

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 14, Budget Resolution, as amended.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S2275–S2448*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and six resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1305–1311, S.J. Res. 45–47, and S. Res. 155–157. **Pages S2363–64**

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Budget Resolution:** By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 191), Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 14, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2025 and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2026 through 2034, after taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

**Pages S2275–S2360**

#### **Adopted:**

By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 170), Sullivan Amendment No. 2035 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to protecting Medicare and Medicaid. **Page S2343**

Graham Amendment No. 1717, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S2360**

#### **Rejected:**

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 171), Merkley Amendment No. 1758 (to Amendment No. 1717), to create a point of order against legislation that would create more debt over a 30-year period than has accumulated over the past 249 years.

**Pages S2343–44**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 172), Reed Amendment No. 1645 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to preventing reduction in enrollment or benefits for individuals enrolled in Medicaid, including seniors, children, families, individuals with disabilities, veterans, and military families. **Pages S2344–45**

By 47 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 173), Luján/Klobuchar Amendment No. 1726 (to Amendment No. 1717), to strike the provision relating to instructions to the Committee on Agriculture. **Page S2345**

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 174), Warner Amendment No. 1310 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to strengthening protections for members of the Armed Forces by prohibiting the use of any commercial messaging application to transmit information revealing the timing, sequencing, or weapons to be used during impending United States military operations in foreign countries that may endanger the lives of members of the Armed Forces.

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By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 175), Alsobrooks Amendment No. 1466 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to prohibiting attacks on Federal employees by protecting legally binding collective bargaining agreements and the right to organize. **Pages S2346–47**

Kelly Amendment No. 1737 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to legislation that does not increase tax breaks for the wealthy. **Page S2347**

Murphy Amendment No. 1977 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to legislation that does not increase tax breaks for the wealthy. **Pages S2347–48**

King Amendment No. 1773 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to legislation that does not increase tax breaks for the wealthy. **Page S2348**

Warren Amendment No. 1647 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to legislation that does not increase tax breaks for wealthy corporations. **Page S2348**

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 176), Schumer Amendment No. 1884 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to preventing Trump's tariffs from increasing the cost of groceries and everyday goods for families.

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By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 177), Padilla Amendment No. 1774 (to Amendment No. 1717), reiterating the importance of the Federal Emergency

Management Agency and its continued role in providing nonpartisan and long-term disaster relief to disaster survivors. **Pages S2349–50**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 178), Bennet Amendment No. 1646 (to Amendment No. 1717), to prevent any disruption in security assistance to Ukraine. **Pages S2350–51**

By 5 yeas to 94 nays (Vote No. 179), Paul Amendment No. 1760 (to Amendment No. 1717), to modify the debt limit instruction for the House of Representatives and the Senate. **Page S2351**

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 180), Ossoff Amendment No. 2186 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to reversing cuts to the Social Security Administration, which may include cuts ordered by the Department of Government Efficiency or any other cuts to seniors' services. **Pages S2351–52**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 181), Hickenlooper Amendment No. 2107 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to preventing the use of proceeds from public land sales to reduce the Federal deficit. **Pages S2352–53**

Booker Amendment No. 1441 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to stopping the Department of Agriculture from not honoring contracts made with farmers and farm-serving organizations. **Page S2353**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 182), Hirono Amendment No. 2180 (to Amendment No. 1717), to prevent DOGE from closing Social Security offices, preserving access to benefits for seniors and people with disabilities. **Pages S2353–54**

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 183), Kim Amendment No. 1644 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund to prevent increased barriers to American caregivers, including individuals caring for seniors, children, home care workers, and individuals engaged in the care economy. **Page S2354**

By 47 yeas to 52 nays (Vote No. 184), Sanders Amendment No. 2126 (to Amendment No. 1717), to make sure the Senate can increase the Federal minimum wage to \$17 an hour by a simple majority vote. **Pages S2354–55**

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 186), Baldwin/Wyden Amendment No. 1693 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to preventing a reduction in Medicaid funding that could lead to rural hospital closures, cost increases for individuals with other kinds of insurance, or higher rates of uncompensated care. **Page S2356**

Welch Amendment No. 1661 (to Amendment No. 1717), to create a point of order against legislation that defunds essential services for children, fam-

ilies, and seniors, including programs that feed hungry seniors like Meals on Wheels, Head Start and other child care assistance that allows parents to work and pay their bills, and programs that keep children safe from abuse and neglect, to give massive tax cuts to billionaires. **Pages S2356–57**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 187), Markey Amendment No. 1529 (to Amendment No. 1717), to preserve access to Social Security's phone service. **Pages S2357–58**

By 48 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 188), Warnock Amendment No. 2177 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to access to health care, which may include legislation preventing reductions in funding for Medicaid that could lead to benefit cuts, coverage loss, or slashed provider payments. **Page S2358**

Shaheen/Murkowski Amendment No. 1602 (to Amendment No. 1717), to establish a deficit-neutral reserve fund relating to extending vital enhanced advance premium tax credits. **Pages S2358–59**

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 189), Wyden/Hawley Amendment No. 1989 (to Amendment No. 1717), to strike section 2001(b)(4) relating to reconciliation instructions to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives to cut \$880,000,000,000 from Medicaid. **Page S2359**

By 47 yeas to 52 Nays (Vote No. 190), Rosen Amendment No. 2152 (to Amendment No. 1717), to provide tax relief for the middle class. **Pages S2359–60**

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

By 49 yeas to 50 nays (Vote No. 185), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to waive pursuant to section 904 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, with respect to Cortez Masto Amendment No. 1690 (to Amendment No. 1717), to create a point of order against legislation that would increase drug costs for seniors and people with disabilities on Medicare. Subsequently, the point of order that the amendment was in violation of section 305(b)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, was sustained, and the amendment thus fell. **Pages S2355–56**

*Honoring the life and legacy of former Representative Love:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 155, honoring the life and legacy of the Honorable Mia Bourdeau Love, former Representative for the State of Utah. **Pages S2447–48**

*Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act 50th Anniversary:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 156, commemorating the 50th anniversary of

the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act. **Pages S2447–48**

**National Native Plant Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 157, designating April 2025 as “National Native Plant Month”. **Pages S2447–48**

#### Appointments:

**Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy:** The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 8468(a), as amended by Public Law 118–159, appointed the following Senators to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Naval Academy: Senators Shaheen (Committee on Appropriations) and Van Hollen. **Page S2448**

**Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation:** The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 99–661, appointed the following individual to be a member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation: Senator Kelly vice Kyrsten Sinema of Arizona. **Page S2448**

**Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) Reform Commission:** The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 118–49, and in consultation with the Vice Chair of the Select Committee on Intelligence of the Senate and the Ranking Member of the Committee on the Judiciary of the Senate, appointed the following individuals to serve as members of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) Reform Commission: Senator Ossoff, Alexander W. Joel of Maryland, and David S. Kris of Washington. **Page S2448**

**Colby Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Elbridge Colby, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. **Page S2361**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Saturday, April 5, 2025, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, April 7, 2025. **Pages S2361**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S2361**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, April 7, 2025, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination. **Page S2448**

**Glass Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of George Glass, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to Japan. **Page S2361**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Elbridge Colby, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. **Page S2361**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S2361**

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**Huckabee Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Mike Huckabee, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel. **Page S2361**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of George Glass, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to Japan. **Page S2361**

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**Hoekstra Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Peter Hoekstra, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Canada. **Pages S2361–62**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Mike Huckabee, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel. **Page S2362**

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

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**Johnson Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Ronald Johnson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States. **Page S2362**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition

of the nomination of Peter Hoekstra, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to Canada. **Page S2362**

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

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**Cabrera Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kevin Cabrera, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama. **Page S2362**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Ronald Johnson, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States. **Page S2362**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S2362**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S2362**

**Atkins Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Paul Atkins, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission. **Page S2362**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Kevin Cabrera, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama. **Page S2362**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S2362**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S2362**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

1 Army nomination in the rank of general.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S2360–61, S2448**

**Executive Communications:** **Page S2363**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S2364–70**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S2370–72**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S2372–S2447**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S2447**

**Record Votes:** Twenty-two record votes were taken today. (Total—191) **Pages S2343–47, S2349–60**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 8:30 a.m., on Friday, April 4, 2025, and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Mia Bourdeau Love, former Representative for the State of Utah, in accordance with S. Res. 155, at 2:54 a.m., on Saturday, April 5, 2025, until 3 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2448.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House will meet at 12 noon on Monday, April 7, 2025.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2025

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

### House

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

3 p.m., Monday, April 7

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 5:30 p.m.), Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Elbridge Colby, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Monday, April 7

## House Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.



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