

H.R. 3944. An act making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Appropriations.

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-1238. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13466 of June 26, 2008, with respect to North Korea; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-1239. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13219 of June 26, 2001, with respect to the Western Balkans; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CRUZ, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment:

S. 278. A bill to prohibit users who are under age 13 from accessing social media platforms, to prohibit the use of personalized recommendation systems on individuals under age 17, and limit the use of social media in schools (Rept. No. 119-33).

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CRUZ, from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, without amendment and an amendment to the title:

S. 93. A bill to amend the Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Act of 1998 to address harmful algal blooms, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 119-34).

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. PAUL for the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

*Sean Cairncross, of Minnesota, to be National Cyber Director.

*James Percival, of Florida, to be General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security.

*James Woodruff II, of Florida, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2032.

*Robert Law, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security.

*Kevin Rhodes, of Florida, to be Administrator for Federal Procurement Policy.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

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 Mr. SCHMITT:

S. 2206. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the limitation on distributions from 529 accounts for qualified higher education expenses; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. LUMMIS:

S. 2207. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reform the treatment of digital assets; to the Committee on Finance.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Ms. SMITH (for herself, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. GALLEGOS, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KIM, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJAN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, and Ms. WARREN):

S. Res. 312. A resolution recognizing June 2025, as "LGBTQ Pride Month"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 107

At the request of Mr. TILLIS, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. SCHATZ) was added as a cosponsor of S. 107, a bill to amend the Lumbee Act of 1956.

S. 646

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from Delaware (Mr. COONS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 646, a bill to prohibit the use of funds to carry out Executive Order 14160.

S. 1397

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1397, a bill to require the Secretary of State to establish a quantum cooperation program to enhance international cooperation in quantum information science.

S. 1989

At the request of Mr. SCHMITT, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1989, a bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to increase transparency and expand coverage options with respect to home and community-based services, and for other purposes.

S. 2195

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms.

CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2195, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the brave women who served in World War II as members of the U.S. Army Nurse Corps and U.S. Navy Nurse Corps.

S. 2197

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2197, a bill to permit legally married same-sex couples to amend their filing status for tax returns outside the statute of limitations.

S. 2198

At the request of Ms. DUCKWORTH, the names of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) and the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) were added as cosponsors of S. 2198, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to limit the authority of the Department of Defense and other Federal law enforcement personnel to support civilian law enforcement activities, and for other purposes.

S. RES. 295

At the request of Ms. ERNST, the names of the Senator from Mississippi (Mr. WICKER) and the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 295, a resolution supporting the designation of the week of June 23 through June 29, 2025, as "National Women's Sports Week" to celebrate the anniversary of the enactment of title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and the growth of women's sports.

AMENDMENT NO. 2378

At the request of Mr. WARNER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2378 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2379

At the request of Mr. WARNER, his name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2379 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2382

At the request of Ms. HIRONO, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KELLY) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2382 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2396

At the request of Ms. WARREN, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2396 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2407

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, her name was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2407 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2411

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the names of the Senator from New

Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH), the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) and the Senator from California (Mr. SCHIFF) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2411 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2420

At the request of Mr. KELLY, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2420 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2426

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the names of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) and the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2426 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2427

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2427 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2446

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the names of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2446 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2485

At the request of Mr. KIM, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2485 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2505

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2505 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2507

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2507 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2531

At the request of Mr. KELLY, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2531 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2568

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from New

Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2568 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2575

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2575 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2580

At the request of Mr. SCHATZ, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2580 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2609

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2609 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2610

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2610 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2611

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM), the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2611 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2612

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2612 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2613

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2613 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2643

At the request of Mr. BENNET, the name of the Senator from New Mexico

(Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of amendment No. 2643 intended to be proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

AMENDMENT NO. 2814

At the request of Mrs. BLACKBURN, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR), the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 2814 proposed to H.R. 1, a bill to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of H. Con. Res. 14.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 312—RECOGNIZING JUNE 2025, AS “LGBTQ PRIDE MONTH”

Ms. SMITH (for herself, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. COONS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. GALLEG0, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Ms. HASSAN, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KELLY, Mr. KIM, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mr. MURPHY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. OSSOFF, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. PETERS, Mr. REED, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. SANDERS, Mr. SCHATZ, Mr. SCHIFF, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SLOTKIN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WARNOCK, Mr. WELCH, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. WYDEN, and Ms. WARREN) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary:

S. RES. 312

Whereas the story of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (referred to in this preamble as “LGBTQ”) community in the United States is one of courage rising from marginalization, of joy forged in the crucible of injustice, and of progress built by generations who refused to be silent, invisible, or erased;

Whereas LGBTQ individuals live and thrive in every corner of the United States—from Alabama to Alaska, from barrios to boardrooms—bringing with them a diversity of race, religion, ability, origin, political belief, and lived experience that enriches the soul of the United States;

Whereas LGBTQ individuals have made indelible contributions across every sector of society, including education, science, law, public service, the arts, technology, business, and the ongoing struggle for civil rights, helping to shape a more equitable and vibrant United States;

Whereas the persistent failure of Federal and State officials to collect full and accurate data on sexual orientation and gender identity causes tremendous harm to LGBTQ individuals in the United States, who remain largely invisible to the government entities entrusted with ensuring their health, safety, and well-being;

Whereas LGBTQ individuals in the United States serve, and have served, in the United States Army, Coast Guard, Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Space Force honorably and with distinction and bravery;

Whereas a decades-long Federal policy, known as the “Lavender Scare”, threatened