

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6641–S6697*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 5349–5364, and S. Res. 901–907. **Pages S6685–86**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 4370, to amend the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 to improve that Act, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 118–249)

H.R. 5867, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 109 Live Oaks Boulevard in Casselberry, Florida, as the “Colonel Joseph William Kittinger II Post Office Building”.

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H.R. 8057, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9317 Bolsa Avenue in Westminster, California, as the “Little Saigon Vietnam War Veterans Memorial Post Office”.

S. 5019, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 South Loudon Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “United States Representative Elijah E. Cummings Post Office Building”. **Page S6685**

#### Measures Passed:

*National Manufacturing Advisory Council for the 21st Century Act:* Senate passed S. 1153, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the National Manufacturing Advisory Council within the

Department of Commerce, after withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S6692–95**

Schumer (for Peters) Amendment No. 3304, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6694–95**

*Transportation Security Screening Modernization Act:* Senate passed S. 3959, to require the Transportation Security Administration to streamline the enrollment processes for individuals applying for a Transportation Security Administration security threat assessment for certain programs, including the Transportation Worker Identification Credential and Hazardous Materials Endorsement Threat Assessment programs of the Administration, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6695–96**

*BOLD Infrastructure for Alzheimer’s Reauthorization Act:* Senate passed H.R. 7218, to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to extend the program for promotion of public health knowledge and awareness of Alzheimer’s disease and related dementias. **Page S6696**

*FAFSA Deadline Act:* Senate passed H.R. 8932, to establish an earlier application processing cycle for the FAFSA. **Page S6696**

*Death of Former Senator Timothy Peter Johnson:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 902, relating to the death of Timothy Peter Johnson, former Senator for the State of South Dakota. **Pages S6685, S6697**

*National First-Generation College Celebration Day:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 903, expressing support for the designation of November 8, 2024, as “National First-Generation College Celebration Day”. **Page S6697**

*75th Anniversary of the Antiquarian Booksellers’ Association of America:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 904, recognizing the 75th anniversary of the Antiquarian Booksellers’ Association of America. **Page S6697**

*The Scarborough 85:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 905, recognizing the role of the Scarborough 85 in the desegregation of public schools following the landmark

decision of the Supreme Court of the United States in *Brown v. Board of Education*. **Page S6697**

**2024 Solheim Cup:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 906, commending and congratulating the United States Team for winning the 2024 Solheim Cup. **Page S6697**

**Authorize Representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 907, to authorize representation by the Senate Legal Counsel in the case of *Dr. Ralph de la Torre v. Bernard Sanders, et al.* **Page S6697**

#### Measures Considered:

**Proposed Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Israel:** By 18 yeas to 79 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 292), Senate rejected the motion to discharge the Committee on Foreign Relations of S.J. Res. 111, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Government of Israel of certain defense articles and services. **Pages S6653–65**

**Proposed Foreign Military Sale to the Government of Israel:** By 19 yeas to 78 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 293), Senate rejected the motion to discharge the Committee on Foreign Relations of S.J. Res. 113, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed foreign military sale to the Government of Israel of certain defense articles and services. **Page S6665**

**Proposed License Amendment for the Export of Certain Defense Articles, Defense Services, and Technical Data to Israel:** By 17 yeas to 80 nays, 1 responding present (Vote No. 294), Senate rejected the motion to discharge the Committee on Foreign Relations of S.J. Res. 115, providing for congressional disapproval of the proposed license amendment for the export of certain defense articles, defense services, and technical data to Israel. **Pages S6665–66**

**Presidential Report With Respect to the Indebtedness of the Government of Ukraine:** By 37 yeas to 61 nays (Vote No. 295), Senate rejected the motion to proceed to consideration of S.J. Res. 117, relating to the disapproval of the Presidential report with respect to the indebtedness of the Government of Ukraine. **Pages S6666–71**

**Drive Safer Sunday Referral—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 894, designating December 1, 2024, as “Drive Safer Sunday”, and the resolution be referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. **Pages S6684, S6696–97**

**Sooknanan Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Sparkle L. Sooknanan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. **Pages S6671–72**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 296), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6671**

**Murphy Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Brian Edward Murphy, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts. **Page S6672**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. EX. 297), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6672**

**Hwang Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Anne Hwang, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Page S6672**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 298), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6672**

**Dixon Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Cynthia Valenzuela Dixon, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Pages S6672–73**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. EX. 299), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6673**

**Henry Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Catherine Henry, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Page S6673**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. EX. 300), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6673**

**Nominations—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, during the session of Thursday, November 21, 2024, at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Noel Wise, of California, to be United States District Judge for the

Northern District of California, and Gail A. Weilheimer, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, in the order in which cloture was filed; that if cloture is invoked on any of the nominations of Sparkle L. Sooknanan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, Brian Edward Murphy, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, Anne Hwang, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Cynthia Valenzuela Dixon, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Catherine Henry, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, Noel Wise, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and Gail A. Weilheimer, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, all post-cloture time be considered expired and Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader in consultation with the Republican Leader, no earlier than Monday, December 2, 2024; and that the motion to invoke cloture with respect to the nomination of Sharad Harshad Desai, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, be withdrawn, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, during the session of Thursday, November 21, 2024. **Page S6697**

**Wise Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Noel Wise, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, November 21, 2024; that at 11 a.m., Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture with respect to the nominations of Noel Wise, and Gail A. Weilheimer, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, in the order listed; that following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Gail A. Weilheimer, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Sharad Harshad Desai, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination at 1:45 p.m. **Page S6697**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 289), Rebecca L. Pennell, of Washington, to be United States

District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington. **Pages S6641–44**

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. EX. 291), Amir H. Ali, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. **Pages S6644–53**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 290), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6644**

**Messages from the House:** **Pages S6683–84**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S6684**

**Motion to Proceed Petition:** **Page S6684**

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**Additional Statements:** **Page S6683**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S6691–92**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S6692**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S6692**

**Record Votes:** Twelve record votes were taken today. (Total—300)

**Pages S6644, S6653, S6664–66, S6671–73**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Timothy Peter Johnson, former Senator for the State of North Dakota, in accordance with S. Res. 902, at 12:34 a.m., on Thursday, November 21, 2024, until 10 a.m. on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6697.)

## Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

### DISASTER FUNDING

**Committee on Appropriations:** Committee concluded a hearing to examine disaster funding needs, after receiving testimony from Senators Ossoff and Tillis; Pete Buttigieg, Secretary of Transportation; Isabel Guzman, Administrator, Small Business Administration; Xochitl Torres Small, Secretary of Agriculture; Adrienne Todman, Deputy Secretary performing the

duties of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development; and Deanne Criswell, Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

### TAX POLICY

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Economic Policy concluded a hearing to examine tax policy in 2025, focusing on implications for the American economy, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth H. Shuler, AFL–CIO, and Brendan Duke, Center for American Progress, both of Washington, D.C.; and Marc H. Morial, National Urban League, New York, New York.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Matthew James Marzano, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Matthew Kaplan, of Maryland, to be Federal Cochairperson of the Great Lakes Authority, and approved 53 General Services Administration resolutions.

### SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the 50th anniversary of the Safe Drinking Water Act, focusing on successes, challenges, and charting a path forward, after receiving testimony from Cathy Tucker-Vogel, Kansas Department of Health and Environment Public Water Supply Section Chief, Topeka; Radhika Fox, North Star Strategy, Bethesda, Maryland; and Buu Nygren, Navajo Nation, Arizona.

### SECRETARY OF STATE

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee received a closed briefing from Antony Blinken, Secretary of State.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 5310, to amend title 41, United States Code, to make changes with respect to the Federal Acquisition Security Council, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2315, to provide for the creation of the missing Armed Forces and civilian personnel Records Collection at the National Archives, to require the expeditious public transmission to the Archivist and public disclosure of missing Armed Forces and civilian personnel records, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2270, to establish and maintain a database within each agency for executive branch ethics

records of noncareer appointees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5302, to amend title 5, United States Code, to address the responsibilities of the Administrator of General Services with respect to Federal advisory committees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5312, to require agencies to create consistent organizational hierarchies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5102, to require annual reports on counter illicit cross-border tunnel operations, with an amendment;

S. 5313, to improve section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, with an amendment;

S. 5315, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to enhance border security by seeking to expand partnerships with appropriate law enforcement entities in Mexico and Central American and South American countries to combat human smuggling and trafficking operations in Mexico and such countries, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5321, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a DHS Cybersecurity Internship Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5317, to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a review of the Homeland Security Information Network, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5319, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security to conduct an annual audit of the information systems and bulk data of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5028, to require Federal contractors to implement a vulnerability disclosure policy consistent with NIST guidelines, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 5019, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 South Loudon Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “United States Representative Elijah E. Cummings Post Office Building”;

H.R. 6972, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require an Executive agency whose head is a member of the National Security Council to notify the Executive Office of the President, the Comptroller General of the United States, and congressional leadership of such head becoming medically incapacitated within 24 hours, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 7528, to amend section 206 of the E-Government Act of 2002 to improve the integrity and management of mass comments and computer-generated comments in the regulatory review process, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 9592, to amend title 44, United States Code, to modernize the Federal Register;

H.R. 3208, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a DHS Cybersecurity On-the-Job Training Program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 7832, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to identify, integrate, and deploy new, innovative, disruptive, or other emerging or advanced technologies to enhance, or address capability gaps in, border security operations, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 6231, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require a prioritized policy issuance review process for the Department of Homeland Security;

H.R. 8631, to prohibit the Secretary of Homeland Security from procuring certain foreign-made batteries, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

H.R. 255, to amend the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018 to develop a study regarding streamlining and consolidating information collection and preliminary damage assessments;

H.R. 9596, to amend title 41, United States Code, and title 10, United States Code, to provide best value through the multiple award schedule program;

H.R. 5867, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 109 Live Oaks Boulevard in Casselberry, Florida, as the “Colonel Joseph William Kittinger II Post Office Building”;

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The nominations of Val Butler Demings, of Florida, William Zollars, of Kansas, and Gordon Hartogensis, of Connecticut, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, and James Graham Lake, and Nicholas George Miranda, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 4643, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Zuni Indian Tribe in the Zuni River Stream System in the State of New Mexico, to protect the Zuni Salt Lake;

S. 4998, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Navajo Nation in the Rio San Jose Stream System in the State of New Mexico; and

The nomination of Patrice H. Kunesh, of Minnesota, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Benjamin J. Cheeks, and Serena Raquel Murillo, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senator Butler, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 18 public bills, H.R. 10173–10190; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 224–225; and H. Res. 1584–1590, were introduced. **Pages H6154–55**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H6156**

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 3290, to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to ensure transparency and oversight of the 340B drug discount program, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–757); and

H.R. 3887, to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program of payments to children's hospitals that operate graduate medical education programs, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–758). **Page H6154**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Issa to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6113**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:47 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H6118**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:16 p.m. and reconvened at 4:46 p.m. **Page H6138**

**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative Cohen announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Pages H6138–39**

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures: North Korean Human Rights Reauthorization Act: H.R. 3012, amended, To reauthorize the North Korean Human Rights Act of 2004, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 335 yeas to 27 nays, Roll No. 474; **Pages H6121–23, H6139**

**Authorizing the Secretary of State to designate additional persons eligible to serve as passport acceptance agents:** H.R. 8234, amended, to authorize the Secretary of State to designate additional persons eligible to serve as passport acceptance agents; **Pages H6123–25**

**Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Efforts Authorization Act of 2024:** H.R. 8368, amended, to establish a Coordinator for Afghan Relocation Efforts in the Department of State, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 334 yeas to 63 nays, Roll No. 475; **Pages H6125–26, H6139–40**

**Affirming the nature and importance of the support of the United States for the religious and ethnic minority survivors of genocide in Iraq:** H. Res. 554, amended, affirming the nature and impor-

tance of the support of the United States for the religious and ethnic minority survivors of genocide in Iraq; **Pages H6126–29**

**Reaffirming the ties between the United States and the Philippines:** H. Res. 837, amended, reaffirming the ties between the United States and the Philippines; **Pages H6129–31**

**Recognizing the actions of the Rapid Support Forces and allied militias in the Darfur region of Sudan against non-Arab ethnic communities as acts of genocide:** H. Res. 1328, recognizing the actions of the Rapid Support Forces and allied militias in the Darfur region of Sudan against non-Arab ethnic communities as acts of genocide; and **Pages H6131–33**

**Condemning the global rise of antisemitism and calling upon countries and international bodies to counter antisemitism:** H. Res. 1449, condemning the global rise of antisemitism and calling upon countries and international bodies to counter antisemitism, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 388 yeas to 21 nays, Roll No. 476. **Pages H6133–35, H6140–41**

**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

**Urging the Government of Ukraine to review and modify its decision to suspend adoption by foreign nationals with a view to resuming such adoptions, particularly in cases where the mutual concerns of the Governments of Ukraine and of the United States can be substantially addressed:** H. Res. 915, urging the Government of Ukraine to review and modify its decision to suspend adoption by foreign nationals with a view to resuming such adoptions, particularly in cases where the mutual concerns of the Governments of Ukraine and of the United States can be substantially addressed. **Pages H6135–38**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, November 21st. **Page H6141**

**Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer:** Representative Casten announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Page H6141**

**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 1585, electing a Member to a certain standing committee of the House of Representatives. **Page H6141**

**Discharge Petition:** Representative Moulton presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committee on Rules from the consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 1560) a resolution providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8996) to enhance safety requirements for trains transporting hazardous materials (Discharge Petition No. 20).

**Senate Referrals:** S. 2546 was held at the desk. S. 3946 was held at the desk. S. 4077 was held at the desk.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on pages H6120–21.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6139, H6140, and H6140–41.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### INVESTIGATING THE CRISIS OF MISSING AND MURDERED INDIGENOUS WOMEN

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Investigating the Crisis of Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women”. Testimony was heard from Patrice Kunesh, Commissioner, Administration for Native Americans, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Daron Carreiro, Acting Director, Office of Tribal Justice, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

### ASSESSING THE VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION FISCAL YEAR 2025 POTENTIAL SHORTFALL

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Veterans Health Administration Fiscal Year 2025 Potential Shortfall”. Testimony was heard from Shereef Elnahal, Under Secretary for Health, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Josh Jacobs, Under Secretary for Benefits, Department of Veterans Affairs.

### SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held an oversight hearing on the Social Security Administration. Testimony was heard from Martin O’Malley, Commissioner, Social Security Administration.

### OVERSIGHT OF PRUDENTIAL REGULATORS

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Prudential Regulators”. Testimony was heard from Michael Barr, Vice Chairman for Supervision, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Martin J. Gruenberg, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Todd Harper, Chairman, National Credit Union Administration; and Michael Hsu, Acting Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

### MEETING THE CHALLENGES OF GLOBAL BRAIN HEALTH: DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled “Meeting the Challenges of Global Brain Health: Diagnosis and Treatment for the 21st Century”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES’ OFFICE OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration, Integrity, Security, and Enforcement held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Health and Human Services’ Office of Refugee Resettlement”. Testimony was heard from Xavier Becerra, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 6994, the “ROUTES Act”; H.R. 2685, the “Mining Schools Act of 2023”; H.R. 8665, the “Supercritical Geothermal Research and Development Act”; H.R. 3173, the “Northern Nevada Economic Development and Conservation Act of 2023”; H.R. 390, the “Maurice D. Hinchey Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area Enhancement Act”; H.R. 4338, the “Route 66 National Historic Trail Designation Act”; H.R. 1395, the “Delaware River Basin Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2023”; H.R. 1584, the “Plum Island National Monument Act”; H.R. 2687, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to aged, blind, or disabled Alaska Natives or descendants of Alaska Natives from being used to determine eligibility for certain programs, and for other purposes; H.R. 3047, the “Apache County and Navajo County Conveyance Act of 2023”; H.R. 3971, the “Flatside Wilderness Additions Act”; H.R. 4748, the “Unrecognized Southeast Alaska Native Communities Recognition and Compensation Act”; H.R. 5401, the “9/11 Memorial and

Museum Act”; H.R. 6127, the “MAPWaters Act”; H.R. 6210, to designate the General George C. Marshall House, in the Commonwealth of Virginia, as an affiliated area of the National Park System, and for other purposes; H.R. 7516, the “Purchased and Referred Care Improvement Act of 2024”; H.R. 7938, the “Klamath Basin Water Agreement Support Act of 2024”; H.R. 8012, the “Jackie Robinson Commemorative Site Act”; H.R. 9516, the “Military Families National Parks Access Enhancement Act”; H.R. 6489, the “Alaska Native Village Municipal Lands Restoration Act of 2023”; H.R. 8308, the “Nutria Eradication and Control Reauthorization Act of 2024”; H.R. 8931, to redesignate Saratoga National Historical Park as Saratoga National Battlefield Park; and H.R. 8946, the “Revisionary Interest Conveyance Act”. H.R. 6994, H.R. 2685, H.R. 8665, H.R. 3173, H.R. 390, H.R. 4338, H.R. 1395, H.R. 1584, H.R. 2687, H.R. 3047, H.R. 3971, H.R. 4748, H.R. 5401, H.R. 6127, H.R. 6210, H.R. 7516, H.R. 7938, H.R. 8012, and H.R. 9516 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 6489, H.R. 8308, H.R. 8931, H.R. 8946 without amendment.

#### LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a hearing on H.R. 7642, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 719 et seq.); H.R. 9514, the “Finish the Arkansas Valley Conduit Act”; H.R. 9515, the “Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Amendment Act of 2024”; and H.R. 9969, to provide for a memorandum of understanding to address the impacts of a certain record of decision on the Upper Colorado River Basin Fund. Testimony was heard from Representatives Boebert, Calvert, and Hageman; Roque Sánchez, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Rosemary Henry, Executive Director, Wyoming Municipal Power Agency, Lusk, Wyoming; Bill Long, President, Southeastern Colorado Water Conservancy, Pueblo, Colorado; Jessica Neuwerth, Acting Executive Director, Colorado River Board of California, Boulder, Colorado; and a public witness.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 10133, the “Timely Stock Disclosure Act”; H.R. 10132, the “Federal Agency Performance Act”; H.R. 10155, the “Financial Management Risk Reduction Act”; H.R. 10062, the “Freedom to Petition the Government Act”; H.R. 8690, the “Stop Secret Spending Act of 2024”; H.R. 9040, the “Taxpayer Exposure Risk Reduction Act”; H.R. 10151, the “Modernizing Data Practices

to Improve Government Act”; H.R. 8706, the “Dismantle DEI Act”; H.R. 8753, to direct the United States Postal Service to designate single, unique ZIP codes for certain communities, and for other purposes; H.R. 9360, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 300 Macedonia Lane in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the “Reverend Harold Middlebrook Post Office Building”; H.R. 9544, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 340 South Loudon Avenue in Baltimore, Maryland, as the “United States Representative Elijah E. Cummings Post Office Building”; H.R. 9775, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 119 North Anderson Street in Elwood, Indiana, as the “Officer Noah Jacob Shahnava Post Office Building”; and H.R. 10065, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 802 North Tanchua Street in Corpus Christi, Texas, as the “Captain Robert E. ‘Bob’ Batterson Post Office”. H.R. 10133, H.R. 10132, H.R. 10155, H.R. 10062, H.R. 8690, H.R. 9040, H.R. 10151, H.R. 8706, and H.R. 8753 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 9360, H.R. 9544, H.R. 9775, H.R. 10065 were ordered reported, without amendment.

#### LIFE AFTER LIMB LOSS: EXAMINING VA AMPUTEE PROSTHETICS CARE

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Life After Limb Loss: Examining VA Amputee Prosthetics Care”. Testimony was heard from M. Christopher Saslo, Assistant Under Secretary for Patient Care Services/Chief Nursing Officer, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

#### VA CYBERSECURITY: PROTECTING VETERAN DATA FROM EVOLVING THREATS

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled “VA Cybersecurity: Protecting Veteran Data from Evolving Threats”. Testimony was heard from Kurt DelBene, Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology, and Chief Information Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; Michael Bowman, Director, Information Security Audits, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs, and a public witness.

#### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.



**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 21, 2024**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine threats to the homeland, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 1306, to reauthorize the COPS ON THE BEAT grant program, S. 2220, to amend title 35, United States Code, to invest in inventors in the United States, maintain the United States as the leading innovation economy in the world, and protect the property rights of the inventors that grow the economy of the United States, S. 2082, to

make technical corrections relating to the Justice Against Sponsors of Terrorism Act, and the nominations of Anthony J. Brindisi, and Elizabeth C. Coombe, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, Sarah Morgan Davenport, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, Tiffany Rene Johnson, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Georgia, Keli Marie Neary, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, and Miranda L. Holloway-Baggett, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Alabama, Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

**House**

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Thursday, November 21

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Noel Wise, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and vote on the motions to invoke cloture with respect to the nominations of Noel Wise and Gail A. Weilheimer, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, at 11 a.m.

Following disposition of the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Gail A. Weilheimer, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Sharad Harshad Desai, of Arizona, to be United States District Judge for the District of Arizona, and vote on confirmation thereon at 1:45 p.m.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Thursday, November 21

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Consideration of H.R. 9495—Stop Terror-Financing and Tax Penalties on American Hostages Act.

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