

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S949–S969

Measures Introduced: Four bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3259–3262, and S. Res. 494. **Pages S963–64**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to an alternative plan for pay adjustments for civilian Federal employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems in January 2021; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. (PM–44) **Page S961**

Transmitting, pursuant to law, the Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2021; 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 Appropriations; and the Budget. (PM–45) **Pages S961–62**

Brasher Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Andrew Lynn Brasher, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit. **Pages S949–55**

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

By 46 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 35), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S954–55**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, all post-closure time on the nomination be considered expired at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, February 11, 2020; that following disposition of the nomination, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Joshua M. Kindred, to be United States District

Judge for the District of Alaska, Matthew Thomas Schelp, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri, John Fitzgerald Kness, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and Philip M. Halpern, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York; and that if cloture is invoked on any of those nominations, the confirmation votes occur on Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader. **Page S955**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination of Andrew Lynn Brasher, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. **Page S966**

Messages from the House: **Pages S962–63**

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—35) **Page S955**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:38 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S966.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 19 public bills, H.R. 5821–5839; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 842–843, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 844, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2546) to designate certain lands in the State of Colorado as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 79) removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–395).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Larsen (WA) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 12:03 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m.

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Recess: The House recessed at 2:13 p.m. and reconvened at 3:33 p.m.

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

Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) Homeland Security Partnerships Act: H.R. 1494, amended, to strengthen partnerships between historically Black colleges and universities and minority-serving institutions and the Department of Homeland Security;

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Protecting America's Food and Agriculture Act: 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;

Pages H983–86

Securing America's Ports Act: H.R. 5273, amended, to require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop a plan to increase to 100 percent the rates of scanning of commercial and passenger vehicles entering the United States at land ports of entry along the border using large-scale non-intrusive inspection systems to enhance border security;

Pages H986–88

DHS Field Engagement Accountability Act: Concurred in the Senate amendment to H.R. 504, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Department of Homeland Security to develop an engagement strategy with fusion centers;

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Homeland Security for Children Act: H.R. 2932, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that the needs of children are considered in homeland security planning, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 374 yeas to 11 nays, Roll No. 55;

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Department of Homeland Security Climate Change Research Act: H.R. 4737, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require the Under Secretary for Science and Technology of the Department of Homeland Security to research and evaluate existing Federal research regarding approaches to mitigate climate change on homeland security to identify areas for further research within the Department, research and develop approaches to mitigate the consequences of climate change on homeland security;

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Protecting Critical Infrastructure Against Drones and Emerging Threats Act: H.R. 4432, amended, to require the Department of Homeland Security to prepare a terrorism threat assessment relating to unmanned aircraft systems;

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Drone Origin Security Enhancement Act: H.R. 4753, to prohibit the Secretary of Homeland Security from operating or procuring foreign-made unmanned aircraft systems; and

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DHS Acquisition Reform Act: H.R. 3413, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide for certain acquisition authorities for the Under Secretary of Management of the Department of Homeland Security, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 380 yeas to 4 nays, Roll No. 56.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:55 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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Presidential Messages: Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress his Budget of the United States Government for Fiscal Year 2021—referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–92).

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Read a message from the President wherein he transmitted to Congress Pay Adjustments for Civilian Federal Employees covered by the General Schedule and certain other pay systems—referred to the Committee on Oversight and Reform and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–97).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear

on pages H999–1000 and H1000. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Committee Meetings

COLORADO WILDERNESS ACT OF 2019; REMOVING THE DEADLINE FOR THE RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 2546, the “Colorado Wilderness Act of 2019” [Protecting America’s Wilderness Act]; and H.J. Res. 79, removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2546, the “Colorado Wilderness Act of 2019”, and H.J. Res. 79, Removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2546, the “Colorado Wilderness Act of 2019”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Natural Resources. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–50 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 makes in order only those further amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides for consideration of H.J. Res. 79, Removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of debate on the joint resolution equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the joint res-

olution shall be considered as adopted and the joint resolution, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the joint resolution, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that House Resolution 842 is hereby adopted. The rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from February 14, 2020, through February 24, 2020: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. The rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of this period. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cohen, Collins of Georgia, DeGette, Westerman, and Tipton.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, SEE DAILY DIGEST, p. D97)

S. 3201, to extend the temporary scheduling order for fentanyl-related substances. Signed on February 6, 2020. (Public Law 116–114)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States strategy in Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Manufacturing, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine the state of inter-collegiate athlete compensation, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider the nominations of Katharine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary, and Lanny Erdos, of Ohio, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, both of the Department of the Interior, 11 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider S. 3239, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Transportation located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, in Washington, DC, as the “William T. Coleman, Jr., Federal Building”, and 18 General Services Administration resolutions, 9:45 a.m., SD–406.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine a roadmap for effective cybersecurity, focusing on what states, locals, and the business community should know and do, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management: to hold hearings to examine the Afghanistan Papers, focusing on costs and benefits of America's longest war, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine ensuring appropriate medical care for children, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Intellectual Property: to hold hearings to examine the Digital Millennium Copyright Act at 22, focusing on what it is, why was it enacted, and where are we now, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Biotechnology, Horticulture, and Research: hearing entitled "Economic Opportunities from Local Agricultural Markets", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies: hearing entitled "American Indian and Alaska Native Public Witness Day 1", 9 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies: budget hearing on the USDA Office of Inspector General, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch: budget hearing on the Open World Leadership Center, 10 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch: budget hearing on the United States Capitol Police, 11 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies: hearing entitled "American Indian and Alaska Native Public Witness Day 1", 1 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Department of Defense's Role in Long-Term Major State Competition", 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities: hearing entitled "Reviewing Department of Defense Strategy, Policy, and Programs for Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction for Fiscal Year 2021", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel: hearing entitled "Alarming Incidents of White Supremacy in the Military—How to Stop It?", 2:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor: Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5800, the "Ban Surprise Billing Act", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Workforce Protections: hearing entitled "Balancing Work, Health, and Family: The Case for Expanding the Family and Medical Leave Act", 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce: hearing entitled

"Autonomous Vehicles: Promises and Challenges of Evolving Automotive Technologies", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change: hearing entitled "EPA's Lead and Copper Proposal: Failing to Protect Public Health", 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee, hearing entitled "Monetary Policy and the State of the Economy", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections: hearing entitled "Native American Voting Rights: Exploring Barriers and Solutions", 10 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee, hearing entitled "Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Request for Department of the Interior's Office of Insular Affairs", 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee, markup on legislation on the Washington, D.C. Admission Act, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Technology: hearing entitled "More Hires, Fewer Hacks: Developing the U.S. Cybersecurity Workforce", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics: hearing entitled "Space Situational Awareness: Key Issues in an Evolving Landscape", 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Innovation and Workforce Development: hearing entitled "The Innovation Pipeline: From Universities to Small Businesses", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation: hearing entitled "Looking Forward: The Future of America's Aviation Maintenance and Manufacturing Workforce", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Health: hearing entitled "Achieving Health Equity for America's Minority Veterans", 2 p.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Disappearing Corporate Income Tax", 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 11 through February 14, 2020

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Andrew Lynn Brasher, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 2:15 p.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Andrew Lynn Brasher, Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Joshua M. Kindred, to be United States District Judge for the District of Alaska, Matthew Thomas Schelp, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District

of Missouri, John Fitzgerald Kness, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and Philip M. Halpern, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York.

On Wednesday, if cloture being invoked on any of the following nominations, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominations of Joshua M. Kindred, Matthew Thomas Schelp, John Fitzgerald Kness, and Philip M. Halpern, at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Democratic Leader.

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 Armed Services: February 11, to hold hearings to examine United States strategy in Afghanistan, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States Northern Command and United States Strategic Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: February 12, to hold hearings to examine the Semiannual Monetary Policy Report to the Congress, 10 a.m., SD-538.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Jessie K. Liu, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes, Department of the Treasury, and Judy Shelton, of California, and Christopher Waller, of Minnesota, both to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: February 11, Subcommittee on Manufacturing, Trade, and Consumer Protection, to hold hearings to examine the state of intercollegiate athlete compensation, 10 a.m., SD-106.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine space missions of global importance, focusing on planetary defense, space weather protection, and space situational awareness, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: February 11, business meeting to consider the nominations of Katherine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary, and Lanny Erdos, of Ohio, to be Director of the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, both of the Department of the Interior, 11 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: February 11, business meeting to consider S. 3239, to designate the headquarters building of the Department of Transportation located at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, in Washington, DC, as the “William T. Coleman, Jr., Federal Building”, and 18 General Services Administration resolutions, 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: February 12, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal

year 2021 for the Department of the Treasury, 1 p.m., SD-215.

February 13, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: February 12, to hold hearings to examine United States-Libya policy, 10:15 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: February 11, to hold hearings to examine a roadmap for effective cybersecurity, focusing on what states, locals, and the business community should know and do, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

February 11, Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine the Afghanistan Papers, focusing on costs and benefits of America’s longest war, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting the United States from global pandemics, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on the Judiciary: February 11, to hold hearings to examine ensuring appropriate medical care for children, 10 a.m., SD-226.

February 11, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine the Digital Millennium Copyright Act at 22, focusing on what it is, why was it enacted, and where are we now, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

February 12, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of John Leonard Badalamenti, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, Anna M. Manasco, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Alabama, Drew B. Tipton, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, and Kathryn C. Davis, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: February 11, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: February 12, to hold hearings to examine home health care in rural America, 9 a.m., SD-366.

House Committees

Committee on Appropriations: February 12, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “American Indian and Alaska Native Public Witness Day 2”, 9 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

February 12, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Farm Credit Administration, 10 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

February 12, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights, 10 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

February 12, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Congressional Budget Office, 11 a.m., HT-2 Capitol.

February 12, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “American Indian

and Alaska Native Public Witness Day 2”, 1 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, February 12, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled “Land Based Ranges: Building Military Readiness While Protecting Natural and Cultural Resources”, 2:30 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, February 12, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The President’s Fiscal Year 2021 Budget”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, February 12, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Protecting Women’s Access to Reproductive Health Care”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 12, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “Saving Energy: Legislation to Improve Energy Efficiency and Storage”, 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, February 12, Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion, hearing entitled “A Review of Diversity and Inclusion at America’s Large Banks”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

February 12, Task Force on Artificial Intelligence, hearing entitled “Equitable Algorithms: Examining Ways to Reduce AI Bias in Financial Services”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, February 12, Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and International Terrorism, hearing entitled “The Middle East Peace Process: An Analysis from Former U.S. Negotiators”, 9:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 13, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security, and Trade, hearing entitled “Assessing U.S. Security Assistance to Mexico”, 9 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 13, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “The Youth Bulge in Africa: Considerations for US Policy”, 10 a.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, February 12, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5736, the “Transnational White Supremacist Extremism Review Act”; H.R. 5780, the “Communities Act of 2020”; H.R. 5802, the “TSA Child CARE Act”; H.R. 5804, the “DHS Blue Campaign Enhancement Act”; legislation on the State and Local Cybersecurity Improvement Act; legislation on the Federal Law Enforcement Training Research and Reporting Act of 2020; legislation on the TSA Personnel Workplace Improvement Act of 2020; legislation on the DHS Illicit Border Tunnel Defense Act; legislation on the Homeland Security Acquisition Professional Career Program Act; and S.2035, the “TSA Credential and Endorsement Harmonization Act of 2019”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 12, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2214, the “NO BAN Act”; H.R. 5581, the “Access to Counsel Act of 2020”; H.R. 5546, the “Effective Assistance of Counsel in the Digital Era Act”; H.R. 3283, to amend title 4, United States Code, to permit the flag of the United States to be flown at half-staff in the event of the death of the Mayor of the District of Columbia; and H. Res. 694, recognizing the Importance of the Civil Rights Act of 1866 and the Laws Derived Therefrom, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 13, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled “Protecting Federal Judiciary Employees from Sexual Harassment, Discrimination, and Other Workplace Misconduct”, 8:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, February 12, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 644, the “Navajo Utah Water Rights Settlement Act of 2019”; H.R. 1904, the “Indian Water Rights Settlement Extension Act”; H.R. 4444, the “Western Area Power Administration Transparency Act”; H.R. 5316, the “Move Water Now Act”; H.R. 5347, the “Disadvantaged Community Drinking Water Assistance Act”; S. 832, a bill to nullify the Supplemental Treaty Between the United States of America and the Confederated Tribes and Bands of Indians of Middle Oregon, concluded on November 15, 1865; and a Committee resolution authorizing issuance of subpoenas related to mismanagement, waste, fraud, abuse, and wrongful conduct in relation to functions within the jurisdiction of the Committee on Natural Resources, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, February 12, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Hearing with Census Bureau Director”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, February 12, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2986, the “Better Energy Storage Technology (BEST) Act”; H.R. 4230, the “Clean Industrial Technology (CIT) Act of 2019”; H.R. 5374, the “Advanced Geothermal Research and Development Act of 2019”; H.R. 5428, the “Grid Modernization Research and Development Act of 2019”; and H.R. 5760, the “Grid Security Research and Development Act”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, February 12, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Challenges and Benefits of Employee-owned Small Businesses”, 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, February 12, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Animals in Disasters”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, February 12, Subcommittee on Technology Modernization, hearing entitled “Data Privacy and Portability at VA: Protecting Veterans’ Personal Data”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

February 12, Subcommittee on Health; and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing entitled “Mission Critical: Examining Provider Relations During the Transition to VA’s New Community Care Program”, 2 p.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Ways and Means, February 12, Full Committee, markup on legislation on the “HOSPICE” Act; legislation to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for reporting by certain investors with respect to certain specified medical care providers; and legislation on the Consumer Protections Against Surprise Medical Bills Act, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, February 12, Subcommittee on Strategic Technologies and Advanced Research, hearing entitled “Emerging Technologies and

National Security: Posturing the U.S. Intelligence Community for Success”, 10 a.m., 2020 Rayburn.

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10 a.m., Tuesday, February 11

Senate Chamber

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(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, February 11

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of H.R. 2546—Protecting America's Wilderness Act (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of H.J. Res. 79—Removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment (Subject to a Rule).

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