

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S2287–S2315

Measures Introduced: Twenty-five bills and nine resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4525–4549, and S. Res. 729–737. **Pages S2304–05**

Measures Passed:

USCP Retirement Age: Senate passed S. 4530, to amend chapters 83 and 84 of title 5, United States Code, to authorize an increase of the retirement age for members of the Capitol Police. **Pages S2294–95**

Member pay during Government shutdown: Senate agreed to S. Res. 526, withholding the pay of Senators if a Government shutdown occurs.

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Lewis and Clark 222nd Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 729, recognizing and honoring Meriwether Lewis and William Clark, and the Corps of Discovery, for their expedition to explore the Louisiana Purchase. **Pages S2296–97**

Columbine Day of Service 10th Anniversary: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 680, commemorating the 10th anniversary of the Columbine Day of Service and honoring the memories of the victims, survivors, and their families, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S2313**

National Child Abuse Prevention Month: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 706, expressing support for the designation of April 2026 as “National Child Abuse Prevention Month”, and the goals and ideals of National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S2313**

Public Service Recognition Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 733, expressing the sense of the Senate that public servants should be commended for their dedication and continued service to the United States during Public Service Recognition Week and throughout the year. **Page S2313**

Kids to Parks Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 734, designating May 16, 2026, as “Kids to Parks Day”.

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National Police Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 735, designating the week of May 10 through May 16, 2026, as “National Police Week”. **Page S2313**

National Hospital Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 736, supporting the goals and ideals of National Hospital Week, to be observed from May 10 through May 16, 2026. **Page S2313**

National Foster Care Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 737, recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges of children in the foster care system and to encourage Congress to implement policies to improve the lives of children in the foster care system.

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Congratulating University of Hawaii men’s volleyball team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 730, congratulating the University of Hawaii men’s volleyball team for winning the 2026 National Collegiate Athletic Association Men’s Volleyball Championship. **Page S2314**

Clarke Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Sheria Akins Clarke, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina. **Page S2295**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, May 18, 2026. **Page S2295**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S2295**

Rikhye Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Evan Rikhye, of the Virgin Islands, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands for a term of ten years. **Page S2295**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition

of the nomination of Sheria Akins Clarke, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina. **Page S2295**

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S2295**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S2295**

En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations—

Agreement: By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 124), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the en bloc nominations, provided under the provisions of S. Res. 690 (119th Congress), and subsequently the nominations listed therein are pending. **Pages S2297–98**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, May 18, 2026, Senate resume consideration of the nominations en bloc, pursuant to S. Res. 690 (119th Congress), post-cloture; and that at 5:30 p.m., all post-cloture time be expired and Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations en bloc. **Page S2313**

Messages from the House: **Page S2304**

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Additional Statements: **Page S2303**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S2313**

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—124) **Pages S2297–98**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 2:45 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, May 18, 2026. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2313.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND FAMILY HOUSING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2027 for Military Construction and Family Housing, after receiving testimony from Lieutenant General Kenyon K. Bell, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, Engineering and Force Protection, Kathryn

L. Kolbe, USSF, Assistant Deputy Chief of Space Operations, Installations and Logistics, Lieutenant General Stephen D. Sklenka, USMC, Deputy Commandant, Installations and Logistics, and Rear Admiral Timothy Brown, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Installations and Logistics, all of the Department of Defense.

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2027 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, after receiving testimony from E. Scott Turner, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the posture of the United States Central Command and United States Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2027 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Admiral Charles Bradford Cooper II, USN, Commander, United States Central Command, and General Dagvin R.M. Anderson, USAF, Commander, United States Africa Command, both of the Department of Defense.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported H.R. 3633, to provide for a system of regulation of the offer and sale of digital commodities by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3966, to prohibit the enforcement of certain contractual clauses that restrict disclosure of sexual abuse of minors;

S. 736, to increase the penalty for prohibited provision of a phone in a correctional facility;

S. 825, to require the Attorney General to propose a program for making treatment for post-traumatic stress disorder and acute stress disorder available to public safety officers;

S. 4394, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to improve the COPS program with respect to training command-level

personnel, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3897, to revise administrative procedures relating to public safety officers' death benefits, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1890, to establish a grant program for certain State and local forensic activities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3041, to allow the U.S. Marshals Service to assist in certain Tribal criminal matters, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Justin D. Smith, of Missouri, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth

Circuit, Jeffrey M. Kuhlman, Anthony W. Mattivi, and Anthony J. Powell, each to be a United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, Timothy VerHey, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Michigan, James Arnott, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Missouri, Jack Chambers, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of West Virginia, and Jason Holt, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of Oklahoma, all of the Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 35 public bills, H.R. 8807–8841; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 186; H. Con. Res. 101; and H. Res. 1284–1292 were introduced. **Pages H3529–32**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3532–33**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker:

Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative McDowell to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3457**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:29 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H3468**

Advisory Board for the House of Representatives Child Care Center—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individuals on the part of the House to the Advisory Board for the House of Representatives Child Care Center: Mr. Matthew Schlesinger of Mount Rainier, Maryland; Ms. Claudia Urrabazo-Beckelman of Washington, DC; Ms. Jo Stiles of Washington, DC; and Ms. Emily Noriega-May of Washington, DC. **Page H3471**

Commission on International Religious Freedom—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Commission on International Religious Freedom for a term ending May 14, 2028: Mr. Asif Mahmood of Bradbury, California. **Page H3471**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:33 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. **Page H3505**

Keeping Violent Offenders Off Our Streets Act: The House passed H.R. 6260, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit fraud in connection with posting bail, by a recorded vote of 243 yeas to 179 noes, Roll No. 169. **Pages H3474–80, H3505–06**

Rejected the Raskin motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary by a yeas-and-nays vote of 210 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 168. **Pages H3478–80, H3505–06**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3474**

H. Res. 1275, the rule providing for consideration was agreed to yesterday, May 13th.

Directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from hostilities against the Islamic Republic of Iran: The House failed to agree to H. Con. Res. 75, directing the President, pursuant to section 5(c) of the War Powers Resolution, to remove the United States Armed Forces from hostilities against the Islamic Republic of Iran, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 212 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 170. Consideration began yesterday, May 13th. **Pages H3506–07**

Cashless Bail Reporting Act: The House passed H.R. 5625, to direct the Attorney General to make publicly available a list of each State and unit of local government that permits cashless bail, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 308 yeas to 116 nays, Roll No. 171. **Pages H3471–74, H3507**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3471**

H. Res. 1275, the rule providing for consideration was agreed to yesterday, May 13th.

Monitor Accountability Act: The House H.R. 8365, to provide for conditions on the appointment of monitors by courts, by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 204 noes, Roll No. 173. **Pages H3480–86, H3507–09**

Rejected Boyle the motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary by a yea-and-nay vote of 210 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 172.

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Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–648, shall be considered as adopted. **Page H3480**

H. Res. 1275, the rule providing for consideration was agreed to yesterday, May 13th.

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2027: The House considered H.R. 8469, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, May 15th.

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Agreed to:

Carter (TX) en bloc No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 119–648: Alford (No. 1) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million for readjustment and rehabilitation benefits to or on behalf of veterans and to emphasize the importance of creating a pilot program under The Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance (DEA) program to such educational assistance to no less than 1,000 students who are a dependent of a veteran and prepare them to be successful in college or some other post-high school educational program; Bean (FL) (No. 2) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million to expand the use of data analytics and program integrity tools used to detect improper payments, duplicate claims, and organized fraud schemes within VA benefits and community care programs; Bean (FL) (No. 3) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million for the Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General to conduct a comprehensive audit of improper payments, unused or duplicative software contracts, redundant consulting agreements, and stale unliquidated obligations across VA administrative offices, and to provide Congress with recommendations to reduce waste, fraud, and abuse within 180 days; Boebert (No. 4) that redirects \$2 million to the Board of Veterans Appeals to help reduce its backlog so that veteran claims can be adjudicated in a timely manner; Boebert (No. 5) that redirects \$2

million to provide additional resources for medical and prosthetic research to ensure our veterans receive cutting edge medical care from the VA; Boebert (No. 6) that redirects \$2 million to provide additional funding for the construction of new state-extended care facilities; Boebert (No. 7) that redirects \$2 million to fund grants for the construction of veteran's cemetery programs to assist state and tribal governments in providing burial benefits for veterans in rural areas lacking a VA national cemetery; Boebert (No. 8) that redirects \$2 million to the Office of the Inspector General to combat waste, fraud, and abuse; Carson (No. 9) that increases funding for the Department of Veterans Affairs Medical and Prosthetic Research account for veteran-focused medical, prosthetic, toxic exposure, and rehabilitation research; Crow (No. 11) that increases funding for the Medical Services account by \$500,000 to establish a working group focused on improving the collection and analysis of data regarding veteran on-campus suicides and attempted suicides, and reduces funding for the General Administration account by \$500,000; Elfreth (No. 12) that increases and decreases funding by \$86 million for the US Naval Academy's Stormwater Management System; Gonzalez (TX) (No. 13) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide a report to Congress on: (1) which VA hospitals and clinics have had dentist positions open for more than 60 days; (2) vacancy rates for dental positions in VA medical centers and clinics which provide dental services; (3) average wait times to receive a dental appointment across VA medical centers and clinics which provide dental services; Gonzalez (TX) (No. 14) that increases and decreases funds to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to study the feasibility and potential benefits of establishing financial literacy centers at VA medical centers and other appropriate facilities; Gonzalez (TX) (No. 15) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Grants for Construction of Veterans Cemeteries for the purposes of emphasizing the need for the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to allow internment of Military Working Dogs in veteran cemeteries; Gonzalez (TX) (No. 16) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide a report to Congress on: (1) the number of unfilled positions for home health aides in Texas and New Mexico; (2) which communities in the states of Texas and New Mexico have the highest concentrations of unfilled home care positions; Gottheimer (No. 17) that increases

and decreases funding by \$285 million for the Veterans Health Administration Medical Services account to support Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grants; Graves (No. 18) that increases and decreases funding by \$63 million military construction for the Air National Guard with the intent to construct a new aircraft apron at Rosecrans Air National Guard Base, in St. Joseph, Missouri; Kiggans (VA) (No. 19) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for Navy Military Construction for the purposes of ensuring that facilities at Naval Air Stations have adequately maintained Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) 705 facilities that support naval aviation, such as hangers and Sensitive Compartmentalized Information Facilities, are in working order and in adequate quantity for mission readiness; Kiggans (VA) (No. 20) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for Navy Military Construction for the purposes of ensuring that facilities supporting Amphibious capabilities, including, but not limited to, piers, and dry docks are in adequate repair; Kiggans (VA) (No. 21) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for Navy Military Construction for the purposes of ensuring Quality of Life-related facilities at Naval Aviation Training Areas, including, but not limited to, bathrooms, waiting areas, and ready rooms, are in working order; Kiggans (VA) (No. 22) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for Navy Military Construction for the purposes of ensuring that working spaces, such as office buildings, bathrooms, and other similar facilities, used by Navy civilian employees at Public Shipyards are in working order; Ogles (No. 24) that increases and decreases funding for host nation support by \$1,000,000 to direct the Secretary of the Army to submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Chambers of Congress a report detailing, for each overseas installation at which host nation support funds were obligated or expended during fiscal years 2025 and 2026: (1) the total U.S. contribution to military construction costs; (2) the total host nation financial contribution to the same projects; and (3) the ratio of U.S.-to-host nation expenditure expressed as a percentage of total project cost; Ogles (No. 25) that prohibits funds made available by this Act from being used to prepare more than one environmental impact statement for the same military construction project identified by the same Department of Defense Form 1391 project number, unless required by court order; Ogles (No. 26) that prohibits funds made available under the “Medical Community Care” account from being used in a manner inconsistent with the existing specialty care access standards; Ogles (No. 27) that prohibits funds made available under the “Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps” account

from being used for architectural and engineering services or construction design for administrative facilities unless such activities support operational, training, maintenance, housing, or infrastructure-related facility categories recognized under the Department of Defense Real Property Categorization System; Pappas (No. 28) that increases and decreases construction, major projects funding by \$1 million for the purpose of adding report language supporting robust funding for improvements to VA direct care for New Hampshire veterans, including funding for upgrades to the VA Medical Center in Manchester, New Hampshire—to include a replacement facility; Pettersen (No. 30) that increases and decreases the Major Construction account by \$5 million to construct a new VA clinic, with primary care and mental healthcare services, in Fremont County, Colorado, where there are 5,000 veterans, but no VA clinic; Randall (No. 31) that increases/decreases funding by \$12 million for GAO to assess transportation barriers facing veterans in rural and highly rural communities traveling long distances for specialty care appointments, including travel times, transportation availability, and impacts on access to timely care; Randall (No. 32) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million for refrigeration, food storage, food preparation, and sanitation equipment upgrades at Naval shore installation dining facilities with limited kitchen infrastructure; Randall (No. 33) that increases and decreases funding by \$12 million for upgrades to aging water and wastewater infrastructure serving Naval shore installations; Randall (No. 34) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million for construction and modernization of career resource, workforce development, and employment support facilities serving military spouses on Naval installations; Randall (No. 35) that increases and decreases funding by \$15 million for Child Development Center expansion projects at Naval installations experiencing childcare waitlists for servicemembers and civilian personnel; Randall (No. 36) that increases and decreases funding by \$12 million for repairs and modernization of water, utility, roadway, and community infrastructure serving military family housing areas at Naval installations; Randall (No. 37) that increases/decreases funding by \$1 million to express the sense of Congress that access to affordable and reliable childcare is critical to military family readiness, retention, and quality of life for service members and civilian personnel; Randall (No. 38) that increases and decreases funding by \$20 million for electrical grid modernization, backup power generation, microgrid capabilities, and energy resilience infrastructure upgrades at the Navy’s four public shipyards to support continuous maintenance, repair,

and industrial operations; Randall (No. 39) that increases and decreases funding by \$10 million for roadway, parking, traffic flow, and multimodal transportation improvements on and surrounding Navy public shipyards to reduce congestion and improve workforce access during peak shift changes; Randall (No. 40) that increases and decreases funding by \$8 million for modernization of locker rooms, break facilities, restrooms, and workforce support spaces used by civilian shipyard workers and apprentices at Navy public shipyards; Randall (No. 41) that increases and decreases funding by \$10 million for ventilation, lighting, fire suppression, and emergency response infrastructure upgrades in industrial and maintenance facilities at Navy public shipyards; Sewell (No. 46) that increases and decreases the Air National Guard Military Construction account by \$15 million to demolish World War II-era facilities and construct a services training facility at Sumpter Smith Air National Guard Base in Birmingham, Alabama; Stanton (No. 47) that increases and decreases funding by \$5 million for the Office of the Secretary at the Department of Veterans Affairs to emphasize the importance of the service of Tribal veterans and to encourage the Secretary to consult with Tribal partners on adapting culturally significant insignia at facilities that serve Tribal veterans and to expand the hiring of culturally competent clinical staff; Stanton (No. 48) that redirects \$5 million to the Office of Rural Health to fund the use of mobile clinics and targeted clinical staffing to improve access to care for Tribal veterans; and Walkinshaw (No. 51) that increases and decreases funding for Department of Veterans Affairs General Administration by \$1 million to emphasize the importance of ensuring that MilConVA facilities meet indoor air quality (IAQ), ventilation, and HVAC performance standards and the need for strengthened oversight and GAO review of IAQ conditions in MilCon funded buildings;

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Correa (No. 10 printed in part B of H. Rept. 119–648) that increases and decreases funding by \$45 million for the Medical and Prosthetic Research account at the Department of Veterans Affairs to emphasize the importance of the Department's research on areas benefiting veterans such as oncology, traumatic brain injury care, psychedelic therapies, and assistive devices; and

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Mast (No. 23 printed in part B of H. Rept. 119–648) that prohibits funds appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs from being used to enforce provisions of VHA Directive 1315 that restrict VA providers from assisting veterans with participation in State-approved marijuana programs.

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H. Res. 1275, the rule providing for consideration was agreed to yesterday, May 13th.

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H3468.

Quorum Calls Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3505, H3505–06, H3506–07, H3507, H3507–08, and H3508–09.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY FISCAL YEAR 2027 BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Department of the Navy Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Request”. Testimony was heard from Hung Cao, Acting Secretary of the Navy, Department of the Navy; Admiral Daryl Caudle, Chief of Naval Operations, U.S. Navy; and General Eric M. Smith, Commandant, U.S. Marine Corps.

SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION POSTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cyber, Information Technologies, and Innovation held a hearing entitled “Science, Technology, and Innovation Posture of the Department of Defense”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Defense officials: Emil Michael, Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering, Office of the Secretary of Defense; Cameron Stanley, Chief Data and Artificial Intelligence Officer, Office of the Secretary of Defense; and Owen West, Director, Defense Innovation Unit.

EXAMINING THE POLICIES AND PRIORITIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Workforce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the Department of Education”. Testimony was heard from Linda McMahon, Secretary, Department of Education.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: On Wednesday, May 13, 2026, Subcommittee on Health held a markup on H.R. 4348, to reauthorize the Kay Hagan Tick Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 4541, the “EARLY Act Reauthorization of 2025”; H.R. 8209, the “School-Based Health Centers Reauthorization Act of 2026”; H.R. 5160, the “Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Reauthorization Act of

2025”; H.R. 8205, the “Accelerating Access to Critical Therapies for ALS Reauthorization Act of 2026”; H.R. 2821, the “FDA Modernization Act 3.0”; H.R. 3747, the “Accelerating Access to Dementia and Alzheimer’s Provider (AADAPT) Training Act”; H.R. 2715, the “Destruction of Hazardous Imports Act”; H.R. 5347, the “Health Care Efficiency Through Flexibility Act”; and H.R. 1703, the “Choices for Increased Mobility Act of 2025”. H.R. 4348, H.R. 4541, H.R. 8209, H.R. 5160, H.R. 8205, and H.R. 2821 were forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment. H.R. 3747, H.R. 2715, H.R. 5347, and H.R. 1703 were forwarded to the full Committee, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment held a markup on H.R. 8739, the “Brownfields Revitalization for a Better Tomorrow Act”; and H.R. 2145, the “Recycling Infrastructure and Accessibility Act”. H.R. 2145 was forwarded to the full Committee, as amended. H.R. 8739 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

SECURING NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION EASTERN FRONTIER: ASSESSING THE STRATEGIC LANDSCAPE IN THE BALTIC REGION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Europe Subcommittee held a hearing entitled “Securing NATO’s Eastern Frontier: Assessing the Strategic Landscape in the Baltic Region”. Testimony was heard from Christopher Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence held a markup on H.R. 7443, the “I&A Mission Reorientation Act of 2026”; H.R. 7764, the “National Threat Evaluation and Reporting Program Reassignment and Funding Reform Act of 2026”; H.R. 7574, the “ELO Realignment and Strategic Engagement Reform Act of 2026”; H.R. 8142, the “Special Events Program Alignment Act of 2026”; H.R. 7448, the “Modernizing and Improving the National Terrorism Advisory System Act of 2026”; H.R. 7427, the “SAFE VISITS Act”; and H.R. 7436, the “Department of Homeland Security Intelligence and Analysis Training Act”. H.R. 7443, H.R. 7764, H.R. 7574, H.R. 8142, H.R. 7448, H.R. 7427, and H.R. 7436 were forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 8720, the “Campaign Fi-

nance Transparency Act”; H.R. 8721, the “Preventing Foreign Interference in American Elections Act”; H.R. 7418, the “Securing Tech and Election Administration Defenses for All States and Territories”; H.R. 6028, the “Legislative Branch Agencies Clarification Act”; H.R. 7182, the “Voter Outreach for Transparent Elections Act”; H.R. 3535, the “Stop Foreign Funds in Elections Act”; and H.R. 8738, the “FEC Administrative Improvements Act”. H.R. 3535 and H.R. 8738 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 8720, H.R. 8721, H.R. 7418, H.R. 6028, and H.R. 7182 were ordered reported, as amended.

FAIRFAX COUNTY, VIRGINIA: THE DANGEROUS CONSEQUENCES OF SANCTUARY POLICIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration Integrity, Security, and Enforcement held a hearing entitled “Fairfax County, Virginia: The Dangerous Consequences of Sanctuary Policies”. Testimony was heard from Stephen Descano, Commonwealth’s Attorney, Office of Fairfax County Commonwealth’s Attorney, Virginia; Stacey A. Kincaid, Sheriff, Fairfax County, Virginia; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 741, the “Stronger Engagement for Indian Health Needs Act of 2025”; H.R. 3924, the “Wildfire Risk Evaluation Act”; H.R. 5694, the “ARTIST Act”; H.R. 7250, to reauthorize the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 2000; H.R. 7487, the “Rural Jobs and Hydropower Expansion Act”; and H.R. 7831, the “License to Drill Act”. H.R. 7487, H.R. 741, H.R. 3924, and H.R. 5694 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 7250 and H.R. 7831 were ordered reported, without amendment.

PRIVACY PROTECTIONS AND THE SECOND AMENDMENT: EXAMINING ATF’S RELATIONSHIP TO THE TIAHRT AMENDMENT

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Law Enforcement held a hearing entitled “Privacy Protections and the Second Amendment: Examining ATF’s Relationship to the Tiahrt Amendment”. Testimony was heard from Robert Cekada, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5634, the "Veterans Flight Training Responsibility Act of 2026"; H.R. 7083, the "CRUISE Act"; H.R. 7103, the "Improving Emerging Tech Opportunities for Veterans Act"; H.R. 2283, the "Recognizing Community Organizations for Veteran Engagement and Recovery Act"; H.R. 6993, the "BEACON Act of 2026"; H.R. 6652, the "U.S. Vets of the FAS Act"; H.R. 6444, the "Blast Overpressure Research and Mitigation Task Force Act"; H.R. 7950, the "VA Congressional Accountability Act"; H.R. 7683, the "VA Fiscal Management and Modernization Act"; H.R. 8052, the "VIP Act"; H.R. 6698, the "Board of Veterans Appeals Annual Report Transparency Act of 2025"; H.R. 3159, the "Improving SCRA Benefit Utilization Act"; H.R. 5436, the "End Transcript Withholding for Veterans Act"; H.R. 5999, the "Veteran Opioid Emergency Treatment Act"; H.R. 8010, the "VA Police Recruitment and Retention Act of 2026"; H.R. 7260, the "National Cemetery Administration Annual Report Act of 2026"; and H.R. 5723, the "Fraud Reduction And Uncovering Deception in VA Disability Exams Act". H.R. 7683, H.R. 6993,

H.R. 6444, H.R. 7950, H.R. 6698, H.R. 2283, H.R. 3159, H.R. 5436, H.R. 5634, H.R. 7083, H.R. 5723, H.R. 7103, H.R. 8052, H.R. 6652, H.R. 5999, and H.R. 7260 were ordered reported, as amended.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
MAY 15, 2026**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

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Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, markup on the Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2027, 9 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Department of the Army Fiscal Year 2027 Budget Request", 9 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, May 18

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Friday, May 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the en bloc nominations, pursuant to S. Res. 690 (119th Congress), post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nominations en bloc at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: Complete Completion of H.R. 8469—Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2027.

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