

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8877–S8940

Measures Introduced: Twenty-two bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3558–3579, and S. Res. 568–573. **Page S8920**

Measures Passed:

Diplomatic Relations between the United States and Vietnam: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 321, commemorating 30 years of diplomatic relations between the United States and Vietnam on July 11, 2025, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S8891–93**

Thune (for Merkley/Daines) Amendment No. 4140, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8891–92**

Thune (for Merkley/Daines) Amendment No. 4141, to amend the preamble. **Page S8892**

Naval Air Station Pensacola Terrorist Attack: Senate agreed to S. Res. 571, remembering the December 6, 2019, terrorist attack at Naval Air Station Pensacola and commemorating those who lost their lives, and those who were injured, in the line of duty. **Page S8893**

Honoring National Guard Members killed in Syria: Senate agreed to S. Res. 572, honoring the service and sacrifice of United States Army Sergeant William Nathaniel Howard and United States Army Sergeant Edgar Brian Torres-Tovar, who were killed in action in Palmyra, Syria, in a targeted assault against United States service members on December 13, 2025. **Pages S8893–94**

Trafficking Survivors Relief Act: Senate passed H.R. 4323, to provide for the vacating of certain convictions and expungement of certain arrests of victims of human trafficking. **Page S8894**

Veterans Accessibility Advisory Committee Act: Senate passed S. 1383, to establish the Veterans Advisory Committee on Equal Access, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S8894–95**

Gold Star and Surviving Spouse Career Services Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1204, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain spouses eligible for services under the disabled veterans' outreach program, and the bill was then passed. **Page S8895**

FAST VETS Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of 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 the bill was then passed. **Page S8895**

VA Budget Shortfall Accountability Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1823, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs and the Comptroller General of the United States to report on certain funding shortfalls in the Department of Veterans Affairs, and the bill was then passed. **Page S8895**

VetPAC Act of 2025: Senate passed S. 787, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a commission to review operations at the Veterans Health Administration and submit to Congress reports with respect to that review, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S8895–98**

Thune (for Moran) Amendment No. 4142, to remove the authorization of appropriations for such sums as may be necessary. **Pages S8897–98**

Improving Veteran Access to Care Act: Senate passed S. 607, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish and implement a plan to improve the process for scheduling appointments for health care from the Department of Veterans Affairs, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the committee amendment to the title. **Pages S8898–99**

Measures Failed:

Policy on Adhering to the Text of the Administrative Procedure Act: By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote

No. 654), Senate failed to pass 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”.

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Appointments:

United States-China Economic and Security Review: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–398, as amended by Public Law 108–7, and in consultation with the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Armed Services and the Senate Committee on Finance, the reappointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission: The Honorable Randall Schriver of Virginia.

Pages S8938, S8939

Authorizing Leadership To Make Appointments—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, notwithstanding the upcoming adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the Majority and Minority Leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

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Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate convene for pro forma sessions, with no business being conducted on the following dates and times: Friday, December 19, 2025, at 11:30 a.m.; Tuesday, December 23, 2025, at 8:30 a.m.; Friday, December 26, 2025, at 1:30 p.m.; Tuesday, December 30, 2025, at 11 a.m.; Friday, January 2, 2026, at 3 p.m.; Saturday, January 3, 2026, at 12 noon; and that when the Senate adjourns on Saturday, January 3, 2026, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, January 5, 2026.

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Simmons Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Joshua Simmons, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency.

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

By 53 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 656), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, if cloture is invoked on the nominations of Joshua Simmons, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intel-

ligence Agency, Keith Bass, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, Alexander C. Van Hook, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, and Sara Bailey, of Texas, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, all post-cloture time be expired, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader, no earlier than January 5, 2026.

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Bass Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Keith Bass, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

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

By 58 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. EX. 657), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, January 5, 2026, Senate execute the order of Thursday, December 18, 2025, in relation to the nomination.

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Van Hook Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Alexander C. Van Hook, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

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

By 60 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. EX. 658), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Bailey Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Sara Bailey, of Texas, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy.

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

By 51 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 659), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Nominations—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that, the only nominations received by the Senate during the 119th Congress, first session, to remain in status quo, notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXXI, paragraph 6, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, be the following: Exec. Cal. No. 241 and 503, and PN No. 415, 446, 587, 588, 593, 595, 620, 621, 622, 658, 675, 676, 677, 680, 681, 682, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712–1, 712–2, 713, 714, 715–1, 715–2, 716, 717, 718, 719, and 720.

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 53 yeas 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 655), Senate confirmed the following nominations en bloc:

Robert Kadlec, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Henry Mack III, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Ethan Klein, of New Jersey, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy.

Harry Kumar, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

James Percival, of Florida, to be General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security.

Andrew Veprek, of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Population, Refugees, and Migration).

Melissa Argyros, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Latvia.

Thomas Bell, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services.

Leo Brent Bozell III, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of South Africa.

Crystal Carey, of New Jersey, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for term of four years.

Benjamin Leon, Jr., of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Spain, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Andorra.

Michael Powers, of Virginia, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Derek Theurer, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Marc Berkowitz, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Anthony D'Esposito, of New York, to be Inspector General, Department of Labor.

Joseph Jewell, of Indiana, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Benjamin Kohlmann, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Joyce Meyer, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs.

Brendan Rogers, of Connecticut, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

David Beck, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration.

Jonathan Greenstein, of New York, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury.

Amy Henninger, of Virginia, to be Director of Operational Test and Evaluation, Department of Defense.

Charles Young III, of West Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Army.

Pedro Allende, of Florida, to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology, Department of Homeland Security.

Charles Arrington, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term expiring July 1, 2030.

Michael Borders, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force.

Stephen Carmel, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration.

Mary Anne Carter, of Tennessee, to be Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts for a term of four years.

Kirsten Davies, of Tennessee, to be Chief Information Officer of the Department of Defense.

David Denton, Jr., of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Navy.

Jeffrey Hall, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Benjamin Hobbs, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

William Kirk, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Small Business Administration.

Ronald Kurtz, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

William Lane III, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

Jeremiah Workman, of Ohio, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training.

Derrick Anderson, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

John Bartrum, of Indiana, to be Under Secretary for Health of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Mindy Brashears, of Texas, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Food Safety.

Jonathan Burke, of Georgia, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, Department of the Treasury.

Jeffrey Goettman, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Africa, Western Hemisphere, Europe, the Middle East, Environment, Labor, and Industrial Competitiveness), with the Rank of Ambassador.

Platte Moring, of South Carolina, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense.

John Noh, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Chris Pilkerton, of Maryland, to be Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Investment Security.

Stella Herrell, of New Mexico, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture.

Yehuda Kaploun, of Florida, to be Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, with the rank of Ambassador.

Morvared Namdarkhan, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Consular Affairs).

Bernardo Navarro, of Puerto Rico, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru.

Darryl Nirenberg, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Romania.

Braden Boucek, of Tennessee, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

James Caggy, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

David Courcelle, of Louisiana, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Louisiana for the term of four years.

Dominick Gerace II, of Ohio, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Mitch Graves, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2029.

Jeff Hagood, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2029.

Randall Jones, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2028.

James Kruger, of Mississippi, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi for the term of four years.

Scott Leary, of Mississippi, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi for the term of four years.

James Mazol, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

Adam Mildred, of Indiana, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Indiana for the term of four years.

Arjun Mody, of New Jersey, to be Deputy Commissioner Social Security for the term expiring January 19, 2031.

Rosario Palmieri, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

Bryan Stirling, of South Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina for the term of four years.

Thomas Wheeler II, of Indiana, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Indiana for the term of four years.

Julie Callahan, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

Jerome Francis Gorgon, Jr., of Michigan, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan for the term of four years.

Arthur Graham, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the remainder of the term expiring May 18, 2026.

Paul Hollis, of Louisiana, to be Director of the Mint for a term of five years.

Ryan Anthony Kriegshauser, of Kansas, to be United States Attorney for the District of Kansas for the term of four years.

Scott Mayer, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2029.

James Murphy, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring December 16, 2027.

John Walk, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Agriculture.

Thomas Albus, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri for the term of four years.

Timothy Dill, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Andrew Duva, of Florida, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Thomas Ferguson III, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Michael Payne, of Virginia, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, Department of Defense.

Maurice Todd, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

Douglas Troutman, of Maryland, to be Assistant Administrator for Toxic Substances of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Edward Forst, of Florida, to be Administrator of General Services.

Francis Cassidy, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Joseph Gormley, of Maryland, to be President, Government National Mortgage Association.

Timothy Petty, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

Tammy Bruce, of California, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador; the Deputy Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations; and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during her

tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

Brent Christensen, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the People's Republic of Bangladesh.

Stephen F. Rickard, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Elana S. Suttenger, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

John Cuong Truong, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Laura DiBella, of Florida, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2028.

Peter Metzger, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Department of the Treasury.

Trent Morse, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring May 30, 2030.

Christopher Yeaw, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Arms Control, Nonproliferation, and Stability).

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

Erin Creggan, of New Hampshire, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Hampshire for the term of four years.

Travis Hill, of Maryland, to be Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation for a term of five years.

Michael Selig, of Florida, to be Chairman of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Michael Selig, of Florida, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2029.

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1 Coast Guard nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

95 Army nominations in the rank of general.

11 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Messages from the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Amendments Submitted:

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Notices of Intent:

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—659)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:07 p.m., until 11:30 a.m. on Friday, December 19, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8939.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 77 public bills, H.R. 6833–6909; and 11 resolutions, H.J. Res. 135; and H. Res. 959–968, were introduced.

Pages H6112–16

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H6118–19

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2270, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to exclude child and dependent care services and payments from the rate used to compute overtime compensation, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–413); and

H.R. 4054, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to reform accreditation, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–414).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Carol Miller (WV) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6027**

Standardizing Permitting and Expediting Economic Development Act: The House passed H.R. 4776, to amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to clarify ambiguous provisions and facilitate a more efficient, effective, and timely environmental review process, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 221 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 356.

Pages H6029–33, H6033–44, H6065–69

Rejected the Lee (NV) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources by a yeas-and-nays vote of 206 yeas to 211 nays, Roll No. 355. **Page H6068**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. **Pages H6037–40**

Rejected:

Clyde amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 119–410) that sought to clarify that direct harm does not include emotional, aesthetic, or recreational harm unaccompanied by a material physical or property harm (by a recorded vote of 205 yeas to 220 noes, Roll No. 352); **Pages H6040–41, H6066**

Roy amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 119–410) that sought to revise the scope of review clause so the bill clarifies that NEPA review only applies to environmental impacts that the lead agency or cooperating federal agencies have the legal authority to regulate (by a recorded vote of 208 yeas to 214 noes, Roll No. 353); and

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Roy amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 119–410) that sought to define further what significant effects will trigger an Environmental Impact Statement (by a recorded vote of 204 yeas to 217 noes, Roll No. 354). **Pages H6042–44, H6067**

H. Res. 951, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4776), (H.R. 1366), (H.R. 845), (H.R. 3616), (H.R. 3632), and (H.R. 4371) was agreed to Tuesday, December 16th.

Mining Regulatory Clarity Act: The House passed H.R. 1366, to provide for the location of multiple hardrock mining mill sites, to establish the Abandoned Hardrock Mine Fund. by a yeas-and-nays vote of 219 yeas to 198 nays, Roll No. 358.

Pages H6044–49, H6069–70

Rejected the Leger Fernandez motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources by a yeas-and-nays vote of 205 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 357. **Pages H6069–70**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Page H6044**

H. Res. 951, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4776), (H.R. 1366), (H.R. 845), (H.R. 3616), (H.R. 3632), and (H.R. 4371) was agreed to Tuesday, December 16th.

Pet and Livestock Protection Act: The House passed H.R. 845, to require the Secretary of the Interior to reissue regulations removing the gray wolf from the list of endangered and threatened wildlife under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 211 yeas to 204 nays, Roll No. 360.

Pages H6049–56, H6070–72

Rejected the Huffman motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources by a yeas-and-nays vote of 204 yeas to 213 nays, Roll No. 359. **Pages H6056, H6070–71**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted. **Pages H6049–50**

H. Res. 951, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 4776), (H.R. 1366), (H.R. 845), (H.R. 3616), (H.R. 3632), and (H.R. 4371) was agreed to Tuesday, December 16th.

Do No Harm in Medicaid Act: The House passed H.R. 498, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to prohibit Federal Medicaid funding for gender transition procedures for minors, by a yeas-and-nays vote of 215 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 362.

Pages H6057–65, H6072–73

Rejected the Soto motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce by a yeas-and-nays vote of 204 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 361.

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H. Res. 953, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 6703), (H.R. 498), and (H.R. 3492) was agreed to yesterday, December 17th.

Work Period Designation: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated the period from Thursday, December 18, 2025, through Monday, January 5, 2026 as a “district work period” under clause 13 of rule 1. **Page H6073**

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure—Communication: Read a letter from Chairman Graves wherein he transmitted copies of three resolutions included in the General Services Administration’s Capital Investment and Leasing Programs. The resolutions were adopted by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on December 18, 2025. **Pages H6073–94**

Senate Referrals: S. 2393 was held at the desk. S. 2503 was held at the desk. S. 3436 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate appears on page H6033.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Eight yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H6066, H6066–67, H6067, H6068, H6068–69, H6069–70, H6070, H6070–71, H6071–72, H6072, and H6072–73.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Committee Meetings

EXAMINING THE IMPACT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY'S COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT DESIGNATION FOR TWO PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES CHEMISTRIES AND POTENTIAL POLICY RESPONSES TO SUPERFUND LIABILITY CONCERNS

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled "Examining the Impact of EPA's CERCLA Designation for Two PFAS Chemistries and Potential Policy Responses to Superfund Liability Concerns.". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 6719, the "Combating Online Predators Act of 2025"; H.R. 6732, the "Coercion and Sexual Abuse Free Environment Act of 2025"; H.R. 6715, the "Child Predators Accountability Act of 2025"; H.R. 3497, the "Medal of Sacrifice Act"; and H.R. 5625, the "Cashless Bail Reporting Act". H.R. 6719, H.R. 6732, H.R. 6715, H.R. 3497, and H.R. 5625 were ordered reported, as amended.

RESEARCH SECURITY: EXAMINING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHIPS AND SCIENCE ACT AND NATIONAL SECURITY PRESIDENTIAL MEMORANDUM 33

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing entitled "Research Security: Examining the Implementation of the CHIPS and Science Act and NSPM-33". Testimony was heard from Rebecca Keiser, Acting Chief of Staff, National Science Foundation; Daniel Evans, Assistant Deputy Associate Administrator for Research, National Aeronautics and Space Administration; Patricia Valdez, Chief Ex-

tramural Research Integrity Officer, National Institutes of Health, Department of Health and Human Services; and Jay Tilden, Director of Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, Department of Energy.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 6422, the "American Water Stewardship Act"; H.R. 5663, the "ACPAC Modernization Act"; H.R. 6427, the "Airport Regulatory Relief Act of 2025"; H.R. 6086, the "Aviation Funding Solvency Act"; H.R. 3410, the "Supersonic Aviation Modernization Act"; H.R. 6267, the "Aviation Supply Chain Safety and Security Digitization Act of 2025"; H.R. 6460, the "Recreational Drone Empowerment Act"; H.R. 5783, the "State Actions for Employing Transportation Risk Assessments and Crossing Knowledge Strategies Act"; H.R. 6480, to direct the Administrator of General Services to submit a report to Congress on the state of the real estate portfolio of the Public Building Service, and for other purposes; and H.R. 6481, the "Federal Building Threat Notification Act". H.R. 6422, H.R. 5663, H.R. 6427, H.R. 6086, and H.R. 3410 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 6267, H.R. 6460, H.R. 5783, H.R. 6480, and H.R. 6481 were ordered reported without amendment.

EXAMINING THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY'S USE OF COMMERCIAL INFORMATION

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Examining the Intelligence Community's use of Commercial Information". Testimony was heard from Aaron Lukas, Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence; Christopher Scolese, Director, National Reconnaissance Office; and Lieutenant General Michele Bredenkamp, Director, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, Department of Defense. This hearing was closed.

Joint Meetings

BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine Bosnia and Herzegovina at a crossroads, focusing on thirty years after Dayton, after receiving testimony from Christopher Chivvis, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; and Clint Williamson, Georgetown University.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 19, 2025**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11:30 a.m., Friday, December 19

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2:30 p.m., Friday, December 19

Senate Chamber

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

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 2:30 p.m.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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