

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR PUBLIC AFFAIRS, AND”.

On page 52, line 21 through line 24, strike “Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs, the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs, and the”.

On page 53, lines 17 and 18, strike “and an Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs”.

On page 54, lines 24 and 25, strike “ASSISTANT SECRETARIES FOR LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS, PUBLIC AFFAIRS, AND” and insert “ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR”.

On page 55, line 4, strike “7” and insert “9”.

On page 55, line 6, strike “3 Assistant Secretaries” and insert “1 Assistant Secretary”.

On page 55, strike lines 8 through 9.

On page 57, strike lines 1 through 4.

On page 60, beginning on line 22, strike all through page 61, line 4.

SA 512. Mr. AKAKA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 679, to reduce the number of executive positions subject to Senate confirmation; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 48, strike lines 4 through 9.

NOTICE OF HEARING

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR,
AND PENSIONS

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I wish to announce that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions will meet in executive session on June 29, 2011, at 10 a.m. to conduct a mark-up of the following: S. 958, the Children’s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2011; S. 1094, the Combating Autism Reauthorization Act; S. ____, the Workforce Investment Act Reauthorization of 2011; and, any nominations cleared for action.

For further information regarding this meeting, please contact the committee on (202) 224-5375.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Finance be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on June 22, 2011, at 10 a.m., in 215 Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Preserving Integrity, Preventing Overpayments, and Eliminating Fraud in the Unemployment Insurance System.”

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. DURBIN. 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 June 22, 2011, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “See Something, Say Something, Do Something: Next Steps for Securing Rail and Transit.”

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

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. DURBIN. 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 June 22, 2011, at 1:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing entitled “Transforming Lives Through Diabetes Research.”

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 22, 2011, at 10 a.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Oversight of Intellectual Property Law Enforcement Efforts.”

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

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate, on June 22, 2011, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-226 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled “Nominations.”

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

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. HARKIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Eric Dodd, Emily Messerly, and Courtney Greenley of my staff be granted floor privileges for the duration of today’s proceedings.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Marie Gorence and Ben Scuderi, of Senator BINGAMAN’s office, be given the privileges of the floor for the pendency of S. 679, the Presidential Appointment Efficiency and Streamlining Act.

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

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Shane Knisley, a Department of Defense detailee, have the privilege of the floor throughout this discussion.

I think all of us understand how valuable our detailees from the Department of Defense are in the work we do. Particularly in this matter, it has been helpful to me to have his sage advice. I appreciate that he is in our office and has been a valuable member of our team on this issue.

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

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent my Navy Fellow, LT Maxwell Keith, be granted the privilege of the floor for the remainder of this legislative session.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREE-
MENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by the majority and Republican leaders, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider en bloc the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 62, 110, 145; that there be 2 hours for debate concurrently on the nominations equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of that time the Senate proceed to vote without intervening action or debate on the nominations in the order listed; the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to the nominations; that any statements relating to the nominations be printed in the RECORD and the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

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

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 23, 2011

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until tomorrow, Thursday, June 23, at 10 a.m.; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be deemed approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate be in a period of morning business until 11:30 a.m. with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the time 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; that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of S. 679, the Presidential Appointment Efficiency and Streamlining Act, under the previous order.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, there will be two rollcall votes at approximately noon in relation to the Vitter amendment No. 499 and the DeMint amendment No. 510. We hope to set up some other votes tomorrow morning for tomorrow afternoon.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. If there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:24 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, June 23, 2011, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

BRIAN T. BAENIG, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, VICE KRYSTA HARDEN.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MARY BETH LEONARD, OF MASSACHUSETTS, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF MALI .

THE JUDICIARY

MARGARET BARTLEY, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE A NEW POSITION CREATED BY PUBLIC LAW 110-389, APPROVED OCTOBER 10, 2008.

GLORIA WILSON SHELTON, OF MARYLAND, TO BE A JUDGE OF THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS, VICE A NEW POSITION CREATED BY PUBLIC LAW 110-389, APPROVED OCTOBER 10, 2008.

IN THE ARMY

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

To be colonel

THOMAS B. MURPHREE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR A REGULAR ARMY APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531:

To be major

PEDRO T. RAGA
TIMOTHY R. SHAFFER
MATTHEW H. VINNING

IN THE NAVY

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

To be commander

TROY D. CARR

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE UNITED STATES NAVY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 5721:

To be lieutenant commander

DAWN C. ALLEN

JEREMY D. BARNES
MICHAEL BETSCH
CHARLES G. BIRCHFIELD
JASON B. BLACKMON
BRIAN BOURGEOIS
MICHAEL D. BROWN
JOSEPH L. CALDWELL
JOHN G. CULPEPPER
JASON A. DAVY
JOSEPH M. EDELEN
GERALD W. ELDER
JEFFREY P. HARVEY
RYAN C. HEINEMAN
HOMER F. HENSY
KIMBERLY E. JONES
DANIEL W. LANDI
BRETT C. LEFEVER
NICHOLAS T. MENZEL
JUSTIN M. NOVAK
KENNETH C. PACKARD
STEVEN C. PUSKAS
HARRELL D. REYNOLDS III
GARY A. RONEY
MICHAEL G. ROOT
MARK R. SANDERS
SCOTT P. SEDDON
ERIN E. SHERRY
JEREA D. L. SINES
TIMOTHY S. SULICK
PATRICK E. TEMBREULL
JENNIFER L. TIETZ