

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4515–S4575

Measures Introduced: Eighteen bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2369–2386, S.J. Res. 63–67, and S. Res. 331–332. [Page S4528](#)

Measures Reported:

S. 769, to amend the Research and Development, Competition, and Innovation Act to clarify the definition of foreign country for purposes of malign foreign talent recruitment restriction. (S. Rept. No. 119–45) [Page S4527](#)

Measures Passed:

National Day of the American Cowboy: Senate agreed to S. Res. 332, designating July 26, 2025, as “National Day of the American Cowboy”. [Page S4573](#)

Maintaining American Superiority by Improving Export Control Transparency Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1316, to amend the Export Control Reform Act of 2018 relating to licensing transparency, and the bill was then passed. [Page S4573](#)

Measures Considered:

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3944, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026. [Pages S4515–18](#)

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

By 91 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. 423), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. [Page S4520](#)

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, July 23, 2025; that the post-cloture time expire at 2 p.m.

and Senate vote on the motion to proceed; that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the motions to invoke cloture filed on Monday, July 21, 2025, ripen following the vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill; and that at 11 a.m., Senate execute the order of Thursday, July 17, 2025, with respect to the nominations of Arielle Roth, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and John Hurley, of California, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, in the order listed. [Page S4574](#)

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Welch be permitted to change his vote from nay to yea on Roll Call Vote No. 423 since it will not affect the outcome. [Page S4520](#)

Bove III Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Emil J. Bove III, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. [Page S4520](#)

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 Richard Topping, of Ohio, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs. [Page S4520](#)

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

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 422), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. [Page S4520](#)

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 419), Terrance Cole, of Virginia, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement. [Pages S4518–19, H4575](#)

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 420), Joshua M. Divine, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri. [Pages S4519, H4575](#)

By 50 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 421), Cristian M. Stevens, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri. [Pages S4519, H4575](#)

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 424), Aaron Lukas, of Arkansas, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence. **Pages S4521, H4575**

By 61 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. EX. 425), Bradley Hansell, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security.

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Messages from the House:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S4573**

Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—425) **Pages S4518–21**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, July 23, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4574.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Vice Admiral Frank M. Bradley, USN, to be admiral and Commander, United States Special Operation Command, and Lieutenant General Dagvin R.M. Anderson, USAF, to be general and Commander, United States Africa Command, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

TRUCKING AND COMMERCIAL BUS INDUSTRIES

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation, Freight, Pipelines, and Safety concluded a hearing to examine issues impacting the trucking and commercial bus industries, after receiving testimony from Chris Spear, American Trucking Associations, Fred C. Ferguson, American Bus Association, and Sean M. O'Brien, International Brotherhood of Teamsters, all of Washington, D.C.; and Lewie Pugh, Owner-Operator Independent Drivers Association, Grain Valley, Missouri.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Joseph Barloon, of Maryland, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador, and Brian Morrissey, Jr., of Virginia, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jonathan McKernan, of Tennessee, to be an Under Secretary of the Treasury, and Alex Adams, of Idaho, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, Department of Health and Human Services, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jason Evans, of Texas, to be an Under Secretary (Management), Thomas Rose, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Poland, who was introduced by Senator Hagerty, William White, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium, who was introduced by Senator Blackburn, and Peter Lamelas, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Argentine Republic, who was introduced by Senator Scott (FL), all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

HONG KONG

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues concluded a hearing to examine the status of democracy and human rights in Hong Kong, focusing on five years after the PRC's judicial takeover, after receiving testimony from Olivia Enos, Hudson Institute, Joey Siu, Amnesty International Hong Kong Overseas, and Sophie Richardson, Chinese Human Rights Defenders, all of Washington, D.C.; and Caolífhionn Gallagher, University College Dublin, London, United Kingdom.

SECURING THE SKIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine securing the skies, focusing on law enforcement, drones, and public safety, after receiving testimony from Christopher Hardee, Chief, Office of Law and Policy, National Security Division, and Micheal Torphy, Unit Chief, Critical Incident

Response Group (CIRG), Federal Bureau of Investigation, both of the Department of Justice; and Steven Willoughby, Director (A) of the Counter Unmanned Aircraft Systems Program Management Office, Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security.

CRIMINAL ALIENS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Border Security and Immigration concluded hearings to examine criminal aliens in America, after receiving testimony from Sheriff Roy Boyd Goliad County, Texas; Andrew R. Arthur, Center for Immigration

Studies, and Deborah T. Fleischaker, Blackbird Ventures, LLC, both of Washington, D.C.; Alejandro Barranco, Orange, California; Victor Avila, Southlake, Texas; Giovanni Veliz, Maple Grove, Minnesota; Tammy Nobles, Norfolk, Virginia; and Marie Vega, La Feria, Texas.

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: 43 public bills, H.R. 4581–4623; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 108; and H. Res. 600, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H3554–55

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 4275, to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard, to establish the Secretary of the Coast Guard, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–214). Page H3551

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Fine to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H3531

Recess: The House recessed at 11:13 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. Page H3538

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 600, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. Page H3539

Recess: The House recessed at 12:19 p.m. and reconvened at 4 p.m. Page H3541

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Wabeno Economic Development Act: H.R. 3937, amended, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land in Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 215; and Pages H3541–43, H3544–45

Great Lakes Mass Marking Program Act of 2025: H.R. 1917, amended, to establish the Great Lakes Mass Marking Program, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 360 yeas to 57 nays, Roll No. 216. Pages H3543–44, H3545

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3544–45 and 3545.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4550, the “United States Grain Standards Reauthorization Act of 2025”. H.R. 4550 was ordered reported, without amendment.

PAST BREAKTHROUGHS AND FUTURE INNOVATIONS IN CROP PRODUCTION

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Past Breakthroughs and Future Innovations in Crop Production”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies FY 2025 Appropriations Bill. The Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies FY 2025 Appropriations Bill was ordered reported, as amended.

RESTORING TRUST: ENHANCING TRANSPARENCY AND OVERSIGHT AT EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Education and Workforce: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Restoring Trust: Enhancing Transparency and Oversight at EBSA”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ENSURING PATIENT SAFETY: OVERSIGHT OF THE U.S. ORGAN PROCUREMENT AND TRANSPLANT SYSTEM

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Ensuring Patient Safety: Oversight of the U.S. Organ Procurement and Transplant System”. Testimony was heard from Raymond Lynch, Chief, Organ Transplant Branch, Health Resources and Services Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

STRENGTHENING AMERICAN ENERGY: A REVIEW OF PIPELINE SAFETY POLICY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Strengthening American Energy: A Review of Pipeline Safety Policy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee began a markup on H.R. 3074, the “Common Cents Act”; H.R. 3190, the “BRAVE Burma Act”; H.R. 3390, the “Bringing the Discount Window into the 21st Century Act”; H.R. 3446, the “FDIC Board Accountability Act”; H.R. 3673, the “Small Business Investor Capital Access Act”; H.R. 4346, the “Preventing the Escalation of Armed Conflict in Europe Act of 2025”; H.R. 4423, the “No New Burma Funds Act”; H.R. 4427, the “Syria Sanctions Accountability Act”; H.R. 4429, the “Developing and Empowering our Aspiring Leaders Act”; H.R. 4430, the “Expanding WKSI Eligibility Act”; H.R. 4431, the “Improving Capital Allocation for Newcomers Act”; H.R. 4437, the “Supervisory Modifications for Appropriate Risk-Based Testing Act of 2025”; H.R. 4449, the “Advocating for Small Business Act”; H.R. 4460, the “Stop Agency Fiat Enforcement of Guidance Act”; H.R. 4478, the “Tailored Regulatory Updates for Supervisory Testing Act of 2025”; H.R. 4544, the “American Access to Banking Act”; and Resolution Reestablishing the Task Force on Monetary Policy, Treasury Market Resilience, and Economic Prosperity of the Committee on Financial Services.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 2505, to require the development of strategies and options to prevent the export to Iran of certain technologies related to unmanned aircraft systems, and for other purposes; H.R. 4233, to modify provisions relating to defense trade and cooperation among Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States; H.R. 4215, to require the Secretary of State to promulgate expedited and fixed timelines for the decision-making process to license

the export of certain defense articles and defense services, and for other purposes; H.R. 4490, to amend the International Organizations Immunities Act to extend diplomatic privileges and immunities to certain additional international and regional organizations, and for other purposes; H.R. 3429, to establish an inter-parliamentary dialogue to facilitate closer cooperation between the United States, Japan, and the Republic of Korea on shared interests and values; H.R. 3613, to amend the Arms Export Control Act to streamline Foreign Military Sales under that Act; H.R. 4216, to direct the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, to carry out a review of the list of defense articles and services required to be transferred under the foreign military sales program as opposed to direct commercial sale; H.R. 1144, to reauthorize the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, and for other purposes; H.R. 4335, to provide authority to enhance security assistance with countries that are engaged in regional security cooperation efforts in the Middle East and North Africa, and for other purposes; H.R. 3068, to amend the Arms Export Control Act to modify certain provisions relating to AUKUS defense trade cooperation, and for other purposes; H.R. 2633, to require a full review of the bilateral relationship between the United States and South Africa and identify South African government officials and ANC leaders eligible for the imposition of sanctions, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4140, to provide protection, support, and humanitarian assistance to Rohingya refugees and internally displaced people in Burma as well as promote accountability and a path out of genocide and crimes against humanity for Rohingya. H.R. 2505, H.R. 4233, H.R. 4215, H.R. 4490, H.R. 3429, and H.R. 3613 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 4216, H.R. 1144, H.R. 4335, H.R. 3068, H.R. 2633, and H.R. 4140 were ordered reported, as amended.

FULLY OPERATIONAL: STUXNET 15 YEARS LATER AND THE EVOLUTION OF CYBER THREATS TO CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection held a hearing entitled “Fully Operational: Stuxnet 15 Years Later and the Evolution of Cyber Threats to Critical Infrastructure”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LESSONS LEARNED: AN EXAMINATION OF MAJOR SECURITY INCIDENTS AT MASS GATHERING EVENTS

Committee on Homeland Security: Task Force on Enhancing Security for Special Events in the United

States held a hearing titled “Lessons Learned: An Examination of Major Security Incidents at Mass Gathering Events”. Testimony was heard from Rosie Cordero-Stutz, Sheriff, Miami Dade County, Florida; Colonel Robert P. Hodges, Superintendent, Louisiana State Police; Stacey Graves, Chief of Police, Kansas City, Missouri; and a public witness.

CLEAN ROLLS, SECURE ELECTIONS: REVIEWING VOTER LIST MAINTENANCE STANDARDS

Committee on House Administration: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Clean Rolls, Secure Elections: Reviewing Voter List Maintenance Standards”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOREIGN ABUSE OF U.S. COURTS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, Artificial Intelligence, and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Foreign Abuse of U.S. Courts”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PERMITTING PURGATORY: RESTORING COMMON SENSE TO NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT REVIEWS

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Permitting Purgatory: Restoring Common Sense to NEPA Reviews”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a hearing on H.R. 180, the “Endangered Species Transparency and Reasonableness Act of 2025”; H.R. 3706, the “SUSHI Act”; H.R. 3831, the “Florida Safe Seas Act of 2025”; H.R. 4033, the “Sturgeon Conservation and Sustainability Act of 2025”; H.R. 4293, to amend the Sikes Act to increase flexibility with respect to cooperative and interagency agreements for land management off of installations; H.R. 4294, “MAWS Act of 2025”; and legislation to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972. Testimony was heard from Chairman Babin, and Representatives Begich, Ciscomani, Elfreth, Fine, McClintock, and Webster of Florida; Justin Shirley, Principal Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION’S WORK COMBATTING TRANSNATIONAL CARTELS IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Examining the Trump Administration’s Work

Combatting Transnational Cartels in Indian Country”. Testimony was heard from Charles Addington, Principal Director, Justice Services for Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Justin Garris, Section Chief, Criminal Investigative Division, Federal Bureau of Investigation; and a public witness.

BID PROTEST REFORM: UNDERSTANDING THE PROBLEM

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Government Operations held a hearing entitled “Bid Protest Reform: Understanding the Problem”. Testimony was heard from Kenneth Patton, Managing Associate General Counsel, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

THE NEW ATOMIC AGE: ADVANCING AMERICA’S ENERGY FUTURE

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “The New Atomic Age: Advancing America’s Energy Future”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4549, the “Office of Rural Affairs Enhancement Act”; H.R. 4495, the “SBA Fraud Enforcement Extension Act”; H.R. 4491, the “SBA IT Modernization Reporting Act”; H.R. 2066, the “Investing in All of America Act of 2025”; and H.R. 3174, the “Made in America Manufacturing Finance Act of 2025”. H.R. 4549, H.R. 4495, H.R. 4491 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 2066 and H.R. 3174 were ordered reported, as amended.

FUTURE OF UNITED STATES MARITIME PART 1: REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2026 FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION BUDGET REQUEST

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Future of United States Maritime Part 1: Review of Fiscal Year 2026 Federal Maritime Commission Budget Request”. Testimony was heard from Rebecca Dye, Commissioner, Federal Maritime Commission.

COUNTING THE MONEY: PREVENTING FRAUD AND ABUSE IN VA’S BONUS PAYMENT PRACTICES FOR VA EMPLOYEES

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Counting the Money: Preventing Fraud and Abuse in VA’s Bonus Payment Practices for VA Employees”. Testimony was heard from Tracey Therit, Chief

Human Capital Officer, Office of Human Resources and Administration, Operations, Security, and Preparedness, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Shawn Steele, Director of the Human Capital and Operations Division, Office of Audits and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and a public witness.

MEDICARE ADVANTAGE: PAST LESSONS, PRESENT INSIGHTS, FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health; and Subcommittee on Oversight held a joint hearing entitled “Medicare Advantage: Past Lessons, Present Insights, Future Opportunities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Richard Fordyce, of Missouri, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm Production and Conservation, 3 p.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Benjamin DeMarzo, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Craig Trainor, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Jovan Jovanovic, of Pennsylvania, to be President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2029, Francis Brooke, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, and David Peters, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Seval Oz, of California, and Michael Rutherford, of Florida, both to be an Assistant Secretary, and Gregory Zerzan, of Texas, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine challenges to meeting increased electricity demand, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Katherine Scarlett, of Ohio, to be a Member of the Council on Environmental Quality, and Jeffrey Hall, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to hold hearings to examine the road ahead, focusing on proposals to improve America's transportation infrastructure, 3 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider pending calendar nominations; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine dismantling transnational criminal organizations in the Americas, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Near East, South Asia, Central Asia, and Counterterrorism, to hold hearings to examine United States diplomatic strategies for a dynamic Middle East, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Education and the American Family, to hold hearings to examine choice and literacy, focusing on empowering families for better educational results, 2 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, to hold hearings to examine ending illegal discrimination and preferences, focusing on enforcing our civil rights laws, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine innovation in the crosshairs, focusing on countering China's industrial espionage, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Bartrum, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and Jeremiah Workman, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training, 4 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture: Full Committee, hearing entitled “An Examination of the Implications of Proposition 12”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee, markup on the National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs FY 2026 Appropriations Bill, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee, hearing entitled “Reforming Defense Acquisition to Deliver Capability at the Speed of Relevance”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Workforce: Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1319, the “Modern Worker Empowerment Act”; H.R. 1320, the “Modern Worker Security Act”; H.R. 4366, the “Save Local Business Act”; H.R. 4312, the “Student Compensation and Opportunity through Rights and Endorsements Act”; and H.R. 4307, the “Enhancing Detection of Human Trafficking Act”, 9:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4312, the “Student Compensation and Opportunity through Rights and Endorsements Act”; and H.R. 4273, the “Over-the-Counter Monograph Drug User Fee Amendments”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, continue markup on H.R. 3074, the “Common Cents Act”; H.R. 3190, the “BRAVE Burma Act”; H.R. 3390, the “Bringing the Discount Window into the 21st Century Act”; H.R. 3446, the “FDIC Board Accountability Act”; H.R. 3673, the “Small Business Investor Capital Access Act”; H.R. 4346, the “Preventing the Escalation of Armed Conflict in Europe Act of 2025”; H.R. 4423, the “No New Burma Funds Act”; H.R. 4427, the “Syria Sanctions Accountability Act”; H.R. 4429, the “Developing and Empowering our Aspiring Leaders Act”; H.R. 4430, the “Expanding WKSI Eligibility Act”; H.R. 4431, the “Improving Capital Allocation for Newcomers Act”; H.R. 4437, the “Supervisory Modifications for Appropriate Risk-Based Testing Act of 2025”; H.R. 4449, the “Advocating for Small Business Act”; H.R. 4460, the “Stop Agency Fiat Enforcement of Guidance Act”; H.R. 4478, the “Tailored Regulatory Updates for Supervisory Testing Act of 2025”; H.R. 4544, the “American Access to Banking Act”; and Resolution Reestablishing the Task Force on Monetary Policy, Treasury Market Resilience, and Economic Prosperity of the Committee on Financial Services, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Full Committee, hearing entitled “FY26 State Department Posture: Bureau of Political Affairs”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee, hearing entitled “Bureau of Counterterrorism FY26 Budget Posture Hearing”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 178, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out activities to suppress wildfires, and for other purposes; H.R. 179, the “Proven Forest Management Act of 2025”; H.R. 345, the “Fire Department Repayment Act of 2025”; H.R. 528, the “Post-Disaster Reforestation and Restoration Act of 2025”; H.R. 839, to prohibit the implementation of a Land Protection Plan for Muleshoe National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 1045, the “Utah Wildfire Research Institute Act of 2025”; H.R. 1276, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky; H.R. 2290, the “World War II Women’s Memorial Location Act”; H.R. 2294, to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009; H.R. 2302, the “Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Land Transfer Act of 2025”; H.R. 2400, the “Pit River Land Transfer Act of 2025”; H.R. 3620, the “Southcentral Foundation Land Transfer Act of 2025”; H.R. 3857, the “Snow Water Supply Forecasting Reauthorization Act of 2025”; and H.R. 4285, the “STARS Act”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “An Update on Mail Theft and Crime”, 2 p.m., HVC-210.

Subcommittee on Federal Law Enforcement, hearing entitled “Catch and Release, Lose and Forget: Addressing the Crisis of Unaccompanied Alien Children—Part I”, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Fixing

Emergency Management: Examining Improvements to FEMA’s Disaster Response”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 740, the “Veterans’ Assuring Critical Care Expansions to Support Servicemembers Act of 2025”; H.R. 1663, the “Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Act of 2025”; H.R. 3400, the “Territorial Response and Access to Veterans’ Essential Lifecare Act”; H.R. 3726, the “Fisher House Availability Act of 2025”; H.R. 3767, the “Health Professionals Scholarship Program Improvement Act of 2025”; H.R. 2605, the “Service Dogs Assisting Veterans Act”; H.R. 2137, the “Review Every Veterans Claim Act of 2025”; H.R. 3123, the “Ernest Peltz Accrued Veterans Benefits Act”; H.R. 3834, the “Protecting Veteran’s Claim Options Act”; H.R. 3854, the “Modernizing All Veterans and Survivors Claims Processing Act”; H.R. 3951, the “Rural Veterans’ Improved Access to Benefits Act of 2025”; H.R. 3483, the “Forcing Real Accountability for Unlawful Distributions Act of 2025”; H.R. 3482, the “Veterans Community Care Scheduling Improvement Act”; H.R. 3494, the “VA Hospital Inventory Management System Authorization Act”; H.R. 3455, the “Veterans Affairs Distributed Ledger Innovation Act of 2025”; H.R. 2334, to amend the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act to preempt any squatter’s rights established by State law regarding real property owned by a member of the uniformed services; H.R. 2791, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the maximum amount of housing loan guaranty entitlement available to certain veterans under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 3481, the “Delivering Digitally to Our Veterans Act of 2025”; H.R. 3579, the “Veterans Readiness and Employment Program Integrity Act”; H.R. 3863, the “VA Mental Health Outreach and Engagement Act”; H.R. 659, the “Veterans Law Judge Experience Act of 2025”; H.R. 2701, the “Fallen Servicemembers Religious Heritage Restoration Act”; H.R. 2721, the “Honoring Our Heroes Act of 2025”; H.R. 2034, the “Edith Nourse Rogers STEM Scholarship Opportunity Act”; H.R. 2954, the “Veterans’ Transition to Trucking Act of 2025”; H.R. 3812, the “Stop Troubling Retroactive Invoices for Veteran Expenses Act of 2025”; H.R. 2148, the “Veteran Caregiver Reeducation, Reemployment, and Retirement Act”; H.R. 4446, the “FAST VETS Act”; legislation on the Major Medical Lease Committee Resolution FY25; and legislation on the Major Medical Lease Committee Resolution PACT Act, 10:15 a.m., 360 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Private Sector Energy Brief”, 1:15 p.m., HVC-304 Hearing Room. This hearing is closed.

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10 a.m., Wednesday, July 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3944, Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, post-closure.

At 11 a.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominations of Arielle Roth, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information, and John Hurley, of California, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes.

At 2 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3944, Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. Following disposition of the motion to proceed, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Zachary M. Bluestone, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri.

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