

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4609–S4631*

**Measures Introduced:** Ten bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1672–1681. **Pages S4619–20**

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

Transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on the continuation of the national emergency that was originally declared in Executive Order 13441 with respect to Lebanon, received during adjournment of the Senate on July 28, 2017; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–15) **Page S4616**

**Newsom Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Kevin Christopher Newsom, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit.

**Pages S4609–10, S4612**

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

By 68 yeas to 26 nays (Vote No. 180), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4612**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, August 1, 2017, with all time during morning business, recess, adjournment and Leader remarks counting post-cloture on the nomination. **Page S4629**

**Kaplan Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Marvin Kaplan, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board. **Page S4610**

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 Kevin Christopher Newsom, of

Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit. **Page S4629**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Pages S4609–10**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4610**

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

6 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

86 Army nominations in the rank of general.

7 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

4 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Navy, and Foreign Service. **Pages S4630–31**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S4616**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S4616**

**Measures Read the First Time:** **Pages S4616, S4629**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S4616–19**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S4620–21**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S4621–22**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S4614–16**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S4622–26**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—180) **Page S4612**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 6:37 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4629.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in a Pro Forma session at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2017.

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 1, 2017

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, focusing on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Council perspectives, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund program, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine America's affordable housing crisis, focusing on challenges and solutions, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Stephen B. King, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, Department of State, 11 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lance Allen Robertson, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Brett Giroir, of Texas, and Robert P. Kadlec, of New York, both to be a Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, and Elinore F. McCance-Katz, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, all of the Department of Health and Human Services, and Jerome M. Adams, of Indiana, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of August 1 through August 4, 2017

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Kevin Christopher Newsom, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, post-cloture.

Upon disposition of the nomination of Kevin Christopher Newsom, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Marvin Kaplan, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* August 1, Subcommittee on Oceans, Atmosphere, Fisheries, and Coast Guard, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, focusing on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Council perspectives, 10 a.m., SR-253.

August 2, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 374, to enable concrete masonry products manufacturers to establish, finance, and carry out a coordinated program of research, education, and promotion to improve, maintain, and develop markets for concrete masonry products, S. 754, to support meeting our Nation's growing cybersecurity workforce needs by expanding the cybersecurity education pipeline, S. 1322, to establish the American Fisheries Advisory Committee to assist in the awarding of fisheries research and development grants, S. 1425, to reauthorize the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009, S. 1532, to disqualify from operating a commercial motor vehicle for life an individual who uses a commercial motor vehicle in committing a felony involving human trafficking, S. 1536, to designate a human trafficking prevention coordinator and to expand the scope of activities authorized under the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's outreach and education program to include human trafficking prevention activities, S. 1586, to require the Under Secretary for Oceans and Atmosphere to update periodically the environmental sensitivity index products of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for each coastal area of the Great Lakes, S. 1621, to require the Federal Communications Commission to establish a methodology for the collection by the Commission of information about commercial mobile service and commercial mobile data service, and the nominations of Ajit Varadaraj Pai, of Kansas, Jessica Rosenworcel, of Connecticut, and

Brendan Carr, of Virginia, each to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, David J. Redl, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, Peter B. Davidson, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Karen Dunn Kelley, of Pennsylvania, to be Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, and Elizabeth Erin Walsh, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service, all of the Department of Commerce, Steven Gill Bradbury, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Mark H. Buzby, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Maritime Administration, and Ronald L. Batory, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, all of the Department of Transportation, and Robert L. Sumwalt III, of South Carolina, to be Chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, 10 a.m., SH-216.

August 3, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine insurance fraud in America, focusing on current issues facing industry and consumers, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* August 2, Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings to examine increasing water security and drought preparedness through infrastructure, management, and innovation, 10 a.m., SD-366.

August 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Federal and nonfederal collaboration, including through the use of technology, to reduce wildland fire risk to communities and enhance firefighting safety and effectiveness, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* August 1, Subcommittee on Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Environmental Protection Agency's Superfund program, 10 a.m., SD-406.

August 2, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters consolidation project, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Finance:* August 1, to hold hearings to examine America's affordable housing crisis, focusing on challenges and solutions, 10 a.m., SD-215.

August 3, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Gilbert B. Kaplan, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade, and Matthew Bassett, of Tennessee, to be an Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* August 1, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Stephen B. King, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to the Czech Republic, Department of State, 11 a.m., SD-419.

August 2, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues, to hold hearings to examine assessing the Colombia peace process, focusing on the way forward in United States-Colombia relations; to be immediately followed by a full committee hearing to examine the nomination of Doug Manchester,

of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Department of State, 10 a.m., SD-419.

August 2, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on the Authorizations for the Use of Military Force, focusing on Administration perspectives, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* August 1, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lance Allen Robertson, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Brett Giroir, of Texas, and Robert P. Kadlec, of New York, both to be a Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, and Elinore F. McCance-Katz, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, all of the Department of Health and Human Services, and Jerome M. Adams, of Indiana, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, 2:30 p.m., SD-430.

August 2, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Lance Allen Robertson, of Oklahoma, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Brett Giroir, of Texas, and Robert P. Kadlec, of New York, both to be a Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response, and Elinore F. McCance-Katz, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, all of the Department of Health and Human Services, Jerome M. Adams, of Indiana, to be Medical Director in the Regular Corps of the Public Health Service, and to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Patrick Pizzella, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor, and Heather L. MacDougall, of Florida, and James J. Sullivan, Jr., of Pennsylvania, both to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* August 3, business meeting to consider S. 705, to amend the National Child Protection Act of 1993 to establish a national criminal history background check system and criminal history review program for certain individuals who, related to their employment, have access to children, the elderly, or individuals with disabilities, and the nominations of Jeffrey Bossert Clark, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Peter E. Deegan, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa, D. Michael Dunavant, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, Louis V. Franklin, Sr., to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama, Marc Krickbaum, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Iowa, Jessie K. Liu, of Virginia, to be United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, and Richard W. Moore, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Alabama, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* August 2, business meeting to consider S. 154, to amend the Small Business Act to ensure small businesses affected by the onset of transmissible diseases are eligible for disaster relief, S. 650, to amend the Small Business Act to expand

tax credit education and training for small businesses that engage in research and development, S. 690, to extend the eligibility of redesignated areas as HUBZones from 3 years to 7 years, S. 929, to improve the HUBZone program, S. 1038, to require the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to submit to Congress a report on the utilization of small businesses with respect to cer-

tain Federal contracts, and S. 1428, to amend section 21 of the Small Business Act to require cyber certification for small business development center counselors, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

**House Committees**

No hearings are scheduled.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, August 1

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Kevin Christopher Newsom, of Alabama, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Eleventh Circuit, post-cloture.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

11 a.m., Tuesday, August 1

## House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11 a.m.



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