CORRECTION

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 5, Concurrent Budget Resolution, as amended.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S413–S559

Measures Introduced: Fifty-one bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 218–268, S. Res. 33–35.

Measures Passed:

Concurrent Budget Resolution: By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. 54), Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 5, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2021 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2022 through 2030, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S413–60**

Adopted:

By 90 yeas to 10 nays (Vote No. 14), Sinema (for Wicker) Amendment No. 261, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to establishing a fund to provide grants to food service and drinking establishments affected by the COVID–19 pandemic. **Page S432**

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 16), Rubio Amendment No. 69, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to prohibiting legislation that would increase taxes on small businesses during any period in which a national emergency has been declared with respect to a pandemic. **Pages S433–34**

Thune/Portman Modified Amendment No. 52, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to the authority of States or other taxing jurisdictions to tax certain income of employees for employment duties performed in other States or taxing jurisdictions. **Page S435**

By 58 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. 18), Young/Cotton Amendment No. 54, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to preventing legislation that would allow illegal immigrants to receive Economic Impact Payments or any other similar direct, tax-based temporary financial assistance. **Pages S435–36**

By 99 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 19), Manchin Amendment No. 775, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to targeting economic impact payments to Americans who are suffering from the effects of COVID–19, including provisions to ensure upper-income taxpayers are not eligible. **Page S436**

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 21), Cardin Amendment No. 716, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to COVID–19 vaccine administration and a public awareness campaign. **Pages S437–38**

By 98 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 22), Barrasso Amendment No. 653, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to supporting elementary and secondary schools in States with lost revenue due to the Federal moratorium on oil and natural gas leasing on public lands and offshore waters. **Page S438**

By 99 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 26), Collins Amendment No. 546, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening the Provider Relief Fund, including a 20 percent set aside for rural hospitals. **Page S441**

By a unanimous vote of 100 yeas (Vote No. 27), Shaheen Modified Amendment No. 834, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to improving services and interventions relating to sexual assault, family violence, domestic violence, dating violence, and child abuse. **Page S442**

By 57 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 28), Braun Amendment No. 833, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to prohibiting the Council on Environmental Quality and the Environmental Protection Agency from promulgating rules or guidance that bans hydraulic fracturing in the United States. **Pages S442–43**

Cortez Masto/Cramer Amendment No. 853, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to expanded support to struggling Americans in relation to their employment in hospitality, including those in conventions, trade shows, entertainment, tourism, and travel. **Pages S443–44**

By 97 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. 30), Inhofe Amendment No. 786, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to maintaining the United States Embassy in Jerusalem, Israel. **Page S444**

Ernst Amendment No. 767, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to prohibiting an increase in the Federal minimum wage during a global pandemic to $15 per hour. **Page S445**

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 32), Daines Amendment No. 678, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to the improvement of relations between the United States and Canada with regard to the Keystone XL Pipeline entering the United States in Phillips County, Montana. **Pages S445–46**

Rejected:

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 15), Scott (SC) Amendment No. 53, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to ensuring the accurate reporting of COVID–19 related deaths of residents or staff at nursing homes. **Page S433**

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 17), Blunt Amendment No. 48, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to prohibiting the provision of COVID–19 related kindergarten through grade 12 emergency relief to schools that do not reopen for in-person learning after the teachers of such schools are vaccinated against COVID–19. **Pages S434–35**

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 20), Toomey Amendment No. 553, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to ensuring that State and local law enforcement are permitted to cooperate with Federal officials to enforce Federal law. **Pages S436–37**

By 29 yeas to 71 nays (Vote No. 31), Paul Amendment No. 1, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S444–45**

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

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 23), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and all applicable budget resolutions for purposes of Sasse Amendment No. 192, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to improving health care to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was not germane to the underlying resolution was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S438–39**

By 50 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 24), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and all applicable budget resolutions for purposes of Graham Amendment No. 687, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening and protecting international agreements, joint declarations, or proclamations entered into by the United States and Mexico. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was not germane to the underlying resolution was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S439–40**

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 25), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and all applicable budget resolutions for purposes of Ernst Amendment No. 132, to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to prioritizing taking into custody aliens charged with a crime resulting in death or serious bodily injury. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was not germane to the underlying resolution was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S440**

By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 29), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected a motion to waive all applicable sections of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, and all applicable budget resolutions for purposes of Grassley Amendment No. 91, to create a point of order against legislation that would allow for six-figure tax cuts for the top 1/10th of 1 percent of taxpayers. Subsequently, a point of order that the amendment was not germane to the underlying resolution was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Page S443**

Printing of Impeachment Documents—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Secretary of the Senate be authorized, in relation to the pending impeachment trial of former President Trump, to print as Senate documents those documents filed by the parties, to be immediately made available to all parties, and that at the conclusion of the trial those documents be printed together as a Senate document. **Page S420**

McDonough Nomination—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, February 8, 2021, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Denis Richard McDonough, of Maryland, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and that at 5:30 p.m., Senate vote, without intervening action or debate, on confirmation of the nomination. **Page S559**

Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Samantha Power, of Massachusetts, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development. **Page S559**

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

Robert Benedict Bowes, of Virginia, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring April 13, 2025, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Brian P. Brooks, of California, to be Comptroller of the Currency for a term of five years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Judy Shelton, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

for the unexpired term of fourteen years from February 1, 2010, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

John Chase Johnson, of Oklahoma, to be Inspector General, Federal Communications Commission, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Charles W. Cook, Jr., of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2025, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Ricky Roden, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the remainder of the term expiring May 18, 2021, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Mark Van Dyke Holmes, of New York, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

William A. Douglass, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

John M. Barger, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring October 11, 2022, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Christopher Bancroft Burnham, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2024, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Frank Dunlevy, of California, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2022, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Rahkel Bouchet, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Sharon E. Goodie, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

John P. Howard III, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Dennis Dean Kirk, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2023, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Danny Lam Nguyen, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Mark A. Robbins, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Carl Ezekiel Ross, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Vijay Shanker, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Elizabeth J. Shapiro, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

John C. Truong, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Terrence M. Andrews, of California, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Raul M. Arias-Marxuach, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Joseph L. Barloon, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Melanie J. Bevan, of Florida, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Florida for the term of four years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Maria Teresa Bonifacio Cenzon, of Guam, to be Judge for the District Court of Guam for the term of ten years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Stephen Andrew Kubiatowski, of Kentucky, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Edmund G. LaCour, Jr., of Alabama, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Alabama, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Grace Karaffa Obermann, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims for a term of fifteen years, which was sent to the Senate on January 3, 2021.

Jason Abend, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Defense, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2021.

William Patrick Joseph Kimmitt, of Virginia, to be a Member of the United States International

Trade Commission for a term expiring June 16, 2029, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2021.

Barbera Hale Thornhill, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, which was sent to the Senate on January 6, 2021. **Page S559**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S488–S558**

Authorities for Committees to Meet: **Pages S558–59**

Record Votes: Forty-one record votes were taken today. (Total—54) **Pages S432–60**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m., on Thursday, February 4, 2021, and adjourned at 5:39 a.m., on Friday, February 5, 2021, until 3 p.m. on Monday, February 8, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S559.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FORT HOOD

Committee on Armed Services: Committee received a closed briefing on the Army response to the findings and recommendations of the Fort Hood Independent Review Committee's assessment of the Fort Hood command climate and culture from Lieutenant General Gary M. Brito, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff, G–1, and Diane Randon Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff, G–2, both of the United States Army, both a People First Task Force Co-Chair.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and Cecilia Elena Rouse, of New Jersey, to be Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Linda Thomas-Greenfield, of Louisiana, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of the Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations.

NOMINATION

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Warren, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 69 public bills, H.R. 786–854; and 7 resolutions, H.J. Res. 24; and H. Res. 95–100, were introduced. **Pages H382–86**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H388–89**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Recess: The House recessed at 11:12 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H335**

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Roy motion to adjourn by a yea-and-nay vote of 205 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 24. **Pages H346–47**

Removing a certain Member from certain standing committees of the House of Representatives: The House agreed to H. Res. 72, removing a certain Member from certain standing committees of the House of Representatives, by a yea-and-nay vote of 230 yeas to 199 nays, Roll No. 25. **Pages H347–58**

H. Res. 91, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 72) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 23, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 209 nays, Roll No. 22. **Pages H338–46**

Committee Elections: The House agreed to H. Res. 95, electing Members to certain standing committees of the House of Representatives. **Page H358**