

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate passed H.R. 3746, Fiscal Responsibility Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1857–S1959

Measures Introduced: Nineteen bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1786–1804, and S. Res. 231–236. **Pages S1898–99**

Measures Passed:

Waivers and Modifications of Federal Student Loans: By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. 135), Senate passed H.J. Res. 45, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Department of Education relating to “Waivers and Modifications of Federal Student Loans”. **Pages S1857–68**

Fiscal Responsibility Act: By 63 yeas to 36 nays (Vote No. 146), Senate passed H.R. 3746, to provide for a responsible increase to the debt ceiling, by the order of the Senate of Thursday, June 1, 2023, 60 Senators having voted in the affirmative, and after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S1868–92**

Rejected:

By 21 yeas to 75 nays (Vote No. 136), Paul Amendment No. 107, in the nature of a substitute. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Page S1883**

By 35 yeas to 62 nays (Vote No. 137), Braun Amendment No. 91, to rescind discretionary appropriations in the event of a debt ceiling crisis period and to honor the full faith and credit of the debts of the United States in the event of a debt ceiling crisis. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S1884–85**

By 46 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 138), Marshall Amendment No. 110, to secure the borders of the

United States. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.)

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By 49 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 139), Sullivan Amendment No. 125, to provide adequate funding for defense and increase the rescission of funding for the Internal Revenue Service. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S1885–86**

By 17 yeas to 81 nays (Vote No. 140), Hawley Amendment No. 93, to require the imposition of additional duties with respect to articles imported from the People’s Republic of China until trade between the United States and the People’s Republic of China comes into balance. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S1886–87**

By 46 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 141), Kennedy Amendment No. 104, to remove the sunset on modification of work requirement exemptions. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Page S1887**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 142), Cotton Amendment No. 106, to provide appropriate adjustments to the discretionary spending limits, in the event of funding under a continuing resolution. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Page S1888**

By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 143), Budd Amendment No. 134, to rescind unnecessary coronavirus funds. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Page S1889**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 144), Lee Amendment No. 98, to strike the waiver authority for Administrative PAYGO. **Pages S1889–90**

By 30 yeas to 69 nays (Vote No. 145), Kaine Amendment No. 101, to strike a provision relating to expediting completion of the Mountain Valley Pipeline. **Page S1890**

Kennedy Amendment No. 102, to require up-to-date employment data for waivers of work requirements. **Pages S1890–91**

DIPG Pediatric Brain Cancer Awareness Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 232, expressing support for the designation of May 17, 2023, as “DIPG Pediatric Brain Cancer Awareness Day” to raise awareness of, and encourage research on, diffuse intrinsic pontine glioma tumors and pediatric cancers in general. **Page S1959**

Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 233, expressing support for the designation of May 2023 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month. **Page S1959**

Older Americans Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 234, designating May 2023 as “Older Americans Month”. **Page S1959**

Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week and Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 235, supporting the designation of the week of May 7, 2023, as “Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week” and May 11, 2023, as “Children’s Mental Health Awareness Day”. **Page S1959**

Signing Authority—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senator Duckworth, Senator Schatz, and Senator Van Hollen be authorized to sign duly enrolled bills or joint resolutions from June 1, 2023, through June 5, 2023. **Page S1959**

Crane Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of David Crane, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary of Energy. **Page S1892**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, June 1, 2023, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, June 6, 2023. **Page S1893**

Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S1892**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Tuesday, June 6, 2023, Senate resume consideration of the nomination; and that the motions to invoke cloture

filed during the session of Thursday, June 1, 2023, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Tuesday, June 6, 2023. **Page S1959**

Ho Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Dale E. Ho, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Page S1893**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of David Crane, of New Jersey, to be Under Secretary of Energy. **Page S1893**

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S1893**

Syed Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Dilawar Syed, of California, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration. **Page S1893**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Dale E. Ho, of New York, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York. **Page S1893**

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Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Sean Patrick Maloney, of New York, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador. **Page S1959**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet: Page S1959

Privileges of the Floor: Page S1959

Record Votes: Twelve record votes were taken today. (Total—146) Pages S1867–68, S1883–90, S1892

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 11:25 p.m., until 10:15 a.m. on Friday, June 2, 2023. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S1959.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2024 for the National Guard and Reserve, after receiving testimony from General Daniel R. Hokanson, Chief, National Guard Bureau, Lieutenant General Jody J. Daniels, 34th Chief of Army Reserve and 9th Commanding General, Army Reserve Command, Vice Admiral John B. Mustin, USN, Chief of Navy Reserve, Lieutenant General David G. Bellon, Marine Corps Reserve, and Lieutenant General John P. Healy, Chief of Air Force Reserve, all of the Department of Defense.

ELECTRIC SERVICE RELIABILITY

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the reliability and resiliency of electric service in the United States in light of recent reliability assessments and alerts, after receiving testimony from James B. Robb, North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Washington, D.C.; Manu Asthana, PJM Interconnection, Southeastern, Pennsylvania; Melissa C. Lott, Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs Center on Global Energy Policy, New York, New York; and David J. Tudor, Associated Electric Cooperative Inc., Springfield, Missouri.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

The Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Chile for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed in Washington on February 4, 2010, with a Protocol signed the same day, as corrected by exchanges of notes effected February 25, 2011, and February 10 and 21, 2012, and a related agreement effected by exchange of notes (the “related Agreement”) on February 4, 2010 (Treaty Doc. 112–08); and

The nominations of Stephanie Syptak-Ramnath, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Peru, Yael Lempert, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Arthur W. Brown, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Ecuador, Roger F. Nyhus, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Barbados, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Antigua and Barbuda, the Commonwealth of Dominica, Grenada, and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, William W. Popp, of Missouri, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, Julie Turner, of Maryland, to be Special Envoy on North Korean Human Rights Issues, with the rank of Ambassador, Ervin Jose Massinga, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, Ana A. Escrogima, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Sultanate of Oman, and Lisa A. Johnson, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Lebanese Republic, all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 474, to amend title 18, United States Code, to strengthen reporting to the CyberTipline related to online sexual exploitation of children, to modernize liabilities for such reports, to preserve the contents of such reports for 1 year, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nomination of Shannon R. Saylor, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Virginia, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 12 public bills, H.R. 3781–3792; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 461–462 were introduced. **Page H2712**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H2713**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 288, to amend title 5, United States Code, to clarify the nature of judicial review of agency interpretations of statutory and regulatory provisions, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–83);

H.R. 277, to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–84, Part 1);

H.R. 1615, to prohibit the use of Federal funds to ban gas stoves (H. Rept. 118–85); and

H.R. 1640, to prohibit the Secretary of Energy from finalizing, implementing, or enforcing the proposed rule titled “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Conventional Cooking Products”, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–86). **Page H2712**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Chavez-DeRemer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2711**

Whole Number of the House: The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from Rhode Island, Mr. Cicilline, the whole number of the House is 434. **Page H2711**

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 2, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

FIRST 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 May 31, 2023

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session	74	76	..
Time in session	331 hrs, 31'	287 hrs, 18'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	1,855	2,710	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	510	..
Public bills enacted into law	30	2	..
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	135	140	275
Senate bills	15	2	..
House bills	1	68	..
Senate joint resolutions	5	1	..
House joint resolutions	6	8	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	4	9	..
Simple resolutions	104	52	..
Measures reported, total	*71	81	152
Senate bills	46	..	..
House bills .....	..	54	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	5	..
Senate concurrent resolutions	1	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	5	..
Simple resolutions	24	17	..
Special reports	10	1	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	71	36	..
Measures introduced, total	2,051	4,343	6,394
Bills	1,780	3,767	..
Joint resolutions	30	66	..
Concurrent resolutions	11	50	..
Simple resolutions	230	460	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	134	120	..
Recorded votes .....	..	123	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	4	..
Vetoes overridden .....	..	..	..

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through May 31, 2023

Civilian nominees, totaling 266, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	56
Unconfirmed	205
Withdrawn	5
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 958, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	780
Unconfirmed	178
Air Force nominees, totaling 2,692, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,295
Unconfirmed	1,397
Army nominees, totaling 5,708, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4,176
Unconfirmed	1,532
Navy nominees, totaling 1,767, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	98
Unconfirmed	1,669
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 1,094, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,075
Unconfirmed	19
Space Force nominees, totaling 360, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	359
Unconfirmed	1
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominees carried over from the First Session	0
Total nominees received this Session	12,845
Total confirmed	7,839
Total unconfirmed	5,001
Total withdrawn	5
Total returned to the White House	0

*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 37 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 82 reports have been filed in the House.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10:15 a.m., Friday, June 2

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Monday, June 5

Senate Chamber

House Chamber

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

Program for Monday: To be announced.

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