

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2951–S2984*

**Measures Introduced:** Twelve bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1541–1552. **Page S2962**

#### Measures Passed:

**Alaska Remote Generator Reliability and Protection Act:** Senate passed S. 163, to prevent catastrophic failure or shutdown of remote diesel power engines due to emission control devices. **Page S2982**

**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 13303 of May 22, 2003, with respect to the stabilization of Iraq; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. (PM–18) **Page S2961**

**Collins Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Daniel P. Collins, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit. **Pages S2957–59**

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

By 51 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. EX. 117), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Pages S2957–58**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, at 2:15 p.m., on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, all post-cloture time on the nomination expire. **Page S2982**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. **Page S2982**

**Messages from the House:** **Pages S2961–62**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S2962**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S2962**

**Executive Communications:** **Page S2962**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S2962–64**

#### Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:

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#### Additional Statements:

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S2972**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—117) **Pages S2957–58**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:54 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 21, 2019. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2982.)

### Committee Meetings

*(Committees not listed did not meet)*

#### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020.

#### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Airland met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020.

#### AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces met in closed session and approved for full committee consideration those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020.

#### PROSPECTS FOR AFGHAN PEACE

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee received a closed briefing on the prospects for Afghan peace from William Burke, National Intelligence Officer

for Afghanistan, and Randall Blake, National Intelligence Officer for Transnational Threats, both of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 17 public bills, H.R. 2837–2838, 2840–2854; 1 private bill, H.R. 2855; and 1 resolution, H. Res. 390, were introduced. **Pages H4009–10**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H4011–12**

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

H.R. 2326, to amend the Social Security Act, to amend the Dignified Burial and Other Veterans' Benefits Improvement Act of 2012, and to direct the Secretaries of Veterans Affairs, Defense, Labor, and Homeland Security, and the Administrator of the Small Business Administration, to take certain actions to improve transition assistance to members of the Armed Forces who separate, retire, or are discharged from the Armed Forces, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–73, Part 1);

H.R. 2480, to reauthorize the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–74);

H.R. 1812, to amend title 38, United States Code, to furnish Vet Center readjustment counseling and related mental health services to certain individuals, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–75);

H.R. 1947, to amend title 38, United States Code, to exempt transfers of funds from Federal agencies to the Department of Veterans Affairs for nonprofit corporations established under subchapter IV of chapter 73 of such title from certain provisions of the Economy Act, with amendments (H. Rept. 116–76);

H.R. 2340, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide to Congress notice of any suicide or attempted suicide of a veteran in a Department of Veterans Affairs facility, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 116–77);

H.R. 2839, making appropriations for Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–78);

H. Res. 389, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1500) to require the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to meet its statutory purpose, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the

bill (H.R. 1994) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to encourage retirement savings, and for other purposes; providing for the proceedings during the period from May 24, 2019, through May 31, 2019; and for other purposes (H. Rept. 116–79); and

Committee on Appropriations. Revised Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2020 (H. Rept. 116–80). **Page H4009**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Clay to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3965**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:01 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H3965**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:04 p.m. and reconvened at 4:02 p.m. **Page H3966**

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

**Global Fragility Act:** H.R. 2116, to enhance stabilization of conflict-affected areas and prevent violence and fragility globally; **Pages H3966–69**

**Refugee Sanitation Facility Safety Act of 2019:** H.R. 615, to provide women and girls safe access to sanitation facilities in refugee camps; **Page H3970**

**Digital Global Access Policy Act of 2019:** H.R. 1359, to promote Internet access in developing countries and update foreign policy toward the Internet; **Pages H3970–73**

**Intercountry Adoption Information Act of 2019:** H.R. 1952, amended, to amend the Intercountry Adoption Act of 2000 to require the Secretary of State to report on intercountry adoptions from countries which have significantly reduced adoption rates involving immigration to the United States, by a 2/3 yeas-and-nays vote of 397 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 218; **Pages H3973–75, H3995**

**Global Electoral Exchange Act of 2019:** H.R. 753, to promote international exchanges on best election practices, cultivate more secure democratic institutions around the world; **Pages H3975–76**

**Denouncing female genital mutilation/cutting as a violation of the human rights of women and girls and urging the international community and**

*the Federal Government to increase efforts to eliminate the harmful practice:* H. Res. 106, denouncing female genital mutilation/cutting as a violation of the human rights of women and girls and urging the international community and the Federal Government to increase efforts to eliminate the harmful practice, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  ye-and-nay vote of 393 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 219; and

**Pages H3976–78, H3996**

*Stronger Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act:* H.R. 2480, amended, to reauthorize the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act.

**Pages H3978–94**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:30 p.m.

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**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared with respect to the stabilization of Iraq is to continue in effect beyond May 22, 2019—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 116–36).

**Pages H3994–95**

**Senate Referrals:** S. 744 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. S. 820 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. S. 998 was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary. S. 1379 was held at the desk.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H3965–66.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two ye-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3995 and H3996. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### SETTING EVERY COMMUNITY UP FOR RETIREMENT ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2019; CONSUMERS FIRST ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 1500, the “Consumers First Act”; and H.R. 1994, the “Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 6–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1500, the “Consumers First Act”, and H.R. 1994, the “Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1500, the “Consumers First Act”, under a structured rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking mi-

nority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–15 shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part A of the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1994, the “Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement Act of 2019”, under a closed rule. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part B of the Rules Committee report, shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Section 3 of the rule provides that on any legislative day during the period from May 24, 2019, through May 31, 2019: the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved; and the Chair may at any time declare the House adjourned to meet at a date and time to be announced by the Chair in declaring the adjournment. The rule provides that the Speaker may appoint Members to perform the duties of the Chair for the duration of the period addressed by section 3.

The rule provides that each day during the period addressed by section 3 shall not constitute a legislative day for the purposes of clause 7 of rule XV, the Consensus Calendar. The rule provides that it shall be in order at any time on the legislative day of May 23, 2019, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules relating to a measure

making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019. The rule waives the requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII for a two-thirds vote to consider a report from the Committee on Rules on the same day it is presented to the House with respect to any resolution reported through the legislative day of May 23, 2019, relating to a measure making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019. Finally, the rule provides that the Committee on Appropriations may, at any time before 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 2, 2019, file privileged reports to accompany measures making appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. Testimony was heard from Chairman Neal, Chairman Waters, and Representatives Smith of Nebraska, Mitchell, McHenry, Steil, Jackson Lee, and Rodney Davis of Illinois.

## BUSINESS MEETING

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence:* Full Committee held a business meeting on public release of Michael Cohen interview transcripts (February 28 and March 6, 2019) and certain exhibits. Public Release of Michael Cohen interview transcripts (February 28 and March 6, 2019) and certain exhibits, was approved, without amendment. This meeting was closed.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 21, 2019

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to examine climate change and the agriculture sector, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 11 a.m., SR-232A.

Subcommittee on Personnel, business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 2:15 p.m., SD-G50.

Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee's jurisdiction of the

proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 4:30 p.m., SR-232A.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine combating illicit financing by anonymous shell companies through the collection of beneficial ownership information, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider the nominations of Daniel Habib Jorjani, of Kentucky, to be Solicitor, and Mark Lee Greenblatt, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, both of the Department of the Interior; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine opportunities to advance renewable energy and energy efficiency efforts in the United States, 10:15 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Pamela Bates, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, and Christopher Landau, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States, both of the Department of State, Jennifer D. Nordquist, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Eliot Pedrosa, of Florida, to be United States Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, and other pending nominations, 11 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine the Government Accountability Office's annual duplication report, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the digital advertising ecosystem and the impact of data privacy and competition policy, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing to examine certain intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Livestock and Foreign Agriculture, hearing entitled "To Review Animal Pest and Disease Prevention and Response Capabilities", 11 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Full Committee, markup on the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020; and the Defense Appropriations Bill, FY 2020, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Military Personnel; and Subcommittee on Health of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs, joint hearing entitled "Military and Veteran Suicide: Understanding the Problem and Preparing for the Future", 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "Eliminating Barriers to Employment: Opening Doors to Opportunity", 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Undermining Mercury Protections: EPA Endangers Human Health and the Environment”, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Improving Drug Pricing Transparency and Lowering Prices for American Consumers”, 10:30 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Housing in America: Oversight of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, Energy, hearing entitled “Undermining Democracy: Kremlin Tools of Malign Political Influence”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Transportation and Maritime Security, hearing entitled “The TSA Workforce Crisis: A Homeland Security Risk”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Infrastructure Protection and Innovation, hearing entitled “Growing and Diversifying the Cyber Talent Pipeline”, 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

*Committee on House Administration*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Election Assistance Commission”, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Report by Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller, III: Former White House Counsel Donald F. McGahn, II”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing entitled “Examining the President’s Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Proposal for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Trump’s War on a Merit Based Civil Service”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing entitled “The Need for Resilience: Preparing America’s Transportation Infrastructure for Climate Change”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight, and Regulation, hearing entitled “Investing in Community: The SBA’s Community Advantage Loan Program”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled “Review of Fiscal Year 2020 Budget for the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Programs”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Hearing on Protecting Patients from Surprise Medical Bills”, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of May 21 through May 24, 2019

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Daniel P. Collins, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 2:15 p.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Daniel P. Collins, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Howard C. Nielson, Jr., of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

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

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry*: May 21, to hold hearings to examine climate change and the agriculture sector, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations*: May 22, Subcommittee on Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Department of the Interior, 9:30 a.m., SD-124.

May 22, Subcommittee on Department of Defense, to hold closed hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2020 for the Missile Defense Agency, 10 a.m., SVC-217.

*Committee on Armed Services*: May 21, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee’s jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 9:30 a.m., SR-232A.

May 21, Subcommittee on SeaPower, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee’s jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 11 a.m., SR-232A.

May 21, Subcommittee on Personnel, business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee’s jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 2:15 p.m., SD-G50.

May 21, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, closed business meeting to markup those provisions which fall under the subcommittee’s jurisdiction of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 4:30 p.m., SR-232A.

May 22, Full Committee, closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 9 a.m., SR-222.

May 23, Full Committee, closed business meeting to markup the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2020, 9 a.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* May 21, to hold hearings to examine combating illicit financing by anonymous shell companies through the collection of beneficial ownership information, 10 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* May 21, business meeting to consider the nominations of Daniel Habib Jorjani, of Kentucky, to be Solicitor, and Mark Lee Greenblatt, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, both of the Department of the Interior; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine opportunities to advance renewable energy and energy efficiency efforts in the United States, 10:15 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* May 22, to hold hearings to examine legislation to address the risks associated with per-and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), 9:45 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* May 21, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Pamela Bates, of Virginia, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, and Christopher Landau, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the United Mexican States, both of the Department of State, Jennifer D. Nordquist, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, Eliot Pedrosa, of Florida, to be United States Executive Director of the Inter-American Development Bank, and other pending nominations, 11 a.m., SD-419.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine the reconciliation process in Afghanistan, 10:15 a.m., SVC-217.

May 22, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 178, to condemn gross human rights violations of ethnic Turkic Muslims in Xinjiang, and calling for an end to arbitrary detention, torture, and harassment of these communities inside and outside China, S. 249, to direct the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to regain observer status for Taiwan in the World Health Organization, S. 1025, to provide humanitarian relief to the Venezuelan people and Venezuelan migrants, to advance a constitutional and democratic solution to Venezuela's political crisis, to address Venezuela's economic reconstruction, to combat public corruption, narcotics trafficking, and money laundering, S. 1340, to authorize activities to combat the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, H.R. 31, to require certain additional actions in connection with the national emergency with respect to Syria, S. Res. 74, marking the fifth anniversary of Ukraine's Revolution of Dignity by honoring the bravery, determination, and sacrifice of the people of Ukraine during and since the Revolution, and condemning continued Russian aggression against Ukraine, S. Res. 81, calling for accountability and justice for the assassination of Boris Nemtsov, S. Res. 135, expressing the gratitude and appreciation of the Senate for the acts of heroism and valor by the members of the United States Armed Forces who participated in the June 6, 1944, amphibious landing at Normandy, France, and commending those individuals for leadership and bravery in an operation that helped bring an end to World War II, S. Res. 184, con-

demning the Easter Sunday terrorist attacks in Sri Lanka, offering sincere condolences to the victims, to their families and friends, and to the people and nation of Sri Lanka, and expressing solidarity and support for Sri Lanka, S. Res. 188, encouraging a swift transfer of power by the military to a civilian-led political authority in the Republic of the Sudan, the nomination of Jeffrey L. Eberhardt, of Wisconsin, to be Special Representative of the President for Nuclear Nonproliferation, with the rank of Ambassador, Department of State, and other pending calendar business, 2 p.m., S-116, Capitol.

May 23, Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine the Asia Reassurance Initiative Act in action, focusing on the benefits of economic diplomacy, 9:45 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* May 21, Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine the Government Accountability Office's annual duplication report, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

May 22, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, with the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Small Business Administration Office of Advocacy, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

May 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine resources needed to protect and secure the homeland, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* May 21, to hold hearings to examine the digital advertising ecosystem and the impact of data privacy and competition policy, 10 a.m., SD-226.

May 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Daniel Aaron Bress, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, Michael S. Bogren, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, Stephanie Dawkins Davis, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, Jason K. Pulliam, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Texas, Frank William Volk, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of West Virginia, and David Austin Tapp, of Kentucky, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* May 22, with the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the Small Business Administration Office of Advocacy, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* May 22, to hold hearings to examine S. 123, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into a contract or other agreement with a third party to review appointees in the Veterans Health Administration who had a license terminated for cause by a State licensing board for care or services rendered at a non-Veterans Health Administration facility and to provide individuals treated by such an appointee with notice if it is determined that an episode of care or services to which they received was below the standard of care, S. 221, to amend title 38, United States Code, to require

the Under Secretary of Health to report major adverse personnel actions involving certain health care employees to the National Practitioner Data Bank and to applicable State licensing boards, S. 318, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to furnish medically necessary transportation for newborn children of certain women veterans, S. 450, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to carry out a pilot program to expedite the onboarding process for new medical providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to reduce the duration of the hiring process for such medical providers, S. 514, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the benefits and services provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs to women veterans, S. 524, to establish the Department of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on Tribal and Indian Affairs, S. 711, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for mental health services from the Department of Veterans Affairs to include members of the reserve components of the Armed Forces, S. 746, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a study on the accessibility of websites of the Department of Veterans Affairs to individuals with disabilities, S. 785, to improve mental health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, S. 805, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the processing of veterans benefits by the Department of Veterans Affairs, to limit the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to recover overpayments made by the Department and other amounts owed by veterans to the United States, to improve the due process accorded veterans with respect to such recovery, S. 850, to extend the authorization of appropriations to the Department of Veterans Affairs for purposes of awarding grants to veterans service organizations for the transportation of highly rural veterans, S. 857, to amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the amount of special pension for Medal of Honor recipients, S. 980, to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the provision of services for homeless veterans, S. 1101, to ensure that only licensed health care providers furnish disability examinations under a certain Department of Veterans Affairs pilot program for use of contract physicians for disability examinations, S. 1154, to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish an advisory committee on the implementation by the Department of Veterans Affairs of an electronic health record, an original bill entitled, “Janey Ensminger Act of 2019”, and an original bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to continue to pay educational assistance or subsistence allowances to eligible persons when educational institutions are temporarily closed, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* May 21, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing to examine certain intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* May 22, to hold hearings to examine aging and disability in the 21st century, focusing on how technology can help maintain health and quality of life, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

## House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* May 22, Full Committee, markup on the Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020; and the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

May 23, Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, markup on the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020, 8:30 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

May 23, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, markup on the Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Bill, FY 2020, 10 a.m., 2362 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Key Design Components and Considerations for Establishing a Single-Payer Health Care System”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* May 22, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment, hearing entitled “Engines of Economic Mobility: The Critical Role of Community Colleges, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, and Minority-Serving Institutions in Preparing Students for Success”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “LIFT America: Modernizing Our Infrastructure for the Future”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

May 23, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled “Summer Driving Dangers: Exploring Ways to Protect Drivers and their Families”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*New Committee on Financial Services,* May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Annual Testimony of the Treasury on the State of the International Financial System, Part II”, 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Searching for Solutions in Syria: The Trump Administration’s Strategy”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

May 22, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2615, the “United States-Northern Triangle Enhanced Engagement Act”; H.R. 2744, the “USAID Branding Modernization Act”; H.R. 598, the “Georgia Support Act”; H.R. 2140, the “Preventing Child Marriage Act”; H.R. 2023, the “Protect European Energy Security Act”; H.R. 2046, the “Energy Diplomacy Act”; H. Res. 129, condemning the Government of Saudi Arabia’s continued detention and alleged abuse of women’s rights activists; H. Res. 372, expressing concern for the United States-Turkey alliance; H. Res. 345, recognizing widening threats to freedoms of the press and expression around the world, reaffirming the centrality of a free and independent press to the health of democracy, and reaffirming freedom of the press as a priority of the United States, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Review of the Fiscal Year

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*Committee on the Judiciary*, May 22, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 2820, the “Dream Act of 2019”; H.R. 2821, the “American Promise Act of 2019”; H.R. 549, the “Venezuela TPS Act of 2019”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

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May 22, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing entitled “Responding to the Global Assessment Report of the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

May 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Insular Areas Medicaid Cliff”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Facial Recognition Technology (Part 1): Its Impact on our Civil Rights and Liberties”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

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May 22, Subcommittee on National Security Hearing, hearing entitled “Securing U.S. Election Infrastructure

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*Committee on Small Business*, May 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Immigration and the Small Business Workforce”, 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, May 22, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “Policies, Recommendations, and Impacts of the President’s Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Request”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

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*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, May 22, Full Committee, business meeting on Committee Vote on Enforcement Action regarding the Subpoena Issued by the Committee to the Attorney General on May 8, 2019, for Foreign Intelligence, Counterintelligence and Other Information Related to the Special Counsel’s Investigation, 9:30 a.m., HVC-304. This meeting is closed.

May 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Mission Imperative: Diversity and Inclusion in the Intelligence Community”, 5:45 p.m., HVC-304.

*Select Committee on the Climate Crisis*, May 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Creating a Climate Resilient America”, 9 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

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*Joint Economic Committee*: May 22, to hold hearings to examine the economic impacts of the 2020 Census and business uses of Federal data, 2 p.m., 210, Cannon Building.

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*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

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*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Tuesday, May 21

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Daniel P. Collins, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 2:15 p.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Daniel P. Collins, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Howard C. Nielson, Jr., of Utah, to be United States District Judge for the District of Utah.

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

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