

Romney	Smith	Warnock
Rosen	Stabenow	Warren
Rounds	Tester	Welch
Sanders	Thune	Whitehouse
Schatz	Tillis	Wicker
Schumer	Van Hollen	Wyden
Shaheen	Warner	Young

## NAYS—17

Blackburn	Hawley	Rubio
Boozman	Lankford	Schmitt
Braun	Lee	Scott (FL)
Cruz	Marshall	Scott (SC)
Ernst	Mullin	Tuberville
Hagerty	Paul	

## NOT VOTING—14

Brown	Fetterman	Risch
Cardin	Hyde-Smith	Sinema
Cassidy	Lujan	Sullivan
Coons	Manchin	Vance
Cotton	Murphy	

The nomination was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table and the President will be notified immediately of the Senate's actions.

## LEGISLATIVE SESSION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. 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. Mr. President, I move to proceed to executive session to consider Calendar No. 787.

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 assistant bill clerk read the nomination of Byron B. Conway, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

## CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. 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 senior assistant 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 nomination of Executive Calendar No. 787, Byron B. Conway, of Wisconsin, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin.

Charles E. Schumer, Richard J. Durbin, Ben Ray Lujan, Benjamin L. Cardin, Jack Reed, Sheldon Whitehouse, Jeanne Shaheen, Tim Kaine, Chris Van Hollen, Tina Smith, Christopher A. Coons, Margaret Wood Hassan, Richard Blumenthal, Tammy Duckworth, Tammy Baldwin, Martin Heinrich, Alex Padilla.

Mr. SCHUMER. I ask unanimous consent that the mandatory quorum call for the cloture motion filed today, September 23, be waived.

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

## LEGISLATIVE SESSION

## MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. 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.

## 140TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE U.S. NAVAL WAR COLLEGE

Mr. REED. Mr. President, today I rise to offer remarks on behalf of my colleague Senator WHITEHOUSE and myself in recognition of the 140th anniversary of the U.S. Naval War College, which was established on October 6, 1884, in Newport, RI. For the past 14 decades, it has played a critical role in shaping the leadership of our Armed Forces. While the Naval War College's mission has grown over the years, it remains a place of cutting-edge scholarship, helping to strengthen maritime security cooperation, support combat readiness, and develop the future of the Navy.

The Naval War College is a center for research and academic excellence. It provides an advanced course of study for both military officers and civilians and has served as the home of some of our military's most important strategic developments. Students and faculty work closely with the Navy Warfare Development Command and the Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group in analyzing national security issues and developing innovative solutions. In addition, the Naval War College has pioneered war-gaming to support combat readiness since its founding and continues to evolve with the modern world offering over 50 events per year to include scenarios beyond the maritime domain such as space, cyber, and humanitarian disaster relief.

The oldest institution of its kind, the Naval War College has played an important role in the education and professional development of some of our country's most accomplished and impactful military officers and civilian leaders. Since the Naval War College's founding in 1884 by Rear Admiral Stephen B. Luce, more than 50,000 students have earned advanced degrees. Most have gone on to have impressive military careers, leading U.S. servicemembers around the globe and serving at the highest echelons of military and civilian leadership. Esteemed graduates include the Honorable Carlos Del Toro, the current Secretary of the Navy;

General Randy George, the Chief of Staff of the Army; former Chairmen of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and many others from every branch of our Armed Forces.

Throughout its 140-year history, the Naval War College has been a forward-looking institution and has consistently worked to break the mold of traditional military strategy and thinking. As the Naval War College celebrates this impressive milestone, Senator WHITEHOUSE and I know that the faculty, staff, and students will continue this tradition of excellence and innovation.

We are proud of the talented men and women who have made the Naval War College the strong and well-respected institution it is today. Along with Senator WHITEHOUSE, I would like to congratulate the entire Naval War College community on this important milestone.

## TRIBUTE TO KEN HAMILTON

Mr. BARRASSO. Mr. President, I rise today in celebration of Ken Hamilton and his retirement from the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation.

On October 31, 2024, the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation will celebrate Ken Hamilton's retirement after 41 years of service. Throughout his career, Ken has been a strong and effective advocate for the State's agriculture industry.

Ken was born and raised in rural Big Horn County, WY. His dedication to agriculture was sparked from a young age. Ken learned the trade by working on the family ranch, raising sheep and cattle, and trying his hand at irrigated farming practices.

Ken graduated from Manderson-Hyattville High School and earned an associate of arts in pre-law at Northwest College in Powell. He graduated with a bachelor of science degree from the University of Wyoming in 1982.

Ken attended the American Farm Bureau Federation work exchange program in Australia during his senior year at UW. While there, he worked for Checkers Pastoral Company and the Colligan Creek Pastoral Company.

Following his return to the States, Ken began his career at the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation as a research and field assistant. He gained valuable skills that soon prompted a promotion to director of field services and then administrative assistant. In 2004, he became the executive vice president.

The Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation advocates for farmers and ranchers by protecting private property rights, drafting grassroots policies, strengthening agriculture, and developing educational practices for leadership and advocacy. Ken's life and time at Farm Bureau have been truly dedicated to these principles.

In addition to his work at the Farm Bureau, Ken dedicated his time to various organizations to further conservation efforts and agricultural production. He served on the 2006 Wyoming

Brand Task Force, the State of Wyoming Coal Bed Methane Working Group, the Western Region Air Partnership Dust Forum, the Greater Yellowstone Coordinating Committee, the Legal Information and Networking Committee, and the American Farm Bureau's general council advisory and the legal information and networking committees.

Ken also served as the Wyoming Capitol Club president, the Wyoming Society of Association Executives president, the Mountain West Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company secretary, and the Wyoming Farm Bureau general manager.

In response to his unwavering dedication to Wyoming agriculture, Ken was honored in 2015 as one of UW's Outstanding Alumni. In 2023 Ken received a Longevity Award from the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation.

Joining in this momentous celebration is Ken's wife Kathy and his son Ian Hamilton.

It is with great honor that I recognize and celebrate Ken Hamilton. He embodies the Cowboy Code to the fullest. His incredible contributions and positive strides within the agriculture industry are remarkable. He represents the best of Wyoming agriculture. Congratulations to Ken Hamilton on his retirement from the Wyoming Farm Bureau Federation.

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE RECEIVED DURING ADJOURNMENT

##### ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2023, the Secretary of the Senate, on September 19, 2024, during the adjournment of the Senate, received a message from the House of Representatives announcing that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bill:

H.R. 9468. An act making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes.

Under the authority of the order of the Senate of January 3, 2023, the enrolled bill was subsequently signed on September 19, 2024, during the adjournment of the Senate, by the President pro tempore (Mrs. MURRAY).

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#### MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

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

H.R. 3724. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit recognized accrediting agencies and associations from requiring, encouraging, or coercing institutions of higher education to meet any political litmus test or violate any right protected by the Constitution as a condition of accreditation.

H.R. 4790. An act to amend the Federal securities laws with respect to the materiality

of disclosure requirements, to establish the Public Company Advisory Committee, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5717. An act to provide that sanctuary jurisdictions that provide benefits to aliens who are present in the United States without lawful status under the immigration laws are ineligible for Federal funds intended to benefit such aliens.

H.R. 9106. An act to direct the Director of the United States Secret Service to apply the same standards for determining the number of agents required to protect Presidents, Vice Presidents, and major Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates, and for other purposes.

H.J. Res. 136. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Multi-Pollutant Emissions Standards for Model Years 2027 and Later Light-Duty and Medium-Duty Vehicles".

The message further announced that the Speaker has signed the following enrolled bills:

S. 265. An act to reauthorize the rural emergency medical service training and equipment assistance program, and for other purposes.

S. 1648. An act to facilitate access to the electromagnetic spectrum for commercial space launches and commercial space reentries, and for other purposes.

S. 2825. An act to award a Congressional Gold Medal to the United States Army Dustoff crews of the Vietnam War, collectively, in recognition of their extraordinary heroism and life-saving actions in Vietnam.

S. 2861. An act to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Billie Jean King, an American icon, in recognition of a remarkable life devoted to championing equal rights for all, in sports and in society.

S. 4351. An act to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize certain poison control programs.

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#### MEASURES REFERRED

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

H.R. 3724. An act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit recognized accrediting agencies and associations from requiring, encouraging, or coercing institutions of higher education to meet any political litmus test or violate any right protected by the Constitution as a condition of accreditation; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

H.R. 4790. An act to amend the Federal securities laws with respect to the materiality of disclosure requirements, to establish the Public Company Advisory Committee, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

H.R. 5717. An act to provide that sanctuary jurisdictions that provide benefits to aliens who are present in the United States without lawful status under the immigration laws are ineligible for Federal funds intended to benefit such aliens; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

H.J. Res. 136. Joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Multi-Pollutant Emissions Standards for Model Years 2027 and Later Light-Duty and Medium-Duty Vehicles"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

#### 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-5938. A communication from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting draft legislation to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a preservation program to provide financial incentives and other assistance to properties financed under Section 514 or Section 515 of the Housing Act of 1949; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5939. 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 13894 with respect to the situation in and in relation to Syria; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5940. 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 12957 with respect to Iran; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5941. 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 "Revisions to the Entity List" (RIN0694-AJ79) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5942. A communication from the Senior Congressional Liaison, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Truth in Lending (Regulation Z); Consumer Protections for Home Sales Financed Under Contracts for Deed" (12 CFR Part 1026) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5943. A communication from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reporting, Procedures and Penalties Regulations" (31 CFR Part 501) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5944. A communication from the Sanctions Regulations Advisor, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Updating Provisions Related to Blocking and Other Actions Related to Specific Property or Interests in Property" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 18, 2024; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-5945. A communication from the Manager of Delisting and Foreign Species, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Removal of the Apache Trout From the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife" (RIN1018-BG94) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on September 19, 2024; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-5946. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant