

States Congress and to the Wyoming Congressional Delegation.

POM-63. A resolution adopted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming relative to the Wyoming Army National Guard; to the Committee on Armed Services.

#### A RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Wyoming National Guard has deployed nine times in defense of the United States of America starting with the Spanish American War.

Whereas, the soldiers from the 1041st Engineer Company (Assault Float Bridge) will mobilize and deploy the Fort Polk, Louisiana with follow-on training at Fort Chaffee, Arkansas and prepare for eventual deployment to the Gulf Region of Southwest Asia, leaving Wyoming on January 28th, 2003 and they will display highway signs on roads entering into their station stating "Entering Wyoming" as a matter of their pride and honor.

Whereas, this long term deployment will affect and severely test the families of these citizen-soldiers.

Whereas, the civilian employers of these soldiers will also be affected by this deployment.

Whereas, the support of these soldiers by the citizens of Wyoming is vital to their morale and esprit de corps. Now, therefore, be it Resolved by the members of the legislature of the State of Wyoming.

Section 1. That all members of the Wyoming Legislature, and the Governor of the State of Wyoming, deeply convey their thanks and best wishes to the citizen-soldiers of the 1041st Engineer Company (Assault Float Bridge) of the Wyoming Army National Guard and their families, for their service to the nation and Wyoming.

Section 2. That these citizen-soldiers, and their families, not be forgotten during their service to our state and nation. All Wyoming citizens are urged to contact the Wyoming Army National Guard and volunteer to send letters and items from Wyoming to these Guard members during this mobilization for Operation Enduring Freedom and otherwise help their families get through this time of the forced separation.

Section 3. That these brave citizen-soldiers from Wyoming stay out of harm's way and return to their homes in Wyoming in good health and spirit as soon as their tour of duty is completed.

Section 4. That the Secretary of State of Wyoming transmit copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States Congress and to the Wyoming Congressional Delegation.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

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

S. 253. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to exempt qualified current and former law enforcement officers from State laws prohibiting the carrying of concealed handguns.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HATCH for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Eugene James Corcoran, of New York, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern

District of New York for the term of four years.

Humberto S. Garcia, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Attorney for the District of Puerto Rico for the term of four years.

William H. Steele, of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama.

Thomas A. Varlan, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

J. Daniel Breen, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee.

Timothy M. Tymkovich, of Colorado, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit.

By Mr. WARNER for the Committee on Armed Services.

\*Linton F. Brooks, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy.

\*Stephen A. Cambone, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence. Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. John D.W. Corley.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Walter L. Sharp.

\*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. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. BOND, Mr. TALENT, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. MCCAIN, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. 545. A bill to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to improve access and choice for entrepreneurs with small businesses with respect to medical care for their employees; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 546. A bill to provide for the protection of paleontological resources on Federal lands, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. 547. A bill to encourage energy conservation through bicycling; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. ROCKEFELLER:

S. 548. A bill to improve mental health programs for veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 549. A bill to amend the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 (49 U.S.C. 40101 note; Public Law 107-42) to provide compensation for victims killed in the bombing of the World Trade Center in 1993, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. THOMAS):

S. 550. A bill to amend the Indian Land Consolidation Act to improve provisions relating to probate of trust and restricted

land, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. 551. A bill to provide for the implementation of air quality programs developed in accordance with an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado concerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. COCHRAN (for himself, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. BREAUX, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. LOTT):

S. 552. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the excise tax exemptions for aerial applicators of fertilizers or other substances; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHUMER:

S. 553. A bill to allow all businesses to make up to 24 transfers each month from interest-bearing transaction accounts to other transaction accounts, to require the payment of interest on reserves held for depository institutions at Federal reserve banks, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. GRAHAM of South Carolina, Mr. ALLARD, and Mr. TALENT):

S. 554. A bill to allow media coverage of court proceedings; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself and Mr. INOUE):

S. 555. A bill to establish the Native American Health and Wellness Foundation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. CAMPBELL (for himself, Mr. INOUE, and Mr. MCCAIN):

S. 556. A bill to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to revise and extend that Act; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. SARBANES, and Mr. SMITH):

S. 557. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income amounts received on account of claims based on certain unlawful discrimination and to allow income averaging for backpay and frontpay awards received on account of such claims, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CAMPBELL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. JOHNSON, and Mr. DOMENICI):

S. 558. A bill to elevate the position Director of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services to Assistant Secretary for Indian Health, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

By Mr. CAMPBELL:

S. 559. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to permit an individual to operate a commercial motor vehicle solely within the borders of a State if the individual meets certain minimum standards prescribed by the State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. CRAIG (for himself, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. BOND, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. JEFFORDS, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. LEVIN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. FEINGOLD, and Mr. KOHL):

S. 560. A bill to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and milk protein concentrates; to the Committee on Finance.