1996 to reauthorize the participation of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Deschutes River Conservancy, and for other purposes; S. 251, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a water resource feasibility study for the Little Butte/Bear Creek subbasins in Oregon; S. 310, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Newlands Protect headquarters and maintenance yard facility to the Truckee-Carson Irrigation District in the State of Nevada; S. 519, to amend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Water Resources Conservation and Improvement Act of 2000 to authorize additional projects and activities under that act, and for other purposes; and S. 592, to extend the contract for the Glendo Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project in the State of Wyoming.

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

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 839, S. 844, S. 845, S. 846, S. 847, S. 848, S. 851, H.R. 8

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I understand there are eight bills at the desk. I ask for their first reading, en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the titles of the bills for the first time, en bloc.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 839) to repeal the law that gags doctors and denies women information and referrals concerning their reproductive health options.

A bill (S. 844) to expand access to preventive health care services that help reduce unintended pregnancy, reduce the number of abortions, and improve access to women's health care.

A bill (S. 845) to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired servicemembers who have a service-connected disability to receive disability compensation and either retired pay or Combat-Related Special Compensation and to eliminate the phase-in period with respect to such concurrent receipt.

A bill (S. 846) to provide fair wages for America's workers.

A bill (S. 847) to lower the burden of gasoline prices on the economy of the United States and circumvent the efforts of OPEC to reap windfall oil profits.

A bill (S. 848) to improve education, and for other purposes.

A bill (S. 851) to reduce the budget deficits By restoring budget enforcement and strengthening fiscal responsibility.

A bill (H.R. 8) to make the repeal of the estate tax permanent.

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading and, in order to place the bills on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request, en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bills will receive their second reading on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR APRIL 20, 2005

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I now ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, April 20. I further ask that following the prayer and the pledge, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the Journal of the proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and there then be a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the first 30 minutes under the control of the Democratic leader or his designee, and the final 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee; provided that following morning business the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 1268, the Iraq-Afghanistan supplemental appropriations bill; provided further that notwithstanding morning business and the adjournment of the Senate, all time be counted against cloture under rule XXII.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, on behalf of the leader, I make this announcement: Tomorrow, following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of the Iraq-Afghanistan supplemental appropriations bill. We have invoked cloture on the bill, and therefore the only amendments that qualify under the cloture rule will be in order to the bill.

There are still quite a few germane amendments that are pending, and therefore we will need a number of rollcall votes prior to final passage. It is the leader's hope that we can finish tomorrow, and we can finish if we can show restraint and not require votes on each of these amendments. Senators should expect a late evening tomorrow as we try to finish the bill on Wednesday.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. STEVENS. 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 7:42, p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, April 20, 2005, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate April 19, 2005:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ALEX AZAR II, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE CLAUDE A. ALLEN, RESIGNED.

IN THE 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. DAVID W. BARNO, 0000