

Cemetery shall submit to the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Armed Services, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives a report on the efforts of the Executive Director to modernize the information technology and management systems of the Cemetery.

(b) The report required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) A detailing of the strategic plan and timetable to modernize the information technology and management systems of the Cemetery, including digital burial records.

(2) A description of the steps taken by the Executive Director in 2011 to implement information technology and management systems improvements.

(3) Identification of any remaining information technology and systems infrastructure needs of the Executive Director for administration of the Arlington National Cemetery.

**SA 575.** Ms. AYOTTE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2055, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 112, between lines 2 and 3, insert the following:

SEC. 230. (a) Not later than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in coordination with the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), shall submit to the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and the Committee on Armed Services of the Senate and the Committee on Appropriations, the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, and the Committee on Armed Services of the House of Representatives a report, in writing, on the plans of the Secretary to make available to injured members of the Armed Forces and veterans the next generation of advanced prosthetics.

(b) The report required by subsection (a) shall include the following:

(1) Details of the strategic plan and timetable of the Secretary to make available to injured members of the Armed Forces and veterans the next generation of advanced prosthetics

(2) A description of the challenges, both technical and administrative, that could delay injured members of the Armed Forces and veterans access to prosthetics described in paragraph (1).

(3) The plans of the Secretary to address these challenges described under paragraph (2).

**SA 576.** Mr. SESSIONS (for himself, Mr. VITTER, and Mr. CORKER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2055, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end, insert the following:

**SEC. \_\_\_\_ . NO BUDGET—NO APPROPRIATIONS.**

Section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 621 note) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting after "Sections" the following: "303(c)."; and

(2) in subsection (d)(2), by inserting after "sections" the following: "303(c).".

**SA 577.** Mrs. BOXER (for herself, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. INHOFE, and Mr. NELSON of Florida) proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 2055, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the appropriate place, add the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_ No later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Defense shall report to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and the House of Representatives on the status and improvement plan for all DODEA schools with an overall condition rating of Q3 (poor) or Q4 (failing) as identified in the October 2009 Report to Congress on Department of Defense Education Activity's Military Construction Program.

**SA 578.** Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. SNOWE, and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 2055, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2012, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 84, between lines 5 and 6, insert the following:

SEC. 127. (a) LIMITATION ON CLOSURE OF COMMISSARIES.—Notwithstanding any provision of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (part A of title XXIX of Public Law 101-510; 10 U.S.C. 2687 note), none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this title may be obligated or expended to cease operations of any commissary until the Secretary of Defense has issued new instructions regarding commissary operations of the Armed Forces that clarify general and economic criteria used for establishing, continuing, or discontinuing commissary operations.

(b) SUBMISSION OF PROPOSED INSTRUCTIONS TO CONGRESSIONAL DEFENSE COMMITTEES.—The Secretary of Defense may not issue the instructions described in subsection (a) until 60 days after the Secretary submits to the congressional defense committees a copy of the proposed instructions and a description of the impact of those instructions on—

(1) existing commissary operations;

(2) operations of commissaries at locations affected by a base closure law;

(3) future construction and operation of new commissaries; and

(4) the operation and funding of commissary stores at which substantial percentages of users are from more than one military service.

#### NOTICES OF HEARINGS

##### 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 Wednesday, July 27, 2011, at 10 a.m. in SD-430 to mark-up 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 Act of

2011; and, any nominations cleared for action.

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

##### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I would like to announce for the information of the Senate and the public that a hearing has been scheduled before the Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. The hearing will be held on Wednesday, August 3, 2011, at 2:30 p.m., in room SD-366 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive testimony on the following bills:

S. 1024, to designate the Organ Mountains and other public land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System and the National Landscape Conservation System in the State of New Mexico, and for other purposes;

S. 1090, to designate as wilderness certain public land in the Cherokee National Forest in the State of Tennessee, and for other purposes;

S. 1144, to amend the Soda Ash Royalty Reduction Act of 2006 to extend the reduced royalty rate for soda ash;

S. 1149, to expand geothermal production, and for other purposes; and

S. 1344, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to take immediate action to recover ecologically and economically from a catastrophic wildfire in the State of Arizona, and for other purposes.

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 [jake\\_mccook@energy.senate.gov](mailto:jake_mccook@energy.senate.gov).

For further information, please contact David Brooks at (202) 224-9863 or Jake McCook at (202) 224-9313.

#### AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

##### COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011, at 10 a.m. in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Building American Transportation Infrastructure through Innovative Funding."

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

##### COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011, at 10 a.m.

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

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR,  
AND PENSIONS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011.

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 July 20, 2011, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "Federal Regulation: A Review of Legislative Proposals, Part II."

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 July 20, 2011, at 9:45 a.m. in room SH-216 of the Hart Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "S. 598, The Respect for Marriage Act: Accessing the Impact of DOMA on American Families."

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

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Economic Policy be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011, at 10 a.m. to conduct a hearing entitled "Access to Capital: Fostering Job Creation and Innovation through High-Growth Startups."

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND  
INFRASTRUCTURE

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011, at 10 a.m. in room SD-406 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Yellowstone River Oil Spill Oversight."

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

SUBCOMMITTEE ON OCEANS, ATMOSPHERE,  
FISHERIES, AND COAST GUARD.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011, at 2:30 p.m. in room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building, to conduct a hearing entitled "Looking to the Future: Lessons in Prevention, Response, and Restoration from the Gulf Oil Spill."

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

## SUBCOMMITTEE ON PERSONNEL

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Personnel of the Committee on Armed Services be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on July 20, 2011, at 2 p.m.

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

## PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. MERKLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Alexa Damis-Wulff be granted floor privileges for the balance of the day.

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

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 21,  
2011

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., tomorrow, Thursday, July 21; 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 until later in the day; that when the Senate considers the motion to proceed to H.R. 2560, the Cut, Cap, and Balance Act, the time until 2 p.m. be equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with Senators permitted to speak up to 10 minutes each, with the Republicans controlling the first 30 minutes and the majority controlling the next 30 minutes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BENNET). Without objection, it is so ordered.

## PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, tomorrow morning, the majority leader will move to proceed to H.R. 2560, the Cut, Cap, and Balance Act. There will be a full debate on this bill. We will decide how much time is needed. We will work on this as we proceed. If all the time is used, we will vote Saturday morning.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M.  
TOMORROW

Mr. REID. 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 6:48 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, July 21, 2011, at 9:30 a.m.

## NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

## THE JUDICIARY

MICHAEL WALTER FITZGERALD, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE CENTRAL

DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA, VICE A. HOWARD MATZ, RETIRED.

## IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED INDIVIDUAL FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 531(A):

*To be lieutenant colonel*

MARY F. HART-GALLAGHER

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR REGULAR APPOINTMENT IN THE GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 531(A) AND 716:

*To be major*

RAYMOND S. COLLINS

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

*To be major*

DAVID B. BARKER  
DANISHIA A. BARTON  
MELISSA J. BEASLEY  
TERECA V. BENTON  
JAMIE SUE BING  
RANDOLPH T. BOSCH  
MERRITT M. BROCKMAN  
SCOTT A. BROWN  
JAMES M. CAMILLERI  
BRIAN M. CARUTHERS  
MARIABETHY PULIDO CASH

KENNETH M. CHAPMAN  
SHAWN M. COFFIN  
DANIEL C. COLEMAN  
BONITA Y. DENNIS  
KELLY LYNN DETERING  
JOI BLYTHE DOZIER  
MICHAEL R. EMERSON  
IAN C. ERSKINE  
DAVID A. FERGUSON  
STEVE V. FLEMING, JR.  
STEVEN M. FOX  
EMIRZA G. GRADIZ  
RONICA S. GRUVER  
CHANG M. HAN  
FRED L. HARRIS  
ADAM G. HENSON  
TODD M. HOGGATT  
KIRK D. HUNTSMAN  
JAMIE M. KAAUAMO  
ALEXEI KAMBALOV  
NATHAN T. KELLETT  
SYLVIA CHIHUYUN KIM  
AMANDA M. LAWSON  
JOSHUA J. LESLIE  
JORDAN H. LINDEKE  
RANDALL L. LIVENGOOD  
CHARLES E. LUEKER  
PAUL E. MACDONALD, JR.  
STEPHEN W. MARTIN  
CHRISTOPHER B. MATHEWS  
RENEE A. MCCLENNON  
WENDY J. MORENO  
MARLON A. MUTHUVEERAN  
JOY U. NAVARRO  
PHILLIP D. OLIPHANT  
LISA A. PERRY  
BECKY K. QUENNEVILLE  
DANIEL J. RIVAS  
BRENDA TALINA ROBERTS  
VICKI K. ROBLES  
JAVIER A. RODRIGUEZ  
TODD M. ROMAN  
DAWN M. ROSE  
JOSEPH H. ROUNTREE  
TIMOTHY A. SCHMIDT  
HEIDI P. SIMPSON  
TANYA M. SIMULICK  
STATWELL G. SINCLAIR, JR.  
JAMES A. STEWART  
LEWIS RANDOLPH TAYLOR  
THOMAS JASON TELFER  
ALISON M. THOMAS  
JASON T. TOMPKINS  
ROBERT E. TRAYLOR  
NEVA J. VANDERSCHAEGEN  
MERLINDA VERGONIOWILLIAMS  
GLORIA JEN WALSKI  
TOBIE A. WETHINGTON  
JOCELYN M. WHALEN  
LINDSEY KAY WILLHARDT  
THOMAS E. WINDLEY  
RYAN K. YATES  
TANYA R. YELVERTON  
ANGELA M. YUHAS

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

*To be lieutenant colonel*

WADE B. ADAIR  
TRACY L. ALLEN  
SUSAN G. ANGUS  
NORA ASHBY  
JOYCE C. BEATY  
PAMELA BELLGARVIN  
JACQUELINE L. BOWERS  
WILLIAM CHADRICK BREEDLOVE  
DAVID B. BROWN  
TERA Y. CARTER  
GREGORY A. COLEMAN  
ANADIS COLLADOVALENTIN