

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S19–S61

Measures Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3581–3583, and S. Res. 574–575. **Pages S49–50**

Measures Passed:

Disabled Veterans Housing Support Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 224, to amend section 102(a)(20) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to require the exclusion of service-connected disability compensation when determining whether a person is a person of low and moderate income, a person of low income, or a person of moderate income, and the bill was then passed. **Page S52**

Congratulating the Oklahoma State University Men's Cross Country Team: Senate agreed to S. Res. 575, congratulating the Oklahoma State University men's cross country team for winning the 2025 National Collegiate Athletic Association Men's Division I Cross Country National Championship. **Page S52**

AIR PLAN APPROVAL; SOUTH DAKOTA; REGIONAL HAZE PLAN FOR THE SECOND IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD—AGREEMENT: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that on Wednesday, January 7, 2026, Senator Whitehouse or his designee be recognized to make a motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 86, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Air Plan Approval; South Dakota; Regional Haze Plan for the Second Implementation Period", and if made, Senate vote on the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution at 2 p.m. **Page S52**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 2), Joshua Simmons, of Virginia, to be General Counsel of the Central Intelligence Agency. **Pages S19–23, S61**

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 3), Sara Baily, of Texas, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy. **Pages S24, S61**

Army nomination in the rank of general. **Pages S52, S61**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—3) **Pages S23–24**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:32 p.m., until 11:15 a.m. on Wednesday, January 7, 2026. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S52.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CYBER OPERATIONS AND READINESS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Cybersecurity received a closed briefing on Department of Defense cyber operations and readiness for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2025 from Katherine E. Sutton, Assistant Secretary for Cyber Policy, Brigadier General Ryan R. Messer, USAF, Deputy Director for Global Operations, J3 Joint Staff, and Brigadier General Brian D. Vile, USA, Deputy Director for Future Operations, J3 United States Cyber Command, all of the Department of Defense.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 6938–6954; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 136; and H. Res. 974–976, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Page H13

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentlewoman from Georgia, Ms. Greene, and the passing of the gentleman from California, Mr. LaMalfa, the whole number of the House is 431.

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Call of the House: The Speaker called the House to order and ascertained the presence of a quorum (406 present, Roll No. 1).

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Committee to Notify the President of the Assembly of the House: The House agreed to H. Res. 974, authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee on the part of the House to notify the President that a quorum of the House has assembled, and that the House is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make. Subsequently, the Speaker appointed Representatives Scalise and Jeffries to the committee.

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Notifying the Senate That a Quorum of the House Has Assembled: The House agreed to H. Res. 975, authorizing the Clerk of the House to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House has assembled and that the House is ready to proceed with business.

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Meeting Hour: The House agreed to H. Res. 976, providing for the hour of meeting of the House.

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Morning Hour Debate: Agreed by unanimous consent that the order of the House of January 3, 2025, providing for Morning Hour Debate, be extended for the remainder of the 119th Congress, except that H. Res. 976 shall supplant H. Res. 6.

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Notification of Intent to Offer Motion to Discharge: Representative Jeffries notified the House of his intent to offer a motion to discharge the Committee on Rules from further consideration of H. Res. 780, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1834) to advance policy priorities that will break the gridlock.

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Rutherford wherein he resigned from the Committee on Ethics.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: One quorum call (Roll No. 1) developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H3–4.

Adjournment: The House met at 6:30 p.m. and adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Committee Meetings

SHOWER ACT; AFFORDABLE HOMES ACT; LEGISLATION ON THE COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE; ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT; AND INTERIOR AND ENVIRONMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee began a hearing on H.R. 4593, the “SHOWER Act”; H.R. 5184, the “Affordable HOMES Act”; and legislation on the Commerce, Justice, Science; Energy and Water Development; and Interior and Environment Appropriations Act. Testimony was heard from Chairman Cole, and Representatives Fry, Pallone, DeLauro, and Grothman.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D8)

H.R. 187, to provide for the standardization, consolidation, and publication of data relating to public outdoor recreational use of Federal waterways among Federal land and water management agencies. Signed on December 26, 2025. (Public Law 119–62)

H.R. 410, to extend the Alaska Native Vietnam era veterans land allotment program. Signed on December 26, 2025. (Public Law 119–63)

H.R. 1491, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make the postponement of certain deadlines by reason of disasters applicable to the limitation on credit or refund, and to take postponements into account for purposes of sending collection notices. Signed on December 26, 2025. (Public Law 119–64)

S. 216, to amend the Save Our Seas 2.0 Act to improve the administration of the Marine Debris Foundation, to amend the Marine Debris Act to improve the administration of the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. Signed on December 26, 2025. (Public Law 119–65)

S. 284, to reauthorize the Congressional Award Act. Signed on December 26, 2025. (Public Law 119–66)

S. 2878, to reauthorize funding to monitor, assess, and research the Great Lakes Basin. Signed on December 26, 2025. (Public Law 119–67)

H.R. 1043, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Federal land in Arizona to La Paz County, Arizona. Signed on December 29, 2025. (Public Law 119–68)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Federal Courts, Oversight, Agency Action, and Federal Rights, to hold hearings to examine holding rogue judges accountable, 2:30 p.m., SD–226.

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

House

Committee on Education and Workforce: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing enti-

ted “Modernizing Retirement Policy for Today’s Workforce”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “American Energy Dominance: Dawn of the New Nuclear Era”, 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Administrative State, Regulatory Reform, and Antitrust, hearing entitled “Full Stream Ahead: Competition and Consumer Choice in Digital Streaming”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of Fraud and Misuse of Federal Funds in Minnesota: Part I”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

Committee on Rules: Full Committee, continue hearing on H.R. 4593, the “SHOWER Act”; H.R. 5184, the “Affordable HOMES Act”; and legislation on the Commerce, Justice, Science; Energy and Water Development; and Interior and Environment Appropriations Act, 8:30 a.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business: Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Voice for Small Business: How the SBA Office of Advocacy is Cutting Red Tape”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

11:15 a.m., Wednesday, January 7

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will be in a period of morning business. Senator Whitehouse, or his designee, will be recognized to make a motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 86, Air Plan Approval; South Dakota; Regional Haze Plan for the Second Implementation Period, and if made, Senate will vote on the motion to proceed to consideration thereon at 2:00 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, January 7

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: To be announced.

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