

Corporation for the period October 1 through December 31, 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2399. A communication from the Thrift Depositor Protection Oversight Board, transmitting, pursuant to law, the final report on professional liability litigation of the Resolution Trust Corporation for the period October 1 through December 31, 1995; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-2400. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, transmitting, a draft of proposed legislation entitled "The Methamphetamine Control Act of 1996"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2401. A communication from the Senior Deputy Assistant Administrator, Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, U.S. Agency For International Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2402. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2403. A communication from the U.S. Sentencing Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of amendments to the sentencing guidelines; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2404. A communication from the Office of the Attorney General, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report under Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2405. A communication from the Program Director of the National Fund for Medical Education, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of the audited financial statement for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-2406. A communication from the Director of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report on wiretaps for calendar year 1995; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1474. A bill to provide new authority for probation and pretrial services officers, and for other purposes.

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, pursuant to section 3(b) of Senate Resolution 400, 94th Congress, I ask that S. 1718, the Intelligence Authorization Act for fiscal year 1997, be referred to the Senate Armed Services Committee.

S. 1718. An original bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 1997 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and for the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

Referred to the Committee on Armed Services for a period not to exceed 30 days of session, pursuant to section 3(b) of Senate Resolution 400 of the 94th Congress to report or be discharged.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary:

John R. Lacey, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Foreign Claims Settlement Commission of the United States for a term expiring September 30, 1998. (Reappointment)

Glenn Dale Cunningham, of New Jersey, to be U.S. Marshal for the District of New Jersey for the term of 4 years.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

By Mr. THURMOND, from the Committee on Armed Services:

PANAMA CANAL COMMISSION

Markos K. Marinakis, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of the Panama Canal Commission, vice John J. Danilovich.

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following-named officer for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Richard B. Myers, 000-00-0000, U.S. Air Force

The following-named officer for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. John P. Jumper, 000-00-0000, U.S. Air Force

The following-named officer for reappointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Ralph E. Eberhart, 000-00-0000, U.S. Air Force

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Carl E. Franklin, 000-00-0000, U.S. Air Force

IN THE ARMY

The following U.S. Army National Guard officers for promotion in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, United States Code sections 3385, 3392, and 12203(a):

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Jerome J. Berard, 000-00-0000

Brig. Gen. James W. Emerson, 000-00-0000

Brig. Gen. Rodney R. Hannula, 000-00-0000

Brig. Gen. James W. MacVay, 000-00-0000

Brig. Gen. James D. Polk, 000-00-0000

To be brigadier general

Col. Earl L. Adams, 000-00-0000

Col. H. Steven Blum, 000-00-0000

Col. Harry B. Burchstead, Jr., 000-00-0000

Col. James E. Caldwell III, 000-00-0000

Col. Larry K. Eckles, 000-00-0000

Col. William L. Freeman, 000-00-0000

Col. Gus L. Hargett, Jr., 000-00-0000

Col. Allen R. Leppink, 000-00-0000

Col. Jacob Lestenkof, 000-00-0000

Col. Joseph T. Murphy, 000-00-0000

Col. William T. Nesbitt, 000-00-0000

Col. Larry G. Powell, 000-00-0000

Col. Roger C. Schultz, 000-00-0000

Col. Michael L. Seely, 000-00-0000
Col. Larry W. Shellito, 000-00-0000
Col. Gary G. Simmons, 000-00-0000
Col. Nicholas P. Sipe, 000-00-0000
Col. George S. Walker, 000-00-0000
Col. Larry Ware, 000-00-0000
Col. Jackie D. Wood, 000-00-0000

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

**In the Army there are 9 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Ralph G. Benson). (Reference No. 896.)

**In the Air Force there are 4 appointments to the grade of second lieutenant (list begins with Brian H. Benedict). (Reference No. 963.)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 18 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Michael G. Colangelo). (Reference No. 964.)

**In the Marine Corps there are 92 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Michael C. Albano.) (Reference No. 966.)

**In the Marine Corps there are 337 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with William S. Aitken). (Reference No. 967.)

**In the Army there are 6 promotions to the grade of major (list begins with Wesley S. Ashton). (Reference No. 985.)

**In the Army there are 2,429 appointments to the grade of second lieutenant (list begins with Andre B. Abadie). (Reference No. 987.)

**In the Army there is 1 promotion to the grade of major (Mark H. Lauber). (Reference No. 1013.)

**In the Army Reserve there are 2 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Jeffrey Dootson). (Reference No. 1014.)

**In the Army there are 4 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel and below (list begins with Daniel Bolas). (Reference No. 1015.)

**In the Army Reserve there are 2 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Richard R. Eckert). (Reference No. 1016.)

**In the Army Reserve there are 46 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Ernest R. Adkins). (Reference No. 1017.)

**In the Army there are 4 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Raymond A. Costabile). (Reference No. 1018.)

**In the Army there are 290 promotions to the grade of major (list begins with William E. Ackerman). (Reference No. 1020.)

**In the Marine Corps there are 522 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel and below (list begins with Joel H. Berry III). (Reference No. 1021.)

**In the Navy there are 754 appointments to the grade of ensign (list begins with David L. Aamodt). (Reference No. 1022.)

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services, I report favorably 16 nomination lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy which were printed in full in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORDS of February 1, March 20, 25, 26, and April 15, 1996, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar, that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

(The nominations ordered to lie on the Secretary's desk were printed in the RECORDS of February 1, March 20,

25, 26, and April 15, 1996, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. HEFLIN, and Mr. GREGG):

S. 1721. A bill to authorize appropriations for the purposes of carrying out the activities of the State Justice Institute for fiscal years 1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WELLSTONE:

S. 1722. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 and the National Labor Relations Act, to strengthen minimum wage and striker replacement, and to ensure quality job training, education, health care, and pension security for workers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. PELL, and Mr. CAMPBELL):

S. 1723. A bill to require accountability in campaign advertising, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. THOMAS:

S. 1724. A bill to require that the Federal Government procure from the private sector the goods and services necessary for the operations and management of certain Government agencies, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. SIMON, Mr. ROTH, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. KERREY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. SARBAKES, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. EXON, Mr. HARKIN, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. BRYAN, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 1725. A bill to amend the National Trails System Act to create a third category of long-distance trails to be known as national discovery trails and to authorize the American Discovery Trail as the first national discovery trail, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. BURNS (for himself, Mr. PRESSLER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. DOLE, Mr. FAIRCLOTH, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. McCRAIN, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. ASHCROFT):

S. 1726. A bill to promote electronic commerce by facilitating the use of strong encryption, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. GRAMM (for himself, Mr. SMITH, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 1727. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 1993 tax rate increase on gasoline, diesel fuel, and special motor fuels, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. REID, Mr. FORD, and Mr. HOLLINGS):

S.J. Res. 54. A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget constitutional amendment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. HEFLIN, and Mr. GREGG):

S. 1721. A bill to authorize appropriations for the purposes of carrying out the activities of the State Justice In-

stitute for fiscal years 1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

THE STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1996

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce legislation not only for myself, but for Senator HEFLIN, the ranking minority member of the Court Subcommittee of Judiciary, and for Senator GREGG.

This legislation would reauthorize the State Justice Institute [SJI] for 4 more years through fiscal year 2000. Congress originally authorized the State Justice Institute for 4 years in the State Justice Institute Act of 1984, then reauthorized it for 4 more years in 1988, and another 4 years in 1992. The bill I introduce today will authorize annual appropriations for this program of \$20 million each of those 4 years.

The requested authorization levels will enable the State Justice Institute to fully carry out its statutory mission to award grants, to improve the quality of justice in State courts throughout the 50 States of our Nation.

The State Justice Institute serves critically important Federal purposes. Just as Federal financial assistance to State and local police, prosecutors, and corrections is critically needed to help them control crime, it is equally imperative that Federal funds assist the State courts that decide 98 percent of the criminal cases brought in this country.

SJI plays an important role in the Nation's response to crime by providing the critically needed funding to support projects that evaluate the effectiveness of new trial and sentencing approaches, and improve judges, performance in cases involving violent crimes and drug abuse.

The Institute also has been a leader in fostering improvements in the civil justice system by supporting efforts to evaluate innovative procedures to reduce litigation delay, demonstrate innovative alternative dispute resolution programs, and increase the public's access to the legal system. In addition, the Institute has devoted considerable resources to improving the public's confidence in both the criminal and civil justice system.

The list of the Institute's current grant priorities reveals just how important it is to our overwhelmed State court system. The Institute's 1996 grants will focus on: children and families in court; improving public confidence in the courts; application of technology; education and training for judges and key court personnel; the relationship between State and Federal courts; and projects following up on recent Institute-supported conferences on court-community collaboration, drug courts, funding the courts, and eliminating race and ethnic bias in the courts.

Mr. President, the Institute has performed the mission Congress assigned it exceedingly well. The judges and court staff who toil in our Nation's un-

derfunded and outmoded State courthouses commend the Institute as the only national source of support for innovation, education, and information about how other States are coping with similar problems in their struggle to better serve the public.

The Institute is the only vehicle the Federal Government has to assure that State courts deliver a high quality of justice to every citizen in every type of case. By doing so, the Institute fulfills the highest standards of federalism. Its seed money bears fruit across the country, carrying out SJI's important national purposes in a cost-efficient manner that maximizes the impact of every dollar that Congress provides.

Reduced to its core, that is State Justice Institute's special role: Supporting promising innovations and spreading the word about them to every key State—and Federal—judge and court official. That saves State and Federal governments significant money, time, and effort on a national scale.

The bill also specifies that funds appropriated to the Institute are available until expended, without regard to the expiration of the year in which they were appropriated, and proposes three technical amendments to the State Justice Institute Act.

Mr. President, as chair of the Judiciary Committee Subcommittee on Administrative Oversight and the Courts, which has oversight authority over SJI, I am pleased to note that the co-sponsor of this bill is the ranking member of that subcommittee, senator HEFLIN. We urge the Senate to continue its support of the Institute in order to enhance the State courts' ability to deliver effective justice in areas that are critically important to the Federal Government and the American public.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 1721

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "State Justice Institute Reauthorization Act of 1996".

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

Section 215 of the State Justice Institute Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10713) is amended to read as follows:

"AUTHORIZATIONS

"SEC. 215. There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out the purposes of this title, \$20,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1997, 1998, 1999, and 2000, to remain available until expended."

SEC. 3. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.

(a) OPEN MEETINGS.—Section 204(j) of the State Justice Institute Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10703(j)) is amended by inserting "(on any occasion on which that committee has been delegated the authority to act on behalf of the Board)" after "executive committee of the Board".

(b) REPORT BY ATTORNEY GENERAL.—Section 213 of the State Justice Institute Act of 1984 (42 U.S.C. 10712) is repealed.