States House of Representatives and to each Member of the Arizona Congressional Delegation."

POM-593. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

"Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 19

"Whereas, Vernon, Beauregard, and the surrounding parishes rely heavily on the continuing economic support of Fort Polk; and

"Whereas, the potential transfer of portions of the Kisatchie National Forest should ensure the stability and permanence of the Fort Polk military base and possibly lead to its future expansion; and

"Whereas, the potential transfer of lands of the Kisatchie National Forest should not result in the expropriation of any privately owned property; and

"Whereas, if Congress transfers these lands, there should be no infringement upon private landowners' rights to their property by the military presence; and

"Whereas, the stewardship of the lands of Kisatchie National Forest should remain with the United States Forest Service in the event of such land transfer; and

"Whereas, if the transfer occurs, Fort Polk should ensure that the forest lands be subject to periodic inspection by the Environmental Protection Agency to address environmental concerns; and

"Whereas, if Congress transfers the lands, Fort Polk should use the land for maneuvering exercises without the use of live artillery or toxins which may endanger the public and indigenous wildlife; and

"Whereas, if the land transfer occurs, Fort Polk will give the public access to the forest at times it deems prudent: therefore, be it

"Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana memorializes the Congress of the United States to transfer certain portions of the lands of the Kisatchie National Forest to the Fort Polk military base provided that the viability of the military base is ensured, that there will be no infringement upon property owners' rights to their land, and that environmental concerns will be addressed: be it further

"Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution shall be transmitted to the secretary of the United States Senate and the clerk of the United States House of Representatives and to each member of the Louisiana congressional delegation."

POW-594. A joint resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of New Hampshire to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

"House Joint Resolution

"Whereas, much of New Hampshire's air pollution results from air pollutants and their precursors transported into the state from upwind sources including electricity generation stations; and

"Whereas, the Energy Policy Act of 1992 requires the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to implement increased competition in the electric utility industry, but does not relieve FERC or other federal agencies of their responsibility and obligation to act in the public interest and to carefully review and mitigate critical environmental and health impacts that may result from open access to transmission services; and

"Whereas, FERC's draft Environmental Impact Statement on its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Promoting Wholesale Competition Through Open Access Non-Discriminatory Transmission Service by Public Utilities (the "Mega-NOPR"), asserts that sizable

increases in air pollution could occur due to a shift from cleaner generation sources to cheaper and dirtier generators, but then greatly underestimates FERC's obligation to mitigate the impact of its proposed Mega-NOPR actions, by selecting an inappropriate base case which assumes incremental implementation of the same policy of open transmission access, instead of selecting the more appropriate base case of no action and current air quality trends; and

"Whereas, there is sufficient underutilized electric generating capacity in midwestern states, subject to much lower air emissions standards than competitors in northeastern states, so that implementing open transmission access, without more appropriate, comparable and equitable environmental regulation, could result in increased electricity generation in midwestern states and significant additional air pollution transport to northeastern states; and

"Whereas, federal air pollution regulation of electric generators has too often been inappropriately based almost exclusively on air quality in the vicinity of the generator, without sufficient consideration of the effects of transport of pollutants to downwind areas; and

"Whereas, a considerable burden has been placed on New Hampshire by its designation as part of the Ozone Transport Region delineated by the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990, despite considerable evidence that New Hampshire's exceedances of federal ambient air quality standards are overwhelmingly due to transported air pollution from upwind states; and

"Whereas, New Hampshire's electric rates have been much higher than the national average for many years, a substantial cause of which has been New Hampshire's pursuit over many years of lesser-polluting electricity sources as alternatives to construction of additional lower-cost, higher polluting coal-fired stations; and

"Whereas, New Hampshire, as a result of its Reasonably Available Control Technology (RACT) requirements for its own electrical generating stations, has shown that state-of-the-art selective catalytic reduction (SCR) RACT equipment installed at New Hampshire's largest coal-fired electrical generating station is a cost-effective method for reducing emissions of oxides of nitrogen (NOX), and would be cost-effective in other states as well; and

"Whereas, the costs for upwind electric generators to make similar source emission reductions, particularly in coal-fired stations, typically appear to be significantly smaller than the costs to northeastern states to compensate for transported air pollution by imposing more expensive mitigation measures on other sources of pollution; and

"Whereas, such source mitigation costs also appear to be only a small fraction of the potential additional revenue from increased generation by low cost coal-fired generators as a result of FERC's Mega-NOPR; and

"Whereas, Governor Stephen Merrill indicated in a July 20, 1995 letter to EPA Administrator Carol Browner that New Hampshire is not willing to subsidize the economy, environment, health and quality of life of upwind states at the expense of those aspects of its own citizens' lives; and

"Whereas, the state of New Hampshire would strongly prefer to avoid suing the federal government and upwind states to take actions to mitigate increased air pollution resulting from FERC's actions, pursuant to the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 and the National Environmental Policy Act: Now. therefore, be it

"Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court convened:

"That the state of New Hampshire petitions the Federal Energy Regulatory Com-

mission to implement open access to transmission services and increased competition in the electric utility industry in a manner that supports and furthers the goals of environmental improvement, such as by stipulating that all electricity generators transmitting power under FERC open access rules comply with equitable and appropriate environmental regulation to reduce interstate transport of air pollutants; and

"That the state of New Hampshire further petitions the United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Council on Environmental Quality, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the Congress, and the President of the United States to work together to ensure that increased competition in electricity markets be truly full, free, and fair, including equitable and appropriate environmental regulation, based on comparable scientific criteria, for all electricity generators and consumers; and to carefully consider as alternatives to existing regulatory controls innovative market-driven forms of environmental regulation, such as valuing the costs of pollution and using pollution control offsets; and

"That copies of this resolution, signed by the president of the senate, the speaker of the house, and the governor be forwarded by the house clerk to each member of the New Hampshire Congressional delegation, the President of the United States, the President Pro-Tempore of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the United States Environmental Protection Agency, and the Council on Environmental Quality; and

"That this resolution is intended to be read in conjunction with HB 1392, which establishes principles for restructuring the New Hampshire utility industry, if and when it has been signed into law."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ROTH, from the Committee on Finance, with amendments:

H.R. 3286. A bill to help families defray adoption costs, and to promote the adoption of minority children (Rept. No. 104–279).

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

H.R. 419. A bill for the relief of Benchmark Rail Group, Inc..

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

H.R. 1533. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to increase the penalty for escaping from a Federal prison.

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

S. Res. 226. A resolution to proclaim the week of October 13 through October 19, 1996, as "National Character Counts Week."

By Mr. HATCH, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1559. A bill to make technical corrections to title 11, United States Code, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services, I report favorably the attached listing of nominations. Those identified with a double asterisk (**) are to lie on the Secretary's desk for the information of any Senator since these names have already appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORDS of January 22, March 20, April 15, 19, 25, May 6, 14, 17, and 22, 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 January 22, March 20, April 15, 19, 25, May 6, 14, 17, and 22, 1996, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

**In the Army there are 133 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Loren D. Alves). (Reference No. 836.)

**In the Army there are 1,210 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Daniel F. Abahazy). (Reference No. 965.)

**in the Army there are 27 promotions to be grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Glen L. Bloomstrom). (Reference No. 1019.)

**In the Army there is 1 promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel (Robert A. Childers). (Reference No. 1037.)

**In the Army Reserve there are 3 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Carl E. Dawkins, Jr.). (Reference No. 1038.)

**In the Air Force there are 11 appointments to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Kathleen S. Bohanon). (Reference No. 1050.)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 19 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with James C. Bair). (Reference No. 1051.)

**In the Navy there are 49 appointments to the grade of lieutenant (list begins with James A. Caviness). (Reference No. 1052.)

**In the Army there is 1 promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel (Wayne E. Anderson). (Reference No. 1072.)

**In the Army Reserve there are 10 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Timothy J. Coen). (Reference No. 1073.)

**In the Army there are 174 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Garry F. Atkins). (Reference No. 1074.)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 2 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Thomas R. Bird). (Reference No. 1092.)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 18 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Warren J. Andersen). (Reference No. 1093.)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 79 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Kenneth D. Allen, Jr.). (Reference No. 1094)

**In the Marine Corps there is 1 promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel (E. D. Elek). (Reference No. 1102.)

**In the Marine Corps there is 1 promotion to the grade of colonel (Wade C. Straw). (Reference No. 1103.)

**In the Marine Corps there is 1 promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel (Thomas J. Felts), (Reference No. 1104.)

**In the Marine Corps there is 1 promotion to the grade of lieutenant colonel (Patrick A. Sivigny). (Reference No. 1105.)

**In the Army Reserve there are 72 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Charles C. Appleby). (Reference No. 1106.)

**in the Army Reserve there are 90 promotions to the grade of colonel and below

(list begins with Mitchell L. Brown). (Reference No. 1107.)

**In the marine Corps there are 41 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel and below (list begins with Ronald J. Crabbs). (Reference No. 1112.)

Total: 1,994.

IN THE 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. Ronald T. Kadish, 000–00–0000; U.S. Air Force

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

To be general

Lt. Gen. Walter Kross, 000–00–0000

IN THE ARMY

The following-named officer for reappointment to the grade of general in the U.S. Army while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code, section 601(a):

To be general

Gen. John H. Tilelli, Jr., 000–00–0000, U.S. Army

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of general in the U.S. Army while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, United States Code. section 601(a):

To be general

Lt. Gen. Wesley K. Clark, 000-00-0000, U.S. Army

The following U.S. Army Reserve officers for promotion in the Reserve of the Army to the grades indicated under title 10, United States Code, sections 3371, 3384, and 12203(a):

To be major general

Brig. Gen. Paul C. Bergson, 000-00-0000 Brig. Gen. Douglas E. Caton, 000-00-0000 Brig. Gen. Anthony R. Kropp, 000-00-0000 Brig. Gen. John M. O'Connell, 000-00-0000

To be brigadier general

Col. Voneree Deloatch, 000-00-0000

Col. Robert M. Diamond, 000-00-0000

Col. Alfonsa Gilley, 000-00-0000

Col. Haywood S. Gilliam, 000–00–0000

Col. Pierce A. Roan, Jr., 000-00-0000

Col. Alfred T. Rossi, 000–00–0000

Col. Richard G. Simmons, 000–00–0000

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

To be general

Lt. Gen. David A. Bramlett, 000–00–0000, U.S. Army

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, 000–00–0000

IN THE MARINE CORPS

The following-named brigadier generals of the U.S. Marine Corps for promotion to the grade of major general, under the provisions of section 624 of title 10, United States Code:

 $To\ be\ major\ general$

Brig. Gen. Thomas A. Braaten, 000-00-0000, USMC

Brig. Gen. Michael P. DeLong, 000-00-0000, USMC

Brig. Gen. Edward Hanlon, Jr., 000-00-0000, USMC

Brig. Gen. Geoffrey B. Higginbotham, 000-00-00000, USMC

Brig. Gen. George M. Karamarkovich, 000–00– 0000, USMC

Brig. Gen. Jack W. Klimp, 000–00–0000, USMC The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the U.S. Marine Corps while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under the provisions of section 601, title 10, United States Code:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Carol A. Mutter, 000-00-0000

The following-named officer for appointment as Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, and appointment to the grade of general while serving in that position under the provisions of section 5044, title 10, United States Code:

To be Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps

Lt. Gen. Richard I. Neal, 000-00-0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Mai. Gen. Terrence R. Dake. 000-00-0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Jeffrey W. Oster, 000-00-0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. James L. Jones, Jr., 000–00–0000

IN THE NAVY

The following-named officers for promotion in the U.S. Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 624:

TO BE REAR ADMIRAL

Rear Adm. (lh) Edward R. Chamberlin, 000-00-0000, U.S. Navy

To be rear admiral

Rear Adm. (lh) Noel K. Dysart, Jr., 000-00-0000, U.S. Navy

Rear Adm. (lh) Dennis I. Wright, 000–00–0000, U.S. Navy

The following-named officers for promotion in the staff corps in the U.S. Navy to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Corps, section 624:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Alberto Diaz, Jr., 000-00-0000, U.S. Navy

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. David P. Keller, 000–00–0000, U.S. Navy

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Peter W. Marshall, 000-00-0000, U.S. Navy

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. (selectee) Thomas B. Fargo, 000–00–0000

The following-named officer for appointment 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

Vice Adm. Archie R. Clemins, 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. (selectee) Robert J. Natter, 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. James B. Perkins III, 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. Herbert A. Browne II, 000-00-0000 The following-named officers for promotion in the U.S. Navy Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10 United States Code, section 5912:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. John Nicholas Costas, 000–00–0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

Capt. Joseph Coleman Hare, 000–00–0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

Capt. Daniel Lawrence Kloeppel, 000-00-0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

Capt. Henry Francis White, Jr., 000-00-0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. John Francis Brunelli, 000–00–0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

The following-named officer for appointment 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, and title 42 United States Code section 7158:

To be admiral

Vice Adm. Frank L. Bowman, 000-00-0000

The following-named officer for reappointment 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

Vice Adm. Arthur K. Cebrowski. 000-00-0000

The following-named officers for promotion in the U.S. Naval Reserve to the grade indicated under title 10, United States Code, section 5912:

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Vernon Paul Harrison, 000–00–0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Clifford Joseph Sturek, 000-00-0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Steven Robert Morgan, 000–00–0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

To be rear admiral (lower half)

Capt. Robert Charles Marlay, 000-00-0000, U.S. Naval Reserve

The following-named officer for appointment 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

Vice Adm. J. Paul Reason, 000-00-0000

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

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. (selectee) Patricia A. Tracey, 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. (selectee) James O. Ellis, Jr., 000-00-0000

By Mr. ROTH, from the Committee on Finance:

Raymond W. Kelly, of New York, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for Enforcement.

Marcia E. Miller, of Indiana, to be a member of the U.S. International Trade Commission for the term expiring December 16, 2003.

(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.)

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. McCAIN (for himself, Mrs. Kassebaum, Mr. Murkowski, Mr. Stevens, and Mr. Simon):

S. 1869. A bill to make certain technical corrections in the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. MOYNIHAN:

S. 1870. A bill to establish a medical education trust fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. CHAFEE:

S. 1871. A bill to expand the Pettaquamscutt Cove National Wildlife Refuge, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. SIMON:

S. 1872. A bill to amend section 922(x)(5) of title 18, United States Code, relating to the prohibition of possession of a handgun by a minor, to change the definition of minor from under 18 years of age to under 21 years of age; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. Chafee, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Fair-Cloth, Mr. Kempthorne, Mr. Moy-Nihan, Mr. Reid, and Mr. Lugar):

S. 1873. A bill to amend the National Environmental Education Act to extend the programs under the act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. JOHNSTON:

S. 1874. A bill to amend sections of the Department of Energy Organization Act that are obsolete or inconsistent with other statutes and to repeal a related section of the Federal Energy Administration Act of 1974; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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

S. 1875. A bill to designate the United States Courthouse in Medford, Oregon, as the "James A. Redden Federal Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 1876. A bill to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to end health insurance portability for Members of Congress and eliminate continued coverage for departing Members of Congress until health insurance portability for other United States citizens is enacted into law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. STEVENS):

S. 1877. A bill to ensure the proper stewardship of publicly owned assets in the Tongass National Forest in the State of Alaska, a fair return to the United States for public timber in the Tongass, and a proper balance among multiple use interests in the Tongass to enhance forest health, sustainable harvest, and the general economic health and growth in southeast Alaska and the United States; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. 1878. A bill to amend the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 to prohibit the licensing of a permanent or interim nuclear waste storage facility outside the 50 States or the District of Columbia, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mrs. BOXER (for herself and Mr. GREGG):

S. Res. 262. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that sanctions should be imposed on the People's Republic of China until the United States Trade Representative certifies that the People's Republic of China is complying with its agreement with the United States regarding the protection of intellectual property rights; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN (for herself, Mr. Levin, Mr. Daschle, Mr. Kemp-Thorne, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Feinstein, Mr. Kerry, Mr. Wellstone, Mr. Lieberman, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Pell, Mr. Lautenberg, and Mr. Inhofe):

S. Res. 263. A resolution relating to church burning; ordered held at the desk.

By Mr. MACK (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. CRAIG, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. Res. 264. A resolution to designate May 14, 1997, and May 14, 1998, as "National Speak No Evil Day", and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. INOUYE (for himself and Mr. AKAKA):

S. Con. Res. 64. A concurrent resolution to recognize and honor the Filipino World War II veterans for their defense of democratic ideals and their important contribution to the outcome of World War II; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PRESSLER (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. Con. Res. 65. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that Members should understand and use the Internet to improve the democratic process and to communicate with the Internet community;