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House of Representatives

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Friday, October 24, 2025, at 2 p.m.

Senate

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

The Senate met at 7:03 p.m. and was called to order by the Honorable JIM JUSTICE, a Senator from the State of West Virginia.

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication to the Senate from the President protempore (Mr. GRASSLEY).

The legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,
Washington, DC, October 22, 2025.

 $To\ the\ Senate:$

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable JIM JUSTICE, a Senator from the State of West Virginia, to perform the duties of the Chair.

CHUCK GRASSLEY,
President pro tempore.

Mr. JUSTICE thereupon assumed the Chair as Acting President pro tempore.

CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the morning hour be deemed expired.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the Journal of proceedings be approved to date.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. THUNE. I ask unanimous consent that the Senate 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.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR

The following bills were read the second time, and placed on the calendar:

- S. 3030. A bill making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown, and for other purposes.
- S. 3031. A bill making continuing appropriations for essential Federal Aviation Administration and Transportation Security Administration pay and operations in the event of a Federal Government shutdown, and for other purposes.
- S. 3032. A bill to extend the authority for the protections of certain facilities and assets from unmanned aircraft.

MEASURES PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 3030, S. 3031, S. 3032

Mr. THUNE. I understand that there are three bills at the desk due for a second reading, en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The leader is correct.

The clerk will read the bills by title for the second time.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3030) making continuing appropriations for military pay in the event of a Government shutdown, and for other purposes.

A bill (S. 3031) making continuing appropriations for essential Federal Aviation Administration and Transportation Security Administration pay and operations in the event of a Federal Government shutdown, and for other purposes.

A bill (S. 3032) to extend the authority for the protections of certain facilities and assets from unmanned aircraft.

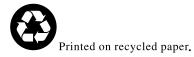
Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, in order to place the bills on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I would object to further proceedings, en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard. The bills will be placed on the calendar under rule XIV.

ORDERS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2025; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the

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time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each; that notwithstanding rule XXII, the cloture motion with respect to the motion to proceed to Calendar No. 191, S. 3012, ripen at 12:15 p.m.; further, that following disposition of that vote, the

Senate execute the order of October 22 in relation to the Meredith nomination; finally, that the cloture motion with respect to the Taibleson nomination ripen following disposition of the Meredith nomination.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. THUNE. Mr. 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 7:05 p.m., adjourned until Thursday, October 23, 2025, at 10 a.m.