

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1333–1342, and S. Res. 190. **Pages S3395–96**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 905, to require a report on, and to authorize technical assistance for, accountability for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and genocide in Syria, with amendments. **Page S3395**

**Measures Passed:**

*Honoring the Memory of the Victims of the Pulse Orlando Terrorist Attack:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 190, honoring the memory of the victims of the terrorist attack on the Pulse Orlando nightclub one year ago. **Page S3410**

**Measures Considered:**

**Countering Iran's Destabilizing Activities Act:** Senate began consideration of S. 722, to impose sanctions with respect to Iran in relation to Iran's ballistic missile program, support for acts of international terrorism, and violations of human rights, after agreeing to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S3383–85, S3388–90, S3393**

**Pending:**

McConnell (for Crapo) Amendment No. 232, to impose sanctions with respect to the Russian Federation and to combat terrorism and illicit financing. **Page S3393**

McConnell Amendment No. 233 (to Amendment No. 232), to change the enactment date. **Page S3393**

A motion was entered to close further debate on McConnell (for Crapo) Amendment No. 232 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, June 14, 2017. **Page S3393**

**Appointments:**

*Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children:* The Chair, on behalf

of the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Chairperson of the Committee on Indian Affairs, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 114–244, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children: Don Atqasaq Gray of Alaska. **Page S3411**

**Government of Saudi Arabia Export of Defense Articles—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, June 13, 2017, Senator Paul, or his designee, be recognized to make a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 42, relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of certain defense article; that debate on the motion be equally divided between the proponents and the opponents until 12:30 p.m.; that the Senate recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for the weekly conference meetings, and at 2:15 p.m., there be 10 minutes of debate remaining on the motion to discharge the resolution, equally divided between Senator Paul, or his designee, and the opponents, and following the use or yielding back of that time, Senate vote on or in relation to the motion to discharge. **Page S3393**

**Walsh Nomination Referral—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of Elizabeth Erin Walsh, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, be referred jointly to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs and the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page S3393**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 95 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. EX. 142), Kenneth P. Rapuano, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense. **Pages S3385–88**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Dawn DeBerry Stump, of Texas, to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission for a term expiring June 19, 2021.

David G. Ehrhart, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Department of the Air Force.

Claria Horn Boom, of Kentucky, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky.

Beth Ann Williams, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—142)

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**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 10:18 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 13, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3411.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Brock Long, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 19 public bills, H.R. 2870–2888; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 380 were introduced.

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**Additional Cosponsors:**

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**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1873, to amend the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 to enhance the reliability of the electricity grid and reduce the threat of wildfires to and from electric transmission and distribution facilities on Federal lands by facilitating vegetation management on such lands, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–165, Part 1);

H.R. 1654, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to coordinate Federal and State permitting processes related to the construction of new surface water storage projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture and to designate the Bureau of Reclamation as the lead agency for permit processing, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–166);

H.R. 1109, to amend section 203 of the Federal Power Act (H. Rept. 115–167);

H.R. 338, to promote a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce (H. Rept. 115–168, Part 1);

H.R. 446, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 115–169);

H.R. 447, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 115–170);

H.R. 627, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide for the dissemination of information regarding available Federal programs relating to energy efficiency projects for schools, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–171);

H.R. 951, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project (H. Rept. 115–172);

H.R. 2274, to amend the Federal Power Act to provide for extended periods relating to preliminary permits and commencement of construction, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–173);

H.R. 2292, to extend a project of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Cannonsville Dam (H. Rept. 115–174);

H.R. 2122, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric

project involving Jennings Randolph Dam (H. Rept. 115–175);

H.R. 2457, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects, with an amendment (H. Rept. 115–176);

H. Res. 378, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2581) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require the provision of social security numbers as a condition of receiving the health insurance premium tax credit, and providing for consideration of the bill (S. 1094) to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the accountability of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 115–177); and

H. Res. 379, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2372) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify the rules relating to veteran health insurance and eligibility for the premium tax credit, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2579) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the premium tax credit with respect to unsubsidized COBRA continuation coverage (H. Rept. 115–178).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Bergman to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:01 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:05 p.m. and reconvened at 3:43 p.m.

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**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project:* H.R. 446, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project;

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*Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project:* H.R. 447, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project;

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*Streamlining Energy Efficiency for Schools Act of 2017:* H.R. 627, to amend the Energy Policy and Conservation Act to provide for the dissemination of information regarding available Federal programs relating to energy efficiency projects for schools;

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*Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project:* H.R. 951, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project;

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*Amending section 203 of the Federal Power Act:* H.R. 1109, to amend section 203 of the Federal Power Act;

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*Reinstating and extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving Jennings Randolph Dam:* H.R. 2122, to reinstate and extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project involving Jennings Randolph Dam;

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*Hydropower Permit Extension Act:* H.R. 2274, to amend the Federal Power Act to provide for extended periods relating to preliminary permits and commencement of construction;

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*Extending a project of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Cannonsville Dam:* H.R. 2292, to extend a project of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission involving the Cannonsville Dam, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 400 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 300;

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*J. Bennett Johnston Waterway Hydropower Extension Act of 2017:* H.R. 2457, amended, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of certain hydroelectric projects, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 402 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 301; and

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*Promoting a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce:* H.R. 338, to promote a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 4:45 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H4824.

**Senate Referrals:** S.J. Res. 45 was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. S. 826 was held at the desk.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H4834–35, and H4835. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Steven Mnuchin, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies held a markup on the FY 2018 Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Bill. The bill was forwarded to the full committee, without amendment.

**THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2018 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of Defense”. Testimony was heard from the following Department of Defense officials: James N. Mattis, Secretary; General Joseph Dunford, Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff; and David L. Norquist, Under Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, and Chief Financial Officer.

**DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS ACCOUNTABILITY AND WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION ACT OF 2017; VETERAN ACT; BROADER OPTIONS FOR AMERICANS ACT; VERIFY FIRST ACT**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on S. 1094, the “Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017”; H.R. 2372, the “VETERAN Act”; H.R. 2579, the “Broader Options for Americans Act”; and H.R. 2581, the “Verify First Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–3, a closed rule for H.R. 2581. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Additionally, the rule grants a closed rule for S. 1094. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Veterans’ Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to commit. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–3, a closed

rule for H.R. 2372. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Additionally, the rule grants a closed rule for H.R. 2579. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Brady of Texas, Chairman Roe of Tennessee, and Representatives Neal, Tiberi, Walz, and Takano.

***Joint Meetings***

No joint committee meetings were held.

**NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D602)

H.R. 366, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Under Secretary for Management of the Department of Homeland Security to make certain improvements in managing the Department’s vehicle fleet. Signed on June 6, 2017. (Public Law 115–38)

H.R. 375, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 719 Church Street in Nashville, Tennessee, as the “Fred D. Thompson Federal Building and United States Courthouse”. Signed on June 6, 2017. (Public Law 115–39)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 13, 2017**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

**Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold

hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services*: to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Navy and Marine Corps aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on the Budget*: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 and revenue proposals, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works*: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kristine L. Svinicki, of Virginia, Annie Caputo, of Virginia, and David Wright, of South Carolina, each to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Susan Parker Bodine, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine state-sponsored cyberspace threats, focusing on recent incidents and United States policy response, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions*: to hold hearings to examine the cost of prescription drugs, focusing on how the drug delivery system affects what patients pay, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs*: business meeting to consider S. 772, to amend the PROTECT Act to make Indian tribes eligible for AMBER Alert grants, and S. 825, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 1250, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to improve the recruitment and retention of employees in the Indian Health Service, restore accountability in the Indian Health Service, improve health services, S. 1275, to improve the housing conditions and promote useful land uses within tribal communities, and an original bill entitled, "HUD/VA Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing", 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*: to hold hearings to examine certain intelligence matters relating to the 2016 United States election, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture*, Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled "Small Watershed Infrastructure: Continuing the Mission, Building upon Success", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations*, Subcommittee on Homeland Security, budget hearing on Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 10 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Justice, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled "Promoting Security in Wireless Technology", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled "Disrupter Series: Update on IOT Opportunities and Challenges", 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled "Challenges and Opportunities for the U.S.-Saudi Relationship", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled "Examining the Supreme Court's TC Heartland Decision", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing entitled "Lawsuit Abuse and the Telephone Consumer Protection Act", 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Information Technology; and Subcommittee on Government Operations, joint hearing entitled "The Federal Information Technology Acquisition Reform Act (FITARA) Scorecard 4.0", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 1215, the "Protecting Access to Care Act of 2017", 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 13 through June 16, 2017

## Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senator Paul or his designee will be recognized to make a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 42, relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of certain defense articles, with a vote on or in relation to the motion to discharge, at 2:15 p.m.

Senate will continue consideration of S. 722, Countering Iran's Destabilizing Activities Act.

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 Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* June 15, to hold hearings to examine agricultural research, focusing on perspectives on past and future successes for the 2018 Farm Bill, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations:* June 13, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-192.

June 13, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Agriculture, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

June 13, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of State, 2:30 p.m., SD-192.

June 14, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Defense, 10:30 a.m., SD-192.

June 14, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Senate Sergeant at Arms and the Capitol Police, 11 a.m., SD-124.

June 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the National Nuclear Security Administration, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

June 15, Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

June 13, Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Navy and Marine Corps aviation programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the posture of the Department of the Navy in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2018 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* June 15, to hold hearings to examine fostering economic growth, focusing on mid-sized, regional, and large institution perspective, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 and revenue proposals, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine paving the way for self-driving vehicles, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* June 14, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine S. 440, to establish a procedure for the conveyance of certain Federal property around the Dickinson Reservoir in the State of North Dakota, S. 677, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to coordinate Federal and State permitting processes related to the construction of new surface water storage projects on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture and to designate the Bureau of Reclamation as the lead agency for permit processing, S. 685, to authorize the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority System and the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System in the States of Montana and North Dakota, S. 930, to require the Administrator of the Western Area Power Administration to establish a pilot project to provide increased transparency for customers, S. 1012, to provide for drought preparedness measures in the State of New Mexico, S. 1029, to amend the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 to exempt certain small hydroelectric power projects that are applying for relicensing under the Federal Power Act from the licensing requirements of that Act, and S. 1030, to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to submit to Congress a report on certain hydropower projects, 2 p.m., SD-366.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kristine L. Svinicki, of Virginia, Annie Caputo, of Virginia, and David Wright, of South Carolina, each to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Susan Parker Bodine, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SD-406.

June 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 517, to amend the Clean Air Act with respect to the ethanol waiver for Reid vapor pressure limitations under such Act, 10 a.m., SD-406.

June 15, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nomination of Kristine L. Svinicki, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* June 14, business meeting to consider the nominations of Eric D. Hargan, of Illinois, to be Deputy Secretary of Health and Human Services, and David Malpass, of New York, to be an Under Secretary, Andrew K. Maloney, of Virginia, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, and Brent James McIntosh, of Michigan, to be General Counsel, all of the Department of the Treasury, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

June 13, Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine state-sponsored cyberspace threats, focusing on recent incidents and United States policy response, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

June 14, Subcommittee on Europe and Regional Security Cooperation, to hold hearings to examine southeast Europe, focusing on strengthening democracy and countering malign foreign influence, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Mark Andrew Green, of Wisconsin, to be Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine the cost of prescription drugs, focusing on how the drug delivery system affects what patients pay, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine ideology and terror, focusing on understanding the tools, tactics, and techniques of violent extremism, 10 a.m., SD-342.

June 15, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine agency approaches to reorganization, focusing on the Office of Management and Budget's memorandum on the Federal workforce, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* June 13, business meeting to consider S. 772, to amend the PROTECT Act to make Indian tribes eligible for AMBER Alert grants, and S. 825, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 1250, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to improve the recruitment and retention of employees in the Indian Health Service, restore accountability in the Indian Health Service, improve health services, S. 1275, to improve the housing conditions and promote useful land uses within tribal communities, and an original bill entitled, "HUD/VA Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing", 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Kenneth Bush, of Kentucky, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit, Kevin Christopher Newsom, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, and Damien Michael Schiff, of California, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 9:45 a.m., SD-226.

June 15, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of David C. Nye, to be United States District Judge for the District of Idaho, Scott L. Palk, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Oklahoma, Vishal J. Amin, of Michigan, to be Intellectual Property Enforcement Coordinator, Executive Office of the President, Stephen Elliott Boyd, of Alabama, to be an Assistant Attorney General, and Lee Francis Cissna, of Maryland, to be Director of United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine tax reform, focusing on

removing barriers to small business growth, 3 p.m., SR-428A.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2018 for veterans' programs and fiscal year 2019 advance appropriations requests, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 75, to provide for the reconsideration of claims for disability compensation for veterans who were the subjects of experiments by the Department of Defense during World War II that were conducted to assess the effects of mustard gas or lewisite on people, S. 111, to require the Secretary of Defense to establish a process to determine whether individuals claiming certain service in the Philippines during World War II are eligible for certain benefits despite not being on the Missouri List, S. 410, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the transfer of unused Post-9/11 Educational Assistance benefits to additional dependents upon the death of the originally designated dependent, S. 473, the amend title 38, United States Code, to make qualification requirements for entitlement to Post-9/11 Education Assistance more equitable, to improve support of veterans receiving such educational assistance, S. 758, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry's review and publication of illness and conditions relating to veterans stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and their family members, S. 798, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the Yellow Ribbon G.I. Education Enhancement Program to apply to individuals pursuing programs of education while on active duty, to recipients of the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry scholarship, and to programs of education pursued on half-time basis or less, S. 844, to amend title 38, United States Code, to consider certain time spent by members of reserve components of the Armed Forces while receiving medical care from the Secretary of Defense as active duty for purposes of eligibility for Post-9/11 Educational Assistance, S. 882, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the entitlement to educational assistance under the Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs for members of the Armed Forces awarded the Purple Heart, S. 1192, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for pro-rated charges to entitlement to educational assistance under Department of Veterans Affairs Post-9/11 Educational Assistance Program for certain licensure and certification tests and national tests, S. 1209, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of special pension for Medal of Honor recipients, S. 1218, to promote Federal employment for veterans, S. 1277, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a high technology education pilot program, and an original bill to authorize a dependent to transfer Post-9/11 Educational Assistance in cases in which the dependent received entitlement from an individual who subsequently died, 11 a.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* June 13, to hold hearings to examine certain intelligence matters relating to the 2016 United States election, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

June 15, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 1:30 p.m., SH-219.

June 15, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* June 14, to hold hearings to examine military caregivers, focusing on families serving for the long run, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

### House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* June 14, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury—International Programs, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

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June 15, Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on the Department of Defense, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Transportation, 11 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Environmental Protection Agency, 11 a.m., 2007 Rayburn.

June 16, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* June 14, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Legislative Reforms to the National Labor Relations Act: H.R. 2776, Workforce Democracy and Fairness Act; H.R. 2775, Employee Privacy Protection Act; and H.R. 2723, Employee Rights Act”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, hearing entitled “Helping Americans Get Back to Work: Implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* June 14, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “States’ Perspectives on Energy Security Planning, Emergency Preparedness, and State Energy Programs”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

June 14, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining the Extension of Safety Net Health Programs”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* June 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1422, the “Flood Insurance Market Parity and Modernization Act”; H.R. 1558, the “Repeatedly Flooded Communities Preparation Act”; H.R. 2246, the “Taxpayer Exposure Mitigation Act of 2017”; H.R. 2565, to require the use of replacement cost value in determining the premium rates for flood insurance coverage under the National Flood Insurance Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 2868, the “National Flood Insurance Program Policyholder Protection Act of 2017”; legislation on the National Flood Insurance Program Administrative Reform Act of 2017; and legislation on the 21st Century Flood Reform Act, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* June 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The FY 2018 Foreign Affairs Budget”, 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 14, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, markup on H.R. 1415, the “End Neglected Tropical Diseases Act”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 14, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Africa’s Current and Potential Famines”, 2:15 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, hearing entitled “Foreign Military Sales: Process and Policy”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled “Russia’s Strategic Objectives in the Middle East and North Africa”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, markup on H.R. 535, the “Taiwan Travel Act”; H.R. 2061, the “North Korean Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2017”; and H.R. 2397, the “Distribution and Promotion of Rights and Knowledge Act of 2017”, 2:30 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

June 15, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled “Renewing Assurances: Strengthening U.S.-Taiwan Ties”, 2:45 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* June 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2825, the “Department of Homeland Security Authorization Act of 2017”, 11 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* June 14, Full Committee, markup on H.J. Res. 76, granting the consent and approval of Congress for the Commonwealth of Virginia, the State of Maryland, and the District of Columbia to enter into a compact relating to the establishment of the Washington Metrorail Safety Commission; H.J. Res. 92, granting the consent and approval of Congress for the Commonwealth of Virginia, the State of Maryland, and the District of Columbia to amend the Washington Area Transit Regulation Compact; H.R. 495, the “Protection of Children Act of 2017”; and H.R. 2826, the “Refugee Program Integrity Restoration Act of 2017”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

June 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Data Stored Abroad: Ensuring Lawful Access and Privacy Protection in the Digital Era”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* June 14, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on a legislative measure to provide for the preservation of sportsmen’s heritage and enhance recreation opportunities on Federal land, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

June 15, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on legislation to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on Tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.



*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, June 15, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology, joint hearing entitled “Bolstering the Government’s Cybersecurity: Lessons Learned from WannaCry”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, June 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Cautionary Tale: A Review of SBA’s Failed FY 2014 Agency Restructure”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

June 15, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2763, the “Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Improvements Act of 2017”; H.R. 2594, the “Small Business Payment for Performance Act of 2017”; H.R. 2333, the “Small Business Investment Opportunity Act of 2017”; H.R. 2364, the “Investing in Main Street Act of 2017”; and H.R. 2056, the “Microloan Modernization Act of 2017”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, June 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2742, the “Modernizing the Interstate Placement of Children in Foster Care Act”; H.R. 2857, the “Supporting Families in Substance Abuse

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*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, June 14, Subcommittee on Department of Defense Intelligence and Overhead Architecture, hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities: FY 18 Budget Request”, 10 a.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be closed.

June 15, Full Committee, budget hearing entitled “Ongoing Intelligence Activities: FY 18 Budget Request”, 9 a.m., HVC-304. This hearing will be closed.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: June 14, to hold hearings to examine the Romanian anti-corruption process, focusing on successes and excesses, 9:30 a.m., SVC-212-210.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, June 13

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senator Paul or his designee will be recognized to make a motion to discharge S.J. Res. 42, relating to the disapproval of the proposed export to the Government of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia of certain defense articles, with a vote on or in relation to the motion to discharge, at 2:15 p.m.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Tuesday, June 13

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of H.R. 2581—Verify First Act (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of S. 1094—Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability and Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule).

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