

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Five bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3883–3887, and S. Res. 554. **Page S1270**

Measures Considered:

America Competes Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4521, to provide for a coordinated Federal research initiative to ensure continued United States leadership in engineering biology. **Pages S1261–65**

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

By 66 yeas to 29 nays (Vote No. 97), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill. **Page S1265**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, March 22, 2022; and that all time during adjournment, recess, Leader remarks, and morning business count post-cloture on the motion to proceed. **Page S1272**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

R. Russell Rumbaugh, of Nebraska, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

Denis Udall, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation for a term expiring April 15, 2029.

Teresa Arrington Fox Udall, of Colorado, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation for a term expiring October 6, 2028.

Luis Manuel Botello, of Maryland, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2025.

Kenneth M. Jarin, of Pennsylvania, to be Chair of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board.

Kenneth M. Jarin, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the International Broadcasting Advisory Board for a term expiring January 1, 2027.

Raymond M. Jefferson, of Hawaii, to be Under Secretary for Benefits of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Lucretia Marie McClenney, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission. **Page S1272**

Nominations Withdrawn: Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nominations:

Lucretia Maria McClenney, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Asset and Infrastructure Review Commission, which was sent to the Senate on March 10, 2022.

Sarah Bloom Raskin, of Maryland, to be Vice Chairman for Supervision of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System for a term of four years, which was sent to the Senate on January 13, 2022.

Elaine Trevino, of California, to be Chief Agricultural Negotiator, Office of the United States Trade Representative, with the rank of Ambassador, which was sent to the Senate on October 7, 2021. **Page S1272**

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Authorities for Committees to Meet:

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—97) **Page S1265**

Adjournment: Senate convened at 3:03 p.m. and adjourned at 6:58 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 22, 2022. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S1272.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held a hearing to examine the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate

Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, the nominee, who was introduced by Thomas B. Griffith, Judge (Ret.), U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, Washington, D.C., and Lisa M. Fairfax, University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School, Philadelphia, testified in her own behalf. Hearing recessed subject to the call and will meet again on Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 7176–7193; and 2 resolutions, H.J. Res. 78; and H. Con. Res. 81, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Beyer to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. William Gurnee, St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Washington, DC.

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Whole Number of the House: The Speaker announced to the House that, in light of the passing of the gentleman from Alaska, Mr. Young, the whole number of the House is 432.

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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 1 p.m. and adjourned at 1:24 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

Joint Meetings

UKRAINE'S DEFENSIVE NEEDS

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: On Friday, March 18, 2022, Commission received a briefing on Ukraine's defensive needs from General Wesley Clark, USA (Ret.), UCLA Burkle Center for International Relations; Stacie Pettyjohn, Center for a New American Security; and Matthew Kroenig, Georgetown University.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D285)

H.R. 189, to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide that the authority of the Director of the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities to make certain research endowments applies with respect to both current and former centers of excellence. Signed on March 18, 2022. (Public Law 117–104)

H.R. 1667, to address behavioral health and well-being among health care professionals. Signed on March 18, 2022. (Public Law 117–105)

H.R. 2497, to establish the Amache National Historic Site in the State of Colorado as a Unit of the National Park System. Signed on March 18, 2022. (Public Law 117–106)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: to hold hearings to examine rural quality of life, focusing on opportunities and challenges for the rural care economy, 10 a.m., SD–562/VTC.

Committee on Armed Services: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William A. LaPlante, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment, and Erik Kristopher Raven, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, both of the Department of Defense, Musetta Tia Johnson, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and Marvin L. Adams, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine building a resilient economy, focusing on shoring up supply, 10:15 a.m., SD–538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: business meeting to consider S. 1541, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to require the Federal Communications Commission to ensure just and reasonable charges for telephone and advanced communications services in correctional and detention facilities, S. 3014, to establish the Next Generation Telecommunications Council, S. 3262, to improve the efficient movement of freight at ports in the United States, S. 3278, to protect children and other consumers against hazards associated with the accidental ingestion of button cell or coin batteries by requiring the Consumer Product Safety Commission to promulgate a consumer product safety standard to require child-resistant closures on consumer products that use such batteries, S. 3296, to require the TSA to develop a plan to ensure that TSA material disseminated in major airports can be better understood by more people accessing such airports, S. 3405, to require the Federal Communications Commission to issue a rule providing that certain low power television stations may be accorded primary status as Class A television licensees, S. 3434, to commission a study relating to the manufacturing programs of the Department of Commerce, S. 3580, to amend title 46, United States Code, with respect to prohibited acts by ocean common carriers or marine terminal operators, S. 3662, to temporarily increase the cost share authority for aqueous film forming foam input-based testing equipment, S. 3664, to assist in the conservation of the North Atlantic right whale by supporting and providing financial resources for North Atlantic right whale conservation programs and projects of persons with expertise required for the conservation of North Atlantic right whales, S. 3785, to amend title 49, United States Code, to eliminate the restriction on veterans concurrently serving in the Offices of Administrator and Deputy Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, S. 3817, to improve the forecasting and understanding of tornadoes and other hazardous weather, and routine lists in the Coast Guard, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on the Iran nuclear negotiations, 2:15 p.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: to hold hearings to examine child care and preschool, focusing on cutting costs for working families, 10 a.m., SD-106.

Committee on the Judiciary: to continue hearings to examine the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

No hearings are scheduled.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of March 22 through March 25, 2022

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4521, America COMPETES Act, post-cloture.

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 Armed Services: March 22, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William A. LaPlante, Jr., of Massachusetts, to be Under Secretary for Acquisition and Sustainment, and Erik Kristopher Raven, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Navy, both of the Department of Defense, Musetta Tia Johnson, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, and Marvin L. Adams, of Texas, to be Deputy Administrator for Defense Programs, National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

March 23, Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine strategic competition and security cooperation in the Western Hemisphere, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

March 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the posture of United States Northern Command and United States Southern Command; to be immediately followed by a closed session in SVC-217, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: March 22, to hold hearings to examine building a resilient economy, focusing on shoring up supply, 10:15 a.m., SD-538.

March 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine strengthening oversight and equity in the appraisal process, 10 a.m., SD-538.

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March 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine developing next generation technology for innovation, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: March 23, to hold hearings to examine promoting American energy security by facilitating investments and innovation in climate solutions, 10 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: March 22, to receive a closed briefing on the Iran nuclear negotiations, 2:15 p.m., SVC-217.

March 23, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 3666, to require reports on the adoption of a cryptocurrency as legal tender in El Salvador, S. 816, to amend the Diplomatic Security Act of 1986 to provide for improved serious security incident investigations, S. 3199, to promote peace and democracy in Ethiopia, S. 3491, to establish a commission to reform and modernize the Department of State, S. 3492, to address the importance of foreign affairs training in national security, S. 3591, to strengthen the bilateral partnership between the United States and Ecuador in support of democratic institutions and rule of law, sustainable and inclusive economic growth, and conservation, S. J.Res. 17, requiring the advice and consent of the Senate or an Act of Congress to suspend, terminate, or withdraw the United States from the North Atlantic Treaty and authorizing related litigation, S. Res. 427, to commemorate the 30-year anniversary of the 1991 Paris Peace Agreements with Cambodia and to call upon all signatories to those Agreements to fulfill their commitments to secure a peaceful, prosperous, democratic, and sovereign Cambodia, S. Res. 446, commending the Government of Lithuania for its resolve in increasing ties with Taiwan and supporting its firm stance against coercion by the Chinese Communist Party, S. Res. 456, expressing support for a free, fair, and peaceful December 4, 2021, election in The Gambia, S. Res. 473, expressing the sense of the Senate on the necessity of maintaining the United Nations arms embargo on

South Sudan until conditions for peace, stability, democracy, and development exist, S. Res. 503, expressing the sense of the Senate that the Government of the People's Republic of China should immediately guarantee the safety and freedom of tennis star Peng Shuai, S. Res. 547, recognizing the 201st anniversary of Greek Independence and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States, S. Con. Res. 20, condemning the October 25, 2021, military coup in Sudan and standing with the people of Sudan, Treaty Doc. 112-8, the Convention between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Chile for the Avoidance of Double Taxation and the Prevention of Fiscal Evasion with Respect to Taxes on Income and Capital, signed in Washington on February 4, 2010, with a Protocol signed the same day, as corrected by exchanges of notes effected February 25, 2011, and February 10 and 21, 2012, and a related agreement effected by exchange of notes (the "related Agreement") on February 4, 2010, the nominations of Deborah E. Lipstadt, of Georgia, to be Special Envoy to Monitor and Combat Anti-Semitism, with the rank of Ambassador, Barbara A. Leaf, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary (Near Eastern Affairs), and Douglas T. Hickey, of Idaho, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Finland, all of the Department of State, and Maria Fabiana Jorge, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Alternate Executive Director, and Leopoldo Martinez Nucete, of Virginia, to be United States Executive Director, both of the Inter-American Development Bank, 10 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

March 24, Full Committee, to receive a briefing on U.S.-Taiwan policy, 11 a.m., Room to be announced.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: March 22, to hold hearings to examine child care and preschool, focusing on cutting costs for working families, 10 a.m., SD-106.

March 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine strengthening Federal mental health and substance use disorder programs, focusing on opportunities, challenges, and emerging issues, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: March 23, to hold hearings to examine S. 1397, to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to the collection and availability of health data with respect to Indian Tribes and Tribal organizations, S. 3168, to amend the White Mountain Apache Tribe Water Rights Quantification Act of 2010 to modify the enforceability date for certain provisions, S. 3308, to authorize the Colorado River Indian Tribes to enter into lease or exchange agreements and storage agreements relating to water of the Colorado River allocated to the Colorado River Indian Tribes, S. 3443, to extend Federal recognition to the MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians, S. 3773, to authorize the leases of up to 99 years for land held in trust for the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation, and S. 3789, to amend the Native American Tourism and Improving Visitor Experience Act to authorize grants to Indian tribes, tribal organizations, and Native Hawaiian organizations, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: March 22, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 9 a.m., SH-216.

March 23, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 9 a.m., SH-216.

March 24, Full Committee, to continue hearings to examine the nomination of Ketanji Brown Jackson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 9 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: March 23, to hold hearings to examine improving the VA's Program of Comprehensive Assistance for Family Caregivers, 3 p.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: March 22, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

March 23, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

Special Committee on Aging: March 23, to hold hearings to examine the importance of home-based services, focusing on an economy that cares, 10 a.m., SD-562.

House Committees

No hearings are scheduled.

Joint Meetings

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: March 23, to hold hearings to examine Russian imperialism in Ukraine and beyond, 2:30 p.m., SD-562/VTC.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, March 22

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

1 p.m., Thursday, March 24

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 4521, America COMPETES Act, post-cloture.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: House will meet in Pro Forma session at 1 p.m.

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