

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

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## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2105–S2142*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-four bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1246–1269 **Pages S2139–40**

**Measures Passed:**

*National Emergency Related to Imported Articles from Canada:* By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 160), Senate passed S.J. Res. 37, terminating the national emergency declared to impose duties on articles imported from Canada, after the Committee on Finance was discharged from consideration. **Pages S2121–37**

Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S2121**

**Measures Considered:**

*Energy Conservation Program:* Senate began consideration of H.J. Res. 24, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Walk-In Coolers and Walk-In Freezers”, after agreeing to the motion to proceed. **Pages S2137–38**

Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 161), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Pages S2137–38**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 10 a.m., on Thursday, April 3, 2025, notwithstanding Rule XXII, Senate continue consideration of H.J. Res. 24, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Walk-In Coolers and Walk-In Freezers”; that all time be expired on

the joint resolution at 11 a.m., and Senate vote on passage of the joint resolution; that following disposition of H.J. Res. 24, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Dean Sauer, of Missouri, to be Solicitor General of the United States, post-cloture, and execute the order of the Senate of Wednesday, April 2, 2025, in relation to the nomination, and that following disposition of the nomination of Dean Sauer, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Mehmet Oz, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; that notwithstanding Rule XXII, it be in order for Senator Sanders to make two motions to discharge S.J. Res. 33, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Government of Israel of certain defense articles and services, and S.J. Res. 26, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to Israel of certain defense articles and services, and Senate vote on the motions to discharge in the order listed, if made, at 2:30 p.m.; that following disposition of the motion to discharge S.J. Res. 26, if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Mehmet Oz, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; and that following the vote on confirmation of the nomination of Mehmet Oz, Senate execute the order of the Senate of Wednesday, April 2, 2025, in relation to the nomination of Harmeet Dhillon, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Page S2137**

*Sauer Nomination:* Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Dean Sauer, of Missouri, to be Solicitor General of the United States. **Pages S2105–20**

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

By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 158), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S2120**

*Dhillon Nomination:* Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Harmeet Dhillon, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Page S2121**

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

By 52 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 159), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

**Pages S2120–21**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing, notwithstanding Rule XXII, that confirmation of the nominations of Dean Sauer, of Missouri, to be Solicitor General of the United States, and Harmeet Dhillon, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General, be at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, during the session of the Senate on Thursday, April 3, 2025.

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**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**

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**Record Votes:** Four record votes were taken today. (Total—161)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:04 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on Page S2142.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### SAFETY FIRST: RESTORING BOEING'S STATUS

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded hearing to examine restoring Boeing's status as a great American manufacturer, focusing on safety first, after receiving testimony from Robert K. Ortberg, The Boeing Company, Arlington, Virginia.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Katharine MacGregor, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, and James Danly, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, after the nominees testified and answered questions on their own behalf.

### SURFACE TRANSPORTATION REAUTHORIZATION

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine constructing the Surface Transportation Reauthorization bill, focusing on United States Secretary of Transportation's perspective, after receiving testimony from Sean P. Duffy, Secretary, Department of Transportation.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Frank Bisignano, of New Jersey, to be Commissioner of Social Security Administration.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Ronald Johnson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States, Mike Huckabee, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel, and Kevin Cabrera, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, all of the Department of State.

### OVERSIGHT: NATIVE AMERICAN EDUCATION

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Native American education, focusing on Federal programs at the Department of Education, after receiving testimony from Jason Dropik, National Indian Education Association, and Nicole Russell, National Association of Federally Impacted Schools, both of Washington, D.C.; Sydna Yellowfish, Edmond Public Schools, Edmond, Oklahoma; Rosita Kaahani Worl, Sealaska Heritage Institute, Juneau, Alaska; and Ahniwake Rose, American Indian Higher Education Consortium, Alexandria, Virginia.

### DISTRICT JUDGES

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded hearing to examine District Judges, focusing on exploring legislative solutions to the bipartisan problem of universal injunctions, after receiving testimony from Samuel L. Bray, Notre Dame Law School, Notre Dame, Indiana; and Stephen I. Vladick, Georgetown University Law Center, and Jesse Panuccio, Boies Schiller Flexner LLP, both of Washington, D.C.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of William Briggs, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator, and Casey Mulligan, of Illinois, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, both of the Small Business Administration.

**INTELLIGENCE**

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

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 2588–2615; and 5 resolutions, H.J. Res. 87–89; and H. Res. 290–291, were introduced.

**Pages H1411–12**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

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

**Oath of Office—First Congressional District of Florida:** Representative-elect Jimmy Patronis presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a copy of a letter received from Ms. Maria Matthews, Esquire, Director of Elections, with the Florida Department of State indicating that, according to the unofficial results for the Special General Election held on April 1, 2025, the Honorable Jimmy Patronis was elected Representative to Congress for the First Congressional District of Florida.

**Pages H1410–11**

**Oath of Office—Sixth Congressional District of Florida:** Representative-elect Randy Fine presented himself in the well of the House and was administered the Oath of Office by the Speaker. Earlier, the Clerk of the House transmitted a copy of a letter received from Ms. Maria Matthews, Esquire, Director of Elections, with the Florida Department of State indicating that, according to the unofficial results for the Special General Election held on April 1, 2025, the Honorable Randy Fine was elected Representative to Congress for the Sixth Congressional District of Florida.

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**Whole Number of the House:** The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlemen from Florida, the whole number of the House is 433. **Page H1410**

**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 6 p.m. and adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **OUTSIDE WITNESS DAY**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs held a hearing entitled “Outside Witness Day”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **APPROPRIATIONS—HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on the House of Representatives. Testimony was heard from the following House of Representatives officials: Catherine L. Szpindor, Chief Administrative Officer; Kevin F. McCumber, Clerk; William P. McFarland, Sergeant at Arms; Matthew Berry, General Counsel; Christen Stevenson, Acting Inspector General; Brian Lindsey, Law Revision Counsel; and Warren Burke, Legislative Counsel.

### **A HEALTHY WORKFORCE: EXPANDING ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY IN EMPLOYER-SPONSORED HEALTH CARE**

*Committee on Education and Workforce:* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “A Healthy Workforce: Expanding Access and Affordability in Employer-Sponsored Health Care”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2392, the “STABLE Act of 2025”; H.R. 2384, the “Financial Technology Protection Act of 2025”; H.R. 976, the “1071 Repeal to Protect Small Business Lending Act”; H.R. 1919, the “Anti-CBDC Surveillance State Act”; and H.R. 478, the “Promoting New Bank Formation Act”. H.R. 2392, H.R. 2384, H.R. 976, H.R. 1919, and H.R. 478 were ordered reported, as amended.

### **ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: EXAMINING TRENDS IN INNOVATION AND COMPETITION**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Administrative State, Regulatory Reform, and Antitrust

held a hearing entitled “Artificial Intelligence: Examining Trends in Innovation and Competition”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### INSIDE THE BIDEN FBI: WASTE, FRAUD, ABUSE, AND A BUREAU LEADERSHIP IN DECLINE

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “Inside the Biden FBI: Waste, Fraud, Abuse, and a Bureau Leadership in Decline”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### UNLEASHING THE GOLDEN AGE OF AMERICAN ENERGY DOMINANCE

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Unleashing the Golden Age of American Energy Dominance”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### SALT TYPHOON: SECURING AMERICA’S TELECOMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE-SPONSORED CYBER ATTACKS

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Military and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled “Salt Typhoon: Securing America’s Telecommunications from State-Sponsored Cyber Attacks”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### FUELING AMERICA’S FUTURE: HOW INVESTMENT EMPOWERS SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Fueling America’s Future: How Investment Empowers Small Business Growth”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2390, the “Maritime Supply Chain Security Act”; H.R. 2351, to direct the Commandant of the Coast Guard to update the policy of the Coast Guard regarding the use of medication to treat drug overdose, and for other purposes; H.R. 252, the “Secure Our Ports Act of 2025”; H.R. 2035, the “American Cargo for American Ships Act”; H.R. 188, the “Amtrak Transparency and Accountability for Passengers and Taxpayers Act”; H.R. 248, the “Baby Changing on Board Act”; H.R. 1373, the “Tennessee Valley Authority Transparency Act of 2025”; H.R. 1948, to authorize the International Boundary and Water Commission to accept funds for activities relating to wastewater treatment and flood control works, and for other purposes; and H. Res. 137, designating the House Press Gallery (Rooms H-315, H-316,

H-317, H-318, and H-319 of the United States Capitol) as the “Frederick Douglass Press Gallery”. H.R. 2390, H.R. 2351, H.R. 2035, H.R. 248, and H.R. 1948 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 252, H.R. 188, H.R. 1373, and H. Res. 137 were ordered reported, as amended.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, APRIL 3, 2025

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the posture of the United States European Command and United States Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2026 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Paul Atkins, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Jonathan Gould, of Virginia, to be Comptroller of the Currency, and Luke Pettit, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, and Marcus Molinaro, of New York, to be Federal Transit Administrator, Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Reed Rubenstein, of Maryland, to be Legal Adviser of the Department of State; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of David Perdue, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the People’s Republic of China, and Monica Crowley, of New York, to be Chief of Protocol, and to have the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service, both of the Department of State, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Scott Kupor, of California, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Eric Matthew Ueland, of Virginia, to be Deputy Director for Management, Office of Management and Budget, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 527, to require the Federal Trade Commission to study the role of intermediaries in the pharmaceutical supply chain and provide Congress with appropriate policy recommendations, S. 1040, to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to prohibit product hopping, S. 1041, to amend title 35, United States Code, to address the infringement of patents that claim biological products, S. 1097, to amend title 35, United States Code, to establish an interagency task force between the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the Food and Drug Administration for purposes of sharing information and providing technical assistance with respect to patents, S.

1095, to enable the Federal Trade Commission to deter filing of sham citizen petitions to cover an attempt to interfere with approval of a competing generic drug or biosimilar, to foster competition, and facilitate the efficient review of petitions filed in good faith to raise legitimate public health concerns, and S. 1096, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, and to prohibit biological product manufac-

turers from compensating biosimilar and interchangeable companies to delay the entry of biosimilar biological products and interchangeable biological products, and the nomination of Patrick David Davis, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 10:15 a.m., SH-216.

**House**

No hearings are scheduled.

# Résumé of Congressional Activity

## FIRST SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINETEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

### DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through March 31, 2025

|                                      | Senate        | House        | Total |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|-------|
| Days in session .....                | 53            | 44           | ..    |
| Time in session .....                | 371 hrs., 14' | 154 hrs., 9' | ..    |
| Congressional Record:                |               |              |       |
| Pages of proceedings .....           | 1,959         | 1,377        | ..    |
| Extensions of Remarks .....          | ..            | 274          | ..    |
| Public bills enacted into law .....  | 4             | 2            | ..    |
| Private bills enacted into law ..... | ..            | ..           | ..    |
| Bills in conference .....            | ..            | ..           | ..    |
| Measures passed, total .....         | 82            | 135          | 217   |
| Senate bills .....                   | 7             | 1            | ..    |
| House bills .....                    | 1             | 79           | ..    |
| Senate joint resolutions .....       | 4             | 1            | ..    |
| House joint resolutions .....        | 2             | 7            | ..    |
| Senate concurrent resolutions .....  | 4             | 3            | ..    |
| House concurrent resolutions .....   | 2             | 4            | ..    |
| Simple resolutions .....             | 62            | 40           | ..    |
| Measures reported, total .....       | *32           | 47           | 79    |
| Senate bills .....                   | 12            | ..           | ..    |
| House bills .....                    | ..            | 31           | ..    |
| Senate joint resolutions .....       | ..            | ..           | ..    |
| House joint resolutions .....        | ..            | 2            | ..    |
| Senate concurrent resolutions .....  | 1             | ..           | ..    |
| House concurrent resolutions .....   | ..            | 2            | ..    |
| Simple resolutions .....             | 19            | 12           | ..    |
| Special reports .....                | 8             | 1            | ..    |
| Conference reports .....             | ..            | ..           | ..    |
| Measures pending on calendar .....   | 26            | 29           | ..    |
| Measures introduced, total .....     | 1,401         | 2,901        | 4,302 |
| Bills .....                          | 1,198         | 2,511        | ..    |
| Joint resolutions .....              | 44            | 86           | ..    |
| Concurrent resolutions .....         | 11            | 23           | ..    |
| Simple resolutions .....             | 148           | 281          | ..    |
| Quorum calls .....                   | 3             | 1            | ..    |
| Yea-and-nay votes .....              | 156           | 73           | ..    |
| Recorded votes .....                 | ..            | 11           | ..    |
| Bills vetoed .....                   | ..            | ..           | ..    |
| Vetoes overridden .....              | ..            | ..           | ..    |

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 10 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 48 reports have been filed in the House.

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through March 31, 2025

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Civilian nominees, totaling 305, disposed of as follows:     |     |
| Confirmed .....  | 41  |
| Unconfirmed .....  | 254 |
| Withdrawn .....  | 10  |
| Other Civilian nominees, totaling 1, disposed of as follows: |     |
| Confirmed .....  | 1   |
| Air Force nominees, totaling 3, disposed of as follows:      |     |
| Unconfirmed .....  | 3   |
| Army nominees, totaling 5, disposed of as follows:           |     |
| Unconfirmed .....  | 5   |
| Navy nominees, totaling 1, disposed of as follows:           |     |
| Unconfirmed .....  | 1   |
| Marine Corps nominees, totaling 37, disposed of as follows:  |     |
| Unconfirmed .....  | 37  |
| <i>Summary</i>   |     |
| Total nominees carried over from the First Session .....     | 0   |
| Total nominees received this Session .....                   | 352 |
| Total confirmed .....  | 42  |
| Total unconfirmed .....                                      | 300 |
| Total withdrawn .....  | 10  |
| Total returned to the White House .....                      | 0   |

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Thursday, April 3

**Senate Chamber**

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will continue consideration of H.J. Res. 24, rule submitted by the Department of Energy relating to “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Walk-In Coolers and Walk-In Freezers”, with a vote on passage of the joint resolution at 11 a.m.

Following which, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Dean Sauer, of Missouri, to be Solicitor General of the United States, and vote on confirmation thereon; to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Mehmet Oz, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Following the cloture vote, Senator Sanders will be recognized to make two motions to discharge in relation to S.J. Res. 33, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Government of

Israel of certain defense articles and services, and S.J. Res. 26, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to Israel of certain defense articles and services, at 2:30 p.m.

Following the votes on the motions to discharge, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Mehmet Oz, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, to be followed by a vote on confirmation of the nomination of Harmeet Dhillon, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General. Finally, if made, Senate will vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of H. Con. Res. 14, Budget Resolution.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

11 a.m., Thursday, April 3

**House Chamber**

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

**Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue****HOUSE**

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