

Whereas Northwest Mississippi Community College continues to expand high-demand programs in health sciences, workforce education, career and technical education, and university transfer programs to meet the evolving needs of students, employers, and communities throughout Mississippi;

Whereas Northwest Mississippi Community College has contributed significantly to the economic growth and prosperity of Mississippi by preparing a highly skilled workforce and fostering partnerships with business, industry, health care providers, governmental agencies, and community organizations;

Whereas Northwest Mississippi Community College has earned national recognition for excellence in intercollegiate athletics and student achievement throughout its history;

Whereas Northwest Mississippi Community College has consistently competed at the highest levels of intercollegiate athletics in the National Junior College Athletic Association, claiming National Championships in football, women's basketball, women's soccer, cheerleading, and dance;

Whereas Northwest Mississippi Community College student-athletes have consistently exemplified excellence in competition, leadership, service, and academic achievement, earning national recognition for both athletic success and outstanding team grade point averages, reflecting the enduring commitment of the institution to excellence in academics and athletics;

Whereas Northwest Mississippi Community College has produced generations of All-Americans, national champions, conference champions, regional champions, academic honorees, and community leaders, whose accomplishments have brought distinction to the institution and to the State of Mississippi;

Whereas the faculty, staff, administrators, trustees, alumni, students, and supporters of Northwest Mississippi Community College have built a legacy of service, opportunity, innovation, and achievement that has positively affected hundreds of thousands of lives during the first century of college instruction of the institution; and

Whereas, as Northwest Mississippi Community College begins its second century of service as an institution of higher education, the institution remains committed to expanding opportunity, promoting student success, supporting workforce development, strengthening communities, and preparing future generations of students, workers, and community leaders: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) recognizes and congratulates Northwest Mississippi Community College on the occasion of its 100th anniversary;

(2) commends Northwest Mississippi Community College for 100 years of educational excellence, workforce development, student success, community service, and economic impact; and

(3) respectfully requests that the Secretary of the Senate transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to—

(A) the President of Northwest Mississippi Community College, Dr. Michael J. Heindl;

(B) the Vice President for Institutional Affairs, Dr. Brad Smith; and

(C) the Director of Athletics, Mr. Jake Gordon.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 6736. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6732 proposed by Ms. COLLINS to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under

the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes.

SA 6737. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6736 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the amendment SA 6732 proposed by Ms. COLLINS to the bill H.R. 6500, *supra*.

SA 6738. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6500, *supra*.

SA 6739. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6738 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the bill H.R. 6500, *supra*.

SA 6740. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6500, *supra*.

SA 6741. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6740 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the bill H.R. 6500, *supra*.

SA 6742. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6741 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the amendment SA 6740 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the bill H.R. 6500, *supra*.

SA 6743. Mr. KELLY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4784, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6744. Mr. HAWLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4668, to protect the name, image, and likeness rights of, and provide protections for, student athletes and to promote fair competition among intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 6745. Mr. THUNE (for Ms. HASSAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 850, to amend the Northern Border Security Review Act to require updates to the northern border threat analysis and the northern border strategy, and for other purposes.

SA 6746. Mr. KELLY (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4784, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 6736. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6732 proposed by Ms. COLLINS to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end add the following.

“This Act shall take effect 1 day after the date of enactment.”

SA 6737. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6736 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the amendment SA 6732 proposed by Ms. COLLINS to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike “1 day” and insert “2 days”.

SA 6738. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6500, to ex-

tend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end add the following.

“This Act shall take effect 3 days after the date of enactment.”

SA 6739. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6738 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike “3 days” and insert “4 days”.

SA 6740. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

At the end add the following.

“This Act shall take effect 5 days after the date of enactment.”

SA 6741. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6740 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike “5 days” and insert “6 days”.

SA 6742. Mr. THUNE proposed an amendment to amendment SA 6741 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the amendment SA 6740 proposed by Mr. THUNE to the bill H.R. 6500, to extend duty-free treatment provided with respect to imports from certain countries in Africa under the African Growth and Opportunity Act, to extend customs user fees, and for other purposes; as follows:

Strike “6 days” and insert “7 days”.

SA 6743. Mr. KELLY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4784, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title XI, insert the following:

SEC. 11. LIMITATION ON EXECUTIVE ORDER 14251 RELATING TO EXCLUSIONS FROM FEDERAL LABOR-MANAGEMENT RELATIONS PROGRAMS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds authorized to be appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available for the Department of Defense for fiscal year 2027 may be used to implement Executive Order 14251, issued on March 27, 2025, relating to exclusions from Federal labor-management relations programs, or any successor or substantially similar authority.

(b) COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENTS.—Any collective bargaining agreement between any labor organization and the Department of Defense or any subcomponent of the Department, which was in effect as of March 26, 2025, and which has since been terminated pursuant to Executive Order 14251 or any sub-regulatory policy or guidance issued pursuant to Executive Order 14251 by the Department or any of its subcomponents, shall be restored and shall have full force and effect through the stated term of the applicable agreement, including any continuation pending the negotiation of a successor agreement.

SA 6744. Mr. HAWLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4668, to protect the name, image, and likeness rights of, and provide protections for, student athletes and to promote fair competition among intercollegiate athletics, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

In section 121(a)(2), strike subparagraph (C) and insert the following:

(C) except in the case of such a law, regulation, rule, requirement, or standard that prohibits biological men from playing in women's sports, any provision described in section 113 relating to the eligibility of a student athlete to participate in intercollegiate athletics.

SA 6745. Mr. THUNE (for Ms. HASSAN) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 850, to amend the Northern Border Security Review Act to require updates to the northern border threat analysis and the northern border strategy, and for other purposes; as follows:

On page 2, line 8, strike “September 2, 2025” and insert “180 days after the date of the enactment of the Northern Border Security Enhancement and Review Act”.

On page 3, line 2, strike “September 2, 2026” and insert “18 months after the date of the enactment of the Northern Border Security Enhancement and Review Act”.

SA 6746. Mr. KELLY (for himself, Ms. MURKOWSKI, Mr. WARNER, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 4784, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2027 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place in title VII, insert the following:

SEC. 7. IMPROVEMENTS TO DEPENDENT COVERAGE UNDER TRICARE YOUNG ADULT PROGRAM.

(a) EXPANSION OF ELIGIBILITY.—Subsection (b) of section 1110b of title 10, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking paragraph (3); and
(2) by redesignating paragraphs (4) and (5) as paragraphs (3) and (4), respectively.

(b) ELIMINATION OF SEPARATE PREMIUM FOR A YOUNG ADULT.—Such section is further amended by striking subsection (c).

(c) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 1075(c)(3) of such title is amended by striking “section 1076d, 1076e, or 1110b” and inserting “section 1076d or 1076e”.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. CRAMER. Mr. President, I have nine requests for committees to meet during today's session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to Rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the following committees are authorized to meet during today's session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

The Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation is authorized to meet in executive session during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 3 p.m., to conduct a briefing.

COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

The Committee on Indian Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 2 p.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 10:15 a.m., to conduct a hearing on nominations.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

The Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

The Select Committee on Intelligence is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at 3 p.m., to conduct a closed briefing.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mr. CRUZ. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Dan Alpert, a detailee in my office, and Michal Malachowski, a law clerk in my office, be granted floor privileges until the end of the 119th Congress.

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

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME EN BLOC—S. 5271 AND H.R. 7008

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I understand there are two bills at the desk, and I ask for their first reading en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bills by title for the first time en bloc.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 5271) to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to require voters to provide photo identification.

A bill (H.R. 7008) to amend chapter 131 of title 5 to require certain restrictions on stocks for Members of Congress and their spouses and dependents, and for other purposes.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I now ask for a second reading, and I object to my own request, all en bloc.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard. The bills will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

RECOGNIZING THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORTHWEST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the consideration of S. Res. 831, which is at the desk.

The clerk will report the resolution by title.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 831) recognizing the 100th anniversary of Northwest Mississippi Community College and celebrating a century of educational excellence, workforce development, student success, and service to the people of Mississippi and the United States.

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

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, 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. 831) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

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

NORTHERN BORDER SECURITY ENHANCEMENT AND REVIEW ACT

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Calendar No. 256, S. 850.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 850) to amend the Northern Border Security Review Act to require updates to the northern border threat analysis and northern border strategy, and for other purposes.