

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3069–S3096

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4203–4217, and S. Res. 664–665. **Pages S3078–79**

Measures Passed:

Prohibiting Russian Uranium Imports Act: Senate passed H.R. 1042, to prohibit the importation into the United States of unirradiated low-enriched uranium that is produced in the Russian Federation. **Page S3084**

Strengthening Support for American Manufacturing Act: Senate passed 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, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3084**

Community College Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 664, recognizing the designation of April as “Community College Month” to celebrate more than 1,000 institutions throughout the United States supporting access to higher education and workforce training, and more broadly sustaining and advancing the economic prosperity of the United States. **Pages S3084–85**

National Space Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 665, supporting May 3, 2024, as “National Space Day” in recognition of the significant positive impact the aerospace community has and will continue to have on the United States of America. **Page S3085**

Appointments:

United States—China Economic and Security Review Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and in consultation with the Chairs of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, the reappointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the

United States—China Economic and Security Review Commission: Carte P. Goodwin of West Virginia for a term beginning January 1, 2023 and expiring December 31, 2025. **Page S3085**

Stop Tax Penalties on American Hostages Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that if the Senate receives a message from the House of Representatives that it has passed H.R. 7791, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to postpone tax deadlines and reimburse paid late fees for United States nationals who are unlawfully or wrongfully detained or held hostage abroad, and if the text is identical to S. 4057, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to postpone tax deadlines and reimburse paid late fees for United States nationals who are unlawfully or wrongfully detained or held hostage abroad, that H.R. 7791 be passed. **Page S3084**

Alexakis Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Georgia N. Alexakis, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois. **Pages S3069–74**

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

By 53 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 155), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S3073**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, May 1, 2024; that all time be considered expired at 11:45 a.m., and that following the vote on confirmation of the nomination, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs; and that the motion to invoke cloture with respect to the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3935 ripen at 3 p.m. **Page S3085**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Michelle Williams Court, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Cynthia Valenzuela Dixon, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Anne Hwang, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Danna R. Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana.

Sarah Netburn, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

Stacey D. Neumann, of Maine, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

5 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
(Total—155) **Page S3073**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:48 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, May 1, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3085.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for the Department of Education, after receiving testimony from Miguel Cardona, Secretary of Education.

HUD BUDGET

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, after receiving testimony from Adrienne Todman, Acting Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

SERVICEMEMBERS' ACCESS TO PHARMACEUTICALS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Defense's efforts to ensure servicemembers' access to safe, high-quality pharmaceuticals, after receiving testimony from Lester Martinez-Lopez, Assistant Secretary for Health Affairs, David J. Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health Readiness Policy and Oversight, Mark Dertzbaugh, Principal Assistant for Research and Technology, United States Army Medical Research and Development Command, and Matthew R. Beebe, Director of Acquisition (J7), Defense Logistics Agency, all of the Department of Defense; Bryce H. P. Mendez, Specialist in Defense Health Care Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; Melissa Barber, Yale School of Medicine, Yale Law School, and Yale Collaboration for Regulatory Rigor, Integrity, and Transparency; and Colonel Victor A. Suarez, USA (Ret.), The Council on Strategic Risks, Bluzone Bio, and Securing America's Medicines and Supply.

TAIWAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy concluded a hearing to examine United States policy on Taiwan, after receiving testimony from Daniel J. Kritenbrink, Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs.

NO FAKES ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property concluded a hearing to examine the NO FAKES Act, focusing on protecting Americans from unauthorized digital replicas, after receiving testimony from Robert Kyncl, Warner Music Group, New York, New York; Duncan Crabtree-Ireland, SAG-AFTRA, and Benjamin S. Sheffner, Motion Picture Association, Inc., both of Los Angeles, California; Graham Davies, Digital Media Association, Washington, D.C.; Lisa P. Ramsey, University of San Diego School of Law, San Diego, California; and Tahliah Debrett Barnett, London, United Kingdom.

INTELLIGENCE

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

CHINESE MONEY LAUNDERING ORGANIZATIONS

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine Chinese money laundering organizations, focusing on

cleaning cartel cash, after receiving testimony from Brian Nelson, Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence; Kemp Chester, Senior Advisor to the Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President; Ricardo Mayoral, Acting Assistant Director for Countering Transnational Organized Crime, Homeland Security Investigations, Department of Homeland Security; and William Kimbell, Chief of Operations, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 29 public bills, H.R. 8164–8192; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 1180–1187, were introduced. **Pages H2768–69**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2771**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 7343, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide for the detention of certain aliens who commit assault against law enforcement officers, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–478); and

H.R. 7530, to limit youth offender status in the District of Columbia to individuals 18 years of age or younger, to direct the Attorney General of the District of Columbia to establish and operate a publicly accessible website containing updated statistics on juvenile crime in the District of Columbia, to amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to prohibit the Council of the District of Columbia from enacting changes to existing criminal liability sentences, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–479). **Page H2768**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Miller (IL) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2703**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened at 11:30 a.m. **Page H2711**

Extending Limits of U.S. Customs Waters Act: The House passed H.R. 529, to extend the customs waters of the United States from 12 nautical miles to 24 nautical miles from the baselines of the United States, consistent with Presidential Proclamation 7219, by a yea-and-nay vote of 402 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 155. Consideration began yesterday, April 29th. **Page H2712**

H. Res. 1137, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 7888), (H.R. 529), (H. Res. 1112), and (H. Res. 1117), was agreed to Friday, April 12th.

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures. Consideration began Monday, April 29th.

Carbon Sequestration Collaboration Act: H.R. 4824, amended, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to require the Secretary of Energy to carry out terrestrial carbon sequestration research and development activities, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 364 yeas to 44 nays, Roll No. 156; **Pages H2712–13**

Abandoned Well Remediation Research and Development Act: H.R. 4877, amended, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to direct the Secretary of Energy to carry out a research, development, and demonstration program with respect to abandoned wells, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 333 yeas to 75 nays, Roll No. 157; **Pages H2713–14**

Weather Research and Forecasting Innovation Reauthorization Act: H.R. 6093, amended, to improve the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's weather research, support improvements in weather forecasting and prediction, expand commercial opportunities for the provision of weather data, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 394 yeas to 19 nays, Roll No. 158; **Page H2714**

Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration Act: H.R. 3738, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs the Veterans Economic Opportunity and Transition Administration, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 10 nays, Roll No. 159; **Pages H2714–15**

Veteran Fraud Reimbursement Act: H.R. 4016, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the repayment by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of benefits misused by a fiduciary, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 413 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 160; and

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Amending title 38, United States Code, to provide that educational assistance paid under Department of Veterans Affairs educational assistance programs to an individual who pursued a program or course of education that was suspended or terminated for certain reasons shall not be charged against the entitlement of the individual: H.R. 1767, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that educational assistance paid under Department of Veterans Affairs educational assistance programs to an individual who pursued a program or course of education that was suspended or terminated for certain reasons shall not be charged against the entitlement of the individual, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 406 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 161.

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Western Economic Security Today Act: The House passed H.R. 3397, to require the Director of the Bureau of Land Management to withdraw a rule of the Bureau of Land Management relating to conservation and landscape health, by a vote of 212 yeas to 202 noes, Roll No. 165.

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Rejected the Kamlager-Dove motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources, by a ye-and-nay vote of 204 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 164.

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Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 118–32 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill.

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H. Res. 1173, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 615), (H.R. 2925), (H.R. 3195), (H.R. 764), (H.R. 3397), (H.R. 6285), and (H.R. 6090) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 209 yeas to 205 noes, Roll No. 163, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 162.

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Protecting Access for Hunters and Anglers Act: The House passed H.R. 615, to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture from prohibiting the use of lead ammunition or tackle on certain Federal land or water under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture, by a ye-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 167.

Pages H2735–40, H2750–51

Rejected the Dingell motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources, by a ye-and-nay vote of 204 yeas to 211 nays, Roll No. 166.

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H. Res. 1173, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 615), (H.R. 2925), (H.R. 3195), (H.R. 764), (H.R. 3397), (H.R. 6285), and (H.R. 6090) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 209 yeas to 205 noes, Roll No. 163, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 162.

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Trust the Science Act: The House passed H.R. 764, to require the Secretary of the Interior to re-issue regulations removing the gray wolf from the list of endangered and threatened wildlife under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, by a recorded vote of 209 yeas to 205 noes, Roll No. 169.

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Rejected the Huffman motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources, by a ye-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 168.

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H. Res. 1173, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 615), (H.R. 2925), (H.R. 3195), (H.R. 764), (H.R. 3397), (H.R. 6285), and (H.R. 6090) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 209 yeas to 205 noes, Roll No. 163, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 162.

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Superior National Forest Restoration Act: The House passed H.R. 3195, to rescind Public Land Order 7917, to reinstate mineral leases and permits in the Superior National Forest, to ensure timely review of Mine Plans of Operations, by a ye-and-nay vote of 212 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 171.

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Rejected the McCollum motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources, by a ye-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 170.

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H. Res. 1173, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 615), (H.R. 2925), (H.R. 3195), (H.R. 764), (H.R. 3397), (H.R. 6285), and (H.R. 6090) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 209 yeas to 205 noes, Roll No. 163, after the previous question was ordered by a ye-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 162.

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Discharge Petition: Representative Steube presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 961) entitled, a resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5863) to provide tax relief with respect to certain Federal disasters (Discharge Petition No. 11).

Quorum Calls—Votes: Fourteen yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2712, H2712–13, H2713–14, H2714, H2714–15, H2715–16, H2716, H2717, H2717–18, H2749, H2749–50, H2750, H2751, H2751–52, H2752, H2752–53, and H2753–54.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Environmental Protection Agency. Testimony was heard from Michael S. Regan, Administrator, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and Faisal Amin, Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES FORCES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. National Guard and Reserves Forces. Testimony was heard from General Daniel R. Hokanson, Chief of the National Guard Bureau, Department of Defense; Lieutenant General Jody J. Daniels, Chief of Army Reserve and Commanding General, U.S. Army Reserve Command; Vice Admiral John Mustin, Chief of Navy Reserve, Department of the Navy; Lieutenant General Leonard F. Anderson IV, Commander, Marine Forces Reserve, Department of the Navy; and Lieutenant General John P. Healy, Chief of Air Force Reserve, Department of the Air Force.

APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a budget hearing on the U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Testimony was heard from Troy Miller, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies held a budget hearing on the Department of Transportation. Testimony was heard from Pete Buttigieg, Secretary, Department of Transportation.

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives McGovern and Ruiz.

APPROPRIATIONS—CYBERSECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY AGENCY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Homeland Security held a budget hearing on the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Testimony was heard from Jen Easterly, Director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

APPROPRIATIONS—U.S. AIR FORCE AND U.S. SPACE FORCE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a budget hearing on the U.S. Air Force and U.S. Space Force. Testimony was heard from Frank Kendall III, Secretary, Department of the Air Force; General David W. Allvin, Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and General B. Chance Saltzman, Chief of Space Operations, U.S. Space Force.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Department of Defense Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Request”. Testimony was heard from Lloyd J. Austin III, Secretary, Department of Defense; and General Charles Q. Brown, Jr., Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET REQUEST FOR MILITARY READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness held a hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Request for Military Readiness”. Testimony was heard from General James J. Mingus, Vice Chief of Staff of the Army, Department of the Army; Admiral James W. Kilby, Vice Chief of Naval Operations, Department of the Navy; General Christopher J. Mahoney, Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps, U.S. Marine Corps; General James C. Slife, Vice Chief of Staff, Department of the Air Force; and General Michael A. Guetlein, Vice Chief of Space Operations, U.S. Space Force.

FY25 BUDGET REQUEST FOR NUCLEAR FORCES AND ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing entitled “FY25 Budget

Request for Nuclear Forces and Atomic Energy Defense Activities”. Testimony was heard from William LaPlante, Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Department of Defense; Jill Hruby, Under Secretary of Energy for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy, and Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration; Vipin Narang, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Space Policy, Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Policy; Vice Admiral Johnny Wolfe, Jr., Director of Strategic Systems Programs, Department of the Navy; and Lieutenant General Andrew Gebara, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, Department of the Air Force.

LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS TO INCREASE MEDICAID ACCESS AND IMPROVE PROGRAM INTEGRITY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals to Increase Medicaid Access and Improve Program Integrity”. Testimony was heard from Daniel Tsai, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Medicaid and Children’s Health Insurance Program Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services.

PRESERVING AMERICANS’ ACCESS TO AM RADIO

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Innovation, Data, and Commerce held a hearing entitled “Preserving Americans’ Access to AM Radio”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 7592, a bill to replace the requirement for the Library of Congress to prepare hardbound versions of the Constitution Annotated and supplements with a requirement to instead prepare and publish digital versions online; H.R. 7593, the “Modernizing the Congressional Research Service’s Access to Data Act”; Committee Resolution 118–33, Resolution to Approve Allocation from the Paid House Committee Internship Program to Committees for 2024; and Committee Resolution 118–34, Resolution to Amend the Members’ Congressional Handbook (authorizing co-sponsored constituent service events and making other Handbook revisions). H.R. 7592, H.R. 7593, Committee Resolution 118–33, and Committee Resolution 118–34 were ordered reported, without amendment.

OVERREACH: AN EXAMINATION OF FEDERAL STATUTORY AND REGULATORY CRIMES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance held a hearing entitled “Overreach: An Examination of Federal Statutory and Regulatory Crimes”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE INFLUENCE OF EXTREME ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVIST GROUPS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Examining the Influence of Extreme Environmental Activist Groups in the Department of the Interior”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs held a hearing on H.R. 2687, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to aged, blind, or disabled Alaska Natives or descendants of Alaska Natives from being used to determine eligibility for certain programs, and for other purposes; and H.R. 7516, the “Purchased and Referred Care Improvement Act of 2024”. Testimony was heard from Melanie Egorin, Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

A FOCUS ON MANAGEMENT: OVERSIGHT OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Focus on Management: Oversight of the Office of Management and Budget”. Testimony was heard from Jason Miller, Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget.

HEALTH OF THE COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE MARKETS AND REMOVING REGULATORY HURDLES TO ENSURE CONTINUED STRENGTH

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services held a hearing entitled “Health of the Commercial Real Estate Markets and Removing Regulatory Hurdles to Ensure Continued Strength”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

AN OVERVIEW OF THE BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR THE NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “An Overview of the Budget Proposal for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for Fiscal Year 2025”. Testimony was heard from Bill Nelson, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

UNDER THE MICROSCOPE: EXAMINING FINCEN’S IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CORPORATE TRANSPARENCY ACT

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Under the Microscope: Examining FinCEN’s Implementation of the Corporate Transparency Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IT’S ELECTRIC: A REVIEW OF FLEET ELECTRIFICATION EFFORTS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “It’s Electric: A Review of Fleet Electrification Efforts”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2025 MARITIME TRANSPORTATION BUDGET REQUESTS, PT. 1: MARITIME ADMINISTRATION AND FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Review of Fiscal Year 2025 Maritime Transportation Budget Requests, Pt. 1: Maritime Administration and Federal Maritime Commission”. Testimony was heard from Rear Admiral Lower Half Ann Phillips (Retired), Administrator, U.S. Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation; and Daniel B. Maffei, Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission.

PRESIDENT’S FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET REQUEST AND TREASURY GREEN BOOK WITH TREASURY SECRETARY YELLEN

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “President’s Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Request and Treasury Green Book with Treasury Secretary Yellen”. Testimony was heard from Janet Yellen, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

FY 2025 GENERAL DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM (GDIP) BUDGET REQUEST

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Defense Intelligence and Overhead Ar-

chitecture, hearing entitled “FY 2025 General Defense Intelligence Program (GDIP) Budget Request”. This hearing was closed.

FY 2025 CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY BUDGET REQUEST

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Central Intelligence Agency held a hearing entitled “FY 2025 Central Intelligence Agency Budget Request”. This hearing was closed.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D403)

H.R. 815, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024. Signed on April 24, 2024. (Public Law 118–50)

H.R. 4389, to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to make improvements to that Act. Signed on April 24, 2024. (Public Law 118–51)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 1, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for military construction and family housing, 10:30 a.m., SD–124.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 2 p.m., SD–192.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current readiness of the Joint Force, 2 p.m., SR–232A.

Subcommittee on Seapower, to hold hearings to examine Navy and Marine Corps investment programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2025 and the Future Years Defense Program, 4:30 p.m., SR–222.

Committee on the Budget: to hold hearings to examine Big Oil’s evolving efforts to avoid accountability for climate change, 9 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 275, to require the Federal

Communications Commission to establish a vetting process for prospective applicants for high-cost universal service program funding, S. 690, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to evaluate and consider the impact of the telecommunications network equipment supply chain on the deployment of universal service, S. 1291, to require that social media platforms verify the age of their users, prohibit the use of algorithmic recommendation systems on individuals under age 18, require parental or guardian consent for social media users under age 18, and prohibit users who are under age 13 from accessing social media platforms, S. 1570, to amend the Bottles and Breastfeeding Equipment Screening Act to require hygienic handling of breast milk and baby formula by security screening personnel of the Transportation Security Administration and personnel of private security companies providing security screening, S. 2086, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Grant Program, S. 2233, to ban the sale of products with a high concentration of sodium nitrite to individuals, S. 2714, to establish the National Artificial Intelligence Research Resource, S. 3277, to amend the Marine Debris Act to reauthorize the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, S. 3475, to amend title 49, United States Code, to allow the Secretary of Transportation to designate an authorized operator of the commercial driver's license information system, S. 3788, to reauthorize the National Landslide Preparedness Act, S. 3879, to require the Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology and the Administrator of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to develop a standard methodology for identifying the country of origin of red snapper imported into the United States, S. 4178, to establish artificial intelligence standards, metrics, and evaluation tools, to support artificial intelligence research, development, and capacity building activities, to promote innovation in the artificial intelligence industry by ensuring companies of all sizes can succeed and thrive, an original bill entitled, "Spectrum and National Security Act", and the nominations of Daniel B. Maffei, of New York, and Rebecca F. Dye, of North Carolina, both to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, and to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Patrick John Fuchs, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Samuel H. Slater, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, and routine lists in the Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 3738, to reauthorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, a Committee Resolution to rescind approval of lease prospectus by the General Services Administration identified as POH-01-CL22, and the nomination of Christopher T. Hanson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine hacking America's health care, focusing on assessing the

Change Healthcare cyber attack and what's next, 9 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine conflict and humanitarian emergency in Sudan; focusing on an urgent call to action, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

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Subcommittee on Homeland Security, budget hearing on the U.S. Coast Guard, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Indian Health Service, 10 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 10 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Arts and Humanities, 1 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on Army Military Construction and Family Housing, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Department of the Navy Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Request”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled “FY25 Budget Request for National Security Space Programs”, 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Workforce, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the Department of Labor”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy, Climate, and Grid Security, hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2025 Department of Energy Budget”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Examining the Change Healthcare Cyberattack”, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Monetary Policy, hearing entitled “Merger Policies of the Federal Banking Agencies”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on the Indo-Pacific, hearing entitled “From 1979 to 2024: Evaluating the Taiwan Relations Act and Assessing the Future of U.S.-Taiwan Relations”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled “Surveying CIRCIA: Sector Perspectives on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking”, 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government, hearing entitled “Hearing on the Weaponization of the Federal Government”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 743, the “Protect and Serve Act of 2023”; H.R. 354, the “LEOSA Reform Act”; H.R. 3325, the “Recruit and Retain Act”; and H.R. 8146, the “Police Our Borders Act”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Examining the President’s FY 2025 Budget Request for the Department of the Interior”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Accountability, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic, hearing entitled “A Hearing with the President of EcoHealth Alliance, Dr. Peter Daszak”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Disaster Mitigation: Reviewing the Effectiveness and Costs of FEMA’s Resilience Programs”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 705, the “Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act”; H.R. 2499, the “VA Supply Chain Management System Authorization Act”; H.R. 2911, the “Fairness for

Servicemembers and their Families Act of 2023”; H.R. 3225, the “BUILD for Veterans Act”; H.R. 4424, the “Vietnam Veterans Liver Fluke Cancer Study Act”; H.R. 5794, the “VA Peer Review Neutrality Act”; H.R. 5870, the “Veteran Appeals Transparency Act of 2024”; H.R. 6324, the “FY24 VA Major Medical Facility Authorization Act”; H.R. 6373, the “Veterans STAND Act”; H.R. 6452, the “Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Act”; H.R. 6531, the “TRAIN VA Employees Act”; H.R. 6538, the “VA Correct Compensation Act”; H.R. 6874, the “VA WEB Act”; H.R. 7100, the “Prioritizing Veterans’ Survivors Act”; H.R. 7150, the “Survivor Benefits Delivery Improvement Act of 2024”; H.R. 7323, the “Montgomery GI Bill Selected Reserves Tuition Fairness Act”; H.R. 7342, the “Veterans Accessibility Advisory Committee Act”; H.R. 7347, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to report on whether the Secretary will include certain psychedelic drugs in the formulary of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 7643, the “Veterans Congressional Work Study Act of 2024”; H.R. 7653, the “Veterans Employment Readiness Yield Act of 2024”; H.R. 7734, the “Personnel Integrity in Veterans Affairs Act”; H.R. 7777, the “Veterans’ Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2024”; H.R. 7816, the “Clear Communications for Veterans Claims Act”; Lease Resolutions; and a Subpoena Resolution, 10:15 a.m., 360 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on National Security Agency, hearing entitled “FY 2025 National Security Agency Budget Request”, 2 p.m., HVC-304. This hearing is closed.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 1 through May 3, 2024

Senate Chamber

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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: May 1, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for military construction and family housing, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

May 1, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for the Environmental Protection Agency, 2 p.m., SD-192.

May 2, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-192.

May 2, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025, and fiscal year 2026 advance appropriations requests, for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: May 1, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current readiness of the Joint Force, 2 p.m., SR-232A.

May 1, Subcommittee on Seapower, to hold hearings to examine Navy and Marine Corps investment programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2025 and the Future Years Defense Program, 4:30 p.m., SR-222.

May 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine worldwide threats; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: May 2, to hold hearings to examine how shrinkflation and technology impact consumers' finances, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: May 1, to hold hearings to examine Big Oil's evolving efforts to avoid accountability for climate change, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: May 1, business meeting to consider S. 275, to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a vetting process for prospective applicants for high-cost universal service program funding, S. 690, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to evaluate and consider the impact of the telecommunications network equipment supply chain on the deployment of universal service, S. 1291, to require that social media platforms verify the age of their users, prohibit the use of algorithmic recommendation systems on individuals under age 18, require parental or guardian consent for social media users under age 18, and prohibit users who are under age 13 from accessing social media platforms, S. 1570, to amend the Bottles and Breastfeeding Equipment Screening Act to require hygienic handling of breast milk and baby formula by security screening personnel of the Transportation Security Administration and personnel of private security companies providing security screening, S. 2086, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Grant Program, S. 2233, to ban the sale of products with a high concentration of sodium nitrite to individuals, S. 2714, to establish the National Artificial Intelligence Research Resource, S. 3277, to amend the Marine Debris Act to reauthorize the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, S. 3475, to amend title 49, United States Code, to allow the Secretary of Transpor-

tation to designate an authorized operator of the commercial driver's license information system, S. 3788, to reauthorize the National Landslide Preparedness Act, S. 3879, to require the Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology and the Administrator of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to develop a standard methodology for identifying the country of origin of red snapper imported into the United States, S. 4178, to establish artificial intelligence standards, metrics, and evaluation tools, to support artificial intelligence research, development, and capacity building activities, to promote innovation in the artificial intelligence industry by ensuring companies of all sizes can succeed and thrive, an original bill entitled, "Spectrum and National Security Act", and the nominations of Daniel B. Maffei, of New York, and Rebecca F. Dye, of North Carolina, both to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, and to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Patrick John Fuchs, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Samuel H. Slater, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, and routine lists in the Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

May 2, Subcommittee on Communications, Media, and Broadband, to hold hearings to examine the future of broadband affordability, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: May 2, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2025 for the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: May 1, business meeting to consider S. 3738, to reauthorize the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, a Committee Resolution to rescind approval of lease prospectus by the General Services Administration identified as POH-01-CL22, and the nomination of Christopher T. Hanson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: May 1, to hold hearings to examine hacking America's health care, focusing on assessing the Change Healthcare cyber attack and what's next, 9 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: May 1, to hold hearings to examine conflict and humanitarian emergency in Sudan; focusing on an urgent call to action, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: May 2, to hold hearings to examine what Congress can do to address the severe shortage of minority health care professionals and the maternal health crisis, 10 a.m., SD-430.

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Committee on the Judiciary: May 2, business meeting to consider S. 1306, to reauthorize the COPS ON THE

BEAT grant program, S. 1979, to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration of disputes involving age discrimination, and the nominations of Kevin Gafford Ritz, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Brian Edward Murphy, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, Rebecca L. Pennell, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, and Jeannette A. Vargas, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

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(Senate will recess following the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Georgia N. Alexakis until 2 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, May 1

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H. Res. 1112—Denouncing the Biden administration's immigration policies. Consideration of H.R. 6090—Antisemitism Awareness Act. Consideration of H.R. 2925—Mining Regulatory Clarity Act of 2024. Consideration of H.R. 6285—Alaska's Right to Produce Act.

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