

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Four bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4527–4530, S. Res. 680–683, and S. Con. Res. 43. [Page S5408](#)

Measures Reported:

S. 10, to require the Inter-Agency Task Force on Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia to develop a plan for reducing, mitigating, and controlling harmful algal blooms and hypoxia in South Florida. (S. Rept. No. 116–257)

S. 2453, to assist in the conservation of the North Atlantic right whale by supporting and providing financial resources for North Atlantic right whale conservation programs and projects of persons with expertise required for the conservation of North Atlantic right whales, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–258)

S. 2782, to improve provisions of law relating to sexual harassment and assault prevention at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. (S. Rept. No. 116–259)

Report to accompany S. 2909, to extend the authority of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to enter into leases of non-excess property of the Administration. (S. Rept. No. 116–260)

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Appointments:

National Historical Publications and Records Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 81–754, as amended by Public Law 93–536 and further amended by Public Law 100–365, appointed the following Senator to the National Historical Publications and Records Commission: Senator Sullivan. [Page S5413](#)

Authorizing Leadership to Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming 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. [Page S5413](#)

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Friday, August 14, 2020, at 10 a.m.; Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at 12 p.m.; Friday, August 21, 2020, at 11:15 a.m.; Tuesday, August 25, 2020, at 2:30 p.m.; Friday, August 28, 2020, at 2 p.m.; Tuesday, September 1, 2020, at 7 a.m.; Friday, September 4, 2020, at 10 a.m.; and that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, September 4, 2020, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

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Ludwig Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Brett H. Ludwig, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin. [Page S5406](#)

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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, August 13, 2020, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

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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 S5406](#)

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Tuesday, September 8, 2020, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of Thursday, August 13, 2020, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

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Wiegand Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Christy Criswell Wiegand, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

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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 Brett H. Ludwig, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

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Jarbou Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Hala Y. Jarbou, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan.

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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 Christy Criswell Wiegand, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

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Cullen Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Thomas T. Cullen, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

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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 Hala Y. Jarbou, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan.

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Gujarati Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Diane Gujarati, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

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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 Thomas T. Cullen, of Virginia, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Michael N. Nemelka, of Utah, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Investment, Services, Labor, Environment, Africa, China, and the Western Hemisphere), with the rank of Ambassador.

Richard Giacalone, of Virginia, to be Federal Mediation and Conciliation Director.

Alina I. Marshall, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Christian N. Weiler, of Louisiana, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Robert Benedict Bowes, of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2025.

2 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Army, Marine Corps, and Navy.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

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Amendments Submitted:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 2:59 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, August 14, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5413.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Friday, August 14, 2020.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 14, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Friday, August 14

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Friday, August 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 2 p.m.



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