By 67 yeas to 31 nays (Vote No. EX. 388), Mary Catherine Phee, of Illinois, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (African Affairs). **Page S6728**

By 53 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 389), Todd D. Robinson, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs). **Page S6734**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Clare E. Connors, of Hawaii, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii for the term of four years.

Zachary A. Cunha, of Rhode Island, to be United States Attorney for the District of Rhode Island for the term of four years.

Michael F. Easley, Jr., of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Cole Finegan, of Colorado, to be United States Attorney for the District of Colorado for the term of four years.

Sandra J. Hairston, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Nikolas P. Kerest, of Vermont, to be United States Attorney for the District of Vermont for the term of four years.

Dena J. King, of North Carolina, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina for the term of four years.

Kenneth L. Parker, of Ohio, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Delia L. Smith, of the Virgin Islands, to be United States Attorney for the District of the Virgin Islands for the term of four years. **Page S6746**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total–389) **Pages S6717–18, S6723, S6728, S6734**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:52 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 29, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6746.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

MILITARY OPERATIONS IN AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the conclusion of military operations in Afghanistan and plans for future counterterrorism operations, after receiving testimony from Lloyd J. Austin III, Secretary, General Mark A. Milley, USA, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and General Kenneth F. McKenzie, Jr., USMC, Commander, United States Central Command, all of the Department of Defense.

CARES ACT OVERSIGHT

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine CARES Act oversight of the Treasury and Federal Reserve, focusing on supporting an equitable pandemic recovery, after receiving testimony from Janet L. Yellen, Secretary of the Treasury; and Jerome H. Powell, Chair, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

LAWS WITHIN FERC JURISDICTION

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the administration of laws under the jurisdiction of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, after receiving testimony from Richard Glick, Chairman, and Mark C. Christie, Allison Clements, and James P. Danly, each a Commissioner, all of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jack A. Markell, of Delaware, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, and Jeffry Lane Flake, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Turkey, who were both introduced by Senator Coons, Mark Gitenstein, of Washington, to be Representative of the United States of America to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and Cindy Hensley McCain, of Arizona, for the rank of Ambassador during her tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, who was introduced by Senator Graham, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

REPLACING LEGACY IT

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Spending Oversight concluded a hearing to examine existing resources and innovations needed to replace legacy IT and save taxpayer dollars, after receiving testimony from Clare Martorana, Federal Chief Information Officer, and Mina Hsiang, Administrator, United States Digital Service, both of the Office of Management and Budget; and Dave Zvenyach, Director, Technology Transformation Services, Deputy Commissioner, Federal Acquisition Service, General Services Administration.

TOXIC CONSERVATORSHIPS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution concluded a hearing to examine toxic conservatorships, focusing on the need for reform, after receiving testimony from Clarissa C. Kripke, University of California Office of Developmental Primary Care, and Zoe Brennan-Krohn, American Civil Liberties Union, both of San Francisco, California; David Slayton, Court Consulting Services, Bellevue, Texas, on behalf of the National Center for State Courts; Morgan K. Whitlatch, Quality Trust for Individuals with Disabilities, Washington, D.C.; and Nicholas Clouse, Huntington, Indiana.

INTELLIGENCE

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

House of Representatives

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 5390–5407; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 59; and H. Res. 686–687, were introduced. **Pages H5505–06**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H5507**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Committee on Ethics. In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Al Green (H. Rept. 117–131); and Committee on Ethics. In the Matter of Allegations Relating to Representative Sheila Jackson Lee (H. Rept. 117–132). **Page H5505**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Stanton to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5465**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:55 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Pages H5471–72**

Investing in a New Vision for the Environment and Surface Transportation in America Act: The House considered the Senate amendment to H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. Consideration is expected to resume Thursday, September 30th. **Pages H5473–77**

H. Res. 601, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4) and consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 3684) and providing for the adoption of the concurrent resolution (S. Con. Res. 14) was agreed to Tuesday, August 24th.

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

Eliminating a Quantifiably Unjust Application of the Law Act of 2021: H.R. 1693, amended, to eliminate the disparity in sentencing for cocaine offenses, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 361 yeas to 66 nays, Roll No. 297; **Pages H5477–81, H5492–93**

Amending the Fentanyl Sanctions Act, to modify certain deadlines relating to the Commission on Combating Synthetic Opioid Trafficking: H.R. 4981, to amend the Fentanyl Sanctions Act, to modify certain deadlines relating to the Commission on Combating Synthetic Opioid Trafficking, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 410 yeas to 14 nays, Roll No. 298; **Pages H5481–82, H5493**

War Crimes Rewards Expansion Act: H.R. 4250, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to provide for rewards for the arrest or conviction of certain foreign nationals who have committed genocide or war crimes, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 412 yeas to 9 nays, Roll No. 299; **Pages H5482–83, H5494**

Libya Stabilization Act: H.R. 1228, amended, to advance a diplomatic solution to the conflict in Libya and support the people of Libya, by a ⅔ yea-and-nay vote of 386 yeas to 35 nays, Roll No. 300; and **Pages H5483–89 H5494–95**

Cambodia Democracy Act of 2021: H.R. 4686, amended, to promote free and fair elections, political freedoms, and human rights in Cambodia, by a ¾ yea-and-nay vote of 403 yeas to 17 nays, Roll No. 301. **Pages H5490–92, H5495–96**