

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

(Legislative Day of Tuesday, September 16, 2025)

Routine Proceedings, pages S6779–S6800

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2914–2923, and S. Res. 414–418. **Page S6971**

Measures Reported:

S. 1092, to require certain products to be labeled with ‘Do Not Flush’ labeling, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 119–63) **Page S6791**

Measures Passed:

Ending Improper Payments to Deceased People Act: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 269, to improve coordination between Federal and State agencies and the Do Not Pay working system, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S6798**

Thune (for Kennedy) Amendment No. 3912, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6798**

National Child Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 414, designating September 2025 as “National Child Awareness Month” to promote awareness of charities that benefit children as well as youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing the efforts made by those charities and organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States. **Page S6798**

Gold Star Families Remembrance Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 415, designating the week of September 21 through September 27, 2025, as “Gold Star Families Remembrance Week”. **Page S6798**

Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 416, expressing support for the designation of September 2025 as “Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month” in order to educate communities across the United States about sickle cell disease and the need for research, early detection methods, effective treatments, and preventative care pro-

grams with respect to complications from sickle cell disease and conditions related to sickle cell disease.

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Telehealth Awareness Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 417, supporting the designation of the week of September 14 through September 20, 2025, as “Telehealth Awareness Week”. **Page S6798**

National Truck Driver Appreciation Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 225, designating the week of September 14 through September 20, 2025, as “National Truck Driver Appreciation Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S6798–99**

Measures Failed:

Continuing Appropriations and Extensions and Other Matters Act: By 47 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 527), Senate failed to pass S. 2882, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026. Pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, September 18, 2025, the bill having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not passed. **Page S6785**

Subsequently, Senator Schumer entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which Senate failed to pass the bill. **Page S6785**

Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act: By 44 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 528), Senate failed to pass H.R. 5371, making continuing appropriations and extensions for fiscal year 2026. Pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, September 18, 2025, the bill having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not passed. **Page S6785**

Subsequently, Senator Thune entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which Senate failed to pass the bill. **Page S6785**

Measures Considered:

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 S6781–84**

Pending:

Wicker/Reed Amendment Modified No. 3748, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6782**

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 S6782**

Thune Amendment No. 3863 (to Amendment No. 3427), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6782**

Thune Amendment No. 3864 (to the language proposed to be stricken by Amendment No. 3748), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6782**

Thune Amendment No. 3865 (to Amendment No. 3864), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6782**

Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services, with instructions, Thune Amendment No. 3866, relating to the enactment date. **Page S6782**

Thune Amendment No. 3867 (to (the instructions) Amendment No. 3866), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6782**

Thune Amendment No. 3868 (to Amendment No. 3867), relating to the enactment date. **Page S6782**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, September 29, 2025, Senate resume consideration of the bill. **Page S6799**

Eliminate Shutdowns Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2806, to provide for automatic continuing appropriations. **Page S6799**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Monday, September 29, 2025. **Page S6799**

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted, on the following dates and times: Monday, September 22, 2025 at 8:30 a.m., and Thursday, September 25, 2025 at 12 noon; and when the Senate adjourns, it stand adjourned until 3 p.m., on Monday, September 29, 2025. **Page S6799**

Waltz Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that on Monday, September 29, 2025, notwithstanding Rule XXII, the cloture motion with respect to the nomination of Michael G. Waltz, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, ripen at 5:30 p.m. **Page S6799**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 47 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 530), Michael G. Waltz, of Florida, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the Rank of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations. **Pages S6786, S6799**

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

By 47 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 529), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S6785–86**

45 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

7 Army nominations in the rank of general.

4 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force. **Pages S6799–S6800**

Messages from the House: **Pages S6790–91**

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S6792–96**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6796–98**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S6798**

Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—530) **Pages S6785, S6786**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 2:34 p.m., until 8:30 a.m. on Monday, September 22, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6799.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 34 public bills, H.R. 5507–5540; and 14 resolutions, H.J. Res. 126–127; H. Con. Res. 49–50; and H. Res. 747–756, were introduced. **Pages H4487–89**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H4490**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 3638, to direct the Secretary of Energy to prepare periodic assessments and submit reports on the supply chain for the generation and transmission of electricity, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–304);

H.R. 2954, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to approve multi-State apprenticeship programs for purposes of veterans educational assistance, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 119–305); and

H.R. 3628, to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to add a standard related to State consideration of reliable generation, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–306). **Page H4487**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Reverend Elliott J. Powell, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Lubbock, Texas. **Page H4459**

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Frost wherein he resigned from the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. **Page H4461**

Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2026: The House passed H.R. 5371, making continuing appropriations and extensions for fiscal year 2026, by a yea-and-nay vote of 217 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 281. **Pages H4461–77**

Rejected the DeLauro motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations, by a yea-and-nay vote of 210 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 280. **Pages H4476–77**

H. Res. 722, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5371) and the resolution (H. Res. 719) was agreed to Wednesday, September 17th.

Honoring the life and legacy of Charles “Charlie” James Kirk: The House agreed to H. Res. 719, honoring the life and legacy of Charles “Charlie” James Kirk, by a yea-and-nay vote of 310 yeas to 58 nays with 38 answering “present”, Roll No. 282. Consideration began yesterday, September 18th. **Pages H4477–78**

Clerk of the House of Representatives request the Senate to return to the House H.R. 3426: The House agreed to H. Res. 747, that the Clerk of the House of Representatives request the Senate to return to the House the bill (H.R. 3426) to amend title 40, United States Code, to limit the construction of new courthouses under certain circumstances. **Page H4478**

Work Period Designation: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated the period from Friday, September 19, 2025, through Sunday, September 28, 2025, as a “district work period” under clause 13 of rule 1. **Page H4482**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H4479.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4476–77, H4477, and H4477–78.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 12:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Foreign Affairs: On September 18, 2025, Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 5244, to provide for the authorities of the Secretary of State; H.R. 5245, to provide for the management authorities of the Department of State; H.R. 5246, to provide for the political affairs authorities of the Department of State, and for other purposes; H.R. 5247, to provide for the International Security Affairs authorities of the Department of State; H.R. 5248, to ensure the alignment of economic and foreign policies, to position the Department of State to reflect that economic security is national security, and for other purposes; H.R. 5250, to provide for the foreign assistance authority of the Department of State, and for other purposes; H.R. 5251, to provide for the public diplomacy authorities of the Department of State, and for other purposes; H.R. 5300, to guide the foreign policy of the United States, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5299, to modify and reauthorize the Better Utilization of Investments Leading to Development Act of 2018, and for other purposes. H.R. 5244, H.R. 5245, H.R. 5246, H.R. 5247, H.R. 5248, H.R. 5250, H.R. 5251, H.R. 5300, and H.R. 5299 were ordered reported, as amended.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

8:30 a.m., Monday, September 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Tuesday, September 23

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m.

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