

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4203–S4239

Measures Introduced: Thirty-three bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 5062–5094, and S. Res. 811. **Pages S4230–31**

Message from the President: Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13882 of July 26, 2019, with respect to the situation in Mali; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–65) **Page S4227**

Clayton Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Walter Clayton, of New York, to be Director of National Intelligence. **Pages S4204–08**

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 on Friday, July 24, 2026. **Page S4204**

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. **Page S4204**

Pozos Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Antonio M. Pozos, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Pages S4213–22**

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

By 54 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX 205), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4213**

Traynor Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Daniel Mack Traynor, of North Dakota, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit. **Pages S4222–24**

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

By 51 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX 206), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4222**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, the post-cloture time with respect to the nomination be expired and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination immediately following disposition of the motion to discharge S.J. Res. 180, to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against the Islamic Republic of Iran that have not been authorized by Congress, or at 12 noon, on Thursday, July 23, 2026, if no motion is made; that it be in order for Senator Van Hollen, or his designee, to make a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 180, from the Committee on Foreign Relations. **Page S4234**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that if Senator Van Hollen, or his designee, makes a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 180, to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against the Islamic Republic of Iran that have not been authorized by Congress, from the Committee on Foreign Relations, Senate vote on the motion to discharge at 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, July 23, 2026; that at 1:45 p.m., Senate execute the order of Tuesday, July 21, 2026, with respect to the nomination of Antonio M. Pozos, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Page S4234**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 49 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 202), Benjamin M. Flowers, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. **Pages S4208, S4239**

By 62 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. EX. 204), Michael C. Martin, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan. **Pages S4208–13, S4239**

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

By 60 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. EX. 203), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4208**

Messages from the House:

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—206)	Pages S4208, S4213, S4222
Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:49 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 23, 2026. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4234.)	

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 119th Congress:

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies: Senators Hoeven (Chair), McConnell, Collins, Moran, Hyde-Smith, Fischer, Rounds, Husted, Shaheen, Merkley, Baldwin, Heinrich, Peters, Gillibrand, and Ossoff.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies: Senators Moran (Chair), Murkowski, Collins, Capito, Kennedy, Hagerty, Britt, Fischer, Graham, Van Hollen, Reed, Shaheen, Coons, Schatz, Merkley, Peters, and Gillibrand.

Subcommittee on Department of Defense: Senators McConnell (Chair), Collins, Murkowski, Moran, Hoeven, Boozman, Capito, Kennedy, Hyde-Smith, Coons, Durbin, Murray, Reed, Schatz, Baldwin, Shaheen, and Murphy.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development: Senators Kennedy (Chair), McConnell, Murkowski, Hoeven, Hyde-Smith, Hagerty, Britt, Rounds, Graham, Murray, Durbin, Merkley, Coons, Baldwin, Heinrich, Peters, and Ossoff.

Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government: Senators Hagerty (Chair), Boozman, Fischer, Husted, Graham, Reed, Durbin, Coons, and Van Hollen.

Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security: Senators Britt (Chair), Murkowski, Capito, Kennedy,

Hyde-Smith, Hagerty, Murphy, Murray, Shaheen, Peters, and Van Hollen.

Subcommittee on the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies: Senators Murkowski (Chair), McConnell, Capito, Hoeven, Fischer, Rounds, Husted, Merkley, Van Hollen, Heinrich, Baldwin, Gillibrand, and Ossoff.

Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies: Senators Capito (Chair), Moran, Kennedy, Hyde-Smith, Boozman, Britt, Rounds, Husted, Graham, Baldwin, Murray, Durbin, Reed, Shaheen, Merkley, Schatz, and Murphy.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch: Senators Fischer (Chair), Rounds, Husted, Heinrich and Ossoff.

Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies: Senators Boozman (Chair), McConnell, Murkowski, Hoeven, Collins, Hagerty, Fischer, Rounds, Graham, Ossoff, Murray, Reed, Schatz, Baldwin, Heinrich, Peters, and Gillibrand.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs: Senators Collins (Interim Chair), McConnell, Boozman, Moran, Hagerty, Britt, Husted, Schatz, Durbin, Shaheen, Coons, Merkley, and Murphy.

Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies: Senators Hyde-Smith (Chair), Collins, Boozman, Capito, Hoeven, Kennedy, Moran, Britt, Graham, Gillibrand, Murray, Durbin, Reed, Coons, Schatz, Murphy, and Van Hollen.

Senators Collins and Murray are ex-officio members of each subcommittee.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Erich Hernandez-Baquero, of Florida, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Roger Mason, of Virginia, to be Director of the National Reconnaissance Office, Jules Hurst III, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary (Comptroller), all of the Department of Defense, and 3,155 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Space Force.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Hal Duncan, of Texas, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably the following business items:

S. 1759, to allow for the operation of civil supersonic flight in the national airspace system under