# Daily Digest

#### HIGHLIGHTS

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## Senate

### **Chamber** Action

#### Routine Proceedings, pages \$5347-\$5369

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3227–3231, and S. Res. 450–452. Page S5360

#### Measures Reported:

S. 306, to approve the settlement of the water right claims of the Tule River Tribe. (S. Rept. No. 118–110) Page S5360

#### Measures Passed:

**READ Act Reauthorization Act:** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. 41, to reauthorize the READ Act, and the bill was then passed. **Page S5363** 

Mekong-United States Partnership: Senate agreed to S. Res. 126, recognizing the vital importance of the Mekong River to Southeast Asia and the role of the Mekong-United States Partnership in supporting the prosperity of the region, after agreeing to the committee reported amendment in the nature of a substitute, the committee reported amendment in the nature of a substitute to the preamble, and the following amendment proposed thereto: Pages \$5363-66

Adopted:

Merkley Amendment No. 1362, to make technical amendments. Page \$5363

Charitable Collections in Senate Buildings: Senate agreed to S. Res. 451, permitting the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings. Page S5366

Nuclear Weapons Program Workers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 452, designating October 30, 2023, as a national day of remembrance for the workers of the nuclear weapons program of the United States. Page S5366 National Wildlife Refuge Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 396, designating the week beginning on October 8, 2023, as "National Wildlife Refuge Week", and the resolution was then agreed to.

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Message from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the threat from securities investments that finance certain companies of the People's Republic of China (PRC) that was declared in Executive Order 13959 of November 12, 2020, received during adjournment of the Senate on November 3, 2023; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–28) Pages S5347, S5359

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the President's report to Congress relative to the Secretary of the Interior's certification under section 8 of the Fisherman's Protective Act of 1967, as amended (the "Pelly Amendment") (22 U.S.C. 1978) that nationals of the People's Republic of China (PRC) are engaging in trade or taking of eight species of pangolin that diminishes the effectiveness of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), received during adjournment of the Senate on November 3, 2023; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-29) Pages \$5347, \$5359-60

Bertagnolli Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Monica M. Bertagnolli, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health.

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During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 59 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. EX. 292), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. Page S5355

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, November 7, 2023; that all time on the nomination be considered expired at 11:45 a.m.; that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, all time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m.; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Julia E. Kobick, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, all time be considered expired at 5:30 p.m. **Page S5367** 

Burrows Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Charlotte A. Burrows, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Page S5352

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 Ramon Ernesto Reyes, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. Page S5352

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. Page S5352

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5352

McMillion Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Brandy R. McMillion, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan.

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Almadani Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Monica Ramirez Almadani, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

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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 Brandy R. McMillion, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan. **Page S5352** 

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de Alba Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Ana de Alba, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. Page S5353

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 Monica Ramirez Almadani, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. Page S5353

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. Pages S5352–53

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5353

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jacquelyn D. Austin, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Jacqueline Becerra, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Melissa Damian, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

David Seymour Leibowitz, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Julie Simone Sneed, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general. Routine lists in the Air Force, Coast Guard, Ma-

rine Corps, and Navy. Pages S5367–69 Messages from the House: Page S5360 Measures Placed on the Calendar: Page S5360 Measures Read the First Time: Pages S5360, S5363 Additional Cosponsors: Pages S5360–61

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional	Statements:	
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Amendments	Submitted:	Page	S5363
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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—292) Page S5355

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:43 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5367.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## **Chamber** Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 6231–6252; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 845–846 and 848, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 847, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4664) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–269). Page H5465

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Smith (NE) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5407

Recess: The House recessed at 12:09 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H5408

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Page H5408

**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative McCormick announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 845) censuring Representative Rashida Tlaib for antisemitic activity and sympathizing with terrorist organizations. **Page H5408** 

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Greene (GA) announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution. Page H5409

Communication from the Clerk: The Clerk notified the House that he had hereby reappointed as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress the following person: Ms. Danna Bell of Washington, D.C. Page H5410

Recess: The House recessed at 2:16 p.m. and reconvened at 3:30 p.m. Page H5410

Recess: The House recessed at 4:40 p.m. and reconvened at 5:29 p.m. Page H5420

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Clarifying jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development: H.R. 1607, amended, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, by a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> yea-and-nay vote of 384 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 599;

#### Pages H5410, H5426

American Battlefield Protection Program Enbancement Act of 2023: H.R. 3448, amended, to amend chapter 3081 of title 54, United States Code, to enhance the protection and preservation of America's battlefields; Pages H5412-14

Fort San Gerinimo Preservation Act: H.R. 359, to establish Fort San Gerinimo del Boquern in Puerto Rico as an affiliated area of the National Park System, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 359 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 600; and Pages H5414–16, H5426–27

Women's Suffrage National Monument Location Act: H.R. 1318, to authorize the location of a monument on the National Mall to commemorate and honor the women's suffrage movement and the passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution. Pages H5418-20

Recess: The House recessed at 6:17 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H5425

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Jacobs announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 846) censuring Representative Brian Mast. Pages H5425-26

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Grand Ronde Reservation Act Amendment of 2023: H.R. 1722, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act; and Pages H5411-12

Hersbel Woody Williams National Medal of Honor Monument Location Act: H.R. 2717, amended, to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work on the National Mall to honor the extraordinary acts of valor, selfless service, and sacrifice displayed by Medal of Honor recipients. Pages H5416-18

Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024: The House considered H.R. 4820, making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, November 7th.

#### Agreed to:

#### Pages H5420-23, H5423-25, H5427-51

Cole amendment en bloc No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261: Fallon (No. 1) that removes \$1,000,000 of funding for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and moves it to the existing \$49,000,000 Cyber Security Initiative funding for cyber security initiatives, including necessary upgrades to network and information technology infrastructure, improvement of identity management and authentication capabilities, securing and protecting data, implementation of Federal cyber security initiatives, and implementation of enhanced security controls on agency computers and mobile devices;

Hageman (No. 2) that directs \$5 million from the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration to the FAA's Research, Engineering, and Development account to support/increase the amount of funding for the aviation maintenance technician development program;

Pfluger (No. 4) that increases funding by \$1 million for a program to rehabilitate and modify the homes of disabled or low-income veterans, as authorized under the 2015 NDAA;

Espaillat (No. 7) that increases and decreases the Cyber Security Initiatives account;

Swalwell (No. 8) that increases and decreases funding for FAA aviation safety activities to prioritize the processing of unruly passenger investigations;

Rodgers (No. 9) that increases and decreases funding by \$32 million to emphasize the importance of funding NextGen-Aircraft Technologies and Fuels and the FAA Center of Excellence for Alternative Jet Fuel and the Environment;

Swalwell (No. 10) that increases and decreases funding for the Grants-in-Aid for Airports account to highlight the need to prohibit federal funds from being used by FAA to purchase rail cars or buses manufactured by Chinese companies, including airport shuttles and monorails;

Allred (No. 11) that increases and decreases funds by \$1,000,000 to express the intent that the Secretary of Transportation shall waive repayment of any Federal-aid highway funds expended on the construction of high occupancy vehicle lanes constructed on US 75 in Dallas County and Collin County, if the State of Texas presents the Secretary with its determination that such high occupancy vehicle lanes are not in the public interest;

Jackson Lee (No. 12) that increases and decreases by \$1 million the Federal Rail Administration Safety and Operation's account to emphasize the need to provide dedicated funding to address community engagement on safety issues related railroad crossings in urban areas;

Gottheimer (No. 14) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Department of Transportation to expedite the environmental impact statement review process to expand the Hudson-Bergen Light Rail;

Molinaro (No. 15) that increases and decreases to highlight the importance of the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) grant program for advancing railroad safety;

Garbarino (No. 16) that increases/decreases Amtrak Northeast Corridor funding by \$1,160,769,000 to highlight it's importance for the continued operation, maintenance, and economic success of the NEC;

Lawler (No. 17) that increases and decreases funding for the Amtrak Northeast Corridor (NEC) with the intent of supporting the need for robust rail funding to modernize our passenger rail network;

Lawler (No. 18) that increases and decreases funding for the Amtrak National Network with the intent of supporting the need for robust rail funding to modernize our passenger rail network;

Molinaro (No. 19) that increases and decreases the Amtrak account to emphasis the importance of Amtrak to expeditiously advance ADA compliance at stations and on trains;

Crockett (No. 21) that increases and decreases the funding for the Federal Transit Administration's Transit Infrastructure Grants to emphasize the importance of the FTA undertaking the efforts to protect the safety of transit workers;

Moore (No. 26) that increases funding for housing grants to help survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking;

Mast (No. 27) that removes all funding for modernization and deferred maintenance of the Weaver Building and moves it to the existing \$1,000,000 program to rehabilitate and modify the homes of disabled or low-income veterans; Molinaro (No. 28) that increases funding for Section 811 Housing, which provides affordable housing to persons with disabilities, by \$5,000,000; decrease \$2,500,000 from both the Administrative Support Offices and Program Offices accounts;

Espaillat (No. 33) that increases and decreases Public Housing Fund account;

Barr (No. 35) that increases funding for the Recovery Housing Program to provide stable, transitional housing for individuals in recovery from a substance-use disorder;

Beatty (No. 38) that increases and decreases funding for the Department of Housing and Urban Development's HOME Investment Partnerships Program to highlight the program's importance in meeting the needs of low-income families across the United States without access to affordable housing;

Molinaro (No. 39) that increases and decreases to show support for Continuum of Care programs;

Molinaro (No. 41) that increases and decreases to encourage OLHCHH to coordinate with USDA and EPA to develop a strategy to address lead paint risks in rural homes; and Espaillat (No. 42) that allows the Healthy Home Initiatives to use funds for fire hazard mitigation; Pages H5451-53

Lawler amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that increases the Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements program (CRISI) account by \$10 million to support rail safety with an equal offset to the Office of the Secretary of Transportation; Page H5453

Perry amendment (No. 6 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that restores funding for the National Surface Transportation & Innovation Finance Bureau to FY22 funding levels; and **Pages H5454–55** 

Ogles amendment (No. 24 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that increases and decreases to emphasize the importance of restoring public safety and rule of law on the DC Metro. **Page H5458** 

Rejected:

Perry amendment (No. 22 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that sought to reduce Transit Infrastructure Grant funding to \$0; and Pages H5456-57

Perry amendment (No. 23 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that sought to eliminate funding for Capital Investment Grants. Pages H5457-58

Proceedings Postponed:

Escobar amendment (No. 5 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that seeks to increases and decreases the National Surface Transportation and Innovative Finance Bureau in recognition of the DOT Thriving Communities Program; **Pages H5453–54** 

Perry amendment (No. 20 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that seeks to strike National Network Grants; Pages H5455-56 Perry amendment (No. 25 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that seeks to eliminate funding for Grants to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority; Pages H5458–60

Grothman amendment (No. 29 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that seeks to increase and decrease Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer at the Department of Housing and Urban Development to express concern regarding the inherently divisive nature of the Diversity Council and the associated race, ethnicity, gender, and sexual orientation-based Affinity or Employee Resource Groups; and

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Brecheen amendment (No. 30 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–261) that seeks to reduce funding for the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity to FY19 levels. Pages H5461-62

H. Res. 838, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4821) and (H.R. 4820) was agreed to on Thursday, November 2nd.

**Presidential Messages:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the Department of State and the Department of the Interior have been directed to report on the outcome of the ongoing negotiations at the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) Standing Committee meeting in Geneva on November 6–10, 2023 regarding the taking of eight species of pangolin by nationals of the People's Republic of China-referred to the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 118–77). Pages H5462–63

Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the National Emergency With Respect to the Threat From Securities Investments That Finance Certain Companies of the People's Republic of China is to continue in effect beyond November 12, 2023—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered printed (H. Doc. 118–78). Pages H5463–64

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 7 was held at the desk. S. 447 was held at the desk. S. 499 was held at the desk. S. 1648 was held at the desk. S. 1973 was held at the desk. S. 3222 was held at the desk. Page H5423

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5423.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5426 and H5427.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

### **Committee Meetings**

#### FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 4664, the "Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2024". The Committee granted, by a record vote of 9-3, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4664, the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2024, under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees. The rule provides that the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, amendments en bloc described in section 3, and pro forma amendments described in section 4. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of the rule, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report or amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution are waived. The rule provides that the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or her designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees, shall not be subject to amendment except as provided by section 4 of the rule, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides that the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their respective designees may offer up to 10 pro forma amendments each at any point for the purpose of debate. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Representatives Womack, Hoyer, Davidson, Waters, Nunn, Rosendale, Bean of Florida, Molinaro, and Spartz.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Tanya F. Otsuka, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, Mark Toshiro Uyeda, of California, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Spencer Bachus III, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Jennifer L. Fain, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Claudia Slacik, of New York, and William Brodsky, of Illinois, both to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, 11:30 a.m., S-219, Capitol.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Tourism, Trade, and Export Promotion, to hold hearings to examine sustainable tourism for a thriving economy, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of J. Todd Inman, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, and Samuel H. Slater, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine causes of roadway safety challenges and possible interventions, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law, to hold hearings to examine social media and the teen mental health crisis, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Monetary Policy, hearing entitled "The Tangled Web of Global Governance: How the Biden Administration is Ceding Authority Over American Financial Regulation", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4175, to authorize the Secretary of State to provide additional assistance to Ukraine using assets confiscated from the Central Bank of the Russian Federation and other sovereign assets of the Russian Federation, and for other purposes; H.R. 4723, to provide for the imposition of sanctions with respect to foreign persons undermining the Dayton Peace Agreement or threatening the security of Bosnia and Herzegovina, and for other purposes; H. Res. 149, condemning the illegal abduction of children from Ukraine to the Russian Federation; H.R. 5856, to reauthorize the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, and for other purposes; H.R. 4681, to provide for the imposition of sanctions with respect to illicit captagon trafficking; H.R. 5961, to freeze certain Iranian funds involved in the 2023 hostage deal between the United States and Iran, and for other purposes; H. Res. 683, expressing support for the diplomatic relations required to encourage the Government of Mexico to fulfill its water deliveries on an annual basis to the United States under the treaty between the United States and Mexico regarding the utilization of the Colorado and Tijuana Rivers and of the Rio Grande; H.R. 6119, to require the Secretary of State to notify Congress when the security clearances of certain senior members of the Department of State are suspended or revoked, and for other purposes; H. Res. 793, calling on Hamas to immediately release hostages taken during October 2023 attack on Israel; and H.R. 6087, to establish a comprehensive United States Government initiative to build the capacity of young leaders and entrepreneurs in Africa, and for other purposes, 11:15 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Bureau of Prisons", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Full Committee, business meeting, 10:30 a.m., 360 Cannon.

Full Committee, hearing entitled "Veterans Serving Veterans: The Impact of America's Businesses on Veteran Employment and Opportunity", 10:30 a.m., 360 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "Ensuring that 'Woke' Doesn't Leave American's Broke: Protecting Seniors and Savers from ESG Activism", 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

#### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

#### Week of November 7 through November 10, 2023

#### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Monica M. Bertagnolli, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 11:45 a.m. Following disposition of the nomination of Monica M. Bertagnolli, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 2:15 p.m., followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Julia E. Kobick, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Julia E. Kobick, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 5:30 p.m., followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Ramon Ernesto Reyes, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

#### Senate Committees

#### (Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

*Committee on Appropriations:* November 8, to hold hearings to examine the President's supplemental request for the Departments of Health and Human Services and Homeland Security, 9 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: November 7, business meeting to consider the nominations of Tanya F. Otsuka, of Virginia, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, Mark Toshiro Uyeda, of California, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Spencer Bachus III, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Jennifer L. Fain, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and Claudia Slacik, of New York, and William Brodsky, of Illinois, both to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation, 11:30 a.m., S–219, Capitol.

Committee on the Budget: November 8, to hold hearings to examine fairness and fiscal responsibility, 10 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: November 7, Subcommittee on Tourism, Trade, and Export Promotion, to hold hearings to examine sustainable tourism for a thriving economy, 10 a.m., SR-253.

November 7, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of J. Todd Inman, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, and Samuel H. Slater, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

November 9, Subcommittee on Aviation Safety, Operations, and Innovation, to hold hearings to examine addressing close calls to improve aviation safety, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: November 9, to hold hearings to examine the implementation of federal coal mine land reclamation and abandoned coal mine land economic revitalization programs, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: November 7, Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine causes of roadway safety challenges and possible interventions, 2:30 p.m., SD-406.

November 8, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine accessing clean water infrastructure assistance, focusing on small, rural, disadvantaged and underserved communities, 10 a.m., SD-406. Committee on Finance: November 8, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled "Better Mental Health Care, Lower-Cost Drugs, and Extenders Act", 10 a.m., SD-215.

November 9, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine how the tax code affects high-income individuals and tax planning strategies, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: November 8, to hold hearings to examine U.S. national security interests in Ukraine, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: November 8, Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security, to hold hearings to examine policy considerations for Artificial Intelligence in health care, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: November 8, to hold hearings to examine the philosophy of AI, focusing on learning from history and shaping our future, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* November 8, to hold an oversight hearing to examine fentanyl in Native communities, focusing on Native perspectives on addressing the growing crisis, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* November 7, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law, to hold hearings to examine social media and the teen mental health crisis, 10 a.m., SD-226.

November 8, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine reforming the Patent Trial and Appeal Board, focusing on the PREVAIL Act and proposals to promote U.S. innovation leadership, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

November 9, Full Committee, business meeting to consider an authorization for subpoenas relating to the Supreme Court ethics investigation, and the nominations of Mustafa Taher Kasubhai, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, and Eumi K. Lee, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: November 7, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

November 8, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House Committees

Committee on Education and Workforce, November 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5933, the "DETERRENT Act", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, November 8, Subcommittee on Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "United Nations' Bigotry Towards Israel UNRWA Anti-semitism Poisons Palestinian Youth", 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

November 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Friend and Ally: U.S. Support for Israel after Hamas' Barbaric Attack", 2 p.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* November 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1516, the "DHS Restrictions on Confucius Institutes and Chinese Entities of Concern Act"; H.R. 4403, the "Securing the Cities Improvement Act"; H.R. 5969, the "Improving Travel for Families Act"; H.R. 6174, the "DHS Biodetection Improvement Act"; and legislation on the Department of Homeland Security Policy Issuance Review Act, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, November 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Free Speech on College Campuses", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, November 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1121, the "Protecting American Energy Production Act"; H.R. 4385, the "Drought Preparedness Act"; H.R. 6008, to prohibit the implementation of certain documents until the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries of the National Marine Fisheries Service issues documents relating to the Rice's whale; and H.J. Res. 96, the "Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2023", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability,* November 8, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Information Technology, and Government Innovation, hearing entitled "Advances in Deepfake Technology", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, November 8, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6093, the "Weather Act Reauthorization", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn. Committee on Small Business, November 8, Full Com-

*Committee on Small Business,* November 8, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Burdensome Regulations: Examining the Effects of Department of Energy Regulations on America's Job Creators", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* November 8, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, legislative hearing, 12 p.m., 360 Cannon.

## Résumé of Congressional Activity

#### FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH 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 October 31, 2023

#### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

#### January 3 through October 31, 2023

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	146	150	
Time in session	667 hrs., 49 <b>'</b>	511 hrs, 47'	
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	5,268	5,182	
Extensions of Remarks		1,031	
Public bills enacted into law	37	11	
Private bills enacted into law			
Bills in conference	1	1	
Measures passed, total	311	246	557
Senate bills	51	8	
House bills	12	133	
Senate joint resolutions	6	3	
House joint resolutions	7	12	
Senate concurrent resolutions			
House concurrent resolutions	6	11	
Simple resolutions	229	79	
Measures reported, total	*204	255	459
Senate bills	172		
House bills		207	
Senate joint resolutions			
House joint resolutions		9	
Senate concurrent resolutions	2		
House concurrent resolutions		5	
Simple resolutions	30	34	
Special reports	18	2	
Conference reports			
Measures pending on calendar	193	135	
Measures introduced, total	3,685	7,113	10,798
Bills	3,171	6,116	
Joint resolutions	47	95	
Concurrent resolutions	23	74	
Simple resolutions	444	828	
Quorum calls	2	5	
Yea-and-nay votes	279	219	
Recorded votes		334	
Bills vetoed	3	5	
Vetoes overridden			

Civilian nominees, totaling 381, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	127	
Unconfirmed	246	
Withdrawn	8	
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 1,361, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	927	
Unconfirmed	434	
Air Force nominees, totaling 6,026, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	5,093	
Unconfirmed	933	
Army nominees, totaling 8,503, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	6,406	
Unconfirmed	2,097	
Navy nominees, totaling 4,991, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	4,897	
Unconfirmed	94	
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 1,102, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	1,084	
Unconfirmed	18	
Space Force nominees, totaling 415, disposed of as follows:		
Confirmed	399	
Unconfirmed	16	
Summary		

Total nominees carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominees received this Session	22,779
Total confirmed	18,933
Total unconfirmed	3,838
Total withdrawn	8
Total returned to the White House	0

\* These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 108 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 257 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE 10 a.m., Tuesday, November 7

#### Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Monica M. Bertagnolli, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 11:45 a.m. Following disposition of the nomination of Monica M. Bertagnolli, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 2:15 p.m., followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Julia E. Kobick, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Julia E. Kobick, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 5:30 p.m., followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Ramon Ernesto Reyes, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York.

(Senate will recess following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

#### Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Tuesday, November 7

#### House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Continue consideration of H.R. 4820-Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024.

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