

Whisler III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 6, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kelley A. Brown and ending with Mark A. Nielsen, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 6, 2007.

Air Force nominations beginning with John R. Shaw and ending with Natalie L. Restivo, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 11, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with William E. Ackerman and ending with Mark A. Vaitkus, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Rachel A. Armstrong and ending with Veronica A. Thurmond, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Vivian T. Hutson and ending with Laurie E. Sweet, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Gary D. Coleman and ending with Paul E. Whippo, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 15, 2007.

Army nomination of Lillian L. Landrigan, 7903, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Sarah B. Goldman and ending with Micheal B. Moore, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 3, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Ricky A. Thomas and ending with Joseph Puskar, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 3, 2007.

Army nomination of Tarnjit S. Saini, 7873, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Bockarie Sesay, 1511, to be Major.

Army nomination of Deborah Minnickshearin, 3875, to be Major.

Army nomination of Stephen L. Franco, 5820, to be Major.

Army nomination of George Quiroa, 9747, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with David N. Gereski and ending with Clint E. Walker, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 3, 2007.

Army nomination of Kimberly K. Johnson, 4357, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Alan Jones and ending with Chantay P. White, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 3, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Marian Amrein and ending with D060583, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 3, 2007.

Army nomination of Daniel J. Judge, 1126, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Richard Harrison and ending with Gregory W. Walter, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 6, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Joe R. Wardlaw and ending with Nickolas Karajohn, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 6, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Vanessa M. Meyer and ending with James E. Adams, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 6, 2007.

Army nomination of Quindola M. Crowley, 9098, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Paul A. Mabry and ending with Robert Perito, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 11, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Joseph M. Adams and ending with D060256, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 11, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with Anthony J. Abati and ending with D060260, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 11, 2007.

Army nominations beginning with David P. Acevedo and ending with X1408, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 11, 2007.

Navy nomination of Horace E. Gilchrist, 8910, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Richard W. Sisk and ending with John T. Schofield, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 3, 2007.

Navy nominations beginning with Stephen W. Aldridge and ending with Kristofer J. Westphal, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on December 11, 2007.

By Mr. INOUE for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

\*Thomas C. Carper, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

\*Nancy A. Naples, of New York, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

\*Denver Stutler, Jr., of Florida, to be a Member of the Reform Board (Amtrak) for a term of five years.

\*Francis Mulvey, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2012.

\*Carl T. Johnson, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, Department of Transportation.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Michael R. Seward, 2642, to be Rear Admiral.

\*Coast Guard nominations beginning with Capt. Joseph R. Castillo and ending with Capt. Charles W. Ray, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2007.

\*Coast Guard nominations beginning with Rear Adm. (lh) William D. Baumgartner and ending with Rear Adm. (lh) Cynthia A. Coogan, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on November 1, 2007.

Mr. INOUE. Mr. President, for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORD 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.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Robert A. Stohlman, 0118, to be Captain.

\*Coast Guard nomination of Raymond S. Kingsley, 9696, to be Lieutenant.

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

\*Jon Wellinghoff, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2013.

By Mrs. BOXER for the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

\*Kristine L. Svinicki, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2012.

\*Gregory B. Jaczko, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the term of five years expiring June 30, 2013.

\*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.)

#### 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. REID (for Mr. BIDEN (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, Mr. GRAHAM, and Mr. CARDIN)):

S. 2495. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, and the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure with respect to bail bond forfeitures; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BINGAMAN:

S. 2496. A bill to amend title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to enhance teaching standards and provide for license portability; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. KLOBUCHAR:

S. 2497. A bill to ensure that families of members of the National Guard and Reserve have full access to mental health care during the mobilization, deployment, and demobilization of such members, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

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

S. 2498. A bill to authorize the minting of a coin to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the founding of Santa Fe, New Mexico, to occur in 2010; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

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

S. 2499. A bill to amend titles XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act to extend provisions under the Medicare, Medicaid, and SCHIP programs, and for other purposes; considered and passed.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, and Mr. CORKER):

S. 2500. A bill to provide fair compensation to artists for use of their sound recordings; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. REED, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. INOUE, and Mrs. MURRAY):

S. 2501. A bill to amend the Social Security Act to protect Social Security cost-of-living adjustments (COLA); to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. AKAKA (for himself and Mr. INOUE):

S. 2502. A bill to provide for the establishment of a memorial within Kalaupapa National Historical Park located on the island of Molokai, in the State of Hawaii, to honor and perpetuate the memory of those individuals who were forcibly relocated to the

Kalaupapa Peninsula from 1866 to 1969, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida:

S. 2503. A bill to exclude from admission to the United States aliens who have directly and significantly contributed to the ability of Cuba to develop its petroleum resources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. CORKER, Mr. AKAKA, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. INOUE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. OBAMA, and Mr. TESTER):

S. 2504. A bill to amend title 36, United States Code, to grant a Federal charter to the Military Officers Association of America, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. CANTWELL:

S. 2505. A bill to allow employees of a commercial passenger airline carrier who receive payments in a bankruptcy proceeding to roll over such payments into an individual retirement plan, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself and Mr. DODD):

S. 2506. A bill to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to modify a provision relating to the Northeast Home Heating Oil Reserve Account; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself and Mrs. BOXER):

S. 2507. A bill to address the digital television transition in border states; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. SALAZAR:

S. 2508. A bill to provide for a study of options for protecting the open space characteristics of certain lands in and adjacent to the Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests in Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. INHOFE (for himself, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, and Mr. HAGEL):

S. 2509. A bill to amend the Safe Drinking Water Act to prevent the enforcement of certain national primary drinking water regulations unless sufficient funding is available or variance technology has been identified; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Ms. LANDRIEU (for herself and Mr. ISAKSON):

S. 2510. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide revised standards for quality assurance in screening and evaluation of gynecologic cytology preparations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. SHELBY, Ms. MIKULSKI, and Ms. LANDRIEU):

S. 2511. A bill to amend the grant program for law enforcement armor vests to provide for a waiver of or reduction in the matching funds requirement in the case of fiscal hardship; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. COCHRAN:

S. 2512. A bill to establish the Mississippi Delta National Heritage Area in the State of Mississippi, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. KERRY):

S. 2513. A bill to modify the boundary of the Minute Man National Historical Park, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2514. A bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide for an increase in the Federal minimum wage and to ensure that increases in the Federal minimum wage keep pace with any pay adjustments for Members of Congress; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. REID (for Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2515. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to establish a comprehensive national system for skilled construction workers to assist first responders in disasters; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. MIKULSKI (for herself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 2516. A bill to assist members of the Armed Forces in obtaining United States citizenship, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. KERRY, and Mr. COLEMAN):

S. 2517. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide that the proceeds of qualified mortgage bonds may be used to provide refinancing for subprime loans, to provide a temporary increase in the volume cap for qualified mortgage bonds, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BROWNBACK:

S. 2518. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify the individual income tax by providing an election for eligible individuals to only be subject to a simple, low-rate tax system on gross income with an individual tax credit, and for other purposes; 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. MCCONNELL (for himself, Mr. REID, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. ALLARD, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BAYH, Mr. BENNETT, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BOND, Mrs. BOXER, Mr. BROWN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. BUNNING, Mr. BURR, Mr. BYRD, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. CARPER, Mr. CASEY, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mrs. CLINTON, Mr. COBURN, Mr. COLEMAN, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. CORKER, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CRAIG, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. DODD, Mrs. DOLE, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. FEINGOLD, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. GRAHAM, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GREGG, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. HUTCHISON, Mr. INHOFE, Mr. INOUE, Mr. ISAKSON, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KERRY, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. KOHL, Mr. KYL, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. MARTINEZ, Mr. MCCAIN, Mrs. MCCASKILL, Mr. MENENDEZ, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. REED, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHELBY, Mr. SMITH, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SPECTER, Mrs. STABENOW, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. SUNUNU, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mr. VITTER, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WEBB, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 409. A resolution commending the service of the Honorable Trent Lott, a Sen-

ator from the State of Mississippi; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Florida (for himself, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. SANDERS):

S. Res. 410. A resolution designating February 17, 2008, as "Race Day in America" and highlighting the 50th running of the Daytona 500; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mrs. HUTCHISON):

S. Res. 411. A resolution honoring the life and recognizing the accomplishments of Texas civil rights pioneer Dr. Hector P. Garcia; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. DOLE):

S. Res. 412. A resolution commending the Appalachian State University Mountaineers of Boone, North Carolina, for winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division 1 Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division 1-AA) Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BURR (for himself and Mrs. DOLE):

S. Res. 413. A resolution commending the Wake Forest University Demon Deacons of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, for winning the 2007 National Collegiate Athletic Association Men's Soccer National Championship; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BIDEN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS):

S. Res. 414. A resolution designating January 2008 as "National Stalking Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. VOINOVICH, Mr. OBAMA, Mr. COCHRAN, Mrs. BOXER, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. ENZI, Mr. ROBERTS, Mr. SCHUMER, and Mr. LAUTENBERG):

S. Res. 415. A resolution honoring the life and recognizing the accomplishments of William Karnaet "Bill" Willis, pioneer and Hall of Fame football player for both Ohio State University and the Cleveland Browns; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. NELSON of Nebraska (for himself, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. BROWNBACK, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. ENZI, Mr. GRAHAM, Mrs. LINCOLN, Mr. SALAZAR, Mr. TESTER, Mr. ROBERTS, and Mr. ALLARD):

S. Res. 416. A resolution recognizing the 60th anniversary of the United States Air Force as an independent military service; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. AKAKA:

S. Con. Res. 59. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress that joint custody laws for fit parents should be passed by each State, so that more children are raised with the benefits of having a father and a mother in their lives; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

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

S. Con. Res. 60. A concurrent resolution expressing the sense of Congress relating to negotiating a free trade agreement between the United States and Taiwan; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. MCCONNELL):

S. Con. Res. 61. A concurrent resolution providing for a conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate, and a conditional adjournment of the House of Representatives; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. SPECTER, and Mr. KYL):

S. Con. Res. 62. A resolution to correct the enrollment of H.R. 660; considered and agreed to.