

and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, three (3) reports relative to vacancies in the Department of the Treasury, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on February 12, 2024; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3609. A communication from the President of the United States to the President pro tempore of the United States Senate, transmitting, consistent with the War Powers Resolution, a report relative to United States forces, as part of a multinational operation alongside the United Kingdom, with support from Australia, Bahrain, Canada, Denmark, the Netherlands, and New Zealand, conducted discrete strikes against Houthi underground storage sites and locations associated with the Houthis' missile and air surveillance capabilities, attack capabilities, unmanned aerial vehicle capabilities, and command and control facilities in Yemen that support and facilitate Houthi militants' attacks in the Red Sea region; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3610. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to various countries in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 23-037); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3611. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license amendment for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to various countries in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 23-064); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3612. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed amendment to a Manufacturing License Agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the United Kingdom in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 23-083); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### 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-99. A resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Bowling Green, Ohio, in support of a market-based component to enhance citizen quality of life through improved air quality; to the Committee on Finance.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. REED for the Committee on Armed Services.

\*Navy nomination of Adm. Samuel J. Paparo, Jr., to be Admiral.

Air Force nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. Frank L. Bradfield III and ending with Brig. Gen. Mark V. Slominski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 25, 2024.

Army nominations beginning with Col. James D. Burk and ending with Col. Yolonda R. Summons, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 6, 2024.

Army nomination of Col. Craig M. Hunter, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Michael K. Moreni, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Vivek Kshetrapal, to be Brigadier General.

Army nomination of Col. Carlos E. Gorbea, to be Brigadier General.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Col. Nick I. Brown and ending with Col. Matthew W. Tracy, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 6, 2024.

Mr. REED. 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 Shelley L. Aldrich and ending with Heath D. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 19, 2023.

Air Force nominations beginning with Carl P. Bhend and ending with Christopher M. Wolbert, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 19, 2023.

Air Force nomination of Mauricio De Castro Pretelt, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Julia M. Bell and ending with Ryan K. Zarnowski, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 8, 2024.

Air Force nominations beginning with Cherylene S. Abalos and ending with Cheng Zeng, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 8, 2024.

Air Force nominations beginning with David Y. Ahn and ending with John M. Vann, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 8, 2024.

Air Force nominations beginning with Adam H. Altman and ending with Jason M. Zhao, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 8, 2024.

Air Force nomination of Heidi L. Clark, to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Christopher C. Lazidis, to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Agatha C. Graves, to be Major.

Air Force nominations beginning with Mark D. Johnson and ending with John Paul F. Mintz, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 6, 2024.

Army nomination of Sara V. Turinsky, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Alan L. Adkisson and ending with 002668953, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 25, 2024.

Army nomination of Brandon D. Howard, to be Major.

Army nomination of Thomas P. Gallagher, Jr., to be Major.

Army nomination of Jeffrey A. Banks, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Jonathan C. Young, to be Major.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Sean P. Dillon and ending with Joshua B. Simpson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 8, 2024.

Marine Corps nomination of Kenneth J. Schneider, Jr., to be Major.

Navy nomination of Rockford D. Burton, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Donny L. James II, to be Lieutenant Commander.

By Mr. SANDERS for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

\*Julie A. Su, of California, to be Secretary of Labor.

\*Moshe Z. Marvit, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term of six years expiring August 30, 2028.

\*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. CASSIDY (for himself and Ms. CANTWELL):

S. 3805. A bill to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to prohibit health plans from imposing fees on health care providers for electronic funds transfers and health care payment and remittance advice transactions, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. MARKEY):

S. 3806. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to improve the cost of living adjustment exclusion from income under the supplemental nutrition assistance program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. WELCH (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. WYDEN, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. 3807. A bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to allow for deductions of student loan payments from income; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CRUZ:

S. 3808. A bill to prohibit deployment of Federal air marshals to the southern and northern borders of the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. RISCH:

S. 3809. A bill to require electronic medical records at the Department of State for Foreign Service personnel; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. HAWLEY:

S. 3810. A bill to prohibit conflict of interests among consulting firms that simultaneously contract with the Government of the People's Republic of China and the United States Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. CRUZ, and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 3811. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to clarify the authority of immigration judges to sanction any contempt of the judge's authority; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ERNST (for herself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. BUDD, Mr. CASSIDY, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. DAINES, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. MULLIN, Mr. RICKETTS, Mr. RISCH, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, Mr. TILLIS, Mr. VANCE, and Mr. CRAPO):

S. 3812. A bill to provide firearm licensees an opportunity to correct statutory and regulatory violations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. LEE, Mr. GRASSLEY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. COONS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. CRUZ, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HAWLEY, Mr. WELCH, Ms. BUTLER, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3813. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, relative to the powers of the Inspector General of the Department of Justice; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Mr. COTTON, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. RUBIO):

S. 3814. A bill to prohibit actions that would authorize conduct of official United States Government business in the Gaza Strip or the West Bank; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. THUNE (for Mr. TILLIS (for himself and Mr. HICKENLOOPER)):

S. 3815. A bill to direct the Securities and Exchange Commission to promulgate rules with respect to the electronic delivery of certain required disclosures, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 3816. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for lifelong learning accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

S. 3817. A bill to increase the criminal penalties for assaulting a Bureau of Prisons correctional officer; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. RICKETTS (for himself and Mr. BROWN):

S. 3818. A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to include fuel for ocean-going vessels as additional renewable fuel for which credits may be generated under the renewable fuel program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 161

At the request of Mr. KAINE, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 161, a bill to extend the Federal Pell Grant eligibility of certain short-term programs.

S. 373

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from California (Ms. BUTLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 373, a bill to modify the disposition of certain outer Continental Shelf revenues and to open Federal financial sharing to heighten opportunities for renewable energy, and for other purposes.

S. 459

At the request of Mr. BRAUN, the name of the Senator from Tennessee

(Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 459, a bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide enhanced penalties for convicted murderers who kill or target America's public safety officers.

S. 566

At the request of Mr. LANKFORD, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) and the Senator from Alabama (Mrs. BRITT) were added as cosponsors of S. 566, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify and extend the deduction for charitable contributions for individuals not itemizing deductions.

S. 722

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) and the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) were added as cosponsors of S. 722, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit certain expenses associated with obtaining or maintaining recognized postsecondary credentials to be treated as qualified higher education expenses for purposes of 529 accounts.

S. 815

At the request of Mr. TESTER, the names of the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER) and the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. MARKEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 815, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the female telephone operators of the Army Signal Corps, known as the "Hello Girls".

S. 1064

At the request of Mrs. CAPITO, the names of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) and the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1064, a bill to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a national project to prevent and cure Parkinson's, to be known as the National Parkinson's Project, and for other purposes.

S. 1069

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1069, a bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to prohibit the manufacture, processing, use, and distribution in commerce of commercial asbestos and mixtures and articles containing commercial asbestos, and for other purposes.

S. 1164

At the request of Mr. LUJÁN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1164, a bill to amend the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture, acting through the Chief of the Forest Service, to enter into contracts, grants, and agreements to carry out certain ecosystem restoration activities, and for other purposes.

S. 1349

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from Michigan

(Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1349, a bill to establish a post-secondary student data system.

S. 1384

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1384, a bill to promote and protect from discrimination living organ donors.

S. 1409

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the names of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO), the Senator from Utah (Mr. ROMNEY), the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VANCE), the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. TUBERVILLE), the Senator from California (Ms. BUTLER), the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS), the Senator from Ohio (Mr. BROWN), the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING), the Senator from Texas (Mr. CRUZ), the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED), the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER), the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of S. 1409, a bill to protect the safety of children on the internet.

S. 1642

At the request of Mr. WELCH, the names of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CRAMER) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1642, a bill to amend the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 to establish the ReConnect program under that Act, and for other purposes.

S. 2003

At the request of Mr. RISCH, the names of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) and the Senator from Louisiana (Mr. KENNEDY) were added as cosponsors of S. 2003, a bill to authorize the Secretary of State to provide additional assistance to Ukraine using assets confiscated from the Central Bank of the Russian Federation and other sovereign assets of the Russian Federation, and for other purposes.

S. 2004

At the request of Mr. BROWN, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2004, a bill to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 relating to de minimis treatment under that Act.

S. 2091

At the request of Mr. CRUZ, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. VANCE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2091, a bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for individuals who illegally reenter the United States after being removed, and for other purposes.

S. 2217

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2217, a bill to amend part B of