

Col. Perry V. Dalby, 000-00-0000.
 Col. William N. Kiefer, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Robert M. Kimmitt, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Robert A. Lee, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Paul E. Lima, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Richard D. Lynch, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Robert G. Mennona, Jr., 000-00-0000.
 Col. H. Douglas Robertson, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Jon R. Root, 000-00-0000.
 Col. John L. Scott, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Gerry G. Thames, 000-00-0000.
 Col. Thomas A. Wessels, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of lieutenant general in the U.S. Army while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601(a):

To be lieutenant general

Maj. Gen. Thomas A. Schwartz, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer to be placed on the retired list of the U.S. Army in the grade indicated under section 1370 of title 10, U.S.C.

To be lieutenant general

Lt. Gen. Paul E. Funk, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer for appointment to the grade of Vice Admiral in the U.S. Navy while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., section 601:

To be vice admiral

Rear Adm. Alexander J. Krekich, 000-00-0000.

The following-named officer to be placed on the retired list of the U.S. Navy in the grade indicated under section 1370 of title 10, U.S.C.

To be admiral

Adm. Henry G. Chiles, Jr., 000-00-0000.

(The above nominations were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services, I report favorably the attached listing of nominations.

Those identified with a single asterisk (*) are to be placed on the Executive Calendar. Those identified with a double asterisk (**) are to lie on the Secretary's desk for the information of any Senator since these names have already appeared in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD of October 27 and 31, November 7 and 8, 1995, 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.

(The nominations ordered to lie on the Secretary's desk were printed in the RECORDS of October 27, 31, November 7 and 8, 1995, at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

*Rear Admiral Alexander J. Krekich, USN to be vice admiral (Reference No. 682)

**In the Army Reserve there are 49 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Raymond W. Carpenter) (Reference No. 700)

**In the Army Reserve there are 2 appointments to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Nelson M. Alverio) (Reference No. 704)

**In the Navy there are 1,233 appointments to the grade of ensign (list begins with Bobby Z. Abadi) (Reference No. 705)

**In the Army Reserve there are 583 promotions to the grade of colonel (list begins with Virgil A. Abel) (Reference No. 706)

*In the Army Reserve there are 29 promotions to the grade of major general and below (list begins with Jorge Arzola) (Reference No. 711)

**In the Air Force Reserve there are 19 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel (list begins with Monika K. Botschner) (Reference No. 714)

**In the Navy there are 6 appointments to the grade of lieutenant (list begins with Brian G. Buck) (Reference No. 715)

**In the Army there are 5 promotions to the grade of colonel and below (list begins with Travis L. Hooper) (Reference No. 718)

**In the Army there are 4 promotions to the grade of lieutenant colonel list begins with Bobby T. Anderson) (Reference No. 719)

*Admiral Henry G. Chiles, Jr., USN to be placed on the retired list in the grade of admiral (Reference No. 724)

Total: 1,932.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second time by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. BREAUX (for himself and Mr. JOHNSTON):

S. 1444. A bill to provide for 1 additional Federal judge for the middle district of Louisiana and 1 less Federal judge for the eastern district of Louisiana; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. PRESSLER (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1445. A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources, pursuant to the order of March 3, 1988, with instructions, that if reported the bill then be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation for a period not to exceed 30 session days.

By Mr. MCCAIN:

S. 1446. A bill to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to establish an Inspector General of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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

S. 1447. A bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to provide for Federal-State performance partnerships, to consolidate all nutrition programs under the Act in the Department of Health and Human Services, to extend authorizations of appropriations for programs under the Act through fiscal year 1998, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. KERRY:

S. 1448. A bill to establish the National Commission on Gay and Lesbian Youth Suicide Prevention, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Labor and Human Resources.

By Mr. FEINGOLD:

S. 1449. A bill to make agricultural promotion boards and councils more responsive to producers whose mandatory assessments support the activities of such boards and councils, to improve the representation and participation of such producers on such boards and councils, to ensure the independence of such boards and councils, to ensure the appropriate use of promotion funds, to prevent legislatively authorized promotion and research boards from using mandatory assessments to directly or indirectly influence legislation or governmental action or policy, and for other purposes; to the Com-

mittee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. SIMON (for himself and Ms. MOSELEY-BRAUN):

S. Res. 197. A resolution to congratulate the Northwestern University Wildcats on winning the 1995 Big Ten Conference football championship and on receiving an invitation to compete in the 1996 Rose Bowl, and to commend Northwestern University for its pursuit of athletic and academic excellence; considered and agreed to.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. PRESSLER (for himself and Mr. BURNS):

S. 1445. A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Science Foundation, and for other purposes.

THE NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
 AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 1995

Mr. PRESSLER. Mr. President, today, as chairman of the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, I am introducing the National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 1995. The bill provides a 3-year authorization for the science and education programs of the National Science Foundation [NSF]. Our economy, our quality of life, and our national security are increasingly dependent on our leadership in science and technology. Since its beginnings in 1950, the NSF has played a central role in maintaining that leadership through its research programs. In fact, NSF remains the principal source of funding for fundamental research at our Nation's academic institutions.

While America is still doing well in science and technology, our leadership position is slipping. For example, while the U.S. leads the world in total dollars spent on research and development, both Japan and Germany currently outspend the United States as a percentage of GNP. Similarly, a recent study by the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy revealed the U.S. leads in 27 critical technologies, but Europe and Japan are catching up in many of those areas.

There is little question that meeting these challenges in science and technology requires a strong and robust NSF. To that end, the legislation I am introducing today provides \$3.2 billion for each of fiscal years 1996, 1997, and 1998 to allow NSF to continue its efforts to keep America at the forefront of basic research. In a fiscal environmental in which we are looking to eliminate entire agencies, this authorization bill reflects a strong commitment to basic science. The annual funding is only slightly below NSF's fiscal year 1995 funding level. Moreover, the bill's funding authorizations for both the overall agency and its