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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—21) Pages S232–33, S235–36

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:10 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, January 25, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S253.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

OCEAN INDUSTRIES

Committee on the Budget: Committee concluded a hearing to examine how the climate crisis threatens ocean industries, after receiving testimony from Andrea Dutton, University of Wisconsin, Madison; Rashid Sumaila, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada; Thomas K. Frazer, University of South Florida, St. Petersburg; Phil Levy, Flexport, New York, New York; and Kyle Schaefer, Kittery Point, Maine.

TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL ACT OVERSIGHT

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Toxic Substances Control Act amendments implementation, after receiving testimony from Michal Freedhoff, Assistant Administrator, Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention, Environmental Protection Agency.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2003, to authorize the Secretary of State to provide additional assistance to Ukraine using assets confiscated from the Central Bank of the Russian Federation and other sovereign assets of the Russian Federation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Kurt Campbell, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Secretary, Cardell Kenneth Richardson, Sr., of Virginia, to be Inspector

General, Nicole Shampaine, of California, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as United States Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Sean Patrick Maloney, of New York, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, Jeffrey Prescott, of the District of Columbia, to be U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, with the rank of Ambassador, Charlie Crist, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America on the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization, with the rank of Ambassador, and Joann M. Lockard, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso, all of the Department of State, Robert David Gioia, of New York, to be a Commissioner on the part of the United States on the International Joint Commission, United States and Canada, and routine lists in the Foreign Service.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Susan M. Bazis, to be United States District Judge for the District of Nebraska, who was introduced by Senator Fischer, Ernest Gonzalez, and Leon Schydlower, both to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, Ann Marie McIff Allen, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah, Kelly Harrison Rankin, to be United States District Judge for the District of Wyoming, who was introduced by Senators Barrasso and Lummis, and Robin Michelle Meriweather, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

AI IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS AND PROSECUTIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Criminal Justice and Counterterrorism concluded a hearing to examine AI in criminal investigations and prosecutions, after receiving testimony from Karen L. Howard, Director, Science, Technology Assessment, and Analytics, Government Accountability Office; Armando R. Aguilar, Miami Police Department, Miami, Florida; and Rebecca Wexler, Berkeley Center for Law and Technology, Berkeley, California.

USE OF AI AT LOC, GPO, AND SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the use of Artificial Intelligence at the Library of Congress, Government Publishing Office, and Smithsonian Institution, after receiving testimony from Carla Hayden, Librarian of

Congress; Hugh Nathaniel Halpern, Director, Government Publishing Office; and Meroe Park, Deputy Secretary and Chief Operating Officer, Smithsonian Institution.

SUCCESSION PLANNING

Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship: Committee concluded a hearing to examine succession planning, focusing on opportunities to build wealth and keep jobs in local communities, including S. 1108, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes, after receiving testimony from Scott Snider,

Exit Planning Institute, Westlake, Ohio; Theresa Hildreth, Martin Hildreth Company, Inc., Rockwell City, Iowa; Tabitha Croscut, Devine, Millimet and Branch, P.A., Manchester, New Hampshire; and Palmer Schoening, Family Business Coalition, Washington, D.C.

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

The House was not in session today. The House will meet in Pro Forma session at 3 p.m. on Thursday, January 25, 2024.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the National

Flood Insurance Program, focusing on local perspectives on challenges and solutions, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kamala Shirin Lakhdhir, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, and Courtney Diesel O'Donnell, of California, to be United States Permanent Representative to the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization, with the rank of Ambassador, Laura Stone, of Utah, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands, all of the Department of State, Andrew William Plitt, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, and other pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine assisted living facilities, focusing on understanding long-term care options for older adults, 10 a.m., SD-106.

House

No hearings are scheduled.