

Army nominations beginning Phil C. Alabama, and ending Joseph J. Zubak, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 28, 1999.

Army nominations beginning Gary W. Ace, and ending X4393, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 19, 1999.

Marine Corps nominations beginning David J. Abel, and ending Raymon Zapata, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 23, 1999.

Marine Corps nominations beginning Charles E. Headden, and ending Robert L. Williams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 30, 1999.

Marine Corps nominations of James R. Judkins, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 14, 1999.

Navy nominations beginning Michael K. Abate, and ending Gregg W. Ziemke, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 23, 1999.

Navy nominations of Laurel A. May, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of June 28, 1999.

Navy nominations beginning Dean D. Hager, and ending David F. Sanders, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 14, 1999.

Navy nominations beginning Scott R. Barry, and ending Charles L. Taylor, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 21, 1999.

Navy nominations beginning Lloyd B.J. Callis, and ending Michelle L. Wulff, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of July 21, 1999.

NOMINATION OF CURTIS L. HEBERT, JR.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, today the Senate is returning a very distinguished and qualified Commissioner back to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. I am pleased that my good friend Curtis L. Hebert, Jr. of Pascagoula, Mississippi is that Commissioner.

As a former member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, I appreciate the high standard that FERC nominees are held to during committee consideration. Throughout Curt's nearly two-year tenure as a FERC Commissioner, he demonstrated that he has not only the knowledge, but the determination and skills to get the job done. He has been a responsible and able federal steward of the utility industry across the United States. I expect that he will continue to serve the FERC and our nation with the same enthusiasm and foresight.

Before Curt came to Washington, he served the state of Mississippi as a member and a chair of the Public Service Commission for several years. During that time, he demonstrated the ability to balance the diverse utility interests in our state. This was no easy task. Mississippi is the home to both public and private power companies, PUHCAs and providers of all sizes. Curt was also my representative in the Mississippi legislature, where he did an excellent job. Curt has proven that he has

the skills necessary to address the needs of each of these entities, while keeping the best interest of the consumer in mind.

Congress must recognize that national electric utility deregulation is on the horizon. How and when a new system will be created remains to be seen. What is certain, however, is that the FERC will be instrumental in guiding Congress toward competition in the utility industry. I am confident that Curt has the experience and insight necessary to help us reach the right balance of interests. Most importantly, Curt understands what deregulation means at the state level. Already, Congress has witnessed deregulation of several states, but Congress will value the FERC's input concerning deregulation.

There is no industry as complex as the utility world—and none that impacts the lives of Americans more directly every hour of every day. The challenges ahead are great and must be tackled head on. There is no denying that the FERC Commissioners have their work cut out for them.

I have enjoyed working with Curt, and spending time with his wife, Virginia, and their two children, Lane and Ashley. They are an authentic, Mississippi family.

I am pleased that the Senate has unanimously confirmed Curt Hebert as a member of the FERC, thus ensuring that the future of the electric utility industry is in good hands. I congratulate him on this accomplishment and wish him the best of luck in the future.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

REJECTING THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE PSYCHOLOGICAL BULLETIN

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that H. Con. Res. 107 be discharged from the HELP Committee and, further, that the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 107) expressing the sense of Congress rejecting the conclusions of a recent article published in the Psychological Bulletin, a journal of the American Psychological Association, that suggests that sexual relationships between adults and children might be positive for children.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Mr. HUTCHINSON. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 107) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H. CON. RES. 168

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate receives receives H. Con. Res 168 from the House, it be considered as agreed to and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

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

ORDERS FOR MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 1999

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in adjournment until noon on Monday, August 2.

I further ask that when the Senate reconvenes on Monday, immediately following the prayer, the routine requests through the morning hour be granted and the Senate then proceed to a period of morning business until 1 p.m., with Senators to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each, with the following exceptions: Senator THOMAS for up to 30 minutes, and Senator DASCHLE, or his designee, for up to 30 minutes, beginning at noon on Monday.

Mr. President, I further ask unanimous consent that, at 1 p.m., the Senate proceed to S. 335, regarding sweepstakes, under the previous order, with a vote to occur on passage of the bill at 5:30 p.m. on Monday.

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S. 1233

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the Agriculture Appropriations bill, S. 1233, at 3 p.m. on Monday.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, for the information of all Senators, when the Senate reconvenes on Monday, there will be an hour for morning business, to be followed by 2 hours for debate on the sweepstakes bill. At 3 p.m. on Monday, the Senate will resume the Agriculture Appropriations bill, and the next rollcall vote will occur at 5:30 p.m. Monday, August 2, on passage of S. 335. Additional votes could occur relative to the Agriculture Appropriations bill.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL MONDAY, AUGUST 2, 1999

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I now ask that the