

The Democratic leader.

Mr. SCHUMER. Madam President, reserving the right to object, the Republican majority on the Judiciary Committee is pressing forward with a confirmation hearing on a Supreme Court nominee whose record has been largely shielded from the Senate and the American public. Over 90 percent of Judge Kavanaugh's record has not been received by the Senate and may never be. What has been delivered to the committee was prescreened by a Republican lawyer, with no guidelines as to what we were receiving and what we were not. It is just whatever entered his whim. Of that small subset of prescreened documents—less than 10 percent of Judge Kavanaugh's full record—Chairman GRASSLEY is prohibiting large segments from being shared with the public, without explanation.

Republicans are trying to jam through, with as little scrutiny as possible, a lifetime appointment to the Nation's highest Court, with the power to affect the lives of Americans for a generation. That is why it is so important for the Senate and the public to review the nominee's record—because healthcare, a woman's freedom to make medical decisions, civil rights, voting rights, and marriage equality all hang in the balance. The Republican majority is deliberately obstructing the Senate's constitutional duty to fairly and thoroughly conduct our advice and consent powers.

As a result, we will not consent to business as usual on the Senate floor today. This means the Senate will adjourn for the day after my two colleagues finish speaking.

I object.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection is heard.

The majority leader.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to legislative session for a period of morning business, with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

BICENTENNIAL OF THE CITY OF EDMONTON

Mr. McCONNELL. Madam President, I would like to take a moment today to congratulate the city of Edmonton, KY, for reaching an historic milestone: its bicentennial anniversary. Throughout its 200 years, this southcentral Kentucky community has developed a rich heritage, and its weekend of celebrations this September is well deserved.

Edmonton was founded in 1818 and named after Edmund Rogers, who

owned the land and laid out the town. The community became the seat of Metcalfe County at its formation in 1860. Today it is home to more than 1,500 Kentuckians, and Edmonton displays many of the best rural values and traditions of our Commonwealth.

Following the opening ceremonies of the bicentennial celebrations at city hall, there will be a parade throughout Edmonton, featuring floats carrying schoolchildren. There will be a wide range of events, celebrating the city's history and its promise for the future. From beard contests to antique car shows and from bicentennial skits to historical tours, there is something for everyone to enjoy.

The celebration will also feature a local talent showcase and a performance by a hometown band, "The Kentucky Headhunters." After the show, attendees can watch a fireworks show to provide a fitting end of the bicentennial celebration.

I would like to join Mayor Howard Garrett and everyone in Edmonton in celebrating this occasion, and I would like to ask my Senate colleagues to help me commemorate this bicentennial anniversary.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mrs. Cole, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 5869. An act to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a maritime border threat analysis, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6265. An act to ensure that only travelers who are members of a trusted traveler program use Transportation Security Administration security screening lanes designated for trusted travelers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6374. An act to require the Department of Homeland Security to streamline Federal contractor fitness determinations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6400. An act to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a threat and operational analysis of ports of entry, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6430. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to implement certain requirements for information relating to supply chain risk, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6438. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security an Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6439. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish in the Department of Homeland Security the Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6443. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a continuous diagnostics and mitigation program at the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6447. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the position

of Chief Data Officer of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6459. An act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require a strategy to diversify the technology stakeholder marketplace regarding the acquisition by the Transportation Security Administration of security screening technologies, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6461. An act to amend title 49, United States Code, to establish in the Transportation Security Administration a National Deployment Office, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4318) to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States to modify temporarily certain rates of duty.

The message further announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6157) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes, and asks a conference with the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon, and that the following Members be the managers of the conference on the part of the House: Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN, Ms. GRANGER, Messrs. COLE, CALVERT, WOMACK, ADERHOLT, ROGERS of Kentucky, Mrs. ROBY, Mrs. LOWEY, Mr. VISCLOSKY, Mses. DELAURO, ROYBALLARD, and MCCOLLUM.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bills were read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 5869. An act to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a maritime border threat analysis, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

H.R. 6265. An act to ensure that only travelers who are members of a trusted traveler program use Transportation Security Administration security screening lanes designated for trusted travelers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

H.R. 6374. An act to require the Department of Homeland Security to streamline Federal contractor fitness determinations, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

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