

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4957–S4982*

**Measures Introduced:** Nine bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2194–2202. **Page S4966**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 411, to establish a Counterterrorism Advisory Board, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 116–59)

S. 1521, to amend section 327 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to clarify that National Urban Search and Rescue Response System task forces may include Federal employees. (S. Rept. No. 116–60) **Page S4966**

#### Measures Passed:

**Poison Center Network Enhancement Act:** Senate passed S. 1199, to amend the Public Health Service Act to revise and extend the poison center network program, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4969**

**Never Forget the Heroes: James Zadroga, Ray Pfeifer, and Luis Alvarez Permanent Authorization of the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, July 23, 2019, Senate begin consideration of H.R. 1327, to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2092, as under the order of Thursday, July 18, 2019. **Page S4969**

**Esper Nomination—Cloture:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Mark T. Esper, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Defense. **Pages S4959–60**

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

By 85 yeas to 6 nays (Vote No. EX. 219), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4960**

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

Lisa W. Hershman, of Indiana, to be Chief Management Officer of the Department of Defense.

Katherine Andrea Lemos, of California, to be Chairperson of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years.

Adam Seth Boehler, of Louisiana, to be Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation.

1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S4970–82**

#### Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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**Executive Communications:** **Pages S4965–66**

**Petitions and Memorials:** **Page S4966**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S4966–68**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S4963–64**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—219) **Page S4960**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:43 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4969.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 3868–3875; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 506 were introduced. **Pages H7160–61**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H7161–62**

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

H.R. 3504, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for improvements to the specially adapted housing program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–164); and

H.R. 759, to restore an opportunity for tribal economic development on terms that are equal and fair, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–165).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Beyer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7159**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 12 noon tomorrow, Tuesday, July 23rd for Morning Hour debate. **Page H7159**

**Senate Referral:** S. Con. Res. 19 was referred to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. **Page H7159**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H7159.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 4:02 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* business meeting to consider pending military nominations, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine challenges for cannabis and banking, focusing on outside perspectives, 10 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Science, Oceans, Fisheries, and Weather, to hold hearings to examine America's waterfronts, focusing on addressing economic, recreational, and environmental challenges, 2:15 p.m., SD–562.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine the United States' interests in the Freely Associated States, 10 a.m., SD–366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine promoting elder justice, focusing on a call for reform, 10:15 a.m., SD–215.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold oversight hearings to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 10 a.m., SD–226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 1:30 p.m., SH–219.

## House

*Committee on Oversight and Reform,* Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled "Restoring the Partnership: The Future of Federalism in America", 4 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 397, the "Rehabilitation for Multiemployer Pensions Act of 2019"; and H.R. 3239, the "Humanitarian Standards for Individuals in Customs and Border Protection Custody Act", 5 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, continue hearing entitled "Learning from Whistleblowers at the Department of Veterans Affairs", 5 p.m., HVC–210.

## Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* to receive a briefing on pipeline politics, focusing on energy and power in Europe, 11 a.m., 1334, Longworth Building.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 23 through July 26, 2019

#### Senate Chamber

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Secretary of Defense, and on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Stephen M. Dickson, of Georgia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration.

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

### Senate Committees

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*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* July 25, to hold hearings to examine hemp production and the 2018 farm bill, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* July 23, business meeting to consider pending military nominations, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

July 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the expected nomination of David L. Norquist to be Deputy Secretary of Defense, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

July 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending military nominations, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* July 23, to hold hearings to examine challenges for cannabis and banking, focusing on outside perspectives, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 23, Subcommittee on Science, Oceans, Fisheries, and Weather, to hold hearings to examine America's waterfronts, focusing on addressing economic, recreational, and environmental challenges, 2:15 p.m., SD-562.

July 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 496, to preserve United States fishing heritage through a national program dedicated to training and assisting the next generation of commercial fishermen, S. 893, to require the President to develop a strategy to ensure the security of next generation mobile telecommunications systems and infrastructure in the United States and to assist allies and strategic partners in maximizing the security of next generation mobile telecommunications systems, infrastructure, and software, S. 1148, to amend title 49, United States Code, to require the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration to give preferential consideration to individuals who have successfully completed air traffic controller training and veterans when hiring air traffic control specialists, S. 1341, to adopt a certain California flammability standard as a Federal flammability standard to protect against the risk of upholstered furniture flammability, S. 1349, to expand enrollment in TSA PreCheck to expedite commercial travel screening and improve airport security, S. 1625, to promote the deployment of commercial fifth-generation mobile networks and the sharing of information with communications providers in the United States regarding security risks to the networks of those providers, S. 1822, to require the Fed-

eral Communications Commission to issue rules relating to the collection of data with respect to the availability of broadband services, S. 1858, to ensure the Chief Information Office of the Consumer Product Safety Commission has a significant role in decisions related to information technology, proposed legislation entitled, "Regional Ocean Partnership Act", S. 2035, to require the Transportation Security Administration to develop a strategic plan to expand eligibility for the PreCheck Program to individuals with Transportation Worker Identification Credentials or Hazardous Materials Endorsements, S. 2134, to extend the transfer of Electronic Travel Authorization System fees from the Travel Promotion Fund to the Corporation for Travel Promotion (Brand USA) through fiscal year 2027, and a promotion list in the Coast Guard; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine the nominations of Theodore Rokita, of Indiana, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors, Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, and Michael Graham, of Kansas, both to be a Member of the National Transportation Safety Board, Carl Whitney Bentzel, of Maryland, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Michael J.K. Kratsios, of South Carolina, to be an Associate Director of the Office of Science and Technology Policy, and Ian Paul Steff, of Indiana, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, 10:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 23, to hold hearings to examine the United States' interests in the Freely Associated States, 10 a.m., SD-366.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the importance of energy innovation to economic growth and competitiveness, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 24, to hold hearings to examine the Theodore Roosevelt Genius Prize, focusing on innovative solutions to reduce human-predator conflict, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* July 23, to hold hearings to examine promoting elder justice, focusing on a call for reform, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

July 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brent McIntosh, of Michigan, to be an Under Secretary, Brian Callanan, of New Jersey, to be General Counsel, and Brian McGuire, of New York, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Travis Greaves, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* July 24, to hold hearings to examine authorities for the use of military force, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

July 24, Subcommittee on Africa and Global Health Policy, to hold hearings to examine confronting Ebola, focusing on addressing a 21st century global health crisis, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

July 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 398, to support the peaceful resolution of the civil war in Yemen, to address the resulting humanitarian crisis, and to hold the perpetrators responsible for murdering a Saudi dissident, S. 2066, to review United States Saudi Arabia Policy, S. 1441, to impose sanctions with respect

to the provision of certain vessels for the construction of Russian energy export pipelines, protocol to the North Atlantic Treaty of 1949 on the Accession of the Republic of North Macedonia (Treaty Doc.116–01), and the nominations of Pamela Bates, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, Jonathan R. Cohen, of California, to be Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt, Kelly Craft, of Kentucky, to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, Philip S. Goldberg, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Colombia, Christopher Landau, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States, Doug Manchester, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Richard B. Norland, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to Libya, John Rakolta, Jr., of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates, Adrian Zuckerman, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to Romania, Andrew P. Bremberg, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Office of the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva, with the rank of Ambassador, and Jennifer D. Nordquist, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development for a term of two years, 10:30 a.m., S–116, Capitol.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 24, business meeting to consider S. 2162, to require the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection to annually hire at least 600 new Border Patrol agents, to report quarterly to Congress on the status of the Border Patrol workforce, and to conduct a comprehensive staffing analysis, S. 1976, to amend the FAST Act to improve the Federal permitting process, S. 2065, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to publish an annual report on the use of deepfake technology, S. 2183, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to analyze certain legislation in order prevent duplication of and overlap with existing Federal programs, offices, and initiatives, S. 2177, to provide taxpayers with an improved understanding of Government programs through the disclosure of cost, performance, and areas of duplication among them, leverage existing data to achieve a functional Federal program inventory, S. 2169, to amend section 3116 of title 5, United States Code, to clarify the applicability of the appointment limitations for students appointed under the expedited hiring authority for post-secondary students, S. 2107, to increase the number of CBP Agriculture Specialists and support staff in the Office of Field Operations of U.S. Customs and Border Protection, S. 2193, to require the Administrator of General Services to issue guidance to clarify that Federal agencies may pay by charge card for the charging of Federal electric motor vehicles, S. 764, to provide for congressional

approval of national emergency declarations, S. 439, to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan, S. 2119, to amend title 5, United States Code, to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to Federal employees, H.R. 2590, to require a Department of Homeland Security overseas personnel enhancement plan, H.R. 3305, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2509 George Mason Drive in Virginia Beach, Virginia, as the “Ryan Keith Cox Post Office Building”, and the nominations of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, and William Bryan, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Science and Technology, both of the Department of Homeland Security, Robert M. Duncan, of Kentucky, to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, Ann C. Fisher, of the District of Columbia, and Ashley Jay Elizabeth Poling, of North Carolina, both to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, Catherine Bird, of Texas, to be General Counsel of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Rainey R. Brandt, and Shana Frost Matini, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine state and Federal recommendations for enhancing school safety against targeted violence, 9:30 a.m., SD–342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* July 24, business meeting to consider S. 2159, to repeal the Act entitled “An Act to confer jurisdiction on the State of North Dakota over offenses committed by or against Indians on the Devils Lake Indian Reservation”; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nomination of E. Sequoyah Simermeyer, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 23, to hold oversight hearings to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation, 10 a.m., SD–226.

July 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 1494, to amend the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 to protect alien minors and to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to end abuse of the asylum system and establish refugee application and processing centers outside the United States, 10 a.m., SD–226.

*Committee on Rules and Administration:* July 24, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Government Publishing Office, Office of the Inspector General, 11 a.m., SR–301.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* July 24, business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, “Small Business Administration Reauthorization Act”, 2:30 p.m., SR–428A.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 23, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 1:30 p.m., SH–219.

July 25, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH–219.

### House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations*, July 24, Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Unaccompanied Children Program: Ensuring the Safety of Children in HHS Care”, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, budget and oversight hearing on the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, 10:15 a.m., 2358–A Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, oversight hearing on the U.S. Customs and Border Protection—Border Patrol, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Bureau of Indian Education, Education Construction”, 3 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, oversight hearing on the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Costs of Climate Change: From Coasts to Heartland, Health to Security”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor*, July 25, Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions, hearing entitled “Protecting the Right to Organize Act: Modernizing America’s Labor Laws”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, July 24, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled “Building America’s Clean Future: Pathways to Decarbonize the Economy”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled “Legislation to Make Cars in America Safer”, 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

July 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Member Day”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Next Megabank? Examining the Proposed Merger of SunTrust and BB&T”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 25, Task Force on Financial Technology, hearing entitled “Examining the Use of Alternative Data in Underwriting and Credit Scoring to Expand Access to Credit”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, July 24, Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism, hearing entitled “The FY20 Budget: State Department Counterterrorism and Countering Violent Extremism Bureau”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Non-proliferation, hearing entitled “Human Rights in Southeast Asia: A Regional Outlook”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, Energy, and the Environment, hearing entitled “Russia and Arms Control: Extending New START or Starting Over?”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, July 25, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism; and the Subcommittee on Border Security, Facilitation, and Oper-

ations, joint hearing entitled “Homeland Security Implications of the Opioid Crisis”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

July 26, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Members’ Day”, 9 a.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Report on the Investigation into Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election: Former Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller, III”, 8:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of Family Separation and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Short-Term Custody under the Trump Administration”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, July 24, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 934, the “Health Benefits for Miners Act of 2019”; and H.R. 935, the “Miners Pension Protection Act”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 24, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “The Status of the Reclamation Fund and the Bureau of Reclamation’s Future Infrastructure Funding Needs”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 25, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Increasing Renewable Energy on Public Lands”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

July 25, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 335, the “South Florida Clean Coastal Waters Act of 2019”; H.R. 729, the “Tribal Coastal Resiliency Act”; H.R. 2185, the “District of Columbia Flood Prevention Act of 2019”; H.R. 3115, the “Living Shorelines Act of 2019”; H.R. 3237, the “Platte River Recovery Implementation Program Extension Act”; H.R. 3510, the “Water Resources Research Amendments Act”; H.R. 3541, the “Coastal State Climate Preparedness Act”; H.R. 3596, the “Keep America’s Waterfronts Working Act”; and H.R. 3723, the “Desalination Development Act”, 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

July 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled “When Science Gets Trumped: Scientific Integrity at the Department of the Interior”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, July 24, Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy, hearing entitled “Examining JUUL’s Role in the Youth Nicotine Epidemic: Part I”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Beyond the Citizenship Question: Repairing the Damage and Preparing to Count ‘We the People’”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 24, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “The Devil They Knew—PFAS Contamination and the Need for Corporate Accountability”, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 25, Full Committee, markup on a resolution recommending that the House of Representatives find Kellyanne Conway, Senior Counselor to the President, in contempt of Congress for her refusal to comply with the Committee’s duly authorized subpoena seeking her testimony on July 15, 2019 and authorizing Chairman Elijah E. Cummings to take all necessary steps to enforce the subpoena; a resolution offered by Chairman Elijah E. Cummings authorizing the issuance of subpoenas for

records relating to the Committee's investigation into the use of non-official electronic messaging accounts by non-career officials at the White House; S. 406, the "Federal Rotational Cyber Workforce Program Act of 2019"; legislation on the ONDCP Technical Corrections Act; and postal naming measures, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy, hearing entitled "Examining JUUL's Role in the Youth Nicotine Epidemic: Part II", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 26, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Patient Perspective: The Devastating Impacts of Skyrocketing Drug Prices on American Families", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2203, the "Homeland Security Improvement Act", 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, July 24, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3597, the "Solar Energy Research and Development Act of 2019"; H.R. 3607, the "Fossil Energy Research and Development Act of 2019"; H.R. 3609, the "Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2019"; and H.R. 335, the "South Florida Clean Coastal Waters Act of 2019", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Research and Technology, hearing entitled "Benign by Design: Innovations in Sustainable Chemistry", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing entitled "The Commercial Space Landscape: Innovation, Market, and Policy", 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Is the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act a Help or Hinderance to Main Street?", 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship, hearing entitled "Supporting the Next Generation of Agricultural Businesses", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, July 24, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled "China's Maritime Silk Road Ini-

tiative: Implications for the Global Maritime Supply Chain", 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 25, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled "Examining the Federal Role in Improving School Bus Safety", 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "True Transparency? Assessing Wait Times Five Years after Phoenix", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

July 25, Subcommittee on Technology Modernization, hearing entitled "VistA Transition: Assessing the Future of an Electronic Health Records Pioneer", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, July 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Social Security 2100 Act", 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Former Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller, III on the Investigation into Russian Interference in the 2016 Presidential Election", 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 25, Full Committee, business meeting on Consideration of the Access Request from Rep. Elissa Slotkin and Rep. Mike Thompson; and Consideration of the Access Request from Rep. Stephanie Murphy, 9 a.m., HVC-304.

*Select Committee on the Climate Crisis*, July 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Creating a Climate Resilient America: Business Views on the Costs of the Climate Crisis", 2 p.m., 2261 Rayburn.

*Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress*, July 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Modernizing Legislative Information Technologies: Lessons from the States", 2 p.m., 2020 Rayburn.

### Joint Meetings

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July 25, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the state of media freedom in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe region, 3 p.m., HVC-210.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, July 23

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*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

12 noon, Tuesday, July 23

## House Chamber

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

## Extensions of Remarks, as inserted in this issue

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