

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

**Routine Proceedings, pages S3861–S3907**

**Measures Introduced:** Forty-one bills and fifteen resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4395–4435, S.J. Res. 89–90, and S. Res. 702–714.

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#### Measures Reported:

H.R. 7987, to require plain language and the inclusion of key words in covered notices that are clear, concise, and accessible to small business concerns.

S. 3772, to amend the Small Business Act to require that plain writing statements regarding the solicitation of subcontractors be included in certain subcontracting plans.

S. 3971, to amend the Small Business Act to require reporting on additional information with respect to small business concerns owned and controlled by women, qualified HUBZone small business concerns, and small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 4414, to improve the State Trade Expansion Program of the Small Business Administration.

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#### Measures Passed:

**National Parkinson's Project:** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2365, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to carry out a national project to prevent, diagnose, treat, and cure Parkinson's, to be known as the National Parkinson's Project, and the bill was then passed.

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**Promoting a Resolution to the Tibet-China Dispute Act:** Senate passed S. 138, to amend the Tibetan Policy Act of 2002 to modify certain provisions of that Act, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**National Foster Care Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 706, recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the chal-

lenges of children in the foster care system, and encouraging Congress to implement policies to improve the lives of children in the foster care system.

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**Jewish American Heritage Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 707, recognizing the significance of Jewish American Heritage Month as a time to celebrate the contributions of Jewish Americans to the society and culture of the United States.

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**Gila Wilderness 100th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 708, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the designation of the Gila Wilderness.

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**Older Americans Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 712, designating May 2024 as "Older Americans Month".

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#### Measures Considered:

**Border Act:** Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 4361, making emergency supplemental appropriations for border security and combatting fentanyl for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024.

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

By 43 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. EX. 182), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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#### Appointments:

**British-American Interparliamentary Group Conference:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, as amended, appointed the following Senator as Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group Conference during the 118th Congress: Senator Whitehouse.

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**British-American Interparliamentary Group Conference:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, and upon the recommendation of the Republican Leader, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2761, as

amended, appointed the following Senator as Vice Chairman of the Senate Delegation to the British-American Interparliamentary Group Conference during the 118th Congress: Senator Boozman.

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**Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Friday, May 24, 2024, at 10 a.m.; Tuesday, May 28, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.; and Friday, May 31, 2024 at 4:30 p.m.; and that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, May 31, 2024, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, June 3, 2024.

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, notice of the intent to designate Kenya as a Major Non-NATO Ally; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM-55)

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**Hanson Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Christopher T. Hanson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, May 23, 2024, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 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 Legislative Session.

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

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, June 3, 2024; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of Thursday, May 23, 2024 ripen at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 2024.

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**Bosier Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Tanya Monique Jones Bosier, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

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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 T. Hanson, of Michigan, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

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**Pipe Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Judith E. Pipe, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

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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 Tanya Monique Jones Bosier, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

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

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**Sullivan Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Stephanie Sanders Sullivan, of Maryland, to be Representative of the United States of America to the African Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador.

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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 Judith E. Pipe, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

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**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 56 yeas to 39 nays (Vote No. EX. 181), Melissa Griffin Dalton, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.

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3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.  
10 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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

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**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

William Isaac White, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2028.

Rebecca L. Heinrichs, of Ohio, to be a Member of the United States Advisory Commission on Public Diplomacy for a term expiring July 1, 2024.

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Stephanie E. Segal, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund for a term of two years.

Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2029.

Joshua L. Ditelberg, of Illinois, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2027.

Bethany Pickett Shah, of Texas, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2025.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

4 Army nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard and Navy.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Nelson W. Cunningham, of the District of Columbia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Western Hemisphere, Europe, the Middle East, Labor, and Environment), with the rank of Ambassador, which was sent to the Senate on January 11, 2024.

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**Messages from the House:**

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**Amendments Submitted:**

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**Privileges of the Floor:**

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**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—182)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:01 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, May 24, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3905.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### APPROPRIATIONS: NASA AND NSF

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and for the National Science Foundation, after receiving testimony from Bill Nelson, Administrator, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; and Sethuraman Panchanathan, Director, National Science Foundation.

### APPROPRIATIONS: NIH

*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 National Institutes of Health, after receiving testimony from Monica M. Bertagnolli, Director, W. Kimryn Rathmell, Director, National Cancer Institute, Jeanne Marrazzo, Director, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Nora D. Volkow, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Richard J. Hodes, Director, National Institute on Aging, and Gary H. Gibbons, Director, National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute, all of the National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services.

### APPROPRIATIONS: INDIAN COUNTRY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2025 for Indian Country, after receiving testimony from Roselyn Tso, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; and Bryan Newland, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs.

### FENTANYL CRISIS

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the front lines of the fentanyl crisis, focusing on supporting communities and combating addiction through prevention and treatment, after

receiving testimony from Tony Vezina, 4D Recovery, Portland, Oregon; Abigail J. Herron, The Institute for Family Health, New York, New York; Caleb Banta-Green, University of Washington Addictions, Drug and Alcohol Institute, Seattle; and Jeanmarie Perrone, University of Pennsylvania Center for Addiction Medicine And Policy, Philadelphia.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 3679, to reauthorize the Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3765, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children program;

S. 4351, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize certain poison control programs;

S. 3775, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the BOLD Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4325, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program relating to lifespan respite care;

S. 3757, to reauthorize the congenital heart disease research, surveillance, and awareness program of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4045, to require a study on public health impacts as a consequence of the February 3, 2023, train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Stephen H. Ravas, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Corporation for National and Community Service.

### OLDER AMERICANS ACT

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Older Americans Act, focusing on the local impact of the law and the upcoming reauthorization, after receiving testimony from Mairead Painter, Connecticut State Long-Term Care Ombudsman, Hartford, on behalf of the National Association of State Long-Term Care Ombudsman Programs; Laura Holscher, Vincennes University Generations Area Agency on Aging, Vincennes, Indiana; Leslie T. Grenfell, Southwestern Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging, Inc., Charleroi; and Janet Billotte, West Decatur, Pennsylvania.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 51 public bills, H.R. 8516–8566; and 18 resolutions, H.J. Res. 153–160; H. Con. Res. 108–109 and H. Res. 1253–1260, were introduced. **Pages H3520–23**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H3526–27**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 7630, to require a plan to improve the cybersecurity and telecommunications of the U.S. Academic Research Fleet, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–521);

H.R. 7685, to strengthen and enhance the competitiveness of American industry through the research and development of advanced technologies to improve the efficiency of cement, concrete, and asphalt production, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–522);

H.R. 555, to amend the Defense Production Act of 1950 to ensure the supply of certain medical materials essential to national defense, and for other

purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–523); and

H.R. 1166, to enhance authorities under the Defense Production Act of 1950 to respond to the public health emergencies, to provide additional oversight of such authorities, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–524). **Page H3520**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Malloy to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3487**

**CBDC Anti-Surveillance State Act:** The House passed H.R. 5403, to amend the Federal Reserve Act to prohibit the Federal reserve banks from offering certain products or services directly to an individual, to prohibit the use of central bank digital currency for monetary policy, by a recorded vote of 216 ayes to 192 noes, Roll No. 230. **Pages H3496–H3907**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. **Page H3497**

**Agreed to:**

Ogles amendment (No. 1 printed in part C of H. Rept. 118–516) that adds a sense of Congress that the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee should not be permitted to develop, create, or implement a central bank digital currency, or use any such tool to implement monetary policy (by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 176 noes, Roll No. 227; **Pages H3504–07**

Mooney amendment (No. 2 printed in part C of H. Rept. 118–516) that prohibits the Federal Reserve’s Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC) pilot programs (by a recorded vote of 206 ayes to 193 noes, Roll No. 228); and **Pages H3505–06, H3507–08**

Davidson amendment (No. 3 printed in part C of H. Rept. 118–516) that ensures the Federal Reserve Bank cannot design, build, develop, establish, or issue a CBDC (by a recorded vote of 212 ayes to 195 noes, Roll No. 229). **Pages H3506, H3508**

H. Res. 1243, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4763), (H.R. 5403), and (H.R. 192) was agreed to yesterday, May 22nd. Prohibiting individuals who are not citizens of the United States from voting in elections in the District of Columbia: The House H.R. 192, to prohibit individuals who are not citizens of the United States from voting in elections in the District of Columbia, by a recorded vote of 262 ayes to 143 noes, Roll No. 232.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To prohibit individuals who are not citizens of the United States from voting in elections in the District of Columbia and to repeal the Local Resident Voting Rights Amendment Act of 2022.”. **Pages H3489–96**

Rejected the Garcia motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Oversight and Accountability, by a yea-and-nay vote of 195 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 231. **Pages H3509–10**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Oversight and Accountability now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H3489–96**

H. Res. 1243, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4763), (H.R. 5403), and (H.R. 192) was agreed to yesterday, May 22nd.

**Work Period Designation:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated the period from Thursday, May 23, 2024, through Sunday, June 2, 2024, as a “district work period” under section 3(z) of House Resolution 5. **Page H3511**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of his intent to designate Kenya as a Major Non-NATO Ally—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 118–144). **Page H3489**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3507, H3507–08, H3508, H3509, H3509–10 and H3510–11.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Agriculture:* Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 8467, the “Farm, Food, and National Security Act of 2024”.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a markup on the Subcommittee on Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 2025. The Subcommittee on Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill, FY 2025 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Full Committee held a markup on the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2025; and the report on the Interim Suballocation of the Budget Allocations for FY 2025. The Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2025 was ordered reported, without amendment. The report on the Interim Suballocation of the Budget Allocations for FY 2025 was ordered reported, as amended.

### BREAKING UP HEALTH CARE MONOPOLIES: EXAMINING THE BUDGETARY EFFECTS OF HEALTH CARE CONSOLIDATION

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Breaking Up Health Care Monopolies: Examining the Budgetary Effects of Health Care Consolidation”. Testimony was heard from Chapin White, Director of Health Analysis, Congressional Budget Office; and public witnesses.

### CALLING FOR ACCOUNTABILITY: STOPPING ANTISEMITIC COLLEGE CHAOS

*Committee on Education and Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Calling for Accountability: Stopping Antisemitic College Chaos”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Innovation, Data, and Commerce held a markup on legislation on the American Privacy Rights Act; H.R. 7891, the “Kids Online Safety Act”; and H.R. 8449, the “AM Radio for Every Vehicle Act”. H.R. 7891, H.R. 8449, and legislation on the American

Privacy Rights Act were forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

#### **FISCAL YEAR 2025 BUDGET REQUEST FOR NEAR EASTERN AFFAIRS**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia held a hearing entitled “Fiscal Year 2025 Budget Request for Near Eastern Affairs”. Testimony was heard from Barbara A. Leaf, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State; and Jeanne Pryor, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Middle East Bureau, U.S. Agency for International Development.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on House Administration:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 8281, the “Safeguard American Voter Eligibility Act”; and H.R. 8399, the “Preventing Foreign Interference in American Elections Act”. H.R. 8281 and H.R. 8399 were ordered reported, as amended.

#### **OVERSIGHT OF THE BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives”. Testimony was heard from Steven Dettelbach, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, Department of Justice.

#### **EXAMINING THE PRESIDENT’S FY 2025 BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT, THE BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT, AND THE OFFICE OF NATURAL RESOURCES REVENUE**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Examining the President’s FY 2025 Budget Request for the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, and the Office of Natural Resources Revenue”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of the Interior officials: Howard Cantor, Director, Office of Natural Resources Revenue; Elizabeth

Klein, Director, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management; and Kevin M. Sligh, Director, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement.

#### **OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Energy”. Testimony was heard from Jennifer Granholm, Secretary, Department of Energy.

#### **REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2025 MARITIME TRANSPORTATION BUDGET REQUESTS, PT 2: THE COAST GUARD**

*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 2: The Coast Guard”. Testimony was heard from Admiral Linda L. Fagan, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; and Master Chief Heath B. Jones, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard, U.S. Coast Guard.

#### **THE COLLAPSE OF PRIVATE PRACTICE: EXAMINING THE CHALLENGES FACING INDEPENDENT MEDICINE**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “The Collapse of Private Practice: Examining the Challenges Facing Independent Medicine”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 24, 2024**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

##### **House**

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Friday, May 24

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11 a.m., Friday, May 24

Senate Chamber

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

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11 a.m.

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