## BUSINESS MEETING TO CONSIDER

THE PENDING NOMINATIONS OF DR. PAUL LAWRENCE, NOMINEE TO BE UNDERSECRETARY FOR BENEFITS, DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND MR. JOSEPH FALVEY, JR., NOMINEE TO BE A JUDGE, U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 2018

United States Senate, Committee on Veterans' Affairs Washington, D.C.

The Committee met, pursuant to notice, at 12:22 p.m., in Room S-216, The Capitol, Hon. Johnny Isakson, (Chairman of the Committee) presiding.

Present: Senators Isakson, Moran, Boozman, Heller, Cassidy, Rounds, Tillis, Sullivan, Tester, Murray, Sanders, Brown Blumenthal, Hirono and Manchin.

Chairman Isakson. I call to order this meeting of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

Seeing now we have a reporting quorum of eight, I invite a motion for the pending business for the nominations of Paul Lawrence to be undersecretary for benefits for the Department of Veterans Affairs and Joseph Falvey, Jr., to be a judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

I'll entertain a motion.

Senator Tester. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee favorably report the nominations of Paul Lawrence to be undersecretary for benefits for the Department of Veterans Affairs, and Joseph Falvey, Jr., to be a judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims.

Senators Manchin. I second that.

Chairman Isakson. The motion has been seconded. I move we adopt both by voice vote unless someone asks for a roll call.

Hearing no request for roll call, we'll do it by voice vote. All those in favor say aye.

[Chorus of ayes.]

Chairman Isakson. Opposed, no.

[No response.]

Chairman Isakson. The ayes have it. The nominations are agreed to. If nobody had a desire to be recognized, this meeting is adjourned.

[Whereupon, at 12:23 p.m., the Committee was adjourned.]