

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S2001–S2042*

**Measures Introduced:** Twenty-one bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 1200–1220, and S. Res. 164. **Pages S2011–12**

#### Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Legislative and Oversight Activities During the 116th Congress by the Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs”. (S. Rept. No. 117–16) **Page S2011**

#### Measures Considered:

**COVID–19 Hate Crimes Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 937, to facilitate the expedited review of COVID–19 hate crimes, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S2002–09**

Pending:

Schumer (for Hirono/Collins) Amendment No. 1445, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S2002–03**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, April 20, 2021. **Page S2041**

#### Appointments:

**United States Holocaust Memorial Council:** The Chair, on behalf of the President pro tempore, pursuant to Public Law 96–388, as amended by Public Law 97–84, and Public Law 106–292, reappointed the following Senators to the United States Holocaust Memorial Council for the 117th Congress: Senators Rubio and Scott (SC). **Page S2041**

**Monaco Nomination:** By 94 yeas to 3 nays (Vote No. EX. 154), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination of Lisa O. Monaco, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Attorney General. **Page S2009**

**Gupta Nomination—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the nomination of Vanita Gupta, of Virginia, to be Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice. **Page S2009**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the nomination, and, in accordance with the provi-

sions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Wednesday, April 21, 2021. **Page S2009**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S2009**

By 50 yeas to 49 nays (Vote No. 155), Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S2009**

**Estenoz Nomination Referral—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the nomination of Shannon Aneal Estenoz, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, sent to the Senate by the President on Monday, April 19, 2021, be referred jointly to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources and the Committee on Environment and Public Works. **Page S2041**

**Gensler Nomination—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that at 12 noon, on Tuesday, April 20, 2021, Senate resume consideration of the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, and Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination; and that if cloture is invoked on the nomination, all post-cloture time be considered expired at 2:15 p.m. **Page S2041**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

Faisal Amin, of Maryland, to be Chief Financial Officer, Environmental Protection Agency.

Shannon Aneal Estenoz, of Florida, to be Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife.

Tanya Marie Trujillo, of New Mexico, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

Larry Edward Andre, Jr., of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Federal Republic of Somalia.

Elizabeth Moore Aubin, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the People’s Democratic Republic of Algeria.

Steven C. Bondy, of New Jersey, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain.

Maria E. Brewer, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Lesotho.

Marc Evans Knapper, of California, to be Ambassador to the Socialist Republic of Vietnam.

Christopher John Lamora, of Rhode Island, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Cameroon.

Tulinabo S. Mushingi, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Angola, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe.

Michael Raynor, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Senegal, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau.

Michele Jeanne Sison, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State (International Organization Affairs).

Jon Eugene Meyer, of Ohio, to be General Counsel, Department of Homeland Security.

Rupa Ranga Puttagunta, of the District of Columbia, to be Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia for the term of fifteen years.

Robin C. Ashton, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Central Intelligence Agency.

Deborah L. Boardman, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Tiffany P. Cunningham, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit.

Lydia Kay Griggsby, of Maryland, to be United States District Judge for the District of Maryland.

Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

Candace Jackson-Akiwumi, of Illinois, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Seventh Circuit.

Julien Xavier Neals, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Zahid N. Quraishi, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

Regina M. Rodriguez, of Colorado, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado.

Margaret Irene Strickland, of New Mexico, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Mexico.

Patricia L. Ross, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Congressional and Legislative Affairs).

Maryanne T. Donaghy, of Pennsylvania, to be an Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection).

Matthew T. Quinn, of Montana, to be Under Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Memorial Affairs.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total–155) Page S2009

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:28 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S2042.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### AFGHANISTAN

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee received a closed briefing on the negotiation process and understanding the security situation in Afghanistan from Zalmay Khalilzad, Special Representative for Afghanistan Reconciliation, Department of State; David F. Helvey, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Indo-Pacific Security Affairs; and an official briefer from the National Intelligence Office for South Asia, Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 29 public bills, H.R. 2639–2667; and 4 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 29; and H. Res. 327–329, were introduced. **Pages H1953–54**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H1955–56**

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

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Dingell to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1893**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:16 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. **Page H1895**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 2:08 p.m. and reconvened at 2:30 p.m. **Page H1896**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 3:13 p.m. and reconvened at 3:27 p.m. **Page H1906**

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

***Trusted Traveler Reconsideration and Restoration Act of 2021:*** H.R. 473, to require a review of Department of Homeland Security trusted traveler programs; **Pages H1898–99**

***Secure And Fair Enforcement Banking Act of 2021:*** H.R. 1996, amended, to create protections for financial institutions that provide financial services to cannabis-related legitimate businesses and service providers for such businesses, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 321 yeas to 101 nays, Roll No. 120; **Pages H1915–24, H1942–43**

***Condemning the continued violation of rights and freedoms of the people of Hong Kong by the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region:*** H. Res. 130, condemning the continued violation of rights and freedoms of the people of Hong Kong by the People's Republic of China and the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 121; **Pages H1927–30, H1943–44**

***Southeast Asia Strategy Act:*** H.R. 1083, to require a strategy for engagement with Southeast Asia and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN); and **Pages H1944–45**

***Tropical Forest and Coral Reef Conservation Reauthorization Act of 2021:*** H.R. 241, to reauthorize the Tropical Forest and Coral Reef Conservation Act of 1998. **Pages H1945–47**

**Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

***Department of Homeland Security Morale, Recognition, Learning and Engagement Act of 2021:*** H.R. 490, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to improve morale within the Department of Homeland Security workforce by conferring new responsibilities to the Chief Human Capital Officer, establishing an employee engagement steering committee, requiring action plans, and authorizing an annual employee award program; **Pages H1896–98**

***Quadrennial Homeland Security Review Technical Corrections Act of 2021:*** H.R. 370, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to make technical corrections to the requirement that the Secretary of Homeland Security submit quadrennial homeland security reviews; **Pages H1900–01**

***Homeland Security Acquisition Professional Career Program Act:*** H.R. 367, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish an acquisition professional career program; **Pages H1901–02**

***Department of Homeland Security Mentor-Protégé Program Act of 2021:*** H.R. 408, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a mentor-protégé program; **Pages H1902–04**

***CBRN Intelligence and Information Sharing Act of 2021:*** H.R. 397, amended, to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear intelligence and information sharing functions of the Office of Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security and to require dissemination of information analyzed by the Department to entities with responsibilities relating to homeland security; **Pages H1904–05**

***Transit Security Grant Program Flexibility Act:*** H.R. 396, to amend the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 to clarify certain allowable uses of funds for public transportation security assistance grants and establish periods of performance for such grants; **Pages H1905–06**

***Improving FHA Support for Small-Dollar Mortgages Act of 2021:*** H.R. 1532, to require a review of the effects of FHA mortgage insurance policies, practices, and products on small-dollar mortgage lending; **Pages H1906–08**

***Fair Debt Collection Practices for Servicemembers Act:*** H.R. 1491, to amend the Fair

Debt Collection Practices Act to provide enhanced protection against debt collector harassment of members of the Armed Forces; **Pages H1908–09**

*Housing Financial Literacy Act of 2021:* H.R. 1395, to require the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development to discount FHA single-family mortgage insurance premium payments for first-time homebuyers who complete a financial literacy housing counseling program; **Pages H1909–10**

*National Senior Investor Initiative Act of 2021:* H.R. 1565, to create an interdivisional taskforce at the Securities and Exchange Commission for senior investors; **Pages H1910–13**

*Promoting Transparent Standards for Corporate Insiders Act:* H.R. 1528, to require the Securities and Exchange Commission to carry out a study of Rule 10b5–1 trading plans; **Pages H1913–14**

*Eliminate Barriers to Innovation Act of 2021:* H.R. 1602, to direct the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission to jointly establish a digital asset working group; **Pages H1924–27**

*Cyber Diplomacy Act of 2021:* H.R. 1251, amended, to support United States international cyber diplomacy; **Pages H1930–34**

*Supporting the People of Belarus and Their Democratic Aspirations and Condemning the Election Rigging and Subsequent Violent Crackdowns on Peaceful Protesters by the Illegitimate Lukashenka Regime:* H. Res. 124, supporting the people of Belarus and their democratic aspirations and condemning the election rigging and subsequent violent crackdowns on peaceful protesters by the illegitimate Lukashenka regime; **Pages H1934–37**

*Young African Leaders Initiative Act of 2021:* H.R. 965, amended, to establish a comprehensive United States Government initiative to build the capacity of young leaders and entrepreneurs in Africa; and **Pages H1937–39**

*Protection of Saudi Dissidents Act of 2021:* H.R. 1392, amended, to protect Saudi dissidents in the United States. **Pages H1939–42**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1942–43 and H1943–44.

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

## Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine Defense Health Program, 9:30 a.m., SD–192.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the American Jobs Plan, focusing on infrastructure, climate change, and investing in our nation's future, 10:30 a.m., SD–106.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine United States Strategic Command and United States Space Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC–217, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine investing in rural communities, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings to examine strengthening the Federal Trade Commission's authority to protect consumers, 10 a.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine combatting inequality, focusing on the tax code and racial, ethnic, and gender disparities, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine COVID–19 recovery, focusing on supporting workers and modernizing the workforce through quality education, training, and employment opportunities, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine voting rights, 10 a.m., SH–216.

#### House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Full Committee, business meeting to consider the Budget Views and Estimates Letter of the Committee on Agriculture for the agencies and programs under the jurisdiction of the Committee for Fiscal Year 2022, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “Rural Broadband—Examining Internet Connectivity Needs and Opportunities in Rural America”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

*Committee on Appropriations,* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services, Department of Agriculture, 10 a.m., Webex.

Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on U.S. European Command, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn. This hearing is closed.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of the Interior, 10 a.m., Webex.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled “Building Capacity, Building Community: Increasing Investments in Community Colleges”, 10 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Armed Services*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “National Security Challenges and U.S. Military Activities in the Greater Middle East and Africa”, 11 a.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Education and Labor*, Full Committee, business meeting to approve new subcommittee assignments, 10:15 a.m., Zoom.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “For-Profit College Conversions: Examining Ways to Improve Accountability and Prevent Fraud”, 10:15 a.m., Zoom.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, Subcommittee on Energy, hearing entitled “Generating Equity: Deploying a Just and Clean Energy Future”, 10:30 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Full Committee, markup on Views and Estimates of the Committee on Financial Services on Matters to be Set Forth in the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 Budget; resolution to establish the Task Force on Artificial Intelligence in the Committee on Financial Services; resolution to establish the Task Force on Financial Technology in the Committee on Financial Services; H.R. 1087, the “Shareholder Political Transparency Act”; H.R. 1187, the “ESG Disclosure Simplification Act”; H.R. 1277, the “Improving Corporate Governance Through Diversity Act”; H.R. 2123, the “Diversity and Inclusion Data Accountability and Transparency Act”; H.R. 2516, the “Promoting Diversity and Inclusion in Banking Act”; H.R. 2543, the “Federal Reserve Racial and Economic Equity Act”; H.R. 2547, the “Comprehensive Debt Collection Improvement Act”; and H.R. 2553, the “Real Estate Valuation Fairness and Improvement Act of 2021”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment, and Cyber, hearing entitled “Restoration of the Transatlantic Dialogue: The Global Fight Against Climate Change”, 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, April 20, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1843, the “COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act”; H.R. 2383, the “National Opposition to Hate, Assault, and Threats to Equality Act of 2021”; H.R. 2393, the “No Oil Producing and Exporting Cartels Act of 2021”; H.R. 704, the “Artistic Recognition for Talented Students Act”; and H.R. 2453, the “Driving for Opportunity Act of 2021”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Building Back Better: Reducing Pollution and Creating Jobs Through Offshore Wind”, 2:30 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, Subcommittee on Government Operations, hearing entitled “Restoring Independence: Rebuilding the Federal Offices of Inspectors General”, 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 51, the “Washington, D.C. Admission Act”; H.R. 1333,

the “NO BAN Act”; and H.R. 1573, the “Access to Counsel Act of 2021”, 9:30 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Small Business*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Update on SBA’s Pandemic Response Programs”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Select Committee On The Climate Crisis*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Making the Case for Climate Action: Creating New Jobs and Catalyzing Economic Growth”, 12 p.m., Zoom.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of April 20 through April 23, 2021

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of S. 937, COVID-19 Hate Crimes Act.

At 12 noon, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination, at 2:15 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 Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry*: April 22, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Jewel Hairston Bronaugh, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Agriculture, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Appropriations*: April 20, Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine Defense Health Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

April 20, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the American Jobs Plan, focusing on infrastructure, climate change, and investing in our nation’s future, 10:30 a.m., SD-106.

April 21, Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Capitol Police, Architect of the Capitol, and Senate Sergeant at Arms, 2 p.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services*: April 20, to hold hearings to examine United States Strategic Command and United States Space Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

April 21, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine science and technology, technology maturation, and technology transition activities, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

April 21, Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the current and future cyber workforce of the

Department of Defense and the military services, 2:30 p.m., SR-232A.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States Central Command and United States Africa Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022 and the Future Years Defense Program; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* April 20, to hold hearings to examine investing in rural communities, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine 21st century communities, focusing on capitalizing on opportunities in the clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., WEBEX.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* April 20, to hold hearings to examine strengthening the Federal Trade Commission's authority to protect consumers, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 21, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Bill Nelson, of Florida, to be Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Lina M. Khan, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner, and Leslie B. Kiernan, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce, 10 a.m., SR-253.

April 21, Subcommittee on Aviation Safety, Operations, and Innovation, to hold hearings to examine America's safe return to air travel, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* April 22, to hold hearings to examine the opportunities and challenges that exist for advancing and deploying carbon and carbon-dioxide utilization technologies in the United States, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* April 20, to hold hearings to examine combatting inequality, focusing on the tax code and racial, ethnic, and gender disparities, 10 a.m., WEBEX.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine U.S.-China Relations, focusing on improving U.S. competitiveness through trade, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* April 21, business meeting to consider S. 413, to establish the China Censorship Monitor and Action Group, S. 814, to promote security partnership with Ukraine, and an original bill entitled, "Strategic Competition Act of 2021", 10 a.m., SD-106.

April 21, Subcommittee on Near East, South Asia, Central Asia, and Counterterrorism, to hold hearings to examine U.S. policy on Yemen, 2 p.m., SD-106.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* April 20, to hold hearings to examine COVID-19 recovery, focusing on supporting workers and modernizing the workforce through quality education, training, and employment opportunities, 10 a.m., SD-430.

April 21, Full Committee, business meeting to consider the nominations of Julie A. Su, of California, to be Deputy Secretary of Labor, Cynthia Minette Marten, of California, to be Deputy Secretary, and James Richard Kvaal, of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary, both of the Department of Education, and other pending calendar business, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

April 22, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine protecting U.S. biomedical research, focusing on efforts to prevent undue foreign influence, 10 a.m., SD-430.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* April 22, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Kiran Arjandas Ahuja, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management, and Anton George Hajjar, of Maryland, Amber Faye McReynolds, of Colorado, and Ronald Stroman, of the District of Columbia, each to be a Governor of the United States Postal Service, 10:15 a.m., SD-342/VTC.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* April 20, to hold hearings to examine voting rights, 10 a.m., SH-216.

April 21, Subcommittee on Intellectual Property, to hold hearings to examine improving access and inclusivity in the patent system, focusing on unleashing America's economic engine, 10 a.m., SD-226.

April 21, Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights, to hold hearings to examine competition in app stores, focusing on antitrust, 2:30 p.m., SD-226.

April 22, Subcommittee on Criminal Justice and Counterterrorism, to hold hearings to examine behavioral health and policing, focusing on interactions and solutions, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* April 21, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Dilawar Syed, of California, to be Deputy Administrator of the Small Business Administration, 2:30 p.m., SR-301.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* April 22, business meeting to consider the nomination of Richard A. Sauber, of the District of Columbia, to be General Counsel, Department of Veterans Affairs, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* April 21, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SVC-217.

## House Committees

*Committee on Appropriations,* April 21, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, hearing entitled "Oversight of the Economic Development Administration's Role in Pandemic Response", 10 a.m., Webex.

April 21, Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on U.S. Africa Command, 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn. This hearing is closed.

April 21, Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Environmental Protection Agency, 10 a.m., Webex.

April 21, Subcommittee on Defense, budget hearing on U.S. Central Command, 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn. This hearing is closed.

April 21, Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, budget hearing on the Department of Housing and Urban Development, 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Armed Services,* April 21, Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, hearing entitled "FY22 Strategic Forces Posture Hearing", 4 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

April 22, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces; and Subcommittee on Readiness, joint hearing entitled “Update on F-35 Program Accomplishments, Issues, and Risks”, 9:30 a.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Education and Labor*, April 22, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Members Day Hearing: Committee on Education and Labor”, 10:15 a.m., Zoom.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, April 21, Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, hearing entitled “Leading the Wireless Future: Securing American Network Technology” 11:30 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, April 21, Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled “The Crisis in Yemen: Part 2”, 10 a.m., Webex.

April 21, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1488, the “Global Electoral Exchange Act of 2021”; H.R. 1036, the “Bassam Barabandi Rewards for Justice Act”; H.R. 402, the “CROOK Act”; H.R. 2538, the “FENTANYL Results Act”; H. Res. 186, calling for the immediate release of Trevor Reed, a United States citizen who was unjustly found guilty and sentenced to nine years in a Russian prison; H.R. 2471, the “Haiti Development, Accountability, and Institutional Transparency Initiative Act”; H.R. 1228, the “Libya Stabilization Act”; H.R. 496, the “Ukraine Religious Freedom Support Act”; H.R. 826, the “Divided Families Reunification Act”; H. Res. 294, encouraging reunions of divided Korean-American families; H.R. 1155, the “Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act”; and H. Res. 317, condemning the ongoing genocide and crimes against humanity being committed against Uyghurs and members of other religious and ethnic minority groups by the People’s Republic of China, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, April 21, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Department of Homeland Security’s Office of Inspector General”, 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on House Administration*, April 21, Full Committee, continue hearing entitled “Oversight of the United States Capitol Police and Preparations for and Response to the Attack of January 6th”, 2 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, April 22, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Voting Rights Act: The Evolving Landscape of Voting Discrimination”, 9 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, April 21, Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing entitled “Infrastructure in Indigenous Communities: Priorities for American Jobs Plan”, 10 a.m., Webex.

April 21, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands, hearing on H.R. 820, the “New Phila-

delphia National Historical Park Act”; H.R. 920, the “Brown v. Board of Education National Historic Site Expansion Act”; H.R. 2497, the “Amache National Historic Site Act”; and H.R. 2626, the “Pullman National Historical Park Act”, 1 p.m., Webex.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, April 22, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “The Role of Fossil Fuel Subsidies in Preventing Action on the Climate Crisis”, 10 a.m., Webex.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, April 21, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “Working Towards Climate Equity: The Case for a Federal Climate Service”, 11 a.m., Zoom.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, April 21, Full Committee, markup on Fiscal Year 2022 Budget Views and Estimates of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, 10:30 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

April 21, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “Sustainable Wastewater Infrastructure: Measures to Promote Resiliency and Climate Adaptation and Mitigation”, 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, April 21, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on H.R. 711, the “West Los Angeles VA Campus Improvement Act of 2021”; H.R. 1948, the “VA Employee Fairness Act of 2021”; H.R. 2082, the “VA Supply Chain Resiliency Act”; H.R. 2428, the “Strengthening Oversight for Veterans Act of 2021”; H.R. 2429, the “VA Police Improvement and Accountability Act”; legislation on Strengthening VA Whistleblower Protection Act of 2021; legislation on VA FOIA Reform Act of 2021; legislation on directing the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to make certain information publicly available on one internet website of the Department of Veterans Affairs; legislation on Improving VA Accountability to Prevent Sexual Harassment and Discrimination Act of 2021; legislation on VA Beneficiary Debt Collection Improvement Act; legislation on VA Equal Employment Counseling Modernization Act; legislation on Strengthening VA Background Checks Act; legislation on directing the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit to Congress a plan for expending Coronavirus pandemic funding made available to the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes; and legislation to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements to the Office of Accountability and Whistleblower Protection of the Department of Veterans Affairs, and for other purposes”, 10 a.m., Webex.

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10 a.m., Tuesday, April 20

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of S. 937, COVID–19 Hate Crimes Act.

At 12 noon, Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, with a vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination of Gary Gensler, of Maryland, to be a Member of the Securities and Exchange Commission, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination, at 2:15 p.m.

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

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

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## House Chamber

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