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Senate

The Senate met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the President pro tempore (Mr. LEAHY).

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Barry C. Black, offered the following prayer:
Let us pray.

O God of wisdom and order, who filled the universe with the mysteries of Your power; sustain Your lawmakers with the knowledge of Your mercy and providence. May they always look to You, the architect of destinies, for guidance in the precarious journey of defending freedom. Lord, help them to

grow in grace and in a knowledge of Your will and purposes. Sustain them and their loved ones with Your everlasting arms. May Your hand lead our Senators and Your right hand protect them.

We pray in Your mighty Name. Amen.

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CHARLES E. SCHUMER, *Chairman*.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

TAX INCREASE PREVENTION ACT OF 2014—MOTION TO PROCEED

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I now move to proceed to Calendar No. 627, which is H.R. 5771. It is the tax extender legislation.

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will report the motion.

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