

which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 19, 2005.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1938. A bill to redesignate the project for navigation, Saco River, Maine as an anchorage area; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 1939. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on hexanedioic acid, polymer with 1,3-benzenedimethanamine; to the Committee on Finance.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 1120

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. PRYOR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1120, a bill to reduce hunger in the United States by half by 2010, and for other purposes.

S. 1699

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KYL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1699, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide criminal penalties for trafficking in counterfeit marks.

S. 1735

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1735, a bill to improve the Federal Trade Commission's ability to protect consumers from price-gouging during energy emergencies, and for other purposes.

S. 1756

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. JEFFORDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1756, a bill to establish a Department of Peace and Nonviolence.

S. 1774

At the request of Mr. CORNYN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. BIDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1774, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the expansion, intensification, and coordination of the activities of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute with respect to research on pulmonary hypertension.

S. 1890

At the request of Mr. BAUCUS, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1890, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny a deduction for certain fines, penalties, and other amounts.

S. 1937

At the request of Mr. DEWINE, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. BROWNBACK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1937, a bill to expand certain preferential trade treatment for Haiti.

S. RES. 292

At the request of Mr. VOINOVICH, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 292, a resolution calling on the President to condemn the anti-Israel sentiments expressed by the President of Iran, Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, on October 26, 2005.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1938. A bill to redesignate the project for navigation, Saco River, Maine as an anchorage area; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce a bill for the City of Saco, ME that concerns the town's ability to allow the mooring of boats on the Saco River. The bill changes the turning basin into an anchorage while managing a 50 foot channel within the anchorage. The town was not aware that it was in violation because of 21 moorings located in the Saco River Federal Navigational Project. In an effort to eliminate this encroachment, city officials have requested a modification or deauthorization of the Federal Navigational Project to resolve the issue.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has suggested language that redesignates the maneuvering basin into an anchorage area that will meet the needs of the community. The language, which I hope will be included in the Water Resources Development Act in this Congress, will allow for the legal moorage of boats, the fairway for which would be maintained by the City of Saco as is customary for towns with Federal anchorages. It is my understanding that the two mayors of the cities involved along with the Saco Yacht Club have agreed to the Corps' language.

By Mr. WARNER:

S. 1939. A bill to extend the suspension of duty on hexanedioic acid, polymer with 1,3-benzenedimethanamine; to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce a bill to extend the temporary duty suspension for imports of Nylon MXD6, hexanedioic acid, polymer with 1,3-benzenedimethanamine. This product, which is not manufactured in the United States at this time, serves as the favored option for food packaging and other multifunction packaging due to its tough, transparent properties.

It is customary for the Congress every few years to consider relatively minor technical changes to certain trade proposals as one omnibus bill. The most recent of these bills was the

Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Changes Act of 2004. For a proposal to be included in the legislation, the House Ways and Means Committee, Senate Finance Committee, and International Trade Commission all have to conclude that the proposal is noncontroversial. As one of the determining factors for a duty suspension request to be considered noncontroversial, no domestic production of the commodity may exist, or it may not be at a sufficient level to satisfy domestic demand.

As I mentioned before, Nylon MXD6 is not produced in the United States, and as a result, a temporary duty suspension was awarded to imports of Nylon MXD6 under the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2004. However, this suspension is due to expire on December 31, 2006. While this sunset may sound far from now, no domestic production is expected to exist by then nor is it expected to exist for a few years afterwards, causing uncertainty for future production.

The current duty suspension for this import has been a key element in lowering the costs of domestic production of commodities containing Nylon MXD6. The bill I introduce today would extend the current suspension through December 31, 2008, which will provide manufacturers the certainty they need to plan for their future.

In closing, I hope my colleagues in the Senate will join with me in support of this legislation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider the remaining military nominations that were reported by the Armed Services Committee and are at the desk.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that the nominations be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and that the Senate return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

IN THE NAVY

The following named officer for appointment to the grade indicated in the United States Navy under title 10, U.S.C., section 624:

To be commander

James D. Thompson

The following named officers for regular appointments to the grade indicated in the United States Navy under title 10, U.S.C., section 531:

To be lieutenant commander

James F. Brinkman

Joe D. Haines, Jr.

Lisa Pearse

Jerry M. Rebrey

Ernest J. Whittle
William L. Yarde

IN THE AIR FORCE

The following named individual for appointment to the grade indicated in the Reserve of the Air Force under title 10, U.S.C., section 12203:

To be colonel

Christopher Sartori

The following named individuals in the grades indicated in the Regular Air Force under title 10, U.S.C., section 531(a):

To be lieutenant colonel

Suzanne M. Cecconi
Gary A. Peitzmeier
Harry M. Richter

To be major

Philip M. Beck
Lance T. Frye
James J. Madden
Kirk B. Stetson

The following named officer for Regular appointment in the grade indicated in the United States Air Force under title 10, U.S.C., section 531(a):

To be major

Melissa A. Saragosa. 3669

IN THE ARMY

The following named officer for Regular appointment to the grade indicated in the United States Army Veterinary Corps under title 10, U.S.C., sections 531 and 3064:

To be lieutenant colonel

Deborah Whitmer

The following named officers for regular appointment in the grade indicated in the United States Army Judge Advocate General's Corps under title 10, U.S.C., sections 531 and 3064:

To be major

Steven C. Henricks
Michael D. Mierau
William C. Moorhouse
William J. Nelson

The following named officers for Regular appointment in the grades indicated as Chaplains in the United States Army under title 10, U.S.C., sections 531 and 3064:

To be colonel

Gary L. Gross

To be lieutenant colonel

Neal J. Buckon
Michael J. Cerrone
Frank R. Spencer
Valerie B. StJohn
Gary R. Studnewski
Avi S. Weis

To be major

Mark N. Awdykowyz
Richard J. Bendorf
James R. Boulware
Gary W. Bragg
Joey T. Byrd
John L. Congdon
Douglas C. Fenton
Michael L. Fralley
Richard P. Graves
David S. Harsdorf
Jose G. Herrera
Timothy L. Hubbs
Carlos C. Huerta
Paul K. Hurley
Daniel C. Hussey
Jerald P. Jacobs
Steven R. Jerles
Edward D. Northrop
James E. Oneal
Matthew P. Pawlikowski
Pekola F. Roberts
Adger S. Turner

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2005

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 2 p.m. on Monday, October 31. I further ask consent 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, and the Senate proceed to a period for the transaction of morning business, with the time equally divided until 4 p.m. I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate then proceed to S. 1932, as under the previous order.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, next week, the Senate will consider the deficit reduction bill, a bill I spoke on in my opening comments today, a bill about which I am very excited. It answers the question of doing what is right, what the American people expect, and that is getting our deficit down, reducing the deficit by slowing down, by reducing that mandatory or entitlement spending growth.

We will complete action on that important measure on Thursday or Friday. We will have a very long day on Thursday. I encourage our colleagues not to schedule anything else on Thursday because we will be voting a lot on the floor of the Senate and will do so in the fashion that we voted this week—having votes scheduled and strictly cutting off votes if Members are not here.

Under the time agreement that was reached last night, we will have plenty of time for debate each day with many votes over the course of the week. I urge my colleagues—and I feel I say this again and again—to be judicious in their offering of amendments. We will work with our colleagues on the time. We want to have and will have plenty of time for debate and amendments. We do not need to bring every amendment to the floor to make a message when it is pretty clear what the outcome will be.

Again, we will protect everybody's right and opportunity to have full debate and vote accordingly, but I ask people to judiciously consider what amendments they bring to the floor.

Next week we will also address the Agriculture appropriations conference report under a very short time agreement. We will also address any other conference reports available, as well as executive nominations that are ready for Senate action.

ROSA PARKS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, over the course of the weekend, the Capitol will be busy. As people know, on Tuesday of this week, civil rights icon Rosa Parks passed away in her Detroit home at the age of 92. Throughout her life, she was a champion, an activist, a true hero, and has left a legacy that all of us will carry forward and pass on to our children and future generations because of that simple act—not so simple act, but that dramatic act of refusal to give up her seat on a Montgomery bus that was the catalyst for that historic civil rights movement that remade our Nation.

Last night, it was our honor in this body to pass a resolution to allow the remains of Rosa Parks to lie in state on Sunday and Monday in the Capitol Rotunda. The House is expected to ratify a similar resolution today. Citizens from all around the country and really all around the globe, I am sure, will come to pay their respects. Rosa Parks will be forever etched in history as a testament to how one person with courage can literally change the world.

Although shortly we will be closing, at this time, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. FRIST. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Ms. MURKOWSKI). Without objection, it is so ordered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOMINATION OF MICHAEL WYNNE TO BE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

Mr. FRIST. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate immediately proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 409, the nomination of Michael Wynne to be Secretary of the Air Force. I further ask unanimous consent that the nomination be confirmed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action, and finally that the Senate then return to legislative session.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

The nomination considered and confirmed is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Michael W. Wynne, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Air Force.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Virginia.

Mr. WARNER. Madam President, I thank the distinguished majority leader. Our committee acted on this nomination yesterday. There has been a vacancy in the Secretary's Office of the