

the people and communities of the United States.

S. RES. 236

At the request of Mr. GRASSLEY, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. ROUNDS) was added as a co-sponsor of S. Res. 236, a resolution calling for the return of abducted Ukrainian children before finalizing any peace agreement to end the war against Ukraine.

S. RES. 442

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the name of the Senator from Maryland (Ms. ALSOBROOKS) was added as a co-sponsor of S. Res. 442, a resolution condemning Russian incursions into NATO territory and reaffirming Article 5 of the North Atlantic Treaty.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. DURBIN (for himself and Ms. DUCKWORTH):

S. 3768. A bill to direct the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to conduct a grant competition for the development of single- and multi-family homes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

S. 3768

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 "Advancing Better Options for Dwellings Everywhere Act" or the "ABODE Act".

SEC. 2. COMPETITION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (in this section referred to as the "Secretary"), in consultation with the Department of Energy and the Environmental Protection Agency, shall—

(1) conduct a grant competition to provide grants to academic organizations, non-profit organizations, and for-profit or non-profit mission-driven developers to develop, or rehabilitate existing, single- and multi-family homes—

(A) for households with an income that is not more than 50 percent of the area median income; and

(B) with a focus on—

(i) reducing development costs;

(ii) increasing resiliency, energy efficiency, accessibility for individuals with disabilities; and

(iii) selecting projects that are built to scale; and

(2) study the short- and long-term savings of the resiliency and energy efficiency measures that were implemented in the homes described in paragraph (1).

(b) USE OF FUNDS.—A grant awarded under this section shall be awarded at completion of the contract for building a pre-determined number of homes that abide by pre-determined resiliency and energy efficiency measures.

(c) PRIORITY.—The Secretary shall prioritize grant awards that—

(1) develop or rehabilitate homes in areas with a severe affordable housing shortage;

(2) focus on quality, durability and maintenance costs, and neighborhood design compatibility; or

(3) develop or rehabilitate homes with universal design that provides access for individuals with disabilities.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit to Congress a report on the competition and study conducted under this section, which shall include—

(1) a description of the projects funded and completed;

(2) the number and sales or rental price, as applicable, of affordable houses built; and

(3) the results of the study described in subsection (a)(2).

(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There is authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this section.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, I have six 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 ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

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 Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 10 a.m.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a subcommittee hearing.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 10:15 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 2:30 p.m., to conduct a hearing.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

On January 30, 2026, the Senate passed the following Nominations Placed on the Secretary's Desk, as follows:

NOMINATIONS PLACED ON THE SECRETARY'S DESK

IN THE AIR FORCE

PN731 AIR FORCE nomination of Patrick W. McMorrow, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN732 AIR FORCE nomination of Sunil L. Amin, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN733 AIR FORCE nomination of Leslie A. Woll, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN734 AIR FORCE nominations (238) beginning AYAD M. ABISAAB, and ending ANTHONY P. ZELASKO, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN735 AIR FORCE nomination of Evangeline C. Obi, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN736 AIR FORCE nomination of Adrianna Perez, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN774 AIR FORCE nomination of Marcus W.C. MacNealy, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

IN THE ARMY

PN719 ARMY nomination of Paul V. Johnson, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 15, 2025.

PN720 ARMY nomination of Raymond F. Jaklitsch, Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of December 15, 2025.

PN737 ARMY nomination of Timothy T. Chan, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN738 ARMY nomination of Michael P. Thomas, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN739 ARMY nomination of Scott M. McGinley, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN740 ARMY nomination of Anthony C. Kight, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN741 ARMY nominations (22) beginning KRISTA L. BARTOLOMUCCI, and ending ABRAHAM L. YOUNG, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN742 ARMY nomination of Scott M. Katalenich, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN743 ARMY nomination of Mark J. Crow, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN744 ARMY nomination of Mark C. Rummel, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN745 ARMY nomination of Christopher Fuhrman, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN746 ARMY nomination of Javier F. Barrera, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN775 ARMY nomination of Joseph D. Frjelich, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN776 ARMY nominations (2) beginning SCOTT D. GALE, and ending ALLIE M. SCOTT, which Nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN777 ARMY nomination of Andrew J. Withington, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN778 ARMY nomination of Casey C. Gower, which was received by the Senate and

appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN779 ARMY nominations (2) beginning CLYDE B. GORE, Jr., and ending MATTHEW B. MCDONALD, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

IN THE MARINE CORPS

PN747 MARINE CORPS nominations (2) beginning ANDREW J. CLARKE, and ending JOEL C. ELLIS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN748 MARINE CORPS nominations (2) beginning DARIEN J. GARLAND, and ending ANDRES A. MADERA, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN749 MARINE CORPS nominations (2) beginning JASON R. MCLAMB, and ending GEORGE VINAY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN750 MARINE CORPS nominations (6) beginning TRAVIS L. ELLIOTT, and ending NATHEN J. WERNER, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN754 MARINE CORPS nomination of Thomas J. Heinsohn, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN755 MARINE CORPS nominations (4) beginning BRENCENT T. BERRY, and ending ANDREW J. VANHOOGMOED, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN756 MARINE CORPS nominations (2) beginning JOHN R. HALL, JR., and ending NICHOLAS G. WELBORNE, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN757 MARINE CORPS nominations (2) beginning ROBERT S. JEVNING, and ending GREGORIO W. PRO, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN758 MARINE CORPS nominations (8) beginning DAVID K. BURGER, and ending JOSEPH F. SOILEAU, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN760 MARINE CORPS nomination of Steven S. Mitchell, Jr., which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

IN THE NAVY

PN761 NAVY nomination of Ryan D. Curran, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN762 NAVY nominations (2) beginning SATYA K. GUTTA, and ending LUIS E. TORRES, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN763 NAVY nomination of Timothy R. Trimble, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN764 NAVY nomination of Victor C. Schaefer, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN765 NAVY nomination of Ashley E. Allison, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN766 NAVY nomination of Jess B. Feldon, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN767 NAVY nominations (8) beginning REZA J. MEHRAN, and ending PARSAP. SALEHI, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN768 NAVY nominations (4) beginning ANITA R. BHARDWAJ, and ending BRANDEE D. WIMBERLY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 13, 2026.

PN769 NAVY nominations (2) beginning JOHN B. NEWMAN, and ending NATASHA RAI MORRIS, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN783 NAVY nomination of Ian W. McMenamin, which was received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN784 NAVY nominations (2) beginning LAWRENCE E. BURKART, and ending BRENDON W. KIELY, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

PN785 NAVY nominations (15) beginning ALI A.W. ABDUL WAHID, and ending IMANI N. WILLIAMS-VAUGHN, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record of January 15, 2026.

HONORING THE LIFE OF CORPORAL GRADE ONE MATTHEW T. "TY" SNOOK OF THE DELAWARE STATE POLICE

Mr. BANKS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be discharged from further consideration and the Senate now proceed to S. Res. 581.

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

The legislative clerk read as follows: A resolution (S. Res. 581) honoring the life of Corporal Grade One Matthew T. "Ty" Snook of the Delaware State Police.

There being no objection, the committee was discharged, and the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. BANKS. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and that 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. 581) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to. (The resolution, with its preamble, is printed in the RECORD of January 13, 2026, under "Submitted Resolutions.")

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026

Mr. BANKS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand adjourned until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 4; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the morning hour be deemed expired, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, morning business be closed, and the Senate proceed to executive session and resume consideration of Executive Calendar No. 614, Aaron Peterson, postcloture.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. BANKS. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask that it stand adjourned under the previous order.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 5:19 p.m., adjourned until Wednesday, February 4, 2026, at 10 a.m.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate February 3, 2026:

THE JUDICIARY

DAVID CLAY FOWLKES, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS.

NICHOLAS JON GANJEI, OF TEXAS, TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS.