

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2967–S3128*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirty-six bills and five resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2330–2365, S. Res. 299–301, and S. Con. Res. 14–15.

**Pages S2984–85**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 567, to amend the National Labor Relations Act, the Labor Management Relations Act, 1947, and the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959.

S. 728, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex.

S. 1094, 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.

S. 1664, to allow Americans to earn paid sick time so that they can address their own health needs and the health needs of their families. **Page S2984**

#### Measures Passed:

**United States-Taiwan Initiative on 21st-Century Trade First Agreement Implementation Act:** Senate passed H.R. 4004, to approve and implement the Agreement between the American Institute in Taiwan and the Taipei Economic and Cultural Representative Office in the United States regarding Trade between the United States of America and Taiwan. **Pages S2977–78**

**CTPAT Pilot Program Act:** Senate passed S. 794, to require a pilot program on the participation of non-asset-based third-party logistics providers in the Customs-Trade Partnership Against Terrorism, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S3118**

Schumer (for Cornyn) Amendment No. 934, to specify that no additional funds are authorized to be appropriated for the purpose of carrying out the Act. **Page S3118**

**Tribal Trust Land Homeownership Act:** Senate passed S. 70, to require the Bureau of Indian Affairs

to process and complete all mortgage packages associated with residential and business mortgages on Indian land by certain deadlines. **Pages S3118–20**

**Urban Indian Health Confer Act:** Senate passed S. 460, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to establish an urban Indian organization confer policy for the Department of Health and Human Services. **Page S3120**

**Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act:** Senate passed S. 1308, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to extend the deadline for the Secretary of the Interior to promulgate regulations implementing title IV of that Act, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3120**

**Pala Band of Mission Indians:** Senate passed H.R. 423, to take certain land located in San Diego County, California, into trust for the benefit of the Pala Band of Mission Indians. **Pages S3120–21**

**Drug Enforcement Administration 50th Anniversary:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 246, honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the 50th anniversary of the agency, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3121**

**National Day of the American Cowboy:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 269, designating July 22, 2023, as “National Day of the American Cowboy”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S3121**

**Collector Car Appreciation Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 300, designating July 14, 2023, as “Collector Car Appreciation Day” and recognizing that the collection and restoration of historic and classic cars is an important part of preserving the technological achievements and cultural heritage of the United States. **Page S3121**

**Journeyman Lineworkers Recognition Day:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 301, expressing support for the designation of Journeyman Lineworkers Recognition Day. **Page S3121**

**Measures Considered:**

**National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2226, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 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. **Page S2977**

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

By 72 yeas to 25 nays (Vote No. 188), 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 S2977**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 9:45 a.m., on Wednesday, July 19, 2023; and that all time during adjournment, recess, morning business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the motion to proceed. **Page S3121**

**Escort Committee—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a committee on the part of the Senate to join with a like committee on the part of the House of Representatives to escort His Excellency Isaac Herzog, President of the State of Israel, into the House Chamber for the joint meeting on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. **Page S3118**

**Nomination Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 50 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. EX. 187), Rachel Bloomekatz, of Ohio, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Sixth Circuit. **Pages S2967–77**

**Nominations Received:** On Wednesday, July 12, 2023, Senate received the following nominations:

Patricia L. Lee, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board for a term expiring October 18, 2027.

Claudia Slacik, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2026.

Tadd M. Johnson, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall and

Stewart L. Udall Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2028.

Laura Stone, of Utah, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Marshall Islands.

Todd Gloria, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2023.

Todd Gloria, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2029.

David K. Sing, of Hawaii, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2026.

Erika L. McEntarfer, of the District of Columbia, to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor, for a term of four years.

Jeff Rezmovic, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Marine Corps, and Navy. **Pages S3121–28**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S2982**

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**Additional Statements:** **Pages S2981–82**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S2993–S3118**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S3118**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—188) **Pages S2976–77**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 10:44 p.m., until 9:45 a.m. on Wednesday, July 19, 2023. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3121.)

## ***Committee Meetings***

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 33 public bills, H.R. 11, 4693–4724; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 58; and H. Res. 598–600 were introduced.

**Pages H3698–H3700**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H3701–02**

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

H. Res. 597, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3935) to amend title 49, United States Code, to reauthorize and improve the Federal Aviation Administration and other civil aviation programs, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3941) to prohibit the use of the facilities of a public elementary school, a public secondary school, or an institution of higher education to provide shelter for aliens who have not been admitted into the United States, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 118–147);

H.R. 3395, to direct the Chairman of the Federal Maritime Commission to seek to enter into an agreement with a federally funded research and development center to evaluate foreign ownership of marine terminals at the 15 largest United States container ports, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–148);

H.R. 1282, to amend title 10, United States Code, to expand eligibility to certain military retirees for concurrent receipt of veterans disability compensation and retired pay or combat-related special compensation, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–149, Part 1); and

H.R. 192, to prohibit individuals who are not citizens of the United States from voting in elections in the District of Columbia, with amendments (H. Rept. 118–150).

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**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Moore (UT) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:36 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m.

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**Schools Not Shelters Act:** The House considered H.R. 3941, to prohibit the use of the facilities of a public elementary school, a public secondary school, or an institution of higher education to provide shelter for aliens who have not been admitted into the United States. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, July 19th.

**Pages H3673–80**

Proceedings postponed on the Vasquez motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce.

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Pursuant to the Rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted.

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Agreed to:

Ogles amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–147) that defines short-term as a period of up to 72 hours.

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H. Res. 597, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3935) and (H.R. 3941) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 213 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 332, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 207 nays, Roll No. 331.

**Pages H3650–59**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:05 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m.

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**Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on October 27, 2006:** The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 68, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on October 27, 2006, by a yea-and-nay vote of 27 yeas to 381 nays, Roll No. 333.

**Pages H3659–62, H3681**

**Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 25, 2011:** The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 70, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on February 25, 2011, by a yea-and-nay vote of 30 yeas to 388 nays, Roll No. 334.

**Pages H3662–64, H3682**

**Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on May 16, 2012:** The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 74, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on May 16, 2012, by a yea-and-nay vote of 27 yeas to 393 nays, Roll No. 335.

**Pages H3664–66, H3682–83**

**Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on May 22, 2003:** The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 71, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on May 22, 2003, by a yea-and-nay vote of 26 yeas to 394 nays, Roll No. 336.

**Pages H3666–68, H3683–84**

**Relating to a national emergency declared by the President on May 11, 2004:** The House failed to pass H.J. Res. 79, relating to a national emergency declared by the President on May 11, 2004, by a yea-and-nay vote of 24 yeas to 394 nays, Roll No. 337.

**Pages H3668–70, H3684**

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

**Expressing the sense of Congress supporting the State of Israel:** H. Con. Res. 57, expressing the

sense of Congress supporting the State of Israel, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 412 yeas to 9 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 338.

Pages H3670–73, H3684–85

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, July 19th. Page H3685

**Discharge Petition:** Representative Pressley presented to the clerk a motion to discharge the Committee on the Judiciary from the consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 25) entitled, a joint resolution removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment (Discharge Petition No. 6).

**Senate Referrals:** S. 112 was held at the desk. S. 475 was held at the desk. S. 932 was held at the desk. Page H3681

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H3681.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Seven yeas-and-nays votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3658, H3658–59, H3681, H3682, H3682–83, H3683–84, H3684, and H3684–85.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Appropriations:* Full Committee held a markup on the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies FY 2024 Appropriations Bill. The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies FY 2024 Appropriations Bill was ordered reported, as amended.

### MAN AND MACHINE: ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE ON THE BATTLEFIELD

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Cyber, Information Technologies, and Innovation held a hearing entitled “Man and Machine: Artificial Intelligence on the Battlefield”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### CUTTING CORNERS AT WHD: EXAMINING THE COST TO WORKERS, SMALL BUSINESSES, AND THE ECONOMY

*Committee on Education and Workforce:* Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a hearing entitled “Cutting Corners at WHD: Examining the Cost to Workers, Small Businesses, and the Economy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### AMERICAN NUCLEAR ENERGY EXPANSION: UPDATING POLICIES FOR EFFICIENT, PREDICTABLE LICENSING AND DEPLOYMENT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Energy, Climate, and Grid Security held a hearing entitled “American Nuclear Energy Expansion: Updating Policies for Efficient, Predictable Licensing and Deployment”. Testimony was heard from Daniel H. Dorman, Executive Director for Operations, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission; K. Michael Goff, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Nuclear Energy, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### INNOVATION SAVES LIVES: EVALUATING MEDICARE COVERAGE PATHWAYS FOR INNOVATIVE DRUGS, MEDICAL DEVICES, AND TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Innovation Saves Lives: Evaluating Medicare Coverage Pathways for Innovative Drugs, Medical Devices, and Technology”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### EXAMINING EMERGING THREATS TO ELECTRIC ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Examining Emerging Threats to Electric Energy Infrastructure”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### OVERSIGHT OF THE SEC’S DIVISION OF CORPORATION FINANCE

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Capital Markets held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the SEC’s Division of Corporation Finance”. Testimony was heard from Erik Gerding, Director, Division of Corporation Finance, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

### CLIMATE-RISK: ARE FINANCIAL REGULATORS POLITICALLY INDEPENDENT

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Monetary Policy held a hearing entitled “Climate-Risk: Are Financial Regulators Politically Independent”. Testimony was heard from Michael S. Gibson, Director, Division of Supervision and Regulation, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; Greg Coleman, Senior Deputy Comptroller for Large Bank Supervision, Office of the Comptroller of the Currency; Doreen Eberley, Director, Division of Risk Management and Supervision, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation; Sarah Benatar, Treasurer, Coconino County, Arizona; and

Rendell L. Jones, Deputy Executive Director, National Credit Union Administration.

#### **POTENTIAL CONSEQUENCES OF FINCEN'S BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP RULEMAKING**

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on National Security, Illicit Finance, and International Financial Institutions held a hearing entitled "Potential Consequences of FinCEN's Beneficial Ownership Rulemaking". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **ACHIEVING PEACE THROUGH STRENGTH IN THE INDO-PACIFIC: EXAMINING THE FY24 BUDGET PRIORITIES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Indo-Pacific held a hearing entitled "Achieving Peace through Strength in the Indo-Pacific: Examining the FY24 Budget Priorities". Testimony was heard from Daniel J. Kritenbrink, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs, Department of State; and Michael Ronning, Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator, Asia Bureau, U.S. Agency for International Development.

#### **THE DIRE STATE OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM AROUND THE WORLD**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations held a hearing entitled "The Dire State of Religious Freedom Around the World". Testimony was heard from Abraham Cooper, Chair, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom; Rashad Hussain, Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom, Department of State; and public witnesses.

#### **STABILITY AND SECURITY IN THE WESTERN BALKANS: ASSESSING U.S. POLICY**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Europe held a hearing entitled "Stability and Security in the Western Balkans: Assessing U.S. Policy". Testimony was heard from Gabriel Escobar, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs, Department of State.

#### **GREAT POWER COMPETITION IMPLICATIONS IN AFRICA: THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION AND ITS PROXIES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Africa held a hearing entitled "Great Power Competition Implications in Africa: The Russian Federation and its Proxies". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **STRATEGIC COMPETITION IN THE ARCTIC**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled "Strategic Competition in the Arctic". Testimony was heard from Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in Naval Affairs, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

#### **OPENING THE FLOOD GATES: BIDEN'S BROKEN BORDER BARRIER**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement; and Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Accountability held a joint hearing entitled "Opening the Flood Gates: Biden's Broken Border Barrier". Testimony was heard from Ntina Cooper, Deputy Executive Assistant Commissioner (Acting), Enterprise Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Colonel Jason K. Jefferis, Head of Contracting Activities, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of Defense; Rebecca Gambler, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

#### **HEARING ON COMPLIANCE WITH COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Responsiveness and Accountability to Oversight held a hearing entitled "Hearing on Compliance with Committee Oversight". Testimony was heard from Melanie Egorin, Assistant Secretary for Legislation, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of Health and Human Services; and Naz Durakoglu, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State.

#### **IS THERE A RIGHT TO REPAIR?**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing entitled "Is There a Right to Repair?". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **THE BIDEN'S ADMINISTRATION'S PROPOSED COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2023**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Indo-Pacific Task Force held a hearing entitled "The Biden's Administration's Proposed Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2023". Testimony was heard from Joseph Y. Yun, Special Envoy for Compact Negotiations; Keone Nakoa, Deputy Assistant Secretary—Insular and International Affairs, Department of the Interior; Siddharth Mohandas, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for East Asia, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

**ESA AT 50: THE DESTRUCTIVE COST OF THE ESA**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries held a hearing entitled “Oversight Hearing on “ESA at 50: The Destructive Cost of the ESA”. Testimony was heard from Janet Coit, Deputy Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; Martha Williams, Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

**CANCELLING CONSUMER CHOICE: EXAMINING THE BIDEN ADMINISTRATION’S REGULATORY ASSAULT ON AMERICANS’ HOME APPLIANCES**

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Energy Policy, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing entitled “Canceling Consumer Choice: Examining the Biden Administration’s Regulatory Assault on Americans’ Home Appliances”. Testimony was heard from Geraldine Richmond, Under Secretary for Science and Innovation, Department of Energy.

**WHY EXPANDING MEDICAID TO DACA RECIPIENTS WILL EXACERBATE THE BORDER CRISIS**

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services held a hearing entitled “Why Expanding Medicaid to DACA Recipients Will Exacerbate the Border Crisis”. Testimony was heard from Ellen Montz, Deputy Administrator and Director, Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4667, the “RECLAIM Taxpayer Funds Act”; H.R. 4666, a bill to require the SBA OIG to submit quarterly reports on PPP/EIDL fraud; H.R. 3995, the “Small Business Regulatory Reduction Act”; H.R. 4669, the “DOE and SBA Research Act”; H.R. 4668, the “POST IT Act”; and H.R. 4671, the “Corrective Action Report Oversight and Accountability Act”. H.R. 3995, H.R. 4671 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 4667, H.R. 4666, H.R. 4668, H.R. 4669 were ordered reported, without amendment.

**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a markup on H.R. 3520, the “Veteran Care Improvement Act of 2023”; H.R. 3581, the

“COPE Act”; H.R. 1278, the “DRIVE Act”; H.R. 1639, the “VA Zero Suicide Demonstration Act of 2023”; H.R. 1774, the “VA Emergency Transportation Act”; H.R. 1815, the “Expanding Veterans’ Options for Long Term Care Act”; H.R. 2683, the “VA Flood Preparedness Act”; H.R. 2768, the “PFC Joseph P. Dwyer Peer Support Program Act”; and H.R. 2818, the “Autonomy for Disabled Veterans Act”. H.R. 1278, H.R. 1639, H.R. 2683, H.R. 2768, and H.R. 3581 were forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment. H.R. 3520, H.R. 1815, H.R. 1774, and H.R. 2818 were forwarded to the full Committee, as amended.

**LEGISLATIVE MEASURES**

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 705, the “Veterans 2nd Amendment Protection Act”; and legislation on the Ernest Peltz Accrued Veterans Benefits Act. Testimony was heard from Ron Burke, Deputy Under Secretary, Policy and Oversight, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; Dave Barrans, Chief Counsel, Benefits Law Group, Office of General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

**PEOPLE’S REPUBLIC OF CHINA (PRC) THREATS TO THE HOMELAND**

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “People’s Republic of China (PRC) Threats to the Homeland”. This hearing was closed.

## *Joint Meetings*

**RUSSIA’S ALPINE ASSETS**

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Commission concluded a hearing to examine Russia’s alpine assets, focusing on money laundering and sanctions evasion in Switzerland, after receiving testimony from Bill Browder, Global Magnitsky Justice Campaign; Drew Sullivan, Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project; and Olena Tregub, Independent Defense Anti-Corruption Committee.

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**NEW PUBLIC LAWS**

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D678)

S. 30, to authorize major medical facility projects for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2023. Signed on July 18, 2023. (Public Law 118–8)

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY,  
JULY 19, 2023**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Subcommittee on Rural Development and Energy, to hold hearings to examine rural water, focusing on modernizing our community water systems, 3 p.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine the FY 2024 budget for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2:45 p.m., SD-124.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold an oversight hearing to examine of the Bureau of Reclamation, including S. 461, to make certain irrigation districts eligible for Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program pumping power, S. 482, to amend the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to provide the Secretary of the Interior with certain authorities with respect to projects affecting the Klamath Basin watershed, S. 739, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, S. 1118, to establish the Open Access Evapotranspiration (OpenET) Data Program, S. 1215, to require assessments of opportunities to install and maintain floating photovoltaic solar panels at Bureau of Reclamation and Corps of Engineers projects, S. 1521, to amend the Federal Power Act to modernize and improve the licensing of non-Federal hydropower projects, S. 1662, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Midvale Irrigation District the Pilot Butte Power Plant in the State of Wyoming, S. 1955, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to authorize expenditures for the conduct of certain water conservation measures in the Great Salt Lake basin, S. 2102, to provide for drought preparedness and improved water supply reliability, S. 2160, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize certain extraordinary operation and maintenance work for urban canals of concern, S. 2161, to provide financial assistance for projects to address certain subsidence impacts in the State of California, S. 2162, to support water infrastructure in Reclamation States, S. 2166, to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 and the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to provide grants to States and Indian Tribes for programs to voluntarily repurpose agricultural land to reduce consumptive water use, S. 2169, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out watershed pilots, S. 2202, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize the modification of transferred works to increase public benefits and other project benefits as part of extraordinary operation and maintenance work, and S. 2247, to reauthorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost-shared funding to implement the endangered and threatened fish recovery programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 1253, to increase the number of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Customs

and Border Protection officers and support staff and to require reports that identify staffing, infrastructure, and equipment needed to enhance security at ports of entry, S. 1444, to increase the pay and enhance the training of United States Border Patrol agents, S. 2251, to improve the cybersecurity of the Federal Government, S. 2291, to establish the Northern Border Coordination Center, S. 2289, to direct the Director of the Information Security Oversight Office to assess foreign influence in the National Industrial Security Program and to develop a single, integrated strategy to better identify and mitigate such foreign influence, S. 2278, to establish Image Adjudicator and Supervisory Image Adjudicator positions in the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations, S. 2248, to require a pilot program on the use of big data analytics to identify vessels evading sanctions and export controls and to require a report on the availability in the United States of emerging and foundational technologies subject to export controls, S. 2272, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for special base rates of pay for wildland firefighters, S. 1332, to require the Office of Management and Budget to revise the Standard Occupational Classification system to establish a separate code for direct support professionals, S. 2219, to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to expand access to breastfeeding accommodations in the workplace, S. 2292, to improve the transparency of purchases by the Federal Government of data or information that can be used to identify an individual, S. 2286, to improve the effectiveness and performance of certain Federal financial assistance programs, S. 1524, to ensure that whistleblowers, including contractors, are protected from retaliation when a Federal employee orders a reprisal, S. 2283, to prohibit the procurement of certain items containing perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) or perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and prioritize the procurement of products not containing PFAS, S. 2270, to establish and maintain a database within each agency for executive branch ethics records of noncareer appointees, S. 2293, to establish the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers Council, Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers, and Artificial Intelligence Governance Boards, S. 2073, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements in annual budget justifications, S. 2032, to require the reduction of the reliance and expenditures of the Federal Government on legacy information technology systems, S. 1973, to require the purchase of domestically made flags of the United States of America for use by the Federal Government, S. 2256, to authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish an apprenticeship program and to establish a pilot program on cybersecurity training for veterans and members of the Armed Forces transitioning to civilian life, S. 2260, to require transparency in notices of funding opportunity, and the nomination of Fara Damelin, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Communications Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* business meeting to consider S. 195, to provide compensation to the Keweenaw

Bay Indian Community for the taking without just compensation of land by the United States inside the exterior boundaries of the L'Anse Indian Reservation that were guaranteed to the Community under a treaty signed in 1854, S. 382, to take certain land in the State of Washington into trust for the benefit of the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation, S. 910, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, S. 1286, to amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering activities of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, S. 1322, to amend the Act of August 9, 1955, to modify the authorized purposes and term period of tribal leases, S. 1987, to provide for the settlement of the water rights claims of the Fort Belknap Indian Community, S. 2273, to amend the Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act, S. 2285, to reauthorize the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 2088, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to complete all actions necessary for certain land to be held in restricted fee status by the Oglala Sioux Tribe and Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

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## House

*Committee on Appropriations,* Full Committee, markup on the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies FY 2024 Appropriations Bill, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled "Admissions, Curriculum, and Diversity of Thought at the Military Service Academies", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 824, the "Telehealth Benefit Expansion for Workers Act of 2023"; H.R. 3226, the "Prematurity Research Expansion and Education for Mothers who deliver Infants Early (PREEMIE) Reauthorization Act of 2023"; H.R. 3838, the "Preventing Maternal Deaths Reauthorization Act of 2023"; H.R. 3843, the "Action for Dental Health Act of 2023"; H.R. 3884, the "Sickle Cell Disease and Other Heritable Blood Disorders Research, Registry Reauthorization Act of 2023"; H.R. 3391, the "Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act 2.0"; H.R. 3836, the "Medicaid Primary Care Improvement Act"; H.R. 4531, the "Support for Patients and Communities Reauthorization Act"; H.R. 4529, the "Public Health Guidance Transparency and Accountability Act of 2023"; H.R. 4381, the "Public Health Emergency Congressional



Review Act”; H.R. 3813, the “CDC Leadership Accountability Act of 2023”; H.R. 4421, the “Preparing for All Hazards and Pathogens Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 4420, the “Preparedness and Response Reauthorization Act”; and H.R. 3887, the “Children’s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2023”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Biden and Mayorkas’ Open Border: Advancing Cartel Crime in America”, 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “Oversight of the U.S. Capitol Police Office of Inspector General”, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1631, the “Protecting and Enhancing Public Access to Codes Act”; H.R. 4250, the “Protect Reporters from Exploitative State Spying (PRESS) Act”; and H.R. 4639, the “Fourth Amendment Is Not For Sale Act”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1607, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, and for other purposes; H.R. 2839, to amend the Siletz Reservation Act to address the hunting, fishing, trapping, and animal gathering rights of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4374, the “Energy Opportunities for All Act”, 9:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Hearing with IRS Whistleblowers About the Biden Criminal Investigation”, 1 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Members’ Day Hearing: House Committee on Science, Space, and Technology”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Regulations, hearing entitled “Burdensome Red Tape: Overregulation in Health Care and the Impact on Small Businesses”, 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, markup on H.R. 3848, the “HOME Act of 2023”; H.R. 3874, the “Veterans Education Assistance Improvement Act”; H.R. 3898, the “Transcript Assurance for Heroes Act”; H.R. 3900, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish certain rights for spouses of members of the uniformed services; H.R. 3933, the “TAP Promotion Act”; H.R. 3943, the “ Servicemember Employment Protection Act of 2023”; and H.R. 3981, the “Veterans Education Oversight Expansion Act”, 9 a.m., 360 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, markup on H.R. 592, the “Department of Veterans Affairs Electronic Health Record Modernization Improvement Act”; H.R. 608, to terminate the Electronic Health Record Modernization Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs; H.R. 1659, the “Department of Veterans Affairs IT Modernization Improvement Act”; H.R. 2499, the “VA Supply Chain Management System Authorization Act”; H.R. 4278, the “Restore Department of

Veterans Affairs Accountability Act”; H.R. 196, the “Expediting Temporary Ratings for Veterans Act”; H.R. 4461, the “Modernizing Department of Veteran Affairs Disability Benefit Questionnaires Act”; H.R. 3504, the “VA Medical Center Security Report Act”; H.R. 2733, the “Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Inspector General Training Act”; and H.R. 4225, the “VA Acquisition Review Board Act”, 2 p.m., 360 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Tax, hearing entitled “Biden’s Global Tax Surrender Harms American Workers and Our Economy”, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 19 through July 21, 2023

### Senate Chamber

On *Wednesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 2226, National Defense Authorization Act, post-cloture.

At 11 a.m., His Excellency Isaac Herzog, President of Israel, will address a Joint Meeting of Congress in the Hall of the House of Representatives. Senators should gather in the Senate Chamber at 10:20 a.m. and will proceed as a body to the House Chamber at 10:30 a.m.

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*: July 19, Subcommittee on Rural Development and Energy, to hold hearings to examine rural water, focusing on modernizing our community water systems, 3 p.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations*: July 19, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, to hold hearings to examine the FY 2024 budget for the Securities and Exchange Commission, 2:45 p.m., SD-124.

July 20, Full Committee, business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, “Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act”, an original bill entitled, “State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act”, and an original bill entitled, “Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act”, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Armed Services*: July 20, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Lieutenant General Timothy D. Haugh, USAF, to be general and Director, National Security Agency/Chief, Central Security Service Commander, United States Cyber Command, 9 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: July 20, to hold hearings to examine perspectives on deposit insurance reform after recent bank failures, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* July 20, Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change, and Manufacturing, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration budget, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* July 19, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold an oversight hearing to examine of the Bureau of Reclamation, including S. 461, to make certain irrigation districts eligible for Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program pumping power, S. 482, to amend the Klamath Basin Water Supply Enhancement Act of 2000 to provide the Secretary of the Interior with certain authorities with respect to projects affecting the Klamath Basin watershed, S. 739, to clarify jurisdiction with respect to certain Bureau of Reclamation pumped storage development, S. 1118, to establish the Open Access Evapotranspiration (OpenET) Data Program, S. 1215, to require assessments of opportunities to install and maintain floating photovoltaic solar panels at Bureau of Reclamation and Corps of Engineers projects, S. 1521, to amend the Federal Power Act to modernize and improve the licensing of non-Federal hydropower projects, S. 1662, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Midvale Irrigation District the Pilot Butte Power Plant in the State of Wyoming, S. 1955, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act to authorize expenditures for the conduct of certain water conservation measures in the Great Salt Lake basin, S. 2102, to provide for drought preparedness and improved water supply reliability, S. 2160, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize certain extraordinary operation and maintenance work for urban canals of concern, S. 2161, to provide financial assistance for projects to address certain subsidence impacts in the State of California, S. 2162, to support water infrastructure in Reclamation States, S. 2166, to amend the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991 and the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to provide grants to States and Indian Tribes for programs to voluntarily repurpose agricultural land to reduce consumptive water use, S. 2169, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to carry out watershed pilots, S. 2202, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize the modification of transferred works to increase public benefits and other project benefits as part of extraordinary operation and maintenance work, and S. 2247, to reauthorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost-shared funding to implement the endangered and threatened fish recovery programs for the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* July 20, to hold hearings to examine the Water Resources Development Act, focusing on non-Federal stakeholder views, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* July 20, Subcommittee on Health Care, to hold hearings to examine the urgent need to reform the U.S. transplant system, focusing on the cost of inaction, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* July 20, business meeting to consider S. 2333, to reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act

with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, and other pending calendar business, 10:30 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* July 19, business meeting to consider S. 1253, to increase the number of U.S. Customs and Border Protection Customs and Border Protection officers and support staff and to require reports that identify staffing, infrastructure, and equipment needed to enhance security at ports of entry, S. 1444, to increase the pay and enhance the training of United States Border Patrol agents, S. 2251, to improve the cybersecurity of the Federal Government, S. 2291, to establish the Northern Border Coordination Center, S. 2289, to direct the Director of the Information Security Oversight Office to assess foreign influence in the National Industrial Security Program and to develop a single, integrated strategy to better identify and mitigate such foreign influence, S. 2278, to establish Image Adjudicator and Supervisory Image Adjudicator positions in the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Office of Field Operations, S. 2248, to require a pilot program on the use of big data analytics to identify vessels evading sanctions and export controls and to require a report on the availability in the United States of emerging and foundational technologies subject to export controls, S. 2272, to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide for special base rates of pay for wildland firefighters, S. 1332, to require the Office of Management and Budget to revise the Standard Occupational Classification system to establish a separate code for direct support professionals, S. 2219, to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to expand access to breastfeeding accommodations in the workplace, S. 2292, to improve the transparency of purchases by the Federal Government of data or information that can be used to identify an individual, S. 2286, to improve the effectiveness and performance of certain Federal financial assistance programs, S. 1524, to ensure that whistleblowers, including contractors, are protected from retaliation when a Federal employee orders a reprisal, S. 2283, to prohibit the procurement of certain items containing perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) or perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and prioritize the procurement of products not containing PFAS, S. 2270, to establish and maintain a database within each agency for executive branch ethics records of noncareer appointees, S. 2293, to establish the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers Council, Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers, and Artificial Intelligence Governance Boards, S. 2073, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements in annual budget justifications, S. 2032, to require the reduction of the reliance and expenditures of the Federal Government on legacy information technology systems, S. 1973, to require the purchase of domestically made flags of the United States of America for use by the Federal Government, S. 2256, to authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish an apprenticeship program and to establish a pilot program on cybersecurity training for veterans and members of the Armed Forces

transitioning to civilian life, S. 2260, to require transparency in notices of funding opportunity, and the nomination of Fara Damelin, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Federal Communications Commission, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

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*Committee on the Judiciary:* July 19, Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine trends in vertical merger enforcement, 2:45 p.m., SD-226.

July 20, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 359, to amend title 28, United States Code, to provide for a code of conduct for justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, and the nomination of Julia Kathleen Munley, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

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*Select Committee on Intelligence:* July 19, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* July 20, to hold hearings to examine housing accessibility and affordability for older adults and people with disabilities, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

### House Committees

*Committee on the Judiciary,* July 20, Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government, hearing entitled "Hearing on the Weaponization of the Federal Government", 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* July 20, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on legislation on Military and

Veterans in Parks (MVP) Act; H.R. 1786, the “GROW Act”; H.R. 1829, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey the Pleasant Valley Ranger District Administrative Site to Gila County, Arizona; and H.R. 2468, the “Mountain View Corridor Completion Act”, 9 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, July 20, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations; and Subcommittee on

Technology Modernization, joint hearing entitled “VA Contracting: Challenges in Competition and Conflicts of Interest”, 9:30 a.m., 360 Cannon.

*Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party*, July 20, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Biden Administration’s PRC Strategy”, 8 a.m., 390 Cannon.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

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*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

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