

III of Sunshine, Louisiana, to succeed Mrs. Maureen Ferguson.

The message further announced that pursuant to section 306(k) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 242k), and the order of the House of January 3, 2025, the Speaker appoints the following individual on the part of the House of Representatives to the National Committee on Vital and Health Statistics for a term of 4 years: Mr. Bruce Greenstein of Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

#### MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 1041. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to prohibit the Secretary of Veterans Affairs from transmitting certain information to the Department of Justice for use by the national instant criminal background check system; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

H.R. 6047. An act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to increase the dollar amounts for the payment of certain disability compensation and dependency and indemnity compensation under the laws administered by the Secretary; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

#### 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-3678. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting legislative proposals that the Department of Defense requests be enacted during the second session of the 119th Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3679. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of Defense, transmitting legislative proposals that the Department of Defense requests be enacted during the second session of the 119th Congress; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3680. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of firearms, parts, and components controlled under Category I of the U.S. Munitions List to Turkmenistan in the amount of \$1,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 26-014); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3681. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to Canada, India, and the United Kingdom in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-104); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3682. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(c) and 36(d) of the Arms Export Control Act, the certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services

to Japan, Denmark, and the Netherlands in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more (Transmittal No. DDTC 25-149); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3683. A communication from the Senior Bureau Official, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to section 36(b) (1) of the Arms Export Control Act, the Air Force's proposed letter(s) of offer and acceptance to the Government of Ukraine for defense articles and services estimated to cost \$108.1 million (RSAT Case 26-51); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-3684. A communication from the Director, Administrative Office of the United States Courts, transmitting, pursuant to law, the twenty-first report to Congress on crime victims' rights; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-3685. A message 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 13405 of June 16, 2006, with respect to Belarus; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. WICKER for the Committee on Armed Services.

Army nominations beginning with Brig. Gen. William E. Temple V and ending with Brig. Gen. Brian F. Wertzler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 15, 2026. (minus 2 nominees: Brig. Gen. Tracey L. Poirier; Brig. Gen. Kendrick D. Traylor)

\*Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Constantin E. Nicolet, to be Lieutenant General.

\*Air Force nominations beginning with Lt. Gen. Daniel H. Tulley and ending with Maj. Gen. David G. Shoemaker, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 30, 2026.

\*Army nomination of Maj. Gen. Guillaume N. Beaurpere, to be Lieutenant General.

\*Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Joseph F. Cahill III, to be Vice Admiral.

Army nomination of Col. Michael W. Brancamp, to be Brigadier General.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. (lh) Carey H. Cash, to be Rear Admiral.

Mr. WICKER, Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

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

Air Force nominations beginning with Ruben Adorno and ending with Taylor A. Youtsler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2026.

Air Force nominations beginning with Michael R. Abbott and ending with Jay R. Zeigler, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2026.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kathryn L. Abbott and ending with Jonathan G. Yap, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2026.

Air Force nominations beginning with Corbin A. Aldridge and ending with Sung B.

Yi, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2026.

Air Force nominations beginning with Donald J. Adkins and ending with Zheng Zhong, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2026.

Air Force nominations beginning with Kaila W. Acres and ending with Jaimie M. Wyckoff, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on May 12, 2026.

Army nomination of Timothy M. Benedict, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of Gladys E. Scales, to be Colonel.

Army nomination of John M. Heaton, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Andy Buissereth and ending with Eric S. Slater, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 30, 2026.

Army nominations beginning with Kevin A. Chesnut and ending with Trevor R. Robles, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 30, 2026.

Army nomination of Jeremy D. Reed, to be Major.

Army nominations beginning with Joshua T. Kresowaty and ending with Mary C. Penniman, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 30, 2026.

Army nomination of Matthew S. McGuire, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Army nomination of Michele L. Buratti, to be Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Scott M. Carter, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Steven M. Warner, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Garrett W. Vetter, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Michael J. Simpson, to be Lieutenant Colonel.

Marine Corps nomination of Steven A. Bolt, to be Major.

Marine Corps nomination of Samir J. Glenn-Roundtree, to be Major.

Navy nomination of Jess A. Vaught, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of John H. Ross, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of John D. Morris IV, to be Captain.

Navy nomination of Frances S. Thomas, to be Lieutenant Commander.

Navy nominations beginning with Daniel J. Clark and ending with Stephen M. Thomas, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on April 30, 2026.

Navy nomination of Jami Lea G. Buckley, to be Commander.

Navy nomination of Jeffrey T. Chewing, to be Captain.

\*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.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

#### 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. SCHIFF:

S. 4650. A bill to amend the Plant Protection Act to improve plant pest and disease preparedness for specialty crops; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself and Mr. LUJÁN):

S. 4651. A bill to amend the Federal Crop Insurance Act to increase access to Federal crop insurance for specialty crops; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SCHIFF:

S. 4652. A bill to amend the Agricultural Research, Extension, and Education Reform Act of 1998 to reauthorize the specialty crop research initiative and establish a specialty crop mechanization and automation research and development program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. YOUNG:

S. 4653. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a deduction for loan interest payments made with respect to certain vehicles; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCHIFF:

S. 4654. A bill to amend the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 to expand agricultural market access, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. CORNYN (for himself and Mr. KAINE):

S. 4655. A bill to allow the Farm Credit Administration the option to examine low-risk Farm Credit System institutions under a 24-month cycle; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mrs. GILLIBRAND:

S. 4656. A bill to provide for secure and accountable use of artificial intelligence by the Department of Defense, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. YOUNG (for himself and Ms. ALSOBROOKS):

S. 4657. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the excise tax on heavy trucks and trailers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BANKS (for himself and Mr. KIM):

S. 4658. A bill to amend title 5, United States Code, to include Parkinson's disease in the list of illnesses and diseases deemed to be proximately caused by employment in fire protection activities, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mrs. BLACKBURN (for herself and Mr. GRAHAM):

S. 4659. A bill to provide additional election security funding to States providing voter registration information to the Department of Homeland Security; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. SCHIFF:

S. 4660. A bill to provide appropriations to the Secretary of Agriculture to make payments to producers of specialty crops; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. SCHIFF (for himself and Mr. PADILLA):

S. 4661. A bill to amend the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 to provide permanent disaster assistance for specialty crops, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. GALLEG0:

S. 4662. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to ensure that high net-worth individuals cannot avoid paying taxes on their income and assets; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mrs. MOODY):

S. 4663. A bill to appropriate sums for the Secretary of Agriculture to provide block grants to States for losses of revenue as a consequence of certain freezes or cold weather conditions; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. COONS (for himself and Mr. HUSTED):

S. 4664. A bill to authorize the Safer Choice Program within the Environmental Protection Agency, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CURTIS:

S. 4665. A bill to require the Secretary of State to submit a strategy to Congress for countering Iranian and Hezbollah influence operations in Latin America; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. LUJÁN (for himself and Mr. SCHATZ):

S. 4666. A bill to require officers and employees of the Department of Homeland Security to receive training with respect to Indian tribes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 4667. A bill to provide for the modernization of electronic case management systems, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CRUZ (for himself, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. SCHMITT, and Mr. COONS):

S. 4668. A bill to protect the name, image, and likeness rights of, and provide protections for, students athletes and to promote fair competition among intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. BUDD, Mr. LEE, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. RICKETTS):

S.J. Res. 194. A joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Body-Worn Camera Transparency for Use of Force Temporary Amendment Act of 2026; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. HAGERTY (for himself, Mr. BUDD, Mr. LEE, Ms. LUMMIS, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Mr. RICKETTS):

S.J. Res. 195. A joint resolution disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Full Accountability in Arrest Reporting Temporary Amendment Act of 2026; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 180

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 180, a bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize the use of grant amounts for providing training and resources for first responders on the use of containment devices to prevent secondary exposure to fentanyl and other potentially lethal substances, and purchasing such containment devices for use by first responders.

S. 737

At the request of Mr. LEE, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) was added as a cosponsor

of S. 737, a bill to require certain interactive computer services to adopt and operate technology verification measures to ensure that users of the platform are not minors, and for other purposes.

S. 1182

At the request of Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, the name of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1182, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit institutions of higher education that authorize antisemitic events on campus from participating in the student loan and grand programs under title IV of such Act.

S. 1186

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. MERKLEY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1186, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to apply prescription drug inflation rebates to drugs furnished in the commercial market and to change the base year for rebate calculations.

S. 1296

At the request of Mr. TILLIS, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. FETTERMAN) and the Senator from Alaska (Mr. SULLIVAN) were added as cosponsors of S. 1296, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to strengthen disclosure requirements relating to foreign gifts and contracts, to prohibit contracts between institutions of higher education and certain foreign entities and countries of concern, and for other purposes.

S. 1335

At the request of Mr. TILLIS, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Ms. CORTEZ MASTO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1335, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude debt held by certain insurance companies from capital assets and to extend capital loss carryovers for such companies from 5 years to 10 years.

S. 1404

At the request of Ms. CORTEZ MASTO, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Ms. DUCKWORTH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1404, a bill to combat organized crime involving the illegal acquisition of retail goods and cargo for the purpose of selling those illegally obtained goods through physical and online retail marketplaces.

S. 1441

At the request of Mr. TILLIS, the name of the Senator from Alaska (Ms. MURKOWSKI) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1441, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to award grants to nonprofit entities to assist such entities in carrying out programs to provide service dogs to eligible veterans, and for other purposes.

S. 1500

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1500, a bill to amend title XXVII of