

Army nomination of Col. Mitchell L. Brown to be Brigadier General.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. John C. Harvey, Jr. to be Vice Admiral.

Navy nomination of Capt. Frank Thorp IV to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

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 nominations beginning with Brian F. Abell and ending with Ray A. Zuniga, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 26, 2005.

Air Force nomination of Jon R. Stovall to be Colonel.

Air Force nomination of Kenneth W. Bullock to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Air Force nominations beginning with Randall S. Lecheminant and ending with Scott H. R. Lee, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 10, 2005.

Air Force nomination of Rena A. Nicholas to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Jeffrey S. Brittig to be Major.

Air Force nomination of Albert J. Bainger to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Robinette J. Amaker and ending with Josef H. Moore, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 25, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Terry K. Besch and ending with John R. Taber, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 25, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Kimberly K. Armstrong and ending with Kelly A. Wolgast, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 25, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Randall G. Anderson and ending with John H. Trakowski, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 25, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Robert Dempster and ending with Errol Lader, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Mimms Mabee and ending with Jimmie Perez, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Michelle Beach and ending with Helen Laquay, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Gregory Brewer and ending with Terrell Morrow, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on October 26, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Walter J. Austin and ending with Keith C. Smith, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 4, 2005.

Army nomination of Jack N. Washburne to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Barry J. Bernstein and ending with Juan M. Vera,

which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 10, 2005.

Army nominations beginning with Melvin S. Hogan and ending with Joseph M. Jackson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 10, 2005.

By Mr. SHELBY for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

*Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of fourteen years from February 1, 2006.

*Ben S. Bernanke, of New Jersey, to be Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years.

By Mr. DOMENICI for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

*Jeffrey D. Jarrett, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Fossil Energy).

*Edward F. Sproat III, of Pennsylvania, to be Director of the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management, Department of Energy.

*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.)

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. LUGAR, from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Convention Concerning Migratory Fish Stock in the Pacific Ocean (Treaty Doc. 109-1) (Ex. Rept. 109-8).

Text of the resolution of ratification as reported by the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Resolved (two-thirds of the Senators present concurring therein),

The Senate advises and consents to the ratification of the Convention on the Conservation and Management of the Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean, with Annexes, adopted at Honolulu on September 5, 2000, by the Multilateral High Level Conference on the Highly Migratory Fish Stocks in the Western and Central Pacific Ocean, and signed by the United States on that date (Treaty Doc. 109-1).

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. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. SESSIONS):

S. 2016. A bill to amend chapter 3 of title 28, United States Code, to provide for 11 circuit judges on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. FEINGOLD (for himself and Ms. SNOWE):

S. 2017. A bill to amend the provisions of titles 5 and 28, United States Code, relating to equal access to justice, award of reasonable costs and fees, and administrative set-

tlement offers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. CONRAD, and Mr. DORGAN):

S. 2018. A bill to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act to provide that a quality grade label issued by the Secretary of Agriculture for beef and lamb may not be used for imported beef or imported lamb; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 2019. A bill to provide for a research program for remediation of closed methamphetamine production laboratories, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. GRASSLEY:

S. 2020. An original bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 202(b) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2006; from the Committee on Finance; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. CHAMBLISS:

S. 2021. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs an Office of National Veterans Sports Programs and Special Events; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. COLEMAN (for himself and Mr. BINGAMAN):

S. 2022. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for coverage of remote patient management services for chronic health care conditions under the Medicare program; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself and Mr. THUNE):

S. 2023. A bill to amend the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 to improve that Act, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI:

S. 2024. A bill to raise the minimum State allocation under section 217(b)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. LUGAR, and Mr. OBAMA):

S. 2025. A bill to promote the national security and stability of the United States economy by reducing the dependence of the United States on oil through the use of alternative fuels and new technology, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. LAUTENBERG (for himself, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DORGAN, and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 2026. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require that a prescription drug plan or an MA-PD plan that has an initial coverage limit obtain a signed certification prior to enrolling beneficiaries under the plan under part D of such title; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself and Mr. BAUCUS):

S. 2027. A bill to implement the United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement; 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 Mr. BURNS (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. INOUE, Mr. SMITH, Mr.