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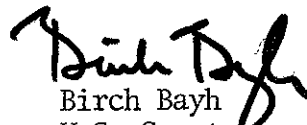
Dear Mr. Bremer:

The Senate Judiciary Committee has scheduled hearings for June 6, 1979, on S. 414, the University and Small Business Patent Procedures Act. The legislation, which I introduced on February 9, 1979 along with 27 of my colleagues, would allow universities, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations to retain patent rights on those inventions that they have made under Federally-supported research and development programs when these contractors will spend the needed money to develop and market these discoveries.

I would appreciate your testimony in these hearings which will begin at 9:30 a.m. in Room 2228 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. Written statements of any length may be submitted and will be printed in the hearing record in full. However, I would greatly appreciate it if you could confine your oral remarks to ten minutes. This will allow the Committee to hear the many witnesses who have requested the opportunity to appear.

It is important that I receive 50 copies of your written statement by June 4 so that they can be distributed to Senators and the press. All questions as to reimbursement of your travel expenses should be directed to Linda Rogers-Kingsbury at the above address or 202-224-9257. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. I look forward to your participation in the hearings.

Sincerely,


Birch Bayh
U.S. Senator

Enclosures: bill and statement