

action, and the Senate then return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Beverly Baldwin Martin, of Georgia, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Georgia for the term of four years.

Hiram Arthur Contreras, of Texas, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Texas for the term of four years.

Randall Dean Anderson, of Utah, to be United States Marshall for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

Robert A. Miller, of South Dakota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2000.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senate will now return to legislative session.

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1998

Mr. CHAFEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until 9:30 a.m. on Friday, February 27, and immediately following the prayer, the routine requests through the morning hour be granted and there then be a period for morning business until 10 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the following exception: Senator ASHCROFT, 10 minutes.

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

Mr. CHAFEE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that at the hour of 10 a.m., the Senate resume consideration of S. 1173, the ISTE A bill.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. CHAFEE. Mr. President, in conjunction with the previous unanimous consent agreements, tomorrow morning there will be a period of morning business for 30 minutes, followed by consideration of S. 1173, the so-called ISTE A legislation.

Mr. President, it is our hope that the Senate will be able to make good progress on this important legislation during Friday's session of the Senate. In addition, the Senate may consider any executive or legislative business cleared for floor action. Therefore, roll-call votes are possible during tomorrow's session.

Mr. President, it is my hope, as it is of the ranking member of the committee, that Senators will bring over their amendments tomorrow so that we can act upon them. There are a host of amendments out there. While it is true that we cannot consider amendments dealing with financial matters in connection with this legislation, there is a whole series of other amendments that are available for consideration if only the proponents of the amendments will come over and present them. I greatly hope that will take place tomorrow.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. CHAFEE. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 6:14 p.m., adjourned until Friday, February 27, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate February 26, 1998:

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

EDWARD A. POWELL, JR., OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (MANAGEMENT), VICE D. MARK CATLETT, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Q. TODD DICKINSON, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS, VICE MICHAEL KANE KIRK, RESIGNED.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate February 26, 1998:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

BEVERLY BALDWIN MARTIN, OF GEORGIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF GEORGIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

HIRAM ARTHUR CONTRERAS, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE

ROBERT A. MILLER, OF SOUTH DAKOTA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE STATE JUSTICE INSTITUTE FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 17, 2000.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

RANDALL DEAN ANDERSON, OF UTAH, TO BE UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS.

WITHDRAWAL

Executive message transmitted by the President to the Senate on February 26, 1998, withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nomination:

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

GEORGE DONOHUE, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION, VICE LINDA HALL DASCHLE, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON JUNE 26, 1997.