

ORDER FOR STAR PRINT—SENATE REPORT 110-277

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Senate Report 110-277 be star printed with the changes at the desk.

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

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 2008

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, April 8; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the majority controlling the first half and the Republicans controlling the final half; that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of H.R. 3221, the legislative vehicle for the housing legislation, and that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be 12 noon tomorrow. I further ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus luncheons.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. I would say that on the amendments filed—I think there are about 9 or 10 pending amendments—all but one are not germane. The one that is germane, I believe, is Senator SNOWE's amendment. It is my understanding that Senator MURRAY may

have had one today that appears to be germane. We want to dispose of this, if cloture is invoked, which we feel comfortable it will be; those two should have the opportunity for a vote.

So this is a good piece of legislation. Does it solve all of the housing problems? Of course not. But it is a step in the right direction. It is imperfect. I have to say as an indication of how good it is, we are not happy on this side, and they, the Republicans, are not happy on that side. But we are working together, and this legislation I can defend anyplace. It is a good piece of legislation. Do I think it would be better if we have the bankruptcy provision? Of course I do. But it is not there.

This is a very strong package. I look forward to passing it. I think it sets the proper tone for the many things we have to accomplish in the Senate this work period. We have the patent bill. That is very difficult. We have the highway technical corrections, the supplemental appropriations bill. The only way we can get that done is by working together. We have a number of other issues we need to work on. So I am happy we are able to work together at this point on this very important housing legislation.

There will be no votes in the morning. We tried to work things out so that we would have some votes on some of the germane amendments, but in trying to do that, people who have nongermane amendments would not allow us to do that.

The cloture vote will be at 2:15 as we have announced.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. If there is no further business from my distinguished friend, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:25 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, April 8, 2008, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

PETER WILLIAM BODDE, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF MALAWI.

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 5133 AND 5138:

To be rear admiral

REAR ADM. (LH) CAROL I. TURNER

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be lieutenant colonel

HOWARD P. BLOUNT III

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be major

ERRILL C. AVECILLA

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be major

MARK Y. LIU

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADES INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be lieutenant colonel

BRYCE G. WHISLER

To be major

TIMOTHY M. FRENCH

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUALS FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

To be major

PHIET T. BUI
RENE F. MELENDEZ
MICHAEL J. MORRIS

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

JOHN C. KOLB