

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity for March 2020.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3113–S3130

Measures Introduced: Seventeen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4018–4034, and S. Res. 633–635. **Pages S3126–27**

Measures Passed:

Wounded Veterans Recreation Act: Senate passed S. 327, to amend the Federal Lands Recreation Enhancement Act to provide for a lifetime National Recreational Pass for any veteran with a service-connected disability, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3129**

Measures Considered:

Justice Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3985, to improve and reform policing practices, accountability, and transparency. **Page S3114**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, 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 24, 2020. **Page S3114**

Wilson Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Cory T. Wilson, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit. **Pages S3114–24**

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

By 51 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 124), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S3124**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 23, 2020; and that all time during adjournment, recess, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the nomination. **Page S3129**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Eric J. Soskin, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of Transportation.

David Reimer, of Ohio, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Sierra Leone.

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Messages from the House:

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Enrolled Bills Presented:

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—124) **Page S3124**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:31 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 23, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on pages S3129–S3130).

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 16 public bills, H.R. 7285–7300; and 5 resolutions, H. Res. 1012–1016, were introduced. **Pages H2413–14**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H2414–15**

Report Filed: A report was filed on June 19, 2020:

H.R. 7120, to hold law enforcement accountable for misconduct in court, improve transparency through data collection, and reform police training and policies, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–434, Part 1). **Page H2413**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Sarbanes to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H2411**

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 11 a.m. and adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

Committee Meetings

REPURPOSING THERAPEUTIC DRUGS FOR COVID–19: RESEARCH CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: On June 19, 2020, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight held a hearing entitled “Repurposing Therapeutic Drugs for COVID–19: Research Challenges and Opportunities”. Testimony was heard from Rick L. Stevens, Associate Laboratory Director for Computing, Environment and Life Sciences, Argonne National Laboratory; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities held a markup on H.R. 6395, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”. H.R. 6395 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a markup on H.R. 6395, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”. H.R. 6395 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

INEQUITIES EXPOSED: HOW COVID–19 WIDENED RACIAL INEQUITIES IN EDUCATION, HEALTH, AND THE WORKFORCE

Committee on Education and Labor: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Inequities Exposed: How COVID–19 Widened Racial Inequities in Education, Health, and the Workforce”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Export–Import Bank of the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD–562.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine COVID–19, focusing on lessons learned to prepare for the next pandemic, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine improving public service, focusing on a review of recommendations made by the National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service, 2:30 p.m., VTC.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, focusing on coronavirus and addressing China’s culpability, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

House

Committee on Appropriations: Full Committee, hearing entitled “Member Day Testimony for FY21 Appropriations”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, markup on H.R. 6395, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, markup on H.R. 6395, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Readiness, markup on H.R. 6395, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, markup on H.R. 6395, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021”, 4:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Budget, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Health and Wealth Inequality in America: How COVID-19 Makes Clear the Need for Change”, 2:30 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Trump Administration’s Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic”, 11 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing entitled “R&D to Support Healthy Air Travel in the COVID-19 Era and Beyond”, 11:30 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Technology Modernization; and Subcommittee on Health, joint hearing entitled “VA Telehealth During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Expansion and Impact”, 1 p.m., HVC-210 and Webex.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Worker and Family Support, hearing entitled “The Child Care Crisis and the Coronavirus Pandemic”, 2 p.m., Webex.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of June 23 through June 26, 2020

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Cory T. Wilson, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, 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: June 24, business meeting to consider original legislation entitled, “United States Grain Standards Reauthorization Act of 2020”; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 3894, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a program to reduce barriers to entry for farmers, ranchers, and private forest landowners in certain private markets, 10 a.m., SDG-50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: June 23, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Export-Import Bank of the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Budget: June 24, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Derek Kan, of California, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 2:30 p.m., SR-301.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: June 24, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: June 24, to hold hearings to examine the impact of COVID-19 on mineral supply chains, focusing on the role of those sup-

ply chains in economic and national security, and challenges and opportunities to rebuild America’s supply chains, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: June 23, to hold hearings to examine COVID-19, focusing on lessons learned to prepare for the next pandemic, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: June 23, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine improving public service, focusing on a review of recommendations made by the National Commission on Military, National, and Public Service, 2:30 p.m., VTC.

June 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the role of the strategic national stockpile in pandemic response, 10 a.m., VTC.

June 25, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine Customs and Border Protection, focusing on evolving challenges facing the agency, 9:30 a.m., SD-562/VTC.

Committee on Indian Affairs: June 24, to hold hearings to examine S. 2165, to enhance protections of Native American tangible cultural heritage, S. 2716, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, S. 2912, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land located in Pinal County, Arizona, into trust for the benefit of the Gila River Indian Community, S. 3019, to protect access to water for all Montanans, S. 3044, to amend the American’s Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 to expand the Indian reservation drinking water program, S. 3099, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska, and S. 3100, to convey land in Anchorage, Alaska, to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

Committee on the Judiciary: June 23, to hold hearings to examine the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act, focusing on coronavirus and addressing China’s culpability, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

June 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine pending nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

June 25, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 685, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 relative to the powers of the Department of Justice Inspector General, S. 3398, to establish a National Commission on Online Child Sexual Exploitation Prevention, and the nominations of Owen McCurdy Cypher, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Michigan, Thomas L. Foster, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Virginia, and Tyreece L. Miller, to be United States Marshal for the Western District of Tennessee, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SR-325.

Select Committee on Intelligence: June 23, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

June 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Peter Michael Thomson, of Louisiana, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency, 10 a.m., SR-325.

House Committees

Committee on Energy and Commerce, June 24, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology; and Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, joint hearing entitled “A Country in Crisis: How Disinformation Online is Dividing the Nation”, 11:30 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, June 25, Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship, and Capital Markets, hearing entitled “Capital Markets and Emergency Lending in the COVID-19 Era”, 12 p.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Homeland Security, June 24, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “Examining the Threat from ISIS and Al Qaeda”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, June 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Justice: Political Interference and Threats to Prosecutorial Independence”, 12 p.m., CVC-200 and Webex.

June 24, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, business meeting on Request for a Department of Homeland Security Departmental Report on the Beneficiary of H.R. 7146, “For the relief of Victoria Galindo Lopez”, 5 p.m., CVC-200 and Webex.

June 25, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled “Federal Courts During the Covid-19 Pandemic: Best Practices, Opportunities for Innovation, and Lessons for the Future”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, June 25, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing on H.R. 1776, the “Captive Primate Safety Act”; H.R. 2264, the “Bear

Protection Act of 2019”; H.R. 2492, the “St. Mary’s Reinvestment Act”; H.R. 2871, the “Aquifer Recharge Flexibility Act”; H.R. 3937, to redesignate the facility of the Bureau of Reclamation located at Highway-155, Coulee Dam, WA 99116, as the “Nathaniel ‘Nat’ Washington Power Plant”; and H.R. 6761, the “Murder Hornet Eradication Act”, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, June 25, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Frontline Feds: Serving the Public During a Pandemic”, 10 a.m., Webex.

June 26, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled “Accountability in Crisis: GAO’s Recommendations to Improve the Federal Coronavirus Response”, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Rules, June 24, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 7120, the “George Floyd Justice in Policing Act of 2020”; H.R. 1425, the “State Health Care Premium Reduction Act” [Patient Protection and Affordable Care Enhancement Act]; H.R. 51, the “Washington, D.C. Admission Act”; H.R. 5332, the “Protecting Your Credit Score Act of 2019”; and H.J. Res. 90, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency relating to “Community Reinvestment Act Regulations”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Small Business, June 24, Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure, hearing entitled “An Overview of the Dynamic Between the Defense Production Act and Small Contractors”, 1 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Ways and Means, June 25, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Examining the COVID-19 Nursing Home Crisis”, 2 p.m., Webex.

Résumé of Congressional Activity

SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House. The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through March 31, 2020

	Senate	House	Total
Days in session	53	49	..
Time in session	314 hrs., 34'	158 hrs., 55'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings	2,161	1,872	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	347	..
Public bills enacted into law	13	18	31
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total	98	132	230
Senate bills	22	11	..
House bills	20	80	..
Senate joint resolutions	4	4	..
House joint resolutions	2	3	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions	3	4	..
Simple resolutions	47	30	..
Measures reported, total	* 43	51	94
Senate bills	32	..	..
House bills	11	40	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	1	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	..	10	..
Special reports	2	3	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar	304	29	..
Measures introduced, total	545	1,047	1,592
Bills	439	889	..
Joint resolutions	8	5	..
Concurrent resolutions	6	14	..
Simple resolutions	92	139	..
Quorum calls	1	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes	80	67	..
Recorded votes .....	..	34	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Vetoos overridden .....	..	..	..

* These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 34 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 54 reports have been filed in the House.

DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through March 31, 2020

Civilian nominees, totaling 221 (including 87 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	32
Unconfirmed	184
Withdrawn	5
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 744 (including 1 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	4
Unconfirmed	740
Air Force nominees, totaling 1,477, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	1,458
Unconfirmed	19
Army nominees, totaling 2,619 (including 3 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	254
Unconfirmed	2,365
Navy nominees, totaling 228 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	194
Unconfirmed	34
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 1,422, disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed	910
Unconfirmed	512
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominees carried over from the First Session	93
Total nominees received this Session	6,618
Total confirmed	2,852
Total unconfirmed	3,854
Total withdrawn	5
Total returned to the White House	0

Next Meeting of the SENATE
10 a.m., Tuesday, June 23

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
2 p.m., Wednesday, June 24

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Cory T. Wilson, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, post-cloture.

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

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 2 p.m.

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