

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6561–S6584

Measures Introduced: Thirty bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2767–2796, and S. Res. 384–385. **Pages S6574–75**

Measures Reported:

S. 1728, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to expand the membership of the Advisory Council on Employee Welfare and Pension Benefit Plans to include representatives of employee ownership organizations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2403, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to provide a clear definition of adequate consideration for certain closely held stock, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6574**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act: Senate continued 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:

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Pending:

Wicker/Reed Amendment Modified No. 3748, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6561**

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 S6561**

Thune Amendment No. 3863 (to Amendment No. 3427), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6561**

Thune Amendment No. 3864 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6561**

Thune Amendment No. 3865 (to Amendment No. 3864), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6561**

Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Thune Amendment No. 3866, relating to the enactment date. **Page S6561**

Thune Amendment No. 3867 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3866), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6561**

Thune Amendment No. 3868 (to Amendment No. 3867), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6561**

En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of S. Res. 377, authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar. **Pages S6564–69**

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

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 513), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the resolution. **Pages S6564–69**

Senator Thune entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the resolution. **Page S6565**

By 52 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 514), Senate agreed to the motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the resolution. **Pages S6564–69**

By 45 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. EX. 515), Senate rejected the ruling of the Chair that the precedent set by the Senate on November 21, 2013, applied only to the consideration of a nomination, not multiple nominations and not to executive resolutions of any kind. Subsequently, Senator Thune motion to appeal the ruling of the Chair was upheld, the threshold for cloture on an executive resolution for the en bloc consideration of nominations with a calendar number on the Executive Calendar, other than those on Level 1 of the Executive Schedule under 5 USC 5312, or Article 3 judges, is by a simple majority vote. **Pages S6564–69**

By 53 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 516), Senate upon reconsideration agreed to the motion to close further debate on the resolution. **Pages S6564–69**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, September 15, 2025, Senate resume consideration of the resolution, post-cloture, and that notwithstanding Rule XXII, at 5:30 p.m., all post-cloture time be expired and Senate vote on adoption of the resolution; and that following disposition of the resolution, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Stephen Miran, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2012. **Page S6583**

Miran Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Stephen Miran, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2012.

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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 S. Res. 377, En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations.

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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. **Page S6562**

Executive Communications: **Pages S6573–74**

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Additional Statements: **Pages S6572–73**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6579–83**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S6583**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—516) **Pages S6565, S6567–68**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:08 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, September 15, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6584.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing 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, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1453, to confirm the use of certain non-Federal land in Salt Lake City, Utah, for public purposes;

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. 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.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Sergio Gor, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of India, who was introduced by Senator Hagerty and former Senator Rubio, Herschel Walker, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, who was introduced by Senator Cruz, 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, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported 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, 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.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 47 public bills, H.R. 5295–5341; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 120–121; and H. Res. 699–705, were introduced. **Pages H4263–65**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4266–67**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3109, to require the Secretary of Energy to direct the National Petroleum Council to issue a report with respect to petrochemical refineries in the United States, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–267);

H.R. 3617, to amend the Department of Energy Organization Act to secure the supply of critical energy resources, including critical minerals and other materials, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–268);

H.R. 1949, to repeal restrictions on the export and import of natural gas (H. Rept. 119–269);

H.R. 4312, to protect the name, image, and likeness rights of student athletes and to promote fair competition with respect to intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–270, Part 1);

H.R. 4312, to protect the name, image, and likeness rights of student athletes and to promote fair competition with respect to intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–270, Part 2); and

H.R. 5304, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–271). **Pages H4262–63**

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026—Motion to Instruct Conferees: The House failed to agree to 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, by a yea-and-nay vote of 211 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 263. Consideration began yesterday, September 10th. **Pages H4249–50**

Stop Illegal Entry Act: The House passed H.R. 3486, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for individuals who illegally enter and reenter the United States after being removed, by a yea-and-nay vote of 226 yeas to 197 nays, Roll No. 264. **Pages H4242–49, H4250**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part B of H. Rept. 119–255, shall be considered as adopted. **Page H4242**

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

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at noon on Monday, September 15, 2025 for morning-hour debate. **Page H4250**

Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2026—Appointment of Conferees: Without objection, the Chair appointed the following 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: Representatives Cole, Aderholt, Carter (TX), Harris of (MD), Valadao, Newhouse, Moolenaar, Rutherford, Cline, Hinson, Letlow, Guest, Zinke, Bice, Scott Franklin (FL), Lalata, Strong, Maloy, Moore (WV), DeLauro, Hoyer, Kaptur, Bishop, Wasserman Schultz, Cuellar, Pingree, Quigley, Espallat, Underwood, Levin, Escobar, and Perez. **Page H4258**

Select Subcommittee to Investigate the Remaining Questions Surrounding January 6, 2021—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members to the Select Subcommittee to Investigate the Remaining Questions Surrounding January 6, 2021: Representative

Loudermilk, Chair; Representatives Griffith, Higgins (LA), Nehls, Hageman, Swalwell, Crockett, and Moskowitz. **Page H4258**

Senate Referrals: S. 93 was held at the desk. S. 306 was held at the desk. S. 725 was held at the desk. S. 759 was held at the desk. **Page H4251**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H4251.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4249–50 and H4250.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1047, the “Guaranteeing Reliability through the Interconnection of Dispatchable Power Act”; H.R. 3062, the “Promoting Cross-border Energy Infrastructure Act”; H.R. 3015, the “National Coal Council Reestablishment Act”; H.R. 4922, the “DC CRIMES Act of 2025”; H.R. 5143, the “District of Columbia Policing Protection Act of 2025”; H.R. 5140, to lower the age at which a minor may be tried as an adult for certain criminal offenses in the District of Columbia to 14 years of age; and H.R. 5125, the “District of Columbia Judicial Nominations Reform Act of 2025”, 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Technology Modernization, hearing entitled “Advancing VA Care Through Artificial Intelligence”, 3 p.m., 360 Cannon.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, September 15

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Monday, September 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of S. Res. 377, En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations, with a vote on adoption thereon at 5:30 p.m.

Following which, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Stephen Miran, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

Senators should expect additional roll call votes at approximately 8 p.m.

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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