

and Information Order” (Docket No. AMS-SC-24-0004) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3023. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled “2025 Report to Congress; Garrett Lee Smith (GLS) Campus Suicide Prevention Grant Program”; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3024. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “Commercial and Industrial Solid Waste Incineration Units: Temporary-Use Incinerators and Air Curtain Incinerators Used in Disaster Recovery; Rescission of Interim Final Rule” (FRL No. 12232-04-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3025. A communication from the Acting Branch Chief of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled “National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants: Polyether Polyols Production Industry Review” (FRL No. 10854-02-OAR) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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. ROSEN:

S. 4128. A bill to prohibit Cabinet Members and senior executive political appointees from using taxpayer funds to hire political consulting, advertising, and marketing firms, from expediting competitive open bidding processes to contract for official advertisements, and from using official advertisements for self-promotion; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. KAINE (for himself, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Ms. ROSEN):

S. 4129. A bill to provide for an international disability rights strategy, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Ms. ERNST (for herself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 4130. A bill to put a public price tag on all projects supported with taxpayer dollars; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. CASSIDY:

S. 4131. A bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide market-based rate adjustments to certain providers for furnishing qualifying specialized surgical services to veterans under the Veterans Community Care Program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. KAINE:

S. 4132. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to increase vaccination rates of pregnant and postpartum individuals, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. CORTEZ MASTO (for herself and Mrs. BLACKBURN):

S. 4133. A bill to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to en-

courage entrepreneurship training in after school programs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

By Mr. RICKETTS (for himself, Mr. MCCORMICK, Mr. HUSTED, Mrs. FISCHER, Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. CASSIDY, and Mr. YOUNG):

S. 4134. A bill to amend chapter 131 of title 5, United States Code, to require certain restrictions on stocks for Members of Congress and their spouses and dependents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MERKLEY (for himself, Mr. SHEEHY, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. KELLY, Mr. HEINRICH, and Ms. CORTEZ MASTO):

S. 4135. A bill to reauthorize the Federal lands access program; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. BOOKER (for himself and Mr. DURBIN):

S. 4136. A bill to include a Federal defender as a nonvoting member of the United States Sentencing Commission; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN:

S. 4137. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to provide grants to outpatient mental health facilities for the provision of culturally competent, evidence-based mental health care for veterans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. WICKER (for himself, Mr. REED, and Mr. SCOTT of Florida):

S. 4138. A bill to waive the 60-day notice requirement for the posthumous honorary promotion of Captain Cody Khork, United States Army; considered and passed.

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GALLEGRO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BENNET, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 4139. A bill to require the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, to submit a report on emerging threats posed to Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. VAN HOLLEN:

S.J. Res. 130. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to withdrawal of the rule relating to “Consumer Financial Protection Circular 2024-05: Improper Overdraft Opt-In Practices”; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. GALLEGRO:

S.J. Res. 131. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to the withdrawal of the rule relating to “Consumer Financial Protection Circular 2024-02: Deceptive Marketing Practices About the Speed or Cost of Sending a Remittance Transfer”; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REED:

S.J. Res. 132. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to the withdrawal of the rule relating to “Examinations for Risks to Active-Duty Servicemembers and Their Covered Dependents”; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Ms. BLUNT ROCHESTER:

S.J. Res. 133. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to the withdrawal of the rule relating to “Fair Credit Reporting; Background Screening”; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

By Mr. REED:

S.J. Res. 134. A joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to the withdrawal of the rule relating to “Truth in Lending (Regulation Z); Use of Digital User Accounts to Access Buy Now, Pay Later Loans”; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. WARNOCK):

S. Res. 649. A resolution commemorating the 250th anniversary of the passage of the resolution of March 16, 1776, which declared May 17 as a day of humiliation, fasting, and prayer; considered and agreed to.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. ALSOBROOKS, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. BENNET, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. BOOKER, Ms. CANTWELL, Ms. COLLINS, Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CRAPO, Mr. DAINES, Ms. DUCKWORTH, Mr. GALLEGRO, Mr. HEINRICH, Mr. HICKENLOOPER, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. HOEVEN, Mr. KAINE, Mr. KING, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. LUJÁN, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. PADILLA, Mr. PETERS, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. ROUNDS, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. SCHUMER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Ms. SLOTKIN, Ms. SMITH, Mr. SULLIVAN, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Mr. WARNER, Ms. WARREN, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. Res. 650. A resolution recognizing the heritage, culture, and contributions of American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian women in the United States; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 567

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Montana (Mr. SHEEHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 567, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the First Rhode Island Regiment, in recognition of their dedicated service during the Revolutionary War.

S. 784

At the request of Mr. OSSOFF, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. ROSEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 784, a bill to expand and modify the grant program of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide innovative transportation options to veterans in highly rural areas, and for other purposes.

S. 978

At the request of Mrs. MOODY, the name of the Senator from Oklahoma

(Mr. LANKFORD) was added as a cosponsor of S. 978, a bill to amend the National Housing Act to establish a mortgage insurance program for first responders, and for other purposes.

S. 1101

At the request of Mr. WELCH, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. TUBERVILLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1101, a bill to authorize the use of Federal Bureau of Investigation criminal history record information for administration of certain licenses.

S. 1224

At the request of Mr. COTTON, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mrs. CAPITO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1224, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the firearm transfer tax, and for other purposes.

S. 1227

At the request of Mr. MARKEY, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO), the Senator from Maine (Ms. COLLINS) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM) were added as cosponsors of S. 1227, a bill to require the Administrator of the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services and the Commissioner of Social Security to review and simplify the processes, procedures, forms, and communications for family caregivers to assist individuals in establishing eligibility for, enrolling in, and maintaining and utilizing coverage and benefits under the Medicare, Medicaid, CHIP, and Social Security programs respectively, and for other purposes.

S. 1376

At the request of Mr. TILLIS, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1376, a bill to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study on the feasibility of designating the Benton MacKaye Trail as a national scenic trail.

S. 1410

At the request of Ms. KLOBUCHAR, the names of the Senator from Washington (Mrs. MURRAY) and the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) were added as cosponsors of S. 1410, a bill to provide for health coverage with no cost-sharing for additional breast screenings for certain individuals at greater risk for breast cancer.

S. 1716

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the names of the Senator from Kansas (Mr. MARSHALL), the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) and the Senator from North Dakota (Mr. HOEVEN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1716, a bill to amend title XXVII of the Public Health Service Act to improve health care coverage under vision plans, and for other purposes.

S. 1814

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from New Hampshire (Mrs. SHAHEEN) was added

as a cosponsor of S. 1814, a bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a code of conduct for justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, and for other purposes.

S. 1974

At the request of Mr. COONS, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mr. TUBERVILLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1974, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to allow certain public health data modernization grants to be used to track hospital bed capacity, and for other purposes.

S. 2265

At the request of Mr. PADILLA, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. SMITH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2265, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Los Angeles, California, and the 2034 Olympics and Paralympic Winter Games in Salt Lake City, Utah.

S. 2879

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from California (Mr. SCHIFF) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2879, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to apply improved prompt payment requirements to Medicare Advantage organizations.

S. 2937

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. WELCH) and the Senator from Maine (Mr. KING) were added as cosponsors of S. 2937, a bill to establish legal standards for advanced artificial intelligence products.

S. 2957

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. KELLY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2957, a bill to increase the apportionment of formula grants for small transit intensive cities.

S. 3455

At the request of Mr. VAN HOLLEN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3455, a bill to authorize urbanized area formula grants for service improvement and safety and security enhancement, and for other purposes.

S. 3605

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mr. SCOTT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3605, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a portion of general business credit carryforwards to be transferred by certain taxpayers affected by federally declared disasters and other incidents.

S. 3649

At the request of Mrs. MOODY, the name of the Senator from Indiana (Mr. YOUNG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3649, a bill to amend chapter 131 of title 5 to prohibit Members of Congress and their spouses and dependents from owning or trading stocks, and for other purposes.

S. 3674

At the request of Mr. SCHMITT, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. COTTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3674, a bill to expand and clarify the grounds for civil denaturalization proceedings for individuals who have defrauded a governmental program, joined a terrorist organization, or committed certain criminal offenses.

S. 3726

At the request of Mr. MORAN, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. SLOTKIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3726, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the President to define veteran success and to develop and implement a National Veterans Strategy, and for other purposes.

S. 3859

At the request of Mr. GRAHAM, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. TILLIS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3859, a bill to amend the Catawba Indian Tribe of South Carolina Land Claims Settlement Act of 1993 with respect to future membership in the Catawba Indian Nation.

S. 3949

At the request of Mr. WYDEN, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) and the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) were added as cosponsors of S. 3949, a bill to amend the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 to require the promulgation of cybersecurity and digital service regulations relating to the use of EBT cards under the supplemental nutrition assistance program, and for other purposes.

S. 4013

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. BARRASSO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4013, a bill to enforce the rights protected by the Second and Fourteenth Amendments against the States.

S. 4066

At the request of Mr. HAWLEY, the name of the Senator from Tennessee (Mrs. BLACKBURN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4066, a bill to provide that the approved application under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for the drug mifepristone for the purpose of the termination of intrauterine pregnancy is deemed to have been withdrawn, to establish a Federal tort for harm to women caused by chemical abortion drugs, and for other purposes.

S. 4073

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJÁN), the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) were added as cosponsors of S. 4073, a bill making continuing appropriations for essential Transportation Security Administration pay and operations during the lapse in appropriations beginning on February 14, 2026, and for other purposes.

S. 4111

At the request of Mr. WHITEHOUSE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Ms. HIRONO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4111, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to impose a windfall profits excise tax on crude oil and to rebate the tax collected back to individual taxpayers, and for other purposes.

S. 4127

At the request of Ms. ROSEN, the names of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK), the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. LUJAN), the Senator from California (Mr. PADILLA) and the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) were added as cosponsors of S. 4127, a bill making continuing appropriations for essential Transportation Security Administration pay and operations during the lapse in appropriations beginning on February 14, 2026, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 103

At the request of Mr. BLUMENTHAL, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 103, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Veterans Affairs relating to "Reproductive Health Services".

S.J. RES. 118

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the names of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) and the Senator from Wisconsin (Ms. BALDWIN) were added as cosponsors of S.J. Res. 118, a joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities within or against the Islamic Republic of Iran that have not been authorized by Congress.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. GALLEGO, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BENNET, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. WELCH, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. FETTERMAN, Mr. WICKER, Mr. SCHATZ, Ms. KLOBUCHAR, Mr. MERKLEY, and Mr. BOOKER):

S. 4139. A bill to require the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, to submit a report on emerging threats posed to Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the text of the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the text of the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 4139

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 "Baltic Security Assessment Act of 2026".

SEC. 2. SENSE OF CONGRESS.

It is the sense of Congress that—

- (1) supporting and strengthening the security of Estonia, Latvia, and Lithuania (referred to in this section as the "Baltic countries") is in the national security interests of the United States;

- (2) continuing to strengthen and update the security cooperation roadmap for the United States and the Baltic countries is critical to achieving strategic security priorities as the Baltic countries face ongoing belligerence and threats from the Russian Federation, including amid the Russian Federation's illegal and unprovoked war in Ukraine that began on February 24, 2022;

- (3) the Baltic countries have been valued members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and continue to contribute to NATO's collective security and partnership; and

- (4) improved economic ties between the United States and the Baltic countries, including to counter economic pressure by the People's Republic of China, offer an opportunity to strengthen the United States-Baltic strategic partnership.

SEC. 3. REPORT ON EMERGING THREATS TO THE BALTIC COUNTRIES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, shall submit to the appropriate committees of Congress a report on—

- (1) emerging military, cyber, hybrid, and political threats to the Baltic countries;

- (2) the roles of the Russian Federation, the Republic of Belarus, the People's Republic of China, the Islamic Republic of Iran, and other malign actors in advancing such threats;

- (3) the current posture and presence of United States and NATO forces in the Baltic region for the purpose of deterring such threats;

- (4) recommendations for strengthening the deterrence posture, cybersecurity infrastructure, and democratic resilience of the Baltic countries; and

- (5) opportunities to enhance bilateral and multilateral defense cooperation between the United States and the Baltic countries, including through the Baltic Security Initiative established under section 1247 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2026 (Public Law 119-60).

(b) FORM.—The report required by subsection (a) shall be submitted in unclassified form but may contain a classified annex.

(c) APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES OF CONGRESS DEFINED.—In this section, the term "appropriate committees of Congress" means—

- (1) the Committee on Foreign Relations, the Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate; and

- (2) the Committee on Foreign Affairs, the Committee on Armed Services, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

SUBMITTED RESOLUTIONS

SENATE RESOLUTION 649—COMMEMORATING THE 250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PASSAGE OF THE RESOLUTION OF MARCH 16, 1776, WHICH DECLARED MAY 17 AS A DAY OF HUMILIATION, FASTING, AND PRAYER

Mr. LANKFORD (for himself and Mr. WARNOCK) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 649

Whereas, on March 16, 1776, the Second Continental Congress passed a resolution calling for a day of humiliation, fasting, and prayer;

Whereas the preamble of the March 16, 1776, resolution stated, "In times of impending calamity and distress; when the Liberties of America are imminently endangered by the secret machinations and open assaults of an insidious and vindictive Administration, it becomes the indispensable duty of these hitherto free and happy Colonies, with true penitence of heart, and the most reverent devotion, publickly to acknowledge the overruling providence of God; to confess and deplore our offences against him; and to supplicate his interposition for averting the threatened danger, and prospering our strenuous efforts in the cause of FREEDOM, VIRTUE, AND POSTERITY.": and

Whereas the March 16, 1776, resolution resolved that "THE CONGRESS therefore, considering the warlike preparations of the British Ministry to subvert our invaluable rights and privileges, and to reduce us by fire and sword, by the savages of the wilderness, and our own domestics, to the most abject and ignominious bondage: Desirous, at the same time, to have people of all ranks and degrees duly impressed with a solemn sense of God's superintending providence, and of their duty, devoutly to rely, in all their lawful enterprises, on his aid and direction, Do earnestly recommend, that FRIDAY, the *Seventeenth* day of *May* next, be observed by the said Colonies as a day of HUMILIATION, FASTING, AND PRAYERS; that we may, with united hearts, confess and bewail our manifold sins and transgressions, and, by a sincere repentance and amendment of life, appease his righteous displeasure, and, through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ, obtain his pardon and forgiveness; humbly imploring his assistance to frustrate the cruel purposes of our unnatural enemies; and by inclining their hearts to justice and benevolence, prevent the further effusion of kindred blood. But if, continuing deaf to the voice of reason and humanity, and inflexibly bent, on desolation and war, they constrain us to repel their hostile invasions by open resistance, that it may please *the Lord of Hosts, the God of Armies*, to animate our Officers and Soldiers with invincible fortitude, to guard and protect them in the day of battle, and to crown the Continental arms, by sea and land, with victory and success. Earnestly beseeching him to bless our civil Rulers, and the Representatives of the People, in their several Assemblies and Conventions; to preserve and strengthen their Union, to inspire them with an ardent, disinterested love of their Country; to give wisdom and stability to their Councils; and direct them to the most efficacious measures for establishing the Rights of America on the most honorable and permanent basis—that he would be graciously pleased to bless all his People in these Colonies with Health and Plenty, and grant that a spirit of incorruptible Patriotism, and of pure undefiled Religion, may universally prevail; and this Continent be speedily restored to the blessings of Peace and Liberty, and enabled to transmit them inviolate to the latest Posterity. And it is recommended to Christians of all denominations, to assemble for Public Worship, and abstain from servile Labor on the said Day.": Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate commemorates the 250th anniversary of the passage of the March 16, 1776, resolution, declaring May 17 as a day of humiliation, fasting, and prayer.