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## House of Representatives

The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WOMACK).

### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,  
January 3, 2025.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STEVE WOMACK to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the maker of Heaven and Earth. You, O God, made the Moon to mark the seasons, and the Sun knows the time of its setting.

Now, as this 118th Congress sets down its last gavel and the journals are sealed and archived, we give You thanks, that in Your eternal mercy, You have allowed Your goodness to pass over us and privileged us to call on Your name for the strength we have needed to sustain us in these years. You have been exceedingly gracious to us and have shown us Your steadfast loving-kindness time and again.

Grant, then, that all who have labored in this vineyard and who gave of their countless hours and unwavering energy would receive Your own well done: the silent champions of the Clerk's Office, the stalwart sentries of the Sergeant at Arms staff and the Capitol Police, the anonymous artisans and authors, and the unheralded men and women whose patient dedication to the people's House has kept the lamp lighted and the Nation's business principled and proper.

Receive, O Lord, the work of our hands and grant us the reward of Your blessing on the legacy of this 118th Congress.

In Your eternal name, we pray.  
Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. JACKSON), the whole number of the House is 429.

### RESIGNATION FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following resignation from the House of Representatives:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 1, 2025.

Hon. MIKE JOHNSON,  
*Speaker, House of Representatives,*  
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER JOHNSON: As I prepare to be sworn-in as Governor of Puerto Rico, I hereby make official my resignation from the

U.S. House of Representatives, effective 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 1, 2025. Enclosed is the letter I transmitted to Governor Pedro R. Pierluisi of Puerto Rico.

It has been an honor to represent the people of Puerto Rico in Congress for the past eight years. It has also been a privilege to serve with you and our colleagues in the House during this time. I look forward to continuing working together in my new role as Governor.

Sincerely,  
JENNIFFER GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN,  
*Member of Congress.*

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, January 1, 2025.

Hon. PEDRO R. PIERLUISI,  
*Governor of Puerto Rico,*  
San Juan, PR.

DEAR GOVERNOR PIERLUISI: As I prepare to be sworn-in as the next Governor of Puerto Rico, I hereby submit my resignation as Resident Commissioner effective 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 1, 2025.

It has been an honor and privilege to represent Puerto Rico in Congress for the past eight years. I am proud of the work and accomplishments my office and I were able to achieve during this time, including securing historic amounts of federal funding to assist with the Island's recovery process, leading negotiations to avert the Medicaid Cliff that would have threatened health care access for 1.5 million people, introducing legislation to provide our 3.2 million American citizens equal treatment under multiple federal laws and programs, and advancing efforts to resolve our political status dilemma.

It will always be grateful to the people of Puerto Rico for entrusting me to serve them in Congress and for now providing me the opportunity to continue working on their behalf as Governor.

Sincerely,  
JENNIFFER GONZÁLEZ-COLÓN,  
*Member of Congress.*

### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 3 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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## AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 11 o'clock and 55 minutes a.m.

## HOUSE BILLS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates he had approved and signed bills of the following titles:

October 1, 2024:

H.R. 9106. An Act to direct the Director of the United States Secret Service to apply the same standards for determining the number of agents required to protect Presidents, Vice Presidents, and major Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates, and for other purposes.

October 4, 2024:

H.R. 6513. An Act to amend the Help America Vote Act of 2002 to confirm the requirement that States allow access to designated congressional election observers to observe the election administration procedures in congressional elections.

November 21, 2024:

H.R. 7189. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize a national congenital heart disease research, surveillance, and awareness program, and for other purposes.

November 25, 2024:

H.R. 599. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3500 West 6th Street, Suite 103 in Los Angeles, California as the "Dosan Ahn Chang Ho Post Office".

H.R. 807. An Act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the invaluable service that working dogs provide to society.

H.R. 1060. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1663 East Date Place in San Bernardino, California, as the "Dr. Margaret B. Hill Post Office Building".

H.R. 1098. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 50 East Derry Road in East Derry, New Hampshire, as the "Chief Edward B. Garone Post Office".

H.R. 3608. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 28081 Marguerite Parkway in Mission Viejo, California as the "Major Megan McClung Post Office Building".

H.R. 3728. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 Dorchester Avenue Room 1, in Boston, Massachusetts, as the "Caroline Chang Post Office".

H.R. 4190. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to repay the estates of deceased beneficiaries for certain benefits paid by the Secretary and misused by fiduciaries of such beneficiaries.

H.R. 5464. An Act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Guntersville, Alabama, as the "Colonel Ola Lee Mize Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic".

H.R. 5476. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1077 River Road, Suite 1, in Washington Crossing, Pennsylvania, as the "Susan C. Barnhart Post Office".

H.R. 5490. An Act to amend the Coastal Barrier Resources Act to expand the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5640. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located

at 12804 Chillicothe Road in Chesterland, Ohio, as the "Sgt. Wolfgang Kyle Weninger Post Office Building".

H.R. 5712. An Act, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 Fremont Street in Kiel, Wisconsin, as the "Trooper Trevor J. Casper Post Office Building".

H.R. 5861. An Act to extend reemployment services and eligibility assessments to all claimants for unemployment benefits, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5985. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 517 Seagaze Drive in Oceanside, California, as the "Charlesetta Reece Allen Post Office Building".

H.R. 6073. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9925 Bustleton Avenue in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, as the "Sergeant Christopher David Fitzgerald Post Office Building".

H.R. 6249. An Act to provide for a review and report on the assistance and resources that the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency provides to individuals with disabilities and the families of such individuals that are impacted by major disasters, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6324. An Act to authorize major medical facility projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2024 and for other purposes.

H.R. 6651. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 603 West 3rd Street in Necedah, Wisconsin, as the "Sergeant Kenneth E. Murphy Post Office Building".

H.R. 7192. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 333 West Broadway in Anaheim, California, as the "Dr. William I. 'Bill' Mott Post Office Building".

H.R. 7199. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at S74w16860 Janesville Road, in Muskego, Wisconsin, as the "Colonel Hans Christian Heg Post Office".

H.R. 7333. An Act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs medical center in West Palm Beach, Florida as the "Thomas H. Corey VA Medical Center".

H.R. 7423. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 103 Benedette Street in Rayville, Louisiana, as the "Luke Letlow Post Office Building".

H.R. 7777. An Act to increase, effective as of December 1, 2024, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes.

December 1, 2024:

H.R. 1505. An Act to modify the prohibition on recognition by United States courts of certain rights relating to certain marks, trade names, or commercial names.

December 11, 2024:

H.R. 2950. An Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5302. An Act to designate the Air and Marine Operations Marine Unit of the U.S. Customs and Border Protection located at 101 Km 18.5 in Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico, as the "Michel O. Maceda Marine Unit".

H.R. 5536. An Act to require transparency in notices of funding opportunity, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5799. An Act to designate the check-point of the United States Border Patrol lo-

cated on United States Highway 90 West in Uvalde County, Texas, as the "James R. Dominguez Border Patrol Checkpoint".

H.R. 7218. An Act to amend title III of the Public Health Service Act to extend the program for promotion of public health knowledge and awareness of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7438. An Act to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the FIFA World Cup 2026, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7764. An Act to establish a commission to study the potential transfer of the Weitzman National Museum of American Jewish History to the Smithsonian Institution, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8932. An Act to establish an earlier application processing cycle for the FAFSA.

December 12, 2024:

H.R. 1432. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the deductibility of charitable contributions to certain organizations for members of the Armed Forces.

H.R. 3821. An Act to reauthorize the Firefighter Cancer Registry Act of 2018.

H.R. 5863. An Act to provide tax relief with respect to certain Federal disasters.

December 21, 2024:

H.R. 10545. An Act making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2025, and for other purposes.

December 23, 2024:

H.R. 663. An Act to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act.

H.R. 1097. An Act to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Everett Alvarez, Jr., in recognition of his service to the Nation.

H.R. 1607. An Act to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1727. An Act to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission.

H.R. 2468. An Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Utah certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3254. An Act to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a process to review applications for certain grants to purchase equipment or systems that do not meet or exceed any applicable national voluntary consensus standards, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3324. An Act to extend the authority to collect Shasta-Trinity Marina fees through fiscal year 2029.

H.R. 3797. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an alternative manner of furnishing certain health insurance coverage statements to individuals.

H.R. 3801. An Act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to streamline and improve the employer reporting process relating to health insurance coverage and to protect dependent privacy.

H.R. 4094. An Act to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to authorize expenditures for the conduct of certain water conservation measures in the Great Salt Lake basin, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4385. An Act to extend authorization of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991.

H.R. 4467. An Act to direct the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to assess contracts for covered services performed by contractor

personnel along the United States land border with Mexico, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5009. An Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2025 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5301. An Act to amend title 31, United States Code, to require agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements in annual budget justifications, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5646. An Act to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to disclose hazing incidents, and for other purposes.

H.R. 5770. An Act to reauthorize certain United States Geological Survey water data enhancement programs.

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

H.R. 6829. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation and dissemination of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources to identify more at-risk families, to authorize research and surveillance activities relating to cardiomyopathy, and for other purposes.

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

H.R. 6960. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children program.

H.R. 7177. An Act to amend title 28, United States Code, to consolidate certain divisions in the Northern District of Alabama.

H.R. 7213. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance and reauthorize activities and programs relating to autism spectrum disorder, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7332. An Act 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, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7524. An Act to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the submission of reports on certain information technology services funds to Congress before expenditures may be made, and for other purposes.

H.R. 7872. An Act to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to modify certain requirements applicable to salinity control units and for other purposes.

H.R. 8219. An Act 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 for other purposes.

H.R. 8413. An Act to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land at Swanson Reservoir and Hugh Butler Reservoir in the State of Nebraska, and for other purposes.

H.R. 8663. An Act to require the Science and Technology Directorate in the Department of Homeland Security to develop greater capacity to detect, identify, and disrupt illicit substances in very low concentrations.

H.R. 9566. An Act to require government-wide source code sharing, and for other purposes.

January 2, 2025:

H.R. 1555. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2300 Sylvan Avenue in Modesto, California, as the "Corporal Michael D. Anderson Jr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 1823. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located

at 207 East Port Dade Avenue in Brooksville, Florida, as the "Specialist Justin Dean Coleman Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 3354. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 220 North Hatcher Avenue in Purcellville, Virginia, as the "Secretary of State Madeline Albright Post Office Building".

H.R. 4136. An Act to name the Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic in Plano, Texas, as the "U.S. Congressman Sam Johnson Memorial VA Clinic".

H.R. 4955. An Act to name the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Monroeville, Pennsylvania, as the "Henry Parham VA Clinic".

H.R. 5867. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 109 Live Oaks Boulevard in Casselberry, Florida, as the "Colonel Joseph William Kittinger II Post Office Building".

H.R. 6116. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 19280 South Military Trail in Delray Beach, Florida, as the "Benjamin Berell Ferencz Post Office Building".

H.R. 6162. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 379 North Oates Street in Dothan, Alabama, as the "LaBruce 'Bruce' Tidwell Post Office Building".

H.R. 6188. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 420 Highway 17 North in Surfside Beach, South Carolina, as the "Nancy Yount Childs Post Office Building".

H.R. 6244. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1535 East Los Ebanos Boulevard in Brownsville, Texas, as the "1st Lieutenant Andres Zermeno Post Office Building".

H.R. 6633. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9355 113th Street in Seminole, Florida, as the "Army SSG Ryan Christian Knauss Memorial Post Office Building".

H.R. 6750. Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 501 Mercer Street Southwest in Wilson, North Carolina, as the "Milton F. Fitch, Sr. Post Office Building".

H.R. 6810. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 518 North Ridgewood Drive in Sebring, Florida, as the "U.S. Army Air Corps Major Thomas B. McGuire Post Office Building".

H.R. 6983. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 15 South Valdosta Road in Lakeland, Georgia, as the "Nell Patten Roquemore Post Office".

#### SENATE BILLS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDENT

The President notified the Clerk of the House that on the following dates he had approved and signed bills of the Senate of the following titles:

October 1, 2024:

S. 133. An Act to extend the National Alzheimer's Project.

S. 134. An Act to require an annual budget estimate for the initiatives of the National Institutes of Health pursuant to reports and recommendations made under the National Alzheimer's Project Act.

S. 612. An Act to reauthorize the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act, and for other purposes.

S. 656. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to revise the rules for approval by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of commercial driver education programs for purposes of veterans educational assistance, and for other purposes.

S. 670. An Act to improve services for trafficking victims by establishing, in Homeland Security Investigations, the Investigators Maintain Purposeful Awareness to Combat Trafficking Trauma Program and the Victim Assistance Program.

S. 679. An Act to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to require Federal agencies to submit to the Comptroller General of the United States a report on rules that are revoked, suspended, replaced, amended, or otherwise made ineffective.

S. 794. An Act to require a pilot program on the participation of non-asset-based third-party logistics providers in the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism.

S. 2685. An Act to make data and internal guidance on excess personal property publicly available, and for other purposes.

S. 3639. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2075 West Stadium Boulevard in Ann Arbor, Michigan, as the "Robert Hayden Post Office".

S. 3640. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 155 South Main Street in Mount Clemens, Michigan, as the "Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Jefferson Post Office".

S. 3851. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 90 McCamy Street South in Battle Creek, Michigan, as the "Sojourner Truth Post Office".

S. 4698. An Act to authorize the Joint Task Forces of the Department of Homeland Security and for other purposes.

October 2, 2024:

S. 1549. An Act to provide the Congressional Budget Office with necessary authorities to expedite the sharing of data from executive branch agencies and for other purposes.

S. 2228. An Act to amend the William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021 to clarify the scope of a major Federal action under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 with respect to certain projects relating to the production of semiconductors, and for other purposes.

November 25, 2024:

S. 1510. An Act to amend provisions relating to the Office of the Inspector General of the Government Accountability Office, and for other purposes.

S. 2143. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 320 South 2nd Avenue in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, as the "Staff Sergeant Robb Lura Roling Post Office Building".

S. 2274. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 112 Wyoming Street in Shoshoni, Wyoming, as the "Dessie A. Bebout Post Office".

S. 3126. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish or replace a headstone, marker, or medallion for the grave of an eligible Medal of Honor recipient regardless of the recipient's dates of service in the Armed Forces, and for other purposes.

S. 3267. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 410 Dakota Avenue South in Huron, South Dakota, as the "First Lieutenant Thomas Michael Martin Post Office Building".

S. 3419. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1765 Camp Hill Bypass in Camp Hill, Pennsylvania, as the "John Charles Traub Post Office".

December 12, 2024:

S. 91. An Act to award a Congressional Gold Medal collectively to 60 diplomats, in recognition of their bravery and heroism during the Holocaust.

S. 4243. An Act to award posthumously the Congressional Gold Medal to Shirley Chisholm.

December 17, 2024:

S. 50. An Act to amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to give priority consideration to selecting Pensacola and Perdido Bays as an estuary of national significance, and for other purposes.

S. 310. An Act to establish an advisory group to encourage and foster collaborative efforts among individuals and entities engaged in disaster recovery relating to debris removal, and for other purposes.

S. 1478. An Act to designate United States Route 20 in the States of Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, and Massachusetts as the "National Medal of Honor Highway", and for other purposes.

S. 2781. An Act to promote remediation of abandoned hardrock mines, and for other purposes.

S. 3475. An Act to amend title 49 United States Code to allow the Secretary of Transportation to designate an authorized operator of the commercial driver's license information system and for other purposes.

S. 3613. An Act to require Facility Security Committees to respond to security recommendations issued by the Federal Protective Service relating to facility security, and for other purposes.

S. 3960. An Act to amend title 35, United States Code, to provide a good faith exception to the imposition of fines for false assertions and certifications, and for other purposes.

December 23, 2024:

S. 59. An Act to implement merit-based reforms to the civil service hiring system that replace degree-based hiring with skills- and competency based hiring.

S. 223. An Act to amend the Controlled Substances Act to fix a technical error in the definitions.

S. 709. An Act to improve performance and accountability in the Federal Government and for other purposes.

S. 759. An Act to authorize the National Detector Dog Training Center, and for other purposes.

S. 932. An Act to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the halt in pension payments for Members of Congress sentenced for certain offenses, and for other purposes.

S. 1147. An Act to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to provide for grants in support of training and education to teachers and other school employees, students, and the community about how to prevent, recognize, respond to, and report child sexual abuse among primary and secondary school students.

S. 1351. An Act to study and prevent child abuse in youth residential programs, and for other purposes.

S. 2414. An Act to require agencies with working dog programs to implement the recommendations of the Government Accountability Office relating to the health and welfare of working dogs, and for other purposes.

S. 2513. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes.

S. 3448. An Act to reauthorize the Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum to support Holocaust education programs, and for other purposes.

S. 3791. An Act to reauthorize the America's Conservation Enhancement Act, and for other purposes.

S. 3857. An Act to take certain land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Jamul Indian Village of California, and for other purposes.

S. 3938. An Act to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Depart-

ment of Veterans Affairs in Lynchburg, Virginia, as the "Private First Class Desmond T. Doss VA Clinic".

S. 3946. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1106 Main Street in Bastrop, Texas, as the "Sergeant Major Billy D. Waugh Post Office".

S. 3959. An Act to require the Transportation Security Administration to streamline the enrollment processes for individuals applying for a Transportation Security Administration security threat assessment for certain programs, including the Transportation Worker Identification Credential and Hazardous Materials Endorsement Threat Assessment programs of the Administration, and for other purposes.

S. 3998. An Act to provide for the permanent appointment of certain temporary district judgeships.

S. 4077. An Act to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 180 Steuart Street in San Francisco, California, as the "Dianne Feinstein Post Office".

S. 4107. An Act 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.

S. 4610. An Act to amend title 36, United States Code, to designate the bald eagle as the national bird.

S. 4716. An Act to amend section 7504 of title 31, United States Code, to improve the single audit requirements.

S. 5314. An Act to designate the medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the James Mountain Inhofe VA Medical Center.

S. 5355. An Act 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.

January 2, 2025:

S. 141. In Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve certain programs of the Department of Veterans Affairs for home and community based services for veterans, and for other purposes.

#### SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER. Pursuant to the 20th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, the Chair declares the Second Session of the 118th Congress adjourned sine die.

Thereupon (at 11 o'clock and 57 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

EC-6623. A letter from the Program Analyst, Policy Office, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Law Enforcement; Criminal Prohibitions (RIN: 0596-AD57) received December 4, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-6624. A letter from the Program Analyst, Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Watermelon Research and Promotion Plan; Increased Assessment Rate [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-24-0020] received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-6625. A letter from the Program Analyst, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Payment of Indemnity and Compensation for Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza [Docket No.: APHIS-2023-0088] (RIN: 0579-AE79) received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-6626. A letter from the Program Analyst, National Organic Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — National Organic Program; Market Development for Mushrooms and Pet Food [Doc. No.: AMS-NOP-22-0063] (RIN: 0581-AE13) received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-6627. A letter from the Program Analyst, Specialty Crops Program, Agricultural Marketing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Section 8e Import Inspection Fee Structure [Doc. No.: AMS-SC-23-0009] (RIN: 0581-AE32) received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-6628. A letter from the Program Analyst, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Agricultural Bioterrorism Protection Act of 2002; Biennial Review and Republication of the Select Agent and Toxin List [Docket No.: APHIS-2019-0018] (RIN: 0579-AE52) received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Agriculture.

EC-6629. A letter from the Program Analyst, Rural Development — Rural Housing Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting the Department's final rule — Revisions to the Smoke Alarm Requirements in the Section 515 Rural Rental Housing and Section 514/516 Farm Labor Housing Direct Loan Programs [Docket No.: RHS-24-MFH-0035] (RIN: 0575-AD35) received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-6630. A letter from the Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Office of Policy Development and Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, transmitting the Department's final rule — Adoption of 2020 Core Based Statistical Area Standards [Docket No.: FR-6464-F-02] (RIN: 2501-AE11) received December 17, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Financial Services.

EC-6631. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation, and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Walk-In Coolers and Walk-In Freezers [EERE-2017-BT-STD-0009] (RIN: 1904-AD79) received December 30, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-6632. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation, Regulation, and Energy Efficiency, Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's Major final rule — Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Gas-fired Instantaneous Water Heaters [EERE-2017-BT-STD-0019] (RIN: 1904-AF65) received December 30, 2024, pursuant

to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

EC-6633. A letter from the Executive Assistant, Washington Support Office, National Park Service, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area; Bicycling [NPS-CHAT-DTS0039013; Docket No.: NPS-2024-0003; PPSSEGUIS00 PPMPSAS1Z.Y00000] (RIN: 1024-AE80) received December 27, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-6634. A letter from the Management Analyst, Office of International Affairs, Trade, and Commerce, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Inspection and Certification of Establishments, Fishery Products, and Other Marine Ingredients [241206-0315] (RIN: 0648-BH37) received December 7, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

EC-6635. A letter from the Assistant General Counsel/Rules Administrator, Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's final rule — Inmate Legal Activities: Visits by Attorneys [BOP-1175-F] (RIN: 1120-AB75) received January 2, 2025, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-6636. A letter from the Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's fourteen legislative proposals that would build on the protections Servicemembers Civil Relief Act as provided for servicemembers and their families; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-6637. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, Office of Child Support Services, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Name Change From Office of Child Support Enforcement to Office of Child Support Services (RIN: 0970-AD06) received December 31, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6638. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a letter to appraise Congress of certain upcoming events and actions related to the statutory debt limit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6639. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Gross Proceeds Reporting by Brokers That Regularly Provide Services Effectuating Digital Asset Sales [TD 10021] (RIN: 1545-BR39) received December 31, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6640. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Revising Consolidated Return Regulations and Controlled Group of Corporations Regulations to Reflect Statutory Changes, Modernize Language, and Enhance Clarity [TD 10018] (RIN: 1545-BJ87) received December 31, 2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

EC-6641. A letter from the Federal Register Liaison, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final regulations — Reissuance of State or Local Bonds [TD 10020] (RIN: 1545-BI22) received December 31,

2024, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); Public Law 104-121, Sec. 251; (110 Stat. 868); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

[Submitted on January 1, 2025]

Mr. STEIL: Committee on House Administration. The Report on the Activities of the Committee on House Administration During the 118th Congress (Rept. 118-964). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 2, 2025]

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington: Committee on Energy and Commerce. Activity Report of the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (Rept. 118-965). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. COLE: Committee on Appropriations. Committee on Appropriations Annual Report of Committee Activities One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (Rept. 118-966). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GREEN of Tennessee: Committee on Homeland Security. Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security (Rept. 118-967). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCCAUL: Committee on Foreign Affairs. Legislative Review and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Foreign Affairs (Rept. 118-968). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. MCHENRY: Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services of the United States House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (Rept. 118-969). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Ms. FOXX: Committee on Education and the Workforce. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Education and the Workforce During the 118th Congress (Rept. 118-970). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. LUCAS: Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. Report of Activities of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (Rept. 118-971). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. COMER: Committee on Oversight and Accountability. 118th Congress Activity Report Committee on Oversight and Accountability (Rept. 118-972). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GUEST: Committee on Ethics. Summary of Activities One Hundred Eighteenth Congress Report of the Committee on Ethics (Rept. 118-973). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri: Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Summary of the Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 118th Congress (Rept. 118-974). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. SMITH of Missouri: Committee on Ways and Means. Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the One Hundred

Eighteenth Congress (Rept. 118-975). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania: Committee on Agriculture. Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Activities During the 118th Congress (Rept. 118-976). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. WESTERMAN: Committee on Natural Resources. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Natural Resources for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (Rept. 118-977). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

[Submitted on January 3, 2025]

Mr. STEIL: Committee on House Administration. H.R. 4563. A bill to promote election integrity, voter confidence, and faith in elections by removing Federal impediments to, equipping States with tools for, and establishing voluntary considerations to support effective State administration of Federal elections, improving election administration in the District of Columbia, improving the effectiveness of military voting programs, enhancing election security, and protecting political speech, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 118-978, Pt. 1). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. BURGESS: Committee on Rules. Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules for the 118th Congress (Rept. 118-979). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

### DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XIII, the Committees on the Judiciary, Ways and Means, Science, Space, and Technology, Intelligence (Permanent Select), Homeland Security, Education and the Workforce, Financial Services, Oversight and Accountability, and Rules discharged from further consideration. H.R. 4563 referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

## PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII,

Mr. DESAULNIER introduced a bill (H.R. 10564) to support the behavioral needs of students and youth, invest in the school-based behavioral health workforce, and ensure access to mental health and substance use disorder benefits; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

## CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY AND SINGLE SUBJECT STATEMENTS

Pursuant to clause 7(c)(1) of rule XII and Section 3(c) of H. Res. 5 the following statements are submitted regarding (1) the specific powers granted to Congress in the Constitution to enact the accompanying bill or joint resolution and (2) the single subject of the bill or joint resolution.

By Mr. DESAULNIER:

H.R. 10564.

Congress has the power to enact this legislation pursuant to the following:

Article 1, Section 8.

The single subject of this legislation is: expanding access to mental health care for children, students, workers, and families.

**ADDITIONAL SPONSORS**

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions, as follows:

H.R. 866: Mr. MFUME.  
H.R. 931: Mr. PAPPAS.  
H.R. 1002: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.

H.R. 1235: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.  
H.R. 1360: Ms. SPANBERGER.  
H.R. 5956: Mr. JOYCE of Ohio.  
H.R. 7384: Mr. NEGUSE.  
H.R. 9272: Mr. NEGUSE.  
H.R. 9589: Ms. PORTER.  
H.R. 10073: Ms. PORTER.  
H.R. 10366: Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE.  
H.R. 10442: Ms. JAYAPAL.

H. Res. 982: Ms. KAMLAGER-DOVE.

H. Res. 1627: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. DAVID SCOTT of Georgia, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Ms. BROWN, Mrs. CHERFILUS-MCCORMICK, Mr. GARAMENDI, Mr. MORELLE, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. FITZPATRICK, Mr. CARTER of Georgia, and Ms. STEVENS.



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The Senate met at 11:45 and 2 seconds a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable PATY MURRAY, a Senator from the State of Washington.

ADJOURNMENT SINE DIE

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Senate stands adjourned sine die.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 11:45 and 10 seconds a.m., adjourned sine die.

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## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

HONORING TIMOTHY “TIM” MIHUC  
FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Timothy “Tim” Mihuc, Ph.D., for his years of service to the North Country community and his efforts to protect native aquatic life in the Lake Champlain Basin.

Dr. Mihuc began his career as an undergrad majoring in Biology at Oral Roberts University and his interest in science and the environment led him to pursue a Master’s in Zoology from Oklahoma State University. Dr. Mihuc went on to complete his Ph.D. at Idaho State University. After graduation, he spent several years at Louisiana State University as a post-doctoral researcher conducting invasive species research in the Atchafalaya River Basin. He then served as director of the Great Rivers Field Station for the Illinois Natural History Survey where he led a research team working on the Upper Mississippi River.

The State University of New York at Plattsburgh hired Dr. Mihuc in 1999 as an Associate Professor of Environmental Science and he was named the first Director of the Lake Champlain Research Institute (LCRI) that same year. The institute’s primary objective was to assist and promote student research across multiple disciplines related to Lake Champlain and its ecosystem.

Dr. Mihuc also serves as Co-Director of the Lake Champlain Sea Grant Institute, a branch of the National Sea Grant College Program, which aims to raise awareness to improve the environmental health of the Lake Champlain region and encourage sustainable economic development. The institute supports research on best land and water management practices and provides that research to organizations, businesses, and individuals throughout the Lake Champlain Basin.

In 2018, Dr. Mihuc was promoted to the SUNY Distinguished Professorship rank by the SUNY Board of Trustees in recognition of his dedication to the campus, the community, and Lake Champlain. During his tenure at SUNY Plattsburgh, he successfully implemented advanced experiential learning opportunities for students through LCRI and other avenues.

Further demonstrating his expertise, I was honored to invite Dr. Mihuc to bring his expertise to Congress. On June 16, 2022, he testified in front of the Committee on Natural Resources’ Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife in support of H.R. 6936, the Stamp Out Invasive Species Act. In his testimony, Dr. Mihuc cited his work at LCRI and how critical federal funding is to educate the public and combat invasive species in the wild.

On behalf of New York’s 21st district, I would like to thank Dr. Mihuc for his contributions to the North Country and Lake Champlain.

CELEBRATING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF NORTHVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL GIRLS’ SOCCER TEAM

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the Northville Central School girls’ soccer team, the Falcons, on a hard-fought championship game victory following an impressive season.

The Falcons, led by head coach Doug Hammons, won the state championship 1–0, on a goal from freshman Lexi Ginter on a rebound from Korrine Bly’s free kick in the twenty-fifth minute of the game. The Falcons’ defense maintained steady pressure and emerged victorious over the Copenhagen Golden Knights.

The Falcons’ 2024 season finished with a 15–7 record and the New York State Class D State Soccer Championship. They are the first Western Athletic Conference team to win a state championship in girls’ soccer—a remarkable accomplishment.

On behalf of New York’s 21st Congressional District, I would like to congratulate the Northville Falcons on their tremendous 2024 soccer season culminating with the New York State Class D Soccer title.

CELEBRATING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF PATRICK “RICK” ENGLE

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Patrick “Rick” Engle on being elected St. Lawrence County Sheriff.

Rick has been an outstanding leader in the St. Lawrence County community and has worked for the Sheriff’s office for 23 years. Rick enlisted in the United States Marine Corps during his senior year of high school as part of the Marine Corps’ delayed entry program and graduated basic training in 1991. During his time in the military, he served as a fire team leader, squad leader, patrol team leader, and as a motor vehicle operator instructor. He also deployed overseas, serving on peacekeeping missions in Haiti and Cuba during his time as a Marine.

Following his time in the Marine Corps, Rick decided he wanted to pursue a career in law enforcement to continue serving his community. He began working road patrol for the St. Lawrence County Sheriff’s Office as a deputy in 2001. Rick then worked his way up to investigator before running for Sheriff himself.

During his campaign for Sheriff, Rick pledged to listen to his community and focus

on providing service over politics—a promise he upholds as County Sheriff each day. He has worked to strengthen relationships between St. Lawrence County’s law enforcement agencies and other first responders, rescuers, and emergency service providers. Rick’s selfless leadership and dedication to his community, exemplify why his colleagues specially requested he run for the Sheriff’s seat and why officers with eight local police unions supported his bid.

On behalf of New York’s 21st district, I am honored to recognize the distinguished, decades long service and commitment to his community of Sheriff Patrick “Rick” Engle. I congratulate him on his incredible achievements and look forward to witnessing his future endeavors in the community.

RECOGNIZING LENNY WARD, SR.

**HON. BRIAN K. FITZPATRICK**

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Mr. FITZPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize an outstanding constituent from my district, Lenny Ward, Sr. As a veteran and dedicated community service member, Lenny has devoted his career to his country and community. Through military service and volunteer work, Lenny has spent most of his life cultivating a lifetime of purpose and spirit. His relentless care and advocacy for others does not go unnoticed, and therefore I wish to commend him today.

Since Lenny was a child, he was driven to serve his country in the military. Lenny put his aspirations and life on hold and joined the United States Air Force from 1962 through 1966 as a Medic. During his time in the United States Air Force, Lenny was deployed to Vietnam from 1965 through 1966.

Lenny spent much of his career at Pine Valley Golf Club as a Caddy Master from 1994 through 2013. His infectious positive attitude will always be what he was most proud of during his career. His charisma and smile made people gravitate towards him.

I am beyond proud of and exceptionally grateful for Lenny Ward, Sr.’s service to our great Nation and grateful for the legacy he has left in our community. His dedication to this country as a United States Air Force Vietnam Combat Medic demonstrates the highest commitment to the values that make America the beacon of liberty to the world. I am truly impressed by his determination to achieve greatness. I wish him nothing but the best for all that he has done for his country and community.

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HONORING GARRY DOUGLAS FOR  
HIS SERVICE AND DEDICATION

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Garry Douglas for his hard work and advocacy on behalf of the North Country and its business community.

In December 1992, Mr. Douglas was selected to lead the North Country Chamber of Commerce from a pool of over 100 candidates. Prior to this, he served as Executive Assistant to Congressman Gerald Solomon for fourteen years. During his time in the Chamber, Mr. Douglas has worked tirelessly to provide members with multiple services and expand that membership. Today, the North Country Chamber of Commerce boasts a membership of over 4,200 businesses across Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, and Warren Counties.

During his tenure, Mr. Douglas has weathered many economic storms. When a local air base was forced to close under the 1993 Base Realignment and Closure Commission, Mr. Douglas seized the opportunity to expand into the Canadian market. Mr. Douglas and the Chamber Board were swift to fill the vacuum left by the closure with new business for the community. Similarly, when faced with the Covid-19 pandemic, he created an economic plan to assist all the businesses in the North Country, not just Chamber members, on how to navigate New York State's regulations. He also instructed Chamber of Commerce staff to assist small businesses in securing federal and state resources.

Mr. Douglas also founded the North American Center of Excellence for Transportation Equipment (NAMTrans) which develops and serves a cluster of transport equipment and aerospace manufacturers in northern New York. Mr. Douglas' efforts to improve the business environment led to the recognition of a Quebec-New York corridor, uniting regions that have close historical and cultural relationships in economic development efforts.

Mr. Douglas has received many accolades during his time leading the Chamber from local, regional, and state organizations. City & State Magazine has recognized Mr. Douglas on both its Economic Development Power 75 list and its Upstate New York Power 100 list. While Mr. Douglas would be the first to credit his team at the Chamber with much of his success, there is no doubt that his visionary leadership has significantly enhanced the North Country's economic development. Earlier this year, the Town of Plattsburgh officially named a road in the newly opened Clinton County Business Industrial Gateway as Douglas Boulevard in honor of his service to the region.

On behalf of New York's 21st District, I am proud to celebrate the achievements of my friend Garry Douglas. His dedication to public service and tireless support of small businesses across the North Country has benefited many and will continue to help the North Country for decades to come.

REMEMBERING THE INCREDIBLE  
LIFE OF JOHN ZURLO

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and remember the incredible life of my friend, John Zurlo. John was a pillar of our North Country community, and his life has left a lasting legacy on the lives of thousands.

John was born on October 24, 1938, in Plattsburgh, New York, and raised in the nearby town of Champlain on the New York-Canada border. He attended St. Michael's College in Vermont and graduated with a B.A. in Business Administration in 1960. John then returned to his hometown to teach business at Northeastern Clinton Central School, a position he held for 34 years. He also served as the coach for the school's baseball and golf teams.

Going beyond his employment at Northeastern Clinton Central School, John continually gave back to the youth serving as the president of Champlain Central Teacher's Association and the local Youth Hockey Association, North Country Cougars Youth Hockey Association. John was also a member of the St. Michael's College Alumnus Board of Directors.

Further, John was extremely active in his community and held many roles in organizations across the region including the Rouses Point Kiwanis Club, Teacher's Federal Credit Union, Board of Directors for Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital, St. Mary's Mission Center, Knights of Columbus Council No. 3525, Plattsburgh Lodge of Elks No. 621, Plattsburgh Rotary International, and the Lake Champlain Citizens Advisory Committee.

John was also a public servant and was elected to several positions, including Champlain tax collector and Clinton County Legislator, before being elected Clinton County Clerk in 1995. John was reelected to his eighth term as the Clinton County Clerk in November 2023 and was the longest-serving Clinton County Clerk.

Outside the public sphere, John was also known for his generosity and kindness and became a mentor to many in Clinton County. I had the good fortune to be seated next to John at a judicial candidate event twelve years ago. When I informed him that I planned to run for the New York 21st Congressional Seat at the age of 28 and he nearly fell out of his chair. Or at least he always told it that way, but since that day I could always rely on John for advice and friendship. In my many visits to Clinton County, it was always a highlight to see John, whether it was at county events or seeing him at the Rouses Point Independence Day Parade in his antique car without fail every year.

John was warm and welcoming to all and a true North Country icon. He loved his family, friends, community, and country. His legacy will live on in the hearts of all who had the pleasure of knowing him. On behalf of New York's 21st Congressional District, it is my honor to remember and celebrate the incredible life of John Zurlo.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF LOUIS  
LEONE

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the dedicated service of United States Army Veteran and Former Mayor of Greenwich, Louis Leone, and to congratulate him on becoming the Grand Marshall for Greenwich's Memorial Day Parade.

Louis joined the Army in 1959 and served in Vietnam before retiring to Greenwich in 1984 after 24 years of active-duty service. Louis earned the Combat Infantryman's Badge, Senior Parachutist Badge with over 55 jumps, and received an expert status in rifle and pistol qualifications. In addition, he was awarded the Legion of Merit, 3 Bronze Star Medals, the Air Medal, 5 Meritorious Service Medals, Army Commendation Medal for Valor, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with 4 Bronze Service Stars, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, Korean Defense Medal, the Valorous and Meritorious Unit Awards, Vietnam Gallantly Cross Unit Citation Badge with Palm, and several Army service ribbons. He retired with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel as a public relations officer for the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY.

Beyond his distinguished service to his country, Louis has been an outstanding leader in the Greenwich community ever since he retired. He served as mayor from 1986 to 1995 and spearheaded the creation of the Greenwich Gazebo, Chamber of Commerce, the Youth Center, and the curbside recycling program. The people of Greenwich feel the lasting impact of Louis' leadership each day.

Louis is also active in the Veterans of Foreign Wars, a veteran service organization, and is instrumental in the Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program for high school and middle school students which instills patriotism and democracy in Greenwich's youth. He is a loving husband to his wife, Susan whom he celebrated 67 years of marriage with this summer.

On behalf of New York's 21st District, I am honored to recognize the incredible service of Army Veteran Louis Leone. I congratulate him on his incredible achievements and on becoming the Grand Marshall of the Greenwich Memorial Day parade.

RECOGNIZING LYNNAE FLORA

**HON. BRITTANY PETERSEN**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. PETERSEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Lynnae Flora of Golden, Colorado, on her retirement following 27 years of service to the people of Jefferson County.

Lynnae joined the county in 1997, and over her career rose to become the Deputy Director of Jefferson County Human Services. There, Lynnae dedicated her professional life to ensuring every member of the Jefferson County community can access health services and receive the support they need. She served the

county for almost three decades and through numerous challenges, including the COVID-19 pandemic. Her leadership and passion kept the department running and kept vital services open for the people of Jefferson County.

Her impact is not limited to her role as Deputy Director. As a member of the Health Ethics committee and the steering committee for the Healthier Jeffco Alliance, Lynnae has collaborated with organizations across Jefferson County to promote a smarter, fairer, and more equitable health care system. Her work, and the dedication she has shown to her community, are a proud example for every Coloradan. The people of Jefferson County owe Lynnae a debt of gratitude.

On behalf of the people of Colorado's Seventh Congressional District, it is my honor to congratulate Lynnae on her well-earned retirement and to thank her for her commitment to our community.

HONORING THE DEDICATED  
SERVICE OF PATRICK J. KELLY

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Patrick J. Kelly, a St. Lawrence County native who was named New York State's economic developer of the year by the New York State Economic Development Council (NYSEDC).

In January 2012, Patrick was appointed the St. Lawrence County Industrial Development Agency's Chief Executive Officer and has since served faithfully in this capacity overseeing the agency's planning, initiation, implementation, and administration of programs. In this role, Patrick encourages and attracts industries to locate or expand within St. Lawrence County, boosting our local economy. In 2023 alone, Patrick helped lead 45 IDA projects in St. Lawrence County which helped retain 615 jobs and create an additional 225 roles in our community.

Patrick was elected as the NYSEDC Board Chair in 2020 following his success in St. Lawrence. As Board Chair, Patrick showed himself to be a true leader as someone who understands how to create economic opportunity and knows how to build consensus to move initiatives forward.

Upon receiving his award, Patrick congratulated his team and the many people that helped him and the program succeed showing true selflessness and thoughtfulness. While Patrick serves as CEO and as NYSEDC Board Chair in his professional life, he is also

a loving husband to his wife, Jackie, and a caring father to his children balancing his busy career with his loving family.

On behalf of New York's 21st district, it is my privilege and honor to recognize the incredible accomplishments of Patrick J. Kelly. I congratulate him on his incredible achievements and look forward to witnessing his future endeavors in the community.

HONORING THE SERVICE OF  
LAWRENCE "LARRY" DOLHOF

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Lawrence "Larry" Dolhof and congratulate him on being re-elected Chairman of the Lewis County Board of Legislators. Larry has served two separate tenures on the County Legislature with a total of 15 years of service including as the Board's Representative for District 8, which includes the towns of Pinckney, Harrisburg, Montague, West Turin, and Osceola.

Larry was first elected to the Board of Legislators in 2000 and briefly served two terms returning to private life in 2004 before being re-elected in 2013. He earned the unanimous support of his colleagues to serve as Chairman in 2018 and was recently reelected to another term as Chairman in 2023. Under his leadership, the legislature has prioritized fiscal responsibility and infrastructure improvements throughout the county. Larry has led efforts to renovate the Human Services building, build a new highway garage, and provide a new facility for the DMV and Board of Elections.

Larry's leadership has helped to usher in a lower tax rate, decreasing the tax rate from the previous decade and leveraging more than \$3.5 million in broadband infrastructure, reducing the number of unserved households by over 70 percent. The people of Lewis County have increased access to online resources necessary for education, healthcare, and emergency communication thanks to Larry's stewardship. A dedicated community leader, Larry has forged partnerships with state and federal representatives to address issues regarding tourism, renewable energy opportunities, and health and human services programs, while advocating for the full and fair representation of the voices in his rural county.

His service as Chairman of the Board is not the only way Larry serves his community. He and his wife Donna reside in Lyons Falls where they own and operate Dolhof Hardware.

They offer hardware, lumber, building materials, steel roofing, sporting goods, rifles, shotguns, and automotive goods, as well as a drive-up propane filling station to provide essential access to energy in cold upstate winters.

On behalf of New York's 21st district, I am honored to recognize Lawrence "Larry" Dolhof and congratulate him on his years of dedicated public service to the people of Lewis County and on his reelection as Chairman of the Board of Legislators.

HONORING JAMES "JIM" WALLACE  
FOR HIS YEARS OF SERVICE

**HON. ELISE M. STEFANIK**

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Friday, January 3, 2025*

Ms. STEFANIK. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor James "Jim" Wallace who has diligently served his community as County Administrator for Herkimer County for 45 years.

Jim is highly regarded by his peers and throughout his community, as he was unanimously appointed by the Herkimer County Legislature. First appointed in 1979, Jim has been an incredible champion for Herkimer County working to increase investment and promote economic development during his time as County Administrator.

Through his role as County Administrator, Jim worked closely with the Herkimer County Industrial Development Agency (IDA). They came together to expand businesses, enhance economic development, and create jobs throughout the county. These results have been seen in the investment of millions of dollars in energy, manufacturing, healthcare, and tourism industries across the county.

If you asked Jim, he would be among the first to credit his success to his hard-working staff and colleagues but there is no doubt that Jim's stalwart leadership has been invaluable to Herkimer County. Former Herkimer County Legislature Chairman Vincent Bono has characterized Jim as a well-respected man with a wealth of knowledge, calling him a tremendous asset to Herkimer County. I am proud to represent individuals like Jim in my district who diligently work for the betterment of the North Country.

On behalf of New York's 21st district, it is my privilege and honor to recognize the incredible accomplishments of James "Jim" Wallace. I congratulate him on his incredible achievements and look forward to witnessing his future endeavors in the community.

Friday, January 3, 2025

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Second Session of the 118th Congress adjourned sine die.

## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

The Senate met at 11:45:02 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned sine die at 11:45:10 a.m. until 12 noon, on the same day.

### *Committee Meetings*

No committee meetings were held.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 1 public bill, H.R. 10564 was introduced. **Page H7439**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H7440**

**Reports Filed:** A report was filed on January 1, 2025 as follows:

Committee on House Administration. The Report on the Activities of the Committee on House Administration During the 118th Congress (H. Rept. 118-964).

Reports were filed on January 2, 2025 as follows:

Committee on Energy and Commerce. Activity Report of the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118-965);

Committee on Appropriations. Committee on Appropriations Annual Report of Committee Activities One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118-966);

Committee on Homeland Security. Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Homeland Security (H. Rept. 118-967);

Committee on Foreign Affairs. Legislative Review and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Foreign Affairs (H. Rept. 118-968);

Committee on Financial Services. Report on the Activity of the Committee on Financial Services of

the United States House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118-969);

Committee on Education and the Workforce. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Education and the Workforce During the 118th Congress (H. Rept. 118-970);

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. Report of Activities of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology House of Representatives for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118-971);

Committee on Oversight and Accountability. 118th Congress Activity Report Committee on Oversight and Accountability (H. Rept. 118-972);

Committee on Ethics. Summary of Activities One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118-973);

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. Summary of the Activities of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for the 118th Congress (H. Rept. 118-974);

Committee on Ways and Means. Report on the Legislative and Oversight Activities of the Committee on Ways and Means During the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118-975);

Committee on Agriculture. Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Activities During the 118th Congress (H. Rept. 118-976); and

Committee on Natural Resources. Report on the Activities of the Committee on Natural Resources for the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress (H. Rept. 118–977).

Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 4563, to promote election integrity, voter confidence, and faith in elections by removing Federal impediments to, equipping States with tools for, and establishing voluntary considerations to support effective State administration of Federal elections, improving election administration in the District of Columbia, improving the effectiveness of military voting programs, enhancing election security, and protecting political speech, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–978, Part 1); and

Committee on Rules. Survey of Activities of the House Committee on Rules for the 118th Congress (H. Rept. 118–979). **Page H7439**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Womack to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7435**

**Whole Number of the House:** The Chair announced to the House that, in light of the resignation of the gentleman from North Carolina, Mr. Jackson, the whole number of the House is 429. **Page H7435**

**Delegate Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative González-Cólon, wherein she resigned as the Delegate from Puerto Rico, effective at 11:59 p.m. on Wednesday, January 1, 2025. **Page H7435**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:03 a.m. and reconvened at 11:55 a.m. **Page H7435**

**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 at 11:57 a.m. the Chair declared the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress adjourned sine die, pursuant to the 20th amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D1165)

H.R. 10545, making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30,

2025. Signed on December 21, 2024. (Public Law 118–158)

H.R. 5009, to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–159)

H.R. 663, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–160)

H.R. 1097, to award a Congressional Gold Medal to Everett Alvarez, Jr., in recognition of his service to the Nation. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–161)

H.R. 1607, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–162)

H.R. 1727, to amend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Development Act to extend the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park Commission. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–163)

H.R. 2468, to require the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the State of Utah certain Federal land under the administrative jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management within the boundaries of Camp Williams, Utah. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–164)

H.R. 3254, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a process to review applications for certain grants to purchase equipment or systems that do not meet or exceed any applicable national voluntary consensus standards. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–165)

H.R. 3324, to extend the authority to collect Shasta-Trinity Marina fees through fiscal year 2029. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–166)

H.R. 3797, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an alternative manner of furnishing certain health insurance coverage statements to individuals. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–167)

H.R. 3801, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to streamline and improve the employer reporting process relating to health insurance coverage and to protect dependent privacy. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–168)

H.R. 4094, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to authorize expenditures for the conduct of certain water conservation measures in the Great Salt Lake basin. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–169)

H.R. 4385, to extend authorization of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–170)

H.R. 4467, to direct the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to assess contracts for covered services performed by contractor personnel along the United States land border with Mexico. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–171)

H.R. 5301, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements in annual budget justifications. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–172)

H.R. 5646, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to require institutions of higher education to disclose hazing incidents. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–173)

H.R. 5770, to reauthorize certain United States Geological Survey water data enhancement programs. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–174)

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. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–175)

H.R. 6829, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize and support the creation and dissemination of cardiomyopathy education, awareness, and risk assessment materials and resources to identify more at-risk families, to authorize research and surveillance activities relating to cardiomyopathy. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–176)

H.R. 6843, to expand the boundaries of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area to include Lafourche Parish, Louisiana. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–177)

H.R. 6960, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the Emergency Medical Services for Children program. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–178)

H.R. 7177, to amend title 28, United States Code, to consolidate certain divisions in the Northern District of Alabama. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–179)

H.R. 7213, To amend the Public Health Service Act to enhance and reauthorize activities and programs relating to autism spectrum disorder. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–180)

H.R. 7332, 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. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–181)

H.R. 7524, to amend title 40, United States Code, to require the submission of reports on certain information technology services funds to Congress

before expenditures may be made. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–182)

H.R. 7872, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to modify certain requirements applicable to salinity control units. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–183)

H.R. 8219, 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. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–184)

H.R. 8413, to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal land at Swanson Reservoir and Hugh Butler Reservoir in the State of Nebraska. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–185)

H.R. 8663, to require the Science and Technology Directorate in the Department of Homeland Security to develop greater capacity to detect and identify illicit substances in very low concentrations. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–186)

H.R. 9566, to require governmentwide source code sharing. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–187)

S. 59, to implement merit-based reforms to the civil service hiring system that replace degree-based hiring with skills- and competency-based hiring. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–188)

S. 223, to amend the Controlled Substances Act to fix a technical error in the definitions. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–189)

S. 709, to improve performance and accountability in the Federal Government. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–190)

S. 759, to authorize the National Detector Dog Training Center. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–191)

S. 932, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for the halt in pension payments for Members of Congress sentenced for certain offenses. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–192)

S. 1147, to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act to provide for grants in support of training and education to teachers and other school employees, students, and the community about how to prevent, recognize, respond to, and report child sexual abuse among primary and secondary school students. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–193)

S. 1351, to study and prevent child abuse in youth residential programs. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–194)

S. 2414, to require agencies with working dog programs to implement the recommendations of the Government Accountability Office relating to the

health and welfare of working dogs. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–195)

S. 2513, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve benefits administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–196)

S. 3448, to reauthorize the Director of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum to support Holocaust education programs. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–197)

S. 3791, to reauthorize the America’s Conservation Enhancement Act. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–198)

S. 3857, to take certain land in the State of California into trust for the benefit of the Jamul Indian Village of California. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–199)

S. 3938, to designate the community-based outpatient clinic of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Lynchburg, Virginia, as the “Private First Class Desmond T. Doss VA Clinic”. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–200)

S. 3946, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1106 Main Street in Bastrop, Texas, as the “Sergeant Major Billy D. Waugh Post Office”. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–201)

S. 3959, to require the Transportation Security Administration to streamline the enrollment processes for individuals applying for a Transportation Security Administration security threat assessment for certain programs, including the Transportation Worker Identification Credential and Hazardous Materials Endorsement Threat Assessment programs of the Administration. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–202)

S. 3998, to provide for the permanent appointment of certain temporary district judgeships. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–203)

S. 4077, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 180 Steuart Street in San Francisco, California, as the “Dianne Feinstein Post Office”. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–204)

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. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–205)

S. 4610, to amend title 36, United States Code, to designate the bald eagle as the national bird. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–206)

S. 4716, to amend section 7504 of title 31, United States Code, to improve the single audit requirements. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–207)

S. 5314, to designate the medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Tulsa, Oklahoma, as the James Mountain Inhofe VA Medical Center. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–208)

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. Signed on December 23, 2024. (Public Law 118–209)

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JANUARY 3, 2025

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

12 noon, Friday, January 3

Senate Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Senate will convene the first session of the 119th Congress.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Friday, January 3

House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** House will convene the First Session of the One Hundred Nineteenth Congress.

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