for the Senate to receive the House companion to S. 1450, the airlines stabilization bill, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider Calendar Nos. 362, 384, 387, 389, and 389; that the nominations be confirmed; that the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table; that any statements thereon be printed in the RECORD; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate’s action; and that the Senate return to legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed are as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Deborah J. Daniels, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Ellen G. Engleman, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
Marion Blakey, of Mississippi, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term of two years.

Marion Blakey, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for a term expiring December 31, 2005.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Read Van de Water, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

DEFENSE PRODUCTION ACT

AMENDMENTS OF 2001

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Banking Committee be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2510 and the Senate proceed to its consideration.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (H.R. 2510) to extend the expiration date of the Defense Production Act of 1950, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

AMENDMENT NO. 3615

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I understand that Senator SARBANES and Senator GRAMM have an amendment at the desk, and I ask unanimous consent that the amendment be considered: that the amendment be agreed to; and that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 1615) was agreed to, as follows:

(Purpose: To provide for a one-year extension)

On page 2, strike lines 9 through 14 and insert the following: “2002’.

SEC. 3. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

“Section 710(b) of the Defense Production Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. App. 2161(b)) is amended by striking ‘2001’ and inserting ‘2002’.”

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill, as amended, be read the third time, passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and any statements relating to the bill be printed in the RECORD, with no intervening action.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the several requests will be agreed to.

The bill (H.R. 2510), as amended, was read the third time and passed.

DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE, THE JUDICIARY, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2002

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask that the Chair lay before the Senate the message from the House of Representatives, as follows:

Resolved, That the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2500) entitled “An Act 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”, in the opinion of this House, traverses the first clause of the seventh section of the first article of the Constitution of the United States and is an infringement of the privileges of this House and that such bill be respectfully returned to the Senate with a message communicating this resolution.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate amendment be amended with the language at the desk, and that the amendment be agreed to, and that the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table; further, that the Senate insist on its amendment, request a conference with the House, and that the Chair be authorized to appoint conferees on the part of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendment (No. 1616) was agreed to, as follows:

Strike section 404 of the Senate amendment.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore appointed Mr. HOLLINGS, Mr. INOUYE, Ms. MUKULSKI, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. KOHL, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. REED, Mr. BYRD, Mr. GREGG, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. MCCONNELL, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. COCHRAN conferees on the part of the Senate.