

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 2880. An Act making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a downpayment towards a balanced budget, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2353) to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend certain expiring authorities of the Department of Veterans Affairs relating to delivery of health and medical care, and for other purposes, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate.

ENROLLED BILLS SIGNED

At 1:28 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Goss) has signed the following enrolled bill:

S. 1341. An act to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. THURMOND).

At 7 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Ms. Goetz, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Goss) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 2280. An Act making appropriations for fiscal year 1996 to make a downpayment towards a balanced budget, and for other purposes.

The enrolled bill was subsequently signed by the President pro tempore (Mr. Thurmond).

ENROLLED BILL PRESENTED

The Secretary of the Senate reported that on January 25, 1996 he had presented to the President of the United States, the following enrolled bill:

S. 1341. An act to provide for the transfer of certain lands to the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community and the city of Scottsdale, Arizona, and for other purposes.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, without amendment:

S. 1406. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Army to convey to the city of Eufaula, Oklahoma, a parcel of land located at the Eufaula Lake project, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-205).

By Mr. PRESSLER, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 583. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation and coastwise trade endorsement for two vessels (Rept. No. 104-206).

S. 653. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Aura* (Rept. No. 104-207).

S. 654. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Sunrise* (Rept. No. 104-208).

S. 655. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Marantha* (Rept. No. 104-209).

S. 656. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Quietly* (Rept. No. 104-210).

S. 680. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation and coastwise trade endorsement for the vessel *Yes Dear* (Rept. No. 104-211).

S. 739. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Sisu*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-212).

S. 763. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation and coastwise trade endorsement for the vessel *Evening Star*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-213).

S. 802. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation and coastwise trade endorsement for the vessel *Royal Affaire* (Rept. No. 104-214).

S. 808. A bill to extend the deadline for the conversion of the vessel *M/V Twin Drill*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-215).

S. 826. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Prime Time*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-216).

S. 869. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Dragonessa*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-217).

S. 889. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Wolf Gang II*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-218).

S. 911. A bill to authorize the Secretary to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade of the United States for the vessel *Sea Mistress* (Rept. No. 104-219).

S. 975. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Jajo*, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-220).

S. 1016. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Magic Carpet* (Rept. No. 104-221).

S. 1017. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Chrissy* (Rept. No. 104-222).

S. 1040. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Onrust* (Rept. No. 104-223).

S. 1041. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue a certificate of documentation with appropriate endorsement for employment in the coastwise trade for the vessel *Explorer* (Rept. No. 104-224).

S. 1046. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue certificates of documentation with appropriate endorsements for employment in the coastwise trade of the United States for fourteen former U.S. Army hovercraft (Rept. No. 104-225).

S. 1047. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to issue certificates of documentation and coastwise trade endorsements for the vessels *Enchanted Isles* and *Enchanted Seas* (Rept. No. 104-226).

By Mr. McCAIN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 814. A bill to provide for the reorganization of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 104-227).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

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

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

NOMINEE AND OFFICE: H. MARTIN LANCASTER, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, VICE NANCY PATRICIA DORN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF AND REAPPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF GENERAL UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 154:

To be general

GEN. JOSEPH W. RALSTON, 000-00-0000, U.S. AIR FORCE
IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF LIEUTENANT GENERAL ON THE RETIRED LIST PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 1370:

To be Lieutenant general

LT. GEN. MARCUS A. ANDERSON, 000-00-0000, U.S. AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE AIR FORCE, TO THE GRADE INDICATED, UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTIONS 8373, 8374, 12201 AND 12212:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. WILLIAM A. HENDERSON, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
BRIG. GEN. TIMOTHY J. LOWENBERG, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
BRIG. GEN. MELVYN S. MONTANO, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
BRIG. GEN. GUY S. TALLENT, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
BRIG. GEN. LARRY R. WARREN, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

To be brigadier general

COL. JAMES H. BAKER, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. JAMES H. BASHAM, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. PAUL D. KNOX, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. CARL A. LORENZEN, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. TERRY A. MAYNARD, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. FRED L. MORTON, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. LORAN C. SCHNAIDT, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD
COL. BRUCE F. TUXILL, 000-00-0000, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR REAPPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF ADMIRAL IN THE U.S. NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 601:

To be admiral

ADM. JOSEPH W. PRUEHER, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER TO BE PLACED ON THE RETIRED LIST OF THE U.S. NAVY IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER SECTION 1370 OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE:

To be vice admiral

VICE ADM. RICHARD C. ALLEN, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF VICE ADMIRAL IN THE U.S. NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10 UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 601:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. JOHN J. MAZACH, 000-00-0000

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED OFFICER TO BE PLACED ON THE RETIRED LIST OF THE U.S. NAVY IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER SECTION 1370 OF TITLE 10, UNITED STATES CODE:

To be admiral

ADM. WILLIAM A. OWENS, 000-00-0000

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed, subject to the nominees' commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services, I report favorably 17 nomination lists in the Air Force and Army, which were printed in full in the RECORDS of September 19, 1995, November 28, 1995, December 4, 1995, and December 18, 1995, 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 September 19, and November 28, December 4, and 18, 1995, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

In the Army there are 1,655 promotions to the grade of major (list begins with David L. Abbott). (Reference No. 646.)

In the Air Force there are 30 appointments to the grade of second lieutenant (list begins with Todd D. Bergman). (Reference No. 733.)

In the Air Force Reserve there are 2 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Ruth T. Lim). (Reference No. 734.)

In the Army there is 1 promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel (Nelson L. Michael). (Reference No. 735.)

In the Army there are 14 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Robert L. Ackley). (Reference No. 736.)

In the Army Reserve there is 1 appointment to the grade of lieutenant colonel (Paul A. Ostergaard). (Reference No. 737.)

In the Army there are 41 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Charles W. Baccus). (Reference No. 738.)

In the Army there are 30 promotions to the grade of major (list begins with Mark E. Benz). (Reference No. 739.)

In the Army there are 106 appointments to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Vincent B. Bogan). (Reference No. 740.)

In the Air Force there are 3,099 appointments to the grade of captain (list begins with James P. Aaron). (Reference No. 741.)

In the Army there are 363 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Alvin D. Aaron). (Reference No. 742.)

In the Air Force there are 928 appointments to the grade of second lieutenant (list begins with Carlos L. Acevedo). (Reference No. 743.)

In the Air Force Reserve there are 23 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel

(list begins with William C. Alford). (Reference No. 752.)

In the Air Force there are 12 appointments to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Rogelio F. Golle). (Reference No. 753.)

In the Army Reserve there are 11 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with William Hayes-Regan). (Reference No. 787.)

In the Army Reserve there are 38 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Michael C. Appe). (Reference No. 788.)

In the Air Force Reserve there are 98 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Dwayne A. Alons). (Reference No. 789.)

Total: 6,469.

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. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. GLENN):

S. 1529. A bill to provide for the Federal treatment of certain relocating National Football League franchises, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BUMPERS:

S. 1530. A bill to create a government corporation to own and operate the Naval Petroleum Reserves and Naval Oil Shale Reserves, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 1531. A bill to reimburse States and their political subdivisions for emergency medical assistance provided to illegal aliens under their custody as a result of Federal action; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SIMON:

S. 1532. A bill to provide for the continuing operation of the Office of Federal Investigations of the Office of Personnel Management, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 1533. A bill to provide an opportunity for community renewal and economic growth in empowerment zones and enterprise communities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. HATFIELD (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 1534. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide additional support for and to expand clinical research programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. ABRAHAM:

S. 1535. A bill to strengthen enforcement of the immigration laws of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. THOMPSON:

S. 1536. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to permit Federal firearms licensees to conduct firearms business with other such licensees at out-of-State gun shows; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ROBB (for himself, Mr. DASCHLE, and Mr. SIMPSON):

S. 1537. A bill to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to issue a regulation that consolidates all environmental laws and health and safety laws applicable to the construction, maintenance, and operation of above-ground storage tanks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. GORTON):

S. 1538. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the treat-

ment of excess benefit arrangements of certain tax-exempt group medical practices, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON:

S. 1539. A bill to establish the Los Caminos del Rio National Heritage Area along the Lower Rio Grande Texas-Mexico border, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HATCH:

S. 1540. A bill to amend chapter 14 of title 35, United States Code, to preserve the full term of patents; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LUGAR (for himself, Mr. DOLE, Mr. HELMS, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. PRESSLER, and Mr. COVERDELL):

S. 1541. A bill to extend, reform, and improve agricultural commodity, trade, conservation, and other programs, and for other purposes; read the first time.

By Mr. ABRAHAM (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN):

S. 1542. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the expensing of environmental remediation costs in empowerment zones and enterprise communities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KERREY:

S. 1543. A bill to clarify the treatment of Nebraska impact aid payments; considered and passed.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself and Mr. CONRAD):

S. 1544. A bill to authorize the conveyance of the William Langer Jewel Bearing Plant to the Job Development Authority of the City of Rolla, North Dakota; considered and passed.

By Mr. SPECTER (for himself and Mr. HOLLINGS):

S.J. Res. 48. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. DASCHLE:

S. Res. 213. A resolution commending Senator Sam Nunn for casting 10,000 votes; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BROWN:

S. Res. 214. A resolution to express the Sense of the Senate concerning the payment of social security obligations; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. BRADLEY, and Mr. MOYNIHAN):

S. Res. 215. A resolution to designate June 19, 1996, as "National Baseball Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. COHEN):

S. Res. 216. A resolution to express the sense of the Senate that if a \$1 coin is minted to replace the \$1 bill, the Secretary of the Treasury should be authorized to mint and circulate \$1 coins bearing the likeness of Margaret Chase Smith; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DEWINE (for himself and Mr. GLENN):

S. 1529. A bill to provide for the Federal treatment of certain relocating National Football League franchises, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.