

received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 4, 2003.

PN908 Air Force nominations (75) beginning Kimberly L. * Arnao, and ending James M. Winner, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 4, 2003.

PN909 Air Force nominations (118) beginning David H. * Adams, Jr., and ending James A. * Young, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 4, 2003.

PN910 Air Force nominations (92) beginning Laurie A. Abney, and ending Deedra L. * Zabokrtsky, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 4, 2003.

PN911 Air Force nominations (1875) beginning John T. Aalborg, Jr., and ending William A. Zutt, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of September 4, 2003.

ARMY

PN1128 Army nominations (30) beginning Stephen G. Beardsley, III, and ending Patrick O. Wilson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 17, 2003.

PN1149 Army nominations (2) beginning John R. Angeloz, Jr., and ending Michael C. McDaniel, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 20, 2003.

PN1150 Army nominations of James R. Ward, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 20, 2003.

PN1165 Army nomination of Michael K. Vaughan, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 21, 2003.

PN1177 Army nominations (11) beginning David S. Feigin, and ending John E. Hartmann, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

PN1178 Army nominations (2) beginning Joseph L. Craver, and ending William Hann, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

PN1179 Army nomination of Carol Ann Mitchell, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

PN1180 Army nominations (4) beginning Carol A. Bossone, and ending Curtis M. Klages, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

PN1182 Army nominations (23) beginning Daniel G. Rendeiro, and ending Diane K. Patterson, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

PN1183 Army nominations (11) beginning Michael T. Endres, and ending James A. Chervoni, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

NAVY

PN1151 Navy nominations (2299) beginning Tab E. Austin, and ending Sabrina M. Stedman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 20, 2003.

PN1167 Navy nominations (29) beginning Albert A. Alarcon, and ending Jeffrey W. Winters, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 21, 2003.

PN1184 Navy nominations (92) beginning Craig I. Abraham, and ending Sarah L. Wright, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of November 25, 2003.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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

UNANIMOUS CONSENT REQUEST— S. 1072

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I have been in discussions with a number of Senators regarding next week's schedule. We had previously stated that it would be our intention to begin consideration of the highway bill on Monday.

I had hoped we could start with opening statements on the bill on Monday and limit Monday to debate only to allow the Finance Committee to complete their work on their section of the highway bill. Unfortunately, we were unable to reach a consent to begin; therefore, it will be necessary that I file cloture on a motion to proceed.

Having said that, I now ask unanimous consent that at 2 p.m. on Monday, February 2, the Senate proceed to the consideration of Calendar No. 426, S. 1072, the highway bill.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, on behalf of Senator GRAHAM of Florida, I object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

SAFE TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT OF 2003—MOTION TO PROCEED

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. FRIST. With that objection, I now move to proceed to the consideration of S. 1072, and I send a cloture motion to the desk on the motion to proceed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 426, S. 1072, a bill to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, transit programs, and for other purposes:

Bill Frist, James M. Inhofe, John Cornyn, Susan Collins, Craig Thomas, Pat Roberts, Conrad Burns, Thad Cochran, Norm Coleman, Richard Shelby, Mike Crapo, Robert F. Bennett, George V. Voinovich, Ted Stevens, Lamar Alexander, Lindsey O. Graham.

Mr. FRIST. I now ask consent that the mandatory quorum be waived and that the vote on the motion to invoke cloture occur at 5:45 on Monday, February 2.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, let me just say that I am disappointed we are not going to move forward on the bill Monday. That is very valuable time. We are not going to have a lot of time to finish this bill. This is a bipartisan bill. This is my fourth highway bill, third or fourth

highway bill, and this is a most fair bill. We have every State that will get at least 95 percent of the money they pay in. Every State gets an increase of what they have gotten in the last bill. It is fair.

In the past, some States did extremely well and some States did poorly. Take the States of California and Texas, for example. At the end of this bill they will get 95 percent of the money they pay in. That is very costly. Therefore, that being the case, and it certainly seems fair to me that they should get 95 percent of what they pay in, their 5 percent that they are not getting pays for a lot of the States that do not have many people. These are bridge States. They still have the interstate going through them and there is a lot for maintenance.

The bill is far from perfect. We have done the best we can to try to make it a better bill than those in the past. We need to get to it. This is an extremely important bill. This is not a bill for the Democrats or a bill for the Republicans. It is a bill that will allow the construction to go forward on highways and transit for the next 5 or 6 years.

The reason that is important, we can come back and do a 1-year bill like we did last year. But there is no way—and the Presiding Officer was a Governor of a very large and important State—there is no ability to plan with a 1-year program.

I hope we can get this done. It is important to every State in the Union. I know some people are not happy with what is in the bill. We have done the best we can; if everyone wants their dollars back, we cannot. We will find a lot of States that will not be very happy. If we want everyone to get the average, there is no average.

We are happy to work with every State and are doing better than we had done in the bill. But the allocation will not be changed. It was done with a computer. The information was fed into the computer. It would be extremely difficult to start all over again and come up with a new allocation, especially in a timeframe when we will have to work on this bill.

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

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I very much appreciate the comments by the assistant Democratic leader. It is absolutely critical we get to this bill. I suspect this cloture vote on Monday will be overwhelming, probably 95 to 5 or 98 to 2 or 99 to 1. Maybe everybody will vote for it. But what it does, from a scheduling standpoint, on a bill that deserves debate, as good a bill as it is—and it is the most fair bill it could possibly be, as we have just heard it described—there is going to be debate. I think both the assistant Democratic leader and myself, and the leadership on both sides of the aisle, have agreed to bring this bill to the floor at the earliest possible date.

I am disappointed because I literally said 3 months ago we were going to go