

(b) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS.—The term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

(1) the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the Senate; and

(2) the Committee on Appropriations and the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs of the House of Representatives.

**SA 1235.** Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 241, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

AVIATION WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

For an additional amount for “Aviation Workforce Development Programs”, to enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants for projects as authorized by section 625 of the FAA Reauthorization Act of 2018 (49 U.S.C. 40101 note) \$20,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading shall be derived from the general fund: *Provided further*, That of the sums appropriated under this heading—

(1) \$10,000,000 shall be made available for projects described in subsection (a)(1) of such section 625; and

(2) \$10,000,000 shall be made available for projects described in subsection (a)(2) of such section 625.

**SA 1236.** Mr. WARNOCK submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 235, after line 20, add the following:

ALTERNATIVE FUEL AND LOW-EMISSION  
AVIATION TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM

For an additional amount for the “Alternative Fuel and Low-Emission Aviation Technology Program”, to enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants for projects as authorized by section 40007 of Public Law 117-169 (49 U.S.C. 44504 note) \$703,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this heading shall be derived from the general fund: *Provided further*, That of the sums appropriated under this heading—

(1) \$489,258,000 shall be made available for projects described in subsection (a)(1) of such section 40007;

(2) \$209,682,000 shall be made available for projects described in subsection (a)(2) of such section 40007; and

(3) \$4,060,000 shall be made available to carry out subsection (a)(3) of such section 40007.

**SA 1237.** Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title II of division C, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Department of Housing and Urban Development to impose updated minimum energy efficiency standards for new housing financed by the Department as part of carrying out the notice entitled “Adoption of Energy Efficiency Standards for New Construction of HUD- and USDA-Financed Housing” (88 Fed. Reg. 31773 (May 18, 2023)).

**SA 1238.** Mr. RUBIO submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title II of division C, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available by this Act may be used to administer a blood quantum test, DNA test, or any other medical or chemical test intended to determine an individual’s race or racial composition for the purposes of determining eligibility or level of program assistance for any program, sub-activity, or project funded by this Act.

**SA 1239.** Ms. ROSEN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title II of Division C, insert the following:

SEC. \_\_\_\_\_. Using amounts made available under this title for technical assistance that are not otherwise obligated, the Secretary may provide technical assistance to States and units of local government to support the efforts of States and local governments to—

(1) increase housing production and affordability; and

(2) provide forums for communities to share best practices, knowledge, and evidence-based expertise on ways to—

(A) cut red tape;

(B) reduce regulatory barriers to development;

(C) lower development costs; and

(D) deploy new technologies and innovations.

**SA 1240.** Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mr. MURPHY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1092 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In the matter under the heading “FEDERAL-STATE PARTNERSHIP FOR INTERCITY PASSENGER RAIL” under the heading “FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION” under the heading “DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION” in title I of division C, strike “\$100,000,000” and insert “\$1,500,000,000”.

**SA 1241.** Mr. CRAMER (for himself and Mr. MANCHIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed to amendment SA 1092 proposed by Mrs. MURRAY (for herself and Ms. COLLINS) to the bill H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In title I of division C, insert after section 127 the following:

SEC. 128. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to finalize, implement, administer, or enforce the proposed rulemaking entitled “National Performance Management Measures; Assessing Performance of the National Highway System, Greenhouse Gas Emissions Measure” (87 Fed. Reg. 42401 (July 15, 2022)) or a successor regulation.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO SUSPEND  
THE RULES

Mr. LEE. Madam President, I submit the following notice in writing: In accordance with Rule V of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby give notice in writing that it is my intention to move to suspend Rule XVI and Rule XXII, including germaneness requirements and dilatory provisions, to offer the following amendments, either as floor amendments, or as motions to recommit with instructions: Vance No. 1125, Lee No. 1121, Cruz No. 1158, Rubio No. 1159, Marshall No. 1161, Braun No. 1182, Paul No. 1226, Paul No. 1217.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the following interns from my office be granted floor privileges for the rest of this Congress: Haylee Acton, Sedrie Orantes, and Madeleine Katz.

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

NATIONAL HISPANIC-SERVING  
INSTITUTIONS WEEK

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 347, submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 347) designating the week beginning on September 11, 2023, as “National Hispanic-Serving Institutions Week”.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 347) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

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**GOLD STAR FAMILIES  
REMEMBRANCE WEEK**

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 348, which was submitted earlier today.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 348) designating the week of September 24 through September 30, 2023, as "Gold Star Families Remembrance Week".

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 348) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

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**RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 11, 2023,  
AS A "NATIONAL DAY OF SERVICE  
AND REMEMBRANCE"**

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Com-

mittee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration and the Senate now proceed to S. Res. 334.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 334) recognizing September 11, 2023, as a "National Day of Service and Remembrance".

There being no objection, the committee was discharged and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 334) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of September 11, 2023, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

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**ORDERS FOR TUESDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 19, 2023**

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, finally, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 19; 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, and morning business be closed; that upon the conclusion of morning business, the Senate proceed to executive

session to resume consideration of the Oliver nomination postcloture; further, that all time be considered expired at 11:30 a.m. and following the cloture vote on the Lin nomination, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly caucus meetings; that if cloture is invoked on the Lin nomination, all time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m. and that upon disposition of the Lin nomination, the Senate resume legislative session and the consideration of H.R. 4366; finally, that if any nominations are confirmed, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

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**ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M.  
TOMORROW**

Mr. SCHUMER. 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 7:07 p.m., adjourned until Tuesday, September 19, 2023, at 10 a.m.

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**NOMINATIONS**

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

**THE JUDICIARY**

JAMEL SEMPER, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY, VICE JOHN MICHAEL VAZQUEZ, RESIGNED.  
MUSTAFA TAHER KASUBHAI, OF OREGON, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON, VICE ANN L. AIKEN, RETIRING.