

*Tuesday, July 15, 2025*

# *Daily Digest*

## *Senate*

### *Chamber Action*

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4345–S4380*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2274–2296, and S. Res. 321–322. **Pages S4368–69**

**Measures Reported:**

S. 2296, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2026 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. (S. Rept. No. 119–39) **Page S4368**

**Measures Passed:**

**National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 322, expressing support for the designation of the month of June 2025 as “National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Month” and June 27, 2025, as “National Post-Traumatic Stress Awareness Day”. **Page S4373**

**VA Home Loan Program Reform Act:** Committee on Veterans’ Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1815, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to take certain actions in the case of a default on a home loan guaranteed by the Secretary, and the bill was then passed. **Pages S4373–74**

**Measures Considered:**

**Rescissions Act—Agreement:** Senate began consideration of H.R. 4, to rescind certain budget authority proposed to be rescinded in special messages transmitted to the Congress by the President on June 3, 2025, in accordance with section 1012(a) of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, after agreeing to the motion to proceed, and taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S4358–65**

Pending:

Thune (for Schmitt) Amendment No. 2853, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4365**

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

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. 391), Senate agreed to the motion to discharge the Committees on Appropriations and on the Budget of further consideration of the bill in accordance with Title 10 of the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974. **Page S4364**

By 51 yeas to 50 nays, Vice President voting yea (Vote No. 392), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S4364**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, July 16, 2025; and that the debate time be equally divided between the two Leaders, or their designees, and that all debate time be expired at 1:30 p.m., on Wednesday, July 16, 2025. **Page S4374**

**Message from the President:** Senate received the following message from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report of the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 14078 of July 19, 2022, with respect to hostage-taking and the wrongful detention of United States nationals abroad; which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. (PM–32) **Pages S4366–67**

**Divine Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Joshua M. Divine, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri. **Page S4357**

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 on Thursday, July 17, 2025. **Page S4357**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S4357**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4357**

**Stevens Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Cristian M. Stevens,

of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri. [Page S4357](#)

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 Joshua M. Divine, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Missouri. [Page S4357](#)

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. [Page S4357](#)

**Lukas Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Aaron Lukas, of Arkansas, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence. [Page S4357](#)

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 Cristian M. Stevens, of Missouri, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Missouri. [Page S4357](#)

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. [Page S4357](#)

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**Hansell Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Bradley Hansell, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security. [Page S4357](#)

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 Aaron Lukas, of Arkansas, to be Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence. [Page S4357](#)

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**Roth Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Arielle Roth, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information. [Page S4358](#)

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 Bradley Hansell, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence and Security. [Page S4358](#)

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. [Page S4357](#)

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. [Page S4358](#)

**Hurley Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of John Hurley, of California, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes. [Page S4358](#)

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 Arielle Roth, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information. [Page S4358](#)

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. [Page S4358](#)

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. [Page S4358](#)

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

By 69 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. EX. 386), Luke Pettit, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. [Pages S4345–51, S4380](#)

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 388), Anthony Tata, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness. [Pages S4351–52, S4380](#)

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

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 387), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. [Page S4351](#)

By 52 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. EX. 390), Joseph Edlow, of Maryland, to be Director of United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security. [Pages S4352–57, S4380](#)

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

By 50 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 389), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. [Page S4352](#)

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Joshua D. Dunlap, of Maine, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit.

William W. Mercer, of Montana, to be United States District Judge for the District of Montana.

Eric Chunyee Tung, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

43 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

8 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of colonel.

3 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

1 Space Force nomination in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: Seven record votes were taken today. (Total—392)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:00 a.m. and adjourned at 10:45 p.m., until 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 16, 2025. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4374.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

## DIGITAL COMMODITIES

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine stakeholder perspectives on Federal oversight of digital commodities, after receiving testimony from Ji Hun Kim, Crypto Council for Innovation, New York, New York; Rostin Behnam, Georgetown University Psaros Center for Financial Markets and Policy, Timothy G. Massad, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government, and Walt Lukken, Futures Industry Association, all of Washington, D.C.; and Thomas W. Sexton, National Futures Association, Chicago, Illinois.

## NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of John

Arrigo, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Portuguese Republic, who was introduced by Senator Graham, Christine Toretti, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Sweden, who was introduced by Senator McCormick, and Michael G. Waltz, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, and to be the Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the Rank of Ambassador, and the Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, who was introduced by Senators Lee and Scott (FL), all of the Department of State, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

## VACCINE INJURED

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine voices of the vaccine injured, after receiving testimony from Emily Tarsell, Sparks, Maryland; Eric Stein, Arlington, Virginia; Brian S. Hooker, Redding, California; Robert Sullivan, Germantown, Maryland; Polly Tommey, Austin, Texas; Serese Marotta, Washington, D.C.; and Krystle Cordingley, Herriman, Utah.

## CRIMINAL NETWORKS AND ORGANIZED THEFT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine smash and grab, focusing on criminal networks and organized theft, after receiving testimony from Summer Stephan, San Diego County District Attorney, San Diego, California, on behalf of the National District Attorneys Association; David J. Glawe, National Insurance Crime Bureau, Oak Brook, Illinois; Donna Lemm, IMC Logistics, Collierville, Tennessee, on behalf of the American Trucking Associations; and Scott McBride, American Eagle Outfitters, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

An original bill entitled, "Intelligence Authorization Act for FY2026"; and

The nominations of John Dever, of Illinois, to be General Counsel, George Wesley Street, of Virginia, to be Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, and Christopher Fox, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the Intelligence Community, all of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Matthew Kozma, of Virginia, to

be Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, and Peter Thomson, of Louisiana, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

# House of Representatives

## *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 37 public bills, H.R. 4387–4423; and 4 resolutions, H. Res. 581–584, were introduced. **Pages H3314–16**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H3316–17**

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

H. Res. 580, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4016) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3633) to provide for a system of regulation of the offer and sale of digital commodities by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1919) to amend the Federal Reserve Act to prohibit the Federal reserve banks from offering certain products or services directly to an individual, to prohibit the use of central bank digital currency for monetary policy, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (S. 1582) to provide for the regulation of payment stablecoins, and for other purposes; and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (H. Rept. 119–199);

H.R. 3486, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to increase penalties for individuals who illegally enter and reenter the United States after being removed, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–200);

H.R. 225, to require the Inspector General of the Department of Housing and Urban Development to testify before the Congress annually, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–201);

H.R. 2835, to raise the consolidated assets threshold under the small bank holding company policy statement, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–202);

H.R. 3645, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to raise the offering amount threshold for when issuers using the crowdfunding exemption are required to file financial statements reviewed by a public accountant who is independent of the issuer,

and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–203);

H.R. 3672, to amend the Securities Act of 1933 to expand the research report exception to include reports about any issuer that undertakes a proposed offering of public securities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–204);

H.R. 3709, to amend the Financial Institutions Reform, Recovery, and Enforcement Act of 1989 to establish a Financial Agent Mentor-Protege Program within the Department of the Treasury, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–205); and

H.R. 3716, to amend the Federal Deposit Insurance Act to require reports on the use of the systemic risk authority applicable to winding up a failed insured depository institution, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 119–206). **Pages H3313–14**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Moore (UT) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3249**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 10:50 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m. **Page H3255**

**Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Members on the part of the House to the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Representatives Suozzi and Subramanyam. **Page H3257**

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of the victims of the recent flooding in Texas. **Page H3266**

**Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2026, Digital Asset Market Clarity Act of 2025, Anti-CBDC Surveillance State Act, and GENIUS Act—Rule for Consideration:** The House failed to agree to H. Res. 580, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4016) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3633) to provide for a system of regulation of the offer and sale of digital commodities by the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission; providing

for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1919) to amend the Federal Reserve Act to prohibit the Federal reserve banks from offering certain products or services directly to an individual, to prohibit the use of central bank digital currency for monetary policy; providing for consideration of the bill (S. 1582) to provide for the regulation of payment stablecoins; and waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, by a yea-and-nay vote of 196 yeas to 223 nays, Roll No. 195, after the previous question was ordered by a recorded vote of 211 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 194. Subsequently, Representative Scalise offered a motion to reconsider the vote on the resolution, on which proceedings were postponed. **Pages H3257–66, H3266–67**

**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Monday, July 14th.

**Communications Security Act:** H.R. 1717, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to establish a council to make recommendations on ways to increase the security, reliability, and interoperability of communications networks, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 380 yeas to 33 nays, Roll No. 196. **Pages H3267–68**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:36 p.m. and reconvened at 5:21 p.m. **Page H3268**

**Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure—Communication:** Read a letter from Chairman Graves wherein he transmitted copies of seven resolutions included in the General Services Administration's Capital Investment and Leasing Programs. The resolutions were adopted by the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on July 15, 2025. **Pages H3268–H3304**

**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President transmitting a notification stating that the national emergency with respect to hostage-taking and the wrongful detention of United States nationals abroad declared in Executive Order 14078 of July 19, 2022, is to continue in effect beyond July 19, 2025—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 119–69). **Page H3305**

**Senate Referrals:** S. 283 was held at the desk. S. 433 was held at the desk. **Page H3255**

**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate appears on page H3255.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3265–66, H3266–67 and H3267–68.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SAFEGUARDING U.S. AGRICULTURE: THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL ANIMAL HEALTH LABORATORY NETWORK (NAHLN)

**Committee on Agriculture:** Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry held a hearing entitled “Safeguarding U.S. Agriculture: The Role of the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN)”. Testimony was heard from Annette Jones, California State Veterinarian, and Director, Animal Health and Food Safety Services, Department of Food and Agriculture, California; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a markup on the Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill. The Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs held a markup on the Subcommittee on National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs FY 2026 Appropriations Bill. The Subcommittee on National Security, Department of State, and Related Programs FY 2026 Appropriations Bill was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

**Committee on Appropriations:** Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a markup on the Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill. The Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies FY 2026 Appropriations Bill was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

**Committee on Armed Services:** Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3838, the “Streamlining Procurement for Effective Execution and Delivery and National Defense Authorization Act For Fiscal Year 2026”. H.R. 3838 was ordered reported, as amended.

## ANTISEMITISM IN HIGHER EDUCATION: EXAMINING THE ROLE OF FACULTY, FUNDING, AND IDEOLOGY

*Committee on Education and Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Antisemitism in Higher Education: Examining the Role of Faculty, Funding, and Ideology”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade held a markup on H.R. 4312, the “Student Compensation and Opportunity through Rights and Endorsements Act”. H.R. 4312 was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

## DODD-FRANK TURNS 15, LESSONS LEARNED AND THE ROAD AHEAD

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Dodd-Frank Turns 15, Lessons Learned and the Road Ahead”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## BREAKING CHINA’S CHOKEHOLD ON CRITICAL MINERAL SUPPLY CHAINS

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* East Asia and Pacific Subcommittee held a hearing entitled “Breaking China’s Chokehold on Critical Mineral Supply Chains”. Testimony was heard from Former Senator Joseph Manchin, and public witnesses.

## FISCAL YEAR 2026 STATE DEPARTMENT POSTURE: MANAGEMENT AND RESOURCES

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “FY26 State Department Posture: Management and Resources”. Testimony was heard from Michael Rigas, Deputy Secretary of State for Management and Resources, Department of State.

## SURVEILLANCE, SABOTAGE, AND STRIKES: INDUSTRY PERSPECTIVES ON HOW DRONE WARFARE ABROAD IS TRANSFORMING THREATS AT HOME

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security held a hearing entitled “Surveillance, Sabotage, and Strikes: Industry Perspectives on How Drone Warfare Abroad Is Transforming Threats at Home”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## CASE-by-CASE: RETURNING PAROLE TO ITS PROPER PURPOSE

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Accountability; and Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement held a joint hearing entitled “Case-by-Case: Return-

ing Parole to its Proper Purpose”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## BANKRUPTCY LAW: OVERVIEW AND LEGISLATIVE REFORMS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on the Administrative State, Regulatory Reform, and Antitrust held a hearing entitled “Bankruptcy Law: Overview and Legislative Reforms”. Testimony was heard from Paul M. Black, Chief Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Western District of Virginia; Michelle Harner, Bankruptcy Judge, U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Maryland; and public witnesses.

## HOW LEFTIST NONPROFIT NETWORKS EXPLOIT FEDERAL TAX DOLLARS TO ADVANCE A RADICAL AGENDA

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “How Leftist Nonprofit Networks Exploit Federal Tax Dollars to Advance a Radical Agenda”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 281, the “Grizzly Bear State Management Act of 2025”; H.R. 435, the “Direct Hire To Fight Fires”; H.R. 556, the “Protecting Access for Hunters and Anglers Act of 2025”; H.R. 831, the “Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Amendment Act of 2025”; H.R. 1676, the “Make SWAPs Efficient Act of 2025”; H.R. 1809, the “Great Lakes Fishery Research Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 2293, the “Cormorant Relief Act of 2025”; H.R. 2405, the “White Oak Resilience Act”; H.R. 2462, the “Black Vulture Relief Act of 2025”; H.R. 2860, the “Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative Reauthorization Act of 2025”; H.R. 3187, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to convey a parcel of property of the Forest Service to Perry County, Arkansas, and for other purposes; and H.R. 3858, the “Sport Fish Restoration, Recreational Boating Safety, and Wildlife Restoration Act of 2025”. H.R. 281, H.R. 2462, H.R. 556, H.R. 831, H.R. 1676, H.R. 2293, H.R. 2405, H.R. 2860, and H.R. 3187 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 435, H.R. 1809, and H.R. 3858 were ordered reported, without amendment.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4275, the “Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2025”; and 7 General Services Administration Capital Investment and

Leasing Program Resolutions. H.R. 4275 was ordered reported, as amended. General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions were adopted.

### RIGHT TIME, RIGHT PLACE, RIGHT TREATMENT WITH VA COMMUNITY CARE

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled "Right Time, Right Place, Right Treatment with VA Community Care". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 2025

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Derek Barrs, of Florida, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, and Jonathan Morrison, of California, to be Administrator of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, and Paul Roberti, of Rhode Island, to be Administrator of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, both of the Department of Transportation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine constructing the surface transportation reauthorization bill, focusing on stakeholders' perspectives, 10 a.m., SD-562.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Anjani Sinha, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Jeffrey Bartos, of Pennsylvania, to be Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the Rank of Ambassador, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, Lynda Blanchard, of Alabama, to be U.S. Representative to the United Nations Agencies for Food and Agriculture, with the rank of Ambassador, Kimberly Guilfoyle, of Florida, to be Ambassador to Greece, and Jennifer Locetta, of Florida, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, all of the Department of State; to be immediately followed by hearings to examine reforming the State Department to compete in the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Crystal

Carey, of New Jersey, to be General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board for term of four years, Brian Christine, of Alabama, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Brittany Panuccio, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of William Kirkland, of Georgia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Crime and Counterterrorism, to hold hearings to examine the AI industry's mass ingestion of copyrighted works for AI training, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* business meeting to consider S. 1555, to increase loan limits for loans made to small manufacturers, S. 1199, to extend the statute of limitations for fraud under certain pandemic programs, S. 2232, to expand the surety bond program under the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and S. 1703, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to improve access to disaster assistance for individuals located in rural areas, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

#### House

*Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Risk Management, and Credit:* hearing entitled "Financing Farm Operations: The Importance of Credit and Risk Management", 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and Workforce, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections:* hearing entitled "Safe Workplaces, Stronger Partnerships: The Future of OSHA Compliance Assistance", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Health:* hearing entitled "Legislative Proposals to Maintain and Improve the Public Health Workforce, Rural Health, and Over-the-Counter Medicines", 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Subcommittee on Environment:* hearing entitled is "Beyond the Blue Bin: Forging a Federal Landscape for Recycling Innovation and Economic Growth", 10:15 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee:* hearing entitled "U.S. Policy on Investment Security", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance:* hearing entitled "HOME 2.0: Modern Solutions to the Housing Shortage", 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs, Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee:* hearing entitled "Management Family FY26 Budget Posture Hearing", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security, Full Committee:* hearing entitled "An Inside Job: How NGOs Facilitated the Biden Border Crisis", 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance:* hearing entitled "Artificial Intelligence and Criminal Exploitation: A New Era of Risk", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs:* hearing entitled "Puerto Rico's Fiscal

Recovery Under PROMESA and the Road Ahead”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 1945, the “America’s National Churchill Museum National Historic Landmark Act”; H.R. 2290, the “World War II Women’s Memorial Location Act” H.R. 2306, the “Adams Memorial-Great American Heroes Act”; and H.R. 4285, the “Semi-Quincentennial Tourism and Access to Recreation Sites Act”, 10:15 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “Protecting Lives and Property: Harnessing Innovative Technologies to Enhance Weather Forecasting”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of

Transportation’s Policies and Programs and Fiscal Year 2026 Budget Request”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing entitled “Path of Purpose: Restoring the VA VR&E Program to Effectively Serve Veterans”, 2:30 p.m., 360 Cannon.

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