

“(A) IN GENERAL.—If a person petitions the Attorney General to remove a fentanyl-related substance from schedule I, to reschedule a fentanyl-related substance to another schedule, or to place a fentanyl-related substance under schedule I, the Attorney General shall consider such a petition in accordance with the procedures and standards set forth in—

“(i) subsections (a) and (b) of this section; and

“(ii) section 1308.43 of title 21, Code of Federal Regulations (or any successor regulation).

“(B) ATTORNEY GENERAL TO INFORM SECRETARY.—Not later than 30 days after the date of accepting a petition described in subparagraph (A), the Attorney General shall forward a copy of the petition to the Secretary.

“(C) DETERMINATION PROCEDURE NOT PRECLUDED BY FILING OF PETITION.—The filing of a petition described in this paragraph shall not preclude the Secretary from making a determination and sending an evaluation under paragraph (1) or (2).

“(9) RULES OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to preclude the Attorney General from—

“(A) transferring a substance listed in schedule I to another schedule, or removing such substance entirely from the schedules, pursuant to other provisions of this section and section 202; or

“(B) transferring a fentanyl-related substance from a schedule other than schedule I to schedule I if information supports such a transfer.

“(10) SUBSEQUENT CONTROLLING OF REMOVED SUBSTANCE.—A substance removed from schedule I pursuant to this subsection may, at any time, be controlled pursuant to the other provisions of this section and section 202 without regard to the removal pursuant to this subsection.

“(11) EVALUATIONS OR STUDIES.—The Secretary may enter into contracts or other agreements to conduct or support evaluations or studies of fentanyl-related substances.

“(12) ANNUAL REVIEW BY SECRETARY.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—Not less frequently than annually, the Secretary shall review fentanyl-related substances identified under paragraph (7), including a review of available evidence and any analysis or data in the possession of the Attorney General with regard to those substances.

“(B) EVALUATION FOR REMOVAL OR RESCHEDULING.—In carrying out subparagraph (A), if the Secretary determines, with respect to a fentanyl-related substance, that removing the fentanyl-related substance from the schedules under section 202 or rescheduling the fentanyl-related substance may be appropriate, the Secretary shall evaluate the fentanyl-related substance for potential removal or rescheduling under paragraphs (1) and (2).”.

SA 1243. Mr. COONS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 331, to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the scheduling of fentanyl-related substances, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. ANNUAL REPORTING.

(a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “fentanyl-related substance” has the meaning given that term under subsection (e) of schedule I of section 202(c) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812(c)), as added by this Act.

(b) REPORTING.—Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this Act, and every year thereafter, the Comptroller General of the United States shall submit to Congress a report that, for the year before the year during which the report is submitted—

(1) indicates the number of fentanyl-related substances identified by the Attorney General and lists the scientific names of each newly identified fentanyl-related substance;

(2) describes the extent of scientific and medical evaluation by the Attorney General or the Secretary of Health and Human Services, if any, of each substance that was determined to be a fentanyl-related substance;

(3) identifies any fentanyl-related substance for which results of the scientific and medical evaluation, if any, by the Secretary of Health and Human Services found the fentanyl-related substance to have some accepted medical use or a lower potential for abuse than substances included in schedule I of section 202(c) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812(c)) and, for each such fentanyl-related substance, the control status of the substance; and

(4) for each fentanyl-related substance, indicates the number of criminal cases in which an offense involving the fentanyl-related substance was charged.

SA 1244. Mr. SCOTT of Florida (for himself and Mr. WELCH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill S. 331, to amend the Controlled Substances Act with respect to the scheduling of fentanyl-related substances, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. _____. OVERCOMING PREVALENT INADEQUACIES IN OVERDOSE INFORMATION DATA SETS.

(a) ACCURATE DATA ON OPIOID-RELATED OVERDOSES.—The Attorney General may award grants to States, territories, and localities to support improved data and surveillance on opioid-related overdoses, including for activities to improve postmortem toxicology testing, data linkage across data systems throughout the United States, electronic death reporting, or the comprehensiveness of data on fatal and nonfatal opioid-related overdoses.

(b) LAW ENFORCEMENT GRANTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Attorney General may award grants to local law enforcement agencies and forensic laboratories in communities with high rates of drug overdoses for the purpose of—

(A) training to help officers identify overdoses;

(B) upgrading essential systems for tracing drugs and processing samples in forensic laboratories to provide timely, accurate, and standard data reporting to the National Forensic Laboratory Information System; or

(C) training to better trace criminals through the darknet.

(2) FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTERS.—Federal Law Enforcement Training Centers shall provide training to State and local law enforcement agencies on how to best coordinate with State and Federal partners for tracking drug-related activity.

(3) COPS GRANTS.—Section 1701(b) of the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 (34 U.S.C. 10381) is amended—

(A) in paragraph (23), by striking “and” at the end;

(B) in paragraph (24), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”; and

(C) by adding at the end the following:

“(25) to provide training and resources for containment devices to prevent secondary exposure to fentanyl and other substances for first responders.”.

(c) OFFICE OF NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY REFORM.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Drug Enforcement Administration shall develop uniform reporting standards for inputting data into the National Forensic Laboratory Information System for purity, formulation, and weight to allow for better comparison across jurisdictions and between agencies and the sharing of data.

(2) CLARIFICATION.—Nothing in paragraph (1) may be construed to require the creation of new or increased obligations or reporting requirements on State or local laboratories.

(d) DEA TESTING.—The Drug Enforcement Administration shall submit to Congress, as part of the annual budget process, a specific line item for the level of funding necessary for the Fentanyl Signature Profiling Program.

PRIVILEGES OF THE FLOOR

Ms. HIRONO. Mr. President, I request unanimous consent that Robert Goldman, Nicholas Kikuta, and Jordan Foley—fellows in my office—be granted floor privileges through December 31, 2025.

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

MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 924

Mr. MORENO. Mr. President, I understand that there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will read the bill by title for the first time.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 924) making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes.

Mr. MORENO. I now ask for a second reading, and in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The objection is heard.

The bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

ORDERS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2025

Mr. MORENO. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it stand in recess until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 11; that following the prayer and pledge, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate proceed to executive session and resume consideration of Calendar No. 26; further, that at 11:45 a.m., the Senate vote on cloture on the Bradbury nomination; that following the cloture vote, the Senate recess until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings; and that at 2:15 p.m., if cloture is

invoked, the Senate vote on confirmation of the Bradbury nomination, followed by cloture of the Slater nomination; further, that if cloture is invoked on the Slater nomination, that all time be expired and that the Senate vote on confirmation at 5:15 p.m.; finally, if any nominations are confirmed during Tuesday's session, the motions to reconsider be considered made and laid upon the table and the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

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

RECESS UNTIL 10 A.M. TOMORROW

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

There being no objection, the Senate, at 7:17 p.m., recessed until Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 10 a.m.

NOMINATIONS

Executive nominations received by the Senate:

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

RICHARD ANDERSON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE, VICE ALEX WAGNER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

JOHN ARRIGO, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC.

THOMAS BARRACK, OF COLORADO, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF TURKEY.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

JOHN BARTRUM, OF INDIANA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (ENTERPRISE INTEGRATION), VICE GUY T. KIYOKAWA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

BRIAN BURCH, OF ILLINOIS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE HOLY SEE.

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR GLOBAL MEDIA

LEO BRENT BOZELL III, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR GLOBAL MEDIA, VICE AMANDA BENNETT, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

JONATHAN BRIGHTBILL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY, VICE SAMUEL T. WALSH, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MICHAEL CADENAZZI, OF RHODE ISLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE LAURA TAYLOR-KALE, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LEAH CAMPOS, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

HUNG CAO, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE NAVY, VICE ERIK KRISTOPHER RAVEN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

TERRANCE COLE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF DRUG ENFORCEMENT, VICE ANNE MILGRAM, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PAUL DABBAR, OF NEW YORK, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, VICE DONET DOMINIC GRAVES, JR., RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

PATRICK DAVID DAVIS, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE CARLOS FELIPE URIARTE, RESIGNED.

PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

JANET DHILLON, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION FOR A

TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE GORDON HARTOGENSIS, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

JOSEPH EDLOW, OF MARYLAND, TO BE DIRECTOR OF UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE UR MENDOZA JADDOU, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JOHN ANDREW EISENBERG, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE MATTHEW G. OLSEN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

SOMERS FARKAS, OF NEW YORK, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA.

TILMAN FERTITTA, OF TEXAS, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC, AND TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AND WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION AS AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO.

AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS

ROBERT GLEASON, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE AMTRAK BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS, VICE ALBERT DICLEMENTE, TERM EXPIRED.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

ANDREW HUGHES, OF TEXAS, TO BE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VICE ADRIANNE TODMAN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

CATHERINE JEREZA, OF MARYLAND, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF ENERGY (ELECTRICITY), VICE GENE RODRIGUES, RESIGNED.

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

JOVAN JOVANOVIC, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE PRESIDENT OF THE EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES FOR A TERM EXPIRING JANUARY 20, 2029, VICE RETA JO LEWIS, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

BRANDON JUDD, OF IDAHO, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF CHILE.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

ETHAN KLEIN, OF NEW JERSEY, TO BE AN ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY POLICY, VICE MICHAEL J.K. KRATSIOS.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

MATTHEW KOZMA, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY FOR INTELLIGENCE AND ANALYSIS, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE KENNETH L. WAINSTEIN, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

HARRY KUMAR, OF NEW YORK, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF COMMERCE, VICE SUSIE FELIZ, RESIGNED.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

AARON LUKAS, OF ARKANSAS, TO BE PRINCIPAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE, VICE STACEY A. DIXON.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

EDWARD MARTIN, OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MATTHEW M. GRAVES.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

CHERYL MASON, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS (OFFICE OF ACCOUNTABILITY AND WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION), VICE MARYANNE T. DONAGHY.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

NICOLE MCGRAW, OF FLORIDA, TO BE AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEAN MCMASTER, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, VICE SHAILEN P. BHATT.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

DAVID METCALF, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE JACQUELINE C. ROMERO.

JOSEPH NOCELLA, OF NEW YORK, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE BREON S. PEACE.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

SEAN O'KEEFE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE A DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE ASHISH S. VAZIRANI, RESIGNED.

MICHAEL OBADAL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF THE ARMY, VICE GABRIEL CAMARILLO, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEVAL OZ, OF CALIFORNIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION. (NEW POSITION)

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

JAMES PERCIVAL, OF FLORIDA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE JONATHAN EUGENE MEYER, RESIGNED.

SEAN PLANKEY, OF PENNSYLVANIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE CYBERSECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY AGENCY, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, VICE JEN EASTERLY, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ANDREW PUZZER, OF TENNESSEE, TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE EUROPEAN UNION, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR EXTRAORDINARY AND PLENIPOTENTIARY.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

JASON REDING QUINONES, OF FLORIDA, TO BE UNITED STATES ATTORNEY FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FOR THE TERM OF FOUR YEARS, VICE MARKENZY LAPOINTE.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

LEANDRO RIZZUTO, OF FLORIDA, TO BE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA TO THE ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN STATES, WITH THE RANK OF AMBASSADOR, VICE FRANCISCO O. MORA, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

GADYACES SERRALTA, OF FLORIDA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES MARSHALS SERVICE, VICE RONALD L. DAVIS, RESIGNED.

BRETT SHUMATE, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL, VICE JOSEPH H. HUNT, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

JOHN SQUIRES, OF FLORIDA, TO BE UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FOR INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND DIRECTOR OF THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE, VICE KATHERINE VIDAL, RESIGNED.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

GEORGE WESLEY STREET, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY CENTER, VICE MICHAEL COLIN CASEY, RESIGNED.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

ERIC MATTHEW UELAND, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR MANAGEMENT, OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, VICE JASON SCOTT MILLER, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ANDREW VEPREK, OF LOUISIANA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE (POPULATION, REFUGEES, AND MIGRATION), VICE JULIETA VALLS NOYES.

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

TIMOTHY JOHN WALSH, OF COLORADO, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF ENERGY (ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT), VICE ANNE MARIE WHITE.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

DAVID WOLL, OF VIRGINIA, TO BE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, VICE DAMON Y. SMITH, RESIGNED.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

DANIEL ZIMMERMAN, OF NORTH CAROLINA, TO BE AN ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE, VICE CELESTE ANN WALLANDER, RESIGNED.

IN THE AIR FORCE

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF AND APPOINTMENT IN THE UNITED STATES AIR FORCE TO THE GRADE INDICATED WHILE ASSIGNED TO A POSITION OF IMPORTANCE AND RESPONSIBILITY UNDER TITLE 10, U.S.C., SECTIONS 152 AND 601:

To be general

LT. GEN. JOHN D. CAINE (RETIRED)

THE FOLLOWING NAMED OFFICER FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE PERMANENT GRADE INDICATED IN THE REGULAR AIR FORCE UNDER THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE II, SECTION 2, CLAUSE 2:

To be major general

LT. GEN. JOHN D. CAINE (RETIRED)

INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION

KENNETH JACKSON, OF TEXAS, TO BE A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION FOR A TERM EXPIRING SEPTEMBER 20, 2028, VICE HECTOR E. MORALES, TERM EXPIRED.