

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4023–S4502

Measures Introduced: Thirty-eight bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 2001–2038, and S. Res. 267. **Pages S4042–44**

Measures Passed:

Protecting America's First Responders Act: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1511, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 with respect to payments to certain public safety officers who have become permanently and totally disabled as a result of personal injuries sustained in the line of duty, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Cortez Masto (for Grassley) Amendment No. 2118, of a perfecting nature. **Pages S4499–S4501**

Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution: Committee on Rules and Administration was discharged from further consideration of H.J. Res. 27, providing for the appointment of Barbara Barrett as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, and the resolution was then passed. **Page S4501**

Mental Health Awareness Month: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 254, expressing support for the designation of May 2021 as "Mental Health Awareness Month", and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4501**

Jackson Nomination—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit. **Page S4027**

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

By 52 yeas to 46 nays (Vote No. EX. 229), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S4027**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that Senate resume consideration of the nomi-

nation, post-cloture, at 5 p.m., on Monday, June 14, 2021; that all post-cloture time on the nomination expire at 5:30 p.m.; and that the motions to invoke cloture filed on Thursday, June 10, 2021 ripen following disposition of the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson. **Page S4501**

Khan Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Lina M. Khan, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner. **Page S4029**

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 Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit. **Page S4029**

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

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that notwithstanding Rule XXII, it be in order to move to proceed to and file cloture on the nominations of Ketanji Brown Jackson and Kiran Arjandas Ahuja. **Page S4029**

Ahuja Nomination—Cloture: Senate began consideration of the nomination of Kiran Arjandas Ahuja, of Massachusetts, to be Director of the Office of Personnel Management. **Pages S4029–40**

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 Lina M. Khan, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner. **Page S4029**

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

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Legislative Session. **Page S4029**

Senate agreed to the motion to proceed to Executive Session to consider the nomination. **Page S4029**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 81 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. EX. 230), Zahid N. Quraishi, of New Jersey, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

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

By 83 yeas to 16 nays (Vote No. EX. 228), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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Leslie B. Kiernan, of Maryland, to be General Counsel of the Department of Commerce.

Adrienne Todman, of the Virgin Islands, to be Deputy Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Nuria I. Fernandez, of California, to be Federal Transit Administrator.

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Record Votes: Three record votes were taken today. (Total—230) **Pages S4026–27, S4031–32**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 4:10 p.m., until 3 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4501.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Janie Simms Hipp, of Arkansas, to be General Counsel of the Department of Agriculture.

APPROPRIATIONS: HUD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, after receiving testimony from Marcia Fudge, Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

APPROPRIATIONS: FDA

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2022 for the Food and Drug Administration, after receiving testimony from Janet Woodcock, Acting Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Frank Kendall III, of Massachusetts, to be Secretary of the Air Force, Heidi Shyu, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary for Research and Engineering, Susanna V. Blume, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of Cost Assessment and Program Evaluation, and Deborah G. Rosenblum, of the District of Columbia, and Christopher Paul Maier, of California, both to be an Assistant Secretary, all of the Department of Defense, and Jill Hruby, of New Mexico, to be Under Secretary for Nuclear Security, and Frank A. Rose, of Massachusetts, to be Principal Deputy Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, both of the Department of Energy.

DOD BUDGET POSTURE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the Department of Defense budget posture in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2022, after receiving testimony from Lloyd J. Austin III, Secretary, Michael J. McCord, Under Secretary (Comptroller), and General Mark A. Milley, USA, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, all of the Department of Defense.

HHS BUDGET

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2022 for the Department of Health and Human Services, after receiving testimony from Xavier Becerra, Secretary of Health and Human Services.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Lily Lawrence Batchelder, of Massachusetts, and Benjamin Harris, of Virginia, both to be an Assistant Secretary, J. Nellie Liang, of Maryland, to be an Under Secretary, and Jonathan Davidson, of Maryland, to be Deputy Under Secretary, all of the Department of the Treasury.

XINJIANG

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on East Asia, the Pacific, and International Cybersecurity Policy with the Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women's Issues, concluded a joint hearing to examine atrocities in Xinjiang, after receiving testimony from Adrian Zenz, Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation, Rushan Abbas, Campaign for Uyghurs, and Sophie Richardson, Human Rights Watch, all of Washington, D.C.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Robin Carnahan, of Missouri, to be Administrator of General Services, who was introduced by Senator Blunt, Jen Easterly, of New York, to be Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Department of Homeland Security, who was introduced by Representative Gallagher, and Chris Inglis, of Maryland, to be National Cyber Director, who was introduced by Senator

King, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1927, to amend the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 601, to amend section 3661 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the consideration of acquitted conduct at sentencing, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1014, to reform sentencing laws and correctional institutions, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Deborah L. Boardman, and Lydia Kay Griggsby, both to be a United States District Judge for the District of Maryland, and Ronald L. Davis, of California, to be Director of the United States Marshals Service, Department of Justice.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in Pro Forma session at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, June 11, 2021.

Committee Meetings**APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs held a budget hearing on the Department of the Treasury. Testimony was heard from Janet Yellen, Secretary, Department of the Treasury.

FY22 BUDGET REQUEST FOR NUCLEAR FORCES AND ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing entitled “FY22 Budget Request for Nuclear Forces and Atomic Energy Defense Activities”. Testimony was heard from Melissa Dalton, Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities, Department of De-

fense; Lieutenant General James Dawkins, Deputy Chief of Staff for Strategic Deterrence and Nuclear Integration, U.S. Air Force; Charlie Verdon, Acting Administrator, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy; and Vice Admiral Johnny Wolfe, Director, Strategic Systems Programs, U.S. Navy.

ENDING CHILD HUNGER: PRIORITIES FOR CHILD NUTRITION REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services held a hearing entitled “Ending Child Hunger: Priorities for Child Nutrition Reauthorization”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a markup on H.J. Res. 34, a joint resolution providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to “Oil and Natural Gas Sector: Emission Standards for New, Reconstructed, and Modified Sources Review”; H.R. 2928, the “Cyber Sense Act

of 2021”; H.R. 2931, the “Enhancing Grid Security through Public-Private Partnerships Act”; H.R. 3078, the “Pipeline and LNG Facility Cybersecurity Preparedness Act”; H.R. 3119, the “Energy Emergency Leadership Act”; and H.R. 2668, the “Consumer Protection and Recovery Act”. H.J. Res. 34, H.R. 2928, H.R. 2931, H.R. 3078, and H.R. 3119 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 2668 was ordered reported, as amended.

UNACCOMPANIED CHILDREN AT THE BORDER: FEDERAL RESPONSE AND THE WAY FORWARD

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Border Security, Facilitation, and Operations held a hearing entitled “Unaccompanied Children at the Border: Federal Response and the Way Forward”. Testimony was heard from David Shahoulian, Assistant Secretary, Border Security and Immigration, Department of Homeland Security; Benjamin Huffman, Executive Assistant Commissioner, Enterprise Services, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security; Katherine D. Dueholm, Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; and Patrick J. Lechleitnery, Acting Executive Associate Director, Homeland Security Investigations, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

OVERSIGHT OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation”. Testimony was heard from Christopher Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice.

UTILIZATION OF SMALL CONTRACTORS IN THE INFRASTRUCTURE PLAN

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Contracting and Infrastructure held a hearing entitled “Utilization of Small Contractors in the Infrastructure Plan”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Full Committee concluded a markup on updated subcommittee roster; H.R. 1915, the “Water Quality Protection and Job Creation Act of 2021”; and H.R.

3684, the “INVEST in America Act”. The updated subcommittee roster was adopted. H.R. 1915 and H.R. 3684 were ordered reported, as amended.

MINDING THE TAX GAP: IMPROVING TAX ADMINISTRATION FOR THE 21ST CENTURY

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures; and Subcommittee on Oversight held a joint hearing entitled “Minding the Tax Gap: Improving Tax Administration for the 21st Century”. Testimony was heard from Mark Mazur, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, Department of the Treasury; Doug O’Donnell, Deputy Commissioner for Services and Enforcement, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 11, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Intelligence and Special Operations, hearing entitled “FY22 Defense Intelligence Enterprise Posture Hearing”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment, and Cyber, hearing entitled “Understanding the Fight to Protect LGBTQI+ Rights in Europe and Eurasia”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Oversight, Management, and Accountability, hearing entitled “Enhancing Border Security: Addressing Corruption in Central America”, 2 p.m., Webex.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing entitled “Voting in America: The Potential for Polling Place Quality and Restrictions on Opportunities to Vote to Interfere with Free and Fair Access to the Ballot”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Building Climate Resilient Communities”, 12:30 p.m., Zoom.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

3 p.m., Monday, June 14

Senate Chamber

Program for Monday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond 5 p.m.), Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit, post-cloture, and vote on confirmation thereon at 5:30 p.m.

Following disposition of the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, Senate will vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Lina M. Khan, of New York, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner.

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

11:30 a.m., Friday, June 11

House Chamber

Program for Friday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 11:30 a.m.



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