

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate passed S. 1251, Growing Climate Solutions Act.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4735–S4799

Measures Introduced: One hundred four bills and fourteen resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2203–2306, S. Res. 284–296, and S. Con. Res. 10.

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Measures Reported:

S. Res. 67, calling for the immediate release of Trevor Reed, a United States citizen who was unjustly found guilty and sentenced to 9 years in a Russian prison.

S. Res. 107, expressing the sense of the Senate relating to the 10th anniversary of the March 11, 2011, earthquake and tsunami in Japan.

S. Res. 165, calling on the Government of the Russian Federation to provide evidence or to release United States citizen Paul Whelan, and with an amended preamble.

S. Res. 176, urging all parties in Georgia to seek prompt implementation of the agreement signed on April 19, 2021, and reaffirming the support of the Senate for Georgia, the territorial integrity of Georgia, and the aspirations of Georgians to join the Euro-Atlantic community, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute and with an amended preamble.

S. 14, to identify and combat corruption in countries, to establish a tiered system of countries with respect to levels of corruption by their governments and their efforts to combat such corruption, and to evaluate foreign persons engaged in grand corruption for inclusion as specially designated nationals under the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 65, to ensure that goods made with forced labor in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China do not enter the United States market, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 89, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to secure medical opinions for veterans with service-connected disabilities who die from COVID-19 to determine whether their service-connected disabilities were the principal or contributory causes of death, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 93, to amend the Global Magnitsky Human Rights Accountability Act to modify the foreign persons subject to sanctions and to remove the sunset for the imposition of sanctions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 189, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for annual cost-of-living adjustments to be made automatically by law each year in the rates of disability compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain service-connected disabled veterans, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 894, to identify and refer members of the Armed Forces with a health care occupation who are separating from the Armed Forces for potential employment with the Department of Veterans Affairs, with an amendment.

S. 1041, to advance the strategic alignment of United States diplomatic tools toward the realization of free, fair, and transparent elections in Nicaragua and to reaffirm the commitment of the United States to protect the fundamental freedoms and human rights of the people of Nicaragua, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1061, to encourage the normalization of relations with Israel, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 2000, to promote the United States-Greece defense partnership, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

Measures Passed:

Growing Climate Solutions Act: By 92 yeas to 8 nays (Vote No. 251), Senate passed S. 1251, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a program to reduce barriers to entry for farmers, ranchers, and private forest landowners in certain voluntary markets, after taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S4736–43**

Rejected:

By 11 yeas to 89 nays (Vote No. 250), Lee Amendment No. 2119, in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4736–39**

Supporting the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health and the Reagan-Udall Foundation for the Food and Drug Administration Act: Senate passed S. 1662, to increase funding for the Reagan-Udall Foundation for the Food and Drug Administration and for the Foundation for the National Institutes of Health. **Page S4793**

Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act: Senate passed S. 2255, to extend the trade adjustment assistance program for one month. **Page S4794**

Congressional Budget Justification Transparency Act: Senate passed S. 272, to amend the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006, to require the budget justifications and appropriation requests of agencies be made publicly available, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S4794–95**

CASA/GAL Volunteers' Day: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 219, designating May 18, 2021, as "CASA/GAL Volunteers' Day", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4795**

National Dairy Month: Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 268, expressing support for the designation of June 2021 as "National Dairy Month" to recognize the important role dairy plays in a healthy diet and the exceptional work of dairy producers in being stewards of the land and livestock, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4795**

Honoring the Memory of the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 270, honoring the memory of the fallen heroes of the Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Page S4795**

Durbin (for Kelly) Amendment No. 2120, to amend the preamble. **Page S4795**

National Cybersecurity Education Week: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 279, designating June 21, 2021 through June 25, 2021, as "National Cybersecurity Education Week", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S4795–96**

Indian Veterans' Home 125th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 284, recognizing the 125th Anniversary of the Indiana Veterans' Home. **Page S4796**

Collector Car Appreciation Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 292, designating July 9, 2021, 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 S4796**

International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking: Senate agreed to S. Res. 293, designating June 26, 2021, as the "International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking". **Page S4796**

Colonel John M. McHugh Tuition Fairness for Survivors Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1095, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the disapproval by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs of courses of education offered by public institutions of higher learning that do not charge veterans the in-State tuition rate for purposes of Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program, and the bill was then passed. **Page S4796**

Sgt. Ketchum Rural Veterans Mental Health Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 2441, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to expand the Rural Access Network for Growth Enhancement Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and to direct the Comptroller General of the United States to conduct a study to assess certain mental health care resources of the Department of Veterans Affairs available to veterans who live in rural areas, and the bill was then passed. **Page S4796**

Appointments:

Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: The Chair, on behalf of the President of the Senate, pursuant to Public-Law 106–286, appointed the following Members to serve on the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China: Senators Rubio, Lankford, Cotton, and Daines. **Page S4789**

Pro Forma Sessions—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the Senate adjourn, to then convene for pro forma sessions only, with no business being conducted on the

following dates and times, and that following each pro forma session, the Senate adjourn until the next pro forma session: Monday, June 28, 2021, at 9 a.m.; Thursday, July 1, 2021, at 11 a.m.; Monday, July 5, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.; and Thursday, July 8, 2021, at 12 noon; and that when the Senate adjourns on Thursday, July 8, 2021, it next convene at 3 p.m., on Monday, July 12, 2021. **Page S4796**

Zeya Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Uzra Zeya, of Virginia, to be an Under Secretary of State (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights). **Page S4748**

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, and pursuant to the unanimous-consent agreement of Thursday, June 24, 2021, a vote on cloture will occur at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, July 12, 2021. **Page S4748**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S4748**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4748**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination at approximately 3 p.m., on Monday, July 12, 2021; and that cloture motions filed during today's session ripen at 5:30 p.m., on Monday, July 12, 2021. **Page S4796**

Su Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Julie A. Su, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor. **Page S4749**

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 Uzra Zeya, of Virginia, to be an Under Secretary of State (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights). **Page S4749**

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Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4749**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 53 yeas to 40 nays (Vote No. EX. 252), Candace Jackson-Akiwumi, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

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Dawn Myers O'Connell, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and

Response, Department of Health and Human Services.

Christine Abizaid, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Counterterrorism Center, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

Faisal Amin, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

Shannon Aneal Estenez, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

Robin C. Ashton, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

Patricia L. Ross, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Congressional and Legislative Affairs).

Maryanne T. Donaghy, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection).

Anne Milgram, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of Drug Enforcement.

Carlos Alberto Monje, Jr., of Louisiana, to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy.

Miriam E. Delphin-Rittmon, of Connecticut, to be Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, Department of Health and Human Services.

134 Army nominations in the rank of general.

2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

13 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Foreign Service, Marine Corps, Navy, and Space Force.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Xochitl Torres Small, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Rural Development.

Homer L. Wilkes, of Mississippi, to be Under Secretary of Agriculture for Natural Resources and Environment.

David Uejio, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Max Vekich, of Washington, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for a term expiring June 30, 2026.

M. Camille Calimlim Touton, of Nevada, to be Commissioner of Reclamation.

Christi A. Grimm, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services.

Ismael N. Ahmed, of Michigan, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2024.

Kinan Azmeh, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2024.

Stacey Michelle Brandenburg, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Harry S Truman Scholarship Foundation for a term expiring December 10, 2025.

Constance Hess Williams, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2026.

Kamilah Forbes, of New York, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2026.

Robert Garcia, 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.

Huascar Medina, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2026.

Christopher Kauai Morgan, of Maryland, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2024.

Fiona Whelan Prine, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2024.

Jake Shimabukuro, of Hawaii, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2024.

Laura Daniel-Davis, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2028.

Cathy Ann Harris, of Maryland, to be Chairman of the Merit Systems Protection Board.

Raymond A. Limon, of Nevada, to be a Member of the Merit Systems Protection Board for the term of seven years expiring March 1, 2025.

Hampton Y. Dellinger, of North Carolina, to be an Assistant Attorney General. **Pages S4796–97**

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—252) **Pages S4739–40, S4748**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:34 p.m., until 9 a.m. on Monday, June 28, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page (S4796))

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS: NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Navy and Marine Corps, after receiving testimony from Thomas W. Harker, Acting Secretary of the Navy, Admiral Michael Gilday, Chief of Naval Operations, and General David H. Berger, Commandant of the Marine Corps, all of the Department of Defense.

ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Energy and National Nuclear Security Administration on atomic energy defense activities in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program, after receiving testimony from Jennifer Granholm, Secretary, and Charles Verdon, Acting Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, National Nuclear Security Administration, both of the Department of Energy.

HOUSING LEGISLATION

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine bipartisan bills to increase access to housing, including S. 1991, to authorize a new type of housing choice voucher to help achieve the goals of ending homelessness among families with children, increasing housing opportunities, and improving life outcomes of poor children, S. 1820, to increase the number of landlords participating in the Housing Choice Voucher program, S. 1614, to require certain grantees under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 to submit a plan to track discriminatory land use policies, S. 2049, to require a study and report on the housing and service needs of survivors of trafficking and individuals at risk for trafficking, S. 2008, to strengthen the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness, S. 2092, to

permanently authorize the Native Community Development Financial Institutions lending program of the Department of Agriculture, S. 2131, to require a review of the effects of FHA mortgage insurance policies, practices, and products on small-dollar mortgage lending, S. 2182, to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to establish a national evictions database, S. 2179, to provide grants to owners of intergenerational dwelling units, S. 2190, to establish the Task Force on the Impact of the Affordable Housing Crisis, S. 1860, to amend the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act to provide for additional procedures for families with children under the age of 6, and S. 598, to authorize additional monies to the Public Housing Capital Fund of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, after receiving testimony from Lisa Mensah, Opportunity Finance Network, Nan Roman, National Alliance to End Homelessness, and Howard Husock, American Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Jennifer L. Homendy, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, who was introduced by Senator Blumenthal, Karen Jean Hedlund, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Surface Transportation Board, and Robert Cornelius Hampshire, of Michigan, and Carol Annette Petsonk, of the District of Columbia, both to be an Assistant Secretary of Transportation, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

ENERGY SECTOR INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the infrastructure needs of the U.S. energy sector, western water, and public lands, including an original bill to invest in the energy and outdoor infrastructure of the United States to deploy new and innovative technologies, update existing infrastructure to be reliable and resilient, and secure energy infrastructure against physical and cyber threats, after receiving testimony from Kathleen Hogan, Acting Under Secretary, Office of Under Secretary for Science and Energy, Department of Energy; Tanya Trujillo, Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, Department of the Interior; Christopher French, Deputy Chief, National Forest System, U.S. Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; Douglas Holtz-Eakin, American Action Forum, and Collin O'Mara, National Wildlife Federation, both of Washington, D.C.; and Mark P. Mills, Manhattan Institute, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

NATURAL AND NATURE-BASED FEATURES IN WATER RESOURCES PROJECTS

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the role of natural and nature-based features in water resources projects, after receiving testimony from Todd S. Bridges, Senior Research Scientist, Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Gerald E. Galloway, University of Maryland, and Julie A. Ufner, National Waterways Conference, both of Arlington, Virginia; Chett Chiasson, Greater Lafourche Port Commission, Cut Off, Louisiana; and Richard M. Johnson, Sacramento Area Flood Control Agency, Sacramento, California.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Sarah Bianchi, of Virginia, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative (Asia, Africa, Investment, Services, Textiles, and Industrial Competitiveness), with the rank of Ambassador, Jayme Ray White, of Washington, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Western Hemisphere, Europe, the Middle East, Labor, and Environment), with the rank of Ambassador, and Melanie Anne Egorin, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, who was introduced by Representative Neal, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 65, to ensure that goods made with forced labor in the Xinjiang Uyghur Autonomous Region of the People's Republic of China do not enter the United States market, with an amendment;

S. 1061, to encourage the normalization of relations with Israel, with an amendment; and

The nominations of Michele Jeanne Sison, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary (International Organization Affairs), Larry Edward Andre, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Somalia, Maria E. Brewer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho, Tulinabo S. Mushingi, of Virginia, 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, Elizabeth Moore Aubin, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, Eugene S. Young, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of the Congo, Christopher John Lamora, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon, Todd D. Robinson, of

New Jersey, to be an Assistant Secretary (International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs), and Daniel J. Kritenbrink, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (East Asian and Pacific Affairs), all of the Department of State.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 807, to permit the televising of Supreme Court proceedings;

S. 818, to provide for media coverage of Federal court proceedings; and

The nominations of Ur Mendoza Jaddou, of California, to be Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, and Margaret Irene Strickland, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 56 public bills, H.R. 4112–4167; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 497–498 were introduced. **Pages H3131–33**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H3135–36**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Gallego to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3085**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:51 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H3091**

Smithsonian American Women's History Museum Council—Appointment: Read a letter from Representative McCarthy, Minority Leader, in which he appointed the following member to the Smithsonian American Women's History Museum Council: Mrs. Jackie Walorski of Elkhart, Indiana. **Page H3094**

Recess: The House recessed at 2:47 p.m. and reconvened at 3 p.m. **Page H3114**

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of the Comptroller of Currency relating to "National Banks and Federal Savings Associations as Lenders": The House passed S.J. Res. 15, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Office of the Comptroller of Currency relating to "National Banks and Federal Savings Associations as Lenders", by a yea-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 208 nays, Roll No. 181. **Pages H3099–H3100, H3114**

H. Res. 486, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2062), (H.R. 239), and (H.R. 1443) and the joint resolutions (S.J. Res. 13), (S.J. Res. 14), and (S.J. Res. 15) was agreed to yesterday, June 23rd.

LGBTQ Business Equal Credit Enforcement and Investment Act: The House passed H.R. 1443, to amend the Equal Credit Opportunity Act to require the collection of small business loan data related to LGBTQ-owned businesses, by a yea-and-nay vote of 252 yeas to 176 nays, Roll No. 182.

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Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 117–7 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. **Page H3098**

H. Res. 486, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2062), (H.R. 239), and (H.R. 1443) and the joint resolutions (S.J. Res. 13), (S.J. Res. 14), and (S.J. Res. 15) was agreed to yesterday, June 23rd.

Providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission relating to "Update of Commission's Conciliation Procedures": The House passed S.J. Res. 13, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission relating to "Update of Commission's Conciliation Procedures", by a yea-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 210 nays, Roll No. 183. **Pages H3110–14, H3115–16**

H. Res. 486, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2062), (H.R. 239), and (H.R. 1443) and the joint resolutions (S.J. Res. 13), (S.J. Res. 14), and (S.J. Res. 15) was agreed to yesterday, June 23rd.

Equal Access to Contraception for Veterans Act: The House passed H.R. 239, to amend title 38,

United States Code, to provide for limitations on co-payments for contraception furnished by the Department of Veterans Affairs, by a yea-and-nay vote of 245 yeas to 181 nays, Roll No. 184.

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H. Res. 486, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 2062), (H.R. 239), and (H.R. 1443) and the joint resolutions (S.J. Res. 13), (S.J. Res. 14), and (S.J. Res. 15) was agreed to yesterday, June 23rd.

Senate Referrals: S. 2184 was held at the desk. S. 1251 was held at the desk. **Pages H3094, H3117**

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on pages H3094.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Four yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3114, H3115, H3115–16, and H3116–17.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government held a markup on the Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill. The Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Bill was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a markup on the Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill. The Fiscal Year 2022 Subcommittee on Legislative Branch Appropriations Bill was forwarded to the full Committee, without amendment.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE'S FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET

Committee on the Budget: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Department of Defense’s Fiscal Year 2022 Budget”. Testimony was heard from Michael J. McCord, Under Secretary of Defense and Comptroller/Chief Financial Officer, Department of Defense; and Vice Admiral Ronald A. Boxall, Director of Force Structure, Resources and Assessment (J8), Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense.

EXAMINING THE POLICIES AND PRIORITIES OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Examining the Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Education”. Testimony was heard from Miguel A. Cardona, Secretary, Department of Education.

EMPOWERED BY DATA: LEGISLATION TO ADVANCE EQUITY AND PUBLIC HEALTH

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Empowered by Data: Legislation to Advance Equity and Public Health”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

NATO 2030: A CELEBRATION OF ORIGINS AND AN EYE TOWARD THE FUTURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment, and Cyber; and North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Assembly held a joint hearing entitled “NATO 2030: A Celebration of Origins and an Eye Toward the Future”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ADVANCING AND PROTECTING LGBTQI+ RIGHTS ABROAD

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Advancing and Protecting LGBTQI+ Rights Abroad”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

VOTING IN AMERICA: A NATIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON THE RIGHT TO VOTE, METHODS OF ELECTION, JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES, AND REDISTRICTING

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Elections held a hearing entitled “Voting in America: A National Perspective on the Right to Vote, Methods of Election, Jurisdictional Boundaries, and Redistricting”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee concluded a markup on H.R. 3843, the “Merger Filing Fee Modernization Act of 2021”; H.R. 3460, the “State Antitrust Enforcement Venue Act of 2021”; H.R. 3849, the “ACCESS Act of 2021”; H.R. 3826, the “Platform Competition and Opportunity Act of 2021”; H.R. 3816, the “American Choice and Innovation Online Act”; and H.R. 3825, the “Ending Platform Monopolies Act”. H.R. 3843, H.R. 3460, H.R. 3849, H.R. 3826, H.R. 3816, and H.R. 3825 were ordered reported, as amended.

LEADING BY EXAMPLE: THE NEED FOR COMPREHENSIVE PAID LEAVE FOR THE FEDERAL WORKFORCE AND BEYOND

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Leading by Example: The Need for Comprehensive Paid Leave for the Federal Workforce and Beyond”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PLASTIC WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING RESEARCH: MOVING FROM STAGGERING STATISTICS TO SUSTAINABLE SYSTEMS

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a hearing entitled “Plastic Waste Reduction and Recycling Research: Moving from Staggering Statistics to Sustainable Systems”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CMMC IMPLEMENTATION: WHAT IT MEANS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Oversight, Investigations, and Regulations held a hearing entitled “CMMC Implementation: What It Means for Small Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

PRESIDENT BIDEN’S FISCAL YEAR 2022 BUDGET REQUEST: AGENCY POLICIES AND PERSPECTIVES (PART I)

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled “President Biden’s Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Request: Agency Policies and Perspectives (Part I)”. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Scott A. Spellmon, Chief of Engineers and Commanding General, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army; Jaime A. Pinkham, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, Department of the Army; Jeff Lyash, President and Chief Executive Officer, Tennessee Valley Authority; and Daniel Avila, Acting Commissioner, U.S. Sector, International Boundary and Water Commission.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3967, the “Honoring Our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2021”. H.R. 3967 was ordered reported, as amended.

NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY BUDGET HEARING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “National Security Agency Budget Hearing”. Testimony was heard from

General Paul Nakasone, Director, National Security Agency, Department of Defense. This hearing was closed.

RETHINKING CONGRESSIONAL CULTURE: LESSONS FROM THE FIELDS OF ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Rethinking Congressional Culture: Lessons from the Fields of Organizational Psychology and Conflict Resolution”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D668)

H.R. 711, to amend the West Los Angeles Leasing Act of 2016 to authorize the use of certain funds received pursuant to leases entered into under such Act. Signed on June 23, 2021. (Public Law 117–18)

H.J. Res. 27, providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution. Signed on June 23, 2021. (Public Law 117–19)

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Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

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Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, and Global Human Rights, hearing entitled “Brain Health: A Global Perspective”, 10 a.m., Webex.

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Program for Monday: Senate will meet in a pro forma session.

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House Chamber

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