

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2670, National Defense Authorization Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5927–S5968

Measures Introduced: Thirty-four bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3480–3513, and S. Res. 496–502. **Pages S5960–61**

Measures Reported:

S. 2414, to require agencies with working dog programs to implement the recommendations of the Government Accountability Office relating to the health and welfare of working dogs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 118–137)

Report to accompany S. 1284, to improve forecasting and understanding of tornadoes and other hazardous weather. (S. Rept. No. 118–138)

S. 66, to establish a task force on improvements for notices to air missions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 127, to prevent unfair and deceptive acts or practices and the dissemination of false information related to pharmacy benefit management services for prescription drugs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 576, to enhance safety requirements for trains transporting hazardous materials, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1153, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the National Manufacturing Advisory Council within the Department of Commerce, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1280, to require coordinated National Institute of Standards and Technology science and research activities regarding illicit drugs containing xylazine, novel synthetic opioids, and other substances of concern, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1409, to protect the safety of children on the internet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1418, to amend the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 to strengthen protections relating to the online collection, use, and disclosure of personal information of children and teens, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1421, to require origin and location disclosure for new products of foreign origin offered for sale on the internet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2116, to require the Secretary of Commerce to produce a report that provides recommendations to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of Department of Commerce programs related to supply chain resilience and manufacturing and industrial innovation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2201, to increase knowledge and awareness of best practices to reduce cybersecurity risks in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

SIREN Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 265, to reauthorize the rural emergency medical service training and equipment assistance program, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Securing Semiconductor Supply Chains Act: Senate passed S. 229, to require SelectUSA to coordinate with State-level economic development organizations to increase foreign direct investment in semiconductor-related manufacturing and production.

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Save Our Seas 2.0 Amendments Act: Senate passed S. 318, to amend the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act to improve the administration of the Marine Debris

Foundation, to amend the Marine Debris Act to improve the administration of the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. [Pages S5967–68](#)

Sandra Day O'Connor: Senate agreed to S. Res. 499, acknowledging the lifetime of service of Sandra Day O'Connor to the United States as a successful Arizona State Senator, trailblazer, expert collaborator, educational advocate, and one of the greatest Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States.

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National First-Generation College Celebration Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 500, designating November 8, 2023, as “National First-Generation College Celebration Day”. [Page S5966](#)

Authorize Testimony and Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 501, to authorize testimony and representation in *United States v. Nformangum*.

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Authorize Testimony and Representation: Senate agreed to S. Res. 502, to authorize testimony and representation in *United States v. Antonio*. [Page S5966](#)

Conference Reports:

National Defense Authorization Act: By 87 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. 343), Senate agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2670, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year.

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

By 65 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 342), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to waive all applicable points of order. Subsequently, the point of order that section 7902 of the conference report to accompany the bill violates Rule XXVIII of the Standing Rules of the Senate was not sustained, and thus the point of order fell.

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 14059 of December 15, 2021, with respect to global illicit drug trafficking; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–33)

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Fonzone Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Christopher Charles Fonzone, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Attorney General. [Page S5956](#)

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 Brandon S. Long, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

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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 S5956](#)

Hill Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Sara E. Hill, of Oklahoma, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Oklahoma.

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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 Christopher Charles Fonzone, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. [Page S5956](#)

Edwards, Jr. Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, December 14, 2023, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Jerry Edwards, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of Monday, December 11, 2023 ripen at 12 noon.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

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

Betty Y. Jang, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2029.

Laura Dove, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring November 17, 2029.

Laura Dove, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial

Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring November 17, 2023.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

3 Army nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today.
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:44 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 14, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5968.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 1,965 nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

THE NEW SPACE ECONOMY

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Space and Science concluded a hearing to examine government promotion of safety and innovation in the new space economy, after receiving testimony from Pam Melroy, Deputy Administrator,

National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Kelvin B. Coleman, Associate Administrator, Commercial Space Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation; Richard Dalbello, Director of the Office of Space Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; and John Hill, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space and Missile Defense.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Nicole G. Berner, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Cardin and Van Hollen, Adeel Abdullah Mangi, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, who was introduced by Senator Menendez, Amy M. Baggio, to be United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, who was introduced by Senators Wyden and Merkley, and Cristal C. Brisco, and Gretchen S. Lund, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, who were both introduced by Senator Young, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

ALGORITHMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights concluded a hearing to examine the impact of algorithms on competition and consumer rights, after receiving testimony from Bill Baer, The Brookings Institution, and Damon T. Hewitt, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, both of Washington, D.C.; Robert Epstein, American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology, Vista, California; Sarah Myers West, AI Now Institute, New York, New York; and Roger P. Alford, Notre Dame Law School, South Bend, Indiana.

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: 45 public bills, H.R. 6734–6778; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 931–934, were introduced. **Pages H6939–41**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6943–44**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 5472, to make improvements to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–315);

H.R. 5512, to require United States financial institutions to ensure entities and persons owned or controlled by the institution comply with financial sanctions on the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus to the same extent as the institution itself, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–316, Part 1); and

H.R. 5485, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to provide for greater transparency and protections with regard to Bank Secrecy Act reports, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–317). **Page H6939**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Carl to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6863**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:34 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H6874**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 931, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives. **Page H6877**

Recess: The House recessed at 4:39 p.m. and reconvened at 5 p.m. **Page H6921**

Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act of 2023: The House passed H.R. 1147, to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act to allow schools that participate in the school lunch program under such Act to serve whole milk, by a yea-and-nay vote of 330 yeas to 99 nays, Roll No. 718. **Pages H6889–H6907, H6921**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. **Page H6903**

Agreed to:

Luna amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 118–308) that ensures that the whole milk served in schools can be organic or non-organic; **Page H6904**

Mills amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 118–308) that prohibits schools participating in the

school lunch program from purchasing or offering milk produced by China state-owned enterprises; and

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Tiffany amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 118–308) that prevents the USDA from issuing any rule that bans varieties of milk covered in this bill, including chocolate milk. **Pages H6905–07**

H. Res. 922, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1147) and (H.R. 357) was agreed to yesterday, December 12th.

Directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America: The House agreed to H. Res. 918, directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 720, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 719. Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 918, H. Res. 917 is considered passed House. **Pages H6877–89, H6922–23, H6924**

Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Condemning antisemitism on University campuses and the testimony of University Presidents in the House Committee on Education and the Workforce: H. Res. 927, condemning antisemitism on University campuses and the testimony of University Presidents in the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 303 yeas to 126 nays with 3 answering “present”, Roll No. 721. **Pages H6907–16, H6923–24**

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, December 14th. **Page H6924**

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

National Plan to End Parkinson’s Act: H.R. 2365, amended, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a national project to prevent and cure Parkinson’s, to be known as the National Parkinson’s Project. **Pages H6916–21**

Presidential Message: Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the National Emergency with respect to global illicit drug trafficking declared in Executive Order 14059 of December 15, 2021, is to continue in effect beyond December 15, 2023—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 118–89).

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H6939.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6921, H6922, H6922–23, and H6923.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RECRUITING SHORTFALLS AND GROWING MISTRUST: PERCEPTIONS OF THE US MILITARY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing entitled “Recruiting Shortfalls and Growing Mistrust: Perceptions of the US Military”. Testimony was heard from Ashish S. Vazirani, Acting Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense; Agnes Schaefer, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Army; Franklin R. Parker, Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Navy; and Alex Wagner, Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Air Force.

PROTECTING WORKERS AND SMALL BUSINESSES FROM BIDEN'S ATTACK ON WORKER FREE CHOICE AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

Committee on Education and Workforce: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Protecting Workers and Small Businesses from Biden’s Attack on Worker Free Choice and Economic Growth”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEVERAGING AGENCY EXPERTISE TO FOSTER AMERICAN AI LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Leveraging Agency Expertise to Foster American AI Leadership and Innovation”. Testimony was heard from Helena Fu, Director of Critical and Emerging Technology, Office of the Undersecretary for Science, Department of En-

ergy; Micky Tripathi, National Coordinator for Health Information Tech, Department of Health and Human Services; and Saif Khan, Senior Advisor to Secretary for Critical and Emerging Technologies, Department of Commerce.

MOVING THE MONEY PART 2: GETTING ANSWERS FROM THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION ON THE IRANIAN REGIME'S SUPPORT OF TERRORISM

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Moving the Money Part 2: Getting Answers from the Biden Administration on the Iranian Regime’s Support of Terrorism”. Testimony was heard from Elizabeth Rosenberg, Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes, Department of the Treasury; and Abram Paley, Deputy Special Envoy for Iran, Department of State.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 6602, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to the review of the interagency dispute resolution process; H.R. 6606, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to the statement of policy; H.R. 5613, to require a review of whether individuals or entities subject to the imposition of certain sanctions through inclusion on certain sanctions lists should also be subject to the imposition of other sanctions and included on other sanctions lists; H.R. 6614, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to licensing transparency; H.R. 1135, to grant certain authorities to the President to combat economic coercion by foreign adversaries, and for other purposes; H.R. 5917, to amend the Sanctioning the Use of Civilians as Defenseless Shields Act to modify and extend that Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 3016, to amend the Anti-Boycott Act of 2018 to apply the provisions of that Act to international governmental organizations; H.R. 3569, to provide for the expansion of the Starr-Camargo Bridge near Rio Grande City, Texas, and for other purposes; H.R. 6586, to require a strategy to oppose financial or material support by foreign countries to the Taliban, and for other purposes; H.R. 6306, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to prohibit the acquisition or lease of a consular or diplomatic post built or owned by an entity beneficially owned by the People’s Republic of China, and for other purposes; H.R. 6610, to provide for the modernization of the passport issuance process, and for other purposes; and H.R. 6416, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose certain tax penalties in connection with the invasion of Ukraine. H.R. 6602, H.R. 5613, H.R. 6614, H.R. 1135,

H.R. 3016, H.R. 6586, H.R. 6306, H.R. 6610, and H.R. 6416 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 6606, H.R. 5917, and H.R. 3569 were ordered reported, without amendment.

CENSORSHIP LAUNDERING PART II: PREVENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY'S SILENCING OF DISSENT

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Accountability held a hearing entitled “Censorship Laundering Part II: Preventing the Department of Homeland Security’s Silencing of Dissent”. Testimony was heard from Iranga Kahangama, Assistant Secretary, Cyber, Infrastructure, Risk and Resilience, Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security; Mona Harrington, Assistant Director, National Risk Management Center, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

DIGITAL COPYRIGHT PIRACY: PROTECTING AMERICAN CONSUMERS, WORKERS, AND CREATORS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Digital Copyright Piracy: Protecting American Consumers, Workers, and Creators”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SECOND AMENDMENT RIGHTS EMPOWER WOMEN'S RIGHTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance held a hearing entitled “Second Amendment Rights Empower Women's Rights”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REFORMING THE WHO: ENSURING GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic held a hearing entitled “Reforming the WHO: Ensuring Global Health Security and Accountability”. Testimony was heard from Loyce Pace, Assistant Secretary for Global Affairs, Department of Health and Human Services; John Nkengasong, Ambassador-at-Large, U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator, Senior Bureau Official for Global Health Security and Diplomacy, Department of State; and Atul Gawande, M.D., Assistant Administrator for Global Health, U.S. Agency for International Development.

OVERSIGHT OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT AND JOBS ACT: MODAL PERSPECTIVES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Modal Perspectives”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Transportation officials: Carlos Monje, Undersecretary of Transportation for Policy, Office of the Secretary of Transportation; Shaileen Bhatt, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration; Nuria Fernandez, Administrator Federal Transit Administration; Robin Hutcheson, Administrator, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration; and Ann Carlson, Acting Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

PROPOSALS FOR A WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2024: STAKEHOLDER PRIORITIES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled “Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2024: Stakeholder Priorities”. Testimony was heard from Teresa Batts, Mayor, Surf City, North Carolina; and public witnesses.

GROWTH OF THE TAX-EXEMPT SECTOR AND THE IMPACT ON THE AMERICAN POLITICAL LANDSCAPE

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “Growth of the Tax-Exempt Sector and the Impact on the American Political Landscape”. Testimony was heard from Justin Chung, Legislative Attorney, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

CCP TRANSNATIONAL REPRESSION: THE PARTY'S EFFORT TO SILENCE AND COERCE CRITICS OVERSEAS

Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “CCP Transnational Repression: The Party's Effort to Silence and Coerce Critics Overseas”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 14, 2023***(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)***Senate**

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider subcommittee assignments for the 118th Congress, S. 461, to make certain irrigation districts eligible for Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program pumping power, S. 594, to require the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to prioritize the completion of the Continental Divide National Scenic Trail, S. 636, to establish the Dolores River National Conservation Area and the Dolores River Special Management Area in the State of Colorado, to protect private water rights in the State, S. 1118, to establish the Open Access Evapotranspiration (OpenET) Data Program, S. 1254, to designate and expand wilderness areas in Olympic National Forest in the State of Washington, and to designate certain rivers in Olympic National Forest and Olympic National Park as wild and scenic rivers, S. 1348, to redesignate land within certain wilderness study areas in the State of Wyoming, S. 1521, to amend the Federal Power Act to modernize and improve the licensing of non-Federal hydropower projects, S. 1634, to provide for the designation of certain wilderness areas, recreation management areas, and conservation areas in the State of Colorado, S. 1662, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Midvale Irrigation District the Pilot Butte Power Plant in the State of Wyoming, S. 1776, to provide for the protection of and investment in certain Federal land in the State of California, S. 1889, to provide for the recognition of certain Alaska Native communities and the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 1890, to provide for the establishment of a grazing management program on Federal land in Malheur County, Oregon, S. 1955, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to authorize expenditures for the conduct of certain water

conservation measures in the Great Salt Lake basin, S. 2160, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize certain extraordinary operation and maintenance work for urban canals of concern, S. 2169, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out watershed pilots, S. 2247, to reauthorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost-shared funding to implement the endangered and threatened fish recovery programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins, S. 2581, to extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, S. 2615, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to provide that Village Corporations shall not be required to convey land in trust to the State of Alaska for the establishment of Municipal Corporations, S. 3033, to withdraw certain Federal land in the Pecos Watershed area of the State of New Mexico from mineral entry, S. 3036, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Utah certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, S. 3044, to redesignate the Mount Evans Wilderness as the “Mount Blue Sky Wilderness”, S. 3045, to provide for the transfer of administrative jurisdiction over certain Federal land in the State of California, and S. 3046, to make permanent the authority to collect Shasta-Trinity National Forest marina fees, 9 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the diabetes epidemic, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Human Rights and the Law, to hold hearings to examine protecting the human rights of foster children, 1 p.m., SD-226.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine substance use trends among older adults, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, December 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Jerry Edwards, Jr., of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 12 noon.

Senators should expect additional roll call votes during Thursday's session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, December 14

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of the Conference report to accompany H.R. 2670—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2024.

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