

the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations and a treaty which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

At 5:45 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Novotny, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS) has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 3114. An act to provide funds to the Army Corps of Engineers to hire veterans and members of the Armed Forces to assist the Corps with curation and historic preservation activities, and for other purposes.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 3100. A bill to ensure that State and local law enforcement may cooperate with Federal officials to protect our communities from violent criminals and suspected terrorists who are illegally present in the United States.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5912. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Thomas W. Spoehr, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5913. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General William B. Garrett III, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5914. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Treatment of Interagency and State and Local Purchases" ((RIN0750-AI88) (DFARS Case 2016-D009)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5915. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Pilot Program on Acquisition of Military Purpose Nondevelopmental

Items" ((RIN0750-AI93) (DFARS Case 2016-D014)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5916. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: New Designated Country—Ukraine" ((RIN0750-AI98) (DFARS Case 2016-D026)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5917. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Deletion of Supplemental Coverage for the Definition of 'Simplified Acquisition Threshold'" ((RIN0750-AI89) (DFARS Case 2016-D007)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5918. A communication from the Director of Defense Procurement and Acquisition Policy, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement: Defense Contractors Performing Private Security Functions" ((RIN0750-AI69) (DFARS Case 2016-D021)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5919. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of Lieutenant General Russell J. Handy, United States Air Force, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5920. A communication from the Secretary of Defense, transmitting a report on the approved retirement of General Dennis L. Via, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of general on the retired list; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5921. A communication from the Acting Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), transmitting the report of ten (10) officers authorized to wear the insignia of the grade of brigadier general in accordance with title 10, United States Code, section 777; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5922. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "2016 Annual Report to Congress on the Department of Defense Chemical and Biological Defense Program"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5923. 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 "Guidance on Charging and Penalty Determinations in Settlement of Administrative Enforcement Cases, Revision of Supplement No. 1 to part 766 of the Export Administration Regulations" (RIN0694-AG73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5924. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending (Regulation Z) Annual Threshold Adjustments (CARD Act, HOEPA, and ATR/QM)" (12 CFR Part 1026) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5925. A communication from the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustments" (RIN1024-AE28) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5926. A communication from the General Counsel, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reactive Power Requirements for Non-Synchronous Generation" ((RIN1902-AF15) (Docket No. RM16-1-000)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5927. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Battery Chargers; Final Rule" ((RIN1904-AB57) (Docket No. EERE-2008-BT-STD-0005)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-5928. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program: Medicare Clinical Diagnostic Laboratory Tests Payment System" ((RIN0938-AS33) (CMS-1621-F)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5929. 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 "Applicable Federal Rates - July 2016" (Rev. Rul. 2016-17) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5930. 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 "Transfers of Property to Regulated Public Utilities by Electricity Generators" (Notice 2016-36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5931. 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 "Modification of Treatment of Certain Health Organizations" ((RIN1545-BN15) (TD 9772)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-5932. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to U.S. support for Taiwan's participation as an Observer in the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5933. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-004); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5934. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to

law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-072); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5935. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-040); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5936. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-141); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5937. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 15-137); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5938. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-021); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5939. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-007); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5940. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 16-013); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5941. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Allocation of Assets in Single-Employer Plans; Benefits Payable in Terminated Single-Employer Plans; Interest Assumptions for Valuing and Paying Benefits" (29 CFR Parts 4022 and 4044) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 23, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5942. A communication from the Director of Regulations and Policy Management Staff, Food and Drug Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revisions to Exceptions Applicable to Certain Human Cells, Tissues, and Cellular and Tissue-Based Products" (Docket No. FDA-2014-N-1484) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-5943. A communication from the Office Program Manager, Office of Regulation Policy and Management, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Civil Penalties Adjustment Act Amendments" (RIN2900-AP78) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-5944. A communication from the General Counsel, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report relative to a vacancy for the position of Associate Director for National Security and International Affairs, Office of Science and Technology Policy, Executive Office of the President, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 22, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5945. A communication from the Chairman of the Office of Proceedings, Surface Transportation Board, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the

Surface Transportation Board's CFR Chapter Heading Pursuant to the Surface Transportation Board Reauthorization Act of 2015" (Docket No. EP 735) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 23, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5946. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), FM Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Raymond, Washington)" (MB Docket No. 16-74) (DA 16-656) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2015; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5947. A communication from the Chief of Staff, Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Section 73.202(b), FM Table of Allotments, FM Broadcast Stations (Bogata, Texas and Wright City, Oklahoma)" (MB Docket No. 14-236 and MB Docket No. 14-257) (DA 16-648) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5948. A communication from the Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Connect America Fund; ETC Annual Reports and Certifications; Rural Broadband Experiments" (RIN3060-AF85) (FCC 16-64) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 27, 2016; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5949. A communication from the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Report to Congress on Department of Defense Fiscal Year 2015 Purchases from Foreign Entities"; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5950. A communication from the President, Inter-American Foundation, transmitting, pursuant to law, proposed legislation entitled "Inter-American Foundation Subsidiary Corporation Act"; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-5951. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the fiscal years 2012, 2013, and 2014 Reports to Congress on the Assets for Independence Program; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petition or memorial was laid before the Senate and was referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-195. A petition from a citizen of the State of Nevada relative to elder care; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with amendments:

S. 2976. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to reform, streamline, and make improvements to the Department of Homeland Security and support the Department's efforts to implement better policy, planning, management, and performance, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-287).

By Mr. VITTER, from the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:

Report to accompany S. 958, a bill to amend the Small Business Act to provide for team and joint venture offers for certain contracts (Rept. No. 114-288).

By Mr. JOHNSON, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 2340. A bill to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue a directive on the management of software licenses, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 114-289).

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Res. 432. A resolution supporting respect for human rights and encouraging inclusive governance in Ethiopia.

S. Res. 482. A resolution urging the European Union to designate Hizballah in its entirety as a terrorist organization and to increase pressure on the organization and its members to the fullest extent possible.

S. Res. 501. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate on Russian military aggression.

S. Res. 503. A resolution recognizing June 20, 2016, as "World Refugee Day".

S. Res. 504. A resolution recognizing the 70th anniversary of the Fulbright Program.

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1605. A bill to amend the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 to authorize concurrent compacts for purposes of regional economic integration and cross-border collaborations, and for other purposes.

By Mr. CORKER, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, without amendment and with a preamble:

S. Con. Res. 38. A concurrent resolution reaffirming the Taiwan Relations Act and the Six Assurances as cornerstones of United States-Taiwan relations.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. MCCAIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Matthew T. Quinn, to be Major General.

Navy nomination of Capt. Phillip E. Lee, Jr., to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Alan J. Reyes, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Mary C. Riggs, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Carol M. Lynch, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Mark E. Bipes, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Louis C. Tripoli, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nomination of Capt. Robert T. Durand, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

Navy nominations beginning with Capt. Shawn E. Duane and ending with Capt. John A. Schommer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 15, 2016.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (1h) Thomas W. Luscher, to be Rear Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (1h) Brian S. Pecha, to be Rear Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (1h) Deborah P. Haven, to be Rear Admiral.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (1h) Mark J. Fung, to be Rear Admiral.