

## THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 25, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the motion to proceed to Calendar #11, [H.R.1799](#), will be agreed to, as provided for under the previous order. The only amendments in order are Kennedy #1401 and Rubio #1405. We expect Senator Paul to raise a Budget Act point of order against the bill and a motion to waive all applicable points of order to be made.

At 10:45am, we expect 4 roll call votes. Those votes would be on the Kennedy and Rubio amendments, a motion to waive all applicable Budget Act points of order, and on passage of the bill, as amended, if amended, with a 60-affirmative vote required for passage.

As a reminder, the Senate will vote to confirm [Executive Calendar #30](#) Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury, during Thursday's session of the Senate.

There is an effort to reach an agreement to consider [H.R.1868](#), Medicare, Medicaid, and the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which provided additional relief to address the ongoing impact of COVID-19. It is possible that the Senate will reach an agreement that would result in roll call votes in relation to an amendment (or amendments) to the bill and on passage of the bill, as amended by the Shaheen-Collins substitute. Senators will be notified as any additional information is available.

Additional roll call votes are expected during Thursday's session of the Senate.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

S. 963 (A bill to authorize a dedicated domestic terrorism office within the office of Homeland Security and so forth and for other purposes). The bill was read for the second time. Further readings of the bill were objected to and the bill will be placed on the calendar.

H.R. 1868 (To prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts, and for other purposes). The bill was read for the second time. Further readings of the bill were objected to and the bill will be placed on the calendar.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension). Agreed to by UC.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

### **H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension).**

Kennedy amend #1401 (To prohibit paycheck protection program loans and second draw loans for applicants convicted of a felony in relation to a riot or civil disorder during the 2-year period preceding the date of the application). Yeas and Nays ordered. Not adopted by a vote of **48-52**.

Rubio amend #1405 (To establish appropriate limitations on the Administrator of the Small Business Administration establishing new priorities for processing lender applications). Yeas and Nays ordered. Not adopted by a vote of **48-52**.

Paul raised a budget point of order. Cardin Motion to Waive the Budget Act. Yeas and Nays ordered.

Motion to waive the Budget Act with respect to the Paul Budget Point of Order in relation to H.R.1799, PPP Extension Act. **Waived, 64-36**

Passage of H.R.1799, PPP Extension Act (60-vote affirmative threshold). **Passed, 92-7**

**H.R.1868 (Medicare Sequester).**

Scott (FL) amend #1411. Yeas and Nays ordered. The amendment was not adopted by a vote of **47-50**.

Shaheen-Collins Substitute Amendment #1410. Agreed to by Voice Vote.

**H.R.1868 (Medicare Sequester), as amended.** Yeas and Nays ordered. Passed, 90-2: H.R.1868, Medicare Sequester, as amended.

The Senate moved to Executive session.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on Executive Calendar #55 Polly Ellen Trottenberg to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation

The Senate proceeded to Legislative session.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on Executive Calendar #35 Wendy Ruth Sherman to be Deputy Secretary of State

The Senate moved to Executive sessions.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on Executive Calendar #33 Gary Gensler to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission for the remainder of the term expiring June 5, 2021.

The Senate moved to Legislative session.

The Senate moved to Executive session.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on Executive Calendar #53 Brenda Mallory to be a Member of the Council on Environmental Quality.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on the motion to proceed to Cal. #13, S.937, A bill to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 Hate Crimes.

Confirmed by voice vote: Executive Calendar #30 Adewale O. Adeyemo to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury

The Senate proceeded to a period of Morning Business.

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

Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am

Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup> at 10:00am

Monday, April 5<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm

Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

When the Senate stands adjourned on Thursday April 8<sup>th</sup>, it will next convene at 3:00pm on Monday April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and resume consideration of [Executive Calendar #55](#), Polly Ellen Trottenberg, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation.

At 5:30pm, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Trottenberg nomination.

Cloture filed on:

1. [Executive Calendar #55](#), Polly Ellen Trottenberg, of New York, to be Deputy Secretary of Transportation
2. [Executive Calendar #35](#), Wendy Ruth Sherman, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of State
3. [Executive Calendar #33](#), Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission
4. Executive Calendar #53, Brenda Mallory, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Council on Environmental Quality
5. Motion to proceed to Calendar #13, [937](#), a bill to facilitate the expedited review of COVID-19 hate crimes.

The Senate adjourned at 5:29 PM

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM and proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Executive Calendar #40, Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Executive Calendar #38, David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

At 11:30 AM, there will be two votes on the following:

1. Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Levine nomination
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Turk nomination

If cloture is invoked on either nomination the confirmation votes will be at 4:45 PM. Additional votes are expected.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

S. 937 (A bill to expedite review of hate crimes and for other purposes). The bill was read for the second time. Further proceedings were objected to.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Executive Calendar #40, Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **52-48**.

**Executive Calendar #38, David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **98-2**.

Senator Inhofe asked Unanimous Consent to call up and pass S. Res. 132. Senator Padilla objected.

Senator Ernst asked Unanimous Consent to call up and pass S. 80, Senator Durbin objected.

Senator Blackburn asked Unanimous Consent to call up and pass S. 903. Senator Padilla objected.

Senator Cruz asked Unanimous Consent to call up and pass S. 890. Senator Luján objected.

Senator Scott (FL) asked Unanimous Consent to call up and pass S. 948. Senator Wyden objected.

By Unanimous Consent, the cloture with respect to Cal. #30, Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury was withdrawn. A vote on confirmation is expected on Thursday.

**Executive Calendar #40, Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, post-cloture.** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **52-48**.

**Executive Calendar #38, David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, post-cloture.** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **98-2**.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R.1799, PPP Extension Act. Motion to Invoke Cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **96-4**.

**Motion to Proceed to H.R.1799, PPP Extension Act, post-cloture.**

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

S. 963 (A bill to authorize a dedicated domestic terrorism office within the office of Homeland Security and so forth and for other purposes). 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. 1651 (COVID-19 Bankruptcy Relief Extension Act of 2021). The Durbin amendment was agreed to. The bill as amended passed by Unanimous Consent.

H.R. 1868 (To prevent across-the-board direct spending cuts, and for other purposes). 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.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Thursday, March 25, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of the Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension).

At 10:45 AM, the Senate will proceed to four votes in relation to H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension):

1. Kennedy amend #1404
2. Rubio amend #1405
3. Motion to waive the Budget Act with respect to the Paul Budget Point of Order (if raised). 60-vote affirmative threshold
4. Passage of H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension), as amended, if amended. 60-vote affirmative threshold

Additional votes are expected during Thursday's session.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021**

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00am on Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider Executive Calendar #32, Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

At 11:45am, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Young nomination.

Following the cloture vote on the Young nomination, the Senate will recess until 2:15pm to allow for the weekly caucus meetings.

If cloture is invoked on the Young nomination, at 2:15pm, all post-cloture time will be considered expired, and the Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination. Following disposition of the nomination, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar #39, Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of four years.

If cloture is invoked on the Murthy nomination, the confirmation vote is expected to occur during Tuesday's session.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

H.J. Res 17 (removing the deadline of the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment). The Joint Resolution was read for the second time. Further proceedings were objected to and the Joint Resolution was placed on the calendar.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Executive Calendar #32, Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The Motion was agreed to by a vote of **62-38**.

The Senate recessed from 12:35 PM to 2:15 PM.

**Executive Calendar #39 Murthy to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law & regulations, & to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of 4 years.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **57-43**

**Exec. Cal. #39 Murthy to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service for a term of four years.** Motion is on the confirmation. Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **57-43**

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 24, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to consider [Executive Calendar #40](#), Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and [Executive Calendar #38](#), David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy.

At 11:30 a.m., there will be two roll call votes on the motion to invoke cloture on the Levine nomination and the motion to invoke cloture on the Turk nomination.

If cloture is invoked on either of the nominations, the confirmation votes will be at 4:45 p.m. Additional roll call votes are expected.

Cloture has also been filed on the following:

1. Executive Calendar #30 Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury.
2. Motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to Calendar #11, [H.R.1799](#), PPP Extension Act.

The Senate adjourned at 7:46 PM

### **MONDAY, MARCH 22, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor, post-cloture.

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

During Thursday's session, Senator Schumer filed cloture on the following:

Cal. #32, Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget

Cal. #39, Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefore as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

Cal. #40, Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Cal. #38, David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy

Cal. #30, Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury  
Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension Act of 2021).

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

S. Res. 127 (Electing Karen H. Gibson as Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 128 (Notifying the House of Representatives States of the election of a Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate).

S. Res. 129 (Notifying the president of the United States of the election of a Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor, post-cloture.** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **68-29**.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

H.J. Res 17 (removing the deadline of the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment). The Joint Resolution was read for the first time. Further readings were objected to and the Joint Resolution was placed on the calendar.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 23, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and resume consideration of Cal. #32, Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget.

At 11:45 AM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the Young nomination.

Following the cloture vote, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM for the caucus lunches.

At 2:15 PM, the Senate will proceed to two votes on the following:

1. Confirmation of the Young Nomination
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #39, Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefore as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

Under the regular order, a vote on confirmation of the Murthy nomination, if cloture is invoked, will occur at approximately 5:40 PM.

The Senate adjourned at 6:50 PM.

**THURSDAY, MARCH 18, 2021**



The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to resume consideration of [Executive Calendar #37](#), Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, post-cloture.

At 12:00 noon, all post-cloture time will be considered expired and the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Becerra nomination.

Following disposition of the Becerra nomination, the Senate will consider Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor. At 1:30 p.m., the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Walsh nomination.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

H.R. 1799, extending the covered period for the paycheck protection program. The bill was read for the second time on the Senate floor and was placed on the calendar.

**[Executive Calendar #37](#), Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, post-cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **50-49**.

Senator Wyden asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate call up and pass S. 823 (Providing Protection of Recovery Rebates). Senator Toomey objected.

Senator Cruz asked Unanimous Consent that the Senate call up and pass S. 842. Senator Durbin objected.

**Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of 68-30.

The following nominations were confirmed en bloc by Voice Vote:

Cal. #28, William Joseph Burns of Maryland to be Director of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Cal. #36, Brian P. Mckeon of the District of Columbia to be Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources.

Leader Schumer filed cloture on the following nominations:

Cal. #32, Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget

Cal. #39, Vivek Hallegere Murthy, of Florida, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, subject to qualifications therefor as provided by law and regulations, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service.

Cal. #40, Rachel Leland Levine, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Cal. #38, David Turk, of Maryland, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy

Cal. #30, Adewale O. Adeyemo, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of the Treasury

The Senate proceeded to Legislative Session.

Motion to Proceed to H.R. 1799 (PPP Extension Act of 2021). Leader Schumer filed cloture on the Motion to Proceed.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, March 22, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Walsh nomination.

The Senate adjourned at 3:35 PM.

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, March 17, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Executive Calendar #29, Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to two votes on the following:

1. Confirmation of Executive Calendar #29, Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #37, Xavier Becerra to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

**Executive Calendar #29 Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **98-0**.

**Executive Calendar #37 Xavier Becerra to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. Invoked, **50-49**.

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 18, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to resume consideration of [Executive Calendar #37](#), Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services, post-cloture.

At 12:00 noon, all post-cloture time will be considered expired and the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Becerra nomination.

Following disposition of the Becerra nomination, the Senate will consider Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor. At 1:30 p.m., the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the Walsh nomination.

The Senate adjourned at 6:22 PM

## **TUESDAY, MARCH 16, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination of Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Following the cloture vote on Guzman, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM for the weekly party lunches.

Leader Schumer announced two additional votes will occur during Tuesday's session (Time TBD):

1. Confirmation of Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

**Executive Calendar #26 Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **80-18**.

The Senate recessed until 2:15 PM.

**Executive Calendar #26 Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration, post-cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **81-17**.

**Executive Calendar #29, Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.** Motion to Invoke Cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **98-0**.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

S. Res. 118 (Honoring Army Chaplain Emile J. Kapaun). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Wednesday, March 17, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session to resume consideration of Executive Calendar #29, Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

At 11:30 AM, the Senate will proceed to two votes on the following:

1. Confirmation of Executive Calendar #29, Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #37, Xavier Becerra to be Secretary of Health and Human Services

The Senate adjourned at 5:54 PM.

### **MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021**

The Senate stands adjourned until 3:00pm on Monday, March 15, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and resume consideration of [Executive Calendar #31](#), Debra Anne Haaland, of New Mexico, to be Secretary of the Interior, post-cloture.

At 5:30pm, all post-cloture time will be considered expired, and the Senate will vote on confirmation of the Haaland nomination.

By a vote of **51-40**, the Senate **confirmed** the nomination of Debra Anne Haaland to be Secretary of the Interior.

Leader Schumer filed cloture on Executive Calendar #37, Xavier Becerra to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.

Leader Schumer filed cloture on Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh to be Secretary of Labor.

The Senate will convene at 10:00 AM on Tuesday, March 16, 2021.

At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will proceed to a vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on the nomination of Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.

Following the cloture vote on Guzman, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM for the weekly party lunches.

Leader Schumer announced two additional votes will occur during Tuesday's session (Time TBD):

1. Confirmation of Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

Leader Schumer filed cloture on the following nominations today:

1. Executive Calendar #37, Xavier Becerra to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.
2. Executive Calendar #17, Martin Joseph Walsh to be Secretary of Labor.

The Senate adjourned at 6:35 PM.

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Thursday, March 11, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and resume consideration of the Motion to Discharge PN78-2 Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services from the Senate Finance Committee.

At 12:00 Noon, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Discharge the Becerra nomination.

At 1:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #31, Debra Anne Haaland to be Secretary of the Interior.

By a vote of **51-48**, the Senate **agreed to the motion to discharge from the Finance Committee the nomination of Xavier Becerra to be Secretary of Health and Human Services.**

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on the following nominations:

1. Isabella Casillas Guzman to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration.
2. Katherine C. Tai to be United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary.

By a vote of **54-42**, the Senate **invoked cloture on the nomination of Debra Anne Haaland to be Secretary of the Interior.**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, March 15, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session to resume consideration of Executive Calendar #31, Debra Anne Haaland to be Secretary of the Interior.

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

The Senate adjourned at 4:01 PM.

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2021**

The Senate convenes at 10:00 AM. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and resume consideration of Executive Calendar #12, Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, post-cloture.

At 12:00 noon the Senate will vote on Confirmation of the Fudge nomination.

Following the Fudge nomination, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM to allow for the weekly caucus lunches.

At 2:15 PM the Senate will vote on the following:

1. Confirmation of Executive Calendar #27, Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General.
2. Motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar #15, Michael Regan, to be Administrator of EPA.

If cloture is invoked on the Regan nomination there will be up to two hours of debate followed by a vote on confirmation.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

S. 320 (John Lewis NIMHD Research Endowment Revitalization Act of 2021). The bill passed by Voice Vote.

S. 415 (A bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to the scope of new chemical exclusivity). The bill passed by Unanimous Consent.

S. Res. 102 (Recognizing the 100th anniversary of the Hoosier Gym, and the 35th Anniversary of the release of the film "Hoosiers"). The resolution was agreed to by Unanimous Consent.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Executive Calendar #12, Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, post-cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **66-34**.

**Executive Calendar #15, Michael Regan, to be Administrator of EPA. Motion to invoke Cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **65-35**.

**Executive Calendar #15, Michael Regan, to be Administrator of EPA, post-cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **66-34**.

Leader Schumer Motion to Discharge PN78-2 Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services from the Senate Finance Committee. There will be four hours of debate equally divided.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM on Thursday, March 11, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to an Executive Session and resume consideration of the Motion to Discharge PN78-2 Xavier Becerra, of California, to be Secretary of Health and Human Services from the Senate Finance Committee.

At noon, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Discharge the Becerra nomination.

At 1:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #31, Debra Anne Haaland to be Secretary of the Interior.

The Senate adjourned at 7:03 PM.

#### **TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and resume consideration of Executive Calendar #12, Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. At 5:30 PM, the Senate will vote on the following:

1. Motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar #12, Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
2. Motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar #27, Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General

On Wednesday, March 10, the Senate will proceed to the following votes (If cloture is invoked on the nominations):

1. 12 Noon – Confirmation of Executive Calendar #12, Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development
2. 2:15 PM – Confirmation of Executive Calendar #27, Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General

Cloture has also been filed on Executive Calendar #15, Michael Regan, to be Administrator of EPA.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on the nomination of Deb Haaland to be Secretary of the Interior.

The Senate stands adjourned until 10:00 AM on Wednesday, March 10, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to Executive Session and resume consideration of Executive Calendar #12, Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

At 12:00 noon all post cloture time will be deemed expired and the Senate will vote on Confirmation of the Fudge nomination.

Following the Fudge nomination, the Senate will recess until 2:15 PM to allow for the weekly caucus lunches.

At 2:15 PM the Senate will vote on confirmation of Executive Calendar #27, Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General. Following the Garland nomination, the Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on Executive Calendar #15, Michael Regan, to be Administrator of EPA. There will then be up to two hours of debate followed by a vote on confirmation of the Regan nomination.

The Senate adjourned at 7:01 PM

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 9:00am. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will resume consideration of H.R.1319 (American Rescue Plan Act), with 3 hours of debate remaining, equally divided and controlled between the two managers or their designees.

Upon the use or yielding back of that time, the Senate will begin a long series of roll call votes (a vote-a-rama). It will be in order for Senator Sanders to offer the first amendment.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

#### **H.R.1319 (American Rescue Plan Act)**

Amend #891 (Substitute)

Sanders amend #972 (To provide for increases in the Federal minimum wage). Senator Graham issued a point of order against the amendment. Senator Sanders Motion to Waive the Budget Act. Yeas and Nays ordered. **Not agreed to, 42-58**

McConnell motion to adjourn until 10:00am on Saturday, March 6th. **Not agreed to, 49-50**



Adoption of Portman Amendment #1092 (re: Reduce UI plus-up from \$400 to \$300) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Adopted, 50-49**

Motion to waive the Budget Act with respect to Collins Amendment #1242 (re: \$650 billion substitute amendment) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not agreed to, 48-51**

Adoption of Scott (SC) Amendment #1030 (re: nursing homes) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 49-50**

Adoption of Wyden Amendment #1378 (re: to modify the unemployment provisions) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Adopted, 50-49**

Adoption of Rubio Amendment #1026 (re: ensure schools must be open 50% of the time for 50% of the students in order to receive funding) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 48-51**

Adoption of Hassan Amendment #1344 (re: schools) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Adopted, 51-48**

Adoption of Graham Amendment #1369, as modified (re: state and local funding) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 48-51**

Motion to waive the Budget Act with respect to Tester Amendment #1197 (re: require the President to review and approve the Keystone XL Pipeline to assist COVID-impacted communities) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not agreed to, 51-48**

Adoption of Cassidy Amendment #1161 (re: emergency assistance to non-public schools) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 49-50**

Grassley motion to commit H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation, to the Finance Committee with instructions (re: pensions). **Not agreed to, 49-50**

Adoption of Toomey Amendment #1010 (re: strike a provision providing payments to farmers for purposes unrelated to COVID-19) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 49-50**

Adoption of Fischer Amendment #944 (re: public transportation funds) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 49-50**

Adoption of Paul Amendment #1014 (re: strike provisions relating to nonprofit entities for the paycheck protection program) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 47-51**

Adoption of Young Amendment #1383 (re: strike provision establishing Emergency Federal Employee Leave Fund and appropriate \$300,000,000 for chemical screening devices for U.S.

Customs and Border Protection) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation. **Not adopted, 47-50**

Capito motion to commit H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation, to the Committee on Finance with instructions. **Not agreed to, 48-50**

Adoption of Scott (FL) Amendment #1395 (re: fund procurement of HC-130J aircraft by the Coast Guard, and to provide an offset by striking National Railroad Passenger Corporation grant funding for the Northeast Corridor) in relation to H.R.1319. **Not adopted, 47-51**

Cotton motion to commit H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation, to the Committee on Finance with instructions (re: DHS cooperation). **Not agreed to, 48-50.**

**Adopted by voice vote:** Moran Amendment #1342 (re: provide an effective date for the modification of revenue requirements for proprietary institutions of higher education) in relation to H.R.1319, FY2021 Budget Reconciliation.

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Blackburn Amendment #996 (Medicare Area Wage Index Floor) in relation to H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act).

By a vote of **52-47**, The Senate **did not agree to** the motion to waive the Budget Act with respect to Lankford Amendment #1031 (add Hyde language) in relation to H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act). The point of order is sustained and the amendment falls.

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Cruz amendment #969 (related to public school funding) in relation to HR 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act).

By a vote **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Romney amendment #1364 (provide relief for State and local governments based on demonstrated need) in relation to H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act).

The Motion to Waive the Budget Act with regards to Tuberville #1386 (prohibit funds made available under title II to States, local educational agencies and institutions of higher ed that permit any student whose biological sex is male to participate in sports designated for women or girls) was **not agreed to 49-50**. The point of order was sustained and the **amendment falls**.

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** the Hagerty Motion to Commit H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act) with Instructions.

By a vote of **48-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** the Kennedy Motion to Commit H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act) with Instructions.

By a vote of **48-51**, the Senate **did not agree to** the Scott (FL) Motion to Commit H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act) with Instructions (no budget, no pay).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Lee amendment #1381 (modify provisions relating to the child tax credit and to strike to provisions relating to dependent care assistance).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** the Cornyn Motion to Commit H.R. 1319 to the HELP committee with Instructions (re: unaccompanied minors at the border).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Cassidy amendment #1162 (to ensure that 2021 Recovery Rebates are not provided to prisoners).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Cruz amendment #968 (to ensure that 2021 Recovery Rebates are not provided to illegal immigrants).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Lee amendment #1331 (to limit the expansion of premium assistance for households above 500 percent of the federal poverty line).

By a vote of **45-54**, the Senate **did not agree to** Grassley amendment #902 (to provide funding for payments for losses of crops due to disasters).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** Moran amendment #1154 (increase the availability of the amounts for the Veterans Community Care program of the Department of Veterans Affairs).

By **voice vote**, the Senate adopted Murkowski amendment #1233 (To use \$800,000,000 of the the Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund to identify and provide homeless children and youth with wrap-around services in light of the challenges of COVID-19 and other assistance).

By a vote of **49-50**, the Senate **did not agree to** the Daines Motion to Commit HR 1319 to the Foreign Relations committee with Instructions (re: Keystone XL Pipeline).

By a vote of **93-6**, the Senate **agreed to** Warner Amendment #1391 (re: Federal contractors reimbursement).

Pursuant to Rule 4, paragraph 2, the hour of noon having arrived, the Senate having been in continuous session since yesterday, the Senate will suspend for a prayer from the Senate Chaplain, Dr. Black.

The Senate adopted Schumer amendment #1398 (technical amendment) to Shumer amendment #891 (Substitute) by **voice vote**.

The Senate adopted Schumer amendment #891 (Substitute) as amended by **voice vote**.

By a vote of **50-49**, the Senate **PASSED H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act), as amended.**

Leader Schumer filed cloture on Executive Calendar #12 Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Leader Schumer filed cloture on Executive Calendar #27 Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General.

Leader Schumer has filed cloture on Executive Calendar #15 Michael Stanley Regan, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

The Senate will not be in session on Monday, March 8, 2021.

The Senate will next convene at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, March 9, 2021.

At 5:30 PM on Tuesday, March 9, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes:

1. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #12 Marcia Louise Fudge, of Ohio, to be Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. If Cloture is invoked, the confirmation vote will occur Wednesday, March 10.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #27 Merrick Brian Garland, of Maryland, to be Attorney General. If Cloture is invoked, the confirmation vote will occur Wednesday, March 10.

The Senate adjourned at 1:04 PM on Saturday, March 6, 2021.

#### **THURSDAY, MARCH 4, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 12:00 Noon on Thursday, March 4, 2021.

A vote on the Motion to Proceed to [H.R. 1319](#) (American Rescue Plan Act) could occur as early as 12:00 Noon during Thursday's session.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader remarks.

**Motion to Proceed to [H.R. 1319](#) (American Rescue Plan Act).** The Motion to Proceed was agreed to by a vote of **51-50**. Vice President Harris cast the tie breaking vote.

Majoirly Leader Schumer asked unanimous consent that the reading of the substitute amendment to [H.R. 1319](#) (American Rescue Plan Act) be waived. Sen. Johnson objected.

At 3:21 PM, the Senate clerks began reading the 628 page substitute amendment to [H.R. 1319](#) (American Rescue Plan Act) and concluded at 2:04 AM.

The Senate will convene at 9:00 AM on Friday, March 5th and will resume consideration of H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act). The Senate is expected to proceed to a long series of roll call votes at approximately 12:00 Noon during Friday's session of the Senate.

The Senate adjourned at 2:06 AM.

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2021

The Senate stands adjourned until 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 3, 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.

Senate is expected to move to proceed to Calendar #10, [H.R.1319](#), American Rescue Plan Act during today's session. Senators will be notified when the roll call vote on that motion to proceed is expected.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

Motion to Proceed to S. 11 (A bill to provide for an exception to a limitation against appointments of persons as secretary of defense within seven years of relief from active duty as a regular commissioned officer of the armed forces).

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate stands adjourned until 12:00 noon on Thursday, March 4, 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.

Votes are anticipated during tomorrow's session.

The Senate adjourned at 5:52 pm.

## TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021

The Senate will convene at 10:30 AM.

Senator Cruz will be recognized at 12:15 PM for thirty minutes. The Senate will recess from 12:45 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches.

At 2:15 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

1. Confirmation of Cal. #8, Gina Marie Raimondo to be Secretary of Commerce
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #13, Cecilia Elena Rouse to be Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers

If cloture is invoked on the Rouse nomination, the Senate is expected to vote on confirmation of the nomination during today's session.

The Senate convened and proceeded to Leader remarks.

The Senate proceeded to an Executive Session.

**Cal. #8, Gina Marie Raimondo to be Secretary of Commerce.**

At 12:35 PM, the Senate stands in recess until 2:15 PM.

**Cal. #8, Gina Marie Raimondo to be Secretary of Commerce.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **84-15**.

**Cal. #13, Cecilia Elena Rouse to be Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.** Motion to invoke cloture. Yeas and Nays ordered. The motion was agreed to by a vote of **94-5**.

**Cal. #13, Cecilia Elena Rouse to be Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers, post-cloture.** Yeas and Nays ordered. The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **95-4**.

The Senate proceeded to a Legislative Session.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

The following bills were read for the first time, en bloc:

H.R. 5 (An Act to Prohibit Discrimination on the basis of Sex, Gender Identity and for other purposes)

H.R. 1319 (An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title 2 of S. Con. Res. 5)

Further readings were objected to.

Motion to adjourn until 7:09 PM. Agreed to.

The Senate adjourned from 7:08 PM to 7:09 PM.

The Senate proceeded to a Period of Morning Business.

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

H.R. 5 (An Act to Prohibit Discrimination on the basis of Sex, Gender Identity and for other purposes)

H.R. 1319 (An act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to Title 2 of S. Con. Res. 5)

Further proceedings were objected to.

The Senate will convene at Noon on Wednesday, March 3, 2021. Following Leader remarks, the Senate will proceed to a Period of Morning Business.

The Senate is expected to move to proceed to H.R. 1319 (American Rescue Plan Act) during Wednesday's session. A vote on the motion to proceed is expected.

The Senate adjourned at 7:11 PM.

### **MONDAY, MARCH 1, 2021**

The Senate will convene at 3:00 PM on Monday, March 1, 2021.

At 5:30 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes:

1. Confirmation of Executive Calendar #16, Miguel A. Cardona to be Secretary of Education.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Executive Calendar #8, Gina Marie Raimondo to be Secretary of Commerce.

The Senate convened and proceeded with Leader remarks.

S. Res. 78 (Notifying the President of the United States of the election of the Secretary of the Senate). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

S. Res. 79 (Notifying the House of Representatives of the election of the Secretary of the Senate). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The following measures received their second readings and were placed on the Legislative Calendar of Business:

S. 461 (Creating a point of order against legislation modifying the number of Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States).

S.J. Res. 9 (Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require that the Supreme Court of the United States be composed of nine justices).

The Senate proceeded to Executive Session.

**Executive Calendar #16, Miguel A. Cardona to be Secretary of Education.** The nomination was confirmed by a vote of **64-33**.

**Executive Calendar #8, Gina Marie Raimondo to be Secretary of Commerce. Motion to Invoke Cloture.** The Motion to Invoke Cloture was agreed to by a vote of **84-15**.

S. Res. 83 (Expressing support for the designation of February 20 through February 27, 2021, as National F.S.A. Week). Agreed to by unanimous consent.

The Senate stands in recess until 10:30 AM on Tuesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021. Sen. Cruz will be recognized at 12:15 PM for thirty minutes. The Senate will recess from 12:45 PM until 2:15 PM for the weekly party caucus lunches. At 2:15 PM, the Senate will proceed to two roll call votes on the following:

1. Confirmation of Cal. #8, Gina Marie Raimondo to be Secretary of Commerce.
2. Motion to Invoke Cloture on Cal. #13, Cecilia Elena Rouse to be Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers.

At 6:51 PM, the Senate stands in recess.

