

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

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Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S6763–S6790

Measures Introduced: Ten bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 5409–5418, and S. Res. 919–921. **Page S6780**

Measures Passed:

Colorado River Salinity Control Fix Act: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. 2514, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to modify certain requirements applicable to salinity control units, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S6785–86**

Grant Transparency Act: Senate passed H.R. 5536, to require transparency in notices of funding opportunity. **Page S6786**

Shirley Chisholm Congressional Gold Medal Act: Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 4243, to award posthumously the Congressional Gold Medal to Shirley Chisholm, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S6786**

Schumer (for Butler) Amendment No. 3308, of a perfecting nature. **Page S6786**

National Advisory Council on Indian Education Improvement Act: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. 5355, to ensure that the National Advisory Council on Indian Education includes at least 1 member who is the president of a Tribal College or University, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S6786–87**

Invent Here, Make Here Act: Senate passed S. 1956, to improve the commercialization of Federal research by domestic manufacturers, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S6787–88**

Think Differently Transportation Act: Senate passed S. 4107, to require Amtrak to report to Congress information on Amtrak compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 with respect to trains and stations, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S6788**

Amending the Marine Debris Act: Senate passed S. 3277, to amend the Marine Debris Act to reauthorize the Marine Debris Program of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. **Page S6788**

Tools to Address Known Exploitation by Immobilizing Technological Deepfakes on Websites and Networks Act: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. 4569, to require covered platforms to remove nonconsensual intimate visual depictions, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S6788–89**

Schumer (for Cruz/Klobuchar) Amendment No. 3309, in the nature of a substitute **Page S6789**

Commission to Study the Potential Transfer of the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History to the Smithsonian Institution Act: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 7764, to establish a commission to study the potential transfer of the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History to the Smithsonian Institution, and the bill was then passed. **Page S6789**

National Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 920, designating November 2024 as “National Homeless Children and Youth Awareness Month”. **Page S6789**

Remembering the Terrorist Attack at Naval Air Station Pensacola: Senate agreed to S. Res. 921, remembering the December 6, 2019 terrorist attack at Naval Air Station Pensacola and commemorating

those who lost their lives, and those who were injured, in the line of duty. **Page S6789**

Appointments:

Commission on the Future of the Navy: The Chair, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to Public Law 117–263, and jointly with the Speaker of the House, announced the appointment of the following individual to serve as a Co-Chairperson of the Commission on the Future of the Navy: Ms. Mackenzie Eaglen of Virginia. **Page S6785**

Brindisi Nomination—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Anthony J. Brindisi, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York. **Pages S6763–66**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, December 4, 2024; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of the Senate on Monday, December 2, 2024, ripen at 11:45 a.m., on Wednesday, December 4, 2024. **Page S6789**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 306), Sparkle L. Sooknanan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. **Pages S6766–67**

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 307), Catherine Henry, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Pages S6767–75**

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 308), Gail A. Weilheimer, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. **Page S6775**

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general. **Pages S6789–90**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages S6780–82**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S6782–83**

Additional Statements: **Pages S6779–80**

Amendments Submitted: **Pages S6783–85**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Page S6785**

Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—308) **Pages S6767–68, S6775**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon and adjourned at 7:22 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, December 4, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6789.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 14 public bills, H.R. 10267–10280; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 1603–1605, were introduced. **Pages H6292–93**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H6294–95**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.J. Res. 96, to approve the 2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.–FSM Compact, and related agreements, between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, the 2023 Agreement to Amend the U.S.–RMI Compact, and certain related agreements between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of

the Marshall Islands, and the 2023 U.S.–Palau Compact Review Agreement between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Palau, to appropriate funds to carry out the agreements, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–785, Part 1);

H.R. 758, to require the appropriate Federal banking agencies to establish a 3-year phase-in period for de novo financial institutions to comply with Federal capital standards, to provide relief for de novo rural community banks, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–786);

H.R. 7428, to regulate the business of offering and providing earned wage access services to consumers, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–787);

H.R. 8337, to amend the Federal banking laws to improve the safety and soundness of the United States banking system, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–788);

H.R. 8338, to regulate small-dollar, short-term credit products, to protect the privacy of lenders, and to improve the unfair, deceptive, or abusive acts or practices authority of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–789);

H.J. Res. 120, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Financial Stability Oversight Council related to “Guidance on Nonbank Financial Company Determinations” (H. Rept. 118–790); and

H. Res. 1602, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5349) to develop and disseminate a civic education curriculum and oral history resources regarding certain political ideologies, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7198) to amend title 5, United States Code, to require greater transparency for Federal regulatory decisions that impact small businesses, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–791). **Page H6292**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Strong to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H6209**

Recess: The House recessed at 12:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H6210**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Casten announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Page H6210**

Commission on the Future of the Navy—Appointment: The Chair announced the joint appointment by the Speaker and the Republican Leader of the Senate of the following individual to serve as Co-Chair of the Commission on the Future of the Navy: Ms. Mackenzie Eaglen of Arlington, Virginia. **Pages H6211–12**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Amending title 35, United States Code, to provide a good faith exception to the imposition of fines for false assertions and certifications: S. 3960, to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide a good faith exception to the imposition of fines for false assertions and certifications; **Pages H6211–12**

Amending title 28, United States Code, to consolidate certain divisions in the Northern District of Alabama: H.R. 7177, amended, to amend title 28, United States Code, to consolidate certain divisions in the Northern District of Alabama; **Pages H6212–13**

Amending title 28, United States Code, to authorize holding court for the Central Division of Utah in Moab and Monticello: H.R. 8666, to amend title 28, United States Code, to authorize holding court for the Central Division of Utah in Moab and Monticello; **Pages H6213–14**

Protecting Americans from Russian Litigation Act of 2024: H.R. 9563, to amend title 28, United States Code, to limit the availability of civil actions affected by United States sanctions; **Pages H6214–16**

Protecting American Industry and Labor from International Trade Crimes Act of 2024: H.R. 9151, amended, to strengthen the Department of Justice’s enforcement against trade-related crimes; **Pages H6216–18**

Making improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code: H.R. 7324, to make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code; **Pages H6219–34**

Making technical amendments to title 49, United States Code, as necessary to improve the Code: H.R. 7341, to make technical amendments to title 49, United States Code, as necessary to improve the Code; **Pages H6234–35**

Making revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code: H.R. 7339, to make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code; **Pages H6235–51**

Making improvements in the enactment of title 54, United States Code, into a positive law title and to correct related technical errors: H.R. 7316, to make improvements in the enactment of title 54, United States Code, into a positive law title and to correct related technical errors; **Pages H6251–55**

Amending chapters 4, 10, and 131 of title 5, United States Code, as necessary to keep those chapters current and to correct related technical errors: H.R. 7326, to amend chapters 4, 10, and 131 of title 5, United States Code, as necessary to keep those chapters current and to correct related technical errors; **Pages H6255–65**

Colorado River Salinity Control Fix Act: H.R. 7872, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to modify certain requirements applicable to salinity control units; **Pages H6265–67**

Recognizing the Importance of Critical Minerals in Healthcare Act: H.R. 6395, to amend the Energy Act of 2020 to require the Secretary of the Interior

to include the Secretary of Health and Human Services in consultations regarding designations of critical minerals, elements, substances, and materials;

Pages H6267–68

Fisbery Improvement to Streamline untimely regulatory Hurdles post Emergency Situation Act: H.R. 5103, amended, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to approve or deny spend plans within a certain amount of time;

Pages H6268–69

Utah State Parks Adjustment Act: H.R. 7332, amended, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain Federal land to the State of Utah for inclusion in certain State parks;

Pages H6269–70

Designating the visitor and education center at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine as the Paul S. Sarbanes Visitor and Education Center: H.R. 6826, to designate the visitor and education center at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine as the Paul S. Sarbanes Visitor and Education Center;

Pages H6270–73

America's Conservation Enhancement Reauthorization Act of 2024: S. 3791, amended, to reauthorize the America's Conservation Enhancement Act, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 366 yeas to 21 nays, Roll No. 479; and

Pages H6273–76, H6280

Expanding the boundaries of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area to include Lafourche Parish, Louisiana: H.R. 6843, to expand the boundaries of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area to include Lafourche Parish, Louisiana.

Pages H6278–79

Recess: The House recessed at 5:19 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

Pages H6279–80

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Cohen announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Lahaina National Heritage Area Study Act: H.R. 8219, amended, to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Lahaina National Heritage Area; and

Pages H6276–78

Maurice D. Hinchey Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area Enhancement Act: H.R. 390, to amend the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area Act of 1996 (Public Law 104–333; 54 U.S.C. 320101 note) to include all of Saratoga and Washington Counties in the boundaries of the Hudson River Valley National Heritage Area.

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Senate Referrals: S. 3746 was held at the desk. S. 4305 was held at the desk.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H6279.

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on page H6280.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

CRUCIAL COMMUNISM TEACHING ACT; PROVE IT ACT OF 2024

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 5349, the “Crucial Communism Teaching Act”; and H.R. 7198, the “Prove It Act of 2024”. The Committee granted, by a record vote of 9–2, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 5349, the “Crucial Communism Teaching Act”, and H.R. 7198, the “Prove It Act of 2024”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 5349, the “Crucial Communism Teaching Act”, under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce or their respective designees. The rule makes in order only the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part A of the Rules Committee report. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 7198, the “Prove It Act of 2024”, under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as

amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees. The rule makes in order only the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Foxx, and Representatives Scott of Virginia, Hageman, and Johnson of Georgia.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1082)

H.R. 1505, to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names. Signed on December 1, 2024. (Public Law 118–137)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine new revelations about airline fees, 10 a.m., SD–342.

House

Committee on Education and Workforce, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Back to Basics: America’s Founding, Civics, and Self-Government in K–12 Curricula”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Innovation Revolution: How Technology is Shaping the Future of Finance”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Immigration Integrity, Security, and Enforcement, hearing entitled “Oversight of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services”, 10:15 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Accountability, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic, business meeting on Report on “After Action Review of the COVID–19 Pandemic: The Lessons Learned and a Path Forward”, 10:30 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs, hearing entitled “Exposing the Truth on LNG: How the Administration Played Politics with America’s Energy Future”, 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.
The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through November 30, 2024

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	157	150	..
Time in session	699 hrs., 15'	528 hrs., 14'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	6,741	6,207	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	1,200	..
Public bills enacted into law	46	56	102
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	419	531	950
Senate bills	97	49	..
House bills	63	381	..
Senate joint resolutions	3	1	..
House joint resolutions	2	4	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	8	6	..
House concurrent resolutions	11	14	..
Simple resolutions	235	76	..
Measures reported, total	* 298	438	736
Senate bills	242	1	..
House bills	51	394	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	11	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	2	..
Simple resolutions	4	30	..
Special reports	8	9	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	486	174	..
Measures introduced, total	2,330	4,184	6,514
Bills	1,846	3,355	..
Joint resolutions	65	120	..
Concurrent resolutions	19	52	..
Simple resolutions	400	657	..
Quorum calls	6	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	303	289	..
Recorded votes .....	..	188	..
Bills vetoed	1	2	..
Vetoed overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through November 30, 2024

Civilian nominees, totaling 377 (including 95 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	151
Unconfirmed	216
Withdrawn	10
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 2,398 (including 745 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	800
Unconfirmed	1,518
Withdrawn	80
Air Force nominees, totaling 5,818 (including 111 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,208
Unconfirmed	610
Army nominees, totaling 6,640 (including 1,906 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	6,509
Unconfirmed	131
Navy nominees, totaling 5,352 (including 7 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	5,220
Unconfirmed	132
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 1,498 (including 6 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,482
Unconfirmed	16
Space Force nominees, totaling 448 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	445
Unconfirmed	3
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominees carried over from the First Session	2,872
Total nominees received this Session	19,659
Total confirmed	19,815
Total unconfirmed	2,626
Total withdrawn	90
Total returned to the White House	0

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 101 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 447 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Wednesday, December 4

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Anthony J. Brindisi, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 11:45 a.m.

Additional roll call votes are possible during Wednesday's session.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, December 4

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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