

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 3935, FAA Reauthorization Act, as amended.

Senate passed H.R. 8289, Airport Improvement Program and Airport and Airway Trust Fund Extension.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3629–S3667

Measures Introduced: Twenty-six bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4295–4320, and S. Res. 680–683. **Pages S3653–54**

Measures Reported:

S. 1560, to require the development of a comprehensive rural hospital cybersecurity workforce development strategy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 118–170)

S. 1835, to require the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security to develop a campaign program to raise awareness regarding the importance of cybersecurity in the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 118–171)

S. 2032, to require the reduction of the reliance and expenditures of the Federal Government on legacy information technology systems, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 118–172)

S. 2150, to establish an Interagency Council on Service to promote and strengthen opportunities for military service, national service, and public service for all people of the United States, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 118–173)

S. 3029, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase death gratuities and funeral allowances for Federal employees, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 118–174) **Page S3653**

Measures Passed:

FAA Reauthorization Act: By 88 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 162), Senate passed H.R. 3935, to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, by the order of the Senate

of Thursday, May 9, 2024, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and after taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto:

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Adopted:

Schumer (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 1911, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3629**

Withdrawn:

Schumer Amendment No. 2026 (to Amendment No. 1911), to add an effective date.

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Schumer Amendment No. 2040 (to the text of language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1911), to add an effective date.

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

By 84 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. 161), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on Schumer (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 1911 (listed above).

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Schumer motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 2027, to add an effective date, fell when cloture was invoked on Schumer (for Cantwell) Modified Amendment No. 1911 (listed above).

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Schumer Amendment No. 2028 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2027), to add an effective date, fell when Schumer motion to commit the bill to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, with instructions, Schumer Amendment No. 2027 (listed above) fell.

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Schumer Amendment No. 2029 (to Amendment No. 2028), to add an effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 2028 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 2027) (listed above) fell. **Page S3629**

Cantwell (for Schumer) Amendment No. 2041 (to Amendment No. 2040), to add an effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 2040 (to the text of language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 1911) (listed above) was withdrawn. **Page S3633**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture on the bill, be withdrawn. **Page S3633**

Airport Improvement Program and Airport and Airway Trust Fund Extension: Senate passed H.R. 8289, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund. **Page S3665**

Authorizing the Use of the Capitol Grounds: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 83, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition. **Page S3667**

Dustoff Crews of the Vietnam War Congressional Gold Medal: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2825, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the United States Army Dustoff crews of the Vietnam War, collectively, in recognition of their extraordinary heroism and life-saving actions in Vietnam, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S3666**

Schumer (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 2066, in the nature of a substitute.

National Specialized Instructional Support Personnel Appreciation Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 683, supporting the designation of the week of April 29 through May 3, 2024, as “National Specialized Instructional Support Personnel Appreciation Week”. **Page S3667**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Schatz be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from Thursday, May 9, 2024 through Monday, May 13, 2024.

O'Donnell Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Courtney Diesel O'Donnell, of California, to be United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, with the rank of Ambassador. **Page S3646**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agree-

ment of Thursday, May 9, 2024, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14, 2024.

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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 S3646**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m., on Tuesday, May 14, 2024; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed on Thursday, May 9, 2024 ripen at 5:30 p.m.

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

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Courtney Diesel O'Donnell, of California, to be United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, with the rank of Ambassador.

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Aframe Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Seth Robert Aframe, of New Hampshire, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit. **Page S3646**

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 Sanket Jayshukh Bulsara, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. **Page S3646**

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Shannon A. Estenoz, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Jeffrey Samuel Arbeit, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Cathy Fung, of California, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Benjamin A. Guider III, of Louisiana, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Christopher J. Lamora, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Central African Republic.

David Slayton Meale, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—162) Pages S3632, S3645

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:02 p.m., until 6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3667.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DOL

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 Labor, after receiving

testimony from Julie Su, Acting Secretary of Labor.

CONSUMER PROTECTION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine consumer protection, focusing on examining fees in financial services and rental housing, including S. 3264, to establish a manufactured housing community improvement grant program, after receiving testimony from Adam Rust, Consumer Federation of America, and Santiago Sueiro, UnidosUS, both of Washington, D.C.; and Karen Madry, Afena Federal Credit Union, Marion, Indiana, on behalf of America's Credit Unions.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John N. Nkengasong, of Georgia, to be Ambassador-At-Large for Global Health Security and Diplomacy, Kristen Sarri, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs, who was introduced by Senator Reed, Elizabeth K. Horst, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka, Troy Fitrell, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Seychelles, and Kelly Adams-Smith, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

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.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet in Pro Forma session at 12:30 p.m. on Friday, May 10, 2024.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

6:30 p.m., Friday, May 10

Senate Chamber

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

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Friday, May 10

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 12:30 p.m.



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