

would have hoped, it is important that we are taking this action today as we work to finish our legislative activities for the year.

Despite the tragic accidents I highlighted earlier, the safety record of the pipeline industry has generally improved significantly and compares favorably to other forms of transportation. According to the Department of Transportation, pipeline related incidents dropped nearly 80 percent between 1975 and 1998, and the loss of product due to accidental ruptures has been cut in half. From 1989 through 2001, pipeline accidents resulted in about 24 fatalities per year, far fewer than the number of fatal accidents experienced among other modes of transportation. But this record must not be used as an excuse for inaction on legislation to strengthen pipeline safety.

The pipeline safety program expired more than two years ago. It is essential that the Congress take final action on this critical public and environmental safety issue. This legislation reauthorizes and strengthens Federal pipeline safety programs, providing additional funding for safety enforcement and research and development efforts. It also provides for increased State oversight authority and facilitates greater public education efforts at the local community level.

This pending pipeline safety legislation includes many important provisions. I urge my colleagues to support final passage of this critical safety improvement legislation.

Mr. BREAUX. Madam President, I rise in support of H.R. 3609, the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002, which will improve the safety and security of our Nation's pipeline systems through important reforms within our Federal safety regulatory program. This idea is not new. The Senate passed this legislation in the 106th Congress, and again in February 2001 as one of the first orders of business of the 107th Congress. The Senate also passed the same language as part of the Energy Policy Act of 2002. This bill is the product of good-faith compromise over three years of work, including compromise with the House of Representatives, and I ask my colleagues to join me in its support.

Both liquid and natural gas pipelines provide transportation of vital energy resources to many parts of our country. In my State, pipelines support what was recently determined to be a \$92 billion oil and gas industry. Louisiana is the third leading producer of natural gas and fourth leading producer of crude oil in the country. These products must be transported to the rest of the country for consumption, and pipelines are a key part of this infrastructure. In Louisiana alone, there are over 40,000 miles of gas pipelines, some of which pass through towns, residential areas, schools, churches, and other high-consequence areas. Oil and other product pipelines also number in the thousands of miles in my State.

In recent years, we have experienced at least two major pipeline accidents: one in Bellingham, WA, and the other near Carlsbad, NM. I am deeply sympathetic to the families of the victims of these tragedies. Nothing can possibly replace their losses. What we have endeavored to do here is take steps to ensure that we as a government address the risks of such accidents in the best possible manner. I think that this legislation will increase the tools available to the Secretary of Transportation to ensure that our pipeline system is as safe as possible. I would ask that the Secretary use the tools that we provide to ensure the aggressive oversight of pipeline safety practices, and involve and protect the affected communities to the greatest possible extent.

Passage of this bill will help to ensure the safety and security of natural gas and hazardous liquid pipelines and will take strides to increase the safety of our network of oil and natural gas pipelines. I appreciate the considerable number of hours that went into creating this bill by all of the parties. I am also satisfied with the spirit of compromise that accompanied the parties' diligent efforts. As a result of their cooperative work we have a bill that reaffirms our efforts to regulate gas and hazardous liquid pipelines safely and effectively without interfering with the pipeline gas and hazardous liquid pipelines safely and effectively without interfering with the pipeline operators' and owners' ability to provide service to our Nation and without compromising national security.

While there were many who worked arduously to ensure passage of legislation in this area, Senator MURRAY, Senator BINGAMAN, and Senator MCCAIN should be recognized for their important contributions. Senator MURRAY vigorously pursued changes to increase the level of safety and public participation in pipeline safety, and she worked closely with other Commerce Committee members to ensure a reasonable and fair compromise. Senator BINGAMAN was instrumental in helping bolster the bill's provisions on research and development. We also added provisions he authored to focus our research on progressive areas that will help us develop better systems of early detection, and to ensure that we can avoid accidents such as those that occurred in Bellingham, WA, and near Carlsbad, NM. Senator MCCAIN is to be recognized for his continuing efforts to get this legislation passed. He first initiated this effort years ago as Chairman of the Committee. Last, I would like to thank the efforts of my dedicated staff and all those staff members who helped reach this agreement.

Clearly, this measure is a compromise, and as such, not every group got exactly what they wanted, but this measure will advance the programs and system regulating the safety of our pipeline system. It will require our regulators to finalize a number of overdue regulations. The bill also updates the

penalties that would be levied for misconduct and provides whistle blower protection for employees who reveal misconduct. Further, the bill helps us focus on long-term research needs so as to make our future pipeline system even safer. Investment today in research will help us be more efficient and effective in providing a safer and more secure system. While I was for the most part pleased with the final product that we negotiated in this bill, I was concerned that we did not include provisions that would have outlined what sort of pipeline safety information should be made available to the public. Concerns were raised that public disclosure of certain pipeline safety information could jeopardize security. We need to take a look at how we get safety information to the people who need it, but protect that information from those who wish to do harm if it is security-sensitive.

Overall, this is good legislation. It will improve the safety of our pipelines and communities through which pipelines run, and I urge my colleagues to support it.

Mr. DURBIN. I understand Senators MCCAIN and HOLLINGS have a substitute amendment at the desk. I ask unanimous consent that the amendment be considered and agreed to; the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; the bill, as amended, be read three times and passed and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; and that any statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The amendment (No. 4904) was agreed to.

(The amendment is printed in today's RECORD under "Text of Amendments.")

The bill (H.R. 3609), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SECURITY REFORM ACT

Mr. DURBIN. I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of S. 3067 and that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3067) to amend title 44, United States Code, to make Government information security reform permanent, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to the immediate consideration of the bill.

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, I understand Senator THOMPSON has a substitute amendment at the desk, and I ask unanimous consent that it be considered and agreed to; that the title amendment be agreed to; that the bill, as amended, be read the third time and passed and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate; and that any statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The amendment (No. 4905) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: To substitute a one-year extension of authority)

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. ONE-YEAR EXTENSION OF GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SECURITY REFORM.

Section 3536 of title 44, United States Code, is amended by striking “after the date” and all that follows and inserting “after November 30, 2003.”.

SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF LAW AS GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SECURITY REFORM ACT.

Subtitle G of title X of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (as enacted into law by Public Law 106-398; 114 Stat. 1654A-266) is amended by inserting after the heading for the subtitle the following new section:

“SEC. 1060. SHORT TITLE.

“This subtitle may be cited as the ‘Government Information Security Reform Act’.”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to amend title 44, United States Code, to extend certain Government information security reform for one year, and for other purposes.”.

The bill (S. 3067), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

**ORDERS FOR THURSDAY,
NOVEMBER 14, 2002**

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m., Thursday, November 14; that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed under the previous order.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. DURBIN. Madam President, the next rollcall vote will be on the adoption of the port security conference report at approximately 10:30 a.m. on Thursday.

**ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.
TOMORROW**

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

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:39 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, November 14, 2002, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate November 12, 2002:

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED 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. ARTHUR J. LICHTHE, 0000

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED 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

REAR ADM. STANLEY R. SZEMBORSKI, 0000

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 271:

To be lieutenant commander

ANTHONY J. ALARID, 0000
MICHAEL S. ANTONELLIS, 0000
MICHAEL A. ARGUELLES, 0000
HECTOR A. AVELLA, 0000
PAUL E. BAKER, 0000
BARBARA J. BARATA, 0000
CHRISTOPHER M. BARROWS, 0000
EDWARD K. BEALE, 0000
SCOTT A. BEAUREGARD, 0000
WILLIAM D. BELLAUTY, 0000
BRYAN R. BENDER, 0000
RALPH L. BENHART, 0000
BENJAMIN A. BENSON, 0000
DAVID F. BERLINER, 0000
PAUL R. BISSAILLON, 0000
RONALD E. BRAHM, 0000
JOHN A. BRENNER, 0000
DONALD L. BROWN, 0000
TIMOTHY J. BUCHANAN, 0000
TIMOTHY J. BURNSIDE, 0000
RUSSELL S. BURNSIDE, 0000
WILLIAM CARTER, 0000
ANTHONY J. CERRA, 0000
PATRICK W. CLARK, 0000
LESLIE W. CLAYBORNE, 0000
ROCKY L. COLE, 0000
RICHARD W. CONDIT, 0000
VERNON E. CRAIG, 0000
MICHAEL W. CIBBS, 0000
CHRISTOPHER CURATILLO, 0000
GREGORY J. CZERWONKA, 0000
CHRISTEL A. DAHL, 0000
BRYAN E. DALEY, 0000
JAMES W. DALITSCH, 0000
TIMOTHY E. DARLEY, 0000
JOSEPH E. DEER, 0000
ANN B. DEYOUNG, 0000
EDWIN DIAZROSARIO, 0000
TIMOTHY E. DICKERSON, 0000
DOUGLAS C. DIXON, 0000
JEAN T. DONALDSON, 0000
CHARLENE L. DOWNEY, 0000
PATRICK J. DUGAN, 0000
KATHRYN C. DUNBAR, 0000
JOHN C. DURBIN, 0000
BRYAN L. DURR, 0000
BRIAN E. EDMISTON, 0000
DAVID M. EHLERS, 0000
THOMAS M. EMERICK, 0000
DENNIS C. EVANS, 0000
RENDALL B. FARLEY, 0000
DALE C. FOLSOM, 0000
CHRISTOPHER W. FORANDO, 0000
GREGORY T. FULLER, 0000
ERIC J. GANDEE, 0000
GEORGE D. GANOUNG, 0000
CHRISTIAN J. GLANDER, 0000
MICHAEL W. GLANDER, 0000
GENE G. GONZALES, 0000
JEFFREY W. GOOD, 0000
MARK D. GORDON, 0000
SAMUEL J. GOSWELLEN, 0000
THOMAS A. GRIFFITHS, 0000
JASON R. HAMILTON, 0000
KEVIN J. HANSON, 0000
JAMES A. HEALY, 0000
JOSEPH J. HEALY, 0000
MICHAEL L. HERSHBERGER, 0000
JOSEPH P. HIGGINS, 0000
DANIEL J. HIGMAN, 0000
RUSSELL E. HOLMES, 0000
KATHERINE A. HOWARD, 0000
JERRY A. HUBBARD, 0000
DAVID A. HUSTED, 0000
JEFFREY A. JANSZEN, 0000
TERRENCE M. JOHNS, 0000
EUGENE E. JOHNSON, 0000
RICHARD V. JOHNSON, 0000
STEPHEN D. JUNG, 0000
STEPHEN D. JUTRAS, 0000
ROBERT M. KEITH, 0000
QUENTIN C. KENT, 0000
IAN R. KIERNAN, 0000
SCOTT H. KIM, 0000
ERICH F. KLEIN, 0000
NICHOLAS R. KOESTER, 0000
JOSEPH E. KRAHEK, 0000
MIRIAM L. LAFFERTY, 0000
BURT A. LAHN, 0000
ROBERT J. LANDOLFI, 0000
STEVEN A. LANG, 0000
JAMES R. LANGEVIN, 0000
SCOTT E. LANGUM, 0000
KEITH H. LAPLANT, 0000
SCOTT X. LARSON, 0000
STEPHEN G. LEFAVE, 0000
MICHAEL R. LEONGUERRERO, 0000

MICHAEL C. LONG, 0000
JESS P. LOPEZ, 0000
JUAN LOPEZ, 0000
TUNG T. LY, 0000
LISA K. MACK, 0000
WILLIAM J. MAKELL, 0000
JOSEPH P. MALINAUSKAS, 0000
AUGUST T. MARTIN, 0000
CAROL L. MCCARTHER, 0000
THOMAS W. MCDEVITT, 0000
STEVEN P. MCGEE, 0000
PATRICK W. MCMAHON, 0000
JASON A. MERRIWEATHER, 0000
JAMES F. MILLER, 0000
JAMES W. MITCHELL, 0000
KEVIN G. MORGAN, 0000
PATRICK J. MURPHY, 0000
NICOLE S. NANCARROW, 0000
RANDALL J. NAVARRO, 0000
JACK C. NEVE, 0000
ANTHONY J. NYGRA, 0000
ROBERT R. OATMAN, 0000
STEPHEN H. OBER, 0000
STEVEN F. OSGOOD, 0000
KEITH A. OVERSTREET, 0000
GEOFFREY D. OWEN, 0000
KIM J. PACSAI, 0000
JOHN K. PARK, 0000
EDWIN W. PARKINSON, 0000
VINCENT E. PATTERSON, 0000
KEVIN Y. PEKAREK, 0000
DARYL R. PELOQUIN, 0000
MATTHEW F. PERCIAK, 0000
CORNELL I. PERRY, 0000
MARK G. PHIPPS, 0000
ZACHARY H. PICKETT, 0000
KENNETH A. PIERRO, 0000
MICHAEL E. PLATT, 0000
NATHAN A. PODOLL, 0000
GARY K. POLASKI, 0000
RONALD P. POOLE, 0000
KENNETH U. POTOLICCHIO, 0000
STEVEN J. PRUYN, 0000
LEE S. PUTNAM, 0000
GREGORY M. RAINEY, 0000
JEFFREY K. RANDALL, 0000
SEAN P. REGAN, 0000
FRANCISCO S. REGO, 0000
JAMES M. REILLY, 0000
JOSHUA D. REYNOLDS, 0000
RODD M. RICKLEFS, 0000
RONALD L. RIEDINGER, 0000
JAMES V. ROCCO, 0000
STANLEY T. ROMANOWICZ, 0000
SHANNAN D. ROONEY, 0000
CHARLES A. ROSKAM, 0000
KILEY R. ROSS, 0000
AARON E. ROTH, 0000
WARREN J. RUSSELL, 0000
MATTHEW A. RYMER, 0000
KRISTINA E. SALICETTI, 0000
CHRISTOPHER S. SCHUBERT, 0000
JAMES W. SEEMAN, 0000
EDWARD B. SHEPPARD, 0000
JOHN P. SHERLOCK, 0000
ARTHUR R. SHUMAN, 0000
MICHAEL J. SIMBULAN, 0000
DARELL SINGLETERRY, 0000
JEROME F. SINNAEVE, 0000
CHARLES G. SMITH, 0000
MATTHEW J. SMITH, 0000
ROBERT L. SMITH, 0000
STUART M. SOCKMAN, 0000
GREGORY STANCLIK, 0000
BION B. STEWART, 0000
ANTHONY A. STOBBE, 0000
PAUL M. STOCKLIN, 0000
CARRIE M. STOFFEL, 0000
CHRISTOPHER A. STRONG, 0000
CHARLES W. TENNEY, 0000
LAURA J. THOMPSON, 0000
THERESA L. TIERNEY, 0000
SHAWN C. TRIPP, 0000
NANCY J. TRUAX, 0000
ADAM J. TYNDAL, 0000
DANIEL D. UNRUH, 0000
JOSEPH G. UZMANN, 0000
MATTHEW R. WALKER, 0000
DANIEL P. WALSH, 0000
THOMAS F. WALSH, 0000
MICHELLE R. WEBBER, 0000
MICHAEL C. WESSEL, 0000
RICHARD J. WESTER, 0000
SHERMAN P. WHITMORE, 0000
GARY S. WILLIAMS, 0000
DONALD L. WINFIELD, 0000
CHARLES T. WRIGHT, 0000
JEFFREY V. YAROSH, 0000
MICHAEL E. YENSZ, 0000
CHERIAN ZACHARIAH, 0000
MICHAEL B. ZAMPERINI, 0000

IN THE ARMY

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

TOM R. MACKENZIE, 0000
TERRENCE D. WRIGHT, 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: