Mr. HATCH. That it is correct. The purpose and intent of this legislation is to place U.S. pharmaceutical companies on equal footing with their international competitors. Moreover, this change is entirely consistent with the long-established regulatory scheme pursuant to the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Eliminating the need for multiple, small shipments and the associated wasteful, small batch testing, will save U.S. companies nearly 80 percent over current export distribution costs, savings that will result in more American jobs and stronger international markets for U.S. products.

As the Senator noted, the bill has been crafted with the assistance of the Drug Enforcement Administration to ensure all necessary controls will remain in place while creating a level playing field for American business. It is simply a commonsense update to an outdated law, and I urge its passage.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the bill be read a third time and passed, the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, and that any statements regarding this matter be printed in the RECORD.

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

The bill (S. 3028) was read the third time and passed, as follows:

S. 3028

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

SECTION 1. REEXPORTATION OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the ''Controlled Substances Export Reform Act of 2004''.

(b) IN GENERAL.—Section 1003 of the Controlled Substances Import and Export Act (21 U.S.C. 953) is amended by adding at the end the following:

''(f) Notwithstanding subsections (a)(4) and (c)(3), the Attorney General may authorize any controlled substance that is in schedule I or II or is a narcotic drug in schedule III or IV to be exported from the United States to a country for subsequent export from that country to another country, if each of the following conditions is met:

''(1) Both the country to which the controlled substance is exported from the United States (referred to in this subsection as the 'first country') and the country to which the controlled substance is exported from the first country (referred to in this subsection as the 'second country') are parties to the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, and the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971.

''(2) The first country and the second country have each instituted and maintain, in conformity with such Conventions, a system of controls of imports of controlled substances which the Attorney General deems adequate.

''(3) With respect to the first country, the controlled substance is consigned to a holder of such permits or licenses as may be required under the laws of such country, and a permit or license to import the controlled substance has been issued by the country.

''(4) With respect to the second country, substantial evidence is furnished to the Attorney General by the person who will export the controlled substance from the United States that—

''(A) the controlled substance is to be consigned to a holder of such permits or licenses as may be required under the laws of such country, and a permit or license to import the controlled substance is to be issued by the country; and

''(B) the controlled substance is to be applied exclusively to medical, scientific, or other legitimate uses within the country.

''(5) The controlled substance will not be exported from the second country.

''(6) Within 30 days after the controlled substance is exported from the first country to the second country, the person who exported the controlled substance from the United States delivers to the Attorney General documentation certifying that such export from the first country has occurred.

''(7) A permit to export the controlled substance from the United States has been issued by the Attorney General.''.

AUTHORIZATION TO SIGN DULY ENROLLED BILLS OR JOINT RESOLUTIONS

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that during this adjournment of the Senate, the majority leader, the assistant majority leader, and the senior Senator from Virginia be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions.

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

APPOINTMENTS AUTHORITY

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the upcoming recess or adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two houses or by order of the Senate.

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

ORDERS FOR NOVEMBER 24, 2004 AND DECEMBER 7, 2004

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, November 24, 2004, unless the Senate receives a message from the House that the House has agreed to the amendment of the Senate to H. Con. Res. 529, in which case the Senate shall stand adjourned until 9:30 a.m., December 7, 2004, under the provisions of H. Con. Res. 529.

I further ask that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved, and there then be a period of morning business until the hour of 12:30, with Senators speaking for up to 10 minutes each.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, in a moment we will be adjourning until early December. When we return on Tuesday, December 7, we will be in morning business throughout the day. It is my hope that the intelligence reform conference report will be ready for consideration that afternoon.

Finally, I thank my colleagues on both sides of the aisle. We have had a challenging few days as we worked through the issues remaining before us. Just moments ago, we were able to confirm a very large number of nominations, which have been waiting for Senate action for a long period of time. I thank the Democratic leadership, in particular, for their cooperation and efforts. It took persistence from both sides of the aisle, but it was very important that neither side gave up and the Senate was able to work its will on these nominations.

I wish everybody a happy and safe Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2004, AT 5 P.M., OR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2004, AT 9:30 A.M.

Mr. FRIST. 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. 529.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, the Senate is adjourned until Wednesday, November 24, 2004, at 5 p.m., unless the Senate receives a message from the House agreeing to the amendment of the Senate to H. Con. Res. 529, in which case the Senate will reconvene on Tuesday, December 7, 2004, at 9:30 a.m.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 12:31 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, November 24, 2004 at 5 p.m. or until Tuesday, December 7, 2004, at 9:30 a.m.

DISCHARGED NOMINATIONS

The Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of the following nominations and the nominations were confirmed:

WILLIAM A. SCHAMBRA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 14, 2006.

DONNA N. WILLIAMS, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2006.

CYNTHIA BOICH, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2007.

DOROTHY A. JOHNSON, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2007, TO WHICH POSITION SHE WAS APPOINTED DURING THE LAST RECESS OF THE SENATE.

HENRY LOZANO, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 6, 2008.

RAQUEL EGUSQUIZA, OF MICHIGAN, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE BARRY GOLDWATER SCHOLARSHIP AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 13, 2005.

MARK D. GEARAN, OF NEW YORK, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION FOR