

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S421–S462*

**Measures Introduced:** Fourteen bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3539–3552, and S. Res. 500–502. **Page S442**

#### **Measures Reported:**

Report to accompany S. 1259, to provide that crib bumpers shall be considered banned hazardous products under section 8 of the Consumer Product Safety Act. (S. Rept. No. 117–62) **Page S441**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Condemning the Military Coup in Burma:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 35, condemning the military coup that took place on February 1, 2021, in Burma and the Tatmadaw's detention of civilian leaders, calling for an immediate and unconditional release of all those detained, promoting accountability and justice for those killed by the Tatmadaw, and calling for those elected to serve in parliament to resume their duties without impediment, after withdrawing the committee amendment, and agreeing to the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S449–52**

Menendez (for Cardin/Young) Amendment No. 4918, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S450–51**

Menendez (for Cardin/Young) Amendment No. 4919, to amend the preamble. **Page S451**

Menendez (for Cardin/Young) Amendment No. 4920, to amend the title. **Pages S451–52**

***Political Situation in Belarus:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 345, expressing the sense of the Senate on the political situation in Belarus, after agreeing to the committee amendment, and the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S452–55**

Menendez (for Shaheen) Amendment No. 4921, to make technical amendments. **Pages S454–55**

***Congratulating the University of Georgia Bulldogs Football Team:*** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 496, congratulating the

University of Georgia Bulldogs football team for winning the 2022 National Collegiate Athletic Association College Football Playoff National Championship, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S455–56**

Menendez (for Ossoff) Amendment No. 4922, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S455**

***National School Choice Week:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 501, designating the week of January 23 through January 29, 2022, as “National School Choice Week”. **Page S456**

***Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 502, acknowledging and commemorating the World War II women in the Navy who served in the Women Accepted for Volunteer Emergency Service (“WAVES”). **Page S456**

#### **Appointments:**

***People-to-People Partnership for Peace Fund Advisory Board:*** The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 116–260, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the People-to-People Partnership for Peace Fund Advisory Board: Angela Warnick of New York. **Page S449**

***Public Interest Declassification Board:*** The Chair announced, on behalf of the Majority Leader, pursuant to the provisions of Public Law 106–567, the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Public Interest Declassification Board: Alissa M. Starzak of the District of Columbia. **Page S449**

***Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform:*** The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 117–81, on behalf of the Chairman of the Armed Services Committee, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform: Robert F. Hale of Virginia. **Page S449**

**Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform:** The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 117–81, on behalf of the Majority Leader, appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform: Arun A. Seraphin of New York. **Page S449**

**Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform:** The Chair, pursuant to Public Law 117–81, on behalf of the Ranking Member of the Armed Services Committee appointed the following individual to serve as a member of the Commission on Planning, Programming, Budgeting, and Execution Reform: Ellen M. Lord of North Carolina. **Page S449**

**Puttagunta Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Rupa Ranga Puttagunta, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. **Page S435**

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

By 59 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 18), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S435**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, February 2, 2022; that notwithstanding Rule XXII, all post-cloture time on the nomination expire at 11 a.m., and upon disposition of the nomination, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Ebony M. Scott, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Donald Walker Tunnage, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia; that at 2:15 p.m., Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations of Kenia Seoane Lopez, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Sean C. Staples, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of John P. Howard III, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals; and that if cloture is invoked on any of the nominations, the votes on confirmation of the nominations be at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader. **Pages S461–62**

**Lopez Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Kenia Seoane Lopez, of the Dis-

trict of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

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

By 59 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 19), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S436**

**Staples Nomination:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Sean C. Staples, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia. **Page S436**

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

By 55 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 20), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S436**

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

By 61 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. EX. 13), Bridget Meehan Brennan, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio. **Pages S421–27**

By 56 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 15), Charles Esque Fleming, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio. **Pages S427–28**

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

By 55 yeas to 41 nays (Vote No. EX. 14), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S427–28**

By 62 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. EX. 17), David Augustin Ruiz, of Ohio, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio. **Pages S428–35**

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

By 59 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. EX. 16), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S428**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S439–41**

**Executive Reports of Committees:** **Pages S441–42**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S442–44**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S444–47**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S438–39**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S447–48**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Pages S448–49**

**Record Votes:** Eight record votes were taken today. (Total—20) **Pages S427–28, S435–36**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:59 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, February 2, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S462.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### EXPANDING BROADBAND ACCESS

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine expanding broadband access, focusing on the Department of Commerce broadband programs in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, after receiving testimony from Gina Raimondo, Secretary of Commerce.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Celeste Ann Wallander, of Maryland, Melissa Griffin Dalton, of Virginia, and John F. Plumb, of New York, each to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense, and 72 military nominations in the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Director, who was introduced by Senators Murray and Cramer, and Nani A. Coloretti, of California, to be Deputy Director, who was introduced by Senator Padilla, both of the Office of Management and Budget, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### COVID-19 FRAUD

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Data Security concluded a hearing to examine COVID-19 fraud and price gouging, after receiving testimony from Samuel Levine, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Mary K. Engle, BBB National Programs, McLean, Virginia; and Teresa Murray, U.S. Public Interest Research Group, and Todd Leatherman, National Association of Attorneys General, both of Washington, D.C.

### U.S. TERRITORIES

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the state of the United States territories, after receiving testimony from U.S. Virgin Islands Governor Albert Bryan, Jr., Charlotte Amalie; Guam Governor Lou Leon Guer-

rero, Hagatna; American Samoa Governor Lemanu P.S. Mauga, Pago Pago; Puerto Rico Governor Pedro R. Pierluisi, San Juan; and David DLG. Atalig, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Secretary of Finance, Saipan.

### SUDAN'S IMPERILED TRANSITION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Sudan's imperiled transition, focusing on United States policy in the wake of the October 25th coup, after receiving testimony from Isobel Coleman, Deputy Administrator for Policy and Programming, United States Agency for International Development; Molly Phee, Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs; Comfort Ero, International Crisis Group, Nairobi, Kenya; and Joseph Tucker, United States Institute of Peace, Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Shalanda D. Young, of Louisiana, to be Director, who was introduced by Senators Leahy and Sinema, and Nani A. Coloretti, of California, to be Deputy Director, both of the Office of Management and Budget, who was introduced by Senator Padilla, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine mental health and substance use disorders, focusing on responding to the growing crisis, after receiving testimony from Sara Goldsby, South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services, Columbia; Mitch Prinstein, American Psychological Association, Chapel Hill, North Carolina; Michelle P. Durham, Boston Medical Center, Boston, Massachusetts; Jennifer Lockman, Centerstone America, Nashville, Tennessee; and Claire Rhyneer, Anchorage, Alaska.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Kenly Kiya Kato, and Sunshine Suzanne Sykes, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, who were introduced by Senators Feinstein and Padilla, and Jennifer Louise Rochon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, who was introduced by Senator Gillibrand, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## ENTREPRENEURIAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Small Business Administration Entrepreneurial Development Programs and initiatives, including S. 64, to amend the Small Business Act to spur entrepreneurial ecosystems in underserved communities, and S. 2001, to amend the Federal Meat Inspection Act to exempt from inspection the slaughter of animals and the preparation of carcasses conducted at a custom slaughter facility, after receiving testimony from Mark Madrid, Associate Administrator, Office of Entrepreneurial Development, Small Business Adminis-

tration; C.E. Rowe, America's SBDC, Burke, Virginia; Michael Hendrix, Manhattan Institute, New York, New York; Corinne Hodges, Association of Women's Business Centers, and Chris Edwards, Cato Institute, both of Washington, D.C.; Bridget Weston, SCORE Association, Herndon, Virginia; and Hannah Cox, Foundation for Economic Education, Atlanta, Georgia.

## INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 26 public bills, H.R. 6531–6556; and 9 resolutions, H.J. Res. 69; and H. Res. 892–899, were introduced.

**Pages H329–30**

### Additional Cosponsors:

**Pages H331–32**

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

H.R. 187, for the relief of Victoria Galindo Lopez (H. Rept. 117–236);

H.R. 680, for the relief of Arpita Kurdekar, Girish Kurdekar, and Vandana Kurdekar (H. Rept. 117–237);

H.R. 681, for the relief of Rebecca Trimble (H. Rept. 117–238);

H.R. 4476, to establish the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Trade and Economic Security Council and the position of Assistant Secretary for Trade and Economic Security within the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 117–239, Part 1); and

H.R. 5615, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit a plan to make Federal assistance available to certain urban areas that previously received Urban Area Security Initiative funding to preserve homeland security capabilities, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117–240).

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

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

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3900 Crown Road Southwest in Atlanta, Georgia, as the “John R. Lewis Post Office Building”: H.R. 5577, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3900 Crown Road Southwest in Atlanta, Georgia, as the “John R. Lewis Post Office Building”, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nays vote of 421 yeas and none voting “nay” with one answering “present”, Roll No. 15;

**Pages H312–15, H324–25**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 East Main Street in Maroa, Illinois, as the “Jeremy L. Ridlen Post Office”: H.R. 3579, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 200 East Main Street in Maroa, Illinois, as the “Jeremy L. Ridlen Post Office”;

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 202 Trumbull Street in Saint Clair, Michigan, as the “Corporal Jeffrey Robert Standfest Post Office Building”: H.R. 3613, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 202 Trumbull Street in Saint Clair, Michigan, as the “Corporal Jeffrey Robert Standfest Post Office Building”;

**Pages H321–22**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6223 Maple Street, in Omaha, Nebraska, as the “Petty Officer 1st Class Charles Jackson French Post Office”: H.R. 4168, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6223 Maple Street, in Omaha, Nebraska, as the “Petty Officer 1st Class Charles Jackson French Post Office”; and

**Pages H322–23**

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1233 North Cedar Street in Owasso, Oklahoma, as the “Staff Sergeant Marshal Roberts Post Office Building”: H.R. 1298, amended, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1233 North Cedar Street in Owasso, Oklahoma, as the “Technical Sergeant Marshal Roberts Post Office Building”;

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1233 North Cedar Street in Owasso, Oklahoma, as the ‘Technical Sergeant Marshal Roberts Post Office Building’.”

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Recess: The House recessed at 3:32 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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

Promoting Rigorous and Innovative Cost Efficiencies for Federal Procurement and Acquisitions Act: S. 583, to promote innovative acquisition techniques and procurement strategies;

Pages H315–17

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 42 Main Street in Slatersville, Rhode Island, as the “Specialist Matthew R. Turcotte Post Office”: S. 566, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 42 Main Street in Slatersville, Rhode Island, as the “Specialist Matthew R. Turcotte Post Office”;

Pages H317–18

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2800 South Adams Street in Tallahassee, Florida, as the “D. Edwina Stephens Post Office”: H.R. 2324, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2800 South Adams Street in Tallahassee, Florida, as the “D. Edwina Stephens Post Office”;

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 502 East Cotati Avenue in Cotati, California, as the “Arthur Luis Ibleto Post Office Building”: H.R. 735, amended, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 502 East Cotati Avenue in Cotati, California, as the “Arthur Luis Ibleto Post Office Building”;

Pages H318–19

Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 223 West Chalan Santo Papa in Hagatna, Guam, as the “Atanasio Taitano Perez Post Office”: H.R. 3539, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 223 West Chalan Santo Papa in Hagatna,

Guam, as the “Atanasio Taitano Perez Post Office”; and

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Designating the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 4th Street in Petaluma, California, as the “Lynn C. Woolsey Post Office Building”: H.R. 2842, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 120 4th Street in Petaluma, California, as the “Lynn C. Woolsey Post Office Building”.

Pages H319–21

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H324–25.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ENDING FORCED ARBITRATION OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL HARASSMENT ACT OF 2021; GLOBAL RESPECT ACT; BIOECONOMY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT ACT OF 2021

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 4445, the “Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021”; H.R. 3485, the “Global Respect Act”; and H.R. 4521, the “Bioeconomy Research and Development Act of 2021” [America COMPETES Act of 2022]. The Committee granted, by record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3485, the “Global Respect Act”, H.R. 4445, the “Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021”, and H.R. 4521, the “America COMPETES Act of 2022”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 3485, the “Global Respect Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs or their respective designees. 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 117–30 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 A 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 Foreign Affairs or his designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in part A 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 Foreign Affairs 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 A of the report and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4445, the “Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act of 2021”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their designees. 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 117–29 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 makes in order the further amendment printed in Part B of the report, if offered by the member designated in the report, which 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, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendment printed in part B of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 4521, the “America COMPETES Act of 2022”, under a structured rule. The rule provides two hours of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology or their designees. 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 117–31, modified by the amendment printed in part C 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 D of the Rules Committee report not earlier considered as part of amendments en bloc pursuant to section 8 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 8 of the rule provides that at any time after debate the chair of the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology or her designee may offer amendments en bloc consisting of further amendments printed in part D 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 Science, Space and Technology 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 D of the report and amendments en bloc described in section 8 of the resolution. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule provides that House Resolution 188 is amended by striking “February 4, 2022” and inserting “April 1, 2022”. The rule provides that proceedings may be postponed through March 3, 2022, on measures that were the object of motions to suspend the rules on the legislative day of February 1, 2022, and on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

Testimony was heard from Chairman Meeks, Chairman Johnson of Texas, Chairman Pallone, and Representatives Cicilline, Fischbach, Tenney, Weber of Texas, Blumenauer, Smith of Nebraska, Chabot, Case, Westerman, Rodgers of Washington, Buck, Foster, Calvert, Green of Texas, Carter of Georgia, Johnson of Georgia, González-Colón, Morelle, Hill, Moore of Utah, Stauber, and Wilson of South Carolina.

## *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,  
FEBRUARY 2, 2022**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Armed Services:* with the Committee on Foreign Relations, to receive a closed joint briefing on U.S. policy on Afghanistan, 10 a.m., CVC-200.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Jed David Kolko, of California, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs, Alvaro M. Bedoya, of Maryland, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, Ann Claire Phillips, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, Steven Scott Cliff, of California, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, John Edward Putnam, of Colorado, to be General Counsel, and Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, all of the Department of Transportation, Kathy K. Im, of Illinois, Thomas E. Rothman, of California, Elizabeth M. Sembler, of Florida, and Laura Gore Ross, of New York, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Max Vekich, of Washington, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner, Mary T. Boyle, of Maryland, to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, Gigi B. Sohn, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, and routine lists in the Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine legislative proposals to improve domestic recycling and composting programs, 10 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Finance:* Subcommittee on Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth, to hold hearings to examine the Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the future of Medicare financing, 2:30 p.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* with the Committee on Armed Services, to receive a closed joint briefing on U.S. policy on Afghanistan, 10 a.m., CVC-200.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 2801, to amend title 5, United States Code, to improve the effectiveness of major rules in accomplishing their regulatory objectives by promoting retrospective review, S. 3092, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to improve the provision of certain disaster assistance, S. 3502, to establish an Office of Civil Rights, Equity, and Community Inclusion at the Federal Emergency Management Agency, S. 3499, to amend the Post-Katrina Emergency Management Reform Act of 2006 to repeal certain obsolete requirements, S. 3487, to amend title 5, United States Code, to increase death gratuities and funeral allowances for Federal employees, S. 407, to provide redress to the employees of Air America, S. 3423, to implement merit-based reforms to the civil service hiring system that replace degree-based hiring with skills-and competency-based hiring, S. 3510, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidance with respect to natural disaster resilience, S. 3470, to provide for the implementation of certain trafficking

in contracting provisions, S. 521, to require the United States Postal Service to continue selling the Multinational Species Conservation Funds Semipostal Stamp until all remaining stamps are sold, S. 3512, to establish an advisory group to encourage and foster collaborative efforts among individuals and entities engaged in disaster recovery relating to debris removal, S. 2135, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require the Chief Operating Officer of each agency to compile a list of unnecessary programs, S. 2483, to require the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish cybersecurity guidance for small organizations, H.R. 960, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3493 Burnet Avenue in Cincinnati, Ohio, as the “John H. Leahr and Herbert M. Heilbrun Post Office”, and the nominations of Margaret A. Burnham, of Massachusetts, Gabrielle M. Dudley, of Georgia, Henry Klibanoff, of Georgia, and Brenda E. Stevenson, of California, all to be a Member of the Civil Rights Cold Case Records Review Board, Ed Gonzalez, of Texas, to be an Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security, Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board, and to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board, Tovah R. Calderon, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, Susan Tsui Grudmann, of Virginia, and Ernest W. DuBester, of Virginia, both to be a Member, and Kurt Thomas Rumsfeld, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, all of the Federal Labor Relations Authority, and Adrienne Jennings Noti, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 11 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act’s promise after 30 years, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine breaking the news, focusing on journalism, competition, and the effects of market power on a free press, 3 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* business meeting to consider an original bill entitled “Health Care for Burn Pit Veterans Act”, 3 p.m., SD-G50.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

**House**

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled “A 2022 Review of Farm Bill Conservation Programs”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled “Pandemic Profiteers: Legislation to Stop Corporate Price Gouging”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Insurance, hearing entitled “Housing America: Addressing Challenges in Serving People Experiencing Homelessness”, 10 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Dynamic Terrorism Landscape and What it Means +for America”, 10 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on The Judiciary*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Respecting Artists with the American Music Fairness Act”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6497, the “Federal Information Security Modernization Act of 2022”; H.R. 6419, the “Fair Chance Improvement Act”; H.R. 6361, the “District of Columbia National Guard Commanding General Residency Act”; H.R. 5962, the “Supply Chain Security Training Act”; legislation on the GAO Mandates Revision Act; H.R. 2142, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Manhattan Avenue in Buffalo, New York, as the “Indiana Hunt-Martin Post Office Building”; H.R. 203, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4020 Broadway Street in Houston, Texas, as the “Benny C. Martinez Post Office Building”; H.R. 224, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5302 Galveston Road in Houston, Texas, as the “Vanessa Guillén Post Office Building”; H.R. 5794, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 850 Walnut Street in McKeesport, Pennsylvania, as the “First Sergeant Leonard A. Funk, Jr. Post Office Building”; H.R. 5949, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 615 North Bush Street, in Santa Ana, California, as the “Judge James Perez Post Office”; H.R. 5951, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 202 2nd Avenue, in Oklee, Minnesota, as the “Coya Knutson Post Office”; H.R. 5952, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 123 East Main Street, in Vergas, Minnesota, as the “Jon Glawe Post Of-

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*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing entitled “The Road Ahead for Automated Vehicles”, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Securing High-Demand Jobs for Veterans”, 10 a.m., Zoom.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5575, the “VA Nurse and Physician Assistant RAISE Act”; and H.R. 6411, the “STRONG Veterans Act of 2022”, 2 p.m., Zoom.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “America’s Mental Health Crisis”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

*Select Committee on the Climate Crisis*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Manufacturing a Clean Energy Future: Climate Solutions Made in America”, 1:30 p.m., Zoom.

### Joint Meetings

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe*: to hold hearings to examine Russia’s assault on Ukraine and the international order, focusing on the western response, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.



# Résumé of Congressional Activity

## SECOND SESSION OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS

The first table gives a comprehensive résumé of all legislative business transacted by the Senate and House.

The second table accounts for all nominations submitted to the Senate by the President for Senate confirmation.

### DATA ON LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITY

January 3 through January 31, 2022

	<i>Senate</i>	<i>House</i>	<i>Total</i>
Days in session .....	16	13	..
Time in session .....	80 hrs., 52'	29 hrs., 52'	..
Congressional Record:			
Pages of proceedings .....	420	395	..
Extensions of Remarks .....	..	82	..
Public bills enacted into law .....	1	1	2
Private bills enacted into law .....	..	..	..
Bills in conference .....	..	..	..
Measures passed, total .....	19	14	33
Senate bills .....	4	3	..
House bills .....	1	2	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	3	2	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	11	7	..
Measures reported, total .....	*7	14	21
Senate bills .....	5	..	..
House bills .....	2	12	..
Senate joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
House joint resolutions .....	..	..	..
Senate concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
House concurrent resolutions .....	..	..	..
Simple resolutions .....	..	2	..
Special reports .....	1	..	..
Conference reports .....	..	..	..
Measures pending on calendar .....	175	10	..
Measures introduced, total .....	122	212	334
Bills .....	101	178	..
Joint resolutions .....	1	1	..
Concurrent resolutions .....	4	1	..
Simple resolutions .....	16	32	..
Quorum calls .....	..	1	..
Yea-and-nay votes .....	12	13	..
Recorded votes .....	..	..	..
Bills vetoed .....	..	..	..
Veto overridden .....	..	..	..

### DISPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE NOMINATIONS

January 3 through January 31, 2022

Civilian nominees, totaling 349 (including 181 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	6
Unconfirmed .....	339
Withdrawn .....	4
Returned to White House .....	0
Other Civilian nominees, totaling 334 (including 291 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Confirmed .....	3
Unconfirmed .....	331
Air Force nominees, totaling 874 (including 5 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed .....	874
Army nominees, totaling 2,035 (including 1,992 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed .....	2,035
Navy nominees, totaling 39 (including 1 nominee carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed .....	39
Marine Corps nominees, totaling 418 (including 321 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed .....	418
Space Force nominees, totaling 2 (including 2 nominees carried over from the First Session), disposed of as follows:	
Unconfirmed .....	2
<i>Summary</i>	
Total nominees carried over from the First Session .....	2,793
Total nominees received this Session .....	1,258
Total confirmed .....	9
Total unconfirmed .....	4,038
Total withdrawn .....	4
Total returned to the White House .....	0

\*These figures include all measures reported, even if there was no accompanying report. A total of 8 written reports have been filed in the Senate, 14 reports have been filed in the House.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 2

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Rupa Ranga Puttagunta, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 11 a.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Rupa Ranga Puttagunta, Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Ebony M. Scott, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Donald Walker Tunnage, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

Senate will vote on confirmation of the nominations of Kenia Seoane Lopez, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and Sean C. Staples, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, and on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of John P. Howard III, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, at 2:15 p.m.

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Wednesday, February 2

## House Chamber

**Program for Wednesday:** Consideration of H.R. 3485—Global Respect Act (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of H.R. 4445—Ending Forced Arbitration of Sexual Assault and Sexual Harassment Act (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of H.R. 4521—Bioeconomy Research and Development Act (Subject to a Rule).

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