

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Senator Baldwin delivered *Washington's Farewell Address*.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S1091–S1121

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3323–3327. **Page S1118**

Measures Passed:

Lifespan Respite Care Reauthorization Act: Senate passed S. 995, to amend title XXIX of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize the program under such title relating to lifespan respite care, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Pages S1103–05**

Liberation of Auschwitz 75th Anniversary: Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 481, commemorating the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz extermination camp in Nazi-occupied Poland, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S1120–21**

Molloy Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Robert Anthony Molloy, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands. **Pages S1096–S1103, S1105–13**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action: By 88 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. EX. 53), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S1106**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, February 25, 2020. **Page S1121**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, at 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Robert Anthony Molloy, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands, the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Silvia Carreno-Coll, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District

Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, and the motion to invoke cloture on the of nomination of Katharine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior; provided further that if cloture is invoked on the nominations, and following the third vote in the series, Senate stand in recess until 2:15 p.m. to accommodate the week party lunches; at 2:15 p.m., Senate resume consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3275, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children, and the time from 2:15 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. be equally divided between the two Leaders or their designees; provided further that at 3:30 p.m., cloture on the motions to proceed to consideration of S. 3275, and S. 311, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion, ripen, and that following the votes on the motions to invoke cloture, Senate vote on confirmation of the nomination of Silvia Carreno-Coll, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, confirmation of the nomination of Katharine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, and cloture on the nomination of Travis Greaves, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court; if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Travis Greaves, the vote on confirmation of the nomination occur at 1:45 p.m., on Thursday, February 27, 2020.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

- 1 Air Force nomination in the rank of general.
- 41 Army nominations in the rank of general.
- 16 Coast Guard nominations in the rank of admiral.
- 14 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—53)	Page S1106

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:52 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1121.)

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 at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, February 25, 2020.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of Health and Human Services, 10:30 a.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine United States European Command and United States Transportation Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on United States European Command and United States Transportation Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for Fiscal Year 2021 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine surface transportation reauthorization, focusing on public transportation stakeholders' perspectives, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2021 for the Forest Service, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy, to hold hearings to examine North Korea policy one year after Hanoi, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine rule by district judge, focusing on the challenges of universal injunctions, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine improving family stability for the wellbeing of American children, 2:15 p.m., SD-106.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of February 25 through February 28, 2020

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Robert Anthony Molloy, to be

Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation of the nomination at 11:30 a.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Robert Anthony Molloy, Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of Silvia Carreno-Coll, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, and Katharine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

At 3:30 p.m., Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 3275, to amend title 18, United States Code, to protect pain-capable unborn children, and the motion to invoke cloture on the motion to proceed to consideration of S. 311, to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit a health care practitioner from failing to exercise the proper degree of care in the case of a child who survives an abortion or attempted abortion, followed by votes on the confirmation of the nominations of Silvia Carreno-Coll and Katharine MacGregor, and on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Travis Greaves, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court.

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

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

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Committee on Veterans' Affairs: February 25, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of the Disabled American Veterans, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

February 26, Full Committee, to hold a joint hearing with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to examine the legislative presentation of multiple veterans service organizations, 2 p.m., SD-G50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: February 25, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, February 26, Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled "Innovative Wood Products: Promoting Rural Economies and Healthy Forests", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, February 26, Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Health and Human Services, 9:30 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

February 26, Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, budget hearing on the Department of Homeland Security, 10:30 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

February 26, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, budget hearing on the Judiciary Department, 2 p.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

February 26, Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, hearing entitled "Member Day", 2:30 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security, budget hearing on the U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 9:30 a.m., 2008 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Education, 10 a.m., 2358-C Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Transportation, 10:30 a.m., 2358-A Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General", 11 a.m., 2362-A Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled "U.S. European Command (EUCOM)", 11 a.m., H-140 Capitol. This hearing is closed.

February 27, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the U.S. Forest Service, 1 p.m., 2008 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Library of Congress, 1 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Oversight of VA’s Electronic Health Record Modernization Implementation”, 1 p.m., 2358–C Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Energy Budget, 2 p.m., 2362–B Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, budget hearing on the Government Accountability Office, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs, hearing entitled “Members Day”, 2 p.m., HT–2 Capitol.

February 27, Subcommittee on Defense, hearing entitled “World-Wide Threat”, 3 p.m., H–405 Capitol. This hearing is closed.

Committee on Armed Services, February 26, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Budget Request from the Department of Defense”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

February 27, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the Department of the Navy”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, February 27, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Budget Priorities: Members’ Day”, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Education and Labor, February 26, Subcommittee on Workforce Protections, hearing entitled “Asleep at the Switch: How the Department of Labor Failed to Oversee the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund”, 2 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Investment, hearing entitled “Reauthorizing the National Apprenticeship Act: Strengthening and Growing Apprenticeships for the 21st century”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, February 26, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “In the Dark: Lack of Transparency in the Live Event Ticketing Industry”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 26, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 HHS Budget and Oversight of the Coronavirus Outbreak”, 1:30 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled “The Fiscal Year 2021 EPA Budget”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Strengthening Communications Networks to Help Americans in Crisis”, 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, February 27, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 149, the “Housing Fairness Act of 2020”; H.R. 4351, the “Yes In My Backyard Act”; H.R. 5187, the “Housing Is Infrastructure Act”; H.R. 5929, the “Shareholder Political Transparency Act”; H.R. 5930, the “Workforce Investment Disclosure Act”; H.R. 5931, the “Improving FHA Support for Small Dollar

Mortgages Act of 2020”; and H.R. 5932, the “Ensuring Chinese Debt Transparency Act”, 9:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, February 27, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled “Coronavirus Disease 2019: The U.S. and International Response”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

February 28, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Evaluating the Trump Administration’s Policies on Iran, Iraq and the Use of Force”, 8:30 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, February 26, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “Confronting the Rise in Anti-Semitic Domestic Terrorism, Part II”, 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

February 27, Subcommittee on Border Security, Facilitation, and Operations, hearing entitled “Examining the Effect of the Border Wall on Private and Tribal Landowners”, 11 a.m., 310 Cannon.

February 27, Subcommittee on Oversight, Management, and Accountability, hearing entitled “Building a Diverse and Inclusive Workforce to Meet the Homeland Security Mission”, 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on the Judiciary, February 26, Full Committee, markup on legislation on the USA FREEDOM Reauthorization Act of 2020; H.R. 2733, the “Savanna’s Act”; H.R. 2438, the “Not Invisible Act of 2019”; and legislation on the Strengthening the Opposition to Female Genital Mutilation Act, 2:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing entitled “Returning Citizens: Challenges and Opportunities for Reentry”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, hearing entitled “The Current State of the U.S. Refugee Program”, 2:15 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, February 26, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 5435, the “American Public Lands and Waters Climate Solution Act of 2019”; and H.R. 5859, the “Trillion Trees Act”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 26, Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing entitled “Destroying Sacred Sites and Erasing Tribal Culture: The Trump Administration’s Construction of the Border Wall”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 27, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 3651, to facilitate the use of certain lands in Nebraska for public outdoor recreational opportunities, and for other purposes; H.R. 3681, the “Green Spaces, Green Vehicles Act of 2019”; H.R. 4236, the “Reducing Waste in National Parks Act”; and H.R. 4512, the “Outdoors for All Act”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

February 27, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Sexual Harassment at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, February 26, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Voter Suppression in Minority Communities: Learning from the Past to Protect Our Future”, 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 27, Full Committee, hearing entitled “The Administration’s Religious Liberty Assault on LGBT Rights”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled “Karshi-Khanabad: Hazardous Exposures and Effects on U.S. Servicemembers”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, February 26, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 2339, the “Reversing the Youth Tobacco Epidemic Act of 2019” [Protecting American Lungs and Reversing the Youth Tobacco Epidemic Act of 2020], 4 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, February 27, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Review of the Administration’s Federal Research and Development Budget Proposal for Fiscal Year 2021”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Oversight; and Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, joint hearing entitled “An Examination of Federal Flood Maps in a Changing Climate”, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, February 26, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Discussion with SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza: Current Issues and the FY2021 Budget”, 11:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure, hearing entitled “Moving America’s Infrastructure Forward”, 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, February 26, Full Committee, markup on amending Committee rules; approving revised membership and leadership of the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management; Fiscal Year 2021 Budget Views and Estimates of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure; H. Con. Res. 90, authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the National Peace Officers Memorial Service and the National Honor Guard and Pipe Band Exhibition; H.R. 4470, to rename the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation the

Great Lakes St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation; H.R. 5756, the “Resiliency Enhancement Act of 2020”; H.R. 2914, the “Housing Survivors of Major Disasters Act of 2019”; H.R. 5912, the “Expedited Delivery of Airport Infrastructure Act of 2020”; legislation on the Preventing Disaster Revictimization Act; and General Service Administration’s Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

February 27, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “Proposals for a Water Resources Development Act of 2020: Members’ Day Hearing”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, February 27, Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2021”, 10 a.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Ways and Means, February 26, Full Committee, hearing entitled “U.S.-China Trade and Competition”, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

February 27, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Proposed Fiscal Year 2021 Budget With Health and Human Services Secretary Azar”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

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Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, February 25

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

2 p.m., Tuesday, February 25

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Robert Anthony Molloy, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands. At 11:30 a.m., Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Robert Anthony Molloy, to be followed by votes on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Silvia Carreno-Coll, of Puerto Rico, to be United States District Judge for the District of Puerto Rico, and the nomination of Katharine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

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(Senate will recess following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Katharine MacGregor, of Pennsylvania, to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior, until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: To be announced.



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