

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S999–S1049

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3277–3288. **Page S1041**

Measures Passed:

B-47 Ridge Designation Act: Senate passed S. 490, to designate a mountain ridge in the State of Montana as “B-47 Ridge”, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1045**

Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act Correction: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1365, to make technical corrections to the Guam World War II Loyalty Recognition Act, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S1045–46**

Cramer (for Graham) Amendment No. 1323, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S1045**

Measures Considered:

Iran War Powers—Agreement: Senate began consideration of S.J. Res. 68, to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities against the Islamic Republic of Iran that have not been authorized by Congress, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1006–12, S1012–36**

Pending:

Cramer (for Cruz) Amendment No. 1301, to amend the findings. **Page S1036**

Cramer (for Reed) Amendment No. 1322, to amend the findings. **Page S1036**

Cramer (for Cotton) Amendment No. 1305, to exempt from the termination requirement United States Armed Forces engaged in operations directed at designated terrorist organizations. **Page S1036**

Cramer (for Risch) Amendment No. 1314, to amend the findings. **Page S1036**

Cramer (for Rubio/Risch) Amendment No. 1320, to amend the findings. **Page S1036**

Cramer (for Sullivan) Amendment No. 1319, to amend the rule of construction. **Page S1036**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to discharge the Committee on Foreign Relations from further consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S1006**

By 51 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. 45), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the joint resolution. **Page S1012**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that the only first-degree amendments in order to the joint resolution be the following: Cramer (for Cruz) Amendment No. 1301 (listed above), Cramer (for Reed) Amendment No. 1322 (listed above), Cramer (for Cotton) Amendment No. 1305 (listed above), Cramer (for Risch) Amendment No. 1314 (listed above), Cramer (for Rubio/Risch) Amendment No. 1320 (listed above), and Cramer (for Sullivan) Amendment No. 1319 (listed above); that no second-degree amendments be in order to the amendments listed with the exception of Cramer (for Sullivan) Amendment No. 1319, and Senate vote on or in relation to the amendments in the order listed at 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 13, 2020, and that there be two minutes of debate equally divided prior to each vote; that all debate time on the joint resolution expire at 1:45 p.m., with the last 40 minutes equally divided under the control of Senators Risch, Inhofe, Menendez, and Kaine; and that upon the use or yielding back of that time, Senate vote on passage of the joint resolution, as amended, if amended, with no intervening action or debate. **Page S1036**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the joint resolution at approximately 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, February 13, 2020. **Page S1046**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 54 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 41), Joshua M. Kindred, of Alaska, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska. **Pages S1000–05, S1049**

By 72 yeas to 23 nays (Vote No. EX. 42), Matthew Thomas Schelp, of Missouri, to be United

States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri. **Pages S1005, S1049**

By 81 yeas to 12 nays (Vote No. EX. 43), John Fitzgerald Kness, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois. **Pages S1005, S1049**

By 77 yeas to 19 nays (Vote No. EX. 44), Philip M. Halpern, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Pages S1005–06, S1049**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

James P. Danly, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 30, 2023.

William G. Dauster, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

William G. Dauster, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

William G. Dauster, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund for a term of four years.

Lorenzo Candelaria, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2024.

Tony Hammond, of Missouri, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2025.

Catherine Bird, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority for a term of five years.

Craig Edward Leen, of the District of Columbia, to be Inspector General, Office of Personnel Management.

Kenneth Charles Canterbury, Jr., of South Carolina, to be Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

David W. Dugan, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois.

Iain D. Johnston, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Tyreece L. Miller, of Tennessee, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

Franklin Ulyses Valderrama, of Illinois, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois.

Christy Criswell Wiegand, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania.

Richard E. Zuckerman, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, and Marine Corps. **Pages S1046–49**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

J. David Patterson, of Tennessee, to be Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, which was sent to the Senate on January 9, 2020.

Jessie K. Liu, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2020. **Page S1049**

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Record Votes: Five record votes were taken today. (Total—45) **Pages S1004–06, S1012**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 8:17 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, February 13, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1046.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SEMIANNUAL MONETARY POLICY REPORT TO THE CONGRESS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, after receiving testimony from Jerome H. Powell, Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

SPACE MISSIONS OF GLOBAL IMPORTANCE

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine space missions of global importance, focusing on planetary defense, space weather protection, and space situational awareness, after receiving testimony from