

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S4991–S5025*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-three bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2405–2427, and S. Res. 309–313. **Pages S5017–18**

#### **Measures Passed:**

**The Pledge of Allegiance:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 309, expressing support for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**Ensuring Survivor Benefits during COVID–19 Act:** Senate passed S. 89, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to secure medical opinions for veterans with service-connected disabilities who die from COVID–19 to determine whether their service-connected disabilities were the principal or contributory causes of death, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5023**

**Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act:** Senate passed S. 189, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2021, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, and the committee amendment to the title. **Pages S5023–24**

**Hire Veteran Health Heroes Act:** Senate passed S. 894, to identify and refer members of the Armed Forces with a health care occupation who are separating from the Armed Forces for potential employment with the Department of Veterans Affairs, after agreeing to the committee amendment. **Page S5024**

**Major Medical Facility Authorization Act:** Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1910, to authorize major medical facility projects of the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2021, and the bill was then passed. **Page S5025**

**National Blueberry Month:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 139, recognizing the importance of the blueberry industry to the United States and designating July 2021 as "National Blueberry Month", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S5025**

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**National Day of the American Cowboy:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 274, designating July 24, 2021, as "National Day of the American Cowboy", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S5025**

**Congratulating Zaila Avant-garde:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 311, congratulating the 2021 Scripps National Spelling Bee champion Zaila Avant-garde. **Page S5025**

**Congratulating the Tampa Bay Lightning:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 312, congratulating the Tampa Bay Lightning on winning the 2021 Stanley Cup Final. **Page S5025**

**Souris River Flood 10th Anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 313, commemorating the tenth anniversary of the Souris River flood in Minot, North Dakota. **Page S5025**

#### **Measures Considered:**

**Invest in America Act:** By 49 yeas to 51 nays (Vote No. 276), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, not having voted in the affirmative, Senate rejected the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 3684, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs. **Pages S5001–02**

Senator Schumer entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which cloture was not invoked on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill.

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**Hruby Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 1:30 p.m., on Thursday, July 22, 2021, Senate begin consideration of the nomination of Jill Hruby, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy, and vote on confirmation thereon. **Page S5025**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. EX. 273), Jennifer Ann Abruzzo, of New

York, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for a term of four years. **Page S4994**

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 275), Bonnie D. Jenkins, of New York, to be Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security. **Pages S4991–94, S4995–5001**

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

By 52 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 274), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4995**

Messages from the House: **Page S5013**

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—276) **Pages S4994–95, S5001–02**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:05 p.m., until 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 22, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5025.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NAVY AND AIR FORCE WEAPONS SYSTEMS DIVESTMENTS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine Navy and Air Force weapons systems divestments, after receiving testimony from Vice Admiral Randy B. Crites, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Integration of Capabilities and Resources, Vice Admiral James W. Kilby, USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities, and Lieutenant General David S. Nahom, USAF, Deputy Chief of Staff, Plans and Programs, all of the Department of Defense.

### CYBERSECURITY VULNERABILITIES

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine cybersecurity vulnerabilities facing our nation's physical infrastructure, after receiving testimony from Senator King;

Representative Gallagher; Sophia Oberton, Delmar Public Works Department, Delmar, Maryland; John P. Sullivan, Boston Water and Sewer Commission, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies; Shailen P. Bhatt, Intelligent Transportation Society of America, Washington, D.C.; and Evan Pratt, American Public Works Association, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

## U.S. POLICY ON TURKEY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States Policy on Turkey, after receiving testimony from Victoria Nuland, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs.

## COMBATTING CLIMATE CHANGE

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy concluded a hearing to examine combatting climate change in East Asia and the Pacific, after receiving testimony from Jonathan Pershing, Senior Advisor to the Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, and Richard Buangan, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, both of the Department of State; Craig Hart, Asia Deputy Assistant Administrator for the Indo-Pacific, United States Agency for International Development; Melissa Dalton, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities; Marinel Ubaldo, Living Laudato Si' Philippines, Matarinao; and Richard J. Powell, ClearPath Inc., and Sherri Goodman, International Military Council on Climate and Security, both of Washington, D.C.

## LIFE EXPECTANCY

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Subcommittee on Primary Health and Retirement Security concluded a hearing to examine disparities in life expectancy, after receiving testimony from Kathleen Mullan Harris, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill; William E. Cooke, Foundations Family Medicine, Austin, Indiana; and Bob MacKenzie, Kennebunk Police Department, Kennebunk, Maine.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S.1275, to amend the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act to make improvements, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Elizabeth Merrill Brown, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, and Roberto Josue Rodriguez, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Planning, Evaluation, and Policy Development, all of the Department of Education,

and Gwynne A. Wilcox, of New York, and David M. Prouty, of Maryland, both to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board.

#### INDIAN AFFAIRS LEGISLATION

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1797, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to expand the funding authority for renovating, constructing, and expanding certain facilities, S. 1895, to require the Secretary of Health and Human Services to award additional funding through the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program of the Indian Health Service, and H.R. 1688, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act, after receiving testimony from Randy Grinnell, Deputy Director for Management Operations, Indian Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services; Heidi Todacheene, Senior Advisor, Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Jonathan M. Nez, Navajo Nation, Window Rock, Arizona; Gil Vigil, National Indian Child

Welfare Association, Portland, Oregon; and Robyn Sunday-Allen, National Council of Urban Indian Health, Washington, D.C.

#### IMMIGRANT FARMWORKERS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine immigrant farmworkers and feeding America, after receiving testimony from Thomas J. Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture; Leon R. Sequeira, former Assistant Secretary of Labor, Arlington, Virginia; Arturo S. Rodriguez, United Farm Workers, San Antonio, Texas; Linnea Kooistra, Kooistra Farms, Woodstock, Illinois; Shay Myers, Owyhee Produce, Ontario, Oregon; and Jen Sorenson, National Pork Producers Council, Urbandale, Iowa.

#### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to the call.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 25 public bills, H.R. 4589–4613; and 7 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 42; and H. Res. 544–549, were introduced.

**Pages H3801–03**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H3803–04**

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows:

Supplemental report on H.R. 3076, to provide stability to and enhance the services of the United States Postal Service, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–89, Part 2).

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

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:04 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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**PFAS Action Act of 2021:** The House passed H.R. 2467, to require the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to designate per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances as hazardous substances under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, by a yea-and-nay vote of 241 yeas to 183 nays, Roll No. 217.

**Pages H3770–91**

Rejected the Crenshaw motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, by a yea-and-nay vote of 204 yeas to 218 nays, Roll No. 216.

**Pages H3789–90**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–10, modified by the amendment printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution, shall be considered as adopted.

**Pages H3770–73**

Agreed to:

**Tonko en bloc amendment consisting of the following amendments printed in part B of H. Rept. 117–95:** Kildee (No. 1) that requires EPA to create a website to better help well water users test their water and understand the results; Leger Fernandez (No. 2) that ensures that testing under Sec. 3 and the risk communication strategy under Sec. 15 considers the risks PFAS poses to water used for agricultural purposes; Levin (No. 3) that establishes a new grant program to test for and remediate PFAS containments in the drinking water at school facilities, and authorizes \$100 million to carry out that program for FY2022 through FY2026; Ocasio-Cortez (No. 4) that ensures that information on the House-hold Well Water Testing Website is presented in a manner that provides meaningful access

to individuals with limited English proficiency; Ross (No. 5) that revises the PFAS Infrastructure Grant Program to allow applicants to certify that the treatment technology that was in use by the community water system on the date of enactment was not sufficient to remove all detectable amounts of PFAS; San Nicolas (No. 6) that requires the Administrator to provide grants to insular territories; Sarbanes (No. 7) that requires EPA to obtain analytical reference standards for PFAS for the development of protocols and methodologies and enforcement activities; Slotkin (No. 8) that increases the annual funding for the Assistance for Community Water Systems Affected by PFAS grant program; Slotkin (No. 9) that adds to the Household Well Water Testing Website information about the health risks associated with exposure to PFAS-contaminated water as well as recommendations for individuals who believe they may have been exposed such PFAS-contaminated water; and Slotkin (No. 10) that adds to the list of products covered by the PFAS Free Product Labeling Program (by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 215).

**Pages H3784–89**

H. Res. 535, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2467), (H.R. 2668), and (H.R. 3985) was agreed to yesterday, July 20th.

Agreed that in the engrossment of the bill, the clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, punctuation, spelling, and cross-references and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the actions of the House.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H3769–70.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3788–89, H3789–90 and H3790–91.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:57 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### THE U.S. WOOD PRODUCTS INDUSTRY: FACILITATING THE POST COVID-19 RECOVERY

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry held a hearing entitled “The U.S. Wood Products Industry: Facilitating the Post COVID-19 Recovery”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### REVIEW OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET REQUEST FOR U.S. SPECIAL OPERATIONS FORCES AND COMMAND

**Committee on Armed Services:** Subcommittee on Intelligence and Special Operations held a hearing entitled “Review of the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Request for U.S. Special Operations Forces and Command”. Testimony was heard from Joseph McMenamin, Performing the Duties of Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Department of Defense; and General Richard D. Clarke, Commander, U.S. Special Operations Command.

### PHASING OUT SUBMINIMUM WAGES: SUPPORTING THE TRANSITION TO COMPETITIVE INTEGRATED EMPLOYMENT FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES

**Committee on Education and Labor:** Subcommittee on Workforce Protections; and Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services held a joint hearing entitled “Phasing Out Subminimum Wages: Supporting the Transition to Competitive Integrated Employment for Workers with Disabilities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4369, the “National Centers of Excellence in Advanced and Continuous Pharmaceutical Manufacturing Act”; H.R. 654, the “Drug-Free Communities Pandemic Relief Act”; H.R. 2051, the “Methamphetamine Response Act of 2021”; H.R. 2379, the “State Opioid Response Grant Authorization Act of 2021”; H.R. 2364, the “Synthetic Opioid Danger Awareness Act”; H.R. 2355, the “Opioid Prescription Verification Act of 2021”; H.R. 4026, the “Social Determinants of Health Data Analysis Act of 2021”; H.R. 3743, the “Supporting the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health and the Reagan-Udall Foundation for the Food and Drug Administration Act”; H.R. 550, the “Immunization Infrastructure Modernization Act”; H.R. 1550, the “PREVENT HPV Cancers Act of 2021”; H.R. 951, the “Maternal Vaccination Act”; H.R. 4387, the “Maternal Health Quality Improvement Act of 2021”; H.R. 3742, the “Vaccine INFO Act”; H.R. 2347, the “Strengthening the Vaccines for Children Act of 2021”; H.R. 3894, the “CARING for Social Determinants Act of 2021”; H.R. 4406, the “Supporting Medicaid in the U.S. Territories Act”; H.R. 2685, the “Understanding Cybersecurity of Mobile Networks Act”; H.R. 3919, the “Secure Equipment Act of 2021”; H.R. 4028, the “Information and Communication Technology

Strategy Act”; H.R. 4032, the “Open RAN Outreach Act”; H.R. 4045, the “FUTURE Networks Act”; H.R. 4046, the “NTIA Policy and Cybersecurity Coordination Act”; H.R. 4055, the “American Cybersecurity Literacy Act”; and H.R. 4067, the “Communications Security Advisory Act of 2021”. H.R. 4369, H.R. 654, H.R. 2379, H.R. 2364, H.R. 2355, H.R. 550, H.R. 1550, H.R. 951, H.R. 3742, H.R. 2347, H.R. 3894, H.R. 4406, H.R. 2685, H.R. 3919, H.R. 4028, H.R. 4032, H.R. 4045, H.R. 4046, H.R. 4055, and H.R. 4067 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 2051, H.R. 4026, H.R. 3743, and H.R. 4387 were ordered reported, without amendment.

### **BANKING THE UNBANKED: EXPLORING PRIVATE AND PUBLIC EFFORTS TO EXPAND ACCESS TO THE FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled “Banking the Unbanked: Exploring Private and Public Efforts to Expand Access to the Financial System”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **BOND RATING AGENCIES: EXAMINING THE ‘NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED’ STATISTICAL RATING ORGANIZATIONS**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Investor Protection, Entrepreneurship, and Capital Markets held a hearing entitled ‘Bond Rating Agencies: Examining the ‘Nationally Recognized’ Statistical Rating Organizations’. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **PEOPLE TO PEOPLE: EXAMINING GRASSROOTS PEACEBUILDING EFFORTS BETWEEN ISRAELIS AND PALESTINIANS**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing entitled “People to People: Examining Grassroots Peacebuilding Efforts Between Israelis and Palestinians”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1693, the “EQUAL Act”; H.R. 4035, the “Real Justice for Our Veterans Act of 2021”; H.R. 3372, the “One Stop Shop Community Reentry Program Act of 2021”; and H.R. 4435, the “Fight Notario Fraud Act of 2021”. H.R. 1693 and H.R. 4035 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 3372 and H.R. 4435 were ordered reported, without amendment.

### **EXAMINING THE PRESIDENT’S FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR THE U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE, AND NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing entitled “Examining the President’s Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Proposal for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration”. Testimony was heard from David Palumbo, Deputy Commissioner of Operations, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior; Don Cline, Associate Director of Water Resources, U.S. Geological Survey, Department of the Interior; Stephen D. Guertin, Deputy Director for Program Management and Policy, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and Richard W. Spinrad, Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

### **BUILDING BACK WITH JUSTICE: ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IS CENTRAL TO THE AMERICAN JOBS PLAN**

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Building Back with Justice: Environmental Justice Is Central to the American Jobs Plan”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **SILENT KILLER: THE RISING PROBLEM OF EXTREME HEAT IN THE U.S.**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled “Silent Killer: The Rising Problem of Extreme Heat in the U.S.”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **SBA’S ROLE IN CLIMATE SOLUTIONS**

*Committee on Small Business:* Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Regulations held a hearing entitled “SBA’s Role in Climate Solutions”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **REVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET FOR THE COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing entitled “Review of Fiscal Year 2022 Budget for the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Programs”. Testimony was heard from Admiral Karl P. Schultz, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard; Daniel B. Maffei, Chairman, Federal

Maritime Commission; Master Chief Jason M. Vanderhaden, Master Chief Petty Officer of the Coast Guard, U.S. Coast Guard; and Lucinda Lessley, Acting Administrator, Maritime Administration, Department of Transportation.

### MOVING FORWARD: EVALUATING NEXT STEPS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD MODERNIZATION PROGRAM

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled "Moving Forward: Evaluating Next Steps for the Department of Veterans Affairs Electronic Health Record Modernization Program". Testimony was heard from Carolyn Clancy, Assistant Under Secretary for Health for Discovery, Education and Affiliate Networks, Department of Veterans Affairs; Kameron L. Matthews, Assistant Undersecretary for Health for Clinical Services, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; David Chase, Deputy Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

### THE GLOBAL CHALLENGE OF FORCED LABOR IN SUPPLY CHAINS: STRENGTHENING ENFORCEMENT AND PROTECTING WORKERS

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled "The Global Challenge of Forced Labor in Supply Chains: Strengthening Enforcement and Protecting Workers". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MILITARY INTELLIGENCE PROGRAM BUDGET OVERVIEW HEARING

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Subcommittee on Defense Intelligence and Warfighter Support held a hearing entitled "Military Intelligence Program Budget Overview Hearing". Testimony was heard from Wayne Davis, Deputy J2, U.S. Special Operations Command; Lieutenant General Matthew Glavy, Deputy Commandant for Information, U.S. Marine Corps; Major General Leah Lauderback, Director for Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance, U.S. Space Force; Ronald Moultrie, Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security, Department of Defense; Lieutenant General Laura Potter, Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, U.S. Army; Major General Daniel Simpson, Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance, U.S. Air Force; and Vice Admiral Jeffrey Trussler, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Information Warfare, N2/N6, U.S. Navy. This hearing was closed.

## Joint Meetings

### TOKYO 2021 OLYMPICS

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission concluded a hearing to examine Rodchenkov Act enforcement at the Tokyo 2021 Olympics, after receiving testimony from Richard Baum, United States Coordinator, Doping in Sport, White House Office of National Drug Control Policy; Edwin Moses, United States Anti-Doping Agency; Jim Walden, Walden, Macht, and Haran; Debra LaPrevotte, The Sentry; and Noah Hoffman.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JULY 22, 2021

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Armed Services:* closed business meeting to continue to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2022, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance, and Investment, to hold hearings to examine frameworks to address future pandemic risk, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Space and Science, to hold hearings to examine space situational awareness, space traffic management, and orbital debris, focusing on solutions for emerging threats, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Robert T. Anderson, of Washington, to be Solicitor, and Tracy Stone-Manning, of Montana, to be Director of the Bureau of Land Management, both of the Department of the Interior, and Shalanda H. Baker, of Texas, to be Director of the Office of Minority Economic Impact, Samuel T. Walsh, of New York, to be General Counsel, and Andrew Elperin Light, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary (International Affairs), all of the Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight, to hold hearings to examine current issues adversely affecting environmental justice populations, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine American workers in a 21st century economy, focusing on the right to organize, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 1425, to enable the Federal Trade Commission to deter filing of sham citizen petitions to cover an attempt to interfere with approval of a competing generic drug or biosimilar, to foster competition, and facilitate the efficient review of petitions filed in good faith to raise legitimate public health concerns, S. 1428, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug

companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, and to prohibit biological product manufacturers from compensating biosimilar and interchangeable companies to delay the entry of biosimilar biological products and interchangeable biological products, S. 1388, to require the Federal Trade Commission to study the role of intermediaries in the pharmaceutical supply chain and provide Congress with appropriate policy recommendations, S. 1435, to amend the Federal Trade Commission Act to prohibit product hopping, and the nominations of Gustavo A. Gelpi, of Puerto Rico, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Angel Kelley, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, Christine P. O'Hearn, to be United States District

Judge for the District of New Jersey, and Helaine Ann Greenfeld, of Maryland, and Christopher H. Schroeder, of North Carolina, both to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SR-325.

### House

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “Terrorism and Digital Financing: How Technology is Changing the Threat”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon and Webex.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Defense Intelligence Agency Budget Hearing”, 9:30 a.m., HVC-304 Hearing Room. This hearing is closed.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*  
10:30 a.m., Thursday, July 22

Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will be in a period of morning business.

At 1:30 p.m., Senate will begin consideration of the nomination of Jill Hruby, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, Department of Energy, and vote on confirmation thereon.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*  
10:30 a.m., Thursday, July 22

House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Consideration of H.R. 3985—Allies Act of 2021.

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