

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6677–S6714

Measures Introduced: Thirteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 5086–5098, and S. Res. 831–834. **Pages S6694–95**

Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Recognizing 50 Years of the Nation’s First Nutrition Program for Older Adults”. (S. Rept. No. 117–196)

S. 3046, to codify the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain landscape-scale forest restoration projects, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 117–197)

S. 2561, to amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 and the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to provide that a land resource management plan or land use plan approved, amended, or revised under those Acts shall not be considered to be a continuing Federal agency action or constitute a discretionary Federal involvement or control for a distinct Federal purpose, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 117–198)

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Measures Passed:

COVID National Emergency Declaration: By 62 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 355), Senate passed S.J. Res. 63, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on March 13, 2020. **Pages S6682–86**

Performance Enhancement Reform Act: Senate passed H.R. 2617, to amend section 1115 of title 31, United States Code, to amend the description of how performance goals are achieved, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Page S6704**

PROTECT Our Children Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 4834, to reauthorize the National Internet

Crimes Against Children Task Force Program, and the bill was then passed. **Page S6704**

Public Radio Music Day: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 813, expressing the support of the Senate for the designation of “Public Radio Music Day” and deep appreciation for the role of public radio music stations in serving listeners, musicians, and hundreds of communities in the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6704**

National Wildlife Refuge Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 814, designating the week beginning on October 9, 2022, as “National Wildlife Refuge Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S6704–05**

Day of the Deployed: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 826, designating October 26, 2022, as the “Day of the Deployed”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6705**

National Sepsis Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 832, supporting the designation of September 13, 2022 as National Sepsis Day. **Page S6705**

Blue Star Welcome Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 833, designating September 24, 2022, through October 2, 2022, as “Blue Star Welcome Week”. **Page S6705**

Committee Special Reserve Percentage: Senate agreed to S. Res. 834, adjusting the special reserve percentage available to committees of the Senate. **Page S6705**

National Aviation Preparedness Plan Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 884, to direct the

Secretary of Transportation to establish a national aviation preparedness plan for communicable disease outbreaks, and the bill be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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Respect for Marriage Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 1:45 p.m., on Wednesday, November 16, 2022, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 8404, to repeal the Defense of Marriage Act and ensure respect for State regulation of marriage, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 3:15 p.m.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 55 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 354), Maria del R. Antongiorgi-Jordan, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Nickolas Guertin, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Roger F. Nyhus, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Craig J. Anderson, of Montana, to be United States Marshal for the District of Montana for the term of four years.

Michael D. Black, of Ohio, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Scott Winston Colom, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

Stephen K. Eberle, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Pennsylvania for the term of four years.

Justin L. Martinez, of Utah, to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah for the term of four years.

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force.

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—355)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 7:06 p.m., until 1:45 p.m. on Wednesday, November 16, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6705.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

2023 FARM BILL

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the 2023 Farm Bill, focusing on rural development and energy programs, after receiving testimony from Xochitl Torres Small, Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development; Jessica AcMoody, Rural Partners of Michigan and Community Economic Development Association of Michigan, Lansing; Mike Casper, Jo-Carroll Energy, Elizabeth, Illinois; Christophe Schilling, Geno, San Diego, California; Denny Law, Golden West Telecommunications Cooperative, Inc., Wall, South Dakota; and Kenneth F. Herring, Adams County Water Association, Washington, Mississippi, on behalf of the National Rural Water Association and the Mississippi Rural Water Association.

FINANCIAL REGULATORS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine financial regulators, focusing on a strong banking and credit union system for main street, including S. 4698, to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to modify requirements relating to the regulation and examination of credit union organizations and service providers, and S. 4356, to provide for responsible financial innovation and to bring digital assets within the regulatory perimeter, after receiving testimony from Michael S. Barr, Vice Chair for Supervision, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Todd M. Harper, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; Martin J. Gruenberg, Acting Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; and

Michael J. Hsu, Acting Comptroller of the Currency, Department of the Treasury.

IMPLEMENTING IIJA

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure concluded a hearing to examine implementing IIJA, focusing on opportunities for local jurisdictions to address transportation challenges, after receiving testimony from Mayor Jacob R. Day, City of Salisbury, Maryland; Michael Carroll, City of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Jim Willox, Converse County, Douglas, Wyoming, on behalf of the National Association of Counties; and Jason Benson, Cass County, Fargo, North Dakota, on behalf of the National Association of County Engineers.

MISTREATMENT OF WOMEN IN ICE DETENTION

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine medical mistreatment of women in Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention, after receiving testimony from Stewart D. Smith, Assistant Director, ICE Health Service Corps, Enforcement and Removal Operations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and Joseph V. Cuffari, Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, both of the Department of Homeland Security; Peter Cherouny, University of Vermont College of Medicine, South Hero; Margaret Mueller, North-

western University Feinberg School of Medicine, Chicago, Illinois; Pamela Renee Hearn, LaSalle Corrections, Dripping Springs, Texas; and Karina Cisneros Preciado, Florida.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of DeAndrea Gist Benjamin, of South Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, who was introduced by Representative Clyburn, Robert Stewart Ballou, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Virginia, Todd E. Edelman, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, who was introduced by Representative Norton, Kymberly Kathryn Evanson, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, who was introduced by Senator Murray, Myong J. Joun, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, who was introduced by Senators Warren and Markey, and Colleen R. Lawless, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 9297–9304; and 3 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 114; and H. Res. 1471–1472, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 7946, to provide benefits for noncitizen members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–558, Part 1);

H.R. 8876, to reauthorize the Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–559, Part 1); and

H.R. 8416, to improve individual assistance provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

cy, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–560, Part 1). [Page H8507](#)

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. [Page H8497](#)

Recess: The House recessed at 10:27 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. [Page H8500](#)

Speak Out Act—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 1464, providing for consideration of the bill (S. 4524) to limit the judicial enforceability of predispute nondisclosure and non-disparagement contract clauses relating to disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment, by a yea-and-nay vote of 215 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 479, after the previous question was ordered without objection. [Pages H8502–04](#)

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 1471, electing a certain Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on page H8504.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 1:32 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PERSISTENT POVERTY IN AMERICA: ADDRESSING CHRONIC DISINVESTMENT IN COLONIAS, THE SOUTHERN BLACK BELT, AND THE U.S. TERRITORIES

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance held a hearing entitled “Persistent Poverty in America: Addressing Chronic Disinvestment in Colonias, the Southern Black Belt, and the U.S. Territories”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INVESTING IN OUR RIVALS: EXAMINING U.S. CAPITAL FLOWS TO FOREIGN RIVALS AND ADVERSARIES AROUND THE WORLD

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship and Capital Markets held a hearing entitled “Investing in Our Rivals: Examining U.S. Capital Flows to Foreign Rivals and Adversaries Around the World”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RETOOLING U.S. FOREIGN ASSISTANCE TO ALLEVIATE THE ROOT CAUSES OF INSTABILITY AND CONFLICT IN AFRICA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Global Human Rights held a hearing entitled “Retooling U.S. Foreign Assistance to Alleviate the Root Causes of Instability and Conflict in Africa”. Testimony was heard from Robert Jenkins, Assistant to the Administrator, Bureau of Conflict Prevention and Stabilization, U.S. Agency for International Development; Alicia Phillips Mandaville, Vice President for Policy and Evaluation, Millennium Challenge Corporation; Andrew Herscowitz, Chief Development Officer, U.S. International Development Finance Corporation; and Travis Adkins, President and CEO, U.S. African Development Foundation.

WORLDWIDE THREATS TO THE HOMELAND

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Worldwide Threats to the Homeland”. Testimony was heard from Alejandro

Mayorkas, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security; Christopher A. Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and Christine Abizaid, Director, National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

DEVELOPMENTS IN STATE CANNABIS LAWS AND BIPARTISAN CANNABIS REFORMS AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties held a hearing entitled “Developments in State Cannabis Laws and Bipartisan Cannabis Reforms at the Federal Level”. Testimony was heard from Randall Woodfin, Mayor, Birmingham, Alabama; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine U.S. policy in the Caucasus, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider the nominations of Karla Ann Gilbride, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Jessica Looman, of Minnesota, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, Moshe Z. Marvit, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, and other pending calendar business, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: business meeting to consider H.R. 3175, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 135 Main Street in Biloxi, Mississippi, as the “Robert S. McKeithen Post Office Building”, and the nominations of Robert Harley Shriver III, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Richard L. Revesz, of New York, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, 4:15 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider S. 3168, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to modify the enforceability date for certain provisions, S. 3308, to authorize the Colorado River Indian Tribes to enter into lease or exchange agreements and storage agreements relating to water of the Colorado River allocated to the Colorado River Indian Tribes, S. 4104, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Hualapai Tribe and certain allottees in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of a water project relating to those water rights claims, and S. 5087, to amend the Not Invisible

Act of 2019 to extend, and provide additional support for, the activities of the Department of the Interior and the Department of Justice Joint Commission on Reducing Violent Crime Against Indians; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 4870, to approve the settlement of the water right claims of the Tule River Tribe, and S. 4898, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Pueblos of Acoma and Laguna in the Rio San Jose Stream System in the State of New Mexico, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Department of Veterans Affairs implementation of the SFC Heath Robinson Honoring our PACT Act, 3 p.m., SD-G50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine promoting healthy and affordable food for older Americans, 10:30 a.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of Prudential Regulators: Ensuring the Safety, Soundness, Diversity, and Accountability of Depository Institutions”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment and Cyber, hearing entitled “Russia’s Waning Global Influence”, 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 1378, of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to Resolution Copper mine, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled “JROTC: Protecting Cadets from Sexual Abuse and Instructor Misconduct”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “The Holiday Rush: Is the Postal Service Ready?”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Legal and Procedural Factors Related to Seating a Cherokee Nation Delegate in the U.S. House of Representatives”, 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing entitled “Unfolding the Universe: Initial Science Results from the James Webb Space Telescope”, 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 1379, of inquiry to the President and directing the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to wait times for veterans to receive primary care, mental health care, and specialty care appointments at medical centers of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and H.R. 4722, the “Mark O’Brien VA Clothing Allowance Improvement Act”, 2 p.m., HVC-210 and Zoom.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through September 30, 2022

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	139	125	..
Time in session	790 hrs, 48'	522 hrs, 25'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	6,057	8,374	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,017	..
Public bills enacted into law	50	52	102
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference	1	1	..
Measures passed, total	416	460	876
Senate bills	110	65	..
House bills	71	306	..
Senate joint resolutions	5	..	..
House joint resolutions	1	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	8	5	..
House concurrent resolutions	4	9	..
Simple resolutions	217	74	..
Measures reported, total	*215	308	523
Senate bills	140	..	..
House bills	48	231	..
Senate joint resolutions	1	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	2	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions	24	77	..
Special reports	3	10	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	309	101	..
Measures introduced, total	2,021	3,408	5,429
Bills	1,629	2,771	..
Joint resolutions	30	31	..
Concurrent resolutions	24	45	..
Simple resolutions	338	561	..
Quorum calls .....	..	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	352	460	..
Recorded votes .....	..	16	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoed overridden .....	..	..	..

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 121 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 318 reports have been filed in the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through September 30, 2022

Civilian nominees, totaling 660 (including 181 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	352
Unconfirmed	279
Withdrawn	29
Returned to White House	0
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 1,239 (including 291 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	901
Unconfirmed	338
Air Force nominees, totaling 6,115 (including 5 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,276
Unconfirmed	839
Army nominees, totaling 5,932 (including 1,992 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,924
Unconfirmed	8
Navy nominees, totaling 4,469 (including 1 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,464
Unconfirmed	5
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 432 (including 321 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	429
Unconfirmed	3
Space Force nominees, totaling 470 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	469
Unconfirmed	1
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominees carried over from the First Session	2,937
Total nominees received this Session	16,503
Total confirmed	17,815
Total unconfirmed	1,473
Total withdrawn	29
Total returned to the White House	0

Next Meeting of the SENATE

1:45 p.m., Wednesday, November 16

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 8404, Respect for Marriage Act, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 3:15 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, November 16

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of S. 4524—Speak Out Act.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue.**HOUSE**DeSaulnier, Mark, Calif., E1145, E1148
Gallagher, Mike, Wisc., E1146Grothman, Glenn, Wisc., E1146
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