

FEINSTEIN, VOINOVICH, BYRD, and ALEXANDER—have joined in a bipartisan bill to improve and extend this successful program.

This program should not see its death through the appropriations process.

In conclusion, what this “minibus”—the bill before us today—is doing is rolling over the future of this country. Call it what you want—minibus, omnibus, or 18 wheeler—it is carrying a load of debt and wasteful spending and government irresponsibility. It is a reminder to the American people that while they balance their budgets and scrape to pay their bills and try to save something for the future, the Federal Government continues its reckless shopping spree and just prints the money. This is not what we are sent here to do. I hope the President sees that and vetoes this irresponsible legislation.

I yield the floor.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. TOMORROW

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate stands adjourned until 9 a.m. tomorrow.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:44 p.m., adjourned until Saturday, December 12, 2009, at 9 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

MARILYN A. BROWN, OF GEORGIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY FOR A TERM EXPIRING MAY 18, 2012, VICE SUSAN RICHARDSON WILLIAMS, TERM EXPIRED.

NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

WILLIAM CHARLES OSTENDORFF, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM EXPIRING JUNE 30, 2011, VICE DALE KLEIN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SHARON E. BURKE, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONAL ENERGY PLANS AND PROGRAMS. (NEW POSITION)

FOREIGN SERVICE

THE FOLLOWING-NAMED PERSONS OF THE AGENCIES INDICATED FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICERS OF THE CLASSES STATED.

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS THREE, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SEAN J. MCINTOSH, OF NEW YORK

FOR APPOINTMENT AS FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER OF CLASS FOUR, CONSULAR OFFICER AND SECRETARY IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JILLIAN FRUMKIN BONNARDEAUX, OF VIRGINIA
LYNDA J. HINDS, OF CALIFORNIA

THE FOLLOWING—NAMED MEMBERS OF THE FOREIGN SERVICE TO BE CONSULAR OFFICERS AND SECRETARIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA:

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RYAN AIKEN, OF UTAH
R. ANDREW ALLEN, OF GEORGIA
NATALIA ALMAGUER, OF FLORIDA
LAURA AYLWARD, OF WASHINGTON
JENNIFER AZARI, OF NEW JERSEY
KARA B. BABROWSKI, OF FLORIDA
ZACHARY BAILEY, OF VIRGINIA
JUDITH E. BAKER, OF MASSACHUSETTS
ESTHER F. BELL, OF RHODE ISLAND

IRMIE KEELER BLANTON III, OF GEORGIA
CHELAN J. BLISS, OF WASHINGTON
DAVID SEAN BOXER, OF VIRGINIA
ALEXIA MCNEAL BRANCH, OF CALIFORNIA
RAVI FRANKLIN BUCK, OF MISSOURI
MATTHEW BUSHHELL, OF CONNECTICUT
OMAR CARDENTY, OF FLORIDA
DANIEL C. CARROLL, OF HAWAII
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MICHAEL P. CASEY, OF VIRGINIA
BENJAMIN COCKBURN, OF GEORGIA
JOANNE ILENE COSSITT, OF CONNECTICUT
ROCCO COSTA, OF MARYLAND
CHRISTOPHER B. CREAGHE, OF COLORADO
ROBIN S. CROMER, OF SOUTH CAROLINA
GAETAN DAMBERG-OTT, OF MINNESOTA
JESSICA RENEE DANCEL, OF COLORADO
SCOTT B. DARGUS, OF WASHINGTON
PETER JOHN DAVIDIAN, OF OHIO
REBEKAH E. DAVIS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
JASON DYER, OF NEW MEXICO
MARCUS GEORGE FALION, OF TENNESSEE
GAIL HEGARTY FELL, OF NEW YORK
JOSEPH ANTON FETTE, OF CALIFORNIA
AARON ELLIOTT GARFIELD, OF CALIFORNIA
PHILLIP M. GATINS, OF FLORIDA
SARAH GJORGJJEVSKI, OF VIRGINIA
SAMUEL EVERETT GOFFMAN, OF ILLINOIS
DANIEL ROSS HARRIS, OF CALIFORNIA
NOEL HARTLEY, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
JANEL MARGARET HEIRD, OF MICHIGAN
PEPIJN M. HELGERS, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CHRISTOPHER D. HELMKAMP, OF VIRGINIA
WILLIAM N. HOLTON, JR., OF ILLINOIS
TRAVIS A. HUNNICUTT, OF VIRGINIA
DONNA J. HUSS, OF INDIANA
MOUNIR E. IBRAHIM, OF NEW YORK
AMENAGHAMWON IYI-EWEKA, OF WISCONSIN
DANA MARIE JEA, OF FLORIDA
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THOMAS D. KOHL, OF FLORIDA
JACK C. LAMBERT, OF OREGON
BRENT JOSEPH LAROSA, OF MARYLAND
ALEXI LEFEVRE, OF FLORIDA
IAN MACKENZIE, OF MASSACHUSETTS
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IN THE AIR FORCE

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