

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6043–S6390

Measures Introduced: Twenty-six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2704–2729, S.J. Res. 76, and S. Res. 373–374.

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Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate began consideration of S. 2296, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Wicker/Reed Modified Amendment No. 3748, in the nature of a substitute.

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Wicker (for Ernst) Amendment No. 3427 (to Amendment No. 3748), to require the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study on casualty assistance and long-term care programs.

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

By 83 yeas to 13 nays (Vote No. 503), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Lanahan Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Maria A. Lanahan, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri.

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

By 53 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 501), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Artau Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Edward L. Artau, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

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

By 53 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 502), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, September 8, 2025, Senate resume consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, and at 5:30 p.m., Senate execute the order of Wednesday, September 3, 2025, with respect to the nomination.

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Law Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Robert Law, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security.

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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 on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.

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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.

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Dudek Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kyle Christopher Dudek, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

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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 Robert Law, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security.

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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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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S6388**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—503) **Pages S6049, S6050, S6054**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:59 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2025. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S6388.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Benjamin Hobbs, of Ohio, and Ronald Kurtz, of Georgia, both to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Chris Pilkerton, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary for Investment Security, and Jonathan Burke, of Georgia, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, both of the Department of the Treasury, and Stephen

Miran, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Laura Swett, of Virginia, and David LaCerte, of Louisiana, who was introduced by Senator Cassidy, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Bryan Switzer, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Asia, Textiles, Investment, Services, and Intellectual Property), with the rank of Ambassador, and Gustav Chiarello III, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Michael Stuart, of West Virginia, to be General Counsel, both of the Department of Health and Human Services.

HEALTH CARE AGENDA

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President’s 2026 health care agenda, after receiving testimony from Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., Secretary of Health and Human Services.

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: 41 public bills, H.R. 5125–5165; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 47; and H. Res. 677–679, were introduced. **Pages H3860–62**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H3863**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3390, to amend the Federal Reserve Act to require the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System to carry out a review of discount window operations and to implement improvements to

such operations, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–234); and

H.R. 3074, to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to stop minting the penny, to require cash transactions to be rounded up or down to the nearest five cents, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–235). **Page H3860**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Neil Stewart, First Presbyterian Church, Columbia, South Carolina.

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Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026: The House passed H.R. 4553, making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, by a yea-and-nay vote of 214 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 239. Consideration began yesterday, September 3rd.

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Rejected the Budzinski motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations by a yea-and-nay vote of 209 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 238.

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Rejected:

Perry amendment (No. 31 printed in H. Rept. 119–232) that sought to reduce funding for the Great Lakes Authority and transfers to the SRA (by a recorded vote of 120 ayes to 302 noes, Roll No. 235);

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Perry amendment (No. 32 printed in H. Rept. 119–232) that sought to strike all funding for the Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (by a recorded vote of 127 ayes to 297 noes, Roll No. 236); and

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Schweikert amendment (No. 33 printed in H. Rept. 119–232) that sought to revise appropriations to reduce unobligated funds from top-line accounts totaling \$37,353,345,385.09 (by a recorded vote of 76 ayes to 351 noes, Roll No. 237).

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H. Res. 672, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4553) and the joint resolutions (H.J. Res. 104), (H.J. Res. 105), and (H.J. Res. 106), was agreed to yesterday, September 3rd.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, September 8, 2025 for morning-hour debate.

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Senate Referral: S. 1038 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H3844.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3839, H3839–40, H3840–41, H3841, and H3842.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

RUSSIA'S WAR ON UKRAINE

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission received a briefing on the impact on Central Asia of Russia's war on Ukraine, focusing on opportunities for United States engagement from Eric Rudenshield, Caspian Policy Center; Gavin Helf, Georgetown University Center for Eurasian, Russian and East European Studies; and Kate Watters, Crude Accountability.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Rules: Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3838, the “Streamlining Procurement for Effective Execution and Delivery and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026”; and H.R. 3486, the “Stop Illegal Entry Act”, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
3 p.m., Monday, September 8

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
12 noon, Monday, September 8

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Edward L. Artau, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, post-closure, and vote on confirmation thereon at 5:30 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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