

But that bill didn't do what most of us as Republicans asked that it do, which is that it remove the President's vast discretion to make it easier to paper over and document illegal aliens to make them appear legal when, in fact, they are not.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Connecticut.

Mr. MURPHY. Madam President, I know my other colleagues are waiting to speak. Very quickly, I know terminology matters a lot to my colleague, so I want just to put a fine point on this.

Republicans may have an objection to the way in which the President uses his parole authority, but the President has always had broad parole authorities. And the individuals who are here under CBP One are not illegal. They have been granted the ability to be in the United States under the President's parole authority. You can have a policy objection to that, and the courts may opine on whether the President has the authority to use parole in the way that he is using it, but those individuals are not here illegally.

That is really important. Again, it is, I think, an unfortunate misimpression to present.

Second, there is a difference between people using CBP One as the legal means to enter the United States versus using CBP One as their documentation to get on an airplane.

It is true. Tens of thousands of people from those four countries have used CBP One as the mechanism to be lawfully in the United States. It is not true that they are not providing documentation in order to use CBP One and in order to board an airplane. They are using passports and other documentation for those two purposes. So those are two different issues.

Yes, tens of thousands of people use CBP One as the means to come into the United States legally. No, hundreds of thousands of people do not use CBP One as their identification mechanism to get on an airplane. I just think it is important to distinguish between the two.

I yield the floor.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Wyoming.

Mr. BARRASSO. Madam President, let me just defer to my colleague from Utah for a few short moments.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Utah.

Mr. LEE. Madam President, I will be brief, and I appreciate my friend and colleague for indulging me on this as I have just a couple of points.

Look, they are entering unlawfully. Again, this administration is using other laws to paper over their illegality. The fact that President Biden is unlawfully using immigration parole to make them appear legal still doesn't make it legal.

I believe it was Mark Twain who asked rhetorically: If you count the tail of a dog as a leg, how many legs does the dog have? I would respond

that it is still just four legs. It is still a tail and not a leg.

Somebody who enters unlawfully isn't made lawful in the United States just because the President of the United States is unlawfully using an authority that doesn't allow him to make them legal to do that.

As to the suggestion that those who enter using the CBP One app have uniformly provided a passport, it just isn't true. In fact, I had it confirmed right now with the person who helps me with these things, who helps constituents—the people in my State—who confirmed just now that it is not a requirement. They are not required to provide a passport in order to do this, and we know that this has been used over and over and over again by people who do not have documentation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Connecticut.

Mr. MURPHY. Madam President, I have a handful of unanimous consent requests to get out of the way.

## LEGISLATIVE SESSION

### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. MURPHY. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session and be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

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

### VOTE EXPLANATION

Mr. TESTER. Madam President, I was absent due to a personal matter when the Senate voted on vote No. 177 on confirmation of Angela M. Martinez, of Arizona, to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Arizona. On vote No. 177, had I been present, I would have voted yea.

Madam President, I was absent due to a personal matter when the Senate voted on vote No. 178 on the motion to invoke cloture on Dena M. Coggins to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of California. On vote No. 178, had I been present, I would have voted yea.

### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

#### 75TH ANNIVERSARY OF WVTM 13

• Mrs. BRITT. Madam President, I wish to recognize and honor Alabama's longest continuously broadcasting station, WVTM 13, on its 75th anniversary.

WVTM 13 originally began as WAFM-TV, an affiliate of CBS, on May 29, 1949, becoming the first television station to broadcast in the Birmingham area and across our entire State. For over seven decades, the central Alabama region has benefited greatly from WVTM's legacy of local reporting.

A few iterations later, the station's call letters became WVTM for "Vulcan

Times Mirror" on March 28, 1980, and have remained for decades. The "V" references the location of the station, on top of Red Mountain at Vulcan Park, and Vulcan statue, the largest cast iron statue in the world that exemplifies Birmingham's important iron and steel heritage.

Similarly, WVTM represents a significant piece of central Alabama's history, as well as its future. I am confident that just as this station has diligently served our local communities for 75 years, WVTM will serve Alabamians for the next 75 years.

From the station's founding to current leadership under Susana Schuler, WVTM has benefited from incredible professionals and stewards of its community. Now an affiliate of NBC, WVTM embodies its mission under Hearst Television each and every day to provide quality local news and information in an independent, fair, and unbiased manner.

On behalf of the people of Alabama, I offer my heartfelt thanks to the reporters, television anchors, video editors, producers, and entire WVTM staff who remain committed to broadcasting accurate, timely news to the communities they serve. Alabamians are proud to invite WVTM into their homes each and every day because the station has truly earned their trust through decades of diligence and excellence. Thank you, WVTM 13, for 75 years of exemplary service to our State.●

#### TRIBUTE TO DR. GEORGE E. LEWIS

• Mr. CARDIN. Madam President, I rise today to honor Dr. George E. Lewis, for his outstanding service to our Nation and Maryland as he steps down as chair of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal NHP Federal Advisory Commission. Dr. Lewis began his service in 1966, when he was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Army. As an Army officer, Dr. Lewis contributed to significant advancements to protect and treat our Nation's warfighters and citizens.

He proudly accepted in 1989 the Pentagon responsibilities of both the executive assistant to the Assistant Surgeon General for Medical Research and Development and the Army Surgeon General's liaison to the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Research, Development and Acquisition. Dr. Lewis also was the senior medical biological warfare defense expert in the Pentagon during Operations Desert Shield and Storm.

In 1991, Dr. Lewis served as a U.S. delegate to the 1991 United Nations Biological Weapons Convention Review Conference. In August 1992, he was assigned as program manager for combat medical systems and assumed command of the U.S. Army Medical Material Development Activity at Fort Detrick. In 1996, he retired after 30 years of military service.

Colonel Lewis's record of service and leadership extends well beyond his

military service. He has led efforts to preserve historical landmarks, to promote good citizenship, and to support tourism and the arts in Frederick County. He has been a critical partner to the C&O Canal NHP and Maryland's congressional delegation in the success of major initiatives including the restoration of the Catoctin and Conococheague Aqueducts, the reconstruction of the towpath at Big Slackwater, and the completion of a new park headquarters near the canal's midpoint in Williamsport.

In recognition of his years of service to our country and Maryland, Dr. Lewis was the recipient of the Department the Army Research and Development Achievement Award, and his personal military decorations include the Legion of Merit, two oakleaf clusters; the Joint Service Commendation Medal; and the Army Commendation Medal, one oakleaf cluster.

In conclusion, I extend my gratitude to Dr. George E. Lewis for his outstanding service to his country and community.●

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:10 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has agreed to the following concurrent resolution without amendment:

S. Con. Res. 36. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center for an event to celebrate the birthday of King Kamehameha I.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 807. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the invaluable service that working dogs provide to society.

H.R. 3019. An act to establish an inspections regime for the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3317. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to remove the lifetime exemption from the prohibition on procurement of rolling stock from certain vehicle manufacturers for parties to executed contracts.

H.R. 5527. An act to amend section 1078 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 to increase the effectiveness of the Technology Modernization Fund, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5754. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 350 W. 1st Street, Los Angeles, California, as the "Felicitas and Gonzalo Mendez United States Courthouse".

H.R. 5799. An act to designate the checkpoint of the United States Border Patrol located on United States Highway 90 West in Uvalde County, Texas, as the "James R. Dominguez Border Patrol Checkpoint".

H.R. 5863. An act to provide tax relief with respect to certain Federal disasters.

H.R. 5887. An act to amend chapter 3 of title 5, United States Code, to improve Government service delivery, and build related capacity for the Federal Government, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6248. An act to require Amtrak to report to Congress information on Amtrak

compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 with respect to trains and stations.

The message also announced that pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution 34, 118th Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, the Speaker appoints the following Members on the part of the House of Representatives to the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies: Mr. JOHNSON of Louisiana, Mr. SCALISE of Louisiana, and Mr. JEFFRIES of New York.

#### ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

At 5:58 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled joint resolution:

H.J. Res. 109. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to "Staff Accounting Bulletin No. 121".

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 807. An act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the invaluable service that working dogs provide to society; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 3019. An act to establish an inspections regime for the Bureau of Prisons, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 3317. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to remove the lifetime exemption from the prohibition on procurement of rolling stock from certain vehicle manufacturers for parties to executed contracts; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5527. An act to amend section 1078 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018 to increase the effectiveness of the Technology Modernization Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5754. An act to designate the United States courthouse located at 350 W. 1st Street, Los Angeles, California, as the "Felicitas and Gonzalo Mendez United States Courthouse"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R. 5799. An act to designate the checkpoint of the United States Border Patrol located on United States Highway 90 West in Uvalde County, Texas, as the "James R. Dominguez Border Patrol Checkpoint"; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 5863. An act to provide tax relief with respect to certain Federal disasters; to the Committee on Finance.

H.R. 5887. An act to amend chapter 3 of title 5, United States Code, to improve Government service delivery, and build related capacity for the Federal Government, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6248. An act to require Amtrak to report to Congress information on Amtrak compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 with respect to trains and stations; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bill was read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

S. 4381. A bill to protect an individual's ability to access contraceptives and to engage in contraception and to protect a health care provider's ability to provide contraceptives, contraception, and information related to contraception.

#### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-4692. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Drawbridge Operation Regulation; Reynolds Channel, Atlantic Beach, NY" ((RIN1625-AA09) (Docket No. USCG-2022-0854)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4693. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Cooper River, Charleston, SC" ((RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2024-0228)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4694. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Security Zone; Corpus Christi Ship Channel, Corpus Christi, TX" ((RIN1625-AA87) (Docket No. USCG-2024-0314)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4695. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Heavy Weather and Natural or Other Disasters in San Juan Captain of the Port Zone, Sector San Juan" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2023-0269)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4696. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Ohio River Mile Marker 6.2-13.3, Pittsburgh, PA" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2024-0004)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4697. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Safety Zone; Gulf of Mexico, Marathon, FL" ((RIN1625-AA00) (Docket No. USCG-2024-0079)) received during adjournment of the Senate in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 10, 2024; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-4698. A communication from the Legal Yeoman, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of