(A) establish, maintain, and enforce written policies requiring that any report or allegation of sexual assault, sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, or physical abuse involving a student athlete be referred within 24 hours of receipt to—

(i) an independent investigator who is not employed by, and has no financial relationship with, the institution, conference, or intercollegiate athletic association against which the report is made; and

(ii) the appropriate local law enforcement agency, unless the student athlete who is the subject of the alleged harm affirmatively declines such referral in writing after being informed of the referral requirement;

(B) not permit any coach, athletic director, or employee of the athletic department of an institution to participate in, influence, or be notified of the specific factual findings of any investigation described in subparagraph (A) prior to completion of the investigation;

(C) provide to any student athlete who reports sexual assault, sexual misconduct, sexual harassment, or physical abuse, at no cost—

(i) an independent, confidential victim advocate not employed by the athletic department or Title IX office of the relevant institution;

(ii) access to a sexual assault forensic examination, including any forensic evidence collection kit; and

(iii) written notification of rights under applicable Federal and State law, including the right to file a civil action; and

(D) retain records of all reports, referrals, investigations, and outcomes under this paragraph for not less than 10 years and make such records available to the Office of the Student Athlete Ombudsman established under section 108 upon request.

(2) RETALIATION PROHIBITED.—No institution, conference, intercollegiate athletic association, or agent thereof may take any adverse action against a student athlete who makes a report under paragraph (1).

(3) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to limit the obligation of any institution to comply with title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.) or any applicable State law governing reporting of sexual assault or physical abuse.

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**SA 6795.** Mr. MURPHY (for himself and Mr. BOOKER) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4668, to protect the name, image, and likeness rights of, and provide protections for, student athletes and to promote fair competition among intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Insert after section 112 the following:

**SEC. 113. TRANSFER PROTECTIONS FOR COACHES.**

An institution, a conference, an intercollegiate athletic association, or any representative of such entity shall permit a coach to transfer from one four-year institution to another four-year institution—

(1) once without losing or delaying eligibility to coach intercollegiate sports;

(2) except as provided in paragraph (3), a second time with a loss of eligibility to coach intercollegiate sports during the first academic year following the transfer; and

(3) additionally, without losing or delaying eligibility to coach intercollegiate sports, upon—

(A) discontinuation of a sport that the individual coaches; or

(B) sexual assault or harassment of the coach by an individual associated with the institution at which the individual coaches.

## AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Ms. LUMMIS. Mr. President, I have three requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, September 17, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs is authorized to meet in executive session during the session of the Senate on Thursday, September 17, 2026, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, September 17, 2026, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

## ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2026, THROUGH TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2026

Ms. LUMMIS. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned to then convene for a pro forma session only, with no business being conducted, at 9 a.m. on Friday, September 18; further, that when the Senate adjourns on Friday, September 18, it stand adjourned until 3 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, morning business be closed, and the Senate proceed to executive session and resume consideration of Executive Calendar No. 828; finally, that the cloture motions filed during today's session of the Senate ripen at 5:30 p.m., Tuesday.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

## ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. TOMORROW

Ms. LUMMIS. Madam President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 3:42 p.m., adjourned until Friday, September 18, 2026, at 9 a.m.

## CONFIRMATION

Executive nomination confirmed by the Senate September 17, 2026:

THE JUDICIARY

KASDIN MILLER MITCHELL, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.

## WITHDRAWALS

Executive Message transmitted by the President to the Senate on September 17, 2026 withdrawing from further Senate consideration the following nominations:

JEFFREY ANDERSON, OF GEORGIA, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON THE COUNCIL OF THE INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION ORGANIZATION, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON JANUARY 13, 2026.

HEIDI SEMANN, OF MISSOURI, TO BE INSPECTOR GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, VICE SANDRA D. BRUCE, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON MAY 11, 2026.

JOHN GRUNEWALD II, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION BOARD, FARM CREDIT ADMINISTRATION, FOR A TERM EXPIRING OCTOBER 13, 2030, VICE JEFFERY S. HALL, TERM EXPIRED, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON JUNE 23, 2026.

RICHARD SCHROYER, OF OKLAHOMA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE SARAH R. SALDANA, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON JULY 20, 2026.

ROBERT STEBBINS, OF NEW YORK, TO BE DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORPORATION, VICE NISHA DESAI BISWAL, RESIGNED, WHICH WAS SENT TO THE SENATE ON AUGUST 7, 2026.