

Scott (FL)/Rubio Amendment No. 1357, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5284**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, with respect to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–27) **Page S5314**

Franchetti Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, November 2, 2023, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Adm. Lisa M. Franchetti for appointment as Chief of Naval Operations and appointment to the grade indicated while assigned to a position of importance and responsibility under title 10, U.S.C., sections 601 and 8033: to be Admiral. **Page S5300**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Herro Mustafa Garg, of California, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt. **Page S5300**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Kurt Campbell, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary of State.

76 Army nominations in the rank of general.

9 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Foreign Service, and Space Force.

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Nomination Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Laura Daniel-Davis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, which was sent to the Senate on January 23, 2023. **Page S5320**

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Record Votes: Six record votes were taken today. (Total—285) **Pages S5275–76, S5281–83, S5285**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:42 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 2, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5318.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

EXTREME EVENT ATTRIBUTION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the science of extreme event attribution, focusing on how climate change is fueling severe weather events, after receiving testimony from Michael Wehner, University of California Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Department of Energy; Jennifer Jurado, Broward County Resilient Environment Department, Fort Lauderdale, Florida; and Paul M. Dabbar, Columbia University Center on Global Energy Policy and Bohr Quantum Technology, Scarsdale, New York.

UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on Ukraine from Brett M. Holmgren, Assistant Secretary for Intelligence and Research, and Christopher W. Smith, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Eastern Europe and Policy and Regional Affairs, both of the Department of State; and Laura K. Cooper, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Russia, Ukraine, and Eurasia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Seth Robert Aframe, of New Hampshire, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Shaheen and Hassan, Edward Sunyol Kiel, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey, who was introduced by Senators Menendez and Booker, Sarah French Russell, to be United States District Judge for the District of Connecticut, who was introduced by Senator Blumenthal, and Christopher Charles Fonzone, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, who was introduced by Senator Durbin, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

THREATS TO ELECTION ADMINISTRATION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine ongoing threats to election administration, after receiving testimony

from Arizona Secretary of State Adrian Fontes, Phoenix; Pennsylvania Secretary of the Commonwealth Al Schmidt, Harrisburg; Nebraska Deputy Secretary of State for Elections Wayne J. Bena, Lincoln; Alan Farley, Rutherford County Election Commission, Murfreesboro, Tennessee; and Elizabeth Howard, Brennan Center For Justice, Washington, D.C.

AMERICA'S OUTDOOR RECREATION ECONOMY

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine small businesses and America's outdoor recreation economy, including S. 1411, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require greater transparency for Federal regulatory decisions that impact small businesses, S. 1744, to amend the Small Business Act to reauthorize the SCORE program, S. 2185, to amend the Small Business Act to require an annual report on entrepreneurial development programs, S. 873, to improve recreation opportunities on, and facilitate greater access to, Federal public land, and S. 2611, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to expand the snow survey and water supply forecasting program to

serve the Northeastern United States, after receiving testimony from Jessica Wahl Turner, Outdoor Recreation Roundtable, Washington, D.C.; Rebecca Peters, Vacation Okoboji, Arnolds Park, Iowa; Andrew Drummond, Ski The Whites, LLC, Jackson, New Hampshire; and Christopher Fox, Ducks Unlimited, Johnston, Iowa.

VA RESEARCH

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine research at the Department of Veterans Affairs, after receiving testimony from Rachel Ramoni, Chief Research and Development Officer, Office of Research and Development, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Matt Kuntz, National Alliance on Mental Illness for Montana, Helena.

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: 45 public bills, H.R. 6126–6170; and 9 resolutions, H. Res. 829–837, were introduced. **Pages H5227–29**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H5231–32**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4509, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to require group health plans and health insurance issuers offering group health insurance coverage to only pay claims submitted by hospitals that have in place policies and procedures to ensure accurate billing practices, and for other purposes, with amendment (H. Rept. 118–258);

H.R. 4508, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to clarify and strengthen the application of certain employer-sponsored health plan disclosure requirements, with amendment (H. Rept. 118–259); and

H.R. 4527, to amend the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to ensure plan fiduciaries may access de-identified information relating to health claims, and for other purposes, with amendment (H. Rept. 118–260). **Pages H5226–27**

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal by voice vote. **Page H5186**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:24 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H5186**

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

Urging the European Union to designate Hizballah in its entirety as a terrorist organization:

H. Res. 599, a resolution urging the European Union to designate Hizballah in its entirety as a terrorist organization; **Pages H5197–99**

Peace and Tolerance in Palestinian Education Act: H.R. 3266, to require the Secretary of State to submit annual reports reviewing the curriculum used by the Palestinian Authority, and for other purposes; **Pages H5199–H5201**

Declaring it is the policy of the United States that a nuclear Islamic Republic of Iran is not acceptable:

H. Res. 559, a resolution declaring it is the policy of the United States that a nuclear Islamic Republic of Iran is not acceptable, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 354 yeas to 53 nays, Roll No. 560; and **Pages H5187–89, H5219–20**