

THURSDAY, JANUARY 28, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00am on Thursday, January 28, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will be in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

At 1:45pm, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar #4, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

If cloture is invoked on the Mayorkas nomination, the confirmation vote will occur at 5:30pm on Monday, February 1st.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

Invoked, 55-42: Executive Calendar #4 Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

The Senate stands adjourned until 3:00pm on Monday, February 1, 2021.

Confirmation on Executive Calendar #4, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security will occur at 5:30pm on Monday.

The Senate adjourned at 4:32 pm.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2021

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Cal. #4, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security. Schumer filed cloture on the nomination.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, January 28, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Period of Morning Business.

At 1:45 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #4, Alejandro Nicholas Mayorkas, of the District of Columbia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security.

The Senate adjourned at 5:32 PM.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of [Executive Calendar #3](#), Antony Blinken to be Secretary of State. The time until 12:00 Noon will be equally divided between the two Leaders, with Senator Menendez permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes.

At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Blinken nomination.

Following the confirmation vote, the Senate will be in a period of Morning Business with senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with Senator Paul recognized for up to 15 minutes. Following the remarks of Senator Paul, the Senate will recess until 2:15 p.m. to allow for the weekly conference meetings.

At 2:15 p.m. there will be a live quorum. Senators are asked to report to the floor at that time. At 2:30 p.m., the Senate will proceed to the consideration of the Article of Impeachment of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States. At that time, the oath will be administered to the Presiding Officer and Members of the Senate. An official photograph will be taken during the swearing in. It is possible that Senator Paul raises a Constitutional point of order and the Senate votes in relation to that point of order.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Executive Calendar #3, Antony Blinken to be Secretary of State. Confirmed, 78-22

The Senate stands in recess until 2:15pm to allow for the weekly caucus meetings.

The Senate reconvened and conducted a live quorum. The Chair noted a quorum was present.

The Senate proceeded to the consideration of the article of impeachment of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States which commenced with the swearing-in of the President Pro Tempore of the United States and all Senators. Senators then signed the oath book.

Senator Paul made a constitutional point of order that the Impeachment Trial of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States is unconstitutional. **Schumer Motion to Table the**

Point of Order. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion to Table was agreed to by a vote of **55–45**. The Point of Order was not sustained.

S. Res. 16 (To provide for related procedures concerning the Article of Impeachment against Donald John Trump, president of the United States). Yeas and Nays ordered. The resolution was agreed to by a vote of **83–17**.

Schumer made a Motion that the Senate sitting as a court of impeachment adjourn until Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at 1:00 PM. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

The Senate sitting as a court of impeachment adjourned at 3:25 PM.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 27, 2021.

Following Leader remarks, the Senate will be in a period of morning business with senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The Senate adjourned at 5:38pm

MONDAY, JANUARY 25, 2021

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session for the consideration of Executive Calendar #2, Janet Yellen to be Secretary of Treasury.

At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to a roll call vote on confirmation of the Yellen nomination.

At 7:00 PM, the Senate will receive the managers on the part of the House of Representatives so that they may present and exhibit the article of impeachment against Donald John Trump, former President of the United States.

If presented, the House managers would read the text of the following resolutions and then request leave to withdraw from the Senate:

- H. Res. 40 (A resolution appointing and authorizing managers for the impeachment trial of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States).
- H. Res. 24 (A resolution impeaching Donald John Trump, former President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors).

The Senate convened and proceeded to Executive Session.

Executive Calendar #2, Janet Yellen to be Secretary of Treasury. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **84-15**.

The Senate received the managers on the part of the House of Representatives. The House managers presented and exhibited the article of impeachment against Donald John Trump, former President of the United States.

The House managers read the text of the following resolutions and then requested leave to withdraw from the Senate:

- H. Res. 40 (A resolution appointing and authorizing managers for the impeachment trial of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States).
- H. Res. 24 (A resolution impeaching Donald John Trump, former President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors).

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider Executive Calendar #3, Antony J. Blinken to be Secretary of State.

At 12:00 Noon the Senate will proceed to a vote on confirmation of Antony J. Blinken to be Secretary of State.

Following the confirmation vote, the Senate will be in a period of Morning Business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each, with Senator Paul recognized for up to 15 minutes.

Following the remarks of Senator Paul, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM to allow for the weekly conference meetings.

At 2:15 PM there will be a Live Quorum.

At 2:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to the consideration of the Article of Impeachment of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States. At that time, the oath will be administered to the Presiding Officer and Members of the Senate. An official photograph will be taken during the swearing in. It is possible that Senator Paul raises a Constitutional point of order and the Senate votes in relation to that point of order.

The Senate adjourned at 8:05 PM.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00am on Friday, January 22, 2021.

Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of [Executive Calendar #1](#), Lloyd James Austin, of Georgia, to be Secretary of

Defense. There will be up to 10 minutes of debate followed by a vote on confirmation of the Austin nomination. Vote on confirmation of the Yellen and Blinken nominations this week.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

Executive Calendar #1, Lloyd James Austin, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Defense. Confirmed, 93-2

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate will next convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, January 25, 2020. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to consider Cal. #2, Janet Louise Yellen to be Secretary of Treasury.

At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Yellen nomination.

At 7:00 p.m., it is expected that House managers will present Articles of Impeachment. They would read the text of H.Res.40, a resolution appointing and authorizing managers for the impeachment trial of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States; and then they would read the text of H.Res.24, a resolution impeaching Donald John Trump, former President of the United States, for high crimes and misdemeanors. The managers would then request leave to withdraw.

The Senate adjourned at 6:11 PM.

THURSDAY, JANUARY, 21, 2021

The Senate will convene at 12:00 Noon. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

H.R. 335 (To provide for an exception to a limitation against appointment of persons as Secretary of Defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the Armed Forces). 60 affirmative votes required. The bill passed by a vote of 69-27.

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00am on Friday, January 22, 2021.

Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination of [Executive Calendar #1](#), Lloyd James Austin, of Georgia, to be Secretary of Defense. There will be up to 10 minutes of debate followed by a vote on confirmation of the Austin nomination. We also hope to vote on confirmation of the Yellen and Blinken nominations this week.

Friday, January 22nd at approximately 10:30am – 1 roll call vote:

1. Confirmation of Lloyd James Austin to be Secretary of Defense

The Senate adjourned at 6:14 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY, 20, 2021

At 12:00 noon on Wednesday, January 20th, Joseph R. Biden will be sworn in as President of the United States, and Kamala D. Harris will be sworn in as Vice President of the United States.

The Senate stands adjourned under the provisions of [S.Res.5](#) until 4:30pm and does so as a further mark of respect to the memory of United States Capitol Police Officer Brian D. Sicknick.

Following the prayer and pledge, Senator-designate Padilla and Senators-elect Ossoff and Warnock will be sworn in as United States Senators.

Following swearing-in, the Senate will adopt resolutions thanking and designating Senator Grassley as President pro tempore emeritus and electing Senator Leahy as President pro tempore. Senator Leahy will then be sworn in as President pro tempore. Following, the Senate is expected to adopt resolutions notifying the House and the President that Senator Leahy is President pro tempore, followed by the adoption of resolutions appointing the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority.

Following any Leader remarks, the Senate will be in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

The Senate convened at 4:30 PM.

Senator Padilla, Senator Ossoff, and Senator Warnock were sworn in at approximately 4:48 PM.

S. Res. 6 (To elect Patrick J. Leahy, a Senator from the State of Vermont, to be President Pro Tempore of the Senate of the United States). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 7 (Expressing the Thanks of the Senate to the Honorable Chuck Grassley for his service as President Pro Tempore of the United States Senate and to designate Senator Grassley as President Pro Tempore Emeritus of the United States Senate). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 8 (Notifying the President of the United States of the Election of a President Pro Tempore). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 9 (Notifying the House of the Representatives of the Election of a President Pro Tempore). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 10 (Electing Gary B. Myrick of Virginia as Secretary for the Majority of the Senate). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 11 (Electing Robert M. Duncan of the District of Columbia as Secretary for the Minority of the Senate). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

#PN7810, Avril D. Haines to be Director of National Intelligence. Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **84–10**.

The Senate will convene at Noon on January 21, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Period of Morning Business. There are no votes scheduled at this time.

The Senate adjourned at 7:08 PM.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 12:00 noon on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Following Leader remarks, the Senate will be in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

Depending on the certification timeline, Senators-elect Warnock and Ossoff of Georgia may be sworn in on January 19th.

There are no roll call votes scheduled at this time.

The Senate will convene at 4:30 PM on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 and will be in a period of Morning Business.

The Senate adjourned at 4:04 PM under the provisions of S. Res. 5 (Honoring the memory of Brian David Sicknick of the United States Capitol Police for his acts of heroism on the grounds of the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021).

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 12:30 PM on Wednesday, January 6, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will be in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.

At 1:00 PM, the Joint Session of Congress will convene in the Hall of the House of Representatives under the provisions of S.Con.Res. 1, for the counting of the Electoral ballots. Senators attending the Joint Session will gather in the Senate Chamber at 12:45 PM and proceed as a body to the Hall of the House of Representatives at 12:50 PM. If there is an objection to counting a state's electors, the senators will return to the Senate chamber. There would be 2 hours for debate with senators permitted to speak therein for up to 5 minutes each. Upon conclusion of debate, the Senate would vote on the question before the body.

The Joint Session of Congress convened in the Hall of the House of Representatives under the provisions of S. Con. Res. 1, for the counting of the Electoral ballots.

An objection to the counting of Arizona's electoral vote was submitted. Senators have returned to the Senate chamber. There will be up to 2 hours of debate on the objection. Upon conclusion of debate, the question before the body shall be whether to sustain the objection.

The Senate recessed at 2:13 PM.

The Senate reconvened at 8:06 PM.

An objection to the counting of Arizona's electoral vote was submitted. Senators have returned to the Senate chamber. There will be up to 2 hours of debate on the objection. Upon conclusion of debate, the question before the body shall be whether to sustain the objection.

The question before the Senate: Shall the objection to the certification of the State of Arizona's electoral ballots be sustained. **Not sustained, by a vote of 6-93.**

The question before the Senate: Shall the objection to the certification of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's electoral ballots be sustained. **Not sustained, by a vote of 7-92.**

The Senate will convene for pro forma sessions only with no business conducted on the following dates and times:

Friday, January 8 at 10 AM.

Tuesday, January 12 at 12:30 PM.

Friday, January 15 at 10 AM.

The Senate will next convene at 12:00 Noon on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 and will be in a period of Morning Business.

The Senate adjourned at 3:44 AM.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2021

The Senate will convene for a pro forma session at 11:45 AM on Sunday, January 3, 2021.

After the pro forma, the First Session of the 117th Congress will convene at 12:00 Noon.

- Following the prayer and pledge, the certificates of election will be presented. Senators will then be sworn-in in groups of two.
- Following the swearing-in of Senators, the Senate will hold a live quorum. Once a quorum is established, the Senate will adopt a number of housekeeping resolutions.
- Following leader remarks, the Senate will be in a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak therein for up to 10 minutes each.
- During Sunday's session of the Senate, an agreement is expected to be reached to set January 21 as the first day for bill introductions.

The Senate adjourned the 116th Congress Sine Die at 11:43 AM.

The Senate convened the 117th Congress at 12:00 Noon.

The Chair laid before the Senate the certificates of 32 Senators elected for six-year terms beginning on January 3, 2021.

The Senate conducted a Live Quorum.

S. Res. 1 (Establishing a committee to inform the President of the United States that a quorum of each House is assembled). Adopted by unanimous consent.

S Res. 2 (Informing the House of Representatives that a quorum of the Senate is assembled). Adopted by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 3 (Fixing the hour of daily meeting of the Senate). Adopted by unanimous consent.

S. Con. Res. 1 (To provide for the counting on January 6, 2021, of the electoral votes for President and Vice President of the United States). Adopted by unanimous consent.

S. Con. Res. 2 (Extending the life of the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies and so forth). Adopted by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 4 (Fixing the hour of daily meeting of the Senate). Adopted by unanimous consent.

The Senate will convene at 12:30 PM on Wednesday, January 6, 2021.

At 1:00 PM the Joint Session of Congress will convene in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the counting of the electoral ballots.

If there is an objection to counting a state's electors, Senators will return to the Senate Chamber. There would be up to 2 hours of debate time. Upon conclusion of debate, the Senate would proceed to vote on whether to sustain the objection.

The Senate adjourned at 12:47 PM.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 1, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 12:00 noon Friday, January 1, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the veto message accompanying H.R. 6395, National Defense Authorization Act.

At 1:00pm, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the veto message. If cloture is invoked, there would be up to 30 hours of post-cloture debate. Upon conclusion of debate, the question before the body would be: "Shall the bill (H.R. 6395, NDAA) pass, the objections of the President of the United States to the contrary notwithstanding?" A quorum being present, a veto override requires a 2/3 affirmative vote of those present and voting.

By a vote of 80-12, the Senate agreed to the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Veto Message on H.R. 6395 (National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021).

By a vote of 81-13, the Senate PASSED H.R. 6395 ([NDAA](#)), the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding (veto override vote).

The Senate stands adjourned for a pro forma session at 11:45am on Sunday, January 3, 2021.

After the pro forma, the First Session of the 117th Congress will convene at 12:00 Noon on Sunday.

Legislative Business:

Passed S.5086: To allow senators, senator-elect, committees of the Senate, leadership offices and other offices of the Senate share employees.

Passed H.R. 2444: Eastern European Security Act.

Passed H.R. 4508: To expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program.

Adopted S.Res. 684 with amendments: Calling on the Government of Cameroon and separatist armed groups from the English-speaking Northwest and Southwest regions to end all violence,

respect the human rights of all Cameroonians and pursue a genuinely inclusive dialogue toward resolving the ongoing civil conflict in the Anglophone Cameroon.

The Senate adjourned at 4:10 PM