

a great deal, issuing millions of new biometric border crossing cards. As our State Department continues to work to finish this task, however, we should not punish lawful Mexican workers who are still waiting for new cards, or the American businesses that depend upon them as customers and employees.

This bill is one piece of major border security introduced by Senators KENNEDY and BROWNBACK. I am a proud cosponsor of their bill, S. 1749, the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act. We should pass that bill in its entirety, and I hope that we do so before the end of this session. In the meantime, we should pass S. 1400 without delay. This measure's original sponsors were Senator KYL of Arizona and Senator BROWNBACK, the Ranking Republican on the Immigration Subcommittee of the Judiciary Committee. It is cosponsored by Senator GRAMM, Senator KENNEDY, Senator BINGAMAN, and Senator DOMENICI. I am glad to be able to accommodate them and urge prompt action by the Senate on this measure.

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

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

The bill (S. 1400) was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 1400

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF DEADLINE FOR PRESENTATION OF CERTAIN BORDER CROSSING IDENTIFICATION CARDS.

Section 104(b)(2) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1101 note) is amended by striking "5 years" and inserting "6 years".

YEAR OF THE ROSE

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 292 which is at the desk.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows: A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 292) supporting the goals of the Year of the Rose.

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, the preamble be agreed to, the motion to reconsider be laid on the table, and any statements related thereto be printed in the RECORD.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 292) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

RECOGNITION OF THE SENATE STAFF

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the staff is working on a couple more items. While they are doing that, I would like to express to the Presiding Officer my best wishes for a happy holiday.

I would also like to, at this late hour, acknowledge the work done by the staff of the Senate. I spend days with these people. The work of the Senate is done by the people who get no recognition but do so much of the work. Each of them are experts at what they do. People around here will be working until the wee hours of the morning. You and I may be here late—the last two to leave the Senate—but they will arrive at their homes sometime tomorrow morning. The last time we did the Defense bill, I talked to one member of the staff who went home at 5 a.m. that morning.

I want each of them to know that even though they do not get the recognition that we get, their jobs are just as important as ours. We in effect couldn't do without them. Every day they do things that help make us look as if we know what we are doing. Hopefully, we do most of the time, but if we don't, they take care of things, point us in the right direction.

I am personally indebted to the help that each of these fine public servants give to the people of the State of Nevada, the people of West Virginia, and this country.

I want the record spread with my good wishes for a happy holiday. In saying this, I speak for every Senator, Democrats and Republicans, we probably, as busy as we are, don't recognize how busy they are and in the process don't express our appreciation nearly as much as we should.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME—H.R. 1432, H.R. 3487, H.R. 400, H.R. 3529, H.R. 2362, H.R. 3504, H.R. 2742, AND H.R. 3441

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order for the following bills to receive their first reading and objection having been placed for further proceedings: H.R. 1432, H.R. 3487, H.R. 400, H.R. 3529, H.R. 2362, H.R. 3504, H.R. 2742, and H.R. 3441.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, the several requests are ordered.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2002

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it ad-

journal until the hour of 12 noon, Wednesday, January 23, 2002; that 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 of morning business until 12:30 p.m. with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each, with time equally divided between Senators DASCHLE and LOTT or their designees; further that the Senate recess from 12:30 to 2:15 for the weekly party conferences.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. REID. Mr. President, the Senate will conduct a live quorum when the Senate convenes. Therefore, the next rollcall vote will occur on Wednesday, January 23, at approximately 12 noon. As a reminder, the Senate photograph will be taken at 2:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

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 H. Con. Res. 295.

There being no objection, at 10:06 p.m., the Senate adjourned sine die.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate December 20, 2001:

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

NANCY SOUTHARD BRYSON, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, VICE CHARLES R. RAWLS, RESIGNED.

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

PAUL S. ATKINS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 5, 2003, VICE ARTHUR LEVITT, JR., RESIGNED.

CYNTHIA A. GLASSMAN, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION FOR A TERM EXPIRING JUNE 5, 2006, VICE LAURA S. UNGER, TERM EXPIRED.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

LINDA MORRISON COMBS, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, VICE SALLYANNE HARPER.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

EVE SLATER, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, VICE DAVID SATCHER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WILLIAM LEIDINGER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR MANAGEMENT, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, VICE RODNEY A. MCCOWAN, RESIGNED.

OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

DAN GREGORY BLAIR, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT, VICE JOHN U. SEPULVEDA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MATTHEW D. ORWIG, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JOHN MICHAEL BRADFORD, RESIGNED.

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED CAREER MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE, CLASS OF CAREER MINISTER,