

and with the advice and consent of the Senate, the number of additional permanent district judges recommended by the Judicial Conference's Request to Congress issued February 5, 2001, for any district where the weighted filings per judgeship in the 12 months ending September 30, 2000 is, according to the Judicial Conference, greater than twice the national benchmark caseload standard used by the Judicial Conference as a measure of the need for new judgeships.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section, including such sums as may be necessary to provide appropriate space and facilities for the judicial positions created by this section.

SA 1550. Ms. COLLINS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 2500, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 101, line 18, insert the following before the colon: “, of which, \$13,700,000, shall be available to carry out the Women's Business Development Program established under section 29 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 656), and shall remain available until expended”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, September 12, 2001, at 11:00 a.m. SH-216, for a hearing regarding “How Secure is Our Critical Infrastructure?”

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

AUTHORIZING THE USE OF THE CAPITOL ROTUNDA

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 223, just received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 223) permitting the use of the Rotunda of the Capitol for a prayer vigil in memory of those who lost their lives in the events of September 11, 2001.

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

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution 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. 223) was agreed to.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—S.J. RES. 22

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following be the order of speakers on Thursday morning dealing with S.J. Res. 22 which we voted on today: Senators BOND, LINCOLN, SMITH of New Hampshire, STABENOW, COLLINS, GRAHAM, MURKOWSKI, and BYRD.

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

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until the hour of 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 13. I further ask unanimous consent that on Thursday, immediately following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate be in a period for morning business until 11 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak with respect to S.J. Res. 22 for up to 5 minutes each, with each side alternating; further, at 11 a.m., the Senate resume consideration of the Commerce-State-Justice appropriations act.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, based on the ruling of the Chair, tomorrow morning the Senate will convene at 9:30 a.m., with a period for morning business for Senators to speak regarding S.J. Res. 22. At 11 a.m., the Senate will resume consideration of the Commerce-State-Justice appropriations act. We hope to complete action on the Commerce-State-Justice appropriations bill early tomorrow evening. It would be a big accomplishment for us to be able to do that. There will be votes throughout the day.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9:30 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. REID. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment, under the provisions of S.J. Res. 22 as a further mark of respect to the victims of the terrorist attacks.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:20 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, September 13, 2001, at 9:30 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate September 12, 2001:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

EDWARD R. MCPHERSON, OF TEXAS, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, VICE SALLY THOMPSON, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

READ VAN DE WATER, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION, VICE FRANCISCO J. SANCHEZ, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RALPH LEO BOYCE, JR., OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF INDONESIA.

ROBERT W. JORDAN, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA.

ROBERT V. ROYALL, OF SOUTH CAROLINA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA.

KEVIN E. MOLEY, OF ARIZONA, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE EUROPEAN OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, VICE GEORGE EDWARD MOOSE.

KENNETH C. BRILL, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR.

KENNETH C. BRILL, OF MARYLAND, A CAREER MEMBER OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF MINISTER-COUNSELOR, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE VIENNA OFFICE OF THE UNITED NATIONS, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR.

INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

JOSE A. FOURQUET, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE UNITED STATES EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, VICE LAWRENCE HARRINGTON, RESIGNED.

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

J. EDWARD FOX, OF OHIO, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, VICE JOSEPH R. CRAPA, RESIGNED.

E. ANNE PETERSON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR OF THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT, VICE BARRY EDWARD CARTER.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DUNN LAMPTON, OF MISSISSIPPI, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOE BRADLEY PIGOTT, RESIGNED.

BENIGNO G. REYNA, OF TEXAS, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE, VICE JOHN W. MARSHALL, RESIGNED.

JUAN CARLOS BENITEZ, OF PUERTO RICO, TO BE SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR IMMIGRATION-RELATED UNFAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOHN D. TRASVINA, TERM EXPIRING.