

SENATE FLOOR PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Thursday, March 22, 2018 and will be in a period of Morning Business. No votes scheduled at this time.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

Motion to Proceed to S. 1519 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018).

H.R. 4851 (Kennedy-King Establishment Act of 2018). The bill as amended was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Chair lays before the Senate the **House Message to Accompany H.R. 1625 (Consolidated Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2018)**. McConnell Motion to Concur in the House Message. Sen. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Concur.

McConnell Motion to Concur with a further amendment #2217 (Making technical changes). Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell 2nd degree amend #2218 (Making technical changes) to amend #2217 (Making technical changes).

McConnell Motion to Refer the House Message to the Committee on Appropriations to report back forthwith with Instructions amend #2219 (Making technical changes). Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell amend #2220 (Making technical changes) to the Instructions amend #2219 (Making technical changes). Yeas and nays ordered.

McConnell 2nd degree amend #2221 (Making technical changes) to McConnell amend #2220 (Making technical changes).

S. 2629 (). The bill was read for a first time. Further readings were objected to and the bill will be read for a second time on the next Legislative day.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #762

Cal. #763

Cal. #764

The nominations were confirmed, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #330, Steven Mnuchin to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund, the African Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Cal. #331, Steven Mnuchin to be United States Governor of the International Monetary Fund, the African Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

The nominations were confirmed, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

Cal. #721, Anne Marie White to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management). The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

Cal. #722, Brent Park to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Nuclear Nonproliferation, National Nuclear Security Administration. The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #723, James Edwin Williams to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Labor.

Cal. #725, Mark Schneider to be Director of the Institute of Education Science, Department of Education.

The nominations were confirmed, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #616, Carlos Trujillo to be Permanent Representative of the United States of America to the Organization of American States, with the rank of Ambassador.

Cal. #752, Robert Frank Pence to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland.

Cal. #753, Edward Charles Prado to be Ambassador to the Argentine Republic.

Cal. #754, Trevor Traina to be Ambassador to the Republic of Austria.

Cal. #755, Erik Bethel to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

Cal. #759, Kevin Edward Moley to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organization Affairs).

Cal. #760, Josephine Olsen to be Director of the Peace Corps.

Cal. #761, Marie Royce to be an Assistant Secretary of State (Educational and Cultural Affairs).

The nominations were confirmed, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

PN 1369, Tim Thomas to be Federal Co-Chairman of the Appalachian Regional Commission. The nomination was confirmed by Voice Vote.

The following nominations were considered en bloc:

Cal. #742, Brig. Gen. Timothy Hilty to be Major General in the Army National Guard.

Cal. #743, Vice Adm. Matthew Kohler to be Vice Admiral in the United States Navy.

Cal. #744, Brig. Generals to be Major Generals in the United States Air Force.

Cal. #745, Brig. Generals to be Major Generals in the United States Marine Corps.

Cal. #746, Lt. Gen. Timothy M. Ray to be General in the United States Air Force.
Cal. #747, Maj. Gen. David D. Thompson to be Lt. General in the United States Air Force.
Cal. #748, Vice Adm. Christopher W. Grady to be Admiral in the United States Navy.
Cal. #749, Rear Adm. Timothy J. White to be Vice Admiral in the United States Navy.
Cal. #750, Capt. David A. Welch to be Rear Admiral in the United States Navy.
Cal. #751, Rear Adm. Scott A Stearney to be Vice Admiral in the United States Navy.
All nominations on the Secretary's Desk.
The nominations were confirmed, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

House Message to Accompany S. 772 (Ashlyne Mike AMBER Alert in Indian Country Act) due pass with an amendment. Motion to Concur in the House amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 269 (To provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Tanana Tribal Council located in Tanana, Alaska, and to the Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation located in Dillingham, Alaska). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 607 (Native American Business Incubators Program Act). Committee-reported substitute amendment is agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. 1116 (Indian Community Economic Enhancement Act of 2017). Committee-reported amendment is withdrawn by Unanimous consent. Substitute amendment is agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. 1223 (Klamath Tribe Judgment Fund Repeal Act). Committee-reported substitute amendment is agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 943 (Johnson-O'Malley Supplemental Indian Education Program Modernization Act). Lankford amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. Committee-reported substitute amendment is agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. 292 (Childhood Cancer STAR Act). Committee-reported substitute amendment is agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 1091 (Supporting Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Act). Committee-reported substitute amendment is agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, is agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 405 (National CACFP Week). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The following resolutions were considered, en bloc:

S. Res. 445

S. Res. 446

S. Res. 447

S. Res. 448

S. Res. 449

The resolutions were agreed to, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

S. Con. Res. 116 (Providing for a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 1625). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

House Message to Accompany H.R. 1625 (Consolidated Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2018).

Motion to Instruct the Sergeant of Arms to request the presence of Senators. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **91-6**. A quorum is present.

Motion to Concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment. Motion to Invoke Cloture. The Cloture Motion was agreed to by a vote of **67-30**.

Motion to Concur with a further amendment #2217 (Making technical changes) is withdrawn and all post-cloture time is yielded back.

House Message to Accompany H.R. 1625 (Consolidated Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2018). Motion to Concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment. Yeas and nays ordered.

Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Cal. #539, Claria Horn Boom to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Cal. #728, John F. Ring to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Cal. #605, Patrick Pizzella to be Deputy Secretary of Labor. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Cal. #666, Andrew Wheeler to be Deputy Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Cal. #540, John W. Broomes to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to an Executive Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Cal. #541, Rebecca Grady Jennings to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky. McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

Sen. Johnson asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate agreed to H.R. 5247 (Trickett Wendler, Frank Mongiello, Jordan McLinn, and Matthew Bellina Right to Try Act of 2018). Objected to by Sen. Schumer.

H.R. 5247 (Trickett Wendler, Frank Mongiello, Jordan McLinn, and Matthew Bellina Right to Try Act of 2018). The bill was read for a first time. Further readings were objected to, and the bill will be read for a second time on the next Legislative day.

H.R. 4547 (Strengthening Protections for Social Security Beneficiaries Act of 2018). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene for a pro forma session only on the following dates and times:

Monday, March 26th at 11:30 AM

Thursday, March 29th at 3:45 PM

Monday, April 2nd at 12:00 Noon

Thursday, April 5th at 11:30 AM

The Senate will then next convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, April 9th. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #539, Claria Horn Boom to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky. The Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination at 5:30 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 1:01 AM on Friday, March 23, 2017.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 2018

The Senate will convene at 11:00 AM and will proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). At approximately 2:45 PM, the Senate will have up to three votes on the following:

- Wyden amend #2212 (To clarify that efforts of a provider or user of an interactive computer service to identify, restrict access to, or remove objectionable material shall not be considered in determining the criminal or civil liability of the provider or user for other material). Subject to a 60-vote threshold.
- Wyden amend #2213 (To provide additional funding to the Department of Justice to combat the online facilitation of sex trafficking). Subject to a 60-vote threshold.
- Final passage of H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017), as amended, if amended.

Wyden amend #2213 (To provide additional funding to the Department of Justice to combat the online facilitation of sex trafficking). Subject to a 60-vote threshold. McConnell Point of Order that the amendment violates the Congressional Budget Act. Wyden Motion to Waive the applicable sections of the Budget Act. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion to Waive was not agreed to by a vote of **21–78**. The point of order was sustained and the amendment fails.

Wyden amend #2212 (To clarify that efforts of a provider or user of an interactive computer service to identify, restrict access to, or remove objectionable material shall not be considered in determining the criminal or civil liability of the provider or user for other material). Subject to a 60-vote threshold. **Withdrawn.**

H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). Yeas and Nays ordered. Final passage. Yeas and Nays ordered. The bill passed by a vote of **97-2**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session and confirmed the following nominations en bloc by voice vote:

Cal. #596 (David Ryder to be Director of the Mint).

Cal. #671 (Thomas Workman to be a Member of the Financial Stability Oversight Council).

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. J. Res. 438 (Commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the University of California). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Thursday, March 22, 2018 and will be in a period of Morning Business. No votes scheduled at this time.

The Senate adjourned at 5:01 PM.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20, 2018

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). Senator Sanders or his designee will be recognized to offer a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 54 (A joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress). There will be up to four hours of debate equally divided, and following the use or yielding back of that time, **the Senate will vote in relation to the motion to discharge (approx. 4:15 PM)**. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

Sanders Motion to Discharge S.J. Res. 54 (A joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress).

The Senate recessed from 12:39-2:15 PM for weekly caucus luncheons.

The Senate reconvened at 2:15 PM and resumed a Legislative Session.

Sanders Motion to Discharge S.J. Res. 54 (A joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress). Corker Motion to Table the Motion to Discharge. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table the Motion to Discharge was agreed to by a vote of **55-44**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered, en bloc:

Cal. #735, William McSwain to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

Cal. #736, Matthew Harris to be United States Marshal for the District of Utah.

Cal. #737, Johnny Lee Kuhlman to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Oklahoma.

Cal. #738, Joseph McClain to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of Indiana.

Cal. #739, David Weaver to be United States Marshal for the District of Colorado.

Confirmed, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 434 (Recognizing the contribution of AmeriCorp Members). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 899 (Amends Title 38, US Code to ensure that the requirements that new Federal employees who are veterans with service-connected disabilities are provided leave for purposes of undergoing medical treatment for such disabilities apply to certain employees of the Veterans Health Administration). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 21st and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session to the consideration of H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). At a time to be determined, the Senate will proceed to up to three roll call votes of the following:

Wyden amend #2212

Wyden amend #2213

Passage of H.R. 1865, as amended, if amended.

The Senate adjourned at 6:27 PM.

MONDAY, MARCH 19, 2018

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

1. Confirmation of Executive Calendar #598, Kevin K. McAleenan, of Hawaii, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Executive Calendar #598, Kevin K. McAleenan, of Hawaii, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **77-19**.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **94-2**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #471, Nazakhtar Nikakhtar to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce. Agreed to by voice vote.

HR 3731 (Overtime pay for U.S. Secret Service) as amended. Agreed to by unanimous consent.

By unanimous consent, cloture on the motion to proceed to H.R. 1865 was vitiated, and at a time to be determined on Wednesday, March 21, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of H.R. 1865. The only amendments in order will be Wyden amendments #2212 and #2213. There will be up to four hours of debate concurrently on the amendments and following the use or yielding back of that time the Senate will vote in relation to the amendments in the order listed with a 60 vote affirmative threshold required for adoption.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 20, 2018. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). Senator Sanders or his designee will be recognized to offer a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 54 (A joint resolution to direct the removal of United States Armed Forces from hostilities in the Republic of Yemen that have not been authorized by Congress). There will be up to four hours of debate equally divided, and following the use or yielding back of that time, **the Senate will vote in relation to the motion to discharge (approx. 4:15 PM)**. The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 7:19 PM.

THURSDAY, MARCH 15, 2018

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, March 15th and will proceed to a Legislative Session to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative session.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

The Senate proceeded a Period of Morning Business.

H.R. 3210 (SECRET Act of 2017). The bill, as amended, was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 1869 (Whistleblower Protection Coordination Act). The bill, as amended, was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, March 19th, 2018. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

The Senate adjourned at 3:29 PM.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), post-cloture. At 3:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

- Adoption of Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified.
- Cloture on S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act) as amended, if amended.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative session.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

Crapo amend #2152 (To improve the bill). The amendment is withdrawn.

Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **67-31**.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), as modified. Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **67-31**.

The Senate recessed from 4:47-5:45 PM for an all-Senator's briefing.

The Senate reconvened and resumed a Legislative Session.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), as modified. Sanders Point of Order that the bill violates the Congressional Budget Act. Motion to Waive the applicable sections of the Budget Act. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Waive was agreed to by a vote of **67-31** and the Point of Order falls.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), as modified.

All post-cloture time has been yielded back. The bill was read for a third time. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill passed by a vote of **67-31**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #598, Kevin McAleenan to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was invoked by a vote of **79-19**. The confirmation vote on the nomination will occur at 5:30 PM on Monday, March 19, 2018.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). McConnell filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

PN1357, Jeffrey DeWitt to be Chief Financial Officer of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. Confirmed by Voice Vote.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 436 (Girl Scouts of America's 106th birthday). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

Message to Accompany S. 188 (EGO Act). Motion to Concur in the House amendments and Motion to reconsider made and laid upon the table by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 2154 (Edward T. Schaefer Agricultural Research Center). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, March 15th and will proceed to a Legislative Session to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017).

The Senate adjourned at 7:10 PM.

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), post-cloture. The Senate will recess from 12:30 – 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), post-cloture.

Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified.

The Senate recessed from 12:30 – 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #298 (Gilbert Kaplan to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade). The nomination was confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

S. 2286 (A bill to amend the Peace Corps Act) as amended. The bill as amended was passed by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act), post-cloture. At 3:45 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

- Adoption of Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified.
- Cloture on S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act) as amended, if amended.

The Senate adjourned at 8:03 PM.

MONDAY, MARCH 12, 2018

The Senate will convene at 4:00 PM. Following Leader remarks the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified. Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **66-30**.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 13th, 2018. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate will recess from 12:30 – 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 6:49 PM.

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, March 8th, 2018. Following Leader remarks the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified. McConnell filed cloture on the amendment.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). McConnell filed cloture on the bill.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #598, Kevin K. McAleenan, to be Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security. McConnell filed cloture on the nomination.

H.R. 1177 (An act to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to release on behalf of the United States the condition that certain lands conveyed to the city of Old Town, Maine be used for a municipal airport and for other purposes). The bill was passed by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 4:00 PM on Monday, March 12, 2018. Following Leader remarks the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Crapo amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified.

The Senate adjourned at 4:35 PM.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 2018

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM and will proceed to a Legislative Session to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate convened and proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). Laid aside.

S. 97 (To enable civilian research and development of advanced nuclear energy technologies by private and public institutions, to expand theoretical and practical knowledge of nuclear physics, chemistry, and material science). Crapo amendment agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The bill, as amended, was agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). The Motion to Proceed was agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

McConnell for Crapo Substitute Amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute).

Crapo Amend #2152 (Amendment to improve the bill) to Substitute Amend #2151 (In the nature of a substitute).

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were agreed to by Voice Vote, en bloc:

Cal. #688, Michael Rigas, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Personnel Management

Cal. #689, Jeff Tien Han Pon, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management

The following nominations were agreed to by Voice Vote, en bloc:

Cal. #695, McGregor W. Scott, to be United States Attorney for the Eastern District of California

Cal. #696, Gary G. Schofield, to be United States Marshal for the District of Nevada

Cal. #716, Billy J. Williams, to be United States Attorney for the District of Oregon

Cal. #717, Mark S. James, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Missouri

Cal. #718, Daniel C. Mosteller, to be United States Marshal for the District of South Dakota

Cal. #719, Jesse Seroyer, Jr., to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Alabama

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 425 (Supporting the designation of March 2018 as National Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The following bills were agreed to by Voice Vote, en bloc:

S. 931 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4910 Brighton Boulevard in Denver, Colorado, as the "George Sakato Post Office")

S. 2040 (A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 621 Kansas Avenue in Atchison, Kansas, as the "Amelia Earhart Post Office Building").

H.R. 294 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2700 Cullen Boulevard in Pearland, Texas, as the "Endy Nddiobong Ekpanya Post Office Building").

H.R. 452 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 324 West Saint Louis Street in Pacific, Missouri, as the "Specialist Jeffrey L. White, Jr. Post Office")

H.R. 1208 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9155 Schaefer Road, Converse, Texas, as the "Converse Veterans Post Office Building").

H.R. 1858 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4514 Williamson Trail in Liberty, Pennsylvania, as the "Staff Sergeant Ryan Scott Ostrom Post Office".).

H.R. 1988 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1730 18th Street in Bakersfield, California, as the "Merle Haggard Post Office Building").

H.R. 2254 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2635 Napa Street in Vallejo, California, as the "Janet Capello Post Office Building").

H.R. 2302 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 259 Nassau Street, Suite 2 in Princeton, New Jersey, as the "Dr. John F. Nash, Jr. Post Office").

H.R. 2464 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 New Chardon Street Lobby in Boston, Massachusetts, as the "John Fitzgerald Kennedy Post Office").

H.R. 2672 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 520 Carter Street in Fairview, Illinois, as the "Sgt. Douglas J. Riney Post Office").

H.R. 2815 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30 East Somerset Street in Raritan, New Jersey, as the "Gunnery Sergeant John Basilone Post Office").

H.R. 2873 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 207 Glenside Avenue in Wyncote, Pennsylvania, as the "Staff Sergeant Peter Taub Post Office Building").

H.R. 3109 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1114 North 2nd Street in Chillicothe, Illinois, as the "Sr. Chief Ryan Owens Post Office Building").

H.R. 3369 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 North Main Street in Spring Lake, North Carolina, as the "Howard B. Pate, Jr. Post Office").

H.R. 3638 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, as the "Rutledge Pearson Post Office Building").

H.R. 3655 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Main Street in Belmar, New Jersey, as the "Dr. Walter S. McAfee Post Office Building").

H.R. 3821 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 Main Street in Clermont, Georgia, as the "Zack T. Addington Post Office").

H.R. 3893 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Mathe Avenue in Interlachen, Florida, as the "Robert H. Jenkins, Jr. Post Office").

H.R. 4042 (To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1415 West Oak Street, in Kissimmee, Florida, as the "Borinqueneers Post Office Building").

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Thursday, March 8th, 2018. Following Leader remarks the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate adjourned at 7:00 PM.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to two votes:

- Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).
- Confirmation of Cal. #536, Terry A. Doughty to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party lunches.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion is agreed to by a vote of **67-32**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #536, Terry A. Doughty to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination is confirmed by a vote of **98-0**.

The Senate resumed a Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate recessed from 12:43-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus luncheons.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate will convene at 9:30 AM on Wednesday, March 7th and will proceed to a Legislative Session to resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).

The Senate adjourned at 7:06 PM.

MONDAY, MARCH 5, 2018

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #438, Karen Gren Scholer to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on confirmation of the following nominations:

- #438, Karen Gren Scholer to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.
- #439, Tilman Eugene Self III to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #438, Karen Gren Scholer to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **95-0**.

Cal. #439, Tilman Eugene Self III to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **85-11**.

Cal. #397, Jeffrey Gerrish to be a Deputy U.S. Trade Representative with the rank of Ambassador. Confirmed by voice vote.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 6, 2018. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act). At 11:00 AM, the Senate will proceed to two votes:

- Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act).
- Confirmation of Cal. #536, Terry A. Doughty to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

The Senate will recess from 12:30 to 2:15 PM for the weekly party lunches.

The Senate adjourned at 7:17 PM.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1, 2018

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and will resume consideration of Cal. #437, A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr. to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina. At 11:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to three roll call votes on the following:

- Confirmation of Cal. #437, A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr. to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina.

- Cloture on Cal. #438, Karen Gren Scholer, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.
- Cloture on Cal. #439, Tilman Eugene Self III, of Georgia, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.

At 1:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #536, Terry A. Doughty, of Louisiana, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

H.R. 1865 (Allow States and Victims to Fight Online Sex Trafficking Act of 2017). The bill was read for a second time. Further readings were objected to and the bill was placed on the calendar.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #437, A. Marvin Quattlebaum, Jr. to be U.S. District Judge for the District of South Carolina. Yeas and nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **69-28**.

Cal. #438, Karen Gren Scholer to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **96-1**.

Cal. #439, Tilman Eugene Self III to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia. Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **85-12**.

Cal. #536, Terry A. Doughty to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana. Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **94-2**.

McConnell Motion to Proceed to a Legislative Session. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Motion to Proceed to S. 2155 (A bill to promote economic growth). McConnell filed Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following nominations were considered, en bloc:

Cal. #398, Gregory Doud to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative.

Cal. #399, Jason Kearns to be a Member of the United States International Trade Commission.

Cal. #698, Dennis Shea to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative.

Cal. #699, CJ Mahoney to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative.

Confirmed, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

S. 1621 (Rural Wireless Access Act of 2017). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 3656 (To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a consistent eligibility date for provision of Department of Veterans Affairs memorial headstones and markers for eligible spouses and dependent children of veterans whose remains are unavailable). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 2248 (A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide certain burial benefits for spouses and children of veterans who are buried in tribal cemeteries). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 2372 (Veterans Cemetery Benefit Correction Act). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The following resolutions were considered, en bloc:

S. Res. 419

S. Res. 420

S. Res. 421

S. Res. 422

S. Res. 423

Agreed to, en bloc, by Voice Vote.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on March 5th and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #438, Karen Gren Scholer to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to vote on the following nominations:

- Cal. #438, Karen Gren Scholer to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas.
- Cal. #439, Tilman Eugene Self III to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Georgia.
- Cal. #536, Terry A. Doughty to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

The Senate adjourned at 4:58 PM.