Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amides, C5–C9, N–[3–(dimethylamino)propyl] and amides, C6–C12, N–[3–(dimethylamino)propyl]; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 8890–8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2011; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3904. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Existing Validated End-User Authorizations in the People's Republic of China: National Semiconductor Corporation and Semiconductor Manufacturing International Corporation" (RIN0694-AF32) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3905. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to the United Arab Emirates; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3906. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Ireland; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3907. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Branded Prescription Drug Fee; Guidance for the 2012 Fee Year" (Notice 2011-92) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3908. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Single Statement Filing Procedure" (Rev. Proc. 2011-55) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3909. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2012 Limitations Adjusted as Provided in Section 415(d), etc." (Notice 2011–90) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3910. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Graduated Retained Interests" (RIN1545-BH94) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3911. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Appleton v. Commissioner, 133 T.C. 461" (AOD-2011-47) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 8, 2011; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3912. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to the California State Implementation Plan, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL

No. 9485-4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3913. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "OMB Approvals Under the Paperwork Reduction Act; Technical Amendment; Community Right-to-Know Toxic Chemical Release Reporting" (FRL No. 9488–4) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2011; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3914. A communication from the Federal Liaison Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Trademark Technical and Conforming Amendments" (RIN0651-AC39) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2011; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3915. A communication from the Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Bureau of Prisons' compliance with the privatization requirements of the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act of 1997; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3916. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Federal Election Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standards of Conduct" ((RIN3209-AA15)(Notice 2011-16)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on November 7, 2011; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 598. A bill to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Col. Giovanni K. Tuck, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Robin Rand, to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Everett H. Thomas, to be Major General.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Ronnie D. Hawkins, Jr., to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nomination of Col. Judy M. Griego, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. John W. Hesterman III, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Col. David C. Coburn, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Joseph E. Martz, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nominations beginning with Brigadier General Ralph O. Baker and ending with Brigadier General Mark W. Yenter, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 26, 2011. (minus 1 nominee: Brigadier General Edward M. Reeder, Jr.)

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Peter M. Vangjel, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Gill P. Beck, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Gen. Lloyd J. Austin III, to be General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Janet L. Cobb, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Lt. Gen. William B. Caldwell IV, to be Lieutenant General.
Army nomination of Maj. Gen. William E.

Ingram, Jr., to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Raymond A. Thomas III, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Col. John L. Poppe, to be Brigadier General. Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Matthew L.

Nathan, to be Vice Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Earl L.

Gay, to be Rear Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Timothy M. Giardina, to be Vice Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. William D. French, to be Vice Admiral.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nominations beginning with Michael W. Aamold and ending with Jeffrey T. Zurick, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 9, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with Jesse Acevedo and ending with Jesse B. Zydallis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on July 20, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with David S. Choi and ending with Muhannad Kassawat, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 18, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kristine M. Autorino and ending with Jason S. Wrachford, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with Michael J. Apol and ending with Dawn M. K. Zoldi, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2011.

Army nomination of Kari L. Crawford, to be Captain.

Army nomination of Kent T. Critchlow, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Carleton W. Birch and ending with Jerry M. Woodbery, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 5, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Scott D. Stewart and ending with Susumu Uchiyama, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 11, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Ralph M. Crum and ending with James E. Lowery, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 11, 2011.

Army nomination of Amanda E. Harrington, to be Major.

Army nomination of Ramon M. Angelucci, to be Major.

Army nomination of Charles S. Moore, to be Major.

Army nomination of Steven Gandia, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Adam R. Lieberman and ending with Kenneth J.

Zenker, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 11, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Bronson B. White and ending with Michael K. Doney, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 11, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Gary R. Allen and ending with Oran L. Roberts, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 12, 2011

Army nominations beginning with Patrick A. Barnett and ending with Jeffrey P. Van, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 12. 2011.

Army nomination of Russel E. Perry, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Sherry L. Graham and ending with Noreen A. Murphy, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 31, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Jonathan H. Jaffin and ending with Charles E. Mcqueen, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 31, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with John P. Gerber and ending with Gregory A. Weaver, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 31, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Lloynetta H. Artis and ending with Edward E. Yackel, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 31, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Mark R. Baggett and ending with James E. Tuten, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 31, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Susan K. Arnold and ending with Randolph Swansiger, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 31, 2011.

Army nomination of Serafina Sauia, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Terry L. Clark and ending with Darron T. Smith, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with David Butler and ending with Timothy W. Smith, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Randall D. Isom and ending with Michael A. Mitchell, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Joseph C. Barker and ending with James W. Ring, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2011.

Navy nomination of Paul E. Ware, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Stephen A Tankersley, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Tankersley, to be Lieutenant Commander. Navy nomination of William B. Carter, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of Judith A. Ciesla, to be Commander

Navy nominations beginning with Ben D. Ramaley and ending with Bernhard Zunkeler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 11, 2011.

Navy nomination of David S. Fuchs, Jr., to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Daniel J. Traub and ending with William N. Sol-

omon, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 12, 2011.

Navy nomination of Matthew J. Powers, to be Lieutenant Commander.

By Mr. BINGAMAN for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

\*Charles DeWitt McConnell, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy).

\*David T. Danielson, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy).

\*LaDoris Guess Harris, of Georgia, to be Director of the Office of Minority Economic Impact, Department of Energy.

\*Gregory Howard Woods, of New York, to be General Counsel of the Department of Energy.

By Mr. LEAHY for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Michael E. Horowitz, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Justice.

Susie Morgan, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(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 Mr. WYDEN:

S. 1839. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for the retention of members of the reserve components on active duty for a period of 45 days following an extended deployment in contingency operations or homeland defense missions to support their reintegration into civilian life, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1840. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand and intensify programs of the National Institutes of Health with respect to translational research and related activities concerning Down syndrome, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. BROWN of Ohio (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1841. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to expand and intensify programs of the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to translational research and related activities concerning Down syndrome, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. WICKER:

S. 1842. A bill to protect 10th Amendment rights by providing special standing for State government officials to challenge proposed regulations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. ISAKSON (for himself, Mr. AL-EXANDER, Ms. AYOTTE, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BURR, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COATS, Mr. COCHRAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CORK ER, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. JOHANNS, Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin, Mr. LEE, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. McCAIN, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. THUNE, and Mr. VITTER):

S. 1843. A bill to amend the National Labor Relations Act to provide for appropriate designation of collective bargaining units; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. HELLER (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. LEE, Mr. THUNE, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. RISCH, and Ms. MURKOWSKI):

S. 1844. A bill to ensure that Federal Register notices submitted to the Bureau of Land Management are reviewed in a timely manner; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 1845. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an energy investment credit for energy storage property connected to the grid, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BENNET:

S. 1846. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the National Veterans Support Foundation to carry out activities to support and supplement the mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. BLUNT, and Mr. NELSON of Florida):

S. 1847. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to reinstate criminal penalties for persons charging veterans unauthorized fees, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. RUBIO (for himself, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 1848. A bill to promote transparency, accountability, and reform within the United Nations system, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. FRANKEN (for himself and Mr. BOOZMAN):

S. 1849. A bill to require a five-year strategic plan for the Office of Rural Health of the Veterans Health Administration of the Department of Veterans Affairs for improving access to, and the quality of, health care services for veterans in rural areas; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Mr. Casey, Mr. Tester, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Leahy, Mr. Franken, Mr. Bingaman, Ms. Klobuchar, Mr. Johnson of South Dakota, and Mrs. Boxer):

S. 1850. A bill to expand and improve opportunities for beginning farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1851. A bill to authorize the restoration of the Klamath Basin and the settlement of the hydroelectric licensing of the Klamath Hydroelectric Project in accordance with the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement and the Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement in the public interest and the interest of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 1852. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry scholarship to include spouses of members of the Armed