

that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Water and Power of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. The hearing will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building in Washington, DC.

The purpose of this oversight hearing is to examine the role of water use efficiency and its impact on energy use.

Because of the limited time available for the hearing, witnesses may testify by invitation only. However, those wishing to submit written testimony for the hearing record should send it to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, United States Senate, Washington, DC 20510-6150, or by email to Meagan_Gins@energy.senate.gov.

For further information, please contact Sara Tucker at (202) 224-6224 or Meagan Gins at (202) 224-0883.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., in room SD-215 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a roundtable to discuss "Medicare Physician Payments: Perspectives from Physicians."

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing titled "The Future of Homeland Security: Evolving and Emerging Threats."

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 9:30 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Oversight of the Impact on Competition of Exclusion Orders to Enforce Standard-Essential Patents."

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. BEGICH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 11, 2012, at 2 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Judicial Nominations."

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

RAOUL WALLENBERG CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 3001, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 3001) to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Raoul Wallenberg, in recognition of his achievements and heroic actions during the Holocaust.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, without any intervening action or debate, and any related statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (H.R. 3001) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

VETERAN SKILLS TO JOBS ACT

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of H.R. 4155, which was received from the House and is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 4155) to direct the head of each Federal department and agency to treat relevant military training as sufficient to satisfy training or certification requirements for Federal licenses.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read three times and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate, and any related statements be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (H.R. 4155) was ordered to a third reading, was read the third time, and passed.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2012

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 12; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, and the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that the majority leader be recognized and the first hour be 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.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, this evening the majority leader filed cloture on the Landrieu substitute and the underlying Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act. As a result, the filing deadline for amendments to the Landrieu substitute amendment and to S. 2237 is 1 p.m. tomorrow.

Unless an agreement is reached, the cloture votes will be on Friday. We hope we can come to an agreement to have them tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. BENNET. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:03 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, July 12, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

DOROTHY KOSINSKI, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON THE HUMANITIES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 26, 2016, VICE RICARDO QUINONES, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

DAWN M. LIBERI, OF FLORIDA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Burundi.

STEPHEN D. MULL, OF VIRGINIA, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Poland.

WALTER NORTH, OF WASHINGTON, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to Papua New Guinea, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Solomon Islands and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Republic of Vanuatu.

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

MAJ. GEN. DAVID R. HOGG

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOYCE L. STEVENS

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be brigadier general

COL. KYLE E. GORKEE

THE FOLLOWING ARMY NATIONAL GUARD OF THE UNITED STATES OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE RESERVE OF THE ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 12203 AND 12211:

To be major general

BRIG. GEN. JOHN L. GRONSKI

IN THE NAVY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE OF ADMIRAL IN THE UNITED STATES

NAVY WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601 AND TITLE 42, U.S.C., SECTION 7158:

TO BE DIRECTOR, NAVAL NUCLEAR PROPULSION PROGRAM

To be admiral

VICE ADM. JOHN M. RICHARDSON

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT 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. DAVID A. DUNAWAY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

JOEL A. AHLGRIM
ZACHARY M. ALEXANDER
DAVID A. BARROWS
DAVID A. BESACHIO
JONATHAN BESCHLOSS
KENNETH O. BONAPARTE
BRANDON J. BRYANT
NATALIE R. BURMAN
JOSEPH R. CARNEY
LEO A. CARNEY
ROBERT J. CHANDLER III
JERRY W. CHANDLER II
THOMAS L. CHUNG
SHAWN S. CLAUSEN
DANIEL E. COOPER
JANINE R. DANKO
SOPHIA E. DEBEN
MICHAEL L. DEVAN
ANDREW P. DOAN
JOHN D. DUERDEN
CHRISTOPHER A. DUPLESSIS
MARILISA G. ELROD
JILL E. EMERICK
CHRISTIN M. B. FOSTER
STEPHEN L. FOSTER
DANIEL W. GABIER
THOMAS Q. GALLAGHER
TODD A. GARDNER
STEVEN J. GAUERKE
JON C. GIACOMAN
JOSE E. GOMEZ
CARLOS E. GOMEZSANCHEZ
ISAAC GOODING
THOMAS R. GRANT
ELIZABETH A. GRASMUCK
JOY A. GREER
ERICA S. GROGAN
PETER M. HAMMER
RYAN J. HARRIS
JESSICA M. HAYFORD
JUSTIN W. HELL
JASON W. HOLLENSBE
EWELL M. HOLLENS
ARLENE J. HUDSON
DAVID C. JANNOTTA
ANTHONY W. KELLER
ROLAND S. KENT
MIN K. KIM
LEO T. KROONEN
CORRY J. KUCIK
RYAN D. LAMOND
DUANE M. LAWRENCE
FERNANDO F. LEYVA
ANDREW H. LIN
ROBERT A. LIOTTA
MICHELLE F. LIU
JASON J. LUKAS
STEVEN R. MAIER
DEBRA A. MANNING
CHAD Y. MAO
MATTHEW J. MARCUSON
JEFFREY S. MARTENS
GREGORY S. MCNABB
ALEX R. MINTER
EMORI A. MOORE
CHRISTOPHER J. NEAL
BRIAN G. NORWOOD
TIMOTHY R. OELTMANN
TAWAKALITU O. OSENI
JAMES K. PALMA
GREGORY A. PATE
GERALD W. PLATT
OBIE M. POWELL
STEVEN P. PRASKE
BRYAN D. PROPPES
ELIZABETH T. REEVES
KRISTIE A. ROBSON
CORBY D. ROPP
KAREN B. RUSSELL
VICTOR L. RUTERBUSCH
PATCHO N. SANTIAGO
JOEL M. SCHOFER
JASON W. SCHROEDER
CYNTHIA M. SCHULTZ
PETER J. SEBENY
JOHN H. SEOK
BRADLEY A. SERWER
WILLIAM W. SHIELDS
JEFFREY W. SINGLEY
LEAH K. SOLEY
SCOTT A. SPARKS
SEAN P. STROUP
MICHAEL A. SULLIVAN
MATTHEW J. SWIBER

STEPHEN S. TANTAMA
CHRISTOPHER R. TATRO
JOHN C. VENTURA
ERIK P. VOOGD
RUSTIN C. WALTERS
DIRK A. WARREN
JOHN B. WEATHERWAX
DAVID A. WEIS
TIMOTHY M. WIMMER
CAROLYN A. WINNINGHAM
STACEY Q. WOLFE
MARK L. WOODBRIDGE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

JOHN E. BISSELL
ROBERT P. BOLTON
CYNTHIA CHINH
RONNIE M. CITRO
HARRY R. COLE, JR.
CHRISTOPHER M. HAMLIN
MATTHEW B. B. MILLER
ROBERT H. MINER
JOHVIN PERRY
SEPEHR RAJAEI
ALEXANDER ROYZENBLAT
HOWARD K. VANNESS
RASHA H. WELCH
SABINA S. YUN
STEPHEN S. YUNE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

ROBERT L. ANDERSON II
BRENNAN S. AUTRY
DEBRA L. BAKER
CHRISTOPHER T. BLAIR
GORDON R. BLIGHTON
WILLIE J. BROWN
GERALD F. BURKE
STEPHEN A. CHAPMAN
SERGIO CHAVEZ
MATTHEW C. DOAN
MICHAEL O. ENRIQUEZ
WILLIAM E. GRADY
MICHAEL J. GRANDE
DARRYL E. GREEN
RONA D. GREEN
GARY C. GROTHE, JR.
MATTHEW J. HOLCOMB
WILLIAM R. HOWARD
THOMAS D. JENKINS
FRANCA R. JONES
WILLIAM E. KELLY
JASON T. LEWIS
KATHRYN T. LINDSEY
NILO M. LLAGAS
CHRISTOPHER J. MALDARELLA
ANDREW L. MARTIN
WILLIAM J. PLUMMER III
DONNA POULIN
JAMES C. QUICK III
ROBERT C. RAWLEIGH
JEFFREY J. REPASS
DUNELEY A. ROCHINO
RONALD L. SCHOONOVER
THAD J. SHARP
MICHAEL D. SMITH
DANIELLE M. WOOTEN
CAROL B. ZWIEBACH

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

MARC S. BREWEN
HUGH BURKE
ARTHUR L. GASTON III
STACIA J. GAWRONSKI
CHRISTOPHER J. GREER
MATTHEW B. KUREK
JOAN M. MALIK
KIMBERLEY B. MCCANN
KEVIN W. MESSER
MARK P. NEVITT
HEATHER D. PARTRIDGE
STEPHEN C. REYES
ANGELA C. RONGOTES
JEFFREY A. SUTTON
DUSTIN E. WALLACE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

LUCELINA B. BADURA
LAURIE E. BASABE
SHELLY B. BENFIELD
CHERIE L. BLANK
SUSANNE E. BLANKENBAKER
JOHANNA M. BRENNER
WILLIAM H. BROOKS
CHAWN T. BROWN
JENNIFER J. BUCHEL
JENNY S. BURKETT
KEVIN J. BURNS
WILLIAM S. BYERS
CARLIN A. CALLAWAY
SANTIAGO B. CAMANO
BRIAN E. CARMAN

MICHELLE N. CARR
JASEN P. CHRISTENSEN
DANIEL W. CLARK
NATHANIEL R. CLARK
JULIE A. CONRARDY
WENDY A. COOK
PATRICIA L. CRELLER
JULIE A. DARLING
DANIEL A. DAURORA
JOSEPH L. DESAMERO
AMY L. DRAYTON
KENNETH N. DUBROWSKI
JASON B. ELLIS
ALISON E. FAITH
RONALD A. FANCHER
MIKE T. FINCKBONE
PATRICK J. FITZPATRICK
JOSE D. FLORES
FLEMING L. FRENCH
MICHELLE A. FRENCH
KATHRYN A. GARNER
TRACEY R. GILES
CARL W. GOFORTH
JOSEPH A. GOMEZ
MATTHEW J. GRASER
ERIC C. GRYN
RHONDA O. HINDS
SHARON L. HOUSE
DIANA L. HOWELL
JEFFREY L. HUFF
BOBBY J. HURT
TRACY R. ISAAC
MARC E. JASEK
SHAWN B. KASE
MARIE J. KELLEY
SHAUNA R. KINGHOLLIS
KATHRYN J. KRAUSE
MARK R. LANG
RACHEL M. LEWIS
DAVID M. LOSHBAUGH
ANGELO P. LUCERO
JOSEPH A. MARCANTEL
ABIGAIL E. MARTER
FREDORA A. MCRAE
JENNIFER A. MILLS
CHRISTOPHER P. NILES
SALEE J. P. OBOZA
RONNIE G. OKIALDA
CHRISTINE C. PALARCA
MARY K. PARKER
ELISABET PRIETO
ROBERT B. PROPPES
KEVIN G. QUINN
SARA E. SHAFFER
KIM P. SHAUGHNESSY
PATRICK S. SHUSTER
LISA M. SNYDER
DARRYL B. SOL
TIMOTHY K. STACKS
PAULINE M. STAJNER
WENDY L. STONE
MAVIS R. THOMAS
PAUL S. VILLARE
PHILIP D. VOYER
MICHELE A. WAARA
PAMELA H. WALL
MICHELLE E. WEDDLE
GERARD J. WHITE
WILLIAM W. WIEGMANN
FRANCISCO I. WONPAT
HEATHER G. WYCKOFF
WILLIAM A. YOUNG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

JASON W. ADAMS
STERLEN D. BARNES
ROMEO O. BAUTISTA
STEVEN E. BOYCOURT
ARCANGELO P. DELLANNO
PAUL W. DEMEYER
JOHN H. HAMILTON IV
MICHAEL D. KRISMAN
ANDREW J. LEWIS
RYAN D. LOOKABILL
BRIAN W. MAXWELL
JOHN G. MONTINOLA
ERIK R. NALEY
ERNAN S. OBELLOS
JOEL P. PITEL
JEREMY C. POWELL
ANDRE T. SADOWSKI
MARTIN C. THOMAS
ANGELA S. S. TORRES
SHAWN M. TRIGGS

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

DAVID L. CLINE
BRUCE W. CROUTERFIELD
ROY E. HOFFMAN
JOHN T. JOHNS
ROBERT L. JONES, JR.
ERIK P. LEE
EMORY C. LUSSI
LEROY G. MACK III
HAGAN R. MCCLELLAN, JR.
GABRIEL MENSAR
PATRICK A. NIEMEYER
SANTIAGO RODRIGUEZ
RYAN R. RUPE

BETH A. STALLINGA
MARK A. TANIS
MICHAEL L. TOMLINSON
PAUL S. TREMBLAY
BRIAN D. WEIGELT
TEDDY L. WILLIAMS, JR.
DAVID S. YANG

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT
TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY
UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be commander

EMILY Z. ALLEN

JAY A. BIESZKE
DEANNA S. CARPENTER
MICHAEL W. CHUCRAN
GARY W. DOSS
RICHARD A. FICARELLI
ANA I. FRANCO
JOSEPH D. HARDER III
RANDALL E. HARMEYER
MICHAEL A. JAMES
RONALD J. JENKINS
CHAD C. KOSTER
PHILLIP M. LAVALLEE
WALTER S. LUDWIG

THOMAS J. LYONS III
EDWARD B. MILLER IV
MICHAEL K. OBEIRNE
JEFFREY M. PFEIL
JOSEPH C. POPE
JEFFREY W. SHERWOOD
JENNIFER L. TETATZIN
ROBERT G. TETREAULT
MARK I. TIPTON
DUDE L. UNDERWOOD
JONATHAN P. WITTHAM