

cause terrorism and hurt us. There is no strategy about what to do with the tens of thousands of ISIS prisoners and their fellow travelers who had been locked up and guarded by the Kurds.

No one believes—and I have talked to the top military intelligence people—that either Syria or Turkey has the interest in preventing ISIS from escaping that we do. Erdogan, in fact, hates the Kurds far more than he hates ISIS.

So every day this lack of policy and this lack of common sense from the President and this White House puts American lives in danger. What is the best way to get the President to act? Well, my friends, you know it. It is you. When Republican Senators protest what the President has done, he sometimes acts. Witness Doral. I guarantee you my speeches had very little effect on him, but yours did. Well, this is far more important than Doral. This is America, and lives are at stake. Our battle against terrorism, to be fought jointly most of the time, is now being jeopardized. Frankly, when Leader McCARTHY and Representative SCALISE and Representative CHENEY can vote for this kind of resolution, why should we not be doing the same? It will send a better message to the President than anything else we can do.

My friend, the Republican leader, said we need a stronger resolution. Quibbling over words at a time when America is in danger doesn't make sense to me—particularly a resolution that he knows will not pass the House and not go to the President's desk.

So I would plead with my colleagues, let's move forward. I plead with my friend from Kentucky—they are both my friends from Kentucky—but I plead with the junior Senator from Kentucky, do not stand in the way.

He has a different world view than almost all of us. We talked earlier this morning. I asked him if he was against going after the Taliban and bin Laden when they hit us in America, in New York, and he said no. Well, this is the same kind of thing. We are happy to vote on his resolution. Let's vote on both. This is momentous.

These terrorist acts from escaped ISIS prisoners might not occur tomorrow, they might not occur 6 months from now, and they might not occur a year from now, but they may. They certainly—almost certainly will at some point in the future, and we will risk lives: the American lives of our intelligence officials, of our Special Forces, and we will risk the security of America and spend millions of dollars.

The sooner we can put this back—and the only person who can is President Trump, and the only people who can really pressure him are sitting right here. I would plead with my colleague from Kentucky and with all of us because even if he objects, we could pass this joint resolution within a few days to do it. Our security, the security of this wonderful country and its beautiful 320-some-odd million people deserve no less.

Madam President, as in legislative session, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 246, H.J. Res. 77; that the joint resolution be read a third time, and the Senate vote on passage with no intervening action or debate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

The Senator from Kentucky.

Mr. PAUL. Madam President, reserving the right to object. If Democrats want to send our young men and women to fight in the Syrian civil war, let's have that debate. By all means, let's have a constitutional debate today on the Senate floor, right here, right now. If Democrats are so hungry for war, let's have that debate.

Our Founding Fathers gave us a constitutional method to go to war. If there be a national security interest in Syria, let's hear it. The other side does not want that debate. They want to lob invectives at the President, but they aren't prepared to debate about whom we are to go to war against.

Do they wish to declare war on our NATO ally, Turkey? Do they wish to declare war on our former ally, the Free Syrian Army? Do they wish to declare war on Syria's Assad? They don't know.

No, Democrats just want to heap abuse on the President. They don't want to debate war because they have no clue on whom to declare war.

In reality, the President made the wise decision to move 50 soldiers out of the way of tens of thousands of Turkish troops. Ironically, the President's decision may finally allow the Kurds to negotiate with Assad for a semi-autonomous region in northern Syria. Perhaps, if the Kurds pledge their battle-proven fighters to Assad, they might receive in exchange some autonomy and a share of the oil receipts, much as the Kurds did in Iraq. Already we are seeing promising cooperation between the Kurds and Assad.

This week, Turkey's Erdogan met with Putin. Putin already is allied with Assad. There is a possibility diplomacy may actually break through here. There is a real chance that the Syrian civil war could come to an end if Assad, with the Kurds' help, would agree to secure the border and not allow Kurdish raids into Turkey.

The permanent war caucus on both sides of the aisle claims that repositioning 50 troops is the end of the world. Perhaps, just maybe, less of our presence in Syria will actually lead to diplomacy and, ultimately, peace. Only time will tell.

I object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

The Democratic leader.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I don't want to prolong this. I will make two quick points. No. 1, my friend from Kentucky thinks he knows what is better for the Kurds than the Kurds know. The Kurds hate going into the arms of Syria—hate it.

Second, if our friend from Kentucky believes that any time we have a small number of Special Forces in different places—and we have them all over—we need a declaration of war, then his view is different from 99.9 percent of America and every other single person in this Chamber.

We do not need a declaration of war for a small number of Special Forces to be there to protect us against terrorism, and my friend from Kentucky knows that.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Kentucky.

Mr. PAUL. Madam President, if our goal is to create a Kurdish homeland and to defend it for them, hell yes, we need a debate and a vote and an authorization of force.

You can't just say that we are going to stay there forever. It would take tens of thousands of troops if you want to pacify Syria. It has not been pacified for 8 years. It is an utter and complete mess, and it is time we get the hell out.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 141, H.R. 3055, a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

Mitch McConnell, David Perdue, John Cornyn, John Thune, John Hoeven, John Boozman, Thom Tillis, Steve Daines, Roger F. Wicker, Pat Roberts, John Barrasso, Richard Burr, Shelley Moore Capito, Roy Blunt, Mike Rounds, Mike Crapo, James E. Risch.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the motion to proceed to H.R. 3055, a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Georgia (Mr. ISAKSON).

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER), the Senator from California (Ms. HARRIS), the Senator from Vermont (Mr. SANDERS), the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN), and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. WHITEHOUSE) are necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 92, nays 2, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 330 Leg.]

YEAS—92

Alexander	Gardner	Peters
Baldwin	Gillibrand	Portman
Barrasso	Graham	Reed
Bennet	Grassley	Risch
Blumenthal	Hassan	Roberts
Blunt	Hawley	Romney
Boozman	Heinrich	Rosen
Braun	Hirono	Rounds
Brown	Hoeven	Rubio
Burr	Hyde-Smith	Sasse
Cantwell	Inhofe	Schatz
Capito	Johnson	Schumer
Cardin	Jones	Scott (FL)
Carper	Kaine	Scott (SC)
Casey	Kennedy	Shaheen
Cassidy	King	Shelby
Collins	Klobuchar	Sinema
Coons	Lankford	Smith
Cornyn	Leahy	Stabenow
Cortez Masto	Lee	Sullivan
Cotton	Manchin	Tester
Cramer	Markey	Thune
Crapo	McConnell	Tillis
Cruz	McSally	Toomey
Daines	Menendez	Udall
Duckworth	Merkley	Van Hollen
Durbin	Moran	Warner
Enzi	Murkowski	Wicker
Ernst	Murphy	Wyden
Feinstein	Murray	Young
Fischer	Perdue	

NAYS—2

Blackburn	Paul
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NOT VOTING—6

Booker	Isakson	Warren
Harris	Sanders	Whitehouse

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 92, the nays are 2.

Three-fifths of the Senators duly chosen and sworn having voted in the affirmative, the motion is agreed to.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

COMMERCE, JUSTICE, SCIENCE, AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, TRANSPORTATION, AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2020—Motion to Proceed

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Cloture having been invoked, the Senate will resume legislative session to consider the motion to proceed to H.R. 3055, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

Motion to proceed to Calendar No. 141, H.R. 3055, a bill making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Arkansas.

HONORING CORPORAL JERRY GARRISON

Mr. COTTON. Madam President, Army CPL Jerry Garrison was reported missing in action on December 2, 1950. After all these years, Corporal Garri-

son is on his way home to be laid to rest with full honor due to a member of the U.S. Armed Forces.

Corporal Garrison was one of “The Chosin Few” who fought on that frozen ground to protect his fellow soldiers and the independence of the Korean people against the Communist hordes. God, in His mysterious providence, chose to call Corporal Garrison home during that epic battle, but only recently were his remains discovered in Vietnam.

Corporal Garrison’s funeral today is a long-overdue moment of honor for a brave soldier and a long-anticipated moment of mourning and remembrance for his loved ones.

Let’s also remember in our prayers the many families whose loved ones haven’t yet come home. Corporal Garrison’s recovery is a moment of hope for these families, a reminder that our Nation will not rest until every one of our missing heroes is brought home, and it is a reminder to our troops who are in harm’s way today that we will always bring them home should they fall in the line of duty or go missing in action. We have now fulfilled that solemn pledge to Corporal Garrison. Nearly 70 years after he went missing, we have once again affirmed that the United States leaves no man behind.

Rest in peace, Corporal Garrison.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE BEIRUT MARINE BARRACKS BOMBING

Madam President, 36 years ago this week, an Iranian suicide bomber detonated thousands of pounds of explosives inside a Marine compound in Beirut, Lebanon. So terrible was the blast that 15 miles out at sea, the marines aboard the USS Iwo Jima could see black smoke building over Beirut like an ominous storm cloud. The devastating attack claimed the lives of 241 Americans who were bravely keeping the peace in a country that was wracked by violence. A separate blast claimed the lives of 58 of our French allies.

This anniversary is a sobering reminder that freedom comes at a price— a price too often paid by brave Americans in uniform. In Beirut, it was paid by 220 marines, 18 sailors, and 3 soldiers.

As a memorial to their valor, I ask unanimous consent to have their names printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

NAMES OF THE FALLEN IN THE BEIRUT MARINE BARRACKS BOMBING

Cpl Terry W Abbott, USMC; Cpl Clemon S Alexander, USMC; LCpl John R Allman, USMC; Cpl Moses J Arnold Jr, USMC; LCpl Charles K Bailey, USMC; LCpl Nicholas Baker, USMC; LCpl Johansen Banks, USMC; Cpl Richard E Barrett, USMC; HM1 Ronny K Bates, USN; 1stSgt David L Battle, USMC; Cpl James R Baynard, USMC; HN Jesse W Beamon, USN; GySgt Alvin Belmer, USMC; LCpl Stephen Bland, USMC; Sgt Richard L Blankenship, USMC; LCpl John W Blocker, USMC; Capt Joseph J Boccia Jr, USMC; Sgt Leon Bohannon Jr, USMC; SSgt John R

Bonnet Jr, USMC; Sgt John J Bonk Jr, USMC.

Cpl Jeffrey L Boulos, USMC; LCpl David R Bousam, USMC; 1stLt John N Boyett, USMC; Sgt Anthony Brown, USMC; Cpl David W Brown, USMC; Cpl Bobby S Buchanan Jr, USMC; Cpl John B Buckmaster, USMC; LCpl William F Burley, USMC; HN Jimmy R Cain, USN; Cpl Paul L Callahan, USMC; Sgt Mecot E Camara, USMC; PFC Bradley J Campus, USMC; Cpl Johnnie D Ceasar, USMC; PFC Marc L Cole, USMC; SP4 Marcus A Coleman, USA; PFC Juan M Comas, USMC; Sgt Robert A Conley, USMC; Sgt Charles D Cook, USMC; Cpl Curtis J Cooper, USMC.

LCpl Johnny L Copeland, USMC; Cpl Bert D Corcoran, USMC; Cpl David L Cosner, USMC; SSgt Kevin P Coulman, USMC; Cpl Brett A Croft, USMC; Cpl Rick R Crudale, USMC; Cpl Kevin P Custard, USMC; Cpl Russell E Cywick, USMC; Maj Andrew L Davis, USMC; PFC Sidney James Decker, USMC; LCpl Michael J Devlin, USMC; Cpl Thomas A Dibenedetto, USMC; Pvt Nathaniel G Dorsey, USMC; Sgt Maj Frederick B Douglass, USMC; LCpl Timothy J Dunnigan, USMC; HN Bryan L Earle, USN; MSgt Roy L Edwards, USMC; HM3 William D Elliot Jr, USN; LCpl Jesse Ellison, USMC; LCpl Danny R Estes, USMC; LCpl Sean F Estler, USMC.

HM3 James E Faulk, USN; LCpl Richard A Fluegel, USMC; Cpl Steven M Forrester, USMC; HM3 William B Foster Jr, USN; Cpl Michael D Fulcher, USMC; LCpl Benjamin E Fuller, USMC; Cpl Michael S Fulton, USMC; Cpl William Gaines Jr, USMC; Cpl Sean R Gallagher, USMC; Cpl David B Gander, USMC; Cpl George M Gangur, USMC; SSgt Leland E Gann, USMC; LCpl Randall J Garcia, USMC; SSgt Ronald J Garcia, USMC; Cpl David D Gay, USMC; SSgt Harold D Ghumm, USMC; Cpl Warner Gibbs Jr, USMC; Sgt Timothy R Giblin, USMC; ETC Michael W Gorchinski, USN; Cpl Richard J Gordon, USMC.

LCpl Harold F Gratton, USMC; Sgt Robert B Greaser, USMC; Cpl Davin M Green, USMC; Cpl Thomas A Hairston, USMC; Sgt Freddie Haltiwanger Jr, USMC; Cpl Virgil D Hamilton, USMC; Sgt Gilbert Hanton, USMC; LCpl William Hart, USMC; Capt Michael S Haskell, USMC; LCpl Michael A Hastings, USMC; Maj Paul A Hein, USMC; LCpl Douglas E Held, USMC; Cpl Mark A Helms, USMC; Cpl Ferrandy D Henderson, USMC; MSgt Matilde Hernandez Jr, USMC; Sgt Stanley G Hester, USMC; GySgt Donald W Hildreth, USMC; SSgt Richard H Hoberton, USMC; HM3 Robert S Holland, USN; LCpl Bruce A Hollingshead, USMC.

LCpl Melvin D Holmes, USMC; Cpl Bruce L Howard, USMC; LT John R Hudson, USN; Cpl Terry L Hudson, USMC; Cpl Lyndon J Hue, USMC; 2ndLt Maurice E Hukill, USMC; Cpl Edward F Iacovino Jr, USMC; LCpl John J Ingalls, USMC; CW2 Paul G Innocenzi III, USMC; Cpl James J Jackowski, USMC; Cpl Jeffrey W James, USMC; LCpl Nathaniel W Jenkins, USMC; HM2 Michael H Johnson, USN; Cpl Edward A Johnston, USMC; Cpl Steven Jones, USMC; PFC Thomas A Julian, USMC; HM2 Marion E Kees, USN; Sgt Thomas C Keown, USMC; GySgt Edward E Kimm, USMC; PFC Walter V Kingsley, USMC.

SP5 Daniel S Kluck, USA; Cpl James C Knipple, USMC; Cpl Freas H Kreischer III, USMC; LCpl Keith J Laise, USMC; Cpl Thomas G Lamb, USMC; Cpl James J Langon IV, USMC; Sgt Michael S Lariviere, USMC; Sgt Steven B Lariviere, USMC; MSgt Richard L Lemnah, USMC; Cpl David A Lewis, USMC; Sgt Val S Lewis, USMC; Cpl Joseph R Livingston, USMC; Cpl Paul D Lyon Jr, USMC; Maj John W Macroglo, USMC; Cpl Samuel Maitland, USMC.

SSgt Charlie R Martin, USMC; PFC Jack L Martin, USMC; Cpl David S Massa, USMC; Sgt Michael R Massman, USMC; Pvt Joseph