

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4161–S4204

Measures Introduced: Thirty-five bills and ten resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4595–4629, S.J. Res. 100, and S. Res. 742–750. **Pages S4179–80**

Measures Passed:

Fort Belknap Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Act: Committee on Indian Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1987, to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S4171–72**

Tester/Daines Amendment No. 2074, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4172**

Winnebago Land Transfer Act: Senate passed H.R. 1240, to transfer administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal lands from the Army Corps of Engineers to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, to take such lands into trust for the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. **Page S4172**

Unleashing American Innovators Act Technical Correction: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 3960, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide a good faith exception to the imposition of fines for false assertions and certifications, and the bill was then passed. **Page S4198**

National Pollinator Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 747, recognizing the importance of pollinators to ecosystem health and agriculture in the United States by designating June 16 through June 22, 2024, as “National Pollinator Week”. **Page S4198**

Appointments:

Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to 14 U.S.C. 194(a), as amended by Public Law 101–595, and further amended by Public Law 113–281, and upon the recommendation of the Majority Leader, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Coast Guard Academy: Senator Cantwell, Committee on Commerce,

Science, and Transportation; and Senator Blumenthal, At Large.

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Authorizing Leadership to Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President Pro Tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate. **Page S4199**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senators Warner, Kaine, Cardin, and Van Hollen be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from Thursday, June 20, 2024 to Monday, July 8, 2024.

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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, June 21, 2024, at 6:30 a.m.; Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at 11:30 a.m.; Friday, June 28, 2024, at 12 noon; Tuesday, July 2, 2024, at 12 noon; and Friday, July 5, 2024, at 9 a.m.; and that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, July 5, 2024, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2024.

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Maldonado Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Nancy L. Maldonado, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit. **Pages S4161–68**

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

By 43 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. EX. 202), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S4173–74**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, July 8, 2024, Senate resume consideration of the

nomination, post-cloture, and that all time be considered expired at 5:30 p.m.; and that motions to invoke cloture filed during today's session ripen on Tuesday, July 9, 2024.

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Lee Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Patricia L. Lee, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board.

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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 Nancy L. Maldonado, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

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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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Meriweather Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Robin Michelle Meriweather, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

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Willoughby, Jr. Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Charles J. Willoughby, Jr., 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 Robin Michelle Meriweather, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 45 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. EX. 201), 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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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy, and Space Force.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional Statements:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—202)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:15 p.m., until 6:30 a.m. on Friday, June 21, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4199.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CHALLENGES FACING PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the immediate and long-term challenges facing public school teachers, focusing on low pay, teacher shortages, and underfunded public schools, after receiving testimony from John Arthur, Meadowlark Elementary, Holladay, Utah; Gemayel Keyes, Gilbert Spruance Elementary School, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; William E. Kirwan, Maryland's Accountability and Implementation Board, Rockville; Robert Pondiscio, American Enterprise Institute, Medusa, New York; and Nicole Neily, Parents Defending Education, Arlington, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Karla M. Campbell, of Tennessee, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Julia M. Lipez, of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the

First Circuit, who was introduced by Senator King, Catherine Henry, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, who was introduced by Senator Casey, and Mary Kay Lanthier,

to be United States District Judge for the District of Vermont, who was introduced by Senator Sanders, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m. on Friday, June 21, 2024.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

FOREIGN AGENTS LAWS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on the proliferation of Russian-style foreign agents laws from Jasmine D.

Cameron, American Bar Association Center for Human Rights; Lincoln Mitchell, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs; and Martina Hrvolova, Friends of Slovakia.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 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 a.m., Friday, June 21

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
9 a.m., Friday, June 21

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 9 a.m.



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