

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

The resolution (S. Res. 336) was agreed to, as follows:

S. RES. 336

Resolved,

SECTION 1. COLLECTION OF CLOTHING, TOYS, FOOD, AND HOUSEWARES DURING THE HOLIDAY SEASON FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES IN SENATE BUILDINGS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other provision of the rules or regulations of the Senate—

(1) a Senator, officer of the Senate, or employee of the Senate may collect from another Senator, officer of the Senate, or employee of the Senate within Senate buildings nonmonetary donations of clothing, toys, food, and housewares for charitable purposes related to serving persons in need or members of the Armed Services and the families of those members during the holiday season, if the charitable purposes do not otherwise violate any rule or regulation of the Senate or of Federal law; and

(2) a Senator, officer of the Senate, or employee of the Senate may work with a non-profit organization with respect to the delivery of donations described under paragraph (1).

(b) EXPIRATION.—The authority provided by this resolution shall expire at the end of the first session of the 112th Congress.

APPOINTMENTS AUTHORITY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses or by order of the Senate.

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

SIGNING AUTHORITY

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that from Friday, November 18, through Monday, November 28, the majority leader be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at a time to be determined by the majority leader, after consultation with the Republican leader, but not prior to December 5, 2011, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations: Calendar Nos. 363, 364, 365, and 406; there be a total of 1 hour for debate, equally divided in the usual form; that upon the use or yielding back of time, the Senate proceed to vote with no intervening action or debate on the nominations in the order listed; fur-

ther, that on all of the listed nominations, 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 related to the nominations be printed in the RECORD; that 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 TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2011, THROUGH MONDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2011

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 11 a.m., on Tuesday, November 22, 2011, for a pro forma session only, with no business conducted; that following the pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until 10:30 a.m., on Friday, November 25, 2011, for a pro forma session only, with no business conducted; that following the pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until 1 p.m., on Monday, November 28, 2011; 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 for their use later in the day; that following any leader remarks, the Senate resume consideration of S. 1867, the Department of Defense bill, and that at 5 p.m. the Senate proceed to executive session, as indicated under the previous order.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. The next rollcall vote will be Monday, November 28, at about 5:30 p.m., on confirmation of the Droney nomination. Additional votes on DOD authorization amendments are possible Monday evening, and everyone should be aware of that. Senators LEVIN and MCCAIN want to move as many amendments as they can, and so we will try to schedule some more amendments that evening to be voted on.

I would also indicate, we have worked long and hard today to try to have a consent agreement on amendments to go to the Energy and Water appropriations bill. Senators FEINSTEIN and ALEXANDER have worked very hard. At this stage, we just can't do it. I am sorry we didn't try to do it yesterday because yesterday's issues were easier than those today. Twenty-four hours has not helped, but we will continue to work on that.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2011, AT 11 A.M.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that

the Senate stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 3:54 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, November 22, 2011, at 11 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

MARGARET ANN SHERRY, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE DAVID L. NORQUIST, RESIGNED.

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

SARA A. GELSER, OF OREGON, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 17, 2014. (REAPPOINTMENT)

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate November 18, 2011:

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

WINSLOW LORENZO SARGEANT, OF WISCONSIN, TO BE CHIEF COUNSEL FOR ADVOCACY, SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

THE JUDICIARY

CATHARINE FRIEND EASTERLY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

CORINNE ANN BECKWITH, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

ERNEST MITCHELL, JR., OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED STATES FIRE ADMINISTRATION, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

RONALD DAVID MCCRAY, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 25, 2012.

RONALD DAVID MCCRAY, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 25, 2016.

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

CLAUDE M. STEELE, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 10, 2014.

ANNEILA I. SARGENT, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL SCIENCE BOARD, NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 10, 2016.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

DANA KATHERINE BILYEU, OF NEVADA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 11, 2015.

NATIONAL CONSUMER COOPERATIVE BANK

CYRUS AMIR—MOKRI, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL CONSUMER COOPERATIVE BANK FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS.

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

MICHAEL A. KHOURI, OF KENTUCKY, TO BE A FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSIONER FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2016.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

ROBERT L. SUMWALT III, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2016.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

DAVID A. MONTOKA, OF TEXAS, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT.

THE JUDICIARY

JOHN FRANCIS MCCABE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

PETER ARNO KRAUTHAMER, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

DANYA ARIEL DAYSON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR

COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FIFTEEN YEARS.

COURT SERVICES AND OFFENDER SUPERVISION AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

NANCY MARIA WARE, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE COURT SERVICES AND OF-

FENDER SUPERVISION AGENCY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR A TERM OF SIX YEARS.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MICHAEL A. HUGHES, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD

DAVID AVREN JONES, OF CONNECTICUT, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RETIREMENT THRIFT INVESTMENT BOARD FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 11, 2014.