollcall votes.

Mr. REID. If my friend will yield for a brief statement, all Senators should recognize that we will have no more rollcall votes if we finish this bill tomorrow night. That would work well because of September 11. Things have already been scheduled. We have eight Senators who will be gone a good part of that day because of their States having been so badly affected by the events of 9/11.

I say to all Senators, if we finish tomorrow, no matter what time, there will be no more votes for the remainder of this week, and we will do other legislative business. But there will be no votes.

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, there are still a couple of other wrap-up items.

DESIGNATING THE "ED EDMONDSON UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE" IN MUSKOGEE, OKLAHOMA

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 1668, which is at the desk.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 1668) to designate the United States courthouse located at 101 North Fifth Street in Muskogee, Oklahoma, as the "Ed Edmondson United States Courthouse."

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

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

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

The bill (H.R. 1668) was read the third time and passed.

STAR PRINT—SENATE REPORT 108-113

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senate report No. 108-113 be star printed with the changes at the desk.

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

COMPLETION OF H.R. 2660

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I thank the assistant Democratic leader. I think it has been a productive day—starting at 5 o'clock. I am happy to have had the votes. It breaks the logjam. We had quite a number of amendments offered this evening. I think the stage has been set to move with dispatch tomorrow.

The assistant Democratic leader has made the suggestion about early votes,

which I think is a good idea. Very little remains on both sides. There is always great temptation to proceed with alacrity once the light at the end of the tunnel signifies no additional votes, at which point the railways and airlines become congested with 100 passengers. So we now have that incentive to move ahead with dispatch tomorrow to complete the bill. I think it will be a signal accomplishment to get it done.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

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

There being no objection, the Senate, at 9:11 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, September 10, at 9:30 a.m.