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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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**Szabat Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Joel Matthew Szabat, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors.

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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 Anthony Rosario Coscia, of New Jersey, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors.

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—12)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 3:07 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, January 22, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S191–92.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### OUTPACING CHINA IN EMERGING TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine national security challenges, focusing on outpacing China in emerging technology, after receiving testimony from Emily Kilcrease, Center for a New American Security, and Lindsay Gorman, German Marshall Fund of the United States Alliance for Securing Democracy, both of Washington, D.C.; and Jamil N. Jaffer, National Security Institute and NSI Cyber and Tech Center, Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University, Fairfax, Virginia.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1863, to require the Secretary of Energy to conduct a study and submit a report on the greenhouse gas emissions intensity of certain products produced in the United States and in certain foreign countries, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2781, to promote remediation of abandoned hardrock mines, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 3412, to redesignate the Richard H. Poff Federal Building located at 210 Franklin Road Southwest in Roanoke, Virginia, as the "Reuben E. Lawson Federal Building";

S. 3570, to designate the United States courthouse located at 500 West Pike Street in Clarksburg, West Virginia, as the "Irene M. Keeley United States Courthouse"; and

S. 3577, to designate the Federal building located at 300 E. 3rd Street in North Platte, Nebraska, as the "Virginia Smith Federal Building".

### SECRETARY OF STATE BRIEFING

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

### LONG COVID

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine addressing long COVID, focusing on advancing research and improving patient care, after receiving testimony from Michelle Harkins, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque; Ziyad Al-Aly, Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, Missouri; Charisse Madlock-Brown, University of Iowa College of Nursing Acute

and Critical Care Division, Iowa City; Tiffany Walker, Emory University School of Medicine Division of General Internal Medicine, Atlanta, Georgia; Angela Meriquez Vazquez, Los Angeles, California; Rachel Beale, Southampton County, Virginia; and Nicole Heim, Winchester, Virginia.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Seth Robert Aframe, of New Hampshire, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Nicole G. Berner, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, Joshua Paul Kolar, of Indiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Adeel Abdullah Mangi, of New Jersey, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, Jacquelyn D. Austin, to be United States District Judge for the District of South Carolina, Amy M. Baggio, and Mustafa Taher Kasubhai, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Oregon, Jacqueline Becerra, Melissa Damian, and David

Seymour Leibowitz, each to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Cristal C. Brisco, and Gretchen S. Lund, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, Edward Sunyol Kiel, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, Eumi K. Lee, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Sarah French Russell, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, Kirk Edward Sherriff, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Julie Simone Sneed, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, Joseph Albert Laroski, Jr., of Maryland, and Lisa W. Wang, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, Ramona Villagomez Manglona, to be Judge for the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands, and Deborah Robinson, of New Jersey, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, Executive Office of the President.

## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 30 public bills, H.R. 7029–7058; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 83; and H. Res. 972–976, were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1432, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the deductibility of charitable contributions to certain organizations for members of the Armed Forces, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–351); and

H.R. 3372, to amend title 23, United States Code, to establish a safety data collection program for certain 6-axle vehicles, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–352).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Van Orden to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:14 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:30 p.m. and reconvened at 3:41 p.m.

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**Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures. Consideration began Tuesday, January 16th.

*Providing remote access to court proceedings for victims of the 1988 Bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland:* S. 3250, to provide remote access to court proceedings for victims of the 1988 Bombing of Pan Am Flight 103 over Lockerbie, Scotland, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 413 yeas to 7 nays, Roll No. 14;

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*Moving Americans Privacy Protection Act:* H.R. 1568, amended, to amend the Tariff Act of 1930 to protect personally identifiable information;

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*Social Security Child Protection Act of 2023:* H.R. 3667, amended, to amend title II of the Social Security Act to provide for the reissuance of social security account numbers to young children in cases where confidentiality has been compromised;

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*Protect Reporters from Exploitative State Spying Act:* H.R. 4250, to maintain the free flow of information to the public by establishing appropriate limits on the federally compelled disclosure of information obtained as part of engaging in journalism.

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