

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma.

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the confirmation vote for Senator MARKWAYNE MULLIN to be the Secretary of Homeland Security right now.

VOTE ON MULLIN NOMINATION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Mullin nomination?

Mr. LANKFORD. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Arizona (Mr. GALLEGRO) is necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 54, nays 45, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 63 Ex.]

YEAS—54

Banks	Fischer	Moody
Barrasso	Graham	Moran
Blackburn	Grassley	Moreno
Boozman	Hagerty	Mullin
Britt	Hawley	Murkowski
Budd	Heinrich	Ricketts
Capito	Hoeven	Risch
Cassidy	Husted	Rounds
Collins	Hyde-Smith	Schmitt
Cornyn	Johnson	Scott (FL)
Cotton	Justice	Scott (SC)
Cramer	Kennedy	Sheehy
Crapo	Lankford	Sullivan
Cruz	Lee	Thune
Curtis	Lummis	Tillis
Daines	Marshall	Tuberville
Ernst	McConnell	Wicker
Fetterman	McCormick	Young

NAYS—45

Alsobrooks	Kaine	Rosen
Baldwin	Kelly	Sanders
Bennet	Kim	Schatz
Blumenthal	King	Schiff
Blunt Rochester	Klobuchar	Schumer
Booker	Lujan	Shaheen
Cantwell	Markey	Slotkin
Coons	Merkley	Smith
Cortez Masto	Murphy	Van Hollen
Duckworth	Murray	Warner
Durbin	Ossoff	Warnock
Gillibrand	Padilla	Warren
Hassan	Paul	Welch
Hickenlooper	Peters	Whitehouse
Hirono	Reed	Wyden

NOT VOTING—1

Gallego

The nomination was confirmed.

(Mr. SCHMITT assumed the Chair.)

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

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

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. 697, Colin McDonald, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

John Thune, Chuck Grassley, Roger Marshall, John Barrasso, Bill Hagerty, Pete Ricketts, Bernie Moreno, John Cornyn, Lindsey Graham, Thom Tillis, Rick Scott of Florida, Shelley Moore Capito, Jim Banks, Jon Husted, Joni Ernst, Marsha Blackburn, Ted Budd.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Colin McDonald, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. BARRASSO. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Oklahoma (Mr. MULLIN) and the Senator from Alabama (Mr. TUBERVILLE).

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Arizona (Mr. GALLEGRO) and the Senator from Maryland (Mr. VAN HOLLEN) are necessarily absent.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 51, nays 45, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 64 Ex.]

YEAS—51

Banks	Fischer	Moody
Barrasso	Graham	Moran
Blackburn	Grassley	Moreno
Boozman	Hagerty	Murkowski
Britt	Hawley	Paul
Budd	Hoeven	Ricketts
Capito	Husted	Risch
Cassidy	Hyde-Smith	Rounds
Collins	Johnson	Schmitt
Cornyn	Justice	Scott (FL)
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NAYS—45

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Cortez Masto	Markey	Smith
Duckworth	Merkey	Warner
Durbin	Murphy	Warnock
Fetterman	Murray	Warren
Gillibrand	Ossoff	Welch
Hassan	Padilla	Whitehouse
Heinrich	Peters	Wyden

NOT VOTING—4

Gallego Tuberville  
Mullin Van Hollen

(Mr. SCHMITT assumed the Chair.)

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. MORENO). On this vote, the yeas are 51, the nays are 45, and the motion is agreed to.

The motion was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Colin McDonald, of California, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oklahoma.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. LANKFORD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate resume legislative session and 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.

VOTE EXPLANATION

Ms. KLOBUCHAR. Mr. President, on Friday, March 20, 2026, I attended the funeral service of MSG Nicole Amor, of White Bear Lake, MN, who was killed in action while serving in Kuwait. I would have voted against the DHS appropriations bill that was before the Senate, (rollcall vote No. 59), as I had on rollcall vote Nos. 38, 39, 47, and 54.

As I have stated in the past, I support proposals that will immediately fund the Department of Homeland Security's critical national security functions such as cyber defense, airport safety, and the Coast Guard. But, following DHS's actions in Minnesota which resulted in the deaths of two American citizens, as well as repeated violations of the Constitution and defiance of court orders, I will not vote to support continued funding for ICE, which already has \$75 billion in guaranteed funding from the bill that was passed last summer, until critical reforms to rein in unlawful behavior and restore accountability are secured.

REMEMBERING REV. DR. BERNARD LAFAYETTE, JR.

Mr. BOOKER. Mr. President, it is with a heavy heart that I rise today to honor the life and service of a great advocate for justice and nonviolence, Rev. Dr. Bernard Lafayette, Jr.

Dr. Lafayette was a Freedom Rider who risked his life challenging segregation across the South. He helped organize the Selma voting rights movement, laying the groundwork for the march from Selma to Montgomery and the eventual passage of the Voting Rights Act of 1965.

As a young activist in Nashville, Dr. Lafayette worked closely with John Lewis, who later became my mentor and a moral compass for so many of us who serve today. Together, they believed deeply in the power of nonviolence and the courage it takes to stand up for justice, even in the face of violence and hatred.

The late Rev. Dr. Bernard Lafayette helped shape a generation of leaders

who carried forward the spirit of the movement. Today, I rise to honor his life and legacy. May we continue the work he devoted his life to building a nation that lives up to its highest ideals of justice, equality, and dignity for all.

Dr. Lafayette and his family are in my prayers.

#### ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

##### REMEMBERING MIKE CLAMPITT

● Mr. TILLIS. Mr. President, today I rise to honor the life and legacy of North Carolina State Representative Mike Clampitt, a dedicated public servant, firefighter, and strong advocate for the people of western North Carolina, who passed away on March 18, 2026, after a courageous battle with cancer.

Representative Clampitt devoted his life to serving others. Long before his time in elected office, he spent nearly three decades with the Charlotte Fire Department, rising to the rank of captain and responding to emergencies across the community. His career in public safety reflected a deep commitment to protecting lives and to putting others first, a calling he carried into public office.

In the North Carolina House of Representatives, where he served multiple terms representing Jackson, Swain, and Transylvania Counties, Representative Clampitt was known as a tireless advocate for his constituents and for western North Carolina. He brought a practical, service-oriented approach to legislating, grounded in the real needs of the communities he represented.

That approach was especially evident in the aftermath of Hurricane Helene, one of the most devastating natural disasters to impact our State. As communities in western North Carolina faced significant flooding and damage, Representative Clampitt was actively engaged in recovery efforts, working to support families and ensure western North Carolina received the resources it needed.

Even while battling a serious illness, Representative Clampitt continued to serve. He remained engaged in legislative work and continued advocating for his constituents. Those who knew Mike Clampitt remember a man of humility, kindness, and steady determination. Whether as a firefighter, legislator, or simply a neighbor, he lived a life defined by service and a commitment to his community.

On behalf of Susan, myself, and the people of North Carolina, I extend our deepest condolences to his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing him. His legacy will endure in the lives he touched and the communities he served. ●

#### 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-3041. A communication from the Chairman of the Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on Council Resolution 26-250, "Transfer of Jurisdiction of Portions of U.S. Reservations 343-C and 343-D, S.O. 23-03016, Approval Resolution of 2025" received in the Office of the President pro tempore; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3042. A communication from the Acting Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Office's audit of the United States government's fiscal years 2025 and 2024 consolidated financial statements; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-3043. A communication from the Attorney Advisor, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "National Standards for Traffic Control Devices; the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways; Revision" (RIN2125-AG15) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 11, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3044. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of United States Area Navigation (RNAV) Route Q-151 and Revocation of Jet Route J-517 in the Northern United States" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2025-2023)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3045. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment of Very High Frequency Omnidirectional Range Federal Airways V-14, V-192, V-210, and V-221 in the Vicinity of Muncie, Indiana" ((RIN2120-AA66) (Docket No. FAA-2025-2415)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3046. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters; Amendment 39-23267" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-5036)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3047. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters; Amendment 39-23268" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-5034)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3048. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Helicopters; Amendment 39-23275" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2026-2284)) received in the Office of the

President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3049. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amendment No. 4208" ((RIN2120-AA65) (Docket No. 31653)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3050. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures, and Take-off Minimums and Obstacle Departure Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments; Amendment No. 4207" ((RIN2120-AA65) (Docket No. 31652)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3051. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Canada Limited Partnership (Type Certificate Previously Held by C Series Aircraft Limited Partnership (CSALP); Bombardier, Inc.) Airplanes; Amendment 39-23264" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-2545)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3052. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus SAS Airplanes; Amendment 39-23259" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-3437)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3053. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; BRP-Rotax GmbH & Co KG (Formerly BRP-POWERTRAIN GMBH & CO KG and Bombardier-Rotax GmbH) Engines; Amendment 39-23261" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2026-1321)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3054. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Lycoming Engines; Amendment 39-23271" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-1365)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-3055. A communication from the Manager of Legal Litigation and Support, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Textron Aviation, Inc. (Type Certificate Previously Held by Cessna Aircraft Company) Airplanes; Amendment 39-23255" ((RIN2120-AA64) (Docket No. FAA-2025-5037)) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 17, 2026; to the