

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. LIEBERMAN, from the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, without amendment:

H.R. 789. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 20 Main Street in Little Ferry, New Jersey, as the "Sergeant Matthew J. Fenton Post Office".

H.R. 2422. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 45 Bay Street, Suite 2, in Staten Island, New York, as the "Sergeant Angel Mendez Post Office".

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, without amendment:

S. 1236. A bill to reduce the trafficking of drugs and to prevent human smuggling across the Southwest Border by deterring the construction and use of border tunnels.

By Mr. LEAHY, from the Committee on the Judiciary, with an amendment:

S. 1821. A bill to prevent the termination of the temporary office of bankruptcy judges in certain judicial districts.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN from the Committee on Armed Services:

*Brad Carson, of Oklahoma, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

*Michael A. Sheehan, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Air Force nomination of Col. Merle D. Hart, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. Frank Gorenc, to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nomination of Col. Brian E. Dominguez, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nomination of Col. John P. Currenti, to be Brigadier General.

Air Force nominations beginning with Colonel John D. Bansemer and ending with Colonel Sarah E. Zabel, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011. (minus 1 nominee: Colonel Ricky J. Locastro)

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Michael J. Lally III, to be Major General.

Army nominations beginning with Colonel John W. Baker and ending with Colonel Eric P. Wendt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on May 23, 2011. (minus 2 nominees: Colonel John H. Hort; Colonel Robert P. White)

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Lynn A. Collyar, to be Major General.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Mary A. Legere, to be Lieutenant General.

Army nomination of Col. Jimmie O. Keenan, to be Major General.

Mr. LEVIN. 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 Christine L. Blicebaum and ending with

Abner Perry V. Valenzuela, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 1, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with Joel O. Almosara and ending with Annette J. Williamson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 1, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with Keith Allen Allbritten and ending with Gregory S. Woodrow, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Air Force nominations beginning with Christon Michael Gibb and ending with Thad M. Reddick, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Michael S. Funk and ending with John W. Rueger, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Jarrod W. Hudson and ending with Charles B. Wagenblast, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nomination of Kari L. Crawford, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Henry H. Beaulieu and ending with Eric K. Little, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Donald B. Absher and ending with Irene M. Zoppi, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with James S. Aranyi and ending with Mark A. Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Mitchell J. Abel and ending with Thomas M. Zubik, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Nancy L. Davis and ending with Sheila Villines, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nomination of Genevieve L. Costello, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Robert J. Newsom and ending with Richard Y. Yoon, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Richard A. Daniels and ending with Stephen M. Langlois, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Arthur E. Rabenhorst and ending with Steven J. Svabek, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

Army nomination of Harvey D. Hudson, to be Major.

Army nomination of William H. Carothers, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Todd S. Albright and ending with D001765, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on December 5, 2011.

Army nominations beginning with Larrington R. Connell and ending with Ricardo J. Vendrell, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on December 5, 2011.

Navy nomination of Andrew K. Ledford, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Matthew R. Loe, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nomination of Thomas P. English, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Richard A. Ackerman and ending with Adam I. Zaker, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on November 30, 2011.

By Mr. BINGAMAN from the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:

*Arunava Majumdar, of California, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

By Mr. LEAHY from the Committee on the Judiciary:

Brian C. Wimes, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri.

*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 Ms. AYOTTE (for herself, Mr. RUBIO, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 1996. A bill to amend the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to provide for macroeconomic analysis of the impact of legislation; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. VITTER (for himself, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. JOHANNIS, Mr. TOOMEY, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. PAUL, Mr. RISCH, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. LEE):

S. 1997. A bill to prohibit the Secretary of the Treasury from providing extra support to the Federal Housing Administration; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself, Mr. CARPER, and Mr. JOHNSON of Wisconsin):

S. 1998. A bill to obtain an unqualified audit opinion, and improve financial accountability and management at the Department of Homeland Security; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR (for herself and Mr. FRANKEN):

S. 1999. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to apply the frailty adjustment under PACE payment rules to certain specialized MA plans for special needs individuals; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. KOHL:

S. 2000. A bill to amend the copyright law to secure the rights of artists of works of visual art to provide for royalties, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WYDEN (for himself and Mr. MERKLEY):

S. 2001. A bill to expand the Wild Rogue Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to make additional wild and scenic river designations in the Rogue River area, to provide additional protections for Rogue River tributaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 2002. A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to improve the safety of Internet pharmacies; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEE, Mr. UDALL of Colorado, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. PAUL, Mr. COONS, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. UDALL of New Mexico, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mrs. MCCASKILL):

S. 2003. A bill to clarify that an authorization to use military force, a declaration of war, or any similar authority shall not authorize the detention without charge or trial of a citizen or lawful permanent resident of the United States and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. UDALL of New Mexico (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. INOUE, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2004. A bill to grant the Congressional Gold Medal to the troops who defended Bataan during World War II; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts (for himself and Mr. KIRK):

S. 2005. A bill to authorize the Secretary of State to issue up to 10,500 E-3 visas per year to Irish nationals; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG:

S. 2006. A bill to amend the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to permit Federal regulation and review of tolls and toll increases on certain surface transportation facilities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. COONS, and Mr. THUNE):

S. 2007. A bill to amend the African Growth and Opportunity Act to extend the third-country fabric rule, to add South Sudan to the list of countries eligible for designation under that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. SNOWE:

S. Res. 348. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the Secretary of the Treasury should take actions to increase the transparency and accountability of the Small Business Lending Fund Program; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 195

At the request of Mr. ROCKEFELLER, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. MIKULSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 195, a bill to reinstate Federal matching of State spending of child support incentive payments.

S. 249

At the request of Mr. HATCH, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 249, a bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that Act shall not apply to any gray wolf (*Canis lupus*).

S. 431

At the request of Mr. PRYOR, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER), the Senator from Iowa (Mr. GRASSLEY), the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER), the Senator from Wisconsin (Mr. KOHL), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. THUNE) were added as cosponsors of S. 431, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 225th anniversary of the establishment of the Nation's first Federal law enforcement agency, the United States Marshals Service.

S. 750

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. MENENDEZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 750, a bill to reform the financing of Senate elections, and for other purposes.

S. 810

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. UDALL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 810, a bill to prohibit the conducting of invasive research on great apes, and for other purposes.

S. 1181

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1181, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the National Future Farmers of America Organization and the 85th anniversary of the founding of the National Future Farmers of America Organization.

S. 1392

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. ENZI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1392, a bill to provide additional time for the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to issue achievable standards for industrial, commercial, and institutional boilers, process heaters, and incinerators, and for other purposes.

S. 1468

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1468, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve access to diabetes self-management training by authorizing certified diabetes educators to provide diabetes self-management training services, including as part of telehealth services, under part B of the Medicare program.

S. 1497

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the name of the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. CONRAD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1497, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to extend for 3 years reasonable cost contracts under Medicare.

S. 1606

At the request of Mr. PORTMAN, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. NELSON) was added as a cosponsor of S.

1606, a bill to reform the process by which Federal agencies analyze and formulate new regulations and guidance documents.

S. 1680

At the request of Mr. CONRAD, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1680, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to protect and preserve access of Medicare beneficiaries in rural areas to health care providers under the Medicare program, and for other purposes.

S. 1871

At the request of Mr. BROWN of Massachusetts, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. KIRK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1871, a bill to prohibit commodities and securities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress, to require additional reporting by Members and employees of Congress of securities transactions, and for other purposes.

S. 1903

At the request of Mrs. GILLIBRAND, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1903, a bill to prohibit commodities and securities trading based on nonpublic information relating to Congress, to require additional reporting by Members and employees of Congress of securities transactions, and for other purposes.

S. 1925

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1925, a bill to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994.

S. 1956

At the request of Mr. THUNE, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1956, a bill to prohibit operators of civil aircraft of the United States from participating in the European Union's emissions trading scheme, and for other purposes.

S. 1959

At the request of Mr. BURR, the name of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. ROBERTS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1959, a bill to require a report on the designation of the Haqqani Network as a foreign terrorist organization and for other purposes.

S. 1984

At the request of Mr. KERRY, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. BEGICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1984, a bill to establish a commission to develop a national strategy and recommendations for reducing fatalities resulting from child abuse and neglect.

S. 1994

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1994, a bill to prohibit deceptive practices in Federal elections.

S. RES. 310

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr.