

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) and the Senator from Minnesota (Ms. KLOBUCHAR) are necessarily absent.

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

The result was announced—yeas 53, nays 45, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 70 Ex.]

YEAS—53

Alexander Fischer Perdue
Barrasso Gardner Portman
Blackburn Graham Risch
Blunt Grassley Roberts
Boozman Hawley Romney
Braun Hoeven Rounds
Burr Hyde-Smith Rubio
Capito Inhofe Sasse
Cassidy Isakson Scott (FL)
Collins Johnson Scott (SC)
Cornyn Kennedy Shelby
Cotton Lankford Sullivan
Cramer Lee
Crapo McConnell Thune
Cruz McSally Tillis
Daines Moran Toomey
Enzi Murkowski Wicker
Ernst Paul Young

NAYS—45

Baldwin Hassan Rosen
Bennet Heinrich Sanders
Blumenthal Hirono Schatz
Brown Jones Schumer
Cantwell Kaine Shaheen
Cardin King Sinema
Carper Leahy Smith
Casey Manchin Stabenow
Coons Markey Tester
Cortez Masto Menendez Udall
Duckworth Merkley Van Hollen
Durbin Murphy Warner
Feinstein Murray Warren
Gillibrand Peters Whitehouse
Harris Reed Wyden

NOT VOTING—2

Booker Klobuchar

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table. The President will be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the Abizaid nomination.

The senior assistant legislative clerk read the nomination of John P. Abizaid, of Nevada, to be Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the United States of America to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Will the Senate advise and consent to the Abizaid nomination?

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) is necessarily absent.

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

The result was announced—yeas 92, nays 7, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 71 Ex.]

YEAS—92

Alexander Fischer Peters
Baldwin Gardner Portman
Barrasso Graham Reed
Blackburn Grassley Risch
Bennet Hassan Roberts
Blackburn Hawley Romney
Blumenthal Hawley Romney
Blunt Heinrich Rosen
Boozman Hirono Rounds
Braun Hoeven Rubio
Brown Hyde-Smith Sasse
Burr Inhofe Schatz
Cantwell Isakson Schumer
Capito Johnson Scott (FL)
Cardin Jones Scott (SC)
Carper Kaine Shaheen
Casey Kennedy Shelby
Cassidy King Sinema
Collins Klobuchar Smith
Coons Lankford Stabenow
Cornyn Leahy Sullivan
Cortez Masto Lee
Cotton Manchin Tester
Cramer McConnell Thune
Crapo McSally Tillis
Cruz Menendez Toomey
Daines Moran Van Hollen
Duckworth Murkowski Warner
Durbin Murphy Whitehouse
Enzi Murray Wicker
Ernst Paul Wyden
Feinstein Perdue Young

NAYS—7

Gillibrand Merkley Warren
Harris Sanders
Markey Udall

NOT VOTING—1

Booker

The nomination was confirmed.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the motion to reconsider is considered made and laid upon the table and the President will be immediately notified of the Senate's action.

CLOTURE MOTION

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

The senior assistant 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, do hereby move to bring to a close debate on the nomination of Holly A. Brady, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana.

Mitch McConnell, Johnny Isakson, Roger F. Wicker, John Boozman, John Cornyn, Mike Crapo, Shelley Moore Capito, Pat Roberts, Roy Blunt, Deb Fischer, David Perdue, Todd Young, John Thune, Mike Rounds, Steve Daines, John Hoeven, Thom Tillis.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The mandatory quorum call has been waived.

The question is, Is it the sense of the Senate that debate on the nomination of Holly A. Brady, of Indiana, to be

United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana, shall be brought to a close?

The yeas and nays are mandatory under the rule.

The clerk will call the roll.

The senior assistant bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. BOOKER) is necessarily absent.

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

The yeas and nays resulted—yeas 56, nays 43, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 72 Ex.]

YEAS—56

Alexander Gardner Perdue
Barrasso Graham Portman
Blackburn Grassley Risch
Blunt Hawley Roberts
Boozman Hoeven Romney
Braun Hyde-Smith Rounds
Burr Inhofe Rubio
Capito Isakson Sasse
Cassidy Johnson Scott (FL)
Collins Jones Scott (SC)
Cornyn Kennedy Shelby
Cotton Lankford Sullivan
Cramer Lee
Crapo McConnell Thune
Cruz McSally Tillis
Daines Moran Toomey
Enzi Murkowski Wicker
Ernst Paul Young

NAYS—43

Baldwin Hassan Sanders
Bennet Heinrich Schatz
Blumenthal Hirono Schumer
Brown Kaine Shaheen
Cantwell King Smith
Cardin Klobuchar Stabenow
Carper Leahy Tester
Casey Markey Udall
Coons Menendez Van Hollen
Cortez Masto Merkley Warner
Duckworth Murphy Warren
Durbin Murray Whitehouse
Feinstein Peters Wyden
Gillibrand Reed
Harris Rosen

NOT VOTING—1

Booker

The PRESIDING OFFICER. On this vote, the yeas are 56, and the nays are 43.

The motion is agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report the nomination.

The legislative clerk read the nomination of Holly A. Brady, of Indiana, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Indiana.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Iowa.

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, today marks the 30th anniversary of a very important law—the Whistleblower Protection Act. It is very important because people in government ought to listen to whistleblowers. They are very patriotic people.

The law is a critical foundation for the whistleblower protections we have in place today. The Whistleblower Protection Act has helped to usher in a