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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

certain conditions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3258, to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to publish the list of medications that the Administrator has compiled for purposes of the medical certification of airmen and air traffic control specialists, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3885, to provide for updates to the Federal Aviation Administration type certification process to support development of new and novel technologies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4429, to prohibit the importation, manufacture, sale, resale, or introduction into interstate commerce in the United States of connected vehicles and related software and hardware associated with foreign adversaries, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4448, to require the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information to create tools for tracking the progress of grant recipients under the Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program, to require the Assistant Secretary to help executive agencies improve compliance with the statutory deadline for processing communications use applications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4691, to support improved awareness and coordination of Federal communications resources during disasters and emergencies;

S. 4802, to provide for the acquisition by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of aircraft for air, atmosphere, and weather reconnaissance and research missions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Thomas B. Chapman, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Edward Eppler, of Connecticut, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Transportation, Karen Jean Hedlund, of New York, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, Brien Lorenze, of Virginia, and Karen Sessions, of Texas, each to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and David Cummins, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Transportation Security Administration.

FEDERAL REGULATORY COMMISSION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Regulatory Commission, after receiving testimony from Laura V. Swett, Chairman, and David Rosner, Lindsay S. See, Judy Chang, and David LaCerte, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Kevin Lilly, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Department of the Interior.

Also, committee announced the following subcommittee assignments for the 119th Congress:

Subcommittee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Senators Cramer (Chair), Lummis, Curtis, Sullivan, Ricketts, Wicker, Boozman, Graham, Alsobrooks, Merkley, Markey, Kelly, Padilla, Schiff, and Blunt Rochester.

Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate, and Nuclear Innovation and Safety: Senators Lummis (Chair), Cramer, Curtis, Ricketts, Wicker, Boozman, Husted, Graham, Kelly, Sanders, Merkley, Markey, Padilla, Schiff, and Blunt Rochester.

Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight: Senators Curtis (Chair), Sullivan, Wicker, Husted, Graham, Merkley, Sanders, Markey, and Blunt Rochester.

Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Water: Senators Ricketts (Chair), Cramer, Lummis, Sullivan, Boozman, Husted, Schiff, Sanders, Kelly, Padilla, and Alsobrooks.

Senators Capito and Whitehouse are ex-officio members of each subcommittee.

TRADE POLICY AGENDA

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's 2026 trade policy agenda, after receiving testimony from Jamieson Greer, United States Trade Representative, Executive Office of the President.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Kari Lake, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to Jamaica, Douglas Mastriano, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Slovak Republic, Juan Segura, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Inter-American Foundation for a term expiring September 20, 2026, and a term expiring September 20, 2032, and to be an Assistant Secretary (Western Hemisphere Affairs), Barbera Thornhill, of North Carolina, to be Director of the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking, with the rank of Ambassador at Large, Joseph Burkhalter, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Moldova, John Hurley, of California, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, Daniel Perez, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Federative Republic of Brazil, Rudolph Bauer, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to Belize,

Brendan Hanrahan, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary (European and Eurasian Affairs), Katherine Bowles, of Alabama, to be an Assistant Secretary (Legislative Affairs), Donald Blome, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary (Near Eastern Affairs), Christopher Anderson, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Cambodia, Laurence Socha, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, Stanley Brown, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, and lists in the Foreign Service, all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Hal Duncan, of Texas, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, Brian Cavanaugh, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary for Management, and Cameron Hamilton, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, both of the Department of Homeland Security, Charles Baldis, of Virginia, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel, Bradford Pentony Wilson, of New Jersey, to be Archivist of the United States, Jeffrey Brodsky, and William Gallo, of Florida, both to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, James Woodruff, of Florida, to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, Charlton Allen, of North Carolina, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, James Andrew Crowell IV, and Stuart Gordon Nash, both to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, and Christopher Michael De Bono, Michael Christopher DiLorenzo, Sharon E. Goodie, Craig Edward Leen, Christine Michelle Macey, and John Barlow Timmer, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2355, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for hospital and insurer price transparency, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4189, to reduce the price of insulin and provide for patient protections with respect to the cost of insulin, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4974, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to food safety, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5026, to require warning labels on sugar-sweetened foods and beverages, foods and beverages con-

taining high-intensity sweeteners, ultra-processed foods, and foods high in nutrients of concern, such as added sugar, saturated fat, or sodium, to restrict junk food advertising to children, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1414, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide that clinical studies required for licensure of biological products as biosimilar shall not be required to include the assessment of immunogenicity, pharmacodynamics, or comparative clinical efficacy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3788, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to require drug labeling to include original manufacturer and supply chain information, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3794, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to further regulate compounding pharmacies and outsourcing facilities, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 494, to establish a national plan to coordinate research on epilepsy, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 4110, to revise and extend health workforce programs under title VII of the Public Health Service Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1874, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize certain nursing workforce development programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

S. 380, to improve obstetric emergency care, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported to the nomination of Mark Cruz, of Oregon, to be Director of the Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

FUTURE OF VA RESEARCH

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine advancing the mission, focusing on evaluating the future of VA research, after receiving testimony from Mark Zhang, Acting Executive Director, Discovery, Education, and Affiliate Networks, La'Toya Prieur, Chief Human Capital Management, and Michael Kelley, Executive Director, National Oncology Program, Office of Specialty Care Services, all of the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Gina B. Carithers, Prostate Cancer Foundation, Santa Monica, California; and Glenn D. Graham, Association of VA Neurology Services, Pacifica, California.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intel-

ligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 69 public bills, H.R. 9823–9891; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 1446–1450 were introduced. **Pages H5173–76**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5178–79**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Hurd to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5027**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:15 p.m. and reconvened at 3:30 p.m. **Page H5153**

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2027: The House passed H.R. 8800, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, by a yea-and-nay vote of 216 yeas to 212 nays, Roll No. 278. Consideration began yesterday, July 21st.

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Rejected the Ryan motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Armed Services by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 216 nays, Roll No. 277.

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Agreed to:

Hinson amendment (No. 34 printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–755) that prohibits certain foreign nationals from designated countries of concern to access non-public areas of any National Laboratory;

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Rogers (AL) en bloc amendment No. 2 consisting of the following amendments printed in part A of H. Rept. 119–755): Cleaver (No. 104) that increases funding to the Combat and Operational Medicine Program, R&D research by \$5 million for alpha-gal syndrome research. Offsets \$5 million from Combat and Operational Medicine Program, R&D Advanced Development; Cline (No. 105) that requires the Pentagon to review and prohibit the use of covered payment processing equipment, systems, or services tied to foreign adversaries, including China, in contracts with retailers serving the Department; Cloud (No.

106) that adds Recovery of Outlays to Sec. 1862; Courtney (No. 107) that amends the AUKUS Submarine Transfer Authorization Act to allow for transfer of three in-service Virginia-class submarines, instead of two; Craig (No. 108) that ensures access for military families to cranial remolding orthosis treatment for babies with deformational plagiocephaly; Crane (No. 109) that requires annual coordination between the Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security to assess counter-subterranean technologies applicable to illicit cross-border tunnel operations, and directs an annual report and briefing to Congress on findings and recommendations; Crane (No. 110) that requires the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Secretary of Education, to submit a report and briefing to Congress on opportunities to strengthen military recruitment, readiness, and end strength through educational partnerships, including JROTC and ROTC programs; Crane (No. 111) that directs the Department of Defense to establish a pilot program to evaluate and rapidly field technologies that identify and control mobile application data transmissions that could expose servicemembers and other defense personnel to commercial surveillance and operational security risks; Crawford (No. 112) that relocates the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Bombing Prevention (OBP) from within the Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) to the Office of Intelligence & Analysis; Crawford (No. 113) that creates an incentive payment schedule for Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technicians based on years of experience to encourage continued service, given regular exposure to hazardous conditions (e.g., unexploded ordnance, VIP support); Crawford (No. 114) that directs the U.S. Army National Guard to establish a pilot program to assess and develop National Guard Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) units' response capabilities for homeland defense in the event of large-scale missile and drone unexploded ordnance on domestic territory; Crawford (No. 115) that establishes a pilot program with-in the US Army in coordination with the Department of Homeland Security to