

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1073–S1093

Measures Introduced: Two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. Res. 58–59. **Page S1091**

Measures Passed:

National School Counseling Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 44, designating February 6 through 10, 2017, as “National School Counseling Week”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S1092**

American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 45, designating February 2017 as “American Heart Month” and February 3, 2017, as “National Wear Red Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S1092**

Catholic Schools: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 47, supporting the contributions of Catholic schools, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S1092**

Congratulating the New England Patriots: Senate agreed to S. Res. 58, congratulating the New England Patriots on their victory in Super Bowl LI. **Page S1092**

Use of Rotunda of the Capitol: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 18, permitting the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony as part of the commemoration of the days of remembrance of victims of the Holocaust. **Pages S1092–93**

Appointments:

National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 110–315, announced the appointment of the fol-

lowing individual to be a member of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity: Claude Pressnell of Tennessee. **Page S1092**

Advanced Nuclear Technology Development Act Referral—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that H.R. 590, to foster civilian research and development of advanced nuclear energy technologies and enhance the licensing and commercial deployment of such technologies, be discharged from the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. **Page S1092**

Mnuchin Nomination—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Steven T. Mnuchin, of California, to be Secretary of the Treasury. **Pages S1073–90**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 12 noon, on Monday, February 13, 2017, Senate resume consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, under the previous order. **Page S1093**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page S1091**

Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions: **Pages S1091–92**

Privileges of the Floor: **Page S1092**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 2:09 p.m., until 12 noon on Monday, February 13, 2017. (For Senate’s program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today’s Record on page S1093.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12 noon on Monday, February 13, 2017.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2017

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Full Committee, markup on H.J. Res. 27, disapproving the action of the District of Columbia Council in approving the Death with Dignity Act of 2016, 5:30 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.J. Res. 66, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings arrangements established by States for non-governmental employees; and H.J. Res. 67, disapproving the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to savings arrangements established by qualified State political subdivisions for non-governmental employees, 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 13 through February 17, 2017

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at approximately 12 noon, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Steven T. Mnuchin, of California, to be Secretary of the Treasury, post-cloture, with up to seven hours of debate remaining on the nomination, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 7 p.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Steven T. Mnuchin, Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of David J. Shulkin, of Pennsylvania, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs, with up to ten minutes of debate, and vote on confirmation of the nomination.

On *Tuesday*, Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Linda E. McMahon, of Connecticut, to be Administrator of the Small Business Administration, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at approximately 11 a.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: February 15, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine mental health care, focusing on examining treatments and services, 10:30 a.m., SD-138.

Committee on Armed Services: February 14, to receive a closed briefing on long-term defense challenges and strategies, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

February 14, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine Department of Defense single service-member and military family readiness programs, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

February 15, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to receive a closed briefing on Anti-Access Area Denial challenges in Europe, 10 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: February 14, to hold hearings to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 15, Subcommittee on Surface Transportation and Merchant Marine Infrastructure, Safety and Security, to hold hearings to examine stakeholder perspectives on our multimodal transportation system, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

February 16, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations, Safety, and Security, to hold hearings to examine stakeholder perspectives on improving the Transportation Security Administration for the security of the traveling public, 10:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 15, to hold an oversight hearing to examine modernization of the Endangered Species Act, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: February 16, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Seema Verma, of Indiana, to be Administrator of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: February 15, to hold hearings to examine ending modern slavery, focusing on building on success, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: February 16, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Andrew F. Puzder, of Tennessee, to be Secretary of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: February 15, to hold hearings to examine government operations susceptible to waste, fraud, and mismanagement, 2:45 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Rules and Administration: February 16, organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the Committee during the 115th Congress, and the omnibus budget resolution for Senate Committees, 10 a.m., SR-301.

Select Committee on Intelligence: February 14, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

February 16, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: February 15, to hold hearings to examine stopping senior scams, focusing on developments in financial fraud affecting seniors, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Rural Economic Outlook: Setting the Stage for the Next Farm Bill”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

February 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Pros and Cons of Restricting SNAP Purchases”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, February 15, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, oversight hearing on the USDA Office of Inspector General, 10 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, hearing entitled “Members’ Day”, 2 p.m., HT-2 Capitol.

February 16, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Members’ Day”, 9:30 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, February 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Evolving Threat of Terrorism and Effective Counterterrorism Strategies”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled “Military Services 5th Generation Tactical Aircraft Challenges and F-35 Joint Strike Fighter Program Update”, 9 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, February 14, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Restoring Balance and Fairness to the National Labor Relations Board”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Providing Vulnerable Youth the Hope of a Brighter Future Through Juvenile Justice Reform”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled “Federal Wage and Hour Policies in the Twenty-First Century Economy”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, February 14, Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protec-

tion, hearing entitled “Self-Driving Cars: Road to Deployment”, 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “Modernizing Energy and Electricity Delivery Systems: Challenges and Opportunities to Promote Infrastructure Improvement and Expansion”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “Modernizing Environmental Laws: Challenges and Opportunities for Expanding Infrastructure and Promoting Development and Manufacturing”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance, hearing entitled “Assessing the U.S.-EU Covered Agreement”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, February 14, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled “Defeating Terrorism in Syria: A New Way Forward”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Iran on Notice”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, February 14, Subcommittee on Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Communications, hearing entitled “The Future of FEMA: Stakeholder Recommendations for the Next Administrator”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

February 16, Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “A Dangerous and Sophisticated Adversary: The Threat to the Homeland Posed by Cartel Operations”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

February 16, Subcommittee on Oversight and Management Efficiency, hearing entitled “Watchdog Recommendations: A Better Way Ahead to Manage the Department of Homeland Security”, 2 p.m., HVC-210.

Committee on House Administration, February 15, Full Committee, hearing on committee funding for the 115th Congress, 10:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

February 16, Full Committee, hearing on committee funding for the 115th Congress (continued), 10:45 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 14, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled “Judicial Transparency and Ethics”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law, hearing on H.R. 372, the “Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act of 2017”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing entitled “The State of Religious Liberty in America”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, February 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 195, the “Federal Register Printing Savings Act of 2017”; H.R. 624, the “Social Security Fraud Prevention Act of 2017”; the

“Searching for and Cutting Regulations that are Unnecessarily Burdensome Act of 2017”; the “Regulatory Integrity Act of 2017”; the “OIRA Insight, Reform, and Accountability Act”; the “DC Courts and Public Defender Service Voluntary Separation Incentive Payments Act”; and H.R. 653, the “Federal Intern Protection Act of 2017”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “GAO’s 2017 High Risk Report: 34 Programs in Peril”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on the Interior, Energy and Environment, hearing entitled “Examining Federal Programs that Serve Tribes and Their Members”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Government Operations; and Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity of the House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, hearing entitled “The Use of Official Time for Union Activities at the Department of Veterans Affairs”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, February 14, Full Committee, hearing on H.J. Res. 69, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Department of the Interior relating to “Non-Subsistence Take of Wildlife, and Public Participation and Closure Procedures, on National Wildlife Refuges in Alaska”; and H.J. Res. 43, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule submitted by Secretary of Health and Human Services relating to compli-

ance with title X requirements by project recipients in selecting subrecipients, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, February 14, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “Strengthening U.S. Cybersecurity Capabilities”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Energy; and Subcommittee on Oversight, joint hearing entitled “Risky Business: The DOE Loan Guarantee Program”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 16, Full Committee, hearing entitled “NASA: Past, Present, and Future”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Start-ups Stalling? The Tax Code as a Barrier to Entrepreneurship”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

February 16, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access, hearing entitled “State of the Small Business Economy”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, February 15, Subcommittee on Aviation, hearing entitled “Building a 21st Century Infrastructure for America: State of American Aviation Manufacturing”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, February 14, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled “Exploring National Work Queue’s Impact on Claims Processing”, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, February 15, Subcommittee on Human Resources, hearing entitled “The Geography of Poverty”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

12 noon, Monday, February 13

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Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12 noon, Monday, February 13

House Chamber

Program for Monday: To be announced.



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