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| Total | 3,526.37 | 15,781.16 | 3,576.40 | 22,883.93 |
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* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR CHARLES SCHUMER,
Democratic Leader, Nov. 18, 2025.

CONSOLIDATED REPORT OF EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL BY MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE U.S. SENATE, UNDER AUTHORITY OF SEC. 22, P.L. 95–384—22
U.S.C. 1754(b), MAJORITY LEADER FOR TRAVEL FROM JULY 1 TO SEPT. 30, 2025

| Name and country | Name of currency | Per diem | Transportation | Miscellaneous | Total |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency | U.S. dollar equivalent or U.S. currency |
| Senator Jim Banks: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 889.18 | | | 889.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,589.65 | | | 1,589.65 |
| Senator John Curtis: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 889.18 | | | 889.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,646.37 | | | 1,646.37 |
| Senator Jon Husted: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 889.18 | | | 889.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,733.47 | | | 1,733.47 |
| Senator Dave McCormick: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 889.18 | | | 889.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,646.37 | | | 1,646.37 |
| Senator Bernie Moreno: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 889.18 | | | 889.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,733.47 | | | 1,733.47 |
| Senator John Thune | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,238.00 | | | 1,238.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 889.18 | | | 889.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,483.32 | | | 1,483.32 |
| Jonathan Abdnor: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,335.99 | | | 1,335.99 |
| David Adkins: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,335.99 | | | 1,335.99 |
| Geoffrey Antell: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,335.99 | | | 1,335.99 |
| Ryan Kaldahl: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,335.99 | | | 1,335.99 |
| Jessica McBride: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,335.99 | | | 1,335.99 |
| Stefanie Muchow: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,355.99 | | | 1,355.99 |
| Daffnei Riedel: | | | | | |
| Denmark | US Dollar | 1,043.00 | | | 1,043.00 |
| Finland | US Dollar | 809.18 | | | 809.18 |
| Norway | US Dollar | 1,335.99 | | | 1,335.99 |
| Delegation Expenses: * | | | | | |
| Denmark | Danish Krone | | | 20,975.75 | 20,975.75 |
| Estonia | Euro | | | 6,061.37 | 6,061.37 |
| Finland | Euro | | | 6,226.96 | 6,226.96 |
| Norway | Norwegian Krone | | | 8,519.33 | 8,519.33 |
| Brian Monahan: | | | | | |
| Palau | US Dollar | 643.00 | | | 643.00 |
| Philippines | Philippine Peso | 702.00 | | | 702.00 |
| Taiwan | New Taiwan Dollar | 361.04 | | | 361.04 |
| Total | | 45,663.96 | | 41,783.41 | 87,447.37 |

* Delegation expenses include payments and reimbursements to the Department of State under authority of Sec. 502(b) of the Mutual Security Act of 1954, as amended by Section 22 of P.L. 95–384, and S. Res. 179 agreed to May 25, 1977.

SENATOR JOHN THUNE,
Majority Leader, Dec. 9, 2025.

APPOINTMENTS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), as amended by Public Law 118–159, appoints the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Air Force Academy: The Honorable MARKWAYNE MULLIN of Oklahoma (Appropriations), The Honorable KEVIN CRAMER of North Dakota.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, on behalf of the Chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 9355(a), as amended by Public Law 118–159, appoints the following Senator to the Board of Visitors

of the U.S. Air Force Academy: The Honorable TED BUDD of North Carolina.

FISCAL YEAR 2025 VETERANS AFFAIRS MAJOR MEDICAL FACILITY AUTHORIZATION ACT

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 278, S. 2393.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2393) to authorize a major medical facility project for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2026 in St. Louis, Missouri, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the bill, which had been reported from the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (S. 2393) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed as follows:

S. 2393

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Fiscal Year 2025 Veterans Affairs Major Medical Facility Authorization Act”.

SEC. 2. AUTHORIZATION OF MAJOR MEDICAL FACILITY PROJECT OF DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026 IN ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may carry out a major medical facility project in fiscal year 2026 in St. Louis, Missouri, that consists of the construction of a new bed tower, clinical building expansion, consolidated administrative building and warehouse, utility plant, and parking garages, in an amount not to exceed \$1,762,668,000.

(b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2026 or the year in which funds are appropriated for the Construction, Major Projects account, \$1,762,668,000 for the project authorized in subsection (a).

CARING FOR VETERANS AND STRENGTHENING NATIONAL SECURITY ACT

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from further consideration of S. 3436 and the Senate proceed to its immediate consideration.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the bill by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 3436) to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the provision of certain services to veterans in the Freely Associated States, and for other purposes.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged and the Senate proceeded to consider the bill.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be considered read a third time and passed and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

The bill (S. 3436) was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, was read the third time, and passed as follows:

S. 3436

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Caring for Veterans and Strengthening National Security Act”.

SEC. 2. REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE CERTAIN SERVICES TO VETERANS IN THE FREELY ASSOCIATED STATES.

(a) TELEHEALTH AND MAIL ORDER PHARMACY BENEFITS.—Section 1724(f)(1) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(C) Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of the Caring for Veterans and Strengthening National Security Act, the Secretary shall furnish to veterans described in subparagraph (A), subject to agreements described in such subparagraph, telehealth benefits and mail order pharmacy benefits.”.

(b) BENEFICIARY TRAVEL.—Section 111(h)(1) of such title is amended by striking “the Secretary may make payments” and inserting “beginning not later than one year after the date of the enactment of the Caring for

Veterans and Strengthening National Security Act, the Secretary shall make payments”.

(c) QUARTERLY REPORT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than quarterly, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on the status of implementation of the amendments made by this section and the cost of such implementation.

(2) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this subsection, the term “appropriate committees of Congress” means—

(A) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

(B) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SEC. 3. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN LIMITS ON PAYMENTS OF PENSION.

Section 5503(d)(7) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking “January 31, 2033” and inserting “March 31, 2033”.

RECOGNIZING COMMUNITY CARE AS AN ESSENTIAL TOOL FOR MEETING THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF THE VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Veterans' Affairs be discharged from further consideration and the Senate immediately proceed to S. Res. 492.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 492) recognizing community care as an essential tool for meeting the health care needs of the veterans of the United States.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 492), was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of November 10, 2025, under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

RECOGNIZING THAT CARE PROVIDED BY EMPLOYEES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS IS ESSENTIAL FOR MEETING THE HEALTH CARE NEEDS OF VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 566, which is at the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 566) recognizing that care provided by employees of the Depart-

ment of Veterans Affairs is essential for meeting the health care needs of veterans of the United States.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The resolution (S. Res. 566) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

(The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in today's RECORD under “Submitted Resolutions.”)

DIRECTING THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE TO MAKE A CORRECTION IN THE ENROLLMENT OF THE BILL S. 1071

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 66, which was received from the House.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the concurrent resolution by title.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 66) directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a correction in the enrollment of the bill S. 1071.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the concurrent resolution.

Ms. MURKOWSKI. I ask unanimous consent that the concurrent resolution be agreed to and that the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate.

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

The concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 66) was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE SESSION**EXECUTIVE CALENDAR**

Ms. MURKOWSKI. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to executive session to consider the following nominations en bloc: Calendar No. 581, Calendar Nos. 602 through 607, and all nominations on the Secretary's desk, with the exception of PN89; that the nominations be confirmed en bloc; that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table with no intervening action or debate; that no further motions be in order to any of the nominations; that the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action; and that the Senate then resume legislative session.

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

The nominations considered and confirmed en bloc are as follows: