

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4315–S4527

Measures Introduced: Twenty bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4650–4669, S.J. Res. 101, and S. Res. 758–762. **Pages S4342–43**

Measures Reported:

S. 3044, to redesignate the Mount Evans Wilderness as the “Mount Blue Sky Wilderness”. (S. Rept. No. 118–189) **Page S4342**

Measures Passed:

Tragic Building Collapse in Surfside, Florida: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 746, commemorating the passage of 3 years since the tragic building collapse in Surfside, Florida, on June 24, 2021, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4334**

Federal Prison Oversight Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 3019, to establish an inspections regime for the Bureau of Prisons, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S4334–37**

Journeyman Lineworkers Recognition Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 760, expressing support for the designation of July 10, 2024, as Journeyman Lineworkers Recognition Day. **Page S4337**

National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Month and Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 761, expressing support for the designation of the month of June 2024 as “National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Month” and June 27, 2024, as “National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Day”. **Page S4337**

National Day of the American Cowboy: Senate agreed to S. Res. 762, designating July 27, 2024, as “National Day of the American Cowboy”. **Page S4337**

Lake Tahoe Restoration Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 612, to reauthorize the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act. **Page S4337**

Mining Schools Act: Senate passed S. 912, to require the Secretary of Energy to provide technology grants to strengthen domestic mining education. **Pages S4337–38**

SHIELD Act: Senate passed S. 412, to provide that it is unlawful to knowingly distribute private intimate visual depictions with reckless disregard for the individual’s lack of consent to the distribution, after withdrawing the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S4338–40**

Welch (for Klobuchar/Cornyn) Amendment No. 2248, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4339–40**

Measures Considered:

Reproductive Freedom for Women Act: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 4554, to express support for protecting access to reproductive health care after the *Dobbs v. Jackson* decision on June 24, 2022. **Pages S4328–34**

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

By 49 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. 211), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S4332**

Senator Schumer entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S4332**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was declared in Executive Order 13936 of July 14, 2020, with respect to the situation in Hong Kong; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–59) **Page S4342**

Kiko Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the motion to invoke cloture with respect to the nomination of Colleen Duffy Kiko, of North Dakota, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, be withdrawn, and at a time to be determined by

the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S4329**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 208), Charles J. Willoughby, Jr., of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. **Pages S4315, S4322**

By 55 yeas to 37 nays (Vote No. EX. 210), Anne Marie Wagner, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Federal Labor Relations Authority. **Pages S4323–28**

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

By 55 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 209), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4323**

Danny Lam Hoan Nguyen, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. **Page S4337**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—211) **Pages S4322–23, S4327–28, S4332**

Recess: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and recessed at 6:53 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, July 11, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4527.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

DIGITAL COMMODITIES

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine digital commodities, after receiving testimony from Rostin Behnam, Chairman, Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Subcommittee on Rural Development and Energy concluded a hearing to examine the state of rural infrastructure, focusing on emergency response, recovery,

and resilience, after receiving testimony from Julie Moore, State of Vermont Agency of Natural Resources, Middlesex; Kevin Paap, Blue Earth County, Garden City, Minnesota, on behalf of the National Association of Counties; Mark D. Bohlin, Perdido Bay Water, Sewer, and Fire Protection District, Foley, Alabama, on behalf of the Alabama Rural Water Association and the National Rural Water Association; Ted Brady, Vermont League of Cities and Towns, Williston; and Brad Kimbro, Wiregrass Electric Cooperative, Ashford, Alabama.

NOMINATION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Shannon A. Estenoz, of Florida, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

FRANCIS SCOTT KEY BRIDGE COLLAPSE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state and federal response to the Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse on March 26, 2024, after receiving testimony from Senators Cardin and Van Hollen; Shailen Bhatt, Administrator, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation; Lieutenant General Scott A. Spellmon, Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense; and Paul J. Wiedefeld, Maryland Department of Transportation, Hanover.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jeffrey Samuel Arbeit, of the District of Columbia, Benjamin A. Guider III, of Louisiana, and Cathy Fung, of California, each to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

COLUMBIA RIVER TREATY

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on the Columbia River Treaty from Brian Nichols, Assistant Secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs; and Michael L. Connor, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Department of Defense.

PERMITTING COUNCIL OVERSIGHT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Permitting Council, focusing on improving transparency and coordination, after receiving testimony from Eric B. Beightel, Executive Director, Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council.