

even remotely threaten the salary of the men and women of our military. I am confident the Senator and I agree, under no circumstances should anyone

who is risking his or her life to defend the rest of us find their compensation, their salary threatened.

In my view, existing law allows and even requires the President to fund the

military regardless of what happens on the continuing resolution, regardless of if we had a partial temporary shut-down.

## NOTICE

***Incomplete record of Senate proceedings. Except for concluding business which follows, today's Senate proceedings will be continued in the next issue of the Record.***

### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Pate, one of his secretaries.

### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-3103. A communication from the Acting Senior Procurement Executive, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Services Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Federal Acquisition Regulation; Repeal of the Sunset for Certain Protests of Task or Delivery Order Contracts" (RIN9000-AM16) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on August 1, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3104. A communication from the Director of the International Broadcasting Bureau, Broadcasting Board of Governors, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Board's fiscal year 2013 Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act submission of its commercial and inherently governmental activities; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3105. A communication from the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction's final report to Congress; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3106. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the Department of Motor Vehicles Driver Education Program Fund for Fiscal Years 2008-2010"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3107. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 2012 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3108. A communication from the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting, pur-

suant to law, a report entitled, "Audit of the Department of Employment Services Workforce Development Monitoring and Quality Assurance Procedures"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3109. A communication from the Associate Attorney General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Department of Homeland Security, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2013; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3110. A communication from the Archivist of the United States, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Administration's Fiscal Year 2013 Commercial Activities Inventory and Inherently Governmental Inventory; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3111. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Act 20-157, "Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Support Act of 2013"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3112. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Mangoes from Australia into the Continental United States" ((RIN0579-AD52) (Docket No. APHIS-2011-0040)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 20, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3113. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel, General Law, Ethics, and Regulation, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a vacancy in the position of Deputy Secretary, received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2011; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3114. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of the Secretary, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Supplemental Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; Correction to Standards Governing Prohibited Financial Interests" (RIN2501-AD61) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 23, 2013; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3115. A communication from the Chairman and President of the Export-Import Bank, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to transactions involving U.S. exports to Norway; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3116. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Activities, Progress and Plans"; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-3117. A communication from the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, an annual report relative to the implementation of the Formaldehyde Standards for Composite Wood Products Act; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3118. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare Program; Obtaining Final Medicare Secondary Payer Conditional Payment Amounts via Web Portal" (RIN0938-AR90) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2013; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3119. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-121); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3120. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (RSAT-13-3561); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3121. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act (RSAT-13-3517); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3122. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-127); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3123. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-125); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3124. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-089); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3125. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-079); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3126. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (DDTC 13-122); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.