

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

The House and Senate met for the Inauguration of President Donald J. Trump, and Vice President J.D. Vance.

Senate passed S. 5, Laken Riley Act, as amended.

Senate confirmed the nomination of Marco Rubio, of Florida, to be Secretary of State.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S245–S259*

**Measures Introduced:** Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 152–153 **Page S252**

#### Measures Passed:

**Laken Riley Act:** By 64 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 7), Senate passed S. 5, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to take into custody aliens who have been charged in the United States with theft, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S246–251**

#### Adopted:

By 75 yeas to 24 nays (Vote No. 6), Thune (for Ernst/Grassley) Amendment No. 8, to include crimes resulting in death or serious bodily injury to the list of offenses that, if committed by an inadmissible alien, require mandatory detention. **Page S250**

#### Measures Considered:

**Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 6, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion. **Page S258**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, January 22, 2025.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to

proceed to consideration of the bill at approximately 11 a.m., on Tuesday, January 21, 2025. **Page S258**

**Letters of Resignation—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the letters from Senator Rubio regarding his resignation from the Senate be printed in the Record.

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**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By a unanimous vote of 99 yeas (Vote No. EX. 8), Marco Rubio, of Florida, to be Secretary of State.

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

Scott Bessent, of South Carolina, to be Secretary of the Treasury.

Keith Bass, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Pamela Bondi, of Florida, to be Attorney General.

Jayanta Bhattacharya, of California, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health.

Douglas Burgum, of North Dakota, to be Secretary of the Interior.

James Bishop, of North Carolina, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Lori Chavez-DeRemer, of Oregon, to be Secretary of Labor.

Frank Bisignano, of New Jersey, to be Commissioner of Social Security.

Douglas Collins, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

Todd Blanche, of Florida, to be Deputy Attorney General.

Sean Duffy, of Wisconsin, to be Secretary of Transportation.

Adam Boehler, of Tennessee, to be Special Presidential Envoy for Hostage Affairs.

Peter Hegseth, of Tennessee, to be Secretary of Defense.

Samuel Brown, of Nevada, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Memorial Affairs.

Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Walter Clayton, of New York, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York for the term of four years.

Howard Lutnick, of New York, to be Secretary of Commerce.

Elbridge Colby, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

Linda McMahon, of Connecticut, to be Secretary of Education.

Monica Crowley, of New York, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service.

Kristi Noem, of South Dakota, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

Harmeet Dhillon, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Brooke Rollins, of Texas, to be Secretary of Agriculture.

Daniel Driscoll, of North Carolina, to be Secretary of the Army.

Marco Rubio, of Florida, to be Secretary of State.

Michael Duffy, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.

Eric Turner, of Texas, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Troy Edgar, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security.

Christopher Wright, of Colorado, to be Secretary of Energy.

Michael Faulkender, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.

Tulsi Gabbard, of Hawaii, to be Director of National Intelligence.

Stephen Feinberg, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense.

Jamieson Greer, of Maryland, to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

David Fink, of New Hampshire, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration.

Kelly Loeffler, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Paul Atkins, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 5, 2026.

John Ratcliffe, of Texas, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Dario Gil, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Science, Department of Energy.

Elise Stefanik, of New York, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations.

Preston Griffith, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Energy.

Elise Stefanik, of New York, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Jacob Helberg, of Florida, to be an Under Secretary of State (Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment).

Russell Vought, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

Dudley Hoskins, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Marketing and Regulatory Programs.

Lee Zeldin, of New York, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Jared Isaacman, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Scott Kapor, of California, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management for a term of four years.

Christopher Landau, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

Luke Lindberg, of South Dakota, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs.

William Long, of Missouri, to be Commissioner of Internal Revenue for the remainder of the term expiring November 12, 2027.

Martin Makary, of Virginia, to be Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Department of Health and Human Services.

Mark Meador, of Virginia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 2024.

Troy Meink, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Air Force.

Emil Michael, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering.

Janette Nesheiwat, of New York, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of four years.

James O'Neill, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Mehmet Oz, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Kashyap Patel, of Nevada, to be Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for a term of ten years.

John Phelan, of Florida, to be Secretary of the Navy.

Aaron Reitz, of Texas, to be an Assistant Attorney General vice Hampton Y. Dellinger.

Michael Rigas, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources.

Dean Sauer, of Missouri, to be Solicitor General of the United States.

Rodney Scott, of Oklahoma, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

Abigail Slater, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Keith Sonderling, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor.

Stephen Vaden, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Secretary of Agriculture.

David Weldon, of Florida, to be Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Brandon Williams, of New York, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security. **Pages S258–259**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** **Page S252**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page S252**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S252**

**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—8) **Pages S250, S252**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 4:30 p.m. and adjourned at 6:53 p.m., until 11 a.m. on Tuesday,

January 21, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S258.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Peter Hegseth, of Tennessee, to be Secretary of Defense.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Marco Rubio, of Florida, to be Secretary of State.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Kristi Noem, of South Dakota, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, and Russell Vought, of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of John Ratcliffe, of Texas, to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 12 public bills, H.R. 557–568, were introduced. **Page H231**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H232**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Foxx to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H225**

**Member Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative Waltz, wherein he resigned as Representative for the Sixth Congressional District of Florida, effective today, January 20, 2025. **Page H225**

**Whole Number of the House:** The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resigna-

tion of the gentleman from Florida, Mr. Waltz, the whole number of the House is 433. **Page H225**

**Inauguration Ceremonies:** Pursuant to H. Res. 43, the House proceeded in a body to the Inauguration Ceremony for President Donald Trump and Vice President J.D. Vance. **Pages H225–226**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2025

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Finance:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Scott Bessent, of South Carolina, to be Secretary of the Treasury, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Elise Stefanik, of New York, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambas-

sador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* organizational business meeting to consider committee rules for the 119th Congress, and other pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Douglas Collins, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

#### House

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 471, the "Fix Our Forests Act", 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

11 a.m., Tuesday, January 21

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Tuesday, January 21

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 6, Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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