

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3099–S3148

Measures Introduced: Sixty-seven bills and twelve resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1855–1921, and S. Res. 246–257. **Pages S3115–18**

Measures Passed:

California State Motor Vehicle and Engine Pollution Control Standards: By 51 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 277), Senate passed H.J. Res. 88, providing congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “California State Motor Vehicle and Engine Pollution Control Standards; Advanced Clean Cars II; Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision”, after agreeing to the motion to proceed. **Page S3101**

California State Motor Vehicle and Engine Pollution Control Standards: By 51 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 279), Senate passed H.J. Res. 87, providing congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “California State Motor Vehicle and Engine Pollution Control Standards; Heavy-Duty Vehicle and Engine Emission Warranty and Maintenance Provisions; Advanced Clean Trucks; Zero Emission Airport Shuttle; Zero-Emission Power Train Certification; Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision”, after agreeing to the motion to proceed. **Pages S3102–05**

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

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 278), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S3102**

Jewish American Heritage Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 246, recognizing the significance of Jewish American Heritage Month and calling on elected officials and civil society leaders to counter anti-semitism. **Pages S3108–09**

California State Motor Vehicle and Engine and Nonroad Engine Pollution Control Standards: By 49 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 281), Senate passed

H.J. Res. 89, providing congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “California State Motor Vehicle and Engine and Nonroad Engine Pollution Control Standards; The ‘Omnibus’ Low NOX Regulation; Waiver of Preemption; Notice of Decision”, after agreeing to the motion to proceed.

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

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 280), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S3105**

Historic Greenwood District—Black Wall Street National Monument Establishment Act: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was discharged from further consideration of S. 1051, to establish the Historic Greenwood District—Black Wall Street National Monument in the State of Oklahoma, and the bill was then passed.

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National Foster Care Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 250, recognizing National Foster Care Month as an opportunity to raise awareness about the challenges 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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Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 251, supporting the designation of May 4 through May 10, 2025, as “Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week”. **Page S3141**

Older Americans Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 252, designating May 2025 as “Older Americans Month”. **Page S3141**

Congratulating His Holiness Pope Leo XIV: Senate agreed to S. Res. 253, congratulating His Holiness Pope Leo XIV on his election to the papacy. **Page S3141**

National Seersucker Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 254, designating June 12, 2025, as “National Seersucker Day”, designating every Thursday after National Seersucker Day through the last Thursday

in August 2025 as “Seersucker Thursday”, and designating June 2025 as “Seersucker Appreciation Month”.
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Honoring former Senator Christopher “Kit” Bond: Senate agreed to S. Res. 255, honoring the life, achievements, and legacy of former United States Senator Christopher “Kit” Bond of Missouri.
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Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 214, recognizing the significance of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander Heritage Month as an important time to celebrate the significant contributions of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Pacific Islanders to the history of the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to.
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Appointments:

Congressional-Executive Commission on the People’s Republic of China: The Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, pursuant to Public Law 106–286, appointed the following Members to serve on the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People’s Republic of China: Senators Merkley, Duckworth, Kim, and Blunt Rochester. **Page S3141**

Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to Public Law 70–770, the appointment of the following individual to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission: Senator Boozman. **Page S3141**

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate convene for pro forma sessions, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times: Friday, May 23, 2025, at 10 a.m.; Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 1:15 p.m.; Friday, May 30, 2025, at 7 a.m.; and that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, May 30, 2025, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, June 2, 2025.
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Duffey Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Michael Duffey, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment. **Page S3110**

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 22, 2025, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 2, 2025. **Page S3110**

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 S3110**

Hooker Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Allison Hooker, of Georgia, to be an Under Secretary of State (Political Affairs).
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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 Michael Duffey, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment.
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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. **Page S3110**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S3110**

Marks Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Dale Marks, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Page S3110**

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 Allison Hooker, of Georgia, to be an Under Secretary of State (Political Affairs).
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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. **Page S3110**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S3110**

Isaacman Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Jared Isaacman, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. **Page S3110**

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 Dale Marks, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Page S3110**

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S3110**

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the motions

to invoke cloture filed during the session of the Senate of Thursday, May 22, 2025, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 2, 2025.

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Nomination Referral—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of Jeremiah Workman, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, received in the Senate on May 6, 2025, be jointly referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, and to the Committee on Veterans Affairs.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

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

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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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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—281)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Christopher “Kit” Bond, former Senator of Missouri, in accordance with S. Res. 255, at 4:42 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Friday, May 23, 2025. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S3142.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2026 for the Department of Labor, after receiv-

ing testimony from Lori Chavez-DeRemer, Secretary of Labor.

APPROPRIATIONS: FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2026 for the Food and Drug Administration, after receiving testimony from Martin A. Makary, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Food and Drug Administration.

APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES FORCES

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2026 for the National Guard and Reserves Forces, after receiving testimony from General Steven S. Nordhaus, Chief, National Guard Bureau, Lieutenant General Robert D. Harter, Chief, Army Reserve, Rear Admiral Luke A. Frost, Director, Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, Lieutenant General Leonard F. Anderson IV, Commander, Marine Corps Reserve, and Lieutenant General John P. Healy, Chief, Air Force Reserve, all of the Department of Defense.

SECURING AMERICA

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine securing America, focusing on key authorities under the Defense Production Act, after receiving testimony from Mckinsey Lyon, Perpetua Resources, Donnelly, Idaho; Jared Brown, Global Shield, Evansville, Indiana; John G. McGinn, George Mason University Costello College of Business Greg and Camille Baroni Center for Government Contracting, Fairfax, Virginia; and Rush Doshi, Council on Foreign Relations, Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Julie Hocker, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, Wayne Palmer, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health, and Henry Mack III, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Labor, Marco Rajkovich, Jr., of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, and Kirsten Baesler, of North Dakota, to be Assistant Secretary for Elementary and Secondary Education, Kevin O’Farrell, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for

Career, Technical, and Adult Education, and Nicholas Kent, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary, all of the Department of Education.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Terrance Cole, of

Virginia, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement, and Gadyaces Serralta, of Florida, to be Director of the United States Marshals Service, both of the Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet in Pro Forma session at 10 a.m. on Friday, May 23, 2025.

Committee Meetings

ASSESSING THE TERROR THREAT LANDSCAPE IN SOUTH AND CENTRAL ASIA AND EXAMINING OPPORTUNITIES FOR COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: South and Central Asia Subcommittee held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Terror Threat Landscape in South and Central Asia and Examining Opportunities for Cooperation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

A DIRE CRISIS IN SUDAN: A GLOBAL CALL TO ACTION

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Africa Subcommittee held a hearing entitled “A Dire Crisis in Sudan: A

Global Call to Action”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2025

(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 23

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Friday, May 23

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 10 a.m.



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