

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6511–S6559

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2750–2766, and S. Res. 382–383. **Pages S6537–38**

Measures Passed:

Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act: Senate passed S. 93, to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998 to address harmful algal blooms, after agreeing to the committee-reported title amendment. **Pages S6547–49**

Fire Ready Nation Act: Senate passed S. 306, to establish and maintain a coordinated program within the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration that improves wildfire, fire weather, fire risk, and wildfire smoke related forecasting, detection, modeling, observations, and service delivery. **Pages S6549–55**

Enhancing Fire Response Act: Senate passed S. 725, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to issue reports after activation of the Disaster Information Reporting System and to make improvements to network outage reporting, to categorize public safety telecommunicators as a protective service occupation under the Standard Occupational Classification system, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6555–56**

Modernizing Access to Our Public Oceans Act: Senate passed S. 759, to provide for standardization, publication, and accessibility of data relating to public outdoor recreational use of Federal waterways, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6556–57**

Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the conclusion of World War II: Senate agreed to S. Res. 383, commemorating the 80th anniversary of the conclusion of World War II with the surrender of Imperial Japan and honoring veterans of both the Pacific and European theaters. **Page S6557**

Measures Considered:

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National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: Senate resumed 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, taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S6512–32**

Pending:

Wicker/Reed Amendment Modified No. 3748, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6512**

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. **Page S6512**

Thune Amendment No. 3863 (to Amendment No. 3427), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6532**

Thune Amendment No. 3864 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6532**

Thune Amendment No. 3865 (to Amendment No. 3864), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6532**

Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Thune Amendment No. 3866, relating to the enactment date. **Page S6532**

Thune Amendment No. 3867 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3866), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6532**

Thune Amendment No. 3868 (to Amendment No. 3867), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6532**

Rejected:

Schumer Amendment No. 3849 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748), to direct the Attorney General to make publicly available documents related to Jeffrey Epstein. (By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 512), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S6514–15, S6532**

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

A motion was entered to close further debate on Schumer Amendment No. 3849 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748) (listed above), 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 S. Res. 377, authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar, which was rendered moot when Schumer Amendment No. 3849 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748) was tabled.

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Schatz Amendment No. 3854 (to Amendment No. 3849), to add an effective date, fell when Schumer Amendment No. 3849 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748) was tabled.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, September 11, 2025.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

John DeLeeuw, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board for the remainder of the term expiring December 31, 2026.

Jeffrey Kaufman, of Iowa, to be a Member of the Farm Credit Administration Board, Farm Credit Administration, for a term expiring October 13, 2030.

Richard Kloster, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring December 31, 2028.

Bryce McFerran, of California, to be First Vice President of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2029.

Michelle A. Schultz, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board for a term expiring November 30, 2030.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Landon Heid, of Missouri, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce, which was sent to the Senate on February 11, 2025

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6540–46**

Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—512)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6559.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Stephen Miran, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

DEPOSIT INSURANCE REFORM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine evaluating perspectives on deposit insurance reform, after receiving testimony from Kenneth Kelly, First Independence Bank, on behalf of the American Bankers Association, Detroit, Michigan; Bob Harrison, First Hawaiian, Inc. and First Hawaiian Bank, on behalf of the Mid-Size Bank Coalition of America, Honolulu, Hawaii; Nicholas J. Podsiadly, Jones Day, Washington, D.C.; and Peter Rice, Hanscom Federal Credit Union, McLean, Virginia.

AMERICA'S AI ACTION PLAN

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Science, Manufacturing, and Competitiveness concluded a hearing to examine America's AI action plan, after receiving testimony from Michael J. Kratsios, Director, White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, Assistant to the President for Science and Technology.

WILDFIRE EMISSIONS PREVENTION ACT AND RENEWABLE FUEL FOR OCEAN-GOING VESSELS ACT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine a discussion draft of the Wildfire Emissions Prevention Act, and S. 881, to amend the Clean Air Act to include fuel for ocean-going vessels as additional renewable fuel for which credits may be generated under the renewable fuel program, after receiving testimony from Johnny Sabo, Georgia State Forester, Dry Branch, on behalf of the National Association of State Foresters; Jonathan Wood, Property and Environment Research

Center, Bozeman, Montana; and Kathy J. Metcalf, Chamber of Shipping of America, Abirami Vijayan, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Nikita Pavlenko, International Council on Clean Transportation, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jonathan Greenstein, of New York, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, who was introduced by Senator Hagerty, and Donald Korb, of Ohio, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel, who was introduced by former Senator Portman, both of the Department of the Treasury, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

AMERICA'S FIRE APPARATUS CRISIS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Disaster Management, District of Columbia, and Census concluded a hearing to examine America's fire apparatus crisis, after receiving testimony from Dennis L. Rubin, Kansas City Fire Department, Kansas City, Kansas; Edward A. Kelly, International Association of Fire Fighters, Boston, Massachusetts; Basel J. Musharbash, Antimonopoly Counsel, Paris, Texas; Mike Virnig, REV Group, Brookfield, Wisconsin; and Dan Meyer, Pierce Manufacturing, Inc., Appleton, Wisconsin.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of William Kirkland,

of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

FEDERAL ENERGY PROGRAMS

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Federal programs at the Department of Energy, after receiving testimony from Anna Maria Ortiz, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; David Conrad, Acting Director and Deputy Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, Department of Energy; and Jocelyn Fenton, Denali Commission, Anchorage, Alaska.

NOMINATION

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of William Kirk, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Small Business Administration, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Hawley, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Karen Brazell, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Benefits of the Department of Veterans Affairs, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Blackburn, testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

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: 51 public bills, H.R. 5242–5292; 2 private bills, H.R. 5293–5294; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 119; and H. Res. 689–698, were introduced. **Pages H4236–38**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H4240**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 3400, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to assign physicians of the Department of Veterans Affairs to temporarily serve as traveling physicians in the territories and possessions of the United States,

and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–263);

H.R. 3767, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a time frame for the employment in the Department of Veterans Affairs of participants in the Health Professionals Scholarship Program, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–264);

H.R. 5100, to extend the SBIR and STTR programs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–265, Part 1); and

H.R. 4446, to amend title 38, United States Code, to modify the conditions under which the Secretary of Veterans Affairs is required to redevelop the

individualized vocational rehabilitation plan for a veteran, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–266).

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

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:45 p.m. and reconvened at 4:02 p.m.

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Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of prayer for Charlie Kirk and his family.

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Oath of Office—Eleventh Congressional District of Virginia: Representative-elect James R. Walkinshaw 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. DJ Geiger, Director of Operations, with the Virginia Department of Elections indicating that, according to the unofficial results for the Special General Election held on September 9, 2025, the Honorable James R. Walkinshaw was elected Representative to Congress for the Eleventh Congressional District of Virginia.

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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 Virginia, the whole number of the House is 432.

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Streamlining Procurement for Effective Execution and Delivery and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026: The House passed H.R. 3838, 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, by a recorded vote of 231 ayes to 196 noes, Roll No. 262. Consideration began yesterday, September 9th.

Pages H4176–H4213, H4213–14, H4215–28

Rejected the Houlahan motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services by a yeand-nay vote of 208 yeas to 219 nays, Roll No. 261.

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Agreed to:

Scott (GA) amendment (No. 21 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that authorizes the Baltic Security Initiative to strengthen the armed forces of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania to deter Russian aggression, increase interoperability, and support modernization;

Pages H4187–88

Rouzer amendment (No. 33 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that incorporates the text of H.R. 474—Lumbee Fairness Act, extends federal

recognition to the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina and makes its members eligible for the services and benefits provided to members of federally recognized tribes;

Pages H4196–97

Rogers (AL) en bloc amendment No. 5 consisting of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255: Moolenaar (No. 26) that prohibits federal research awards from going to individuals or institutions with affiliations or partnerships with hostile foreign entities, including those listed on U.S. government entity lists;

Griffith (No. 31) that amends Section 1021(b) of the FY12 NDAA to limit the authority of the U.S. military to indefinitely detain individuals pursuant to the 2001 AUMF, to exclude American citizens from being subject to detention;

Messmer (No. 32) that modifies the Industrial Base Fund (IBF) authorities, established under section 4817 of title 10, to strengthen and grant additional flexibilities, so that the Department of Defense can act swiftly in expanding key supply chains, mitigating single points of failure, and addressing critical national security shortfalls within the Defense Industrial Base (DIB);

Scholten (No. 254) that directs the Department of Defense to provide Congress with an overview of the types of contracts that are not set-aside for small business competitions despite the value falling under the Simplified Acquisition Threshold;

Schweikert (No. 255) that directs the Department of Defense to utilize artificial intelligence in the audit of its financial statements with the goal of achieving a clean audit opinion for the first time;

Schweikert (No. 256) that authorizes the use of artificial intelligence in the weapon inventory system for the Department of Defense, for the purpose of creating accurate inventory records;

Scott (VA) (No. 257) that requires the Department of Defense to submit a report on the status of the Interagency Regional Coordinator for Resilience Pilot Project;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 258) that expresses the sense of Congress that the Secretary of the Navy should name an aircraft carrier USS United States;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 259) that amends 32 USC 508(d)(13) by adding Young Marines, Naval Sea Cadet Corps, and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary to the list of youth and charitable organizations eligible to receive assistance;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 260) that amends Section 152(b)(1)(B) of title 10, United States Code, to make the Chief of the National Guard Bureau eligible to be appointed Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 261) that requires each company with \$1 billion of revenue or greater seeking a contract with DOD to provide data relating to

the numbers of veterans hired in the past 12 and 36 months and that number still with that company 12 and 24 months after hiring—to focus on veteran hiring AND retention;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 262) that makes a technical correction to Section 354 of the bill in regards to the USS Constitution Naval History & Heritage Command Detachment Boston and adds the Hampton Roads Naval Museum;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 263) that requires The Secretary of Defense to develop and implement a strategy to eliminate the reliance of the Department of Defense on any covered nation to acquire computer displays by January 1, 2030;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 264) that establishes a system of official Air Force and Space Force museums within the Department of the Air Force;

Austin Scott (GA) (No. 265) that prohibits the Secretary of Defense from entering into, renewing, or extending a contract or other agreement for the procurement of organic light emitting diode (OLED) display technologies that are fabricated in a foreign adversary, by a foreign adversary entity, or by a covered OLED display technologies company;

Self (No. 266) that increases the pay rate for Department of Defense blue-collar (prevailing rate) employees by the percentage authorized under section 737;

Self (No. 267) that encourages the Department of Defense to expand artificial intelligence pilot programs and fielding across mission areas and requires biannual reports to Congress on integration efforts for five years;

Sherrill (No. 268) that limits the realignment of Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation functions and funding away from Picatinny Arsenal;

Shreve (No. 269) that requires a comprehensive review of the current effectiveness of interagency coordination and the DoD's implementation of their existing responsibilities pertaining to the physical safety and cybersecurity of the air, rail, and maritime infrastructure that underpins U.S. military readiness;

Shreve (No. 270) that requires the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of State and the Director of National Intelligence, to develop a comprehensive strategy to counter Iran's and Hezbollah's propaganda, religious networks, and influence operations in Latin America;

Smith (NJ) (No. 271) to conduct a review of biological weapons research conducted between January 1, 1945 and December 31, 1972 in relation to ticks and tick-borne diseases and submit a report to Congress detailing the findings of that review;

Sorenson (No. 272) that extends the Army's online real estate tool pilot program until September 30, 2030;

Stauber (No. 273) that provides a two-year funding mechanism for the State Partnership Program;

Stauber (No. 274) that requires the Department of Defense to conduct a study to increase efficiency of the Funeral Honors Program;

Stauber (No. 275) that requires the Secretary of the Air Force to submit a plan to Congress to recapitalize and modernize the Air National Guard's fighter fleet;

Stauber (No. 276) that requires the Department of Defense to address our dependence on Communist China for critical minerals;

Stefanik (No. 277) that revises Section 1723 of the Rules Committee Print 119–8 to include cameras to the covered list;

Steube (No. 278) that convenes the U.S.-Israel Defense Industrial Base Working Group to study the potential for defense industrial base integration between the United States and Israel, including the possibility of inclusion into the national technology and industrial base (as defined in section 4801 of title 10, United States Code);

Steube (No. 279) that prioritizes local law enforcement agencies in adopting any ceremonial horse that may no longer be utilized by the U.S. Army;

Steube (No. 280) that extends and modifies annual report on Iranian military;

Steube (No. 281) that requires Defense Health Agency to develop a plan to reopen any previously-closed chiropractic clinic on a military installation and to pay chiropractors under the GS scale;

Steube (No. 282) that requires report on U.S.-Israel cooperation on increased production capacity and inventory of the Arrow interceptor;

Steube (No. 283) that requires annual report on U.S.-Israel military exercises, emphasizes mutual benefit of U.S.-Israel relationship;

Strong (No. 284) that amends 10 USC 2465 to permit the use of private contractors for security-guard functions at military installations with <300 permanently assigned enlisted service members below the rank of E-7;

Subramanyam (No. 285) that requires the Air Force to provide a report on the integration potential and value of ultra-short takeoff and landing aircraft;

Tenney (No. 286) that strikes Section 842(c) from the FY25 NDAA;

Turner (No. 287) that requires an assessment of integration of Joint Combatant Commander exercise team into large scale exercises of INDOPACO;

Turner (No. 288) that requires a report on development and deployment of the Naval Autonomous Data Collection System;

Turner (No. 289) that requires the Chief Information Officers within the DoD to provide Congress

with a Cybersecurity Regulatory Plan to reduce the regulatory burdens on the Defense Industrial Base;

Van Orden (No. 290) that encourages the President to take such actions as may be necessary to counter Chinese Communist Party efforts to blockade or embargo Taiwan, including by providing training and support to the Taiwan Navy for liquefied natural gas convoy operations;

Van Orden (No. 291) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report within 180 days on options for establishing a digital engagement framework to address recruitment, retention, and readiness challenges;

Webster (No. 292) that requires a report on the military camping and recreational park program;

Whitesides (No. 293) that directs the Secretary of Defense to establish Advanced Technology Centers at community colleges with workforce programs targeted at meeting needs in the defense industrial base;

Whitesides (No. 294) that commissions a report on research relating to the upper atmosphere and near-space environment;

Wilson (SC) (No. 295) that amends Section 744 to include cervical cancer in the study;

Wilson (SC) (No. 296) that requires a strategy to Armed Services Committees relating to the issue of political prisoners in Pakistan, including former Prime Minister Imran Khan in mil to mil engagement with the military of Pakistan;

Wilson (SC) (No. 297) that requires Secretary of Defense to develop a strategy to be submitted to Congress, aimed at encouraging defections by senior Iranian security officials and members of the armed forces; and

Wittman (No. 298) that requires a report from the Secretary of Defense within 180 days regarding the use of waivers for software security requirements within the Department of Defense; **Pages H4200–13**

Norman amendment (No. 13 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that prohibits the provision of gender transition procedures, including surgery or medication, through the Exceptional Family Medical Program (by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 245); **Pages H4177–78, H4215–16**

Mace amendment (No. 14 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that prohibits DoD from covering or furnishing gender-related medical treatment under TRICARE (by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 207 noes, Roll No. 246); **Pages H4178–80, H4216–17**

Mace amendment (No. 15 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that prohibits the Superintendent of a Service Academy from allowing a cadet or midshipman who is male from participating in an athletic program or activity that is designated exclu-

sively for females (by a recorded vote of 227 ayes to 201 noes, Roll No. 247); **Pages H4180–81, H4217**

Mace amendment (No. 16 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that prohibits the Secretary of Defense from soliciting information through a form or survey regarding the gender identity of an individual, providing an option to indicate the sex or gender of an individual is something other than male or female, and requiring the Secretary reject a response other than male or female to a required question on a form or survey regarding sex or gender (by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 248); **Pages H4181–83, H4217–18**

Mace amendment (No. 17 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that prohibits individuals from accessing or using single-sex spaces on military installations which do not correspond to the biological sex of the individual (by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 209 noes, Roll No. 249); **Pages H4183–84, H4218–19**

Patronis amendment (No. 9 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that was debated on September 9th that eliminates the preference for Motor Vehicles using Electric or Hybrid propulsion systems and related requirements of the Department of Defense (by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 208 noes with one answering “Present”, Roll No. 251); **Pages H4219–20**

Wilson (SC) amendment (No. 11 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that was debated on September 9th that modifies federal statutes 50 U.S.C. 797 and 18 U.S.C. 1382 (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 205 noes, Roll No. 252); **Pages H2220–21**

Mills amendment (No. 18 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that restricts base commanders’ ability to fly unauthorized flags at their discretion (by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 253); **Pages H4184–86, H4221**

McCormick amendment (No. 25 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that amends Section 1555 of the FY24 NDAA regarding contracting for military recruitment to prohibit the Department of Defense from contracting with entities that perform fact-checking and information-grading services for purposes of censoring their political opponents (by a recorded vote of 219 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 258); and **Pages H4193–94, H4224–25**

Rose amendment (No. 253 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a report to the House and Senate Committees on Armed Services on the fraud scheme perpetrated by Janet Yamanaka Mello, a civilian employee of the Department of the Army who was indicted and pleaded guilty to stealing over \$100 million in 4–H Military Partnership Grant program funds (by a recorded vote of 430 ayes to 3 noes, Roll No. 260). **Pages H4198–H4200, H4225–26**

Rejected:

Meeks amendment (No. 34 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that sought to insert the text of H.R. 1488, repealing the 2002 and 1991 AUMFs (by a recorded vote of 61 ayes to 167 noes, Roll No. 244);

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Smith (NJ) amendment (No. 7 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that was debated on September 9th that sought to require the Secretary of Defense to certify that offshore wind projects in the North Atlantic and Mid-Atlantic Planning Areas will not interfere with radar capabilities (by a recorded vote of 209 ayes to 224 noes, Roll No. 250);

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Greene (GA) amendment (No. 20 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that sought to ban the research, development, procurement and promotion of cell cultured meat by the DOD (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 236 noes with one answering “Present”, Roll No. 254);

Pages H4186–87, H4221–22

Greene (GA) amendment (No. 22 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that sought to prohibit assistance to Ukraine (by a recorded vote of 60 ayes to 372 noes, Roll No. 255);

Pages H4188–90, H4222–23

Greene (GA) amendment (No. 23 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that sought to strike funding for Overseas Humanitarian, Disaster, and Civic Aid program (by a recorded vote of 60 ayes to 370 noes, Roll No. 256);

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Greene (GA) amendment (No. 24 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that sought to strike foreign aid funding for the Taiwan Security Cooperation Initiative (by a recorded vote of 9 ayes to 422 noes, Roll No. 257); and

Pages H4191–93, H4223–24

Biggs amendment (No. 29 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–255) that sought to prohibit the designation of military and certain National Guard lands as critical habitats under the Endangered Species Act when deemed necessary by the Department of Defense. Exempts military personnel from Endangered Species Act prohibitions during national defense-related operations, including incidental harm to protected species (by a recorded vote of 200 ayes to 228 noes, Roll No. 259).

Pages H4194–96, H4225

Agreed by unanimous consent that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of H.R. 3838, including corrections in spelling, punctuation, section and title numbering, cross referencing, conforming amendments to the table of contents and short titles, and the insertion of appropriate headings.

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H. Res. 682, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3838) and (H.R. 3486) was agreed to yesterday, September 9th.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, September 11th.

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Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026—Motion to go to Conference: The House agreed to the Cole motion to take from the Speakers table the bill H.R. 3944, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House; disagree to the Senate amendment and request a conference with the Senate thereon.

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Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House considered the DeLauro motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 3944, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026. Further consideration was postponed.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote and eighteen recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4213–14, H4215–16, H4216–17, H4217, H4217–18, H4218–19, H4219, H4219–20, H4220–21, H4221, H4221–22, H4222–23, H4223, H4223–24, H4224–25, H4225, H4225–26, H4226–27, and H4227.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PROMOTING FOREST HEALTH AND RESILIENCY THROUGH IMPROVED ACTIVE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forestry and Horticulture held a hearing entitled “Promoting Forest Health and Resiliency Through Improved Active Management”. Testimony was heard from Jamie Barnes, State Forester, Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands, Department of Natural Resources, Utah; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee concluded a markup on the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill. The Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill was ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee held a markup on the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill. The Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill was ordered reported, as amended.

FROM PLAYGROUND TO CLASSROOM: THE SPREAD OF ANTISEMITISM IN K–12 SCHOOLS

Committee on Education and Workforce: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled “From Playground to Classroom: The Spread of Antisemitism in K–12 Schools”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a markup on H.R. 4262, to reauthorize programs related to health professions education, and for other purposes; H.R. 3593, the “Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2025”; H.R. 2493, the “Improving Care in Rural America Reauthorization Act of 2025”; H.R. 3419, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the telehealth network and telehealth resource centers grant programs; H.R. 3302, the “Healthy Start Reauthorization Act of 2025”; H.R. 2846, to amend title II of the Public Health Service Act to include as an additional right or privilege of commissioned officers of the Public Health Service (and their beneficiaries) certain leave provided under title 10, United States Code to commissioned officers of the Army (or their beneficiaries); and H.R. 4709, the “Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2025”. H.R. 4262 was forwarded to the full Committee, as amended. H.R. 3593, H.R. 2493, H.R. 3419, H.R. 3302, H.R. 2846, and H.R. 4709 were forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

PROXY POWER AND PROPOSAL ABUSE: REFORMING RULE 14A–8 TO PROTECT SHAREHOLDER VALUE

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Proxy Power and Proposal Abuse: Reforming Rule 14a–8 to Protect Shareholder Value”. Testimony was heard from Brad Lander, Comptroller, New York, New York; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4371, the “Kayla Hamilton Act”; H.R. 4323, the “Trafficking Survivors Relief Act of 2025”; H.R. 3770, the “FIREARM Act”; H.R.

3592, the “Protect LNG Act of 2025”; H.R. 4465, to amend chapters 4, 10, and 131 of title 5, United States Code, as necessary to keep those chapters current and to correct related technical errors; H.R. 4499, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to provisions reclassified to title 34, United States Code, and to correct related technical errors, as amended; H.R. 4523, to make technical amendments to title 49, United States Code, as necessary to improve the Code; H.R. 4584, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions which were formerly classified to chapters 14 and 19 of title 25, United States Code, and to correct related technical errors; H.R. 5185, to make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code; H.R. 5182, to make improvements in the enactment of title 54, United States Code, into a positive law title and to correct related technical errors; H.R. 5174, to make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code; H.R. 5210, to make technical amendments to update statutory references in certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code, title 50, United States Code, and title 52, United States Code, and to correct related technical errors; and H.R. 5204, to make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 7, title 20, and title 43, United States Code, and to correct related technical errors. H.R. 4371, H.R. 4323, H.R. 3770, H.R. 3592 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4465, H.R. 4499, H.R. 4523, H.R. 4584, H.R. 5185, H.R. 5182, H.R. 5174, H.R. 5210, and H.R. 5204 were ordered reported, without amendment.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 573, the “Studying NEPA’s Impact on Projects Act”; H.R. 4503, the “ePermit Act”; and H.R. 4776, the “SPEED Act”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Westerman and Representatives Yakym and Johnson of South Dakota; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5183, the “District of Columbia Home Rule Improvement Act”; H.R. 2693, the “District of Columbia Electronic Transmittal of Legislation Act”; H.R. 5103, the “Make the District of Columbia Safe and Beautiful Act”; H.R. 5214, the “District of Columbia Cash Bail Reform Act”; H.R. 5172, the “Strong Sentences for Safer D.C. Streets Act”; H.R. 5242, to repeal

D.C.'s Incarceration Reduction Amendment Act of 2016 and the Second Chance Amendment Act of 2022"; H.R. 5163, the "Clean and Managed Public Spaces Act"; H.R. 4922, the "DC Criminal Reforms to Immediately Make Everyone Safer (DC CRIMES) Act"; H.R. 5140, the "District of Columbia Juvenile Sentencing Reform Act"; H.R. 5181, the "SOAR Act Improvements Act"; H.R. 5107, the "Common-Sense Law Enforcement and Accountability Now in DC (CLEAN DC) Act"; H.R. 5143, the "District of Columbia Policing Protection Act"; H.R. 5125, the "District of Columbia Judicial Nominations Reform Act"; H.R. 5179, the "District of Columbia Attorney General Appointment Reform Act". H.R. 5183, H.R. 2693, H.R. 5103, H.R. 5214, H.R. 5172, H.R. 5242, H.R. 5163, H.R. 4922, H.R. 5140, H.R. 5181, H.R. 5107, H.R. 5143, H.R. 5125, and H.R. 5179 were ordered reported, as amended.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5089, the "Weather Act Reauthorization Act of 2025". H.R. 5089 was ordered reported, as amended.

LEVELING THE PLAYING FIELD: FOSTERING OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESS CONTRACTORS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure held a hearing entitled "Leveling the Playing Field: Fostering Opportunities for Small Business Contractors". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACTS IMPLEMENTATION: REVIEW AND OVERSIGHT OF PAST PROVISIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled "Water Resources Development Acts Implementation: Review and Oversight of Past Provisions". Testimony was heard from Adam R. Telle, Assistant Secretary, U.S. Army (Civil Works); and Lieutenant General William H. Graham, Jr., Chief of Engineers and Commanding General, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

UNTAPPED TALENT IN AMERICA: REMOVING BARRIERS TO WORK AND SUPPORTING OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

Committee on Ways and Means: On September 9, 2025, Subcommittee on Social Security; and Subcommittee on Work and Welfare held a joint hearing entitled "Untapped Talent in America: Removing Barriers to Work and Supporting Opportunity

for Individuals with Disabilities". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5167, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes. H.R. 5167 was ordered reported, as amended. This markup was closed.

Joint Meetings

GEORGIA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Georgia's anti-American turn, after receiving testimony from former President of Georgia Salome Zourabichvili; Tinatin Khidasheli, former Minister of Defense of Georgia; and Luke Coffey, Hudson Institute Center on Europe and Eurasia.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Christopher J. Mahoney, USMC, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, 9:15 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider S. 472, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide for the establishment of a Ski Area Fee Retention Account, S. 1279, to redesignate the Hulls Cove Visitor Center at Acadia National Park as the George J. Mitchell Visitor Center, S. 1453, to confirm the use of certain non-Federal land in Salt Lake City, Utah, for public purposes, S. 909 and H.R. 1043, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to La Paz County, Arizona, and the nominations of Laura Swett, of Virginia, and David LaCerte, of Louisiana, both to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 9 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold a hearing to examine the nominations of Sergio Gor, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of India, Herschel Walker, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Andrew Veprek, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary (Population, Refugees, and Migration), and James Holtsnider, of Iowa, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, all of the Department of State, 10:30 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider the nominations of Joshua D. Dunlap, of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Eric Chunyee Tung, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, William W. Mercer, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana, Stephen Chad Meredith, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky, Arch Capito, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of West Virginia for the term of four years, David Dunavant, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee for the term of four years, Matthew Harvey, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of West Virginia for the term of four years, John

Heekin, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Florida for the term of four years, Scott Leary, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi for the term of four years, Leif Olson, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa for the term of four years, Adam Sleeper, to be United States Attorney for the District of the Virgin Islands for the term of four years, and David Toepfer, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio for the term of four years, 9:15 a.m., SH-216.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, September 11

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Thursday, September 11

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 2296, National Defense Authorization Act. At 11 a.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on S. Res. 377, En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations. Additional votes are expected during Thursday's session.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Motion to Instruct Conferees on H.R. 3944—Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, Agriculture, and Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2026. Consideration of H.R. 3486—Stop Illegal Entry Act of 2025.

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