Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Brown be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from July 25, 2024 through July 26, 2024.

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Neumann Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Stacey D. Neumann, of Maine, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maine.

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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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, July 25, 2024, a vote on cloture will occur on Tuesday, July 30, 2024.

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S5504

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, July 29, 2024, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that at 5:30 p.m., Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Adam B. Landy, of South Carolina, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, as provided under the order of Tuesday, July 23, 2024.

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 79 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. EX. 218), Kashi Way, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Val Butler Demings, of Florida, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2030.

William Zollars, of Kansas, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service for a term expiring December 8, 2029.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—219) Pages S5497, S5505

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:52 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, July 29, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$5525.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Appropriations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill (S. 4795) entitled, "Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act";

An original bill (S. 4802) entitled, "Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act":

An original bill (S. 4797) entitled, "State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act"; and

An original bill (S. 4796) entitled, "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act".

ADVANCING NATIONAL SECURITY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine advancing national security through export controls, investment security, and the Defense Production Act, including S. 3311, to direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct a demonstration program to test providing preferential treatment under the Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP programs for certain drugs and biologicals manufactured in the United States, after receiving testimony from Thea D. Rozman Kendler, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration; Paul M. Rosen, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Investment Security; Grant T. Harris, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Industry and Analysis; and Laura Taylor-Kale, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Industrial Base Policy.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported 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.

RUSSIA'S WAR IN UKRAINE

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee received a closed briefing on international support for Russia's war in Ukraine, after receiving testimony from Brian Lessenberry, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, and Edward Atkinson, Analyst for Energy and Economic Security, both of the Department of State; and Richard Phillips, Senior National Intelligence Executive, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Ann C. Fisher, of South Dakota, and Ashley Jay Elizabeth Poling, of North Carolina, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, and Carmen G. Iguina Gonzalez, and Joseph Russell Palmore, both to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An authorization for Investigation into the Bankruptcy of Steward Health Care; and

An authorization for Subpoena of Dr. Ralph de la Torre, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, Steward Health Care Systems LLC, for Testimony Relating to the Committee Investigation into the Bankruptcy of Steward Health Care.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

- S. 2783, to amend the Miccosukee Reserved Area Act to authorize the expansion of the Miccosukee Reserved Area and to carry out activities to protect structures within the Osceola Camp from flooding;
- S. 3406, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to make a technical correction to the Navajo Nation Water Resources Development Trust Fund, to amend the Claims Resolution Act of 2010 to make technical corrections to the Taos Pueblo Water Development Fund and Aamodt Settlement Pueblos' Fund;
- S. 4000, to reaffirm the applicability of the Indian Reorganization Act to the Lytton Rancheria of California; and
- S. 4365, to provide public health veterinary services to Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations for rabies prevention, with an amendment.

INDIAN AFFAIRS LEGISLATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 4370, to amend the Tribal Forest Protection Act of 2004 to improve that Act, and S. 4505, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of Ohkay Owingeh in the Rio Chama Stream System, to restore the Bosque on Pueblo Land in the State of New Mexico, after receiving testimony from Tracy Canard Goodluck, Senior Advisor to the Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; John Crockett, Deputy Chief, State, Private, and Tribal Forestry, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Larry Phillips, Jr., Ohkay Owingeh, Ohkay Owingeh, New Mexico; Thora Padilla, Mescalero Apache Tribe, Mescalero, New Mexico; and Benjamin Mallott, Alaska Federation of Natives, Anchorage.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 48 public bills, H.R. 9131–9178; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 194; H. Con. Res. 122; and H. Res. 1386–1391, were introduced. Pages H4946–49

Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows: H.R. 6213, to reauthorize the National Quantum Initiative Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–612).

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rabbi Levi Slonim, Chabad of Binghamton, Vestal, New York.

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Board of Trustees for the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following individual on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees for the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development for a term of six years: Mr. Michael Joseph Sommers of Alexandria, Virginia. Page H4919