lieu of fines, and, no later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, shall provide a report to the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on any findings and recommendations for actions by the Secretary or Congress to ensure the fines assessed are an effective deterrent for reducing safety risks.

SEC. 18. STUDY OF RIGHTS-OF-WAY.

The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to conduct a study on how best to preserve environmental resources in conjunction with maintaining pipeline rights-ofway. The study shall recognize pipeline operators' regulatory obligations to maintain rights-of-way and to protect public safety.

SECURITY ASSISTANCE ACT OF 2000

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 696, S. 2901.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2901) to authorize appropriations to carry out security assistance for fiscal year 2001, and for other purposes.

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

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read the third time.

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

The bill (S. 2901) was read the third time

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4919. I further ask consent that the Senate proceed to its consideration, all after the enacting clause be stricken, and the text of S. 2901 be inserted in lieu thereof. I ask that the bill then be read the third time and passed, as amended, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD.

Further, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate then insist on its amendments, request a conference with the House, and the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate and, finally, that S. 2901 be placed back on the calendar.

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

The bill (H.R. 4919), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. ROBERTS) appointed Mr. Helms, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. SARBANES conferees on the part of the Senate.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate im-

mediately proceed to executive session to consider the nominations reported by the Armed Services Committee during today's session.

I further ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed, the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table, any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations were considered and confirmed, as follows:

AIR FORCE

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

To be general

Lt. Gen. Charles R. Holland, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Glen W. Moorhead, III, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Norton A. Schwartz, 0000

ARMY

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Daniel J. Petrosky, 0000

The following named officer for appointment as The Surgeon General, United States Army, and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 3036:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. James B. Peake, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601, and as a Senior Member of the Military Staff Committee of the United Nations under title 10, U.S.C., Section 711:

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. John P. Abizaid, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Edward G. Anderson, III, 0000

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

$To\ be\ lieutenant\ general$

Maj. Gen. Bryan D. Brown, 0000

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Army to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of im-

portance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. William P. Tangney, 0000

MARINE CORPS

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

To be general

Lt. Gen. Peter Pace, 0000

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

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Michael P. Delong, 0000

NAVY

The following named officer for appointment in the United States Navy to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Vice Adm. Walter F. Doran, 0000

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 3021

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I understand that S. 3021 is at the desk. I ask for its first reading.

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

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3021) to provide that a certification of the cooperation of Mexico with United States counter-drug efforts not be required in fiscal year 2001 for the limitation on assistance for Mexico under section 490 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 not to go into effect in that fiscal year.

Mr. GORTON. I ask for its second reading and object to my own request. The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objec-

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bill will remain at the desk until its second reading.

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of the nominations of Senator BIDEN and Senator GRAMS to be representatives to the General Assembly of the United Nations and, further, that the nominations be placed on the calendar.

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

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2000

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 10 a.m. on Friday, September 8. I further ask that on Friday, immediately following prayer, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then resume debate on H.R. 4444, the China PNTR legislation.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, at 10 a.m., the Senate will resume debate on the China trade bill. Amendments are expected to be offered and debated throughout the day. As previously announced, there will be no votes during tomorrow's session of the Senate. Therefore, any votes ordered with respect to the China PNTR bill will be scheduled to occur on Monday or Tuesof next week. If significant progress can be made during tomorrow's session, votes may be delayed until Tuesday morning, September 12. Therefore, those Senators who have amendments to H.R. 4444 are encouraged to come to the floor during Friday's session.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

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

There being no objection, the Senate, at 8:59 p.m., adjourned until Friday, September 8, 2000, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 7, 2000:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

ROBERT B. PIRIE, JR., OF MARYLAND, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, VICE JERRY MACARTHUR HULTIN, RESIGNED.

HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

FREDERICK G. SLABACH, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HARRY S TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EX-PIRING DECEMBER 10, 2005, VICE NORMAN I. MALDONADO, TERM EXPIRED.

THE JUDICIARY

VALERIE K. COUCH, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT

OF OKLAHOMA, VICE WAYNE E. ALLEY, RETIRED.
MARIAN MCCLURE JOHNSTON, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN
DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, VICE LAWRENCE K. KARLTON, RETIRED

STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE

DAVID A. NASATIR, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE A MEM-BER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 17, 2003, VICE TERRENCE B. ADAMSON, TERM EXPIRED.

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS OF THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD TO BE MEMBERS OF THE PERMANENT COMMISSIONED TEACHING STAFF OF THE COAST GUARD ACADEMY IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 188:

TO BE LIEUTENANT

MICHAEL J. CORL, 0000 GREGORY J. HALL, 0000

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSON OF THE AGENCY INDI-CATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFI- CER OF THE CLASS STATED, AND ALSO FOR THE OTHER APPOINTMENTS INDICATED HEREWITH:

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS ONE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMER-

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

GUY EDGAR OLSON, OF ILLINOIS LOUIS M. POSSANZA, OF VIRGINIA

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS THREE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

JOSEPH LOPEZ, OF FLORIDA KURT F. SEIFARTH, OF MARYLAND

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS FOUR, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

KEREM SERDAR BILGE, OF CALIFORNIA WILLIAM JOSEPH BISTRANSKY, OF VIRGINIA MATTHEW DAVID CHRIST, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE MARC ADRIAN COLLINS, OF NEW JERSEY MARK W. CULLINANE, OF TEXAS GREGORY S. D'ELIA, OF NEW YORK GREGORY S. D'ELIA, OF NEW YORK
STEVEN H. FAGIN, OF NEW JERSEY
CARL BENJAMIN FOX, OF CALIFORNIA
GRAHAM D. MAYER, OF VIRGINIA
VICTOR MYEV, OF CALIFORNIA
DWIGHT D. NYSTROM, OF ALABAMA
A. JAMES PANOS, OF CALIFORNIA
SHANNON M. ROSS, OF WASHINGTON
LESLIE C. SCHAAR, OF TEXAS
STEPHEN FLETCHER STEGER, OF MISSOURI
MICHAEL SULLIVAN, OF VIRGINIA
WILLIAM D. SWANEY, OF VERMONT
INGER ANN TANGRORN. OF WASHINGTON INGER ANN TANGBORN, OF WASHINGTON SONYA M. TSIROS, OF FLORIDA JENNIFER DE WITT WALSH, OF WYOMING TAMIR GLENN WASER, OF VIRGINIA

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND STATE TO BE CONSULAR OFFICERS AND/OR SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AS INDICATED: CONSULAR OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

GETIZA FERGUSON AL-LAHAM, OF MARYLAND JACK R. ANDERSON, OF MINNESOTA MATTHEW C. AUSTIN, OF WASHINGTON MARK D. BARON, OF CALIFORNIA STACY MARIE BARRIOS, OF LOUISIANA JULIA LOUISE BATE, OF OHIO CHAD JONATHAN BERBERT, OF UTAH CHAD JONATHAN BERBERT, OF UTAH
BRADLY S. BISHOP, OF VIRGINIA
ANDREW GOSS BOYD, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
MATTHEW MARTIN BOYNTON, OF VIRGINIA
MATTHEW T. BRADLEY, OF VIRGINIA
ROBIN A. BRADLEY, OF MARYLAND
CLINTON STEWART BROWN, OF NEW YORK
BOD L. BUXLEY, OF BRED BLODINA ROB L. BUCKLEY, OF FLORIDA MICHAEL PATRICK CRAGUN, OF OREGON TERENCE DARNELL CURRY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUM-

KERRY L. DEMUSZ. OF PENNSYLVANIA MICHAEL JOHN DOLLAR, OF VIRGINIA CATHLEEN L. DUNFORD, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA POLLY ANN EMERICK, OF WASHINGTON JOHN M. ENT, OF VIRGINIA ROBERT A. FENSTERMACHER, OF MARYLAND YARYNA N. FERENCEVYCH, OF NEW JERSEY JOHN M. FLEMING, OF MARYLAND JAMES H. FLOWERS, OF MAKILAI JAMES H. FLOWERS, OF TEXAS NINI J. FORINO, OF NEW YORK GREGORY GAINES, OF VIRGINIA CHRISTOPHER A. GOW, OF VIRGINIA RICHARD GRAY, OF CALIFORNIA LANCE K. HEGERLE, OF CALIFORNIA JUSTIN HIGGINS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CHRISTOPHER W. HODGES, OF GEORGIA ROBERT M. HOLLISTER JR., OF TENNESSEE KENNETH HOLTZMAN, OF VIRGINIA ABU JAFAR, OF VIRGINIA ABU JAFAK, OF VIRGINIA AARON WAYNE JENSEN, OF OREGON MICHELLE L. JONES, OF OHIO KIT ALLISON JUNGE, OF WASHINGTON PENELOPE M. KALOGEROPOULOS, OF VIRGINIA GABRIEL M. KAYPAGHIAN, OF CALIFORNIA ELIZABETH A. KESSLER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BRENTON E. KIDD, OF VIRGINIA JOHN OLIVER KINDER, OF VIRGINIA JOHN OLIVER KINDER, OF VIRGINIA MICHAEL B. KOLODNER, OF PENNSYLVANIA ALEXEI THOMAS KRAL, OF NEW YORK MATTHEW W. KURLINSKI, OF VIRGINIA WANDA M. LANE, OF VIRGINIA W. STANLEY LANGSTON, OF VIRGINIA W. STANLET LANGSTON, OF VIRGINIA LINDA BERYL LEE, OF WASHINGTON DUNJA LEPUSIC, OF VIRGINIA J. AUSTIN LYBRAND IV, OF NORTH CAROLINA KRISTOPHER W. MCCAHON, OF VIRGINIA KRISTOPHER W. MCCAHON, OF VIRGINIA
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LAURIE J. MEININGER, OF CALIFORNIA
MARK MERRITT, OF VIRGINIA
JOSEPH L. MONTIE, OF VIRGINIA
MARK R. NACHTRIEB, OF MARYLAND
TREVOR WARREN NELSON, OF VIRGINIA
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SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ROBERTA ANN JACOBSON, OF MARYLAND

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PROMOTION IN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE AS INDI-CATED, EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 21, 1999:

CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF MIN-ISTER-COUNSELOR:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JAMES WEBB SWIGERT, OF VERMONT

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PROMOTION INTO THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE AS IN-DICATED, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 10, 1999:

CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RICHARD T. MILLER, OF TEXAS

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOR PROMOTION IN THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE AS INDI-CATED, EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 8, 1998:

CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF COUN-

DEBORAH ANNE BOLTON, OF PENNSYLVANIA

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE AGENCY FOR INTER-NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR PROMOTION IN THE SEN-IOR FOREIGN SERVICE TO THE CLASSES INDICATED:

CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF MIN-ISTER-COUNSELOR:

JAMES A. HRADSKY, OF FLORIDA TOBY L. JARMAN, OF VIRGINIA
KAREN D. TURNER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR PROMOTION INTO THE SENIOR FOR-EIGN SERVICE:

CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, CLASS OF COUN-SELOR:

JAMES F. BEDNAR, OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BETSY H. BROWN, OF NEW YORK JOHN JULIUS CLOUTIER, OF OREGON SHARON LEE CROMER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA JOSEPH FARINELLA, OF VIRGINIA RODGER D. GARNER, OF OREGON THOMAS D. HOBGOOD, OF MARYLAND LAWRENCE J. KLASSEN, OF CALIFORNIA LAWRENCE J. KLASSEN, OF CALIFORNIA
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HOWARD J. SUMKA, OF MARYLAND
MOHAMED TANAMLY, OF FLORIDA
DIANE C. TSITSOS, OF MARYLAND
PAUL CHRISTIAN TUEBNER, OF VIRGINIA
MOHAMEL WILL LAWARD, DE CALL LEODNIA MICHAEL J. WILLIAMS, OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be colonel

ALBERT L. LEWIS, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

To be colonel

PHILIP C. CACCESE, 0000 DONALD E. MCLEAN, 0000

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 12203:

RICHARD W.J. CACINI, 0000 SAMUEL H. JONES, 0000 CARLOS A. TREJO, 0000