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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages \$8549-\$8582

Measures Introduced: Twenty-one bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3389–3409, and S. Res. 537–539. **Pages S8576–77**

Measures Reported:

- S. 702, to require a study on the quality of care difference between mental health and addiction therapy care provided by health care providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs compared to non-Department providers.
- S. 874, to ensure that whistleblowers, including contractors, are protected from retaliation when a Federal employee orders a reprisal, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.
- S. 972, to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs repays members of the Armed Forces for certain contributions made by such members towards Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Passed:

Honoring service and sacrifice of United States Army Specialist Sarah Beckstrom and United States Air Force Staff Sergeant Andrew Wolfe: Senate agreed to S. Res. 537, honoring the service and sacrifice of United States Army Specialist Sarah Beckstrom and United States Air Force Staff Sergeant Andrew Wolfe, who were tragically shot in Washington, D.C., in a targeted assault against United States service members on November 26, 2025.

National Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 538, designating November 2025 as "National Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month". Page S8580

Stars and Stripes 80th anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 539, recognizing the 80th anniversary of the commencement of continuous operations of Stars and Stripes in the Pacific and the invaluable service of the Stars and Stripes as the "hometown newspaper" for members of the Armed Forces, civil-

ian employees, and family members stationed around the world.

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Honoring Dr. Jane Goodall: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 483, honoring the extraordinary life, leadership, and legacy of Dr. Jane Goodall, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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ASCEND Act: Senate passed 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, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Ads for Mental Health Services Act: Senate passed S. 414, to require covered digital advertising platforms to report their public service advertisements, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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Measures Considered:

Health Savings Account Contribution—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3386, to provide a health savings account contribution to certain enrollees, to reduce health care costs.

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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. Res. 532, authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar.

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Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session to consider the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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Subsequently, the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill was withdrawn.

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Health Care Premium Tax Credit—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed

to consideration of S. 3385, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the enhancement of the health care premium tax credit. Page S8567

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Policy on Adhering to the Text of the Administrative Procedure Act and En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations-Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, December 10, 2025, notwithstanding Rule XXII, Senator King or his designee be recognized to make a motion to proceed to S.J. Res. 82, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services relating to "Policy on Adhering to the Text of the Administrative Procedure Act", and Senate vote on the motion to proceed at 11:45 a.m., and following disposition of the motion to proceed to S.J. Res. 82, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on S. Res. 532, authorizing the en bloc consideration in Executive Session of certain nominations on the Executive Calendar. Page S8582

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 636), Robert P. Chamberlin, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

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By 49 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 638), William J. Crain, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana.

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

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 637), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 640), James D. Maxwell II, of Mississippi, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Mississippi.

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

By 49 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 639), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Messages from the House: Page S8574

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Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S8580

Privileges of the Floor: Page S8580

Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—640) Pages S8555-57, S8567

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:16 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, December 10, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$8582.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: OFFICE OF THE U.S. TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine a review of the activities and fiscal year 2026 funding priorities of the Office of the United States Trade Representative, after receiving testimony from Jamieson Greer, United States Trade Representative.

NATIONAL PARKS LEGISLATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks concluded a hearing to examine S. 290, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to upgrade existing emergency communications centers in units of the National Park System to Next Generation 9–1–1 systems, S. 332, to require a study on Holocaust education efforts of States, local educational agencies, and public elementary and secondary schools, S. 446, to prohibit Big Cypress National Preserve from being designated as wilderness or as a component of the National Wilderness Preservation System, S. 573, to designate a mountain in the State of Alaska as Denali, S. 601, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky, S. 730, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of establishing the African Burial Ground International Memorial Museum and Educational Center at the African Burial Ground National Monument, S. 791, to establish the Justice Thurgood Marshall National Historic Site in the State of Maryland as an affiliated area of the National Park System, H.R. 186 and S. 858, bills to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work on the National Mall to honor the extraordinary acts of valor, selfless service, and sacrifice displayed by Medal of Honor recipients, S. 1088, to provide that the memorial to commemorate the sacrifice and service of the women who worked on the home front to support the efforts of the United States military during World War II may be located on the National Mall, S. 1131, to establish the Ocmulgee Mounds National Park and Preserve in the State of Georgia, S. 1135, to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility of designating the Bonneville Shoreline Trail, S. 1280, to designate six creeks in North Carolina in honor of the lives lost in a plane crash in Carteret County, North Carolina, on February 13, 2022, S. 1353, to extend the authority for modifications to the Second Division Memorial in the District of Columbia, S. 1377, to ensure the maintenance of a herd of horses in Theodore Roosevelt National Park, S. 1518, to redesignate the Saratoga National Historical Park as the "Saratoga National Battlefield Park", S. 1777, to amend the California Desert Protection Act of 1994 to expand the boundary of Joshua Tree National Park, to redesignate the Cottonwood Visitor Center at Joshua Tree National Park as the "Dianne Feinstein Visitor Center", S. 1870, to adjust the boundary of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area to include the Rim of the Valley Corridor, S. 1926, to encourage reduction of disposable plastic products in units of the National Park System, S. 2270, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate the portion of the Myakka River in Sarasota County, Florida, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 2308, to amend the Federal Land Recreation Enhancement Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to collect a surcharge from international visitors to units of the National Park System, S. 2369, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to remove or permanently conceal the name of Francis Newlands on the grounds of the memorial fountain located at Chevy Chase Circle in the District of Columbia, S. 2385, to codify Executive Order 14253 relating to restoring truth and sanity to American history, S. 2546, to provide for an extension of the legislative authority of the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 2708, to enhance the preservation, maintenance, and management of national historic trails and national scenic trails, S. 2970, to authorize the use of off-highway vehicles in certain areas of the Capitol Reef National Park, Utah, and H.R. 249, to redesignate certain facilities at Paterson Great Falls National Historical Park in honor of Congressman Bill Pascrell, Jr., after receiving testimony from Senators Kaine and Van Hollen; and Mike Caldwell, Associate Director, Park Planning, Facilities, and Lands, National Park Service, Department of the Interior.

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT IN 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Subcommittee on Education and the American Family concluded a hearing to examine building pathways, focusing on advancing workforce development in the 21st century, after receiving testimony from Chris Cox, Alabama Community College System, Auburn; Chelle Travis, SkillsUSA, Ashburn, Virginia; Joel Stadtlander, ArcelorMittal Calvert, Calvert, Alabama; and Luke Rhine, Rodel Foundation of Delaware, Wilmington.

PROTECTING CHILDREN ONLINE

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine protecting children online against offenders, after receiving testimony from Jessica Lieber Smolar, former Assistant United States Attorney in the Western District of Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh; Tamia Woods, Do It For James Foundation, Streetsboro, Ohio; and Lauren Coffren, National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Alexandria, Virginia.

DIGITAL AGE

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property concluded a hearing to examine balancing the interests of local radio, songwriters, and performers in the digital age, after receiving testimony from Michael J. Huppe, Sound Exchange, Washington, D.C.; Henry Hinton, Inner Banks Media, LLC, Greenville, North Carolina, on behalf of the National Association of Broadcasters; and Gene Simmons, Los Angeles, California.

CHINESE ORGANIZED CRIME

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Chinese organized crime in Latin America, after receiving testimony from Raymond P. Donovan, Stack21 Solutions, New York, New York; Leland Lazarus, Lazarus Consulting, LLC, Miami, Florida; and Vanda Felbab-Brown, Initiative on Nonstate Armed Actors, Washington, D.C.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 49 public bills, H.R. 6498–6546; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 935, 937–938 were introduced. Pages H5109–11

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 1098, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–396);

H.R. 5131, to extend military land withdrawals in Alaska, New Mexico, and California for a period of 25 years and to make technical corrections to descriptions for certain military land withdrawals, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–397, Part 1);

H.R. 3620, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southcentral Foundation located in Anchorage, Alaska, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119–398, Part 1); and

H. Res. 936, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3898) to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to make targeted reforms with respect to waters of the United States and other matters, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3383) to amend the Investment Company Act of 1940 with respect to the authority of closed-end companies to invest in private funds; providing for consideration of the bill (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; providing for consideration of the bill (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; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3668) to promote interagency coordination for reviewing certain authorizations under section 3 of the Natural Gas Act, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (S. 1071) to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disinter the remains of Fernando V. Cota from Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Texas, and for other purposes; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 119-399).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:51 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H5065

Recess: The House recessed at 5:49 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. **Page H5100**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: Secure Rural Schools Reauthorization Act of 2025: S. 356, to extend the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 399 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 315;

Pages H5066-71, H5100-01

Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians Land Transfer Act of 2025: H.R. 2302, amended, to take certain Federal land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians;

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Removing restrictions from a parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky: H.R. 1276, amended, to remove restrictions from a parcel of land in Paducah, Kentucky; Pages H5073-74

Semiquincentennial Tourism and Access to Recreation Sites Act: H.R. 4285, amended, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to designate an entrance-fee free date in 2026 at National Park Service sites in order to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States of America; Pages H5074-75

Dalles Watershed Development Act: H.R. 655, amended, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain Federal land to the City of The Dalles, Oregon;

Pages H5075-76

Cormorant Relief Act of 2025: H.R. 2293, amended, to require the Secretary of the Interior to reissue certain regulations relating to the taking of double-crested cormorants at aquaculture facilities;

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Make State Wildlife Action Plans Efficient Act of 2025: H.R. 1676, amended, to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to approve the wildlife conservation and restoration program of a State within a certain period of time, by a ½3 yea-and-nay vote of 400 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 316; Pages H5078–80, H5101

Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe Project Lands Restoration Act: H.R. 2388, to take certain Federal land in the State of Washington into trust for the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe; Pages H5080-81

Quinault Indian Nation Land Transfer Act: H.R. 2389, to take certain land in the State of Washington into trust for the benefit of the Quinault Indian Nation; Pages H5081-82 World War II Women's Memorial Location Act: H.R. 2290, amended, to provide that the memorial to commemorate the sacrifice and service of the women who worked on the home front to support the efforts of the United States military during World War II may be located on the National Mall;

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Adams Memorial-Great American Heroes Act: H.R. 2306, amended, to reauthorize the Adams Memorial Commission; Pages H5083-85

Authorizing, ratifying, and confirming the Agreement of Settlement and Compromise to Resolve the Akwesasne Mohawk Land Claim in the State of New York: H.R. 2916, to authorize, ratify, and confirm the Agreement of Settlement and Compromise to Resolve the Akwesasne Mohawk Land Claim in the State of New York; Pages H5085-86

Studying NEPA's Impact on Projects Act: H.R. 573, amended, to require the Council on Environmental Quality to publish an annual report on environmental reviews and causes of action based on alleged non-compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969; Pages H5086-88

ePermit Act: H.R. 4503, amended, to improve environmental reviews and authorizations through the use of interactive, digital, and cloud-based platforms;

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Public Lands Military Readiness Act of 2025: H.R. 5131, amended, to extend military land withdrawals in Alaska, New Mexico, and California for a period of 25 years and to make technical corrections to descriptions for certain military land withdrawals;

Pages H5091–93

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 80 Prospect Street in Avon, New York, as the "Officer Anthony Mazurkiewicz Memorial Post Office Building": H.R. 323, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 80 Prospect Street in Avon, New York, as the "Officer Anthony Mazurkiewicz Memorial Post Office Building";

Pages H5093-94

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 298 Route 292 in Holmes, New York, as the "Sheriff Adrian 'Butch' Anderson Post Office Building": H.R. 1008, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 298 Route 292 in Holmes, New York, as the "Sheriff Adrian 'Butch' Anderson Post Office Building"; Pages H5094–95

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 86 Main Street in Haverstraw, New York, as the "Paul Piperato Post Office Building": H.R. 1009, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 86 Main Street in Haverstraw, New York, as the "Paul Piperato Post Office Building"; Page H5095

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 840 Front Street in Casselton, North Dakota, as the "Commander Delbert Austin Olson Post Office": H.R. 1830, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 840 Front Street in Casselton, North Dakota, as the "Commander Delbert Austin Olson Post Office";

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 West Oklahoma Avenue in Guthrie, Oklahoma, as the "Oscar J. Upham Post Office": S. 2283, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 201 West Oklahoma Avenue in Guthrie, Oklahoma, as the "Oscar J. Upham Post Office"; Pages H5096-97

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5225 Harrison Avenue in Rockford, Illinois, as the "Jay P. Larson Post Office Building": H.R. 2466, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5225 Harrison Avenue in Rockford, Illinois, as the "Jay P. Larson Post Office Building"; Page H5097

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 521 Thorn Street in Sewickley, Pennsylvania, as the "Mary Elizabeth 'Bettie' Cole Post Office Building": H.R. 1461, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 521 Thorn Street in Sewickley, Pennsylvania, as the "Mary Elizabeth 'Bettie' Cole Post Office Building"; Pages H5097-98

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 130 South Patterson Avenue in Santa Barbara, California, as the "Brigadier General Frederick R. Lopez Post Office Building": H.R. 2175, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 130 South Patterson Avenue in Santa Barbara, California, as the "Brigadier General Frederick R. Lopez Post Office Building"; and Pages H5098–99

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building": H.R. 1372, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building". Pages H5099-H5100

Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida: The House

agreed to H. Res. 308, dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida.

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Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Twenty-eighth Congressional District of Texas: The House agreed to H. Res. 309, dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Twenty-eighth Congressional District of Texas.

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Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the at-large Congressional District of Alaska: The House agreed to H. Res. 310, dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the at-large Congressional District of Alaska;

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Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Thirtieth Congressional District of Texas: The House agreed to H. Res. 311, dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Thirtieth Congressional District of Texas.

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Dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida: The House agreed to H. Res. 312, dismissing the election contest relating to the office of Representative from the Fourteenth Congressional District of Florida.

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Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Snow Water Supply Forecasting Reauthorization Act of 2025: H.R. 3857, amended, to amend the Snow Water Supply Forecasting Program Authorization Act.

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Senate Referral: S. 2950 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H5066.

Quorum Calls Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5100–01 and H5101.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 p.m. and adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings

PERMIT ACT; INVEST ACT; THE ELECTRIC SUPPLY CHAIN ACT; STATE PLANNING FOR RELIABILITY AND AFFORDABILITY ACT; IMPROVING INTERAGENCY COORDINATION FOR PIPELINE REVIEWS ACT; TO REQUIRE THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS TO DISINTER THE REMAINS OF FERNANDO V. COTA FROM FORT SAM HOUSTON NATIONAL CEMETERY, TEXAS

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3898, the "PERMIT Act"; H.R. 3383, the "INVEST Act"; H.R. 3638, the "Electric Supply Chain Act"; H.R. 3628, the "State Planning for Reliability and Affordability Act"; H.R. 3668, the "Improving Interagency Coordination for Pipeline Reviews Act"; and S. 1071, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to disinter the remains of Fernando V. Cota from Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery, Texas, and for other purposes. [National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026]. The Committee granted, by a record vote of 9-3, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3898, the "PERMIT Act", H.R. 3383, the "INVEST Act", H.R. 3638, the "Electric Supply Chain Act", H.R. 3628, the "State Planning for Reliability and Affordability Act", H.R. 3668, the "Improving Interagency Coordination for Pipeline Reviews Act", and S. 1071, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3898, the "PERMIT Act", under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure or their respective designees. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only the further amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 3383, the "INVEST Act", under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services or their respective designees. The rule provides that, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-15 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule further makes in order only the further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 3638, the "Electric Supply Chain Act", under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule further makes in order only the further amendments printed in part C of the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendments printed in part C of the Rules Committee report are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 3628, the "State Planning for Reliability and Affordability Act", under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the

bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees. The rule further makes in order only the amendment printed in part D of the Rules Committee report. Each amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. All points of order against the amendment printed in part D of the Rules Committee report are waived. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 3668, the "Improving Interagency Coordination for Pipeline Reviews Act", under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their respective designees. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of S. 1071, the "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026", under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 119-16 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their respective designees. The rule provides one motion to commit. The rule further provides that the chair of the Committee on Armed Services and the chair of the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence may insert in the Congressional Record not later than December 12, 2025, such material as they may deem explanatory of S. 1071. Finally, the rule provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress before January 6, 2026, the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business and that the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day

shall be considered as approved if applicable. Testimony was heard from Chairman Rogers of Alabama, and Representatives Smith of Washington, Latta, Castor of Florida, Huizenga, Waters, Hageman, and Stansbury.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider the nominations of Lee Beaman, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2030, and Douglas Weaver, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2026, 10 a.m., SD–562.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine arms race, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine maritime security in Africa, focusing on assessing threats to United States commercial diplomacy and national security interests, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the future of retirement, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine defining our healthcare problem, and principles we should follow to solve it, 2 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: to hold hearings to examine running government like a small business, focusing on waste and fraud, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine S. 342, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize an individual who is awarded the Purple Heart for service in the Armed Forces to transfer unused Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to a family member, S. 668, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the Office of Falls Prevention of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 926, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a program to furnish to certain veterans items used for the secure storage of firearms, S. 1116, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the provision of certain additional burial benefits for individuals for whom an urn or plaque is furnished, S. 1657, to amend title 38, United States Code, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to deny the claim of a veteran for benefits under the laws administered by such Secretary on the sole basis that such veteran failed to appear for a medical examination associated with such claim, S. 1665, to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure veterans of secrecy oath programs receive the full benefits they have earned, S. 1868, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand access by veterans to critical access hospitals and affiliated clinics under the Veterans Community Care Program, S. 1992, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the efficiency of adjudications and appeals of claims for benefits under laws administered by Secretary of Veterans Affairs, S. 2061, to require the Interagency Working Group on Toxic Exposure to conduct research on the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions of descendants of individuals exposed to toxic substances while serving as members of the Armed Forces, S. 2220, to expand presumptions of exposure by members of the Armed Forces to toxic substances, S. 2264, to improve the emergency management capabilities of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2309, to direct a physician or nurse practitioner employed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to certify the death of a veteran not later than 48 hours after such physician or nurse practitioner learns of such death, S. 2328, to authorize the use of veterans educational assistance for examinations and assessments to receive credit toward degrees awarded by institutions of higher learning, S. 2333, to require the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to permit supplementation of health records of deceased veterans, S. 2397, to require implementation by the Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs of certain recommendations relating to the provision of health care through community care providers, S. 2683, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a Veterans Scam and Fraud Evasion Officer, and S. 2737, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to implement a pilot program to furnish hyperbaric oxygen therapy to certain veterans through community care providers, 4 p.m., SR-418.

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

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine aging with purpose, focusing on the positive impact of seniors in today's economy, 3:30 p.m., SH–216.

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Committee on Agriculture, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Member Day", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Education and Workforce, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, hearing entitled "Building A Talent Marketplace: How LERs Empower Workers and Expand Opportunity", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment, markup on H.R. 6409, the "Foreign Emissions and Nonattainment Clarification for Economic Stability"; H.R. 4218, the "Clean Air and Economic Advancement Reform Act"; H.R. 6387, the "Fire Improvement and Reforming Exceptional Events Act"; H.R. 4214, the "Clean Air and Building Infrastructure Improvement Act"; H.R. 161, the "New Source Review

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Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled "From Principles to Policy: Enabling 21st Century AI Innovation in Financial Services", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee, hearing entitled "Understanding Judea and Samaria: Historical, Strategic, and Political Dynamics in U.S.-Israel Relations", 10:10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

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Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on the Administrative State, Regulatory Reform, and Antitrust, joint hearing entitled "Fighting Obamacare Subsidy Fraud: Is the Administrative Procedure Act Working as Intended?", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Abuse of the Equal Access to Justice Act by Environmental NGOs", 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

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Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled "From Service to Startup: Empowering Veteran Entrepreneurs", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled "Putting Families First: Strengthening CHAMPVA for Survivors and Dependents", 2:15 p.m., 360 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Full Committee, markup on legislation on the AGOA Extension Act; legislation on the Haiti Economic Lift Program Extension Act; H.R. 4930, to expand the sharing of information with respect to suspected violations of intellectual property rights in trade; H.R. 227, the "Clergy Act"; H.R. 2716, the "Ending Improper Payments to Deceased People Act"; H.R. 4993, the "Joe Fiandra Access to Home Infusion Act of 2025; legislation on the Taxpayer Due Process Enhancement Act; H.R. 6495, the "Taxpayer Notification and Privacy Act; and H.R. 4242, the "Innovate Less Lethal to De-Escalate Tax Modernization Act", 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Joint Meeting

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to receive a briefing on from production to procurement, focusing on how Europe and Ukraine are transforming defense supply chains, 2 p.m., 2358C–RHOB.

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Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will be in a period of morning business. Senator King or his designee will be recognized to make a motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 82, Policy on Adhering to the Text of the Administrative Procedure Act, and vote on the motion to proceed thereon at 11:45 a.m.

Following disposition of S.J. Res. 82, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on S. Res. 532, En Bloc Consideration of Certain Nominations.

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