

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4599–S4635

Measures Introduced: Forty-five bills and eight resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2094–2138, S.J. Res. 21, and S. Res. 274–280.

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Measures Passed:

North Carolina Judicial Districts: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1340, to amend title 28, United States Code, to redefine the eastern and middle judicial districts of North Carolina, and the bill was then passed.

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Congratulating the University of Florida Gators: Senate agreed to S. Res. 276, congratulating the University of Florida Gators for winning the 2021 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I Men's Tennis Championship.

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Congratulating the University of Mississippi Rebels: Senate agreed to S. Res. 277, congratulating the University of Mississippi Rebels women's golf team on winning the 2021 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division I women's golf championship.

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United Spinal Association 75th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 278, recognizing the 75th anniversary of United Spinal Association, a leading national advocacy organization that is dedicated to promoting the independence and enhancing the quality of life of all people living with spinal cord injuries and neurological disorders, including veterans, and providing support and information to their loved ones, care providers, and personal support networks.

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Measures Considered:

For the People Act—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2093, to expand Americans' access to the ballot box, reduce the influence of big money in politics, strengthen ethics rules for public servants, and implement other anti-corruption measures for the purpose of fortifying our democracy.

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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 upon disposition of the nomination of Kiran Arjandas Ahuja, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

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Prior to the consideration of this measure, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

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Fonzone Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Christopher Charles Fonzone, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

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A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, June 17, 2021, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 21, 2021.

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Prior to the consideration of this nomination, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, June 21, 2021; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed during the session of the Senate on Thursday, June 17, 2021, ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, June 21, 2021.

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Ahuja Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kiran Arjandas Ahuja, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management.

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Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. **Page S4617**

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Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 88 yeas to 9 nays (Vote No. EX. 239), Tommy P. Beaudreau, of Alaska, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior. **Pages S4602–07**

By 60 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. EX. 241), John K. Tien, of Georgia, to be Deputy Secretary of Homeland Security. **Pages S4608–10**

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

By 63 yeas to 33 nays (Vote No. EX. 240), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S4607–08**

Tanya Marie Trujillo, of New Mexico, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Matthew T. Quinn, of Montana, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Memorial Affairs.

Pamela A. Melroy, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

Richard W. Spinrad, of Oregon, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

Chris Inglis, of Maryland, to be National Cyber Director.

3 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Coast Guard. **Page S4617**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Carlos Del Toro, of Virginia, to be Secretary of the Navy.

Damon Y. Smith, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Michael D. Smith, of Virginia, to be Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation for National and Community Service.

Sandra D. Bruce, of Delaware, to be Inspector General, Department of Education.

Margaret A. Burnham, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board.

Clayborne Carson, of California, to be a Member of the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board.

Gabrielle M. Dudley, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board.

Henry Klibanoff, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board. 1 Army nomination in the rank of general. **Page S4635**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—241) **Pages S4607–08, S4610**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:48 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, June 21, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4634.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Department of Defense, after receiving testimony from Lloyd J. Austin III, Secretary, and General Mark A. Milley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION REQUEST AND FUTURE YEARS DEFENSE PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the posture of the Department of the Air Force in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from John P. Roth, Acting Secretary of the Air Force,

General Charles Q. Brown, USAF, Chief of Staff of the Air Force, and General John W. Raymond, USSF, Chief of Space Operations, all of the Department of Defense.

NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program, after receiving testimony from David Maurstad, Deputy Associate Administrator for Insurance and Mitigation, Federal Insurance and Mitigation Administration, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

NCAA STUDENT ATHLETES AND NIL RIGHTS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine National Collegiate Athletic Association student athletes and name, image, and likeness rights, after receiving testimony from Christina Chenault, University of California, Los Angeles; Kaira Brown, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee; Martin McNair, The Jordan McNair Foundation, Baltimore, Maryland; and Sari Cureton, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.

USFS BUDGET

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2022 for the U.S. Forest Service, after receiving testimony from Victoria Christiansen, Chief, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture.

U.S.-TAIWAN RELATIONSHIP

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy concluded a hearing to examine building the U.S.-Taiwan relationship, focusing on strength through partnership, after receiving testimony from Erica J. Barks-Ruggles, Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, and Jonathan Fritz, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, both of the Department of State.

CYBERSECURITY THREATS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and

Spending Oversight concluded a hearing to examine addressing emerging cybersecurity threats to state and local government, after receiving testimony from Karen Huey, Ohio Department of Public Safety Assistant Director, Columbus; B. Glen Whitley, Tarrant County Judge, Fort Worth, Texas, on behalf of the National Association of Counties; Mayor Stephen Schewel, Durham, North Carolina, on behalf of the National League of Cities; Russell E. Holden, Sunapee School District, Sunapee, New Hampshire; and Dan Lips, Lincoln Network, Washington, D.C.

HIGHER EDUCATION AND COVID-19 RECOVERY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine COVID-19 response and recovery, focusing on supporting the needs of students in higher education and lessons on safely returning to campus, after receiving testimony from Youlonda Copeland-Morgan, University of California, Los Angeles; Reynold Verret, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans; Anthony Harris, Baldwin Wallace University, Berea, Ohio; and Madeline Pumariega, Miami Dade College, Miami, Florida.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Tiffany P. Cunningham, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and Anne Milgram, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement, and Kenneth Allen Polite, Jr., of Louisiana, to be an Assistant Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice.

21ST CENTURY CAREGIVING

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine 21st century caregiving, focusing on supporting workers, family caregivers, seniors, and people with disabilities, after receiving testimony from Ai-jen Poo, National Domestic Workers Alliance, Chicago, Illinois; Stephanie Blunt, Trident Area Agency on Aging, North Charleston, South Carolina; Brittany Williams, SEIU Local 775, Burien, Washington; and Theo Braddy, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 62 public bills, H.R. 3960–4021; and 3 resolutions, H.J. Res. 53; and H. Res. 483–484 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 2062, to amend the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967 and other laws to clarify appropriate standards for Federal employment discrimination and retaliation claims, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–63);

H.J. Res. 34, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “Oil and Natural Gas Sector: Emission Standards for New, Reconstructed, and Modified Sources Review” (H. Rept. 117–64);

H.R. 1443, to amend the Equal Credit Opportunity Act to require the collection of small business loan data related to LGBTQ-owned businesses, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–65); and

H.R. 2662, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–66, Part 1).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative DeGette to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Repealing the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002: The House passed H.R. 256, to repeal the Authorization for Use of Military Force Against Iraq Resolution of 2002, by a ye-and-nay vote of 268 yeas to 161 nays, Roll No. 172.

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Rejected the McCaul motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Foreign Affairs by a ye-and-nay vote of 204 yeas to 219 nays, Roll No. 171.

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H. Res. 473, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 256) and (H.R. 1187) was agreed to Monday, June 14th.

Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth—Appointment: The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members to the Select Committee on Economic Disparity and Fairness in Growth: Representative Himes, Chair; Representatives Kaptur, Moore (WI), Vicente Gonzalez (TX), Jayapal, Craig, Ocasio-Cortez, and Jacobs (CA).

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H2909 and H2910.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET REQUEST FOR SEAPOWER AND PROJECTION FORCES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled “Department of the Navy Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Request for Seapower and Projection Forces”. Testimony was heard from Jay Stefany, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development and Acquisition, Department of the Navy; Vice Admiral James Kilby, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities, Department of the Navy; and Lieutenant General Eric M. Smith, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

A REVIEW OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET REQUEST FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Review of the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Request for the Department of Homeland Security”. Testimony was heard from Admiral Karl L. Schultz, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard.

UNDOING THE DAMAGE OF THE WAR ON DRUGS: A RENEWED CALL FOR SENTENCING REFORM

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism held a hearing entitled “Undoing the Damage of the War on Drugs: A Renewed Call for Sentencing Reform”. Testimony was heard from Kyana Givens, Assistant Federal Public Defender, Office of the Federal Public Defender, Eastern District, North Carolina; and public witnesses.

EXAMINING FEDERAL FACILITIES IN INDIAN COUNTRY

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States held a hearing entitled “Examining Federal Facilities in Indian Country”. Testimony was heard from Randy Grinnell, Deputy Director for Management Operations, Indian Health Service, Department of Health

and Human Services; and Jason Freihage, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Management, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

PRESIDENT'S PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "President's Proposed Fiscal Year 2022 Budget". Testimony was heard from Janet Yellen, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

BUILDING A MORE CIVIL AND COLLABORATIVE CULTURE IN CONGRESS

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Building a More

Civil and Collaborative Culture in Congress". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR MONDAY, JUNE 21, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, June 21

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Christopher Charles Fonzone, of Pennsylvania, to be General Counsel of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Monday, June 21

House Chamber

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