

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The bill 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 nomination of Executive Calendar No. 651, Rebecca L. Pennell, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington.

Charles E. Schumer, Richard J. Durbin, John W. Hickenlooper, Sheldon Whitehouse, Tina Smith, Alex Padilla, Tammy Baldwin, Tammy Duckworth, Christopher Murphy, Patty Murray, Jack Reed, Angus S. King, Jr., Gary C. Peters, Peter Welch, Margaret Wood Hassan, Brian Schatz, Jeanne Shaheen.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to proceed to legislative session. The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 706.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion. The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The bill clerk read the nomination of Michelle Williams Court, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The bill 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 nomination of Executive Calendar No. 706, Michelle Williams Court, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Charles E. Schumer, Richard J. Durbin, Alex Padilla, Laphonza R. Butler, Peter Welch, Gary C. Peters, Chris Van Hollen, Benjamin L. Cardin, Tina Smith, Jack Reed, Christopher Murphy, Richard Blumenthal, Christopher A. Coons, Tim Kaine, Catherine Cortez Masto, Tammy Duckworth, Sheldon Whitehouse.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum calls for the cloture motions filed today, September 16, be waived.

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

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session for 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

Ms. ROSEN. Madam President, on September 12, 2024, I missed rollcall vote No. 238 while recovering from a kidney infection. Had I been present, I would have voted yea on vote 238, confirming the nomination of Laura Margarete Provinzino to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Minnesota.

On September 12, 2024, I missed rollcall vote No. 239 while recovering from a kidney infection. Had I been present, I would have voted yea on vote 239, cloture on the nomination of Kevin Gafford Ritz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

RECOGNIZING THE ARKANSAS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NATIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Madam President, today I rise to recognize the Arkansas Alumni Association National Board of Directors and welcome its members to Washington, DC.

This group, composed of individuals from around the world, is visiting our Nation's Capital for its national board retreat and meeting. The Arkansas Alumni Association serves as the front door of the University of Arkansas and its more than 180,000 living alumni, fostering a spirit of community, pride, and lifelong connection.

The University of Arkansas, through its alumni, has made significant contributions to the State of Arkansas, the Nation, and beyond. It embodies the values of leadership, service, and excellence. As a fellow Razorback, I can attest that the time students spend at the University of Arkansas is an enriching, impactful experience they will carry with them the rest of their lives.

The Arkansas Alumni Association advances the mission of university alumni through its unwavering commitment to education, scholarship, research, and providing critical support to students, faculty, and staff, as well as the broader U of A community.

I am pleased to welcome the Arkansas Alumni Association National Board to Washington, DC, and it is an honor to recognize its service, dedication, and ongoing commitment to the University of Arkansas. I am confident members will make the most of their experience

with successful and productive meetings during their visit as ambassadors of Razorbacks past, present, and future.●

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE NORTHWEST MICHIGAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

• Mr. PETERS. Madam President, I rise today to recognize the incredible work of the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NWMCAA) as they celebrate 50 years of community action that has touched the lives of so many.

In 1974, two community action agencies in northern Michigan merged to form the Northwest Michigan Human Services Agency, now known as the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency (NWMCAA).

Since then, the organization has developed a wide range of community action programs tailored to meet diverse individual needs across the lifespan.

Annually, the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency allocates \$20 million of program services to over 10,000 individuals across 10 counties. The organization strives to provide community members with the tools and skills necessary to promote housing stability, economic security, and educational opportunity through assistance with tax credits and refunds and homebuyer coaching education courses.

Between 2019 and 2022, the agency's Early Head Start and Head Start Programs helped 7,653 children within home-based and center-based environments. In addition to quality child development programs, the agency offers parents free prenatal education and resources for expectant families. This work is crucial to keep all students on track towards academic success and to build strong families and communities.

With over 300 dedicated employees located across their Petoskey, Traverse City, and Cadillac offices, the agency's impact across northern Michigan has extended far and wide. It is the talent and tenacity of such hard-working individuals which enables the agency's mission: "to drive positive change by offering opportunities that promote independence, enhance quality of life, and strengthen community connections."

In 2023 alone, the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency successfully distributed 948,080 pounds of food to 23,702 participants through the USDA's Commodity Supplement Food Program (CSFP). In addition to their great work in the realm of nutrition, the organization addresses other pressing issues facing Michiganders, like home repair, weatherization, and financial management.

The scale and magnitude of these programs is felt each day by the seniors who rely on Meals on Wheels deliveries, children enrolled in Head Start, and working parents utilizing homebuyer coaching.

As the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency continues to work hard to improve the lives of community members, I will continue to advocate for funding to the programs that enable NWMCAA's work to come to fruition.

The Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency has impacted countless lives throughout the course of 50 years. I ask my colleagues to join me today in recognizing NWMCAA for their tireless advocacy and support of everyday Michiganders. I wish the Northwest Michigan Community Action Agency continued growth and prosperity in the years ahead.●

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 3:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 1398. An act to establish the CCP Initiative program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7980. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude vehicles the batteries of which contain materials sourced from prohibited foreign entities from the clean vehicle credit.

MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 1398. An act to establish the CCP Initiative program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.R. 7980. An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude vehicles the batteries of which contain materials sourced from prohibited foreign entities from the clean vehicle credit; to the Committee on Finance.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

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

H.R. 820. An act to direct the Federal Communications Commission to publish a list of entities that hold authorizations, licenses, or other grants of authority issued by the Commission and that have certain foreign ownership, and for other purposes.

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-5845. A communication from the Associate Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Saflufenacil; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 12040-01-OCSP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5846. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office

of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "TRICARE; Reimbursement of Ambulatory Surgery Centers and Outpatient Services Provided in Cancer and Children's Hospitals" (RIN0720-AB73) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5847. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation" (RIN0720-AL09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5848. A communication from the Alternate Federal Register Liaison Officer, Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Privacy Act of 1974; Implementation" (RIN0720-AL10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-5849. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quality Control Standards for Automated Valuation Models" (RIN1700-AG60) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5850. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Availability of Funds and Collection of Checks" (RIN1700-AG76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5851. A communication from the Assistant to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Interagency Guidance on Third-Party Relationships: Risk Management" (Docket No. OP-1752) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5852. A communication from the Secretary of the Securities and Exchange Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Form N-PORT and Form N-CEN Reporting; Guidance on Open-End Fund Liquidity Risk Management Programs" (RIN3235-AM98) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5853. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to operation of the Exchange Stabilization Fund (ESF) for fiscal year 2023; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5854. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Legislative Affairs, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Interagency Guidance on Reconsiderations of Value of Residential Real Estate Valuations"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5855. A communication from the Director, Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "Fair Debt Collection Practices Act Annual Report"; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5856. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on

the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13660 with respect to Ukraine; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5857. A communication from the Secretary of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13692 with respect to Venezuela; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5858. A communication from the Congressional and Public Affairs Specialist, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementation of Additional Sanctions Against Russia and Belarus Under the Export Administration Regulations; and Corrections" (RIN0694-AJ78) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5859. A communication from the General Counsel of the National Credit Union Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Quality Control Standards for Automated Valuation Models" (RIN3133-AE23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 9, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5860. A communication from the Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anti-Money Laundering Regulations for Residential Real Estate Transfers" (RIN1506-AB54) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5861. A communication from the Director, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Anti-Money Laundering/Countering the Financing of Terrorism Program and Suspicious Activity Report Filing Requirements for Registered Investment Advisers and Exempt Reporting Advisers" (RIN1506-AB58) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 10, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

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

By Ms. COLLINS (for herself and Mr. KING):

S. 5055. A bill to require the United States Armed Forces to fully utilize applicable State extreme risk protection order programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Ms. HASSAN, Ms. ERNST, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mrs. CAPITO):

S. 5056. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to clarify how controlled substance analogues that are imported or offered for import are to be regulated, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BLUMENTHAL:

S. 5057. A bill to establish minimum Federal standards for sports betting, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. ERNST (for herself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):