

Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Implementation of the Combat Metamphetamine Epidemic Act of 2005; Retail Sales; Notice of Transfers Following Importation or Exportation” (RIN1117-AB05) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on December 2, 2020; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6034. A communication from the Executive Director, National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Museum’s 2019 annual report and financial audit; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6035. A communication from the President and Chief Executive Officer, National Railroad Passenger Corporation, Amtrak, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a request for additional funding as a part of a COVID-19 relief bill; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-261. A concurrent resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Louisiana urging the United States Congress and the Louisiana Congressional delegation to take such actions as are necessary to defeat passage of the “Ocean-Based Climate Solutions Act of 2020” and to protect future opportunities for oil and gas exploration on the Outer Continental Shelf; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

Whereas, Raúl M. Grijalva (D-Ariz.), Chairman of the United States House Committee on Natural Resources has unveiled legislation entitled the “Ocean-Based Climate Solutions Act of 2020” with the intent to include ocean impacts of climate change in the discussions of methods to address climate change mitigation; and

Whereas, in an effort to restore coastal ecosystems, strengthen marine mammal conservation, reduce carbon emissions from shipping vessels, improve international ocean governance, and pursue other ocean-related solutions to the climate change crisis, the legislation seeks to end the federal offshore oil-leasing program; and

Whereas, although these pursuits sound laudable, it is important to remember that the Louisiana oil and gas industry supports nearly two hundred and fifty thousand jobs inside the state of Louisiana and more in adjoining states, it accounts for fourteen percent of the state’s tax revenue, and supplies \$73 billion of the state’s gross domestic product; and

Whereas, an analysis has found that such a proposal, if enacted, would cause the loss of nearly one million jobs nationwide in the first twelve to twenty-four months, forty-eight thousand of which are located here in Louisiana; and

Whereas, this proposal would significantly reduce our domestic energy production, making our nation more dependent on less reliable, less safe foreign sources for energy produced under weaker environmental standards and a higher carbon footprint; and

Whereas, with energy demand expected to continue to rise until at least 2040, Louisiana currently produces nearly twenty percent of our nation’s energy, refines approximately forty-five percent of the total United States petroleum, and processes fifty-one percent of the nation’s natural gas; and

Whereas, while meeting this demand year after year, Louisiana energy producers are at

the forefront of carbon emissions reduction technology development like carbon capture and storage that can capture ninety percent of carbon emissions from fossil fuels; and

Whereas, in addition, the offshore oil and gas industry in the United States operates under some of the most stringent environmental rules in the world and its infrastructure also supports some of the most abundant fish habitat providing fishing opportunities that have made Louisiana the “Sportsman’s Paradise”; and

Whereas, protecting leasing and production in the Outer Continental Shelf will help combat climate change by helping our state combat coastal land loss and sustain oil and gas operations in the Gulf of Mexico critical to energy innovations needed to reduce carbon emissions; and

Whereas, Louisiana and its local economies, especially communities reliant on energy development and production, have felt an outsized impact from the COVID-19 pandemic and are expected to face a slower recovery than many other states because of our large service sector employment; and

Whereas, Louisiana already faces major budget shortfalls that will impact schools, emergency services, and other essential services; and

Whereas, under the provisions of the Gulf of Mexico Security Act, in 2019 alone energy production on the Outer Continental Shelf generated over \$155 million to the state of Louisiana used for coastal restoration and hurricane preparedness; and

Whereas, ensuring access to available leasing acreage on the Outer Continental Shelf will protect offshore energy production as an essential part of our state’s budget when our state and local governments need it the most; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby memorialize the Louisiana Congressional Delegation and the United States Congress to take such actions as are necessary to defeat passage of the “Ocean-Based Climate Solutions Act of 2020” and to protect future opportunities for oil and gas exploration on the Outer Continental Shelf; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States of America and to each member of the Louisiana Congressional Delegation.

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REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Rules and Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 959. A bill to establish in the Smithsonian Institution a comprehensive women's history museum, and for other purposes.

By Mr. BLUNT, from the Committee on Rules and Administration, without amendment:

H.R. 2420. An act to establish within the Smithsonian Institution the National Museum of the American Latino, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. INHOFE for the Committee on Armed Services.

Marine Corps nomination of Brig. Gen. Austin E. Renforth, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Col. Guy M. Jones, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Michael T. Plehn, to be Lieutenant General.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Jeffrey W. Hughes, to be Vice Admiral.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Patrick J. Cobb and ending with Brig. Gen. Darrin E. Slaten, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Matthew D. Dinmore and ending with Brig. Gen. Mark A. Weber, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Sandra L. Best and ending with Brig. Gen. Brett A. Wywick, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. James R. Camp and ending with Brig. Gen. Torrence W. Saxe, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nomination of Brig. Gen. Barry A. Blanchard, to be Major General.

Air Force nomination of Col. Tara D. McKennie, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. Matthew A. Barker and ending with Col. Bryony A. Terrell, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. Jeffrey R. Alexander and ending with Col. Rick L. Mutchler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Col. John H. Bondhus and ending with Col. Peter L. Zalewski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Air Force nomination of Col. Denise M. Donnell, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Col. Anthony D. Stratton, to be Brigadier General.

Mr. INHOFE. 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 ex-

pense 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 nomination of Michael G. King, to be Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Jeffrey Donald Adling and ending with Christopher D. Zaremski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Chikaodi H. Akalaonu and ending with Tabatha R. Zellhart, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brian C. Adkins and ending with Scott C. Zetterstrom, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Jason W. Abshire and ending with Brian P. Yoder, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Air Force nominations beginning with Priscilla M. Adams and ending with Isaac C. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Air Force nomination of Miriam A. Krieger, to be Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Jean P. Peltier and ending with Tara L. Villena, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Army nomination of John M. Tokish, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Mark Y. Lee, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Andrew C. Sinelli, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Phillip J. Armstrong, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Tony D. Nguyen, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Matthew B. Harrison, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Michael S. Scioletti, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Brandon M. Crisp, to be Second Lieutenant.

Marine Corps nomination of William J. Warkentin, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Jared L. Reddinger, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Navy nominations beginning with Raul T. Acevedo and ending with Sheu O. Yusuf, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 20, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Branden J. Albrecht and ending with Brandy L. Zehr, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 20, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Mark E. Beaudet and ending with Zachary B. Zumwalt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 20, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Christopher L. Adcock and ending with Michael J. Yoshihara, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 20, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Jason E. Hayes and ending with Christopher S. Walton, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 20, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Jeffrey B. Aday and ending with Jessica L. Zimmer-

man, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with John A. O. Abordo and ending with True Xiong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Joshua M. Adams and ending with Kent J. D. Wong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Cassandra E. Abbott and ending with James J. Yoon, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Ezindu U. Ananti and ending with Eric C. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Michael A. Ajao and ending with Bryan E. Wooldridge, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Natalie R. Bakan and ending with Christopher E. Verzosa, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with James P. Adwell and ending with Jessica N. Woody, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Bryan C. Barletto and ending with David W. Warning, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Colleen L. Abuzeid and ending with Robyn V. White, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nomination of Brian B. Toupin, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Jennifer L. Rhinehart, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Brandon E. Clark, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Christopher L. Allen and ending with Edward P. Windas, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Raynard Allen and ending with Marlin Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with James G. Angerman and ending with Joseph M. Zukowsky, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 12, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Matthew B. Alexander and ending with Angelina R. Woodburn, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Derek S. Bernsen and ending with William J. Reimer, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Deena R. Abt and ending with Todd W. Wish, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.

Navy nominations beginning with Patrick R. Adams and ending with David M. Yost, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 18, 2020.