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Franken Lee Sanders
Gillibrand Manchin Schatz
Graham Markey Schumer
Grassley McCain Scott
Hagan McCaskill Sessions
Harkin McConnell Shaheen
Hatch Menendez Shelby
Heinrich Merkley Stabenow
Heitkamp Mikulski Tester
Heller Moran Thune
Hirono Murkowski Toomey
Hoeven Murphy Udall (CO)
Inhofe Murray Udall (NM)
Isakson Nelson Vitter
Johanns Paul Walsh
Johnson (SD) Portman Warner
Johnson (WI) Pryor Warren
Kaine Reed Warren
King Reid Whitehouse
Kirk Risch Wicker
Klobuchar Roberts Wyden

NOT VOTING—2

Cornyn Levin

The nomination was confirmed.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will be 2 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form.

Who yields time?

Mr. MCCAIN. I yield back.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

The bill clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Pamela L. Reeves, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Harry Reid, Patrick J. Leahy, Mark L. Pryor, Mark Begich, Robert Menendez, Benjamin L. Cardin, Tom Harkin, Amy Klobuchar, Christopher Murphy, Patty Murray, Jon Tester, Richard J. Durbin, Barbara Boxer, Angus S. King, Jr., Claire McCaskill, Richard Blumenthal, Sheldon Whitehouse, Jack Reed

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Pamela L. Reeves, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee, shall be brought to a close?

Yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) would have voted "nay."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 62, nays 37, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 51 Ex.]

YEAS—62

Alexander Hagan Murphy
Baldwin Harkin Murray
Begich Heinrich Nelson
Bennet Heitkamp Pryor
Blumenthal Hirono Reed
Booker Johnson (SD) Reid
Boxer Kaine Rockefeller
Brown King Sanders
Cantwell Klobuchar Schatz
Cardin Landriau Schumer
Leahy Leahy Shaheen
Casey Lee Stabenow
Collins Levin Tester
Coons Manchin Udall (CO)
Corker Markey Udall (NM)
Donnelly McCain Vitter
Durbin McCaskill Walsh
Feinstein Menendez Warner
Flake Merkley Warren
Franken Mikulski Whitehouse
Gillibrand Murkowski Wyden

NAYS—37

Ayotte Graham Portman
Barrasso Grassley Risch
Blunt Hatch Roberts
Boozman Heller Rubio
Burr Hoeven Scott
Chambliss Inhofe Sessions
Coats Isakson Shelby
Coburn Johans Thune
Cochran Johnson (WI) Toomey
Crapo Kirk Vitter
Cruz McConnell Wicker
Enzi Moran
Fischer Paul

NOT VOTING—1

Cornyn

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote the yeas are 62, the nays are 37. The motion to invoke cloture is agreed to.

NOMINATION OF PAMELA L. REEVES TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The bill clerk read the nomination of Pamela L. Reeves, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The majority leader is recognized.

Mr. REID. It is 4:45 p.m. We have a lot of votes. We can move through these votes very quickly. They are 10-minute votes. I have some complaints from some Senators that it is not fair to wait around for other Senators when there are a lot of things going on tonight. At the end of 15 minutes, no matter who is not here, we are going to cut off the votes. That is what everybody wants and that is what we are going to do.

Anyway, we have to do that. If it is a close vote, then we always give time for people to play around with that, but these votes haven't been that close and so I think we should get through these votes as quickly as we can. I am alerting everyone and the floor staff.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the postcloture time is yielded back.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Pamela L. Reeves, of Tennessee, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Tennessee.

Mr. GRASSLEY. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. THUNE. The following Senator is necessarily absent: the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Texas (Mr. CORNYN) would have voted "yea."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 99, nays 0, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 52 Ex.]

YEAS—99

Alexander Gillibrand Murkowski
Ayotte Graham Murphy
Baldwin Grassley Murray
Barrasso Hagan Nelson
Begich Harkin Paul
Bennet Hatch Portman
Blumenthal Heinrich Pryor
Blunt Heitkamp Reed
Booker Heller Reid
Boozman Hirono Risch
Boxer Hoeven Roberts
Brown Inhofe Rockefeller
Burr Isakson Rubio
Cantwell Johans Sanders
Cardin Johnson (SD) Schatz
Carper Johnson (WI) Schumer
Casey Kaine Scott
Chambliss King Sessions
Coats Kirk Shaheen
Coburn Klobuchar Shelby
Cochran Landriau Stabenow
Collins Leahy Tester
Coons Lee Thune
Corker Levin Toomey
Crapo Manchin Udall (CO)
Cruz Markey Udall (NM)
Donnelly McCain Vitter
Durbin McCaskill Walsh
Enzi McConnell Warner
Feinstein Menendez Warren
Fischer Merkley Whitehouse
Flake Mikulski Wicker
Franken Moran Wyden

NOT VOTING—1

Cornyn

The nomination was confirmed.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will be 2 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form prior to the cloture vote.

The Senator from Arkansas is recognized.

Mr. PRYOR. Mr. President, this next nominee, Timothy Brooks of the Western District of Arkansas, is excellent in every way. He basically has the support from plaintiffs', defendants', and criminal defendants' lawyers, prosecutors, Democrats and Republicans, businesses—everybody. They really like this nominee is the total consensus on him. He has been waiting for a long time. We tried to get this going last year and got caught up in end-of-the-year stuff.

I ask all my colleagues to vote yes on the procedure and on confirming him.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The junior Senator from Arkansas is recognized.

Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, I share my support for the nominee on whom we are about to vote.

Judge Timothy Brooks has the experience, background, and temperament to unanimously qualify him for the position of district judge. I am proud to stand before my colleagues and offer my support of his confirmation. I am pleased that we have been able to act on this vacancy and hope that Judge Brooks will be easily confirmed much like Judge Moody was for the Eastern District of Arkansas seat last week.

Again, these are highly qualified nominees. Judge Moody is a great fit for the Eastern District. I am confident Judge Brooks will complement him well in the Western District. One of the most important aspects of what we do in the Senate is the confirmation of judges, the process of selecting people with the right temperament and qualifications. I believe both Judge Moody and Judge Brooks will make excellent Federal judges and will make Arkansas proud.

I yield the floor.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time has expired.

Pursuant to rule XXII, the Chair lays before the Senate the pending cloture motion, which the clerk will state.

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Timothy L. Brooks, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas.

Harry Reid, Patrick J. Leahy, Mark L. Pryor, Mark Begich, Robert Menendez, Benjamin L. Cardin, Tom Harkin, Amy Klobuchar, Christopher Murphy, Patty Murray, Jon Tester, Richard J. Durbin, Barbara Boxer, Angus S. King, Jr., Claire McCaskill, Richard Blumenthal, Sheldon Whitehouse, Jack Reed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent, the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Timothy L. Brooks of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant bill clerk called the roll.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 59, nays 41, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 53 Ex.]

YEAS—59

Table with 3 columns of names: Baldwin, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Booker, Boozman, Boxer, Brown, Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Coons, Donnelly, Durbin, Feinstein, Flake, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heinrich, King, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Levin, Manchin, Markey, McCaskill, Menendez, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Rubio, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Walsh, Warner, Warren, Whitehouse, Wyden.

Table with 3 columns of names: Merkley, Mikulski, Murkowski, Murphy, Murray, Nelson, Pryor, Reid, Reid, Rockefeller, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Walsh, Warner, Warren, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS—41

Table with 3 columns of names: Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Cruz, Enzi, Fischer, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (WI), Kirk, Lee, McCain, McConnell, Moran, Paul, Portman, Risch, Roberts, Rubio, Scott, Sessions, Shelby, Thune, Toomey, Vitter, Wicker.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BLUMENTHAL). On this vote the yeas are 59 and the nays are 41.

The motion is agreed to.

NOMINATION OF TIMOTHY L. BROOKS TO BE UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the clerk will report the nomination.

The assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of Timothy L. Brooks, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas.

Mr. CRUZ. I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

Under the previous order, all postcloture time is yielded back.

The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Timothy L. Brooks, of Arkansas, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas?

The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

The result was announced—yeas 100, nays 0, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 54 Ex.]

YEAS—100

Table with 3 columns of names: Alexander, Ayotte, Baldwin, Barrasso, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Booker, Boxer, Brown, Burr, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Collins, Coons, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Cruz, Enzi, Feinstein, Fischer, Flake, Franken, Gillibrand, Grahman, Grassley, Hagan, Harkin, Hatch, Heinrich, Heitkamp, Heller, Hirono, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson, Johanns, Johnson (SD), Johnson (WI), Kaine, King, Kirk, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Manchin, Markey, McCain, McCaskill, McConnell, Menendez, Merkley, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Murphy, Murray, Nelson, Paul, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Rubio, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Walsh, Warner, Warren, Whitehouse, Wyden.

Table with 3 columns of names: Reid, Risch, Roberts, Rockefeller, Rubio, Sanders, Schatz, Schumer, Scott, Sessions, Shaheen, Shelby, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Walsh, Warner, Warren, Whitehouse, Wicker, Wyden.

The nomination was confirmed.

CLOTURE MOTION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will be 2 minutes of debate equally divided in the usual form prior to the cloture vote.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we yield back all time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time is yielded back.

The clerk will report the motion to invoke cloture.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Vince Girdhari Chhabria, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California.

Harry Reid, Patrick J. Leahy, Benjamin L. Cardin, Ron Wyden, Christopher A. Coons, Martin Heinrich, Jack Reed, Robert Menendez, Tom Harkin, Sheldon Whitehouse, Patty Murray, Dianne Feinstein, Richard J. Durbin, Barbara Boxer, Carl Levin, Jeff Merkley, Amy Klobuchar.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. By unanimous consent the mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Vince Girdhari Chhabria of California, to be U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of California shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 57, nays 43, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 55 Ex.]

YEAS—57

Table with 3 columns of names: Baldwin, Begich, Bennet, Blumenthal, Booker, Boxer, Brown, Cantwell, Cardin, Carper, Casey, Collins, Coons, Donnelly, Durbin, Feinstein, Franken, Gillibrand, Hagan, Harkin, Heinrich, Heitkamp, Hirono, Johnson (SD), Kaine, King, Kirk, Klobuchar, Landrieu, Leahy, Lee, Levin, Manchin, Markey, McCaskill, Menendez, Mikulski, Moran, Murkowski, Nelson, Portman, Pryor, Reed, Rubio, Schumer, Shaheen, Stabenow, Tester, Thune, Toomey, Udall (CO), Udall (NM), Vitter, Walsh, Warner, Warren, Whitehouse, Wyden.

NAYS—43

Table with 3 columns of names: Alexander, Ayotte, Barrasso, Blunt, Boozman, Burr, Chambliss, Coats, Coburn, Cochran, Corker, Cornyn, Crapo, Cruz, Enzi, Fischer, Flake, Graham, Grassley, Hatch, Heller, Hoeven, Inhofe, Isakson.