

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. At 12:30 PM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of Executive Calendar #10, Andrew Wheeler to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. At 1:45 PM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of Executive Calendar #12, John Ryder to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority (The cloture motion was withdrawn by unanimous consent).

The Senate convened and proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #10, Andrew Wheeler to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Nomination was confirmed by a vote of **52–47**.

**Cal. #12, John Ryder to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.** The Nomination was confirmed by **Voice Vote**.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

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

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Cal. #15, Allison Jones Rushing, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.** McConnell filed Cloture on the Nomination.

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

The Senate proceeded to Legislative Session.

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

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Cal. #17, Chad A. Readler to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.** McConnell filed Cloture on the Nomination.

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

The Senate Proceeded to Legislative Session.

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

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Cal. #18, Eric E. Murphy to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit.** McConnell filed Cloture on the Nomination.

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

The Senate Proceeded to Legislative Session.

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

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Cal. #11, John Fleming to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Economic Development.** McConnell filed Cloture on the nomination.

The following nominations were considered, en bloc:

Cal. #81, Lt. Gen. Michael X. Garrett to be General in the US Army.

Cal. #82, Col. Timothy J. Donnellan to be Brig. General in the Air Force Reserve.

Cal. #83, Col. Stephen J. Mallette to be Brig. General in the Air Force Reserve.

Cal. #84, 4 Captains to be Rear Admirals in the US Navy.

Cal. #85, 18 Captains to be Rear Admirals in the US Navy.

Cal. #86, Lt. Gen. VeraLinn Jamieson to be Lt. General in the US Air Force.

All nominations on the Secretary's Desk.

Agreed to, en bloc, by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The following bills were considered, en bloc:

S. 617 (To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions to provide disaster tax relief).

H.R. 8 (To require a background check for every firearm sale).

The bills were read for a first time, en bloc. Further readings were objected to, en bloc, and the bills will be read for a second time on the next Legislative day.

S. Res. 43 (A resolution honoring the 150th anniversary of the establishment of Lindsborg, Kansas). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The following resolutions were considered, en bloc:

S. Res. 86

S. Res. 87

S. Res. 88

S. Res. 89

S. Res. 90

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

The following resolutions were considered, en bloc:

S. Con. Res. 6

S. Con. Res. 7

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

Message from the House to Accompany S. 483 (Pesticide Registration Improvement Extension Act of 2018). Motion to Concur in the House amendment. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, March 4<sup>th</sup> and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #15, Allison Jones Rushing, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit. The Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Rushing nomination at 5:30 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 6:17 PM.

### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #6, Michael J. Desmond, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

At 12:15 PM on Wednesday the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

- 1) Confirmation of the Desmond nomination.
- 2) Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #10, Andrew Wheeler, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Michael J. Desmond, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **83–15**.

**Cal. #10, Andrew Wheeler, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **52–46**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. Res. 70 (Authorizing expenditures by committees of the senate for the periods March 1, 2019, through September 30, 2019, October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2020, and October 1, 2020 through February 28, 2021). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

H. Con. Res. 21 (Directing the Secretary of the Senate to make a correction in the enrollment of the bill S. 47). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #10, Andrew Wheeler, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.**

S. Res. 83 (National Wear Red Day). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 84 (Celebrating Black History Month). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, February 28, 2019. At 12:30 PM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of Executive Calendar #10, Andrew Wheeler to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. At 1:45 PM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of Executive Calendar #12, John Ryder to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority (The cloture motion was withdrawn by unanimous consent).

The Senate adjourned at 7:01 PM.

## **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session and resume consideration of Cal. #16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus meetings.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.**

The Senate recessed from 12:45-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus meetings.

The Senate convened and resumed an Executive Session.

**Cal. #16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **53–46**.

**Cal. #6, Michael J. Desmond, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **84–15**.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 79 (Supporting the goals and ideals of Career and Technical Education Month). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 27th, 2019. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #6, Michael J. Desmond, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.

At 12:15 PM on Wednesday the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

- 1) Confirmation of the Desmond nomination.
- 2) Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #10, Andrew Wheeler, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Senate adjourned at 7:07 PM.

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM. Following the closing of Morning Business, Senator Fischer will be recognized to deliver Washington's Farewell address. Following the conclusion of the Farewell Address the Senate will proceed to the Motion to Proceed to S. 311 (To Amend Title 18, United States Code, 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 an attempted abortion).

At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed so S. 311 (To Amend Title 18, United States Code, 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 an attempted abortion).

The Senate convened and Senator Fischer was recognized to deliver Washington's Farewell address.

The Senate proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 311 (To Amend Title 18, United States Code, 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 an attempted abortion). Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Cloture Motion was not agreed to by a vote of **53-44**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Cloture Motion is agreed to by a vote of **51-46**.

**Cal. #16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.**

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session and resume consideration of Cal. #16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus meetings.

The Senate adjourned at 7:46 PM.

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General. The Senate will vote on the Barr nomination at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader in consultation with the Democratic Leader.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The following bills were read for a second time, en bloc:

S. 483 (To enact into law a bill by reference).

S. J. Res. 8 (Recognizing the duty of the federal government to create a Green New Deal).

Further readings were objected to, and the bills were placed on the calendar.

S. Res. 71 (Honoring the victims of the senseless attack on Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School one year ago). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General.**

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

S. 488 (A bill to amend Title 18, United States Code to specify lynching as a deprivation of civil rights and for other purposes). The bill passed by voice vote.

The Senate resumed an Executive Session.

**Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **54-45**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

**Conference Report to Accompany H. J. Res 31 (Making further continuing appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2019, and for other purposes).** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and nays ordered. The cloture motion was agreed to by a vote of **84-15**. By unanimous consent, all post-cloture time is yielded back.

**Conference Report to Accompany H. J. Res 31 (Making further continuing appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2019, and for other purposes).** Yeas and nays ordered. The Conference Report was adopted by a vote of **83-16**.

S. Con. Res. 4 (Providing for a Correction in the Enrollment of H.J. Res. 31). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 311 (To Amend Title 18, United States Code, 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 an attempted abortion).** Senator McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

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

**Cal. # 16, Eric Miller to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.** Senator 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. #6, Michael J. Desmond to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and Assistant Counsel in the Department of the Treasury.** Senator 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. # 10, Andrew Wheeler to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.** Senator 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. #12, John L. Ryder to be a Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority.** Senator McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture.

McConnell asked Unanimous Consent that P.N. #175, John Lowry to be the Assistant Secretary of Labor be sent to the Veterans Affairs Committee. Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The following resolutions were agreed to by Unanimous Consent, en bloc:

S. Res. 75 ( )

S. Res. 76 ( )

S. Res. 77 ( )

S. Con. Res. 1 (A concurrent resolution calling for credible, transparent, and safe elections in Nigeria, and for other purposes). The Menendez-Risch substitute amendment was agreed to by Unanimous Consent. The Concurrent Resolution as amended was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. 483 (A bill to enact into law a bill by reference). The bill passed by Voice Vote.

The Senate will convene for Pro Forma Sessions only on the following dates:

Friday, February 19th, 7:00 AM

Tuesday, February 19th, at 10:00 AM

Thursday, February 21st, at 10:00 AM

The Senate will next convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, February 25th, 2019. Following the closing of Morning Business, Senator Fischer will be recognized to deliver Washington's Farewell address. Following the conclusion of the Farewell Address the Senate will proceed to the Motion to Proceed to S. 311 (To Amend Title 18, United States Code, 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 an attempted abortion).

At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed so S. 311 (To Amend Title 18, United States Code, 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 an attempted abortion).

The Senate adjourned at 6:29 PM.

### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and will resume consideration of Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General, post-cloture. There are no votes scheduled at this time.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

S. 464 (To require the treatment of a lapse in appropriations as a mitigating condition when assessing financial considerations for security clearances). 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. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General.**

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The following bills were considered, en bloc:

S. 483 (To enact into law a bill by reference).

S. J. Res. 8 (Recognizing the duty of the federal government to create a Green New Deal).

The bills were read for a first time, en bloc. Further readings were objected to, and the bills will be read for a second time on the next legislative day.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General. The Senate will vote on the Barr nomination at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader in consultation with the Democratic Leader.

The Senate adjourned at 6:35 PM.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, February 12, 2019. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act). The Senate will recess from 12:00 Noon until 2:15 PM for the weekly conference meetings.

At 4:30 PM the Senate will proceed to two votes on the following:

1. Passage of S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act)
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #14 William Barr to be Attorney General.

Further votes are possible during the 4:30 PM vote series.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to Legislative Session.

**S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).**

Murkowski amend #111 (Substitute).

The Senate stands in recess until 2:15 PM.

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

**S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).**

Murkowski amend #111 (Substitute).

Rubio amend #182 (To give effect to more accurate maps of units of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System that were produced by digital mapping). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Murkowski amend #112 (To modify the authorization period for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Murkowski amend #111 (Substitute). The amendment was agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

**S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act), as amended.** The bill was read for a third time. Yeas and nays ordered. The bill, as amended, passed by a vote of **92-8**.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General. Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **55-44**.

S. 461 (A bill to strengthen the capacity and competitiveness of historically black colleges and universities through robust public sector, private sector, and community partnerships and engagement, and for other purposes). The bill passed by voice vote.

S. Res. 36 (Supporting the observation of National Trafficking and Modern Slavery Prevention Month). The resolution was agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. 464 (A bill to require the treatment of a lapse in appropriations as a mitigating condition when assessing financial considerations for security clearances, and for other purposes). The bill was read for the first time. Further consideration of the bill was objected to.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 13, 2019. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and will resume consideration of Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General, post-cloture. There are no votes scheduled at this time.

The Senate adjourned at 6:12 PM.

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM and proceed to Leader time. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and will resume the consideration of S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader time.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).**

**McConnell Motion to Proceed to H.J. Res. 1 (Joint Resolution Making Further Continuing Appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for Fiscal Year 219, and for other purposes). McConnell filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed. McConnell withdrew the Motion to Proceed to H.J. Res. 1.**

**S.47 (Natural Resources Management Act).**

Lee amend #187 to Murkowski amend #112 (To modify the authorization period for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program). Murkowski Motion to Table Lee amend #187 to amend #112. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion to table was agreed to by a vote of **60–33**.

**S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).** Motion to Invoke Cloture. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **87-7**.

Rubio amend #182 to Murkowski amend #112 (To modify the authorization period for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program).

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, February 12, 2019. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act). The Senate will recess from 12:00 Noon until 2:15 PM for the weekly conference meetings.

At 4:30 PM the Senate will proceed to two votes on the following:

1. Passage of S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act)
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #14 William Barr to be Attorney General.

Further votes are possible during the 4:30 PM vote series.

The Senate adjourned at 7:23 PM.

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 12:00 Noon. Following Leader remarks, all post-cloture time on the Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act) will expire. The Motion to Proceed to S. 47 is expected to be adopted by voice vote. Roll call votes are expected during Thursday's session, but are not scheduled at this time.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).** The Motion to Proceed was agreed to by Voice Vote.

S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).

Murkowski amend #111 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified.

Lankford amend #158 (To modify the provision relating to the Land and Water Conservation Fund to impose certain requirements on the Federal acquisition of land and to require an allocation of funds for the deferred maintenance backlog). **Motion to Table.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table is agreed to by a vote of **67-32**.

Lee amend #162 (To modify the authorization period of the Land and Water Conservation Fund). **Motion to Table.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Motion to Table is agreed to by a vote of **68-30**.

Murkowski amend #111 (In the nature of a substitute), as modified. Yeas and nays ordered.

Murkowski amend #112 (To modify the authorization period for the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program).

**S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).** Senator McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill.

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

**Cal. #14, William Barr to be Attorney General.** Senator McConnell filed a Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> and proceed to Leader time. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and will resume the consideration of S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the bill.

The Senate adjourned at 5:09 PM.

### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

S. 340 (To promote competition in the market for drugs and biological products by facilitating the timely entry of lower-cost generic and biosimilar versions of those drugs and biological products). 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 a Legislative Session.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).**

S. Res. 33 (Supporting the contributions of Catholic Schools). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 53 (Recognizing the staff of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the office). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, February 7, 2019. Following Leader remarks, all post-cloture time on the Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act) will expire. The Motion to Proceed to S. 47 is expected to be adopted by voice vote. Roll call votes are expected during Thursday's session, but are not scheduled at this time.

The Senate adjourned at 6:18 PM.

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and resume the consideration of S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act), post-cloture. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus meetings. At 3:30 PM, all post-cloture time will be considered expired, and the Senate will vote on S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act). The Senate will then proceed to vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act). Senators will gather in the Senate Chamber at 8:25 PM to proceed as a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives to hear President Trump deliver the State of the Union address at 9:00 PM.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

**S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act).**

The Senate recessed from 12:33-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus meetings.

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

S. 49 (To designate the outstation of the Department of Veterans Affairs as the Major Brett Taylor Outstation). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

**S. 1 (Strengthening America’s Security in the Middle East Act).**

Menendez 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #98 (To provide for a classified annex to be submitted with the report on the cooperation of the United States and Israel with respect to countering unmanned aerial systems) to Risch amend #97 (To clarify the deadline for the reporting requirement relating to the establishment of a Jordan Enterprise Fund). Agreed to by Voice Vote.

Risch amend #97 (To clarify the deadline for the reporting requirement relating to the establishment of a Jordan Enterprise Fund), as amended. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

**S. 1 (Strengthening America’s Security in the Middle East Act), as amended.** Yeas and nays ordered. The bill was passed as amended by a vote of **77–23**.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act). Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Motion to Proceed.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **99–1**.

**Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).**

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

The following Military Promotions, and all on the Secretary’s Desk, were confirmed by Unanimous Consent.:

**AIR FORCE**

Cal. #1, Col. Frank A. Rodman to be Brigadier General

**ARMY**

Cal. #2, Brig. Gen. Robert D. Harter to be Major General

Cal. #3, Col. Charles M. Schoening to be Brigadier General

Cal. #4, Brig. Gen. David W. Ling to be Major General

Cal. #4, Col. Joseph F. Dziezynski and Rodney J. Fisher to be Brigadier General

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

S. 340 (A bill to promote competition in the market for drugs and biological products by facilitating the timely entry of lower-cost generic and biosimilar versions of those drugs and biological products). The bill was read for the first time. Further readings of the bill were objected to and the bill will be placed on the calendar.

H.R. 439 (National FFA Organization's Federal Charter Amendments Act). The bill was read for a third time and passed by Voice Vote.

S. Res. 44 (Raising awareness and encouraging the prevention of stalking by designating January 2019 as National Stalking Awareness Month). The resolution was agreed to by Voice Vote.

The Senate will recess until 8:25 PM and upon reconvening will proceed as a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives for the Joint Session of Congress.

The Senate stands in recess until 8:25 PM.

The Senate reconvened and proceeded as a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives for the Joint Session of Congress

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Following leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to S. 47 (Natural Resources Management Act).

The Senate adjourned at 10:35 PM.

### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and resume consideration of S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act). At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to up to three roll call votes on the following:

1. Menendez 2nd degree amend #96 (To clarify that the amendment shall not be construed as a declaration of war or an authorization of the use of military force).
2. McConnell amend #65 (Sense of the Senate that the United States faces continuing threats from terrorist groups operating in Syria and Afghanistan and that the precipitous withdrawal of United States forces from either country could put at risk hard-won gains and United States national security).
3. Motion to Invoke Cloture on S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act).

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded with a Legislative Session.

S. 311 (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). The bill was read for the second time. Further consideration was objected to, and the bill was placed on the Calendar.

#### **S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act).**

Menendez 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #96 (To clarify that the amendment shall not be construed as a declaration of war or an authorization of the use of military force). The amendment was agreed to by **Voice Vote**.

McConnell amend #65 (Sense of the Senate that the United States faces continuing threats from terrorist groups operating in Syria and Afghanistan and that the precipitous withdrawal of United States forces from either country could put at risk hard-won gains and United States national

security), as amended. Yeas and nays ordered. The amendment was agreed to by a vote of **70-26**.

**S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act). Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and nays ordered. The Cloture Motion was agreed to by a vote of **72-24**.

Risch amend #97 (To clarify the deadline for the reporting requirement relating to the establishment of a Jordan Enterprise Fund).

Menendez 2<sup>nd</sup> degree amend #98 (To provide for a classified annex to be submitted with the report on the cooperation of the United States and Israel with respect to countering unmanned aerial systems) to Risch amend #97 (To clarify the deadline for the reporting requirement relating to the establishment of a Jordan Enterprise Fund).

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

H. Con. Res. 9 (Providing for a Joint Session of Congress to receive a message from the President). Agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> and will proceed to Leader remarks. The Senate will then proceed to a Legislative Session and resume the consideration of S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act), post-cloture. The Senate will recess from 12:30-2:15 PM for weekly party caucus meetings. At 3:30 PM, all post-cloture time will be considered expired, and the Senate will vote on S. 1 (Strengthening America's Security in the Middle East Act).

The Senate adjourned at 7:36 PM.