

On June 18, 2026, I missed the following vote, but had I been present, I would have voted yea on rollcall vote No. 180, on the cloture motion on the motion to concur in the House Amendment to the Senate Amendment to H.R. 6644 with an amendment.

On June 18, 2026, I missed the following vote, but had I been present, I would have voted no on rollcall vote No. 181, confirmation of Executive Calendar No. 763, George Holding, to be U.S. Director of the European Bank for Construction and Development.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO WALTER BREUNING

• Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I have the honor to recognize American supercentenarian Walter Breuning.

Walter Breuning was a long-time Montanan and has dedicated tremendous work during the development of American history. In 1913, Walter joined the Great Northern Railway, a transcontinental railroad that profoundly shaped Montana's history by establishing towns, fueling agriculture, and driving tourism. Walter continued to work there after moving to Montana until he was 66 years old. Additionally, Walter enlisted to the U.S. military during World War I and was a Freemason and a member of Great Falls Lodge No. 118 for over 85 years.

Outside of his professional career, many other parts of his life touched back to Montana. After moving to Montana in 1918 to continue work with the Great Northern Railway, Walter met Agnes Twokey, a telegraph operator from Butte. Walter was married to Agnes from 1922 until her death in 1957.

In his later years, Walter lived at the Rainbow Retirement and Assisted Living Center in Great Falls. Walter lived for 114 years and 205 days and was, up to the time of his death, the oldest living man in the world.

It is my distinct honor to recognize Walter Bruening for his outstanding milestone achievement, his loyalty to Montana, and life-long contributions to critical transportation infrastructure in Montana and throughout our Nation.●

REMEMBERING MARTHA ZOLLER

• Mr. OSSOFF. Mr. President, I join in mourning Martha Zoller and send my deepest condolences to Martha's husband Lin, to her children and grandchildren, and to all who knew and loved her.

Martha was a respected stalwart of Georgia's civic community, an accomplished broadcaster, and a formidable activist. Whether on her radio show at WDUN, advising elected officials, running for Congress herself, or serving on the State board of education, Martha dedicated her life to service, family, and faith and will be deeply missed by all her life touched.

May Martha's memory be a blessing.●

PRIVILEGED NOMINATIONS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

On request by Senator JEANNE SHAHEEN, under the authority of S. Res. 116, 112th Congress, the following nomination was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations: Katherine Bowles, of Alabama, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Legislative Affairs), vice Naz Durakoglu, resigned.

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-3941. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reducing Bureaucracy and Burden for Human Services and Emergency Response Programs-Repatriation Program" (RIN0970-AD40) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-3942. A communication from the Regulations Writer, Social Security Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Penalty Inflation Adjustments for Civil Monetary Penalties" (RIN0960-A172) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3943. A communication from the Chair, Medicare Payment Advisory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "June 2026 Report to the Congress: Medicare and the Health Care Delivery System"; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-3944. A communication from the Director of Regulatory Oversight and Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Implementing Regulation for National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA): Environmental Effects of the Department of Veterans Affairs Actions" (RIN2900-AS33) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3945. A communication from the Director of Regulatory Oversight and Management, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Grants for the Rural Veterans Coordination Pilot; Rescission" (RIN2900-AS76) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-3946. A communication from the Senior Counsel, Legal Division, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Equal Credit Opportunity (Regulation B); Special Purpose Credit Programs; Rescission" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3947. A communication from the Chair of the Appraisal Subcommittee, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Appraisal Subcommittee's 2025 Annual Report; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

EC-3948. 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 "Resin Acids, Esters with Glycerol in Pesticide Formulations; Exemption from the Requirement for a Tolerance" (FRL No. 13403-01-OCSPP) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-3949. 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 "Air Plan Approval; Oregon; Update to Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 13248-01-R10) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3950. 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 "Technical Amendments to the EPCRA Hazardous Chemical Inventory Reporting Requirements to Conform to the 2024 OSHA Hazard Communication Standard" (FRL No. 12698-06-OLEM) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-3951. A communication from the Regulations Coordinator, Administration for Native Americans, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reducing Bureaucracy and Burden for Native American Programs" (RIN0970-AD36) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 17, 2026; to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CASSIDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 1782. A bill to prohibit discrimination on the basis of mental or physical disability in cases of organ transplants.

By Mr. CASSIDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment:

S. 3799. A bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Healthy Start Initiative.

By Mr. CASSIDY, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 4109. A bill to reauthorize the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, and for other purposes.

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. KELLY (for himself and Mr. CORNYN):

S. 4846. A bill to amend the United States-Mexico Transboundary Aquifer Assessment Act to reauthorize the United States-Mexico transboundary aquifer assessment program, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. MURPHY (for himself, Mr. KIM, Mr. BOOKER, Mr. VAN HOLLEN, and Mr. LUJÁN):

S. 4847. A bill to establish a Summer for All program through summer enrichment expansion grants and summer programming State grants, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Ms. SMITH:

S. 4848. A bill to amend the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990 to improve assistance for socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers and veteran farmers and ranchers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

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

S. 4849. A bill to authorize funding for election security grants for fiscal years 2026, 2027, and 2028, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

By Mr. KENNEDY (for himself, Mr. COONS, Mr. CRUZ, and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. 4850. A bill to amend title 28, United States Code, to adjust thresholds relating to jurisdiction for inflation; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HOEVEN:

S. 4851. A bill to amend the Food Security Act of 1985 to establish State assistance for soil health and wildlife habitat, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 4852. A bill to amend the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 to make fertilizer storage facilities eligible for farm storage facility loans, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

By Mr. HOEVEN (for himself and Mrs. GILLIBRAND):

S. 4853. A bill to amend the National Agricultural Research, Extension, and Teaching Policy Act of 1977 to modify the BARD Fund, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

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

By Mr. MERKLEY:

S. Res. 782. A resolution recognizing the importance of pollinators to ecosystem health and agriculture in the United States by designating June 22 through June 28, 2026, as "National Pollinator Week"; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. WHITEHOUSE):

S. Res. 783. A resolution expressing support for the designation of June 11, 2026, as "Anti-Illicit Trade Awareness Day"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 494

At the request of Mr. SCHMITT, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 494, a bill to establish a national plan to coordinate research on epilepsy, and for other purposes.

S. 1459

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the name of the Senator from West Virginia (Mr. JUSTICE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1459, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to im-

prove the historic rehabilitation tax credit, and for other purposes.

S. 1541

At the request of Mr. KELLY, the name of the Senator from Florida (Mrs. MOODY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 1541, a bill to support the national defense and economic security of the United States by supporting vessels, ports, and shipyards of the United States and the U.S. maritime workforce.

S. 2120

At the request of Mr. CASSIDY, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) and the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. KIM) were added as cosponsors of S. 2120, a bill to amend the Older Americans Act of 1965 to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2026 through 2030, and for other purposes.

S. 2195

At the request of Ms. BALDWIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. ALSOBROOKS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2195, a bill to award a Congressional Gold Medal, collectively, to the brave women who served in World War II as members of the U.S. Army Nurse Corps and U.S. Navy Nurse Corps.

S. 2448

At the request of Mr. KELLY, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2448, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve dependent coverage under the TRICARE Young Adult Program.

S. 2667

At the request of Mr. BOOKER, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Mr. PETERS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2667, a bill to prevent violence in the West Bank and authorize the imposition of sanctions with respect to any foreign person endangering United States national security and undermining prospects for a two-state solution by committing illegal violent acts.

S. 2808

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from Ohio (Mr. HUSTED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 2808, a bill to require the Secretary of Agriculture to publish a report on the fertilizer industry, and for other purposes.

S. 2947

At the request of Ms. HASSAN, the names of the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. MCCORMICK) and the Senator from Colorado (Mr. BENNET) were added as cosponsors of S. 2947, a bill to establish a Federal Clearinghouse on Safety and Best Practices for Nonprofit Organizations, Faith-based Organizations, and Houses of Worship within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

S. 3697

At the request of Mrs. HYDE-SMITH, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mr. BOOZMAN) was added as a cospon-

sor of S. 3697, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to prohibit the approval of new abortion drugs, to prohibit investigational use exemptions for abortion drugs, and to impose additional regulatory requirements with respect to previously approved abortion drugs, and for other purposes.

S. 3885

At the request of Mr. WELCH, the name of the Senator from New Mexico (Mr. HEINRICH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3885, a bill to provide for updates to the Federal Aviation Administration type certification process to support development of new and novel technologies, and for other purposes.

S. 3940

At the request of Mr. DAINES, the name of the Senator from Massachusetts (Ms. WARREN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 3940, a bill to amend the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 to require the Secretary of the Treasury to testify before Congress, and for other purposes.

S. 4197

At the request of Mr. CRAMER, the names of the Senator from Florida (Mrs. MOODY) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. WARNOCK) were added as cosponsors of S. 4197, a bill to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a program under which the Secretary shall award grants to certain State entities to expand access to structured outdoor recreation programs for veterans that enhance veteran wellness, and for other purposes.

S. 4464

At the request of Mr. RICKETTS, the name of the Senator from Alabama (Mrs. BRITT) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4464, a bill to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act to ensure that consumers can make informed decisions in choosing between meat and poultry products and cell-cultivated protein products, and for other purposes.

S. 4618

At the request of Mr. MERKLEY, the name of the Senator from New York (Mrs. GILLIBRAND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4618, a bill to effectively staff the high-need public elementary schools and secondary schools of the United States with school-based mental health services providers.

S. 4791

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. REED) was added as a cosponsor of S. 4791, a bill to abolish the Anti-Weaponization Fund, and for other purposes.

S.J. RES. 43

At the request of Mrs. SHAHEEN, the name of the Senator from Colorado (Mr. HICKENLOOPER) was added as a cosponsor of S.J. Res. 43, a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to contributions and expenditures intended to affect elections.