By Mr. WARNER for the Committee on Armed Services.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. William Welser III.

Air Force nominations beginning Colonel Paul F. Capasso and ending Colonel Robert M. Worley II, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 9, 2003.

Air Force nomination of Col. Stephen L. Lanning.

Air Force nomination of Brigadier General Robin E. Scott.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Larry J. Dodgen.

Army nomination of Maj. Gen. John M. Curran.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Keith M. Huber.

Army nomination of Brig. Gen. Dennis E. Hardy.

Army nominations beginning Brig. Gen. James R. Sholar and ending Col. Henry J. Ostermann, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on August 1, 2003.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Walter B. Massenburg.

Navy nominations beginning Rear Adm. (1h) Robert E. Cowley III and ending Rear Adm. (1h) Steven W. Maas, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on March 19, 2003.

Navy nomination of Capt. Brian G. Brannman.

Navy nomination of Capt. Raymond K. Alexander.

Navy nominations beginning Rear Adm. (1h) Donald K. Bullard and ending Rear Adm. (1h) John J. Waickwicz, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 16, 2003.

Mr. WARNER. 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 nomination of Gary H. Sharp.

Air Force nomination of Jeffrey N. Leknes.

Air Force nomination of Samuel B. Echaure.

Air Force nominations beginning Thomas E. Jahn and ending Rodney D. Lewis, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 23, 2003.

Air Force nominations beginning Samuel C. Fields and ending Kevin C. Zeeck, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 23, 2003.

Air Force nomination of Robert G. Cates III.

Air Force nomination of Mary J. Quinn.

WITHDRAWALS

Executive message transmitted by the President to the Senate on November 21, 2003, withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nominations:

April H. Foley, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2007, which was sent to the Senate on April 10, 2003.

April H. Foley, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2007, which was sent to the Senate on May 14, 2003.

DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations and the nominations were:

James McBride, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2008.

David Eisner, of Maryland, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Read Van de Water, of North Carolina, to be a Member of the National Mediation Board for a term expiring July 1, 2006.

Raymond Simon, of Arkansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Department of Education.

Jose Antonio Aponte, of Colorado, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2007.

Sandra Frances Ashworth, of Idaho, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2004.

Edward Louis Bertorelli, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2005.

Carol L. Diehl, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2005.

Allison Druin, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2006.

Beth Fitzsimmons, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2006.

Patricia M. Hines, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2005.

Colleen Ellen Huebner, of Washington, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2007.

Stephen M. Kennedy, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2007.

Bridget L. Lamont, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2008.

Mary H. Perdue, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2008.

Herman Lavon Totten, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science for a term expiring July 19, 2008.

Public Health Service nomination beginning with Vincent A. Berkley and ending with James Syms.

Drew R. McCoy, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term of six years.

Carol Kinsley, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for National and Community Service for a term expiring October 6, 2006.

Susan K. Sclafani, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education.

Laurie Susan Fulton, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2007.

Steven J. Law, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor.

J. Robinson West, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term expiring January 19, 2007.

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 Mr. JEFFORDS (for himself, Ms. SNOWE, and Mr. HATCH):

S. 1912. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand pension coverage and savings opportunities and to provide other pension reforms; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. MCCAIN (for himself and Mr. FEINGOLD):

S. 1913. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the system of public financing for Presidential elections, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. STABENOW (for herself and Mr. LEVIN):

S. 1914. A bill to prohibit the closure or realignment of impatient services at the Aleda E. Lutz Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Saginaw, Michigan, as proposed under the Capital Asset Realignment for Enhanced Services initiative; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. LIEBERMAN:

S. 1915. A bill to ensure that the Government fully accounts for both its explicit liabilities and implicit commitments and adopts fiscal and economic policies that enable it to finance and manage these liabilities and commitments, to honor commitments to the Baby Boom and subsequent generations with regard to social insurance programs, and to provide for the national defense, homeland security, and other critical governmental responsibilities; to the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Governmental Affairs, jointly, pursuant to the order of August 4, 1977, with instructions that if one Committee reports, the other Committee have thirty days to report or be discharged.

By Ms. LANDRIEU:

S. 1916. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the minimum Survivor Benefit Plan basic annuity for surviving spouses age 62 and older, to provide for a one-year open season under that plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON:

S. 1917. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permit the issuance of tax-exempt bonds for certain air and water pollution control facilities, and to provide that the volume cap for private activity bonds shall not apply to bonds for facilities for the furnishing of water, sewage facilities, and air or water pollution control facilities; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mrs. FEINSTEIN):

S. 1918. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that qualified homeowner downpayment assistance is a charitable purpose; to the Committee on Finance.