

By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 331), Nathalie Rayes, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Croatia. **Pages S5769–93**

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

By 53 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 330), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S5781**

Kathleen Cunningham Matthews, of Maryland, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2027.

Jeffrey Gedmin, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Kenneth M. Jarin, of Pennsylvania, to be Chair of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board.

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Luis Manuel Botello, of Maryland, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Michelle Mai Selesky Giuda, of Virginia, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2027.

Dante Quintin Allen, of California, to be Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, Department of Education.

Jamie Fly, of Virginia, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2027. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S5802–03**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—332) **Pages S5781, S5793–94**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:07 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, December 7, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5830.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Basil Ivanhoe Gooden, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development, and Summer K. Mersinger, of South Dakota, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

DOD RECRUITING EFFORTS

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine the status of Department of Defense recruiting efforts and plans for fiscal year 2024, after receiving testimony from Major General Johnny Davis, USA, Commanding General, Army Recruiting Command, Rear Admiral (Lower Half) Alexis T. Walker, USN, Commander, Navy Recruiting Command, Major General William J. Bowers, USMC, Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruiting Command, and Brigadier General Christopher R. Amrhein, USAF, Commander, Air Force Recruiting Service, all of the Department of Defense.

WALL STREET FIRMS OVERSIGHT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine Wall Street firms, including S. 2860, to create protections for financial institutions that provide financial services to State-sanctioned marijuana businesses and service providers for such businesses, and S. 2190, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to increase bank executive accountability and to improve financial stability, after receiving testimony from Charles W. Scharf, Wells Fargo and Company, San Francisco, California; Brian Moynihan, Bank of America, Charlotte, North Carolina; Jamie Dimon, JPMorgan Chase and Co., Jane Fraser, Citi, Robin Vince, The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation, David M. Solomon, Goldman Sachs, and James P. Gorman, Morgan Stanley, all of New York, New York; and Ronald P. O'Hanley, State Street Corporation, Boston, Massachusetts.

IJA INVESTMENTS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act investments in habitat and

ecosystem restoration, pollinators, and wildlife crossings, after receiving testimony from Martha Williams, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Brian Fouch, Associate Administrator, Office of Federal Lands Highway, Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation.

TRANSNATIONAL REPRESSION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine transnational repression, focusing on authoritarians targeting dissenters abroad, after receiving testimony from Christo Grozev, Bellingcat Productions, New York, New York; Michael J. Abramowitz, Freedom House, Washington, D.C.; and Caoilfhionn Gallagher, Doughty Street Chambers, London, England.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Hampton Y. Dellinger, of North Carolina, to be Special Counsel, Office of Special

Counsel, and Henry J. Kerner, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

FENTANYL IN NATIVE COMMUNITIES

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine fentanyl in Native communities, focusing on Federal perspectives on the growing crisis, after receiving testimony from Adam W. Cohen, Deputy Director, Office of National Drug Control Policy; Roselyn Tso, Director, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Vanessa R. Waldref, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Washington, Department of Justice; and R. Glen Melville, Deputy Bureau Director, Office of Justice Services, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior.

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: 43 public bills, H.R. 6610–6652; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 913–916, were introduced. **Pages H6206–08**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6210–11**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 2839, to amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–300); and

Conference report on H.R. 2670, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–301). **Page H6206**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Franklin to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6147**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H6155**

Recess: The House recessed at 3:10 p.m. and reconvened at 4:30 p.m. **Page H6184**

Defending Education Transparency and Ending Rogue Regimes Engaging in Nefarious Trans-actions Act: The House passed H.R. 5933, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require additional information in disclosures of foreign gifts and contracts from foreign sources, restrict contracts with certain foreign entities and foreign countries of concern, require certain staff and faculty to report foreign gifts and contracts, and require disclosure of certain foreign investments within endowments, by a year-and-a-day of 246 years to 170 days, Roll No. 701. **Pages H6166–84, H6184–87**

Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole. **Pages H6171–75**

Agreed to:

Foxx amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–298) that makes technical edits to fix citations and adjust punctuation; clarifies language on gifts, enforcement, and the mandated GAO study; **Page H6175**

Carey amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–298) that revises the public, searchable