

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5347–S5369

Measures Introduced: Five bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3227–3231, and S. Res. 450–452. **Page S5360**

Measures Reported:

S. 306, to approve the settlement of the water right claims of the Tule River Tribe. (S. Rept. No. 118–110) **Page S5360**

Measures Passed:

READ Act Reauthorization Act: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. 41, to reauthorize the READ Act, and the bill was then passed. **Page S5363**

Mekong-United States Partnership: Senate agreed to S. Res. 126, recognizing the vital importance of the Mekong River to Southeast Asia and the role of the Mekong-United States Partnership in supporting the prosperity of the region, after agreeing to the committee reported amendment in the nature of a substitute, the committee reported amendment in the nature of a substitute to the preamble, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S5363–66**

Adopted:

Merkley Amendment No. 1362, to make technical amendments. **Page S5363**

Charitable Collections in Senate Buildings: Senate agreed to S. Res. 451, permitting the collection of clothing, toys, food, and housewares during the holiday season for charitable purposes in Senate buildings. **Page S5366**

Nuclear Weapons Program Workers: Senate agreed to S. Res. 452, designating October 30, 2023, as a national day of remembrance for the workers of the nuclear weapons program of the United States. **Page S5366**

National Wildlife Refuge Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 396, designating the week beginning on October 8, 2023, as “National Wildlife Refuge Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S5366–67**

Message from the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency with respect to the threat from securities investments that finance certain companies of the People’s Republic of China (PRC) that was declared in Executive Order 13959 of November 12, 2020, received during adjournment of the Senate on November 3, 2023; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–28) **Pages S5347, S5359**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the President’s report to Congress relative to the Secretary of the Interior’s certification under section 8 of the Fisherman’s Protective Act of 1967, as amended (the “Pelly Amendment”) (22 U.S.C. 1978) that nationals of the People’s Republic of China (PRC) are engaging in trade or taking of eight species of pangolin that diminishes the effectiveness of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES), received during adjournment of the Senate on November 3, 2023; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–29) **Pages S5347, S5359–60**

Bertagnolli Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Monica M. Bertagnolli, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the National Institutes of Health. **Pages S5347–52, S5355–56**

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

By 59 yeas to 32 nays (Vote No. EX. 292), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S5355**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, November 7, 2023; that all time on the nomination be considered expired at 11:45 a.m.; that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Kenly Kiya Kato, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California, all time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m.; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Julia E. Kobick, of Massachusetts, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, all time be considered expired at 5:30 p.m. **Page S5367**

Burrows Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Charlotte A. Burrows, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. **Page S5352**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Ramon Ernesto Reyes, Jr., of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York. **Page S5352**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S5352**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S5352**

McMillion Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Brandy R. McMillion, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan. **Page S5352**

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Almadani Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Monica Ramirez Almadani, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Page S5352**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Brandy R. McMillion, of Michigan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan. **Page S5352**

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de Alba Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Ana de Alba, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Page S5353**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Monica Ramirez Almadani, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California. **Page S5353**

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Jacquelyn D. Austin, of South Carolina, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

Jacqueline Becerra, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Melissa Damian, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

David Seymour Leibowitz, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida.

Julie Simone Sneed, of Florida, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida.

3 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Coast Guard, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S5367–69**

Messages from the House: **Page S5360**

Measures Placed on the Calendar: **Page S5360**

Measures Read the First Time: **Pages S5360, S5363**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S5360–61**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S5361–63**

Additional Statements: Pages S5357–58
Amendments Submitted: Page S5363
Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—292) Page S5355
Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:43 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, November 7, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the re-

marks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5367.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 6231–6252; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 845–846 and 848, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H5467–68

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 847, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4664) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–269). Page H5465

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Smith (NE) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5407

Recess: The House recessed at 12:09 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H5408

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. Page H5408

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative McCormick announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 845) censuring Representative Rashida Tlaib for antisemitic activity and sympathizing with terrorist organizations. Page H5408

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Greene (GA) announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution. Page H5409

Communication from the Clerk: The Clerk notified the House that he had hereby reappointed as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress the following person: Ms. Danna Bell of Washington, D.C. Page H5410

Recess: The House recessed at 2:16 p.m. and reconvened at 3:30 p.m. Page H5410

Recess: The House recessed at 4:40 p.m. and reconvened at 5:29 p.m. Page H5420

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Clarifying jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development: H.R. 1607, amended, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 384 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 599;

Pages H5410, H5426

American Battlefield Protection Program Enhancement Act of 2023: H.R. 3448, amended, to amend chapter 3081 of title 54, United States Code, to enhance the protection and preservation of America's battlefields; Pages H5412–14

Fort San Gerinimo Preservation Act: H.R. 359, to establish Fort San Gerinimo del Boquern in Puerto Rico as an affiliated area of the National Park System, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 359 yeas to 24 nays, Roll No. 600; and Pages H5414–16, H5426–27

Women's Suffrage National Monument Location Act: H.R. 1318, to authorize the location of a monument on the National Mall to commemorate and honor the women's suffrage movement and the passage of the 19th Amendment to the Constitution. Pages H5418–20

Recess: The House recessed at 6:17 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m. Page H5425

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Jacobs announced her intent to offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 846) censuring Representative Brian Mast. Pages H5425–26

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Grand Ronde Reservation Act Amendment of 2023: H.R. 1722, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act; and Pages H5411–12