

private, nongovernmental, and religious organizations in efforts to reduce poverty and hunger and to promote educational opportunity, human rights, the rule of law, and social equity for the people of El Salvador.

MEASURE READ THE FIRST
TIME—S. 1927

Mr. SPECTER. Madam President, I understand that S. 1927, introduced earlier today by Senator DODD, is at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title for the first time.

The bill clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 1927) to establish a moratorium on credit card interest rate increases, and for other purposes.

Mr. SPECTER. I now ask for its second reading and object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection having been heard, the bill will receive its second reading on the next legislative day.

Mr. SPECTER. Madam President, for anybody watching C-SPAN2—if anybody is watching—a word of explanation might be somewhat helpful. This is a procedure to set this particular resolution, S. Res. 1927, in procedural posture so that when I, as the leader, ask for its second reading, and then say “I object to my own request,” it is procedural, not a reversal of position.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, OCTOBER
27, 2009

Mr. SPECTER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the

Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 10 a.m. tomorrow, Tuesday, October 27; that following the prayer and the pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed to have expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day and there be a period of morning business for 1 hour, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with the time equally divided and controlled between the two leaders or their designees, with the Republicans controlling the first half and the majority controlling the second half; that following morning business, the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the nomination of Irene Berger of West Virginia to be U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia, as provided under the previous order.

Finally, I ask that the Senate recess from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus luncheons.

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

PROGRAM

Mr. SPECTER. Madam President, under a previous order, tomorrow, at 2:20 p.m., the Senate will proceed to vote on the confirmation of the Berger nomination. Following the vote, the Senate will turn to a period of morning business until 5:30 p.m. The Senate will then resume the motion to proceed to H.R. 3548, and at 6 p.m. proceed to a cloture vote on the motion to proceed to H.R. 3548, the Unemployment Compensation Extension Act.

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.
TOMORROW

Mr. SPECTER. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that it adjourn under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:58 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, October 27, 2009, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION

P. DAVID LOPEZ, OF ARIZONA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION FOR A TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE RONALD S. COOPER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

PHILIP S. GOLDBERG, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH), VICE RANDALL M. FORT, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

CARYN A. WAGNER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR INTELLIGENCE AND ANALYSIS, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY. (NEW POSITION)

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 601:

To be lieutenant general

MAJ. GEN. KURT A. CICHOWSKI

IN THE ARMY

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTION 624:

To be brigadier general

COL. DAVID A. TEEPLES