

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6805–S6845

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2924–2938, and S. Res. 419–421. **Page S6832**

Measures Reported:

S. 318, to require a plan to improve the cybersecurity and telecommunications of the U.S. Academic Research Fleet, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 119–64)

S. 428, to promote space situational awareness and space traffic coordination and to modify the functions and leadership of the Office of Space Commerce, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 119–65)

S. 503, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to evaluate and consider the impact of the telecommunications network equipment supply chain on the deployment of universal service. (S. Rept. No. 119–66)

S. 1433, to reauthorize the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Act to promote the protection of the resources of the Northwest Straits, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 119–67)

S. 1437, to require the Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to establish a program to identify, evaluate, acquire, and disseminate commercial Earth remote sensing data and imagery in order to satisfy the scientific, operational, and educational requirements of the Administration, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 119–68)

S. 620, to provide public health veterinary services to Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations for rabies prevention. (S. Rept. No. 119–69)

S. 642, to provide compensation to the Keweenaw Bay Indian Community for the taking without just compensation of land by the United States inside the exterior boundaries of the L'Anse Indian Reservation that were guaranteed to the Community under a treaty signed in 1854. (S. Rept. No. 119–70)

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Measures Passed:

Strengthening Child Exploitation Enforcement Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1333, to amend title 18, United States Code, to modify provisions relating to kidnapping, sexual abuse, and illicit sexual conduct with respect to minors, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S6843–44**

Members of Congress, family, and congressional staff safety and security: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 2144, to improve the safety and security of Members of Congress, immediate family members of Members of Congress, and congressional staff, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S6844**

Thune (for Klobuchar) Amendment No. 3916, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6844**

National Estuaries Week: Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 418, expressing support for the designation of the week of September 20 through September 27, 2025, as “National Estuaries Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6844**

National Concussion Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 420, supporting the designation of September 19, 2025, as “National Concussion Awareness Day”. **Page S6844**

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 motion proposed thereto: **Pages S6805–13**

Pending:

Wicker/Reed Amendment Modified No. 3748, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6805**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

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Eliminate Shutdowns Act: By 37 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. EX. 533), 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 motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2806, to provide for automatic continuing appropriations.

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Senator Thune entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Continuing Appropriations and Extensions and Other Matters Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of motion to proceed to S. 2882, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026.

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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 Wednesday, October 1, 2025.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed was withdrawn.

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Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5371,

making continuing appropriations and extensions for fiscal year 2026.

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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 upon disposition of S. 2882, making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026.

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En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations—Cloture: Senate began consideration of S. Res. 412, authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the resolution, 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 Hung Cao, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

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Prior to the consideration of this resolution, 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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Cao Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Hung Cao, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy.

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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 H.R. 5371, making continuing appropriations and extensions for fiscal year 2026.

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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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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 532), 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.

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

By 54 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 531), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

8 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.
 11 Army nominations in the rank of general.
 3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.
 1 Space Force nomination in the rank of general.
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Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Chris Pratt, of Utah, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Political–Military Affairs), which was sent to the Senate on February 11, 2025

Erik Siebert, of Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia for the term of four years, which was sent to the Senate on May 6, 2025
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Messages from the House: **Page S6832**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S6833–34**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Additional Statements:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—533)
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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 9:38 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 30, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6844.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet in Pro Forma session at 12 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30, 2025.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to receive a closed briefing on Golden Dome for America, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: business meeting to consider the nominations of Benjamin Hobbs, of Ohio, and Ronald Kurtz, of Georgia, both to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and 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, 10:30 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation, to hold hearings to

examine the future of United States Black Sea strategy, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the weaponization of the Quiet Skies Program, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine how the Trump Administration is addressing the human cost of soft on crime policies, 9:15 a.m., SH–216.

Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine competition in America's skies, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

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

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 30 through October 3, 2025

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S. 2296, National Defense Authorization Act. Senators should expect roll call votes on or in relation to S. 2882, Continuing Appropriations and Extensions and Other Matters Act, and H.R. 5371, Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: September 30, to receive a closed briefing on Golden Dome for America, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 30, business meeting to consider the nominations of Benjamin Hobbs, of Ohio, and Ronald Kurtz, of Georgia, both to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and 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, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Finance: October 1, to hold hearings to examine the taxation of digital assets, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 30, Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation, to hold hearings to examine the future of United States Black Sea strategy, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: October 1, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Scott Mayer, of Pennsylvania, and James Murphy, of Maryland, both to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, and Rosario Palmieri, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 30, to hold hearings to examine the weaponization of the Quiet Skies Program, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 30, to hold hearings to examine how the Trump Administration is addressing the human cost of soft on crime policies, 9:15 a.m., SH-216.

September 30, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine competition in America's skies, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

October 1, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Jennifer Lee Mascott, of Delaware, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third

Circuit, Rebecca L. Taibleson, of Wisconsin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, David A. Bragdon, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, Robert P. Chamberlin, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, Lindsey Ann Freeman, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of North Carolina, Edmund G. LaCour, Jr., to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Bill Lewis, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Alabama, James D. Maxwell II, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi, Harold D. Mooty III, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Matthew E. Orso, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, Susan Courtwright Rodriguez, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, Sara Bailey, of Texas, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, Braden Boucek, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee for the term of four years, David Courcelle, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana for the term of four years, Dominick Gerace II, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years, Jerome Francis Gorgon, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan for the term of four years, James Kruger, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi 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, Bryan Stirling, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years, and Thomas Wheeler II, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana for the term of four years, 10:15 a.m., SD-106.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 30, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 3 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, September 30

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Tuesday, September 30

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 2296, National Defense Authorization Act. Senators should expect roll call votes on or in relation to S. 2882, Continuing Appropriations and Extensions and Other Matters Act, and H.R. 5371, Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 12 p.m.



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