

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### *Chamber Action*

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S5719–S5732*

**Measures Introduced:** Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 4630–4636, and S. Con. Res. 45. Page S5731

#### **Measures Passed:**

**Providing for the Use of the Catafalque:** Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 45, providing for the use of the catafalque situated in the crypt beneath the Rotunda of the Capitol in connection with memorial services to be conducted in the Supreme Court Building and the Capitol for the late honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court. Page S5731

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the issuance of an Executive Order with respect to Iran that takes additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 12957 of March 15, 1995; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–58) Pages S5730–31

**Meyers Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims. Pages S5722–30

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

By 65 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. EX. 184), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. Pages S5728–29

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, the post-cloture time on the nomination of

Edward Hulvey Meyers expire at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, September 22, 2020, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; that if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the post-cloture time expire at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, September 22, 2020, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination; and that following disposition of the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Keith E. Sonderling, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Page S5730

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, September 22, 2020. Page S5732

**Messages from the House:** Page S5731

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** Page S5721

**Enrolled Bills Presented:** Page S5731

**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages S5731–32

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:**

**Additional Statements:**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—184) Page S5729

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:49 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5732.)

### *Committee Meetings*

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 14 public bills, H.R. 8319–8332; and 6 resolutions, H. Res. 1128, 1130–1134, were introduced.

**Pages H4640–41**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Page H4642**

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

H.R. 2271, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and help better understand and enhance awareness about unexpected sudden death in early life, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–524);

H.R. 5309, to prohibit discrimination based on an individual's texture or style of hair, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–525, Part 1);

H.R. 5602. A bill to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–526, Part 1);

H.R. 4996. A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for a State option under the Medicaid program to provide for and extend continuous coverage for certain individuals, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–527); and

H. Res. 528, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4447) to establish an energy storage and microgrid grant and technical assistance program; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6270) to amend the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 to require issuers to make certain disclosures relating to the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8319) making continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2021, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–528).

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**Expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States:** The House agreed to H. Res. 1128, expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on the death of the Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.

**Page H4549**

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

**Practical Reforms and Other Goals To Reinforce the Effectiveness of Self-Governance and Self-Determination for Indian Tribes Act:** S. 209, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide further self-governance by Indian Tribes;

**Pages H4549–57**

**Blackwater Trading Post Land Transfer Act:** H.R. 3160, 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;

**Pages H4557–58**

**Republic of Texas Legation Memorial Act:** H.R. 3349, amended, to authorize the Daughters of the Republic of Texas to establish the Republic of Texas Legation Memorial as a commemorative work in the District of Columbia;

**Pages H4558–59**

**Fallen Journalists Memorial Act:** H.R. 3465, amended, to authorize the Fallen Journalists Memorial Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs;

**Pages H4559–60**

**Native American Child Protection Act:** H.R. 4957, amended, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act;

**Pages H4560–62**

**Native American Business Incubators Program Act:** S. 294, to establish a business incubators program within the Department of the Interior to promote economic development in Indian reservation communities;

**Pages H4562–65**

**Nullifying 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:** S. 832, 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;

**Pages H4565–66**

**Springfield Race Riot Study Act:** H.R. 139, amended, to establish the Springfield Race Riot National Historic Monument in the State of Illinois;

**Pages H4566–67**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a special resource study of the site associated with the 1908 Springfield Race Riot in the State of Illinois.";

**Page H4567**

**Free Veterans from Fees Act:** H.R. 1702, amended, to waive the application fee for any special use

permit for veterans demonstrations and special events at war memorials on Federal land; **Pages H4567–68**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “Waive the application fee for any special use permit for veterans’ special events at war memorials on land administered by the National Park Service in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.”; **Page H4568**

**B–47 Ridge Designation Act:** S. 490, to designate a mountain ridge in the State of Montana as “B–47 Ridge”; **Page H4568**

**Tribal School Federal Insurance Parity Act:** H.R. 895, to allow tribal grant schools to participate in the Federal Employee Health Benefits program; **Pages H4568–70**

**Justice for Juveniles Act:** H.R. 5053, to exempt juveniles from the requirements for suits by prisoners; **Pages H4570–71**

**Competitive Health Insurance Reform Act:** H.R. 1418, amended, to restore the application of the Federal antitrust laws to the business of health insurance to protect competition and consumers; **Pages H4571–73**

**Savanna’s Act:** S. 227, to direct the Attorney General to review, revise, and develop law enforcement and justice protocols appropriate to address missing and murdered Indians; **Pages H4573–76**

**Effective Assistance of Counsel in the Digital Era Act:** H.R. 5546, to regulate monitoring of electronic communications between an incarcerated person in a Bureau of Prisons facility and that person’s attorney or other legal representative; **Pages H4576–79**

**Not Invisible Act:** S. 982, to increase intergovernmental coordination to identify and combat violent crime within Indian lands and of Indians; **Pages H4579–81**

**Defending the Integrity of Voting Systems Act:** S. 1321, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit interference with voting systems under the Computer Fraud and Abuse Act; **Pages H4581–82**

**Due Process Protections Act:** S. 1380, to amend the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure to remind prosecutors of their obligations under Supreme Court case law; **Pages H4582–83**

**Domestic Terrorism Prevention Act of 2020:** H.R. 5602, amended, to authorize dedicated domestic terrorism offices within the Department of Homeland Security, the Department of Justice, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation to analyze and monitor domestic terrorist activity and require the Federal Government to take steps to prevent domestic terrorism; **Pages H4583–89**

**Strengthening the Opposition to Female Genital Mutilation Act of 2020:** H.R. 6100, amended, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the criminalization of female genital mutilation; **Pages H4589–92**

**Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair Act:** H.R. 5309, amended, to prohibit discrimination based on an individual’s texture or style of hair; **Pages H4592–97**

**Ensuring Diversity in Community Banking Act:** H.R. 5322, amended, to establish or modify requirements relating to minority depository institutions, community development financial institutions, and impact banks; **Pages H4597–H4602**

**Amending the CARES Act to require the uniform treatment of nationally recognized statistical rating organizations under certain programs carried out in response to the COVID–19 emergency:** H.R. 6934, to amend the CARES Act to require the uniform treatment of nationally recognized statistical rating organizations under certain programs carried out in response to the COVID–19 emergency; **Pages H4602–03**

**Stopping Trafficking, Illicit Flows, Laundering, and Exploitation Act of 2020:** H.R. 7592, to require the Comptroller General of the United States to carry out a study on trafficking; **Pages H4603–05**

**COVID–19 Fraud Prevention Act:** H.R. 6735, amended, to establish the Consumer and Investor Fraud Working Group to help protect consumers and investors from fraud during the COVID–19 pandemic, to assist consumers and investors affected by such fraud; **Pages H4605–06**

**Promoting Secure 5G Act of 2020:** H.R. 5698, to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to instruct the United States Executive Directors at the international financial institutions on United States policy regarding international financial institution assistance with respect to advanced wireless technologies; **Pages H4606–07**

**Improving Emergency Disease Response via Housing Act of 2020:** H.R. 6294, amended, to require data sharing regarding protecting the homeless from coronavirus; **Pages H4607–08**

**National Suicide Hotline Designation Act:** S. 2661, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to designate 9–8–8 as the universal telephone number for the purpose of the national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline system operating through the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline and through the Veterans Crisis Line; **Pages H4608–11**

**Directing the Federal Communications Commission to issue reports after activation of the Disaster**

*Information Reporting System and to make improvements to network outage reporting:* H.R. 5918, amended, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to issue reports after activation of the Disaster Information Reporting System and to make improvements to network outage reporting;

Pages H4611–13

*Measuring the Economics Driving Investments and Access for Diversity Act of 2020:* H.R. 5567, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to consider market entry barriers for socially disadvantaged individuals in the communications marketplace report under section 13 of such Act;

Pages H4613–14

*National Centers of Excellence in Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Act:* H.R. 4866, amended, to amend the 21st Century Cures Act to provide for designation of institutions of higher education that provide research, data, and leadership on continuous manufacturing as National Centers of Excellence in Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing;

Pages H4616–18

*Strengthening America's Strategic National Stockpile Act of 2020:* H.R. 7574, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Strategic National Stockpile;

Pages H4618–20

*Scarlett's Sunshine on Sudden Unexpected Death Act:* H.R. 2271, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve the health of children and help better understand and enhance awareness about unexpected sudden death in early life;

Pages H4620–23

*Maternal Health Quality Improvement Act:* H.R. 4995, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to improve obstetric care and maternal health outcomes;

Pages H4623–26

*Protecting Patients Transportation to Care Act:* H.R. 3935, amended, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to provide for the continuing requirement of Medicaid coverage of nonemergency transportation to medically necessary services;

Pages H4626–27

*Helping Emergency Responders Overcome Act:* H.R. 1646, amended, to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to improve the detection, prevention, and treatment of mental health issues among public safety officers;

Pages H4627–30

*Suicide Prevention Lifeline Improvement Act:* H.R. 4564, amended, to amend the Public Health Service Act to ensure the provision of high-quality service through the Suicide Prevention Lifeline;

Pages H4630–31

*Campaign to Prevent Suicide Act:* H.R. 4585, amended, to require the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to conduct a national suicide prevention media campaign;

Pages H4631–33

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to conduct a national suicide prevention media campaign, and for other purposes.”;

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*Suicide Prevention Act:* H.R. 5619, amended, to authorize a pilot program to expand and intensify surveillance of self-harm in partnership with State and local public health departments, to establish a grant program to provide self-harm and suicide prevention services in hospital emergency departments; and

Pages H4633–35

*Safeguarding Therapeutics Act:* H.R. 5663, amended, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to give authority to the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Commissioner of Food and Drugs, to destroy counterfeit devices.

Pages H4635–36

*Presidential Message:* Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress of the executive order blocking property of certain persons with respect to conventional arms activities of Iran—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Committee on the Judiciary and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–154).

Pages H4636–37

*Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:* The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

*Don't Break Up the T-Band Act:* H.R. 451, amended, to repeal the section of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 that requires the Federal Communications Commission to reallocate and auction the T-Band spectrum.

Pages H4614–16

*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 12 noon and adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2021 AND OTHER EXTENSIONS ACT; EXPANDING ACCESS TO SUSTAINABLE ENERGY ACT OF 2019; UYGHUR FORCED LABOR PREVENTION ACT; UYGHUR FORCED LABOR DISCLOSURE ACT OF 2020

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 8019, the “Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act”; H.R. 4447, the

“Expanding Access to Sustainable Energy Act of 2019” [Clean Economy Jobs and Innovation Act]; H.R. 6210, the “Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act”; and H.R. 6270, the “Uyghur Forced Labor Disclosure Act of 2020”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–3, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4447, the “Expanding Access to Sustainable Energy Act of 2019” [Clean Economy Jobs and Innovation Act], H.R. 6270, the “Uyghur Forced Labor Disclosure Act of 2020”, and H.R. 8019, the “Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4447, the “Clean Economy Jobs and Innovation Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides 90 minutes of general debate equally divided among and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce and the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–63, modified by the amendment printed in Part A of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides that following debate, each further amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report not earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to section 3 shall be considered 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, may be withdrawn by the proponent at any time before the question is put thereon, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. Section 3 of the rule provides that at any time after debate the chair of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or his designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Energy and Commerce or their designees, 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 part B of the Rules Committee report and amendments en bloc described in section 3. The rule provides one motion

to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 6270, the “Uyghur Forced Labor Disclosure Act of 2020”, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–64 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 8319, the “Continuing Appropriations Act, 2021 and Other Extensions Act”, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill and provides that the bill shall not be subject to a question of consideration. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill and provides that clause 2(e) of Rule XXI shall not apply during consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Pallone, Chairman Johnson of Texas, Chairman Grijalva, and Representatives Shimkus, Weber of Texas, Graves of Louisiana, Bera, Smith of New Jersey, Wexton, Timmons, Suozzi, Visclosky, Cole, González-Colón of Puerto Rico, Grothman, and Conaway.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Security, to hold hearings to examine the United States Coast Guard capabilities for safeguarding national interests and promoting economic security in the Arctic, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine emerging offshore and marine energy technologies in the United States, including offshore wind, marine and hydrokinetic energy, and alternative fuels for maritime shipping, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Erik Paul Bethel, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, Keith W. Dayton, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, William A. Douglass, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Julie D. Fisher, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, Melanie Harris Higgins, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, Jeanne Marie Maloney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Michael A. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Jonathan Pratt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Djibouti, Manisha Singh, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, James Broward Story, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Barbera Hale Thornhill, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Thomas Laszlo Vajda, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Union of Burma, Kenneth R. Weinstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Japan, and Alex Nelson Wong, of New Jersey, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, all of the Department of State, Edward A. Burrier, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation, and other pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Ashok Michael Pinto, of Illinois, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, William E. Todd, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights), both of the Department of State, and other pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine state and local cybersecurity, focusing on defending communities from cyber threats amid COVID-19, 3 p.m., SD-342.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

## House

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled “Modernization of the Conventional Ammunition Production Industrial Base”, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Treasury Department’s and

Federal Reserve’s Pandemic Response”, 10:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled “Stemming a Receding Tide: Human Rights and Democratic Values in Asia”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

*Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations:* hearing entitled “Diversity and Diplomacy: Assessing the State Department’s Record in Promoting Diversity and Inclusion”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled “Maintaining Judicial Independence and the Rule of Law: Examining the Causes and Consequences of Court Capture”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Trump Administration Broken Promises on Renewable Energy”, 12 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled “Examining the Trump Administration’s Afghanistan Strategy, Part 2”, 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

## Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee:* to hold hearings to examine the economic impact of America’s failure to contain the Coronavirus, 2:30 p.m., REMOTE.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

**Week of September 22 through September 25, 2020**

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, post-cloture, with a vote on confirmation thereon at 11:30 a.m., to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

At 2:15 p.m., if cloture is invoked, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Keith E. Sonderling, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

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 Appropriations:** September 23, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2 p.m., SR-325.

**Committee on Armed Services:** September 23, to receive a closed briefing on Department of Defense cyber operations in support of efforts to protect the integrity of U.S. national elections from malign actors, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

**Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:** September 24, to hold hearings to examine the quarterly CARES Act report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD-106.

**Committee on the Budget:** September 23, to hold hearings to examine the Congressional Budget Office's updated budget outlook, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

**Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:** September 22, Subcommittee on Security, to hold hearings to examine the United States Coast Guard capabilities for safeguarding national interests and promoting economic security in the Arctic, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

September 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the need for federal data privacy legislation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

September 24, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine an evaluation of FirstNet's progress, 10 a.m., SR-253.

**Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:** September 22, to hold hearings to examine emerging offshore and marine energy technologies in the United States, including offshore wind, marine and hydrokinetic energy, and alternative fuels for maritime shipping, 10 a.m., SD-366.

**Committee on Environment and Public Works:** September 23, to hold hearings to examine the Endangered Species Act Amendments of 2020, focusing on modernizing the Endangered Species Act, 10 a.m., SD-106.

**Committee on Foreign Relations:** September 22, business meeting to consider the nominations of Erik Paul Bethel, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, Keith W. Dayton, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, William A. Douglass, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Julie D. Fisher, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, Melanie Harris Higgins, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, Jeanne Marie Maloney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Michael A. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Jonathan Pratt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Djibouti, Manisha Singh, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, James Broward Story, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Barbera Hale Thornhill, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Thomas Laszlo Vajda, of

Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Union of Burma, Kenneth R. Weinstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Japan, and Alex Nelson Wong, of New Jersey, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, all of the Department of State, Edward A. Burrier, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation, and other pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Ashok Michael Pinto, of Illinois, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, William E. Todd, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights), both of the Department of State, and other pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

September 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States policy in a changing Middle East, 9 a.m., SD-G50.

**Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:** September 23, to hold hearings to examine COVID-19, focusing on an update on the federal response, 10 a.m., SD-G50.

**Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:** September 22, Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine state and local cybersecurity, focusing on defending communities from cyber threats amid COVID-19, 3 p.m., SD-342.

September 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

September 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine threats to the homeland, 10 a.m., SD-342.

**Committee on Indian Affairs:** September 23, to hold hearings to examine S. 3126, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a special behavioral health program for Indians, S. 3264, to expedite and streamline the deployment of affordable broadband service on Tribal land, S. 3937, to amend section 330C of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize special programs for Indians for providing services for the prevention and treatment of diabetes, S. 4079, to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and S. 4556, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

**Committee on the Judiciary:** September 23, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 4632, to amend title 17, United States Code,

to establish an alternative dispute resolution program for copyright small claims, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to modify the scope of protection from civil liability for “good Samaritan” blocking and screening of offensive material, and the nominations of Benjamin Joel Beaton, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, Kristi Haskins Johnson, and Taylor B. McNeel, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Thompson Michael Dietz, of New Jersey, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SR-325.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* September 23, business meeting to consider S. 4393, to improve the provision of health care and other benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs for veterans who were exposed to toxic substances, and S. 4511, to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to education, burial benefits, and other matters, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* September 22, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

September 23, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

September 24, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SVC-217.

*Special Committee on Aging:* September 24, to hold hearings to examine women and retirement, focusing on unique challenges and opportunities to pave a brighter future, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

## House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* September 24, Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled “The 2020 Wildfire Year: Response and Recovery Efforts”, 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

*Committee on Armed Services,* September 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Role of Allies and Partners in U.S. Military Strategy and Operations”, 12 p.m., CVC and Webex.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* September 24, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8294, the “National Apprenticeship Act of 2020”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* September 23, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Health Care Lifeline: The Affordable Care Act and the COVID-19 Pandemic”, 10 a.m., Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled “Mainstreaming Extremism: Social Media’s Role in Radicalizing America”, 11 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* September 23, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, Energy, and the Environment, hearing entitled “Green Recovery Plans for the COVID-19 Crisis”, 10 a.m., Webex.

September 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the United States Agency for Global Media

and U.S. International Broadcasting Efforts”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* September 23, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, hearing entitled “Immigrants as Essential Workers During COVID-19”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice”, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Diversity in America: The Representation of People of Color in the Media”, 2:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* September 24, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing entitled “Federal and State Efforts to Restore the Salton Sea”, 12 p.m., Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing on H.R. 7565, to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and for other purposes; and H.R. 8255, to clarify the status of gaming conducted by the Catawba Indian Nation, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., Webex.

September 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Puerto Rico’s Options for a Non-Territory Status and What Should Happen After November’s Plebiscite”, 12 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform,* September 23, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled “Hybrid Hearing with Federal Reserve Chair Jerome H. Powell”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

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*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* September 23, Subcommittee on Investigation and Oversight, hearing entitled “Data for Decision-Making: Responsible Management of Data during COVID-19 and Beyond”, 11 a.m., Webex.

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*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* September 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Driving Equity: The U.S. Department of Transportation’s Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “The Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan and Water Management in Florida”, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs,* September 23, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled “Toxic Exposures: Examining Airborne

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*Committee on Ways and Means*, September 24, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled “Save Our Social Security Now”, 1 p.m., Webex.

September 25, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing entitled “Restaurants in America During the COVID-19 Pandemic”, 9 a.m., Webex.

#### Joint Meetings

*Joint Economic Committee*: September 22, to hold hearings to examine the economic impact of America’s failure to contain the Coronavirus, 2:30 p.m., REMOTE.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*  
10 a.m., Tuesday, September 22

Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, post-cloture, with a vote on confirmation thereon at 11:30 a.m., to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

At 2:15 p.m., if cloture is invoked, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Keith E. Sonderling, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

*(Senate will recess following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*  
9 a.m., Tuesday, September 22

House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of measures under suspension of the Rules.

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