

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed H.R. 9468, Veterans Benefits Continuity and Accountability Supplemental Appropriations Act.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S6191–S6322*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirty-one bills and seven resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 5103–5133, S.J. Res. 110, and S. Res. 830–835.

**Pages S6210–11**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 4716, to amend section 7504 of title 31, United States Code, to improve the single audit requirements, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. (S. Rept. No. 118–226)

**Page S6210**

#### Measures Passed:

***Veterans Benefits Continuity and Accountability Supplemental Appropriations Act:*** Senate passed H.R. 9468, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Pages S6192–99**

#### Rejected:

By 47 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 247), Paul Amendment No. 3289, to rescind funds from the Department of Energy loan programs office. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.)

**Pages S6198–99**

***Purdue University Engineering 150th Anniversary:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 830, recognizing the 150th anniversary of Purdue University Engineering.

**Pages S6203–04**

***Purple Martin Conservation Day:*** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 803, recognizing the importance of purple martins to United States ecosystems, tourism, and history by designating August 10, 2024, as “Purple Martin Conservation Day”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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***End Tuberculosis Now Act:*** Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. 288, to prevent, treat, and cure tuberculosis globally, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Page S6318**

Murray (for Cardin) Amendment No. 3291, in the nature of a substitute.

**Pages S6315–17**

***DHS Joint Task Forces Reauthorization Act:*** Senate passed S. 4698, to authorize the Joint Task Forces of the Department of Homeland Security, after withdrawing the committee amendment, and agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

**Page S6318**

Murray (for Peters) Amendment No. 3292, in the nature of a substitute.

**Pages S6317–18**

#### Measures Considered:

**Corporal Michael D. Anderson Jr. Post Office Building—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 1555, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2300 Sylvan Avenue in Modesto, California, as the “Corporal Michael D. Anderson Jr. Post Office Building”.

**Pages S6202–03**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, 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 Michael Sfraga, of Alaska, to be Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs.

**Pages S6202–03**

Prior to the consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, Senate took the following action:

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session.

**Pages S6202–03**

**Ensuring Nationwide Access to a Better Life Experience Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent



agreement was reached providing that if Senate receives H.R. 9614, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make certain provisions with respect to qualified ABLE programs permanent, from the House of Representatives, the text of which is identical to S. 4539, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make certain provisions with respect to qualified ABLE programs permanent, Senate proceed to its immediate consideration, and the bill be passed. **Pages S6319**

**Tennessee Valley Authority Salary Transparency Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4693, to provide that the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995 does not apply to certain reports required to be submitted by the Tennessee Valley Authority, and the bill be referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works. **Page S6319**

**Jenkins Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Rose E. Jenkins, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court. **Page S6191**

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

By 76 yeas to 15 nays (Vote No. 248), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6204**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, September 23, 2024; and that all post-cloture time be considered expired at 5:30 p.m. **Page S6204**

**Sfraga Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Michael Sfraga, of Alaska, to be Ambassador at Large for Arctic Affairs. **Page S6202**

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 Rose E. Jenkins, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court. **Page S6204**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S6202**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S6202**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S6318**

**Privileges of the Floor:** **Page S6318**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—248) **Pages S6199, S6204**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 3:53 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, September 23, 2024. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6322.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### COAST GUARD DRUG INTERDICTION

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Fisheries, Climate Change, and Manufacturing concluded a hearing to examine Coast Guard drug interdiction and enforcement in the maritime environment, including actions needed to address persistent challenges hindering efforts to counter illicit maritime drug smuggling, after receiving testimony from Admiral Kevin E. Lunday, Vice Commandant, Rear Admiral Jo-Ann Burdian, Director, Joint Interagency Task Force South, and Rear Admiral Bob Little, Director, Joint Interagency Task Force West, all of the Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; and Heather MacLeod, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office.

### FUSION ENERGY TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine fusion energy technology development and commercialization efforts, after receiving testimony from Jean Paul Allain, Associate Director for Fusion Energy Sciences, Office of Science, Department of Energy; Jackie Siebens, Helion Energy, Everett, Washington; and Patrick White, Nuclear Innovation Alliance, Brewster, Massachusetts.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John W. McIntyre, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Jeremy Neitzke, of Illinois, to be



Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Abigail L. Dressel, of Connecticut, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe, who was introduced by Senator Murphy, James Holtsnider, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, Brian K. Stimmler, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the Kyrgyz Republic, Amanda S. Jacobsen, of Washington, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Equatorial Guinea, Keith D. Hanigan, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Solomon Islands, Kali C. Jones, of Louisiana, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Benin, Stephanie A. Miley, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of The Gambia, and Christophe Andre Tocco, of California, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Mauritania, all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### BUSINESS MEETING

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

An original resolution directing the Senate Legal Counsel to bring a civil action to enforce a subpoena of the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate; and

An original resolution authorizing the President of the Senate to certify the report of the Committee on

Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate regarding the refusal of Dr. Ralph de la Torre to appear and testify before the Committee.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Byron B. Conway, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Wisconsin, Jonathan E. Hawley, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Illinois, April M. Perry, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, Gail A. Weilheimer, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, and Joseph R. Adams, to be United States Marshal for the Northern District of West Virginia, and David L. Lemmon II, to be United States Marshal for the Southern District of West Virginia, both of the Department of Justice.

### FIGHTING FRAUD

*Special Committee on Aging:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine how scammers are stealing from older adults, focusing on fighting fraud, after receiving testimony from Susan Whittaker, Lehigh County Aging and Adult Services, Allentown, Pennsylvania; Scott Pirrello, San Diego District Attorney's Office, San Diego, California; Kathy Stokes, AARP Fraud Watch Network, Washington, D.C.; and Nancy Gilmer Moore, Indiana Association of Area Agencies on Aging, Indianapolis.

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## House of Representatives

### Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 41 public bills, H.R. 9673–9713; and 12 resolutions, H.J. Res. 205–206; and H. Res. 1469–1478, were introduced.

**Pages H5522–24**

**Additional Cosponsors:**

**Pages H5526–27**

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

H.R. 5526, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to clarify the application of the in-office ancillary services exception to the physician self-referral prohibition for drugs furnished under the Medicare program, with amendments (H. Rept. 118–691, Part 1);

H.R. 6319, to require the Director of the Office of Management and Budget to review and make certain revisions to the Standard Occupational Classi-

fication System, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–692);

H.R. 2941, to require the Office of Management and Budget to revise the Standard Occupational Classification system to establish a separate code for direct support professionals, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–693); and

H.R. 2574, to require the Secretary of Labor to revise the Standard Occupational Classification System to accurately count the number of emergency medical services practitioners in the United States, with an amendment (H. Rept. 118–694). **Page H5522**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Maloy to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H5451**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:36 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H5461**



**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:45 p.m. and reconvened at 3:40 p.m. **Page H5495**

**Accreditation for College Excellence Act:** The House passed H.R. 3724, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to prohibit recognized accrediting agencies and associations from requiring, encouraging, or coercing institutions of higher education to meet any political litmus test or violate any right protected by the Constitution as a condition of accreditation, by a yea-and-nay vote of 213 yeas to 201 nays, Roll No. 433. **Pages H5495–96**

Rejected the Bonamici motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Education and the Workforce by a yea-and-nay vote of 195 yeas to 203 nays, Roll No. 432. **Page H5495**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 118–49 shall be considered as adopted in the House and in the Committee of the Whole, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill. **Pages H5471–74**

Agreed to:

Molinaro amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 118–685) that adds “religion” to the definition of political test in the bill; **Pages H5474–75**

Ogles amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 118–685) that expresses the sense of Congress that acts of violence committed on the campus of an institution of higher education are not protected under the First Amendment to the Constitution; and **Pages H5475–76**

Ogles amendment (No. 3 printed in part A of H. Rept. 118–685) that specifies that the prohibition on discrimination by public universities against religious student organizations based on their leadership standards includes leadership standards regarding religious identity, belief, or practice. **Page H5476**

H. Res. 1455, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3724), (H.R. 4790), (H.R. 5179), (H.R. 5339), (H.R. 5717), and (H.R. 7909) and the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 136) was agreed to yesterday, September 18th.

**Guiding Uniform and Responsible Disclosure Requirements and Information Limits Act:** The House passed H.R. 4790, to amend the Federal securities laws with respect to the materiality of disclosure requirements, to establish the Public Company Advisory Committee, by a yea-and-nay vote of 215 yeas to 203 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 435. **Page H5497**

Rejected the Casten motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Financial Services by a yea-and-nay vote of 206 yeas to 211 nays, Roll No. 434. **Pages H5496–97**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 118–48, modified by the amendment printed in part B of H. Rept. 118–685, shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill. **Pages H5477–95**

H. Res. 1455, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3724), (H.R. 4790), (H.R. 5179), (H.R. 5339), (H.R. 5717), and (H.R. 7909) and the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 136) was agreed to yesterday, September 18th.

**No Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act:** The House considered H.R. 5717, to provide that sanctuary jurisdictions that provide benefits to aliens who are present in the United States without lawful status under the immigration laws are ineligible for Federal funds intended to benefit such aliens. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, September 20th. **Page H5498**

Agreed to:

Ogles amendment (No. 1 printed in part A of H. Rept. 118–685) that shortens the time frame referenced in Section 3 to a maximum of 60 days; and **Page H5503**

Ogles amendment (No. 2 printed in part A of H. Rept. 118–685) that requires the Secretary of Homeland Security to report annually to Congress to identify jurisdictions that fail to comply with a request lawfully made by the Department of Homeland Security under section 236 or 287 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1226 and 1357) to comply with a detainer for, or notify about the release of, an individual. **Pages H5504–05**

H. Res. 1455, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 3724), (H.R. 4790), (H.R. 5179), (H.R. 5339), (H.R. 5717), and (H.R. 7909) and the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 136) was agreed to yesterday, September 18th.

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

**Enhanced Presidential Security Act of 2024:** H.R. 9106, amended, to direct the Director of the United States Secret Service to apply the same standards for determining the number of agents required to protect Presidents, Vice Presidents, and major Presidential and Vice Presidential candidates. **Pages H5505–5**



**Senate Referrals:** S. 1871 was held at the desk. S. 3187 was held at the desk. **Page H5498**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page 5520.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5495, H5495–96, H6496–97 and H5497.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

## *Committee Meetings*

### **OVERSIGHT OF EXTREMISM POLICIES IN THE ARMY**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Extremism Policies in the Army”. Testimony was heard from Agnes Schaefer, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Manpower and Reserve Affairs, Department of the Army; and Lieutenant General Patrick Matlock, Deputy Chief of Staff, G-3/5/7, Department of the Army.

### **THE COST OF THE BIDEN-HARRIS ENERGY CRISIS**

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The Cost of the Biden-Harris Energy Crisis”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **HOLDING THE BIDEN-HARRIS ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY ACCOUNTABLE FOR RADICAL RUSH-TO-GREEN SPENDING**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Environment, Manufacturing, and Critical Materials held a hearing entitled “Holding the Biden-Harris EPA Accountable for Radical Rush-to-Green Spending”. Testimony was heard from Sean W. O'Donnell, Inspector General, Environmental Protection Agency.

### **FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION PRACTICES: A DISCUSSION ON PAST VERSUS PRESENT**

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Innovation, Data, and Commerce held a hearing entitled “Federal Trade Commission Practices: A Discussion on Past Versus Present”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST AT A CROSSROADS: HOW TEHRAN'S TERROR CAMPAIGN THREATENS THE U.S. AND OUR ALLIES**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Central Asia held a

hearing entitled “Israel and the Middle East at a Crossroads: How Tehran's Terror Campaign Threatens the U.S. and our Allies”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MONEY IS POLICY, PART II: ANALYZING SELECT STATE DEPARTMENT GRANT AWARDS**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Accountability held a hearing entitled “Money Is Policy, Part II: Analyzing Select State Department Grant Awards”. Testimony was heard from Julieta Valls Noyes, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration, Department of State; Cindy Dyer, Ambassador-at-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State; and Rashad Hussain, Ambassador-at-Large, Office of International Religious Freedom, Department of State.

### **BEYOND THE BORDER: TERRORISM AND HOMELAND SECURITY CONSEQUENCES OF ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence; and Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement held a joint hearing entitled “Beyond the Border: Terrorism and Homeland Security Consequences of Illegal Immigration”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a markup on Ratification of Subcommittee Assignments; H.J. Res. 144, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice, relating to “Definition of ‘Engaged in the Business’ as a Dealer in Firearms”; H.R. 115, the “Midnight Rules Relief Act of 2023”; H.R. 358, the “Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Improvements Act”; H.R. 8205, the “Keeping Violent Offenders Off Our Streets Act”; H.R. 8666, to amend title 28, United States Code, to authorize holding court for the Central Division of Utah in Moab and Monticello; H.R. 7177, to amend title 28, United States Code, to consolidate certain divisions in the Northern District of Alabama; H.R. 9605, the “No Censors on our Shores Act”; and H.R. 8419, the “American Victims of Terrorism Compensation Act”. Ratification of Subcommittee Assignments passed. H.R. 8666, H.R. 7177, and H.J. Res. 144 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 8205, H.R. 115, H.R. 9605, H.R. 358, and H.R. 8419 were ordered reported, as amended.



**MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3283, the “Facilitating DIGITAL Applications Act”; H.R. 4235, the “Wildfire Technology DEMO Act”; H.R. 5103, the “FISHES Act”; H.R. 6012, the “Fire Safe Electrical Corridors Act of 2023”; H.R. 6085, to prohibit the implementation of the Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement for the Rock Springs RMP Revision, Wyoming; H.R. 6107, the “Urban Canal Modernization Act”; H.R. 6547, the “Colorado Energy Prosperity Act”; H.R. 6826, to designate the visitor and education center at Fort McHenry National Monument and Historic Shrine as the Paul S. Sarbanes Visitor and Education Center; H.R. 6843, to expand the boundaries of the Atchafalaya National Heritage Area to include Lafourche Parish, Louisiana; H.R. 7332, the “Utah State Parks Adjustment Act”; H.R. 8219, the “Lahaina National Heritage Area Act”; H.R. 8413, the “Swanson and Hugh Butler Reservoirs Land Conveyances Act”; H.R. 8704, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish a grant program to foster enhanced coexistence between ocean users and North Atlantic right whales and other large cetacean species; H.R. 8811, the “America’s Conservation Enhancement Reauthorization Act of 2024”; H.R. 9533, the “ESA Amendments Act of 2024”; and S. 612, the “Lake Tahoe Restoration Reauthorization Act”. H.R. 9533, H.R. 8704, H.R. 6085, H.R. 6547, H.R. 3283, H.R. 4235, H.R. 5103, H.R. 6012, H.R. 6107, H.R. 7332, H.R. 8219, and H.R. 8811 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 6826, H.R. 6843, H.R. 8413, and S. 612 were ordered reported, without amendment.

**A LEGACY OF INCOMPETENCE:  
CONSEQUENCES OF THE BIDEN-HARRIS  
ADMINISTRATION’S POLICY FAILURES**

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Legacy of Incompetence: Consequences of the Biden-Harris Administration’s Policy Failures”. Testimony was heard from Brendan Carr, Commissioner, Federal Communications Commission; and public witnesses.

**MEMBER DAY HEARING ON PROPOSED  
RULES CHANGES FOR THE 119TH  
CONGRESS**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Member Day Hearing on Proposed Rules Changes for the 119th Congress”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Foxx, and Representatives Griffith, Kilmer, Hageman, Pettersen, Cleaver, Foster, Yakym, Castro of Texas, and Ogles.

**NAVIGATING THE BLUE FRONTIER:  
EVALUATING THE POTENTIAL OF MARINE  
CARBON DIOXIDE REMOVAL APPROACHES**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment; and Subcommittee on Energy held a joint hearing entitled “Navigating the Blue Frontier: Evaluating the Potential of Marine Carbon Dioxide Removal Approaches”. Testimony was heard from Noah Deich, Senior Advisor, Office of Fossil Energy and Carbon Management, Department of Energy; Sarah Kapnick, Chief Scientist, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

**VA’S OPEN CASH REGISTER: FRAUD,  
WASTE, ABUSE AND REVENUE  
OPERATIONS**

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled “VA’s Open Cash Register: Fraud, Waste, Abuse and Revenue Operations”. Testimony was heard from Kurt DelBene, Assistant Secretary for Information and Technology and Chief Information Officer, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Jennifer McDonald, Director, Community Care Division, Office of Inspector General, Department of Veterans Affairs.

**HOW THE CHINESE COMMUNIST PARTY  
USES THE LAW TO SILENCE CRITICS AND  
ENFORCE ITS RULE**

*Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “How the CCP Uses the Law to Silence Critics and Enforce its Rule”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

*Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,  
SEPTEMBER 20, 2024**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

**Senate**

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

**House**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Maduro Stole the Elections Again: The Response to Fraud in Venezuela”, 11 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means,* Subcommittee on Trade, hearing entitled “Protecting American Innovation by Establishing and Enforcing Strong Digital Trade Rules”, 9 a.m., 1100 Longworth.



*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

3 p.m., Monday, September 23

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Friday, September 20

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Monday:** Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Rose E. Jenkins, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 5:30 p.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Friday:** Complete consideration of H.R. 5717—No Bailout for Sanctuary Cities Act.

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