

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S8319–S8406

Measures Introduced: Fifteen bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3216–3230, S.J. Res. 29–30, and S. Res. 453–455. **Page S8345**

Measures Reported:

S. 2342, to amend title 9 of the United States Code with respect to arbitration of disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S8344**

Measures Passed:

Congressional Gold Medal: Senate passed H.R. 5142, to award posthumously a Congressional Gold Medal, in commemoration to the servicemembers who perished in Afghanistan on August 26, 2021, during the evacuation of citizens of the United States and Afghan allies at Hamid Karzai International Airport. **Page S8341**

National Hospice and Palliative Care Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 455, designating November 2021 as “National Hospice and Palliative Care Month”. **Page S8341**

Measures Considered:

National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4350, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. **Pages S8321–41, S8403**

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

By 84 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 472), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S8341**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, November 18,

2021; and that all time during adjournment, morning business, recess, and Leader time count post-cloture. **Page S8403**

Nelson Nomination: Senate continued consideration of the nomination of Brian Eddie Nelson, of California, to be Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Crimes. **Pages S8319–21**

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

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yeas (Vote No. EX. 471), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S8321**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Laura Farnsworth Dogu, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Honduras.

N. Nickolas Perry, of New York, to be Ambassador to Jamaica.

Michael F. Gerber, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2022.

Michael F. Gerber, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board for a term expiring September 25, 2026.

Kenneth L. Wainstein, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis, Department of Homeland Security.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, and Marine Corps. **Pages S8403–06**

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—472) Pages S8321, S8341

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 9:27 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Thursday, November 18, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8403.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Chavonda J. Jacobs-Young, of Georgia, to be Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics, and Margo Schlanger, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of Agriculture, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 594, to double the existing penalties for the provision of misleading or inaccurate caller identification information;

S. 1127, to require the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration to make certain operational models available to the public;

S. 2699, to establish a cybersecurity literacy campaign, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Laurie E. Locascio, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology, Max Vekich, of Washington, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Christopher A. Coes, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, and routine lists in the Coast Guard

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jessica Rosenworcel, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, who was introduced by Senator Blumenthal, Alvaro M. Bedoya, of Maryland, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, who was introduced by Senator Luján, and Jainey Kumar Bavishi, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere, and Arun Venkataraman, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, both

of the Department of Commerce, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Martha Williams, of Montana, to be Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Maria L. Pagan, of Puerto Rico, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Geneva Office), with the rank of Ambassador, Brent Neiman, of Illinois, to be a Deputy Under Secretary, and Joshua Frost, of New York, to be an Assistant Secretary, both of the Department of the Treasury, Christi A. Grimm, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, and Christopher S. Wilson, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Innovation and Intellectual Property Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador.

AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Afghanistan, focusing on United States policy lessons learned, after receiving testimony from Laurel E. Miller, International Crisis Group, and Ryan Crocker, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, both of Washington, D.C.

SECURITY, TRADE, AND TRAVEL AT THE SOUTHWEST BORDER

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Government Operations and Border Management concluded a hearing to examine security, trade, and travel flows at the Southwest border ports of entry, focusing on the Federal government perspective, after receiving testimony from Diane J. Sabatino, Deputy Executive Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations, Customs and Border Protection, and Jose M. Jeronimo, Deputy Assistant Director, Public Safety and Border Security Division, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, both of the Department of Homeland Security; and Stuart Burns, Assistant Commissioner, Public Buildings Service, General Services Administration.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 648, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to make a technical

correction to the water rights settlement for Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

LEGISLATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1364, to provide for the recognition of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, H.R. 1975, to take certain land located in San Diego County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Pala Band of Mission Indians, H.R. 2088, to take certain Federal lands in Tennessee into trust for the benefit of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and H.R. 4881, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take into trust for the Pascua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona certain land in Pima County, Arizona, after receiving testimony from Senators Burr and Tillis; Representatives Butterfield and Issa; Bryan Newland, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Indian Affairs; Harvey Godwin, Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, Pembroke; Robert Smith, Pala Band of Mission Indians, Pala, California; Richard G. Sneed, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, North Carolina; and Peter Yucupicio, Pascua Yaqui Tribe, Tucson, Arizona.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Bridget Meehan Brennan, Charles Esque Fleming, and David Augustin Ruiz, each to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, who were all introduced by Senators Brown and Portman, and John H. Chun, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, who was introduced by Senator Murray, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 1296, to require a pilot program on activities under the Transition Assistance Program for a reduction in suicide among veterans, S. 1564, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide support to university law school programs that are designed to provide legal assistance to veterans, S. 1607, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to improve how the Department of Veterans Affairs discloses to individuals entitled to educational assistance from the Department risks associated with using such assistance at particular educational institutions and to restore entitlement of students to such assistance who are pursuing programs of education at educational institutions that are subject to Federal or State civil enforcement action, S. 1664, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to take certain actions to improve the proc-

essing by the Department of Veterans Affairs of claims for disability compensation for post-traumatic stress disorder, S. 1838, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program on using alternative credit scoring information for veterans and members of the Armed Forces, S. 1850, to preserve the memorials to chaplains at Arlington National Cemetery, S. 1881, to reauthorize and improve a grant program to assist institutions of higher education in establishing, maintaining, improving, and operating Student Veteran Centers, S. 1936, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for extensions of the time limitations for use of entitlement under Department of Veterans Affairs educational assistance programs by reason of school closures due to emergency and other situations, S. 2089, to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that grants provided by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs for State veterans' cemeteries do not restrict States from authorizing the interment of certain deceased members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces in such cemeteries, S. 2329, to ensure that only licensed health care professionals furnish disability examinations under a certain Department of Veterans Affairs pilot program for use of contract physicians for disability examinations, S. 2405, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to award grants to States to improve outreach to veterans, S. 2431, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to require the employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs to receive training developed by the Inspector General of the Department on reporting wrongdoing to, responding to requests from, and cooperating with the Office of Inspector General, S. 2513, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the application and review process of the Department of Veterans Affairs for clothing allowance claims submitted by veterans, S. 2644, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for Post-9/11 Educational Assistance to members of the National Guard who perform certain full-time duty, S. 2687, to provide the Inspector General of the Department of Veterans Affairs testimonial subpoena authority, S. 2761, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to maintain demographic information regarding veterans and publish such information on a website of the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 2794, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase automatic maximum coverage under the Servicemembers' Group Life Insurance program and the Veterans' Group Life Insurance program, S. 3047, to establish a pilot program to support medical residency and fellowship programs that assist veterans, S. 3094, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve

homeless veterans reintegration programs, S. 3163, to improve access to medical examinations required by veterans to obtain disability compensation or pension under laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, and an original bill entitled, “Veterans Benefits Improvement Act”, after receiving testimony from Brianne Ogilvie, Assistant Deputy Undersecretary for Policy and Oversight, Veterans Benefits Administration, Jill DeBord, Executive Director, Care Management and Social Work, Veterans Health Administration, and Marjorie Bowman, Chief Academic Affiliations Officer, Office of Academic Affiliations, both of the Veterans Health Administration, and Christopher A. Wilber, Counselor to the Inspector General, Office of Inspector General, all of the Department of Veterans Affairs; and Jeremy M. Villanueva, Disabled American Veterans, and Patrick Murray, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, both of Washington, D.C.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intel-

ligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

ILLICIT DRUG TRADE AND CORRUPTION

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine the nexus between the illicit drug trade and corruption, after receiving testimony from Todd D. Robinson, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs; Bruce C. Swartz, Deputy Assistant Attorney General and Counselor for International Affairs, Department of Justice; Shannon N. Green, Executive Director of the Anti-Corruption Task Force and Senior Advisor to the Administrator, U.S. Agency for International Development; John Brandolino, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Vienna, Austria; Vanda Felbab-Brown, Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C.; and Clay R. Fuller, University of South Carolina Walker Institute, Columbia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 23 public bills, H.R. 5991–6013; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 64–65; and H. Res. 796–802, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H. Res. 795, providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 789) censuring Representative Paul Gosar (H. Rept. 117–174).

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

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Recess: The House recessed at 10:43 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Censuring Representative Paul Gosar: The House agreed to H. Res. 789, censuring Representative Paul Gosar, by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 207 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 379. Subsequently, the House has resolved: that Representative Gosar be censured;

that Representative Gosar forthwith present himself in the well of the House of Representatives for the pronouncement of censure;

that Representative Gosar be censured with the public reading of this resolution by the Speaker; and that Representative Gosar be, and is hereby, removed from the Committee on Natural Resources and the Committee on Oversight and Reform. **Pages H6336–48**

H. Res. 795, the rule providing for consideration of the resolution (H. Res. 789) was agreed to by a yea-and-nay vote of 222 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 378, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 221 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 377.

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House Democracy Partnership-Appointment:

The Chair announced the Speaker’s appointment of the following Members of the House to the House Democracy Partnership: Representative Price (NC), Chair; Representatives Moore (WI), Titus, Connolly, Lieu, Torres (CA), Kelly (IL), Sewell, DeGette, Lee (CA), and Cicilline.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H6329.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H6335, H6336, and H6347.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

TRADE POLICY AND PRIORITIES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture held a hearing entitled “Trade Policy and Priorities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

U.S. ROLE IN GLOBAL COVID-19 VACCINE EQUITY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “U.S. Role in Global COVID-19 Vaccine Equity”. Testimony was heard from Gary Disbrow, Director, Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority, Department of Health and Human Services; David Kessler, Chief Science Officer for COVID-19 Task Force, Department of Health and Human Services; and Loyce Pace, Director, Office of Global Affairs, Department of Health and Human Services.

EXAMINING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF COVID-19 EDUCATION FUNDS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education; and Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment held a joint hearing entitled “Examining the Implementation of COVID-19 Education Funds”. Testimony was heard from Cindy Marten, Deputy Secretary, Department of Education; and James Kvaal, Under Secretary, Department of Education.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 5561, the “Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 5487, the “SHINE for Autumn Act of 2021”; H.R. 1193, the “CAROL Act”; H.R. 1667, the “Dr. Lorna Breen Health Care Provider Protection Act”; H.R. 3320, the “Allied Health Workforce Diversity Act of 2021”; H.R. 4555, the “Oral Health Literacy and Awareness Act of 2021”; H.R. 5551, the “Improving the Health of Children Act”; H.R. 3537, the “Accelerating Access to Critical Therapies for ALS Act”; H.R. 1218, the “Data Mapping to Save Moms’ Lives Act”; H.R. 2501, the “Spectrum Coordination Act”; and H.R. 5502, the “Integrity, Notification, and Fairness in Online Retail Marketplaces for Consumers Act”. H.R. 5561, H.R. 5487, H.R. 1193, H.R. 1667, H.R. 3320, H.R. 5551, H.R. 3537, H.R. 1218, and H.R. 2501 were or-

dered reported, as amended. H.R. 4555 and H.R. 5502 were ordered reported, without amendment.

THE FY22 BUDGET: STATE DEPARTMENT COUNTERTERRORISM BUREAU

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “The FY22 Budget: State Department Counterterrorism Bureau”. Testimony was heard from Chris Landberg, Acting Principal Deputy Coordinator, Bureau of Counterterrorism, Department of State.

A WHOLE-OF-GOVERNMENT APPROACH TO COMBATTING RANSOMWARE: EXAMINING DHS’S ROLE

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism; and Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation held a joint hearing entitled “A Whole-of-Government Approach to Combatting Ransomware: Examining DHS’s Role”. Testimony was heard from Robert Silvers, Office of Strategy, Policy, and Plans, Department of Homeland Security; Brandon Wales, Executive Director, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security; and Jeremy Sheridan, Assistant Director of Investigations, U.S. Secret Service, Department of Homeland Security.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4445, the “Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021”; H.R. 612, the “Downwinders Parity Act of 2021”; H.R. 1621, the “Prohibiting Punishment of Acquitted Conduct Act of 2021”; H.R. 5720, the “Courthouse Ethics and Transparency Act of 2021”; H.R. 5961, to make revisions in title 5, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code; and H.R. 5982, to make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code. H.R. 4445, H.R. 612, and H.R. 5720 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1621, H.R. 5961, and H.R. 5982 were ordered reported, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 404, the “Driftnet Modernization and Bycatch Reduction Act of 2021”; H.R. 667, the “Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center Access Improvement Act”; H.R. 1931, the “Japanese American Confinement Education Act”; H.R. 2026, the

“Global Amphibian Protection Act of 2021”; H.R. 3128, the “American Fisheries Advisory Committee Act of 2021”; H.R. 3197, the “Save the Liberty Theatre Act of 2021”; H.R. 3326, the “Public Land Renewable Energy Development Act of 2021”; H.R. 3531, the “Women Who Worked on the Home Front World War II Memorial Act”; H.R. 3600, the “Route 66 National Historic Trail Designation Act”; H.R. 4494, the “Frederick Jobs and Historic Preservation Training Center Land Acquisition Act”; H.R. 4648, the “Cane River Creole National Historical Park Boundary Modification Act”; H.R. 4706, the “Blackwell School National Historic Site Act”; H.R. 5001, the “Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins Recovery Act”; H.R. 5345, the “Saline Lake Ecosystems in the Great Basin States Program Act of 2021”; and S. 2923, the “Fishery Resource Disasters Improvement Act”. H.R. 404, H.R. 1931, H.R. 2026, H.R. 4494, H.R. 4648, H.R. 5001, H.R. 5345, and S. 2923 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 667, H.R. 3128, H.R. 3197, H.R. 3326, H.R. 3531, H.R. 4706, and H.R. 3600 were ordered reported, without amendment.

INVISIBLE WOUNDS: PREVENTING SUICIDE IN OUR NATION’S MILITARY AND VETERAN COMMUNITIES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on National Security held a hearing entitled “Invisible Wounds: Preventing Suicide in Our Nation’s Military and Veteran Communities”. Testimony was heard from Alyssa M. Hundrup, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

COMBATING CORONAVIRUS CONS AND THE MONETIZATION OF MISINFORMATION

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled “Combating Coronavirus Cons and the Monetization of Misinformation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

FOSTERING A NEW ERA OF FUSION ENERGY RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Fostering a New Era of Fusion Energy Research and Technology Development”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

INDUSTRY AND LABOR PERSPECTIVES: A FURTHER LOOK AT NORTH AMERICAN SUPPLY CHAIN CHALLENGES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Industry and Labor Perspectives: A Further Look at North American Supply Chain Challenges”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPPORTING SURVIVORS: ASSESSING VA’S MILITARY SEXUAL TRAUMA PROGRAMS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs; and Subcommittee on Health held a joint hearing entitled “Supporting Survivors: Assessing VA’s Military Sexual Trauma Programs”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

STRENGTHENING THE U.S.-AFRICA TRADE AND INVESTMENT RELATIONSHIP

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Trade held a hearing entitled “Strengthening the U.S.-Africa Trade and Investment Relationship”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

CRYPTOCURRENCY

Joint Economic Committee: Committee concluded a hearing to examine cryptocurrency, focusing on digital assets and the role of government, after receiving testimony from Alexis Goldstein, Open Markets Institute, Timothy Massad, Harvard Kennedy School, and Peter Van Valkenburgh, Coin Center, all of Washington, D.C.; and Kevin Werbach, University of Pennsylvania Wharton School, Philadelphia.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Saule T. Omarova, of New York, to be Comptroller of the Currency, 9:30 a.m., SD-538/VTC.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider S. 172 and H.R. 1664, bills to authorize the National Medal of Honor Museum Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 180, to withdraw certain Bureau of Land Management land from mineral development, S. 270, to amend the Act entitled “Act to provide for the establishment of the Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site in the State of Kansas” to provide for inclusion of additional related sites in the National

Park System, S. 491, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain river segments in the York River watershed in the State of Maine as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 535, to authorize the location of a memorial on the National Mall to commemorate and honor the members of the Armed Forces that served on active duty in support of the Global War on Terrorism, S. 554 and H.R. 297, bills to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study on the establishment of, and the potential land that could be included in, a unit of the National Forest System in the State of Hawaii, S. 569, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain National Forest System land to the State of South Dakota, S. 609, to withdraw the National Forest System land in the Ruby Mountains subdistrict of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest and the National Wildlife Refuge System land in Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Elko and White Pine Counties, Nevada, from operation under the mineral leasing laws, S. 753, to reauthorize the Highlands Conservation Act, to authorize States to use funds from that Act for administrative purposes, S. 904, to require the Secretary of the Interior, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works to digitize and make publicly available geographic information system mapping data relating to public access to Federal land and waters for outdoor recreation, S. 990, to reauthorize the Northern Rio Grande National Heritage Area, S. 1317, to modify the boundary of the Sunset Crater Volcano National Monument in the State of Arizona, S. 1318, to reauthorize the Yuma Crossing National Heritage Area, S. 1320, to establish the Chiricahua National Park in the State of Arizona as a unit of the National Park System, S. 1321, to modify the boundary of the Casa Grande Ruins National Monument, S. 1354, to amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Chilkoot National Historic Trail and to provide for a study of the Alaska Long Trail, S. 1583, to reauthorize the Lake Tahoe Restoration Act, S. 1589, to designate certain land administered by the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service in the State of Oregon as wilderness and national recreation areas, to withdraw certain land located in Curry County and Josephine County, Oregon, from all forms of entry, appropriation, or disposal under the public land laws, location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and operation under the mineral leasing and geothermal leasing laws, S. 1620, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the city of Eunice, Louisiana, certain Federal land in the State of Louisiana, S. 1631, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey certain National Forest System land in the State of Arizona to the Arizona Board of Regents, S. 1771, to authorize reference to the museum located at Blytheville/Eaker Air Force Base in Blytheville, Arkansas, as the “National Cold War Center”, S. 1964, to amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to provide for the establishment of a Ski Area Fee Retention Account, S. 2158, to extend the authorization for the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission, S. 2433, to require the Secretary of the Interior to develop and maintain a cadastre of Federal real property,

S. 2490, to establish the Blackwell School National Historic Site in Marfa, Texas, S. 2524, to amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to exclude certain payments to aged, blind, or disabled Alaska Natives or descendants of Alaska Natives from being used to determine eligibility or certain programs, H.R. 1192, to impose requirements on the payment of compensation to professional persons employed in voluntary cases commenced under title III of the Puerto Rico Oversight Management and Economic Stability Act (commonly known as “PROMESA”), H.R. 2497, to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System, H.R. 4300, to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to make free National Parks and Federal Recreational Lands Passes available to members of the Armed Forces, and an original bill to reauthorize funding for certain National Heritage Areas, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women’s Issues, to hold hearings to examine vaccine diplomacy in Latin America and the Caribbean, focusing on the importance of U.S. engagement, 10 a.m., SD-419/VTC.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Erik Adrian Hooks, of North Carolina, to be Deputy Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, Michael Kubayanda, of Ohio, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission, Laurel A. Blatchford, of the District of Columbia, to be Controller, Office of Federal Financial Management, Office of Management and Budget, and Ebony M. Scott, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 10:15 a.m., SD-342/VTC.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 2629, to establish cybercrime reporting mechanisms, S. 2340, to improve the safety and security of the Federal judiciary, S. 2614, to provide for the modernization of electronic case management systems, and for other purposes, and the nominations of Holly A. Thomas, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Mary Katherine Dimke, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Washington, Charlotte N. Sweeney, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, Jennifer L. Thurston, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of California, Hernan D. Vera, and Maame Ewusi-Mensah Frimpong, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, Linda Lopez, and Jinsook Ohta, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of California, Katherine Marie Menendez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, David Herrera Urias, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico, and Cindy K. Chung, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Pennsylvania, Gregory K. Harris, to be United States Attorney for the Central District of Illinois, Gary M. Restaino, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona, and Philip R. Sellinger, to be

United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, all of the Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine inclusive disaster management, focusing on improving preparedness, response, and recovery, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

House

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on International Development, International Organizations and Global Corporate Social Impact, hearing entitled “Personnel is Policy: UN Elections and US Leadership in International Organizations”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations; and Subcommittee on Technology Modernization, joint hearing entitled “Modernizing VA’s Medical Supply Chain: Progress Made?”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Tribal Voices, Tribal Wisdom: Strategies for the Climate Crisis”, 9:30 a.m., 210 Cannon and Zoom.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: to hold hearings to examine confronting the Kremlin and Communist corruption, 10:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Thursday, November 18

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, November 18

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4350, National Defense Authorization Act, post-cloture.

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