

Senate on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Mrs. MURRAY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that Nathalia Jimenez and John Martin from my staff be granted floor privileges for the remainder of the Congress.

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

NOMINATION JOINT REFERRAL

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, as if in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the referral of the nomination of Kevin Lilly, of Texas, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, received in the Senate on February 11, 2026, to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, the nomination be considered jointly referred to that committee and the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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

SIGNING AUTHORITY

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that all Members of the Republican conference be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from February 12 through February 23.

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

RESOLUTIONS SUBMITTED TODAY

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate now proceed to the en bloc consideration of the following resolutions, which are at the desk: S. Res. 609, S. Res. 610, and S. Res. 611.

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolutions en bloc.

Mr. THUNE. Mr. President, this resolution concerns a request for evidence in a criminal action pending in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas. In this action, the defendant is charged with making threats to injure Senator TED BUDD and Senator KEVIN CRAMER and cyber stalking Senator JOHN CORNYN. Trial is scheduled to commence in late February.

The prosecution is seeking trial testimony from Ryan Alban, an employee of Senator BUDD's office; Lisa Gibbens, an employee of Senator CRAMER's office; and Jill Wyman, an employee of

Senator CORNYN's office. The Senators would like to cooperate with this request by providing relevant employee testimony from their offices.

This resolution would authorize the production of relevant testimony from Mr. Alban, Ms. Gibbens, and Ms. Wyman, with representation by the Senate legal counsel.

Mr. SCHMITT. I ask unanimous consent that the resolutions be agreed to, the preambles be agreed to, and that the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table, all en bloc.

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

The resolutions were agreed to.

The preambles were agreed to.

(The resolutions, with their preambles, are printed in today's RECORD under "Submitted Resolutions.")

PROVIDING FOR A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS TO RECEIVE A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of H. Con. Res. 74, which was received from the House.

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

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 74) providing for a joint session of Congress to receive a message from the President.

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

Mr. SCHMITT. I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to and that the motion 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 concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 74) was agreed to.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—H.J. RES. 142

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that with respect to H.J. Res. 142, the motion to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table.

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

APPOINTMENTS AUTHORITY

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding the upcoming adjournment of the Senate, the President of the Senate, the President pro tempore, and the majority and minority leaders be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, con-

ferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

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

ORDERS FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2026, THROUGH MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026

Mr. SCHMITT. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn to then convene for pro forma session only, with no business being conducted, on the following dates and times: Friday, February 13, at 9 a.m.; Tuesday, February 17, at 6:30 p.m.; Thursday, February 19, at 2 p.m.; further, that when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, February 19, it stand adjourned until 3 p.m. on Monday, February 23; that following the prayer and pledge, Senator Kaine be recognized to deliver Washington's Farewell Address, as provided under the previous order, and following his remarks, 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, and the Senate be in a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10 minutes each; further, notwithstanding rule XXII, that the closure motion filed during today's session of the Senate ripen at 5:30 p.m.

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

ADJOURNMENT UNTIL 9 A.M. TOMORROW

Mr. SCHMITT. 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 4:13 p.m., adjourned until Friday, February 13, 2026, at 9 a.m.

CONFIRMATIONS

Executive nominations confirmed by the Senate February 12, 2026:

IN THE COAST GUARD

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICERS FOR APPOINTMENT TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, AND TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 305:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. JO-ANN F. BURDIAN
REAR ADM. JOSEPH R. BUZZELLA, JR.

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS DEPUTY COMMANDANT FOR OPERATIONS, A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, AND TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 305:

To be vice admiral

VICE ADM. NATHAN A. MOORE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE COAST GUARD, A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY IN THE UNITED STATES COAST GUARD, AND TO THE GRADE INDICATED UNDER TITLE 14, U.S.C., SECTION 305:

To be vice admiral

REAR ADM. DOUGLAS M. SCHOFIELD