

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S809–S836*

**Measures Introduced:** Forty-seven bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 829–875, and S. Res. 114–115. **Pages S825–26**

**Measures Considered:**

**Authorizations for use of Military Force Against Iraq Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 316, to repeal the authorizations for use of military force against Iraq. **Page S815**

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

By 68 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. 61), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S815**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Tuesday, March 21, 2023, Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture; and that the post-cloture debate time on the motion to proceed be considered expired at 5:30 p.m. **Pages S835–36**

**Appointments:**

**United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control:** The Chair, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 99–93, as amended by Public Law 99–151, appointed the following Senators as members of the United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Senators Whitehouse (Chairman), Blumenthal, Hassan, and Luján. **Page S835**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 48 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 62), Jessica G. L. Clarke, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Pages S809–15, S815–21**

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

By 49 yeas to 45 nays (Vote No. EX. 60), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S809–15**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S824**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Page S824**

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**Record Votes:** Three record votes were taken today. (Total—62) **Pages S814–15, S818–19**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:34 p.m., until 8:45 a.m. on Friday, March 17, 2023. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S836.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### USDA OVERSIGHT

**Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:** Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Department of Agriculture, after receiving testimony from Tom Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture.

#### USCENTCOM AND USAFRICOM POSTURE

**Committee on Armed Services:** Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the posture of United States Central Command and United States Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2024 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from General Michael Kurilla, USA, Commander, United States Central Command, and General Michael E. Langley, USMC, Commander, United States

Africa Command, both of the Department of Defense.

### **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine local views on public transportation, transit infrastructure and operations, and Federal transit programs, including S. 576, to enhance safety requirements for trains transporting hazardous materials, after receiving testimony from India L. Birdsong Terry, Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority, Cleveland, Ohio; James C. Keel, Greenville Transit Authority, Greenville, South Carolina; and Michael McMillan, Amalgamated Transit Union Local 1300, Baltimore, Maryland.

### **STRENGTHENING THE AVIATION WORKFORCE**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine strengthening the aviation workforce, after receiving testimony from Constance von Muehlen, Alaska Airlines, SeaTac, Washington; Rebecca Lutte, University of Nebraska Aviation Institute, Omaha, on behalf of the Women in Aviation Advisory Board; Jason Ambrosi, Air Line Pilots Association, International, and Raman Ramanathan, Ernst and Young LLP,

both of McLean, Virginia; David Spero, Professional Aviation Safety Specialists, Washington, D.C.; and Sheree Utash, Wichita State University Campus of Applied Sciences and Technology, Wichita, Kansas.

### **ORIGINS OF COVID-19**

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee received a closed briefing on the assessment of the origins of COVID-19 from officials of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the Department of Energy.

### **BUDGET**

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2024, after receiving testimony from Janet L. Yellen, Secretary of the Treasury.

### **HEALTHCARE SECTOR CYBERSECURITY**

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the cybersecurity risks to the healthcare sector, after receiving testimony from Scott Dresen, Corewell Health, Grand Rapids, Michigan; Katherine Pierce, Fortified Health Security, Franklin, Tennessee; Greg Garcia, Healthcare and Public Health Sector Coordinating Council, Washington, D.C.; and Stirling Martin, Epic, Verona, Wisconsin.

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# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 17, 2023.

## *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

## *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

8:45 a.m., Friday, March 17

Senate Chamber

Program for Friday: Senate will meet in pro forma session.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

11 a.m., Friday, March 17

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11 a.m.



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