

# Daily Digest

## HIGHLIGHTS

Senate confirmed the nomination of Denis Richard McDonough, of Maryland, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S561–S588*

**Measures Introduced:** Thirty-nine bills and twelve resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 269–307, S.J. Res. 7, and S. Res. 36–46. **Pages S571–73**

**Measures Passed:**

*Honoring the victims of Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 42, honoring the memories of the victims of the senseless attack at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School on February 14, 2018. **Pages S584–85**

*Floor access during impeachment proceedings:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 38, establishing procedures for access to the floor of the Senate and the Senate Wing of the Capitol during impeachment proceedings against Donald John Trump, former President of the United States. **Page S588**

*Equipment and furniture installation for impeachment trial:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 39, to authorize the installation of appropriate equipment and furniture in the Senate chamber for the impeachment proceedings of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States. **Page S588**

*Galleries access during impeachment trial:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 40, establishing procedures for access to the galleries of the Senate Chamber during impeachment proceedings of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States. **Page S588**

*Limited laptop access during impeachment trial:* Senate agreed to S. Res. 41, allowing limited laptop computer access on the floor of the Senate during impeachment proceedings of Donald John Trump, former President of the United States. **Page S588**

**Impeachment of Former President Trump—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at approximately 1 p.m., on

Tuesday, February 9, 2021, Senate resume consideration of the Article of Impeachment against Donald John Trump, former President of the United States.

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

By 87 yeas to 7 nays (Vote No. EX. 55), Denis Richard McDonough, of Maryland, to be Secretary of Veterans Affairs. **Pages S561–69**

Kathleen Holland Hicks, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Defense. **Pages S587–88**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S571**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S573–74**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S574–83**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S570–71**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S583**

**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today. (Total—55) **Page S569**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:15 p.m., until 1 p.m. on Tuesday, February 9, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's RECORD on page S588.)

### Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

#### AROUND THE WORLD THREAT ASSESSMENT

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee receive a closed briefing on around the world threat assessment from Kin Moy, Acting Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, and other sundry briefers.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills Introduced:** 56 public bills, were introduced. **Pages H479–83**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Page H484**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Moment of Silence:** The House observed a moment of silence in remembrance of the late Honorable Ron Wright of Texas. **Page H473**

**Whole Number of the House:** The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the passing of the gentleman from Texas, Mr. Wright, the whole number of the House is 431. **Page H473**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** There were no Yea and Nay votes, and there were no Recorded votes. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:04 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Full Committee held an organizational meeting. The Committee adopted its rules for the 117th Congress, and approved subcommittee chairs, ranking members, and assignments.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee for the 117th Congress, and the nomination of Michael Stanley Regan, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SR–325.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Neera Tanden, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 9:15 a.m., SD–342.

#### House

*Committee on the Budget,* Full Committee, business meeting on Consideration of Rules of the Committee on the Budget for the 117th Congress, 11 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Full Committee, markup on Committee Print to comply with reconciliation directives included in section 2001 (b) of the Concurrent Resolutions on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, H. Con. Res. 11 and S. Con. Res. 5, 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Committee on Environment and Climate Change, hearing entitled, “Back in Action: Restoring Federal Climate Leadership”, 12 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on the Constitution Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Constitutional Means to Prevent Abuse of the Clemency Power”, 9 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure,* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled “State of the U.S. Maritime Industry: Impacts of the COVID–19 Pandemic”, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

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### CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of February 9 through February 12, 2021 Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will resume consideration of the Article of Impeachment against Donald John Trump, former President of the United States.

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 the Budget:* February 10, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Neera Tanden, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 10 a.m., SD–608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* February 11, organizational business meeting for the 117th Congress, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* February 9, organizational business meeting to consider committee rules, an original resolution authorizing expenditures by the committee for the 117th Congress, and the nomination of Michael Stanley Regan, of North Carolina, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., SR–325.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* February 11, business meeting to consider the nominations of Miguel A. Cardona, of Connecticut, to be Secretary of Education, and Martin Joseph Walsh, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of Labor, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* February 9, to hold hearings to examine the nomination

of Neera Tanden, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Management and Budget, 9:15 a.m., SD-342.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture*, February 10, Full Committee, organizational meeting and business meeting on a proposal to satisfy the Committee's reconciliation instructions as required by S. Con. Res. 5, 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Financial Services*, February 10, Full Committee, markup on Committee Print of Providing for reconciliation pursuant to S. Con. Res. 5, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021; and legislation to comply with the reconciliation directive included in section 2001 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, S. Con. Res. 5, 12 p.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, February 10, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Homeland Cybersecurity: Assessing Cyber Threats and Building Resilience", 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on House Administration*, February 10, Full Committee, organizational meeting, 1 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, February 11, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law, hearing entitled "Justice Restored: Ending Forced Arbitration and Protecting Fundamental Rights", 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

February 11, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, business meeting on adoption of the Subcommittee's Rules of Procedure and Statement of Policy for Private Immigration Bills; and Request for a DHS Departmental Report on the Beneficiaries of H.R. 187, H.R.

680, H.R. 739, and H.R. 785, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

February 11, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, hearing entitled "The U.S. Immigration System: The Need for Bold Reforms", 2:15 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Small Business*, February 10, Full Committee, markup on Committee Print providing for reconciliation pursuant to S. Con. Res. 5, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, 5 p.m., 2360 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, February 10, Full Committee, markup on legislation on proposals to comply with the reconciliation directive included in section 2001 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, S. Con. Res. 5, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, February 10, Full Committee, begin markup on legislation on proposals to comply with the reconciliation directive included in Section 2001 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, S. Con. Res. 5, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

February 11, Full Committee, continue markup on legislation on proposals to comply with the reconciliation directive included in Section 2001 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, S. Con. Res. 5, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

February 12, Full Committee, continue markup on legislation on proposals to comply with the reconciliation directive included in Section 2001 of the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, S. Con. Res. 5, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

1 p.m., Tuesday, February 9

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

9 a.m., Thursday, February 11

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will resume consideration of the Article of Impeachment against Donald John Trump, former President of the United States.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** House will meet in Pro Forma session at 9 a.m.

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