

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4491–S4514

Measures Introduced: Sixteen bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 4317–4332, and S. Res. 658. **Pages S4505–06**

Measures Reported:

S. 785, to improve mental health care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4505**

Measures Passed:

PROSWIFT Act: Senate passed S. 881, to improve understanding and forecasting of space weather events, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S4512–13**

McConnell (for Peters) Amendment No. 2498, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4513**

John Lewis to Lie in State: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 105, permitting the remains of the Honorable John Lewis, late a Representative from the State of Georgia, to lie in state in the rotunda of the Capitol. **Page S4513**

Catafalque for Use in Services Conducted for John Lewis: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 106, directing the Architect of the Capitol to transfer the catafalque situated in the Exhibition Hall of the Capitol Visitor Center to the rotunda of the Capitol for use in connection with services conducted for the Honorable John Lewis, late a Representative from the State of Georgia. **Page S4513**

Intercity Passenger Rail Trust Fund Act—Agreement: A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that S. 4187, to establish the Intercity Passenger Rail Trust Fund to ensure a safe, sustainable, convenient transportation option for the people of the United States, be discharged from the Committee on Environment and Public Works and be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. **Page S4512**

Kan Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Derek Kan, of California, to be Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget. **Page S4502**

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 Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board. **Page S4502**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S4502**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4502**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding the provisions of Rule XXII, Senate vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, and Dana T. Wade, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, at 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, in the order listed; and that if cloture is invoked on the nominations, the post-cloture time expire at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, July 28, 2020, and Senate vote on confirmation of the nominations in that order; provided further that the cloture motions with respect to the nominations of Marvin Kaplan, of Kansas, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, and Lauren McGarity McFerran, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board, ripen following disposition of the nomination of Dana T. Wade. **Page S4502**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomination of David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, July 28, 2020. **Page S4513**

Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

By 65 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. EX. 142), William Scott Hardy, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Pennsylvania. **Pages S4492–S4500**

Messages from the House: **Page S4505**
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 Additional Statements: **Pages S4503–05**
 Amendments Submitted: **Pages S4509–12**
 Record Votes: One record vote was taken today.
 (Total—142) **Page S4500**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 4 p.m. and adjourned at 7:12 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, July 28, 2020. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4513.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 7792–7806; 1 private bill, H.R. 7807; and 2 resolutions; H. Con. Res. 107–108, were introduced. **Page H3880**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H3881**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H3861**

Recess: The House recessed at 9:24 a.m. and reconvened at 10 a.m. **Page H3863**

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

National Museum of the American Latino Act: H.R. 2420, amended, to establish within the Smithsonian Institution the National Museum of the American Latino; and **Pages H3864–72**

Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys Act: S. 2163, to establish the Commission on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys, to study and make recommendations to address social problems affecting Black men and boys, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yea-and-nay vote of 368 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 167. **Pages H3873–78**

Directing the Clerk of the House to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 4: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 107, directing the Clerk of the House to make a correction in the enrollment of H.R. 4. **Page H3878**

Quorum Calls—Votes: One yea-and-nay vote developed during the proceedings of today and appears on pages H3877–78.

Adjournment: The House met at 9 a.m. and adjourned at 12:35 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

HUMAN RIGHTS AT HOME

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: On Thursday, July 23, 2020, Commission concluded a hearing to examine human rights at home, focusing on media, politics and safety of journalists, after receiving testimony from Christiane Amanpour, CNN-PBS, London, United Kingdom; David Kaye, University of California, Irvine; and Courtney C. Radsch, Committee to Protect Journalists, New York, New York.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D617)

S. 4148, to extend the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program of the Department of Homeland Security. Signed on July 22, 2020. (Public Law 116–150)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, JULY 28, 2020

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lieutenant General D. VanHerck, USAF, to be general and Commander, United States Northern Command/Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, and General James H. Dickison, USA, to be general and Commander, United States Space Command, 2:30 p.m., SD–106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine the PACT Act and Section 230, focusing on the impact of the law that helped create the internet and an examination of proposed reforms for today's online world, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: to hold hearings to examine the development and deployment of large-scale carbon dioxide management technologies in the United States, including technological and natural carbon removal, carbon utilization, and carbon storage, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine protecting the reliability of the United States medical supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold an oversight hearing to examine COVID-19 financial relief packages, 10 a.m., VTC.

Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine modernizing telework, focusing on a review of private sector telework policies during the COVID-19 pandemic, 2:30 p.m., VTC.

Committee on Judiciary: Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine how the DMCA contemplates limitations and exceptions like fair use, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

House

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Environment and Climate, hearing entitled "There's Something in the Water: Reforming Our Nation's Drinking Water Standards", 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections of the Committee on House Administration, hearing entitled "Voting Rights and Election Administration in the U.S. Virgin Islands and Other Territories", 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Department of Justice", 10 a.m., CVC-200 and Webex.

Committee on Natural Resources, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Unanswered Questions About the US Park Police's June 1 Attack on Peaceful Protesters at Lafayette Square", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 7617, the "Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2021" [Defense, Commerce, Justice, Science, Energy and Water Development, Financial Services and General Government, Homeland Security, Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2021], 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight; and Subcommittee on Research and Technology, joint hearing entitled "The

Role of Technology in Countering Trafficking in Persons", 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled "Experiences of Vulnerable Populations During Disaster", 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Solving the Climate Crisis: Building a Vibrant and Just Clean Energy Economy", 2 p.m., Webex.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of July 28 through July 31, 2020

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

At 11:30 a.m., Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of David Cleveland Joseph, and Dana T. Wade, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. If cloture is invoked on the nominations, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 2:30 p.m.

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 Armed Services: July 28, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Lieutenant General D. VanHerck, USAF, to be general and Commander, United States Northern Command/Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, and General James H. Dickinson, USA, to be general and Commander, United States Space Command, 2:30 p.m., SD-106.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Anthony J. Tata, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 29, to hold hearings to examine the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's semi-annual report to Congress, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

July 30, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Hester Maria Peirce, of Ohio, and Caroline A. Crenshaw, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and Kyle Hauptman, of Maine, to be a Member of the National Credit Union Administration Board, 2 p.m., SD-106.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 28, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine the PACT Act and Section 230, focusing on the impact

of the law that helped create the internet and an examination of proposed reforms for today's online world, 10 a.m., SD-106.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine building a stronger and more resilient seafood sector, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 30, Subcommittee on Security, to hold hearings to examine the China challenge, focusing on realignment of United States economic policies to build resiliency and competitiveness, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 28, to hold hearings to examine the development and deployment of large-scale carbon dioxide management technologies in the United States, including technological and natural carbon removal, carbon utilization, and carbon storage, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 29, to hold hearings to examine lessons learned from remote working during COVID-19, focusing on if the government can maximize use of leased space, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Finance: July 28, to hold hearings to examine protecting the reliability of the United States medical supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine WTO reform, focusing on making global rules work for global challenges, 10:15 a.m., SD-215.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting the reliability of the United States medical supply chain during the COVID-19 pandemic, 9:30 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 29, business meeting to consider the nominations of Natalie E. Brown, of Nebraska, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, Sandra E. Clark, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Burkina Faso, William Ellison Grayson, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, Joseph Manso, of New York, for the rank of Ambassador during his tenure of service as United States Representative to the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons, Richard M. Mills, Jr., of Texas, to be the Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, with the rank and status of Ambassador and the Deputy Representative of the United States of America in the Security Council of the United Nations, and to be Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as Deputy Representative of the United States of America to the United Nations, and Henry T. Wooster, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, all of the Department of State, Jason Myung-ik Chung, of Virginia, to be United States Director of the Asian Development Bank, with the rank of Ambassador, J. Steven Dowd, of Florida, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and Ramsey Coats Day, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Administrator, and Jenny A. McGee, of Texas, to be an Associate Administrator, both of the United States Agency for International Development, 9 a.m., SR-325.

July 30, Full Committee, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 8:30 a.m., SD-106.

July 30, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2021 for the Department of State, 8:45 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 28, to hold an oversight hearing to examine COVID-19 financial relief packages, 10 a.m., VTC.

July 28, Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management, to hold hearings to examine modernizing telework, focusing on a review of private sector telework policies during the COVID-19 pandemic, 2:30 p.m., VTC.

Committee on Indian Affairs: July 29, business meeting to consider S. 1161, to support the education of Indian children, S. 2165, to enhance protections of Native American tangible cultural heritage, S. 2610, to reauthorize certain programs under the Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs of the Department of Energy, S. 2716, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, S. 2891, to require the Secretary of the Interior to establish Tribal Wildlife Corridors, S. 2912, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain land located in Pinal County, Arizona, into trust for the benefit of the Gila River Indian Community, S. 3019, to protect access to water for all Montanans, S. 3044, to amend the American's Water Infrastructure Act of 2018 to expand the Indian reservation drinking water program, S. 3099, to provide for the conveyance of certain property to the Southeast Alaska Regional Health Consortium located in Sitka, Alaska, S. 3100, to convey land in Anchorage, Alaska, to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, S. 3650, to amend the Indian Health Care Improvement Act to deem employees of urban Indian organizations as part of the Public Health Service for certain purposes, and S. 3948, to amend the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act to extend the deadline for a report by the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children; to be immediately followed by an oversight hearing to examine how to safely reopen Bureau of Indian Education schools, focusing on preparing to head back to class, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on Judiciary: July 28, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine how the DMCA contemplates limitations and exceptions like fair use, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 29, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of J. Philip Calabrese, and James Ray Knepp II, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio, Aileen Mercedes Cannon, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Florida, Toby Crouse, to be United States District Judge for the District of Kansas, and Michael Jay Newman, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, 10 a.m., SD-226.

July 30, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 4212, to amend title 28, United States Code, to strip foreign sovereign immunity of certain foreign states to secure justice for victims of novel coronavirus in the United

States, and the nominations of David W. Dugan, and Stephen P. McGlynn, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Illinois, Hala Y. Jarbou, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Michigan, Iain D. Johnston, and Franklin Ulyses Valderrama, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of Illinois, and Roderick C. Young, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, 10 a.m., SD-325.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 29, to hold hearings to examine VA telehealth during and beyond COVID-19, focusing on challenges and opportunities in rural America, 2:30 p.m., SD-G50.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 28, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

July 29, Full Committee, closed business meeting to consider pending intelligence matters; to be immediately followed by a closed hearing to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

House Committees

Committee on Armed Services, July 29, Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled “An Epidemic of Fear: Sexual Harassment and Retaliation in the Military. Is it a crisis at Fort Hood?”, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

July 30, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Emerging Threats and Capabilities, hearing entitled “Review of the Recommendations of the Cyberspace Solarium Commission”, 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, July 29, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Improving Access to Care: Legislation to Reauthorize Key Public Health Programs”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, July 30, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Protecting Consumers During the Pandemic? An Examination of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau”, 12:30 p.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, July 29, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 7682, the “Sudan Democratic Transition, Accountability, and Fiscal Transparency Act of 2020”; H.R. 7276, the “East Africa Locust Eradication Act”; H.R. 6334, the “Securing America From Epidemics Act”; H.R. 4644, the “Libya Stabilization Act”; H.R. 5517, the “Gandhi-King Scholarly Exchange Initiative Act”; H.R. 5586, the “Haiti Development, Accountability, and Institutional Transparency Initiative Act”; H. Res. 1062, affirming the nature and importance of the United States-Iraq bilateral relationship, including security and economic components of the relationship; H.R. 3331, the “Countering Hizballah in Lebanon’s Military Act of 2019”; H.R. 7703, the “Caribbean Basin Security Initiative Authorization Act”; H. Res. 1033, condemning acts by the People’s Republic of China and the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region that violate fundamental rights and freedoms of Hong Kong residents as well as acts that undermine Hong Kong’s high degree of autonomy; legislation on STOP Organ Trafficking; and H.R. 7623, the “Passport Backlog Elimination Act”, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

July 29, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Diversity and Diplomacy: Assessing the State Department’s Record in Promoting Diversity and Inclusion”, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

July 30, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled “Update on the COVID-19 Pandemic Response in Africa”, 1 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 31, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Homeland Insecurity: DHS Police Actions Endanger Our Democracy”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 29, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, business meeting on Request for a Department of Homeland Security Departmental Report on the Beneficiaries of H.R. 7572, 9:20 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

July 29, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, hearing entitled “Oversight of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services”, 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

July 29, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law, hearing entitled “Online Platforms and Market Power, Part 6: Examining the Dominance of Amazon, Apple, Facebook, and Google”, 12 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 29, Full Committee, markup on S. 294, the “Native American Business Incubators Program Act”; H.R. 1031, the “Pala Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Act of 2019”; H.R. 1267, the “B-47 Ridge Designation Act”; H.R. 3682, the “Land Grant and Acequia Traditional Use Recognition and Consultation Act”; H.R. 3879, the “SOAR Act”; H.R. 4299, the “Data Preservation Act of 2019”; H.R. 4888, to amend the Grand Ronde Reservation Act, and for other purposes; H.R. 5040, the “Aerial Incursion Repercussion Safety Act of 2019”; H.R. 6237, the “Proper and Reimbursed Care for Native Veterans Act”; H.R. 6535, to deem an urban Indian organization and employees thereof to be a part of the Public Health Service for the purposes of certain claims for personal injury, and for other purposes; H.R. 6636, the “National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Sexual Harassment and Assault Prevention Improvements Act of 2020”; H.R. 7045, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a study on lands that could be included in a National Forest in Hawai’i, and for other purposes; H.R. 7119, the “Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium Land Transfer Act of 2020”; and H.R. 7489, the “Long Bridge Act of 2020”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, July 29, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Counting Every Person: Safeguarding the 2020 Census Against the Trump Administration’s Unconstitutional Attacks”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

July 31, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled “The Urgent Need for a National Plan to Contain the Coronavirus”, 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Small Business, July 29, Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship, hearing entitled “Kick Starting Entrepreneurship and Main Street Economic Recovery”, 2360 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, July 29, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Who’s in Charge? Examining Oversight of State Veterans Homes During the COVID–19 Pandemic”, 10 a.m., HVC–210 and Webex.

July 30, Full Committee, markup on pending legislation, 10 a.m., HVC–210 and Webex.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 31, Full Committee, markup on the FY 2021 Intelligence Authorization Act, Time TBD, HVC–304 (Hearing Room).

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: July 29, to hold hearings to examine human rights at home, focusing on values made visible, 10 a.m., WEBCAST.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, July 28

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

9 a.m., Wednesday, July 29

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of David Cleveland Joseph, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana.

At 11:30 a.m., Senate will vote on the motions to invoke cloture on the nominations of David Cleveland Joseph, and Dana T. Wade, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development. If cloture is invoked on the nominations, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 2:30 p.m.

(Senate will recess following the vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Dana T. Wade until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: To be announced.

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