Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4527-S4544

Measures Introduced: Nine bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4814–4822, S.J. Res. 61, and S. Con. Res. 44. Page S4541

Measures Reported:

S. 471, to allow Members of Congress to opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System, and allow Members who opt out of the Federal Employees Retirement System to continue to participate in the Thrift Savings Plan, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 117-143)

S. 3092, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to improve the provision of certain disaster assistance, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 117-144)

H.R. 5641, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to increase the threshold for eligibility for assistance under sections 403, 406, 407, and 502 of such Act, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 117–145)

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Measures Passed:

Authorizing the Use of the Rotunda: Senate agreed to S. Con. Res. 44, authorizing the use of the rotunda of the Capitol for a ceremony to present the statue of Harry S. Truman from the people of Missouri. Page S4543

Treaty Approved: The following treaty having passed through its various parliamentary stages, up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, upon division, two-thirds of the Senators present having voted in the affirmative, the resolution of ratification was agreed to:

Extradition Treaty with the Republic of Croatia (Treaty Doc. 116–2) as amended. Pages S4535–36

Montecalvo Nomination: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Lara E. Montecalvo, of Rhode Island, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit. Pages S4527-33 Merriam Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Sarah A. L. Merriam, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit. Pages S4533–34

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of the nomination of Lara E. Montecalvo, of Rhode Island, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit. Page S4533

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. Page S4533

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. Page S4533

Freeman Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Arianna J. Freeman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit. Page S4535

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

By 45 yeas to 44 nays (Vote No. EX. 332), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. Page S4535

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, September 13, 2022; and that all post-cloture time on the nomination be considered expired at 11:30 a.m. **Page S4543**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 46 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. EX. 331), Salvador Mendoza, Jr., of Washington, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Joel Matthew Szabat, of Maryland, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years. Gene Rodrigues, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability).

Jennifer M. Adams, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cabo Verde.

Nicole D. Theriot, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to the Co-operative Republic of Guyana.

Dante Quintin Allen, of California, to be Commissioner of the Rehabilitation Services Administration, Department of Education.

Richard L. Revesz, of New York, to be Administrator of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget.

Robert G. Taub, of New York, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2028. Page S4544

Measures Read the First Time: Page S4539

Executive Communications:

Additional Cosponsors: Pages S4541-43 Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—332) Page S4535

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 8:53 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4543.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

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Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lieutenant General Bradley C. Saltzman, USSF, to be general and Chief of Space Operations, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine new consumer financial products and the impacts to workers, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Karla Ann Gilbride, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Jessica Looman, of Minnesota, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine data security at risk, focusing on testimony from a Twitter whistleblower, 10 a.m., SH-216.

House

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 302, the "Preventing a Patronage System Act of 2021"; H.R. 2988, the "Whistleblower Protection Improvement Act of 2021"; and H.R. 8326, the "Ensuring a Fair and Accurate Census Act", 12:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 13 through September 16, 2022

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Arianna J. Freeman, of Pennsylvania, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Third Circuit, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 11:30 a.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Arianna J. Freeman, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Lara E. Montecalvo, of Rhode Island, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit. During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: September 15, to hold hearings to examine S. 4760, to amend the Commodity Exchange Act to provide the Commodity Futures Trading Commission jurisdiction to oversee the spot digital commodity market, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Armed Services: September 13, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lieutenant General Bradley C. Saltzman, USSF, to be general and Chief of Space Operations, Department of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of General Anthony J. Cotton, USAF, for reappointment to the grade of general and to be Commander of United States Strategic Command, Department of Defense, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 13, to hold hearings to examine new consumer financial products and the impacts to workers, 10 a.m., SD-538.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Securities and Exchange Commission, 10 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 14, business meeting to consider an original bill entitled, "Coast Guard Authorization Act", 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 15, to hold hearings to examine the Federal government's role in supporting the commercialization of fusion energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 14, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Shailen P. Bhatt, of Michigan, to be Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 14, business meeting to consider S. 4428, to support the security of Taiwan and its right of self-determination, S. 4653, to provide for certain authorities of the Department of State, and the nominations of Rolfe Michael Schiffer, of New York, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, Nathaniel Fick, of Maine, to be Ambassador at Large for Cyberspace and Digital Policy, Department of State, Patrick Leahy, of Vermont, and James E. Risch, of Idaho, both to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Seventy-seventh Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations, and other pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., S–116, Capitol.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine assessing United States policy towards Venezuela, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: September 13, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Karla Ann Gilbride, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and Jessica Looman, of Minnesota, to be Administrator of the Wage and Hour Division, Department of Labor, 10 a.m., SD-106.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine stopping the spread of monkeypox, focusing on the Federal response, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 14, to hold hearings to examine social media's impact on homeland security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 13, to hold hearings to examine data security at risk, focusing on testimony from a Twitter whistleblower, 10 a.m., SH-216.

September 14, Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, and Border Safety, to hold hearings to examine flatlining care, focusing on why immigrants are crucial to bolstering our health care workforce, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 14, Subcommittee on Privacy, Technology, and the Law, to hold hearings to examine protecting Americans' private information from hostile foreign powers, 3:30 p.m., SD-226.

September 15, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 4524, to limit the judicial enforceability of predispute nondisclosure and nondisparagement contract clauses relating to disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment, S. 673, to provide a temporary safe harbor for publishers of online content to collectively negotiate with dominant online platforms regarding the terms on which content may be distributed, and the nominations of Dana M. Douglas, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, Bradley N. Garcia, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, Frances Kay Behm, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Jerry W. Blackwell, to be United States District Judge for the District of Minnesota, Anne M. Nardacci, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of New York, and Kevin G. Ritz, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, Department of Justice, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 14, closed business meeting to consider pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Soil Health Practices and Programs that Support Regenerative Agriculture", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Zoom.

September 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Broadband", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Zoom.

Committee on Education and Labor, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "In Solidarity: Removing Barriers to Organizing", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 14, Subcommittee on Health, markup on H.R. 3173, the "Improving Seniors' Timely Access to Care Act of 2021"; H.R. 3655, the "Vaccine Injury Compensation Modernization Act of 2021"; H.R. 5141, the "Maximizing Outcomes through Better Investments in Lifesaving Equipment for Health Care Act"; H.R. 8163, the "Improving Trauma Systems and Emergency Care Act"; and H.R. 6737, the "Flint Registry Reauthorization Act", 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "When Banks Leave: The Impacts of De-Risking on the Caribbean and Strategies for Ensuring Financial Access", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, September 14, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, Central Asia, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled "Strengthening U.S. Engagement in Central Asia", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8446, the "Global Food Security Reauthorization Act of 2022"; H.R. 2374, the "Peace and Tolerance in Palestinian Education Act"; H. Res. 1240, requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of State, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of all documents in their possession referring or relating to certain aspects of the United States withdrawal from Afghanistan; H. Res. 1266, requesting the President to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to any initiative or negotiations regarding Iran's nuclear program; legislation on reaffirming the importance of diplomacy and development in United States-African Union relations, promoting strategic partnerships and shared objectives between the United States and the African Union, and expressing strong support for the successful implementation of the African Continental Free Trade Agreement; H.R. 4213, the "YSEALI Act"; H.R. 8681, the "John Lewis Civil Rights Fellowship Act"; H.R. 8153, the "Indo-Pacific Engagement Act"; legislation on the AFFECT Human Rights in Venezuela Act; and H.R. 6846, the "CORRUPT" Act, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

September 15, Subcommittee on International Development, International Organizations, and Global Corporate Social Impact, hearing entitled "The Sustainable Development Goals and Recovery from the COVID–19 Pandemic: Implications for U.S. Policy", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

September 15, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, Civilian Security, Migration and International Economic Policy, hearing entitled "Learning Loss in Latin America and the Caribbean: Building Better Education Systems in the Wake of the Pandemic", 2 p.m., 2127 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Homeland Security, September 14, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 1236, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide certain documents in his possession to the House of Representatives relating to the Disinformation Governance Board; H. Res. 1328, requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Homeland Security, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of all documents in their possession referring or relating to certain aspects of border policies of the United States; H.R. 3756, the "Department of Homeland Security Climate Change Research Act"; H.R. 8610, the "Health Security and Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Act"; and legislation on the DHS Joint Task Force Reauthorization Act of 2022, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon and Webex.

September 15, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection, and Innovation, hearing entitled "Building on our Baseline: Securing Industrial Control Systems Against Cyberattacks", 10 a.m., 310 Cannon and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 14, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 1238, of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the October 4, 2021 memorandum issued by the Attorney General entitled "Partnership Among Federal, State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Law Enforcement to Address Threats Against School Administrators, Board Members, Teachers, and Staff'; H. Res. 1239, of inquiry directing the Attorney General to provide certain documents in his possession to the House of Representatives relating to the October 4, 2021 memorandum issued by the Attorney General entitled "Partnership Among Federal, State, Local, Tribal, and Territorial Law Enforcement to Address Threats Against School Administrators, Board Members, Teachers, and Staff'; H. Res. 1241, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide certain documents in his possession to the House of Representatives relating to immigration enforcement and border security; H. Res. 1249, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the impact of illegal immigration on federal or tribal lands; H. Res. 1250, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Homeland Security to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the impact of illegal immigration on Federal or Tribal lands; H. Res. 1257, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide certain documents in the Secretary's possession to the House of Representatives relating to the establishment of an Emergency Intake Site in Erie, Pennsylvania, at the Pennsylvania International Academy, to house the influx of unaccompanied migrant children; and H. Res. 1325, of inquiry requesting the President and directing Attorney General Merrick B. Garland to transmit, respectively, a copy of the affidavit to the House of Representatives related to the raid on the former President, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Natural Resources, September 14, Subcommittee Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "The Role of Public Relations Firms in Preventing Action on Climate Change", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

September 14, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 8108, the "Advancing Tribal Parity on Public Land Act"; H.R. 8109, the "Tribal Cultural Areas Protection Act"; and H.R. 8719, the "Great Bend of the Gila Conservation Act", 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth and Webex.

September 14, Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing on H.R. 6032, the "Katimiîn

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and Ameekyáaraam Sacred Lands Act"; H.R. 6964, to authorize leases of up to 99 years for lands held in trust for the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation; H.R. 7581, the "Yurok Lands Act of 2022"; H.R. 8115, the "Recreation and Public Purposes Tribal Parity Act"; H.R. 8286, to take certain Federal land in the State of Washington into trust for the Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe, and for other purposes; H.R. 8380, the "Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation Shab-eh-nay Band Reservation Settlement Act of 2022"; and H.R. 8387, the "Parity for Tribal Law Enforcement Act", 1 p.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

September 15, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 1247, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the 2023-2028 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leasing; H. Res. 1248, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the compliance with the obligations of the Mineral Leasing Act; H. Res. 1251, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest; H. Res. 1252, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest; and H. Res. 1253, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the actions of the Department of the Interior's Departmental Ethics Office, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, September 14, Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled "Free Speech Under Attack (Part III): The Legal Assault on Environmental Activists and the First Amendment", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

September 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Fueling the Climate Crisis: Examining Big Oil's Prices, Profits, and Pledges", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

its, and Pledges", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom. September 15, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled "Putin's Proxies: Examining Russia's Use of Private Military Companies", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

September 16, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled "Project Federal Information Technology: Make IT Work", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, September 15, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing entitled "The Fountain of Youth? The Quest for Aging Therapies", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn and Zoom. Committee on Small Business, September 14, Subcommittee on Underserved, Agricultural, and Rural Business Development, hearing entitled "Right to Repair and What it Means for Entrepreneurs", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Zoom.

September 15, Subcommittee on Innovation, Entrepreneurship, and Workforce Development, hearing entitled "Back to School, Back to Startups: Supporting Youth Apprenticeship, Entrepreneurship, and Workforce Development", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, September 14, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled "Cargo Preference: Compliance with and Enforcement of Maritime's Buy American Laws", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

September 15, Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials; and Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture of the House Committee on Agriculture, joint hearing entitled "Rail Service Challenges and the Impact on Agriculture", 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

September 15, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled "Recovery Update: Status of FEMA Recovery Efforts in Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands 5 Years After Hurricanes Irma and Maria", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, September 15, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled "Veteran Readiness and Employment: Is VA Succeeding?", 10 a.m., HVC-210 and Zoom.

September 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining Women Veterans' Access to the Full Spectrum of Medical Care, Including Reproductive Healthcare, through the Department of Affairs (VA) Veteran Health Administration (VHA)", 2 p.m., HVC–210 and Zoom

Committee on Ways and Means, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Future of U.S.-Taiwan Trade", 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

September 15, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Preparing America's Health Care Infrastructure for the Climate Crisis", 11 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Congressional Modernization: A Roadmap for the Future", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: September 15, to hold hearings to examine Taira Paievska on Russia's war in Ukraine, 9 a.m., SD-106.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, September 13

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Tuesday, September 13

Senate Chamber

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(Senate will recess following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Lara E. Montecalvo until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.



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