

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S855–S888*

**Measures Introduced:** Two bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2415–2416, and S. Res. 401–403. **Page S875**

#### Measures Reported:

H.R. 535, to encourage visits between the United States and Taiwan at all levels.

H.R. 1625, to amend the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 to include severe forms of trafficking in persons within the definition of transnational organized crime for purposes of the rewards program of the Department of State, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. Res. 92, expressing concern over the disappearance of David Sneddon.

S. 2060, to promote democracy and human rights in Burma, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2286, to amend the Peace Corps Act to provide greater protection and services for Peace Corps volunteers, with amendments.

#### Measures Passed:

*American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 403, designating February 2018 as “American Heart Month” and February 2, 2018, as “National Wear Red Day”. **Page S887**

#### Measures Considered:

**Broader Options for Americans Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2579, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow the premium tax credit with respect to unsubsidized COBRA continuation coverage. **Pages S856–68**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 97 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 32), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Pages S867–68**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, February 13, 2018; and that all time during recess, adjournment, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the motion to proceed. **Page S887**

**Messages from the President:** Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was originally declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011, received during adjournment of the Senate on February 9, 2018; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–26) **Page S870**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the notification of the President’s designation as emergency requirements as outlined in the enclosed list of accounts, received during adjournment of the Senate on February 9, 2017; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget. (PM–27) **Page S870**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2019; referred jointly, pursuant to the order of January 30, 1975, as modified by the order of April 11, 1986; which was referred to the Committees on the Budget; and Appropriations. (PM–28) **Pages S870–71**

Transmitting a legislative outline for rebuilding infrastructure in America; which was referred to the Committee on Finance. (PM–29) **Page S872**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S872**

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**Enrolled Bills Presented:** **Page S872**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S872–75**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S875–76**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S869–70**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S878**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—32) **Pages S867–68**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:15 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S887.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### COUNTERING AMERICA'S ADVERSARIES THROUGH SANCTIONS ACT

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee received a closed briefing on the Countering America's Adver-

saries Through Sanctions Act from A. Wess Mitchell, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, and Christopher A. Ford, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, both of the Department of State; and Andrea Gacki, Deputy Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, February 13, 2018.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D115)

H.R. 1892, to amend title 4, United States Code, to provide for the flying of the flag at half-staff in the event of the death of a first responder in the line of duty. Signed on February 9, 2018. (Public Law 115-123)

H.R. 1301, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. Signed on February 9, 2018. (Public Law 115-124)

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2018

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold closed hearings to examine the United States Special Operations Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal

year 2019 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SVC-217.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense's role in protecting democratic elections, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on the Budget:* to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine improving animal health, focusing on reauthorization of Food and Drug Administration Animal Drug User Fees, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold hearings to examine worldwide threats, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine worldwide threats, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

#### House

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 3978, the "TRID Improvement Act of 2017"; H.R. 3299, the "Protecting Consumers' Access to Credit Act of 2017"; and H.R. 620, the "ADA Education and Reform Act of 2017", 5 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 13 through February 16, 2018

#### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2579, Broader Options for Americans Act, post-cloture.

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:* February 15, to hold hearings to examine the state of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, focusing on pending rules, cryptocurrency regulation, and cross-border agreements, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* February 13, to hold closed hearings to examine the United States Special Operations Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2019 and the Future Years Defense Program, 10 a.m., SVC-217.

February 13, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense's role in protecting democratic elections, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

February 14, Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, to hold hearings to examine the current readiness of United States forces, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

February 14, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine military and civilian personnel programs and military family readiness, 3 p.m., SR-232A.

February 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States Northern Command and United States Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2019 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on the Budget:* February 13, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 10 a.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* February 14, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joseph Simons, of Virginia, Christine S. Wilson, of Virginia, Noah Joshua Phillips, of Maryland, and Rohit Chopra, of New York, each to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* February 14, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 400, to establish the Susquehanna National Heritage Area in the State of Pennsylvania, S. 966, to establish a program to accurately document vehicles that were significant in the history of the United States, S. 1160, to include Livingston County, the city of Jonesboro in Union County, and the city of Freeport in Stephenson County, Illinois, to the Lincoln National Heritage Area, S. 1260 and H.R. 2615, bills to authorize the exchange of certain land located in Gulf Islands National Seashore, Jackson County, Mississippi, between the National Park Service and the Veterans of Foreign Wars, S. 1335, to establish the Ste. Genevieve National Historic Site in the State of Missouri, S. 1446 and H.R. 1135, bills to reauthorize the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program, S. 1472, to reauthorize the Tennessee Civil War Heritage Area, S. 1573, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to place signage on Federal land along the trail known as the "American Discovery Trail", S. 1602, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Finger Lakes National Heritage Area, S. 1645, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior

to conduct a special resource study of P.S. 103 in West Baltimore, Maryland, S. 1646, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of President Station in Baltimore, Maryland, S. 1692, to authorize the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 1956 and H.R. 2897, bills to authorize the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Director of the National Park Service to enter into cooperative management agreements for the operation, maintenance, and management of units of the National Park System in the District of Columbia, S. 2102, to clarify the boundary of Acadia National Park, S. 2213 and H.R. 4300, bills to authorize Pacific Historic Parks to establish a commemorative display to honor members of the United States Armed Forces who served in the Pacific Theater of World War II, S. 2225, to reauthorize the Blue Ridge National Heritage Area, S. 2238, to amend the Ohio & Erie Canal National Heritage Canalway Act of 1996 to repeal the funding limitation, H.R. 1397, to authorize, direct, facilitate, and expedite the transfer of administrative jurisdiction of certain Federal land, and H.R. 1500, to redesignate the small triangular property located in Washington, DC, and designated by the National Park Service as reservation 302 as "Robert Emmet Park", 3 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* February 14, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 10:30 a.m., SD-215.

February 14, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Dennis Shea, of Virginia, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador, and C. J. Mahoney, of Kansas, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Investment, Services, Labor, Environment, Africa, China, and the Western Hemisphere), with the rank of Ambassador; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

February 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2019, 9 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* February 15, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Andrea L. Thompson, of South Dakota, to be Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security, Susan A. Thornton, of Maine, to be an Assistant Secretary (East Asian and Pacific Affairs), and Francis R. Fannon, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Energy Resources), all of Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 13, to hold hearings to examine improving animal health, focusing on reauthorization of Food and Drug Administration Animal Drug User Fees, 10 a.m., SD-430.

February 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of John F. Ring, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 14, business meeting to consider S. 2221, to repeal the multi-State plan program, S. 2296, to increase

access to agency guidance documents, S. 2400, to eliminate or modify certain audit mandates of the Government Accountability Office, S. 2113, to amend title 41, United States Code, to improve the manner in which Federal contracts for design and construction services are awarded, to prohibit the use of reverse auctions for design and construction services procurements, S. 2349, to direct the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to establish an interagency working group to study Federal efforts to collect data on sexual violence and to make recommendations on the harmonization of such efforts, S. 2413, to provide for the appropriate use of bridge contracts in Federal procurement, S. 2178, to require the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency to make open recommendations of Inspectors General publicly available, H.R. 2229, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide permanent authority for judicial review of certain Merit Systems Protection Board decisions relating to whistleblowers, S. 931, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4910 Brighton Boulevard in Denver, Colorado, as the “George Sakato Post Office”, S. 2040, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 621 Kansas Avenue in Atchison, Kansas, as the “Amelia Earhart Post Office Building”, H.R. 294, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2700 Cullen Boulevard in Pearland, Texas, as the “Endy Nddiobong Ekpanya Post Office Building”, H.R. 452, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 324 West Saint Louis Street in Pacific, Missouri, as the “Specialist Jeffrey L. White, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 1207, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 306 River Street in Tilden, Texas, as the “Tilden Veterans Post Office”, H.R. 1208, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9155 Schaefer Road, Converse, Texas, as the “Converse Veterans Post Office Building”, H.R. 1858, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4514 Williamson Trail in Liberty, Pennsylvania, as the “Staff Sergeant Ryan Scott Ostrom Post Office”, H.R. 1988, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1730 18th Street in Bakersfield, California, as the “Merle Haggard Post Office Building”, H.R. 2254, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2635 Napa Street in Vallejo, California, as the “Janet Capello Post Office Building”, H.R. 2302, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 259 Nassau Street, Suite 2 in Princeton, New Jersey, as the “Dr. John F. Nash, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 2464, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 25 New Chardon Street Lobby in Boston, Massachusetts, as the “John Fitzgerald Kennedy Post Office”, H.R. 2672, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 520 Carter Street in Fairview, Illinois, as the “Sgt. Douglas J. Riney Post Office”, H.R. 2815, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 30 East Somerset Street in Raritan, New Jersey, as the “Gunnery Sergeant John Basilone Post Office”, H.R. 2873, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 207 Glenside Avenue in

Wyncote, Pennsylvania, as the “Staff Sergeant Peter Taub Post Office Building”, H.R. 3109, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1114 North 2nd Street in Chillicothe, Illinois, as the “Sr. Chief Ryan Owens Post Office Building”, H.R. 3369, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 225 North Main Street in Spring Lake, North Carolina, as the “Howard B. Pate, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 3638, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 Kings Road in Jacksonville, Florida, as the “Rutledge Pearson Post Office Building”, H.R. 3655, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1300 Main Street in Belmar, New Jersey, as the “Dr. Walter S. McAfee Post Office Building”, H.R. 3821, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 Main Street in Clermont, Georgia, as the “Zach T. Addington Post Office”, H.R. 3893, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 Mathe Avenue in Interlachen, Florida, as the “Robert H. Jenkins, Jr. Post Office”, H.R. 4042, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1415 West Oak Street, in Kissimmee, Florida, as the “Borinqueneers Post Office Building”, H.R. 4285, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 Bridgeton Pike in Mullica Hill, New Jersey, as the “James C. ‘Billy’ Johnson Post Office Building”, and the nominations of Jeff Tien Han Pon, of Virginia, to be Director, and Michael Rigas, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director, both of the Office of Personnel Management, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* February 14, business meeting to consider S. 995, to provide for equitable compensation to the Spokane Tribe of Indians of the Spokane Reservation for the use of tribal land for the production of hydropower by the Grand Coulee Dam, and S. 1953, to amend the Tribal Law and Order Act of 2010 and the Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act to provide for advancements in public safety services to Indian communities; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine Native Americans and the 2020 Census, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* February 14, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Joel M. Carson III, of New Mexico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, Colm F. Connolly, and Maryellen Noreika, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, William F. Jung, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Ryan T. Holte, of Ohio, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 15, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1917, to reform sentencing laws and correctional institutions, and the nominations of Michael B. Brennan, of Wisconsin, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit, Susan Paradise Baxter, and Marilyn Jean Horan, both to be a United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Daniel Desmond Domenico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, and Adam I. Klein, of the District

of Columbia, to be Chairman and Member of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* February 14, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of David Christian Tryon, of Ohio, to be Chief Counsel for Advocacy, and Hannibal Ware, of the Virgin Islands, to be Inspector General, both of the Small Business Administration, 3:30 p.m., SR-428A.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* February 13, to hold hearings to examine worldwide threats, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine worldwide threats, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

February 15, Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Armed Services,* February 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Military and Security Challenges and Posture in the Indo-Pacific Region”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 14, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled “Air Force Readiness Posture”, 3:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Strategic Competition with China”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Evolution, Transformation, and Sustainment: A Review and Assessment of the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Request for U.S. Special Operations Forces and Command”, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* February 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2019 Budget”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* February 14, Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education, hearing entitled “Examining the Government’s Management of Native American Schools”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions; and Subcommittee On Workforce Protections, joint hearing entitled “The Opioids Epidemic: Implications for America’s Workplaces”, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* February 14, Subcommittee on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled “Oversight of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration”, 10 a.m. in 2123 Rayburn.

February 14, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Examining the Impact of Health Care Consolidation”, 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

February 14, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “New Source Review Permitting Challenges for Manufacturing and Infrastructure”, 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Health and Human Services”, 12:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* February 14, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Examining the Current Data Security and Breach Notification Regulatory Regime”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 14, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Securities, and Investment, hearing entitled “Legislative Proposals Regarding Derivatives”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “Examining Derisking and its Effect on Access to Financial Services”, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* February 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Modernizing Food Aid: Improving Effectiveness and Saving Lives”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 14, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, hearing entitled “Israel, the Palestinians, and the Administration’s Peace Plan”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 14, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Advancing U.S. Interests Through the Organization of American States”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* February 15, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled “Industry Views of the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* February 15, Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security, hearing entitled “The Effect of Sanctuary City Policies on the Ability to Combat the Opioid Epidemic”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* February 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 835, to update the map of, and modify the maximum acreage available for inclusion in, the Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument; H.R. 4134, the “Cecil D. Andrus-White Clouds Wilderness Redesignation Act”; and H.R. 4895, the “Medgar Evers National Monument Act”, 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 14, Subcommittee on Water, Power and Oceans, hearing entitled “The State of the Nation’s Water and Power Infrastructure”, 2 p.m., Room 1324 Longworth.

February 15, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “The Costs of Denying Border Patrol Access: Our Environment and Security”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 520, the “National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 15, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 2591, the “Modernizing the Pittman-Robertson Fund for Tomorrow’s Needs Act of 2017”; H.R. 4429, the “Cormorant Control Act”; H.R. 4609, the “West Fork Fire Station Act of 2017”; H.R. 4647, the “Recovering America’s Wildlife Act”; and H.R. 4851, the “Kennedy-King Establishment Act of 2018”, 2:30 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* February 14, Subcommittee on Information Technology, hearing

entitled “Game Changers: Artificial Intelligence Part I”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “General Services Administration—Checking in with the Government’s Acquisition and Property Manager”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, February 14, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology, joint hearing entitled “Beyond Bitcoin: Emerging Applications for Blockchain Technology”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled “Mentoring, Training, and Apprenticeships for STEM Education and Careers”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, February 14, Full Committee, markup on the Committee’s budget views and estimates for fiscal year 2019, 10:45 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

February 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Job Creation, Competition, and Small Business’ Role in the United States Economy”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Energy, and Trade, hearing entitled “Restoring Rural America:

How Agritech is Revitalizing the Heartland”, 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, February 14, Full Committee, markup on fiscal year 2019 budget views and estimates; H.R. 4921, the “STB Information Security Improvement Act”; and H.R. 4925, the “FRA Safety Data Improvement Act”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 15, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials, hearing entitled “Oversight of Positive Train Control Implementation in the United States”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2019”, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, February 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Department of Health and Human Services’ Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Request”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

February 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Proposals”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 13

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Tuesday, February 13

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 2579, Broader Options for Americans Act, post-cloture.

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

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** To be announced.



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