

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S4829–S4878*

**Measures Introduced:** Sixteen bills and twelve resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 4886–4901, and S. Res. 775–786. **Pages S4856–57**

#### Measures Reported:

S. 4254, to amend the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 to clarify a provision relating to certain contents of registrations under that Act. (S. Rept. No. 117–150)

S. 4524, to limit the judicial enforceability of predispute nondisclosure and nondisparagement contract clauses relating to disputes involving sexual assault and sexual harassment, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. **Page S4856**

#### Measures Passed:

**Threats and Violence Against the FBI:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 775, expressing the sense of the Senate that violence and threats of violence against the employees of the Federal Bureau of Investigation are unacceptable and should be condemned. **Pages S4831–32**

**IMPROVE Act:** Senate passed S. 4899, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to Remedy election revocations relating to administration of COVID–19 vaccines. **Pages S4871–72**

**SBIR and STTR Extension Act of 2022:** Senate passed S. 4900, to reauthorize the SBIR and STTR programs and pilot programs. **Pages S4872–76**

**Cora Reynolds Anderson Post Office:** Senate passed S. 3884, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 404 U.S. Highway 41 North in Baraga, Michigan, as the “Cora Reynolds Anderson Post Office”. **Page S4876**

**Atanasio Taitano Perez Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3539, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 223 West Chalan Santo Papa in Hagatna, Guam, as the “Atanasio Taitano Perez Post Office”. **Page S4876**

**John R. Lewis Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 5577, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 3900 Crown

Road Southwest in Atlanta, Georgia, as the “John R. Lewis Post Office Building”. **Page S4876**

**Indiana Hunt Martin Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 2142, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 170 Manhattan Avenue in Buffalo, New York, as the “Indiana Hunt-Martin Post Office Building”. **Page S4876**

**Private First Class Barrett Lyle Austin Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 91, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 810 South Pendleton Street in Easley, South Carolina, as the “Private First Class Barrett Lyle Austin Post Office Building”. **Page S4876**

**Specialist Four Charles Johnson Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 92, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 110 Johnson Street in Pickens, South Carolina, as the “Specialist Four Charles Johnson Post Office”. **Page S4876**

**CW4 Christian J. Koch Memorial Post Office:** Senate passed H.R. 3508, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 39 West Main Street, in Honeoye Falls, New York, as the “CW4 Christian J. Koch Memorial Post Office”. **Page S4876**

**Lance Corporal Kareem Nikoui Memorial Post Office Building:** Senate passed H.R. 5809, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1801 Town and Country Drive in Norco, California, as the “Lance Corporal Kareem Nikoui Memorial Post Office Building”. **Page S4876**

**Global Malnutrition Prevention and Treatment:** Senate passed H.R. 4693, to advance targeted and evidence-based interventions for the prevention and treatment of global malnutrition and to improve the coordination of such programs. **Page S4876**

**SPEED Recovery Act:** Senate passed H.R. 5641, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to increase the threshold for eligibility for assistance under sections 403, 406, 407, and 502 of such Act, after agreeing to the committee amendments. **Pages S4876–77**

**Extension of Department of Homeland Security Other Transaction Authority Act:** Senate passed S.

4553, to extend other transaction authority for the Department of Homeland Security. **Page S4877**

**Extension of Authority to Acquire Innovative Commercial Items Act:** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 4552, to extend the program for authority to acquire innovative commercial items using general solicitation procedures, and the bill was then passed. **Page S4877**

**National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 776, designating September 2022 as “National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month”. **Pages S4877–78**

**National Student Parent Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 777, expressing the support of the Senate for the contributions and achievements of student parents and recognizing September 2022 as National Student Parent Month. **Page S4878**

**National Recovery Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 778, supporting the designation of September 2022 as “National Recovery Month”. **Page S4878**

**National Estuaries Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 779, designating the week of September 17 through September 24, 2022, as “National Estuaries Week”. **Page S4878**

**National Workforce Development Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 780, designating September 2022 as “National Workforce Development Month”. **Page S4878**

**PCOS Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 781, recognizing the seriousness of polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) and expressing support for the designation of September 2022 as “PCOS Awareness Month”. **Page S4878**

**Hispanic Heritage Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 782, recognizing Hispanic Heritage Month and celebrating the heritage and culture of Latinos in the United States and the immense contributions of Latinos to the United States. **Page S4878**

**75th Anniversary of the Air Force:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 783, commemorating the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Department of the Air Force and celebrating the United States Air Force for 75 years of serving and defending the United States. **Page S4878**

**National Hispanic-Serving Institution Week:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 784, designating the week beginning on September 12, 2022, as “National Hispanic-Serving Institution Week”. **Page S4878**

**Amendment to Montreal Protocol (“Kigali Amendment”)—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of Treaty document 117–1, the amend-

ment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (the “Montreal Protocol”), adopted at Kigali on October 15, 2016, by the Twenty-Eighth Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (the “Kigali Amendment”), and a resolution of advice and consent to ratification with 1 declaration, after taking action on the following amendment and motion proposed thereto: **Page S4839**

**Pending:**

Schumer Amendment No. 5503, to add an effective date. **Page S4839**

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

By 64 yeas to 30 nays (Vote No. EX. 341), 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 treaty, and a resolution of advice and consent to ratification with 1 declaration. **Page S4839**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the treaty, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Wednesday, September 21, 2022; and that all time during adjournment, recess, Morning Business, and Leader remarks count post-cloture on the treaty. **Page S4878**

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

By 52 yeas to 42 nays (Vote No. EX. 340), Florence Y. Pan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit. **Pages S4829–36**

Randy W. Berry, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Namibia.

Robert A. Wood, of New York, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador. **Page S4878**

**Messages from the House:** **Page S4852**

**Measures Referred:** **Pages S4852–53**

**Measures Placed on the Calendar:** **Page S4853**

**Executive Communications:** **Pages S4853–56**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages S4857–58**

**Statements on Introduced Bills/Resolutions:** **Pages S4858–65**

**Additional Statements:** **Pages S4851–52**

**Amendments Submitted:** **Pages S4865–71**

**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** **Page S4871**

**Record Votes:** Two record votes were taken today. (Total—341) **Pages S4835–36, S4839**

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 5:59 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2022. (For Senate’s program, see the

remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4878.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NUCLEAR STRATEGY AND POLICY

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine United States nuclear strategy and policy, after receiving testimony from Madelyn R. Creedon, Brookings Institute Foreign Policy Center for Security, Strategy, and Technology; Rose E. Gottemoeller, Stanford University Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies and Center for International Security and Cooperation; Eric S. Edelman, United States Institute of Peace Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments; and Franklin C. Miller, The Scowcroft Group.

### RUSSIA

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine tightening the screws on Russia, focusing on smart sanctions, economic statecraft and next steps, including S. 4283, to authorize the confiscation of assets of the Russian Federation and the use of such assets to offset costs to the United States of assistance to Ukraine, and S. 3867, to impose sanctions with respect to the use of cryptocurrency to facilitate transactions by Russian persons subject to sanctions, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth Rosenberg, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes; and Andrew Adams, Director, Task Force Kleptocapture, Department of Justice.

### RURAL HOUSING SERVICE

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Housing, Transportation, and Community Development concluded a hearing to examine the Department of Agriculture's rural housing service, focusing on stakeholder perspectives, including S. 4872, to establish a permanent rural housing

preservation and revitalization program, and S. 3441, to amend the Community Development Banking and Financial Institutions Act of 1994 to reauthorize and improve the community development financial institutions bond guarantee program, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth Glidden, Minnesota Housing Partnership, St. Paul; Marcia Erickson, GROW South Dakota, Sisseton; Tonya Plummer, Enterprise Community Partners, Washington, D.C.; and David Battany, Guild Mortgage, Glen Burnie, Maryland, on behalf of the Mortgage Bankers Association.

### UNCOUNTED DEATHS IN AMERICA'S PRISONS AND JAILS

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations concluded a hearing to examine uncounted deaths in America's prisons and jails, focusing on how the Department of Justice failed to implement the Death in Custody Reporting Act, after receiving testimony from Maureen Henneberg, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs, Department of Justice; Gretta L. Goodwin, Director, Homeland Security and Justice, Government Accountability Office; Andrea Armstrong, Loyola University College of Law, New Orleans, Louisiana; Vanessa Fano, Reseda, California; and Belinda Maley, Midway, Georgia.

### FEDERAL ENFORCEMENT OF THE ANTITRUST LAWS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Competition Policy, Antitrust, and Consumer Rights concluded an oversight hearing to examine Federal enforcement of the antitrust laws, after receiving testimony from Jonathan Kanter, Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division, Department of Justice; and Lina Khan, Chair, Federal Trade Commission.

### INTELLIGENCE

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 22 public bills, H.R. 8908–8929; and 6 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 106–107; and H. Res. 1373–1376, were introduced.

Pages H8009–10

Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H. Res. 1266, requesting the President to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to any initiative or negotiations regarding Iran's nuclear program; adversely (H. Rept. 117-479);

H. Res. 1240, requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of State, to transmit to the House of Representatives copies of all documents in their possession referring or relating to certain aspects of the United States withdrawal from Afghanistan; adversely (H. Rept. 117-480); and

H. Res. 1372, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8873) to amend title 3, United States Code, to reform the process for the counting of electoral votes, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 117-481). **Page H8009**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Cuellar to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H7969**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:09 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H7977**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:50 p.m. and reconvened at 1 p.m. **Page H7983**

Suspending the Rules and passing bills en bloc: Pursuant to section 8 of H. Res. 473, Representative Hoyer made a motion to suspend the rules and pass the following bills en bloc, and therefore the ordering of the yeas and nays on postponed motions would be vacated to the end that all such motions would be considered as withdrawn: H.R. 1433, as amended; H.R. 4009, as amended; H.R. 4358, as amended; H.R. 6265; H.R. 6846, as amended; H.R. 7240, as amended; H.R. 7338, as amended; H.R. 8453, as amended; H.R. 8503, as amended; H.R. 8520, as amended; and to suspend the rules and agree to H. Res. 558, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 361 yeas to 69 nays, Roll No. 443. **Pages H7984-92**

Agreed to amend the title of H.R. 7338, as amended, so as to read: "To require congressional notification prior to payments of Department of State rewards using cryptocurrencies, and for other purposes." **Page H7992**

**Suspension-Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Monday, September 19th. Blackwell School National Historic Site Act: S. 2490, S. 2490, to establish the Blackwell School National Historic Site in Marfa, Texas, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeas-and-nay vote of 414 yeas to 12 nays, Roll No. 444. **Pages H7992-93**

**Joint Consolidation Loan Separation Act:** The House considered S. 1098, to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to authorize borrowers to separate joint

consolidation loans. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, September 21st. **Pages H7993-98**

H. Res. 1361, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (S. 1098) was agreed to by a yeas-and-nay vote of 220 yeas to 205 nays, Roll No. 442, after the previous question was ordered by a yeas-and-nay vote of 219 yeas to 206 nays, Roll No. 441.

**Pages H7978-83, H7983-84**

**Senate Referral:** S. 1198 was held at the desk.

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7969.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Four yeas-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7983-84, H7984, H7992, and H7992-93.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### A 2022 REVIEW OF THE FARM BILL: STAKEHOLDER PERSPECTIVES ON TITLE II CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Agriculture:* Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry held a hearing entitled "A 2022 Review of the Farm Bill: Stakeholder Perspectives on Title II Conservation Programs". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### BACK TO SCHOOL: MEETING STUDENTS' ACADEMIC, SOCIAL, AND EMOTIONAL NEEDS

*Committee on Education and Labor:* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled "Back to School: Meeting Students' Academic, Social, and Emotional Needs". Testimony was heard from Penny Schwinn, Commissioner of Education, Tennessee Department of Education; Matthew Blomstedt, Commissioner of Education, Nebraska Department of Education; and public witnesses.

### UNDER THE RADAR: ALTERNATIVE PAYMENT SYSTEMS AND THE NATIONAL SECURITY IMPACTS OF THEIR GROWTH

*Committee On Financial Services:* Subcommittee on National Security, International Development, and Monetary Policy held a hearing entitled "Under the Radar: Alternative Payment Systems and the National Security Impacts of Their Growth". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## A REVIEW OF DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION AT AMERICA'S LARGEST INSURANCE COMPANIES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion held a hearing entitled “A Review of Diversity and Inclusion at America’s Largest Insurance Companies”. Testimony was heard from Baird Webel, Specialist in Financial Economics, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

## EXAMINING OKLAHOMA V. CASTRO-HUERTA: THE IMPLICATIONS OF THE SUPREME COURT’S RULING ON TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States held a hearing entitled “Examining Oklahoma v. Castro-Huerta: The Implications of the Supreme Court’s Ruling on Tribal Sovereignty”. Testimony was heard from Bryan Newland, Assistant Secretary—Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior; Matthew J. Ballard, District Attorney, District 12, Oklahoma; and public witnesses.

## PUBLIC LANDS AND WATERS CLIMATE LEADERSHIP ACT OF 2022

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing on H.R. 8802, the “Public Lands and Waters Climate Leadership Act of 2022”. Testimony was heard from Rosemary Ahtuanguak, Mayor, Nuiqsut, Alaska; and public witnesses.

## MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Full Committee held a markup on S. 1941, the “Metropolitan Areas Protection and Standardization (MAPS) Act”; S. 3510, the “Disaster Resiliency Planning Act”; H.R. 8466, the “Chai Suthammanont Healthy Federal Workplaces Act of 2022”; H.R. 8665, the “National Archives and Records Administration Modernization Act”; H. Res. 1243, of inquiry requesting the President transmit certain documents in his possession to the House of Representatives relating to the Biden family’s international business schemes and related information; H.R. 8861, the “District of Columbia Home Rule Expansion Act”; H.R. 6630, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1400 N Kraemer Blvd. in Placentia, California, as the “PFC Jang Ho Kim Post Office Building”; H.R. 6631, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 4770 Eureka Ave in Yorba Linda, California, as the “Cottle Centanni Post Office Building”; H.R. 7082, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2200 North George Mason Drive in Ar-

lington, Virginia, as the “Jesus Antonio Collazos Post Office Building”; H.R. 7832, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 396 California Avenue in West Covina, California, as the “Esteban E. Torres Post Office Building”; H.R. 7873, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 400 Southern Avenue Southeast in Washington, District of Columbia, as the “District of Columbia Servicemembers and Veterans Post Office”; H.R. 7988, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 79125 Corporate Centre Drive in La Quinta, California, as the “Corporal Hunter Lopez Memorial Post Office Building”; H.R. 8025, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 100 South 1st Street in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as the “Martin Olav Sabo Post Office”; H.R. 8026, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 825 West 65th Street in Minneapolis, Minnesota, as the “Charles W. Lindberg Post Office”; H.R. 8217, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 South Knowles Avenue in New Richmond, Wisconsin, as the “Captain Robert C. Harmon and Private John R. Pierson Post Office Building”; H.R. 8218, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 619 Hewett Street in Neillsville, Wisconsin, as the “Corporal Mitchel Red Cloud, Jr. Post Office”; H.R. 8226, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 236 Concord Exchange North in South Saint Paul, Minnesota, as the “Officer Leo Pavlak Post Office Building”; H.R. 8248, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 609 Portsmouth Avenue in Greenland, New Hampshire, as the “Chief Michael Maloney Post Office Building”; H.R. 8370, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 415 High Street in Freeport, Pennsylvania, as the “Corporal Joseph Rodney Chapman Post Office”; H.R. 8630, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 400 North Main Street in Belen, New Mexico, as the “U.S. Senator Dennis Chávez Post Office”. S. 3510 and S. 1941 were ordered reported, without amendment. H.R. 8665, H.R. 8466, H. Res. 1243, and H.R. 8861 were ordered reported, as amended.

## PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION REFORM ACT

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 8873, the “Presidential Election Reform Act”. The Committee granted, by record vote of 9–3, a closed rule providing for consideration of H.R. 8873, the “Presidential Election Reform Act”. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration or their

designees. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Testimony was heard from Chairman Lofgren and Representative Rodney Davis of Illinois.

#### **AMPLIFYING THE ARCTIC: STRENGTHENING SCIENCE TO RESPOND TO A RAPIDLY CHANGING ARCTIC**

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Amplifying the Arctic: Strengthening Science to Respond to a Rapidly Changing Arctic”. Testimony was heard from Larry Hinzman, Assistant Director of Polar Sciences, Office of Science and Technology Policy and Executive Director, Interagency Arctic Research and Policy Committee, National Science Foundation; Mike Sfraga, Chair, U.S. Arctic Research Commission; and public witnesses.

#### **SBA MANAGEMENT REVIEW: OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE**

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “SBA Management Review: Office of International Trade”. Testimony was heard from Gabriel Esparza, Associate Administrator, Office of International Trade, Small Business Administration.

#### **THE CLEAN WATER ACT AT FIFTY: HIGHLIGHTS AND LESSONS LEARNED FROM A HALF CENTURY OF TRANSFORMATIVE LEGISLATION**

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment held a hearing entitled “The Clean Water Act at Fifty: Highlights and Lessons Learned from a Half Century of Transformative Legislation”. Testimony was heard from Joaquin Esquivel, Chair, State Water Resources Control Board, California; Laura Gatz, Analyst, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

#### **VA MAJOR ACQUISITIONS FAILURES: IN SEARCH OF SOLUTIONS**

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigation; and Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a joint hearing entitled “VA Major Acquisitions Failures: In Search of Solutions”. Testimony was heard from Michael D. Parrish, Chief Acquisition Officer and Principal Executive Director, Office of Acquisition, Logistics, and Construction, Department of Veterans Affairs; and Shelby Oakley, Director of Contracting and National Security Acquisitions, Government Accountability Office.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held markup on H.R. 82, the “Social Security Fairness Act of 2021”; H. Res. 1269, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Treasury to provide certain documents in the Secretary’s possession to the House of Representatives relating to the impact of the OECD Pillar One agreement on the United States Treasury; H. Res. 1285, requesting the President to transmit certain information to the House of Representatives relating to a waiver of intellectual property commitments under the World Trade Organization Agreement on Trade-Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights; H. Res. 1262, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in the Secretary’s possession regarding the reinterpretation of sections 36B(c)(2)(C)(i)(II) and 5000A(e)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, commonly known as the “fix to the family glitch”; H. Res. 1283, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Treasury to provide to the House of Representatives a copy of the Internal Revenue Service Small Business/Self Employed Division Decision Memorandum regarding the decision to destroy approximately 30,000,000 paper information returns around the time of March 2021, and any other memorandum related to the decision to destroy those information returns; H. Res. 1288, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Labor to provide to the House of Representatives certain documents in the Secretary’s possession relating to Unemployment Insurance fraud during the COVID–19 pandemic; and H. Res. 1246, Of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Treasury to provide certain documents in the Secretary’s possession to the House of Representatives relating to recovery rebates under section 6428B of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986. H.R. 82, H. Res. 1269, H. Res. 1285, H. Res. 1262, H. Res. 1283, H. Res. 1288, and H. Res. 1246 were ordered reported, without amendment.

#### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

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#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2022**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### **Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine the VA’s electronic health record modernization, focusing on rollout, cost, and schedule, 10 a.m., SD–124.

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel, to hold hearings to examine the status of military recruiting and retention efforts across the Department of Defense, 3:30 p.m., SR-222.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 305, to establish the Springfield Race Riot National Monument in the State of Illinois, S. 1211, to establish the Cahokia Mounds Mississippian Culture National Historic Park in Collinsville, Illinois, Monroe, Madison, and St. Clair Counties, Illinois, and St. Louis City County, Missouri, S. 3447, to authorize the National Service Animals Monument Corporation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, S. 3579, to authorize the Embassy of France in Washington, DC, to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs to honor the extraordinary contributions of Jean Monnet to restoring peace between European nations and establishing the European Union, S. 3873, to designate the outdoor amphitheater at the Blue Ridge Music Center in Galax, Virginia, as the “Rock Boucher Amphitheater”, S. 4122, to amend the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act to designate certain segments of the Housatonic River in the State of Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 4168, to amend title 54, United States Code, to reauthorize the National Park Foundation, S. 4222, to establish the St. Croix National Heritage Area, S. 4371, to establish the Cesar E. Chavez and the Farmworker Movement National Historical Park in the States of California and Arizona, S. 4377 and H.R. 4380, bills to designate the El Paso Community Healing Garden National Memorial, S. 4464 and H.R. 1908, bills to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to assess the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as the Ka’ena Point National Heritage Area, S. 4693, to amend the National Trails System Act to include national discovery trails and designate the American Discovery Trail, S. 4784, to modify the boundary of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in the State of Maine, to improve public access to the National Monument, and S.J. Res. 57, redesignating the Robert E. Lee Memorial in Arlington National Cemetery as the “Arlington House National Historic Site”, 10:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings to examine putting the Bipartisan Infrastructure law to work, focusing on state and local perspectives, 10 a.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine women leaders countering authoritarianism, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Colleen Joy Shogan, of Pennsylvania, to be Archivist of the United States, Vijay Shanker, to be an Associate Judge of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals, and Laura E. Crane, Leslie A. Meek, and Veronica M. Sanchez, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine promoting and supporting tribal access to spectrum and

related benefits in Native communities, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Maria Araujo Kahn, of Connecticut, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Second Circuit, Julie Rikelman, of Massachusetts, to be United States Circuit Judge for the First Circuit, Margaret R. Guzman, to be United States District Judge for the District of Massachusetts, Araceli Martinez-Olguin, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, Jamar K. Walker, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Virginia, and Jamal N. Whitehead, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold an oversight hearing to examine the SBA’s State Trade Expansion Program, 2:30 p.m., SR-428A.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine ensuring veterans’ timely access to care in VA and the community, 3 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold hearings to examine protecting American innovation, focusing on industry, academia, and the National Counterintelligence and Security Center, 2:30 p.m., SH-216.

## House

*Committee on Armed Services,* Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing entitled “Update on the Implementation of Recommendations of the Independent Review Commission on Sexual Assault in the Military and the Establishment of the Office of Special Trial Counsels”, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Education and Labor,* Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, hearing entitled “Examining the Administration of the Unemployment Insurance System”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3655, the “Vaccine Injury Compensation Modernization Act of 2021”; H.R. 5141, the “Maximizing Outcomes through Better Investments in Life-saving Equipment for (MOBILE) Health Care Act”; H.R. 8163, the “Improving Trauma Systems and Emergency Care Act”; H.R. 6737, the “Flint Registry Reauthorization Act”; H.R. 6965, the “Visit America Act”; H.R. 5441, the “Prevent All Soring Tactics Act of 2021”; H. Res. 1355, of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to ivermectin; H. Res. 1244, of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to any COVID-19 vaccine; H. Res. 1258, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide certain documentation to the House of Representatives relating to the calculation of certain expenditure limitations applicable to Federal funding of the Medicaid program in Puerto Rico; H. Res. 1263, of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the

President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to COVID-19 funding; H. Res. 1267, of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to the oversight of the Wuhan Institute of Virology laboratory by the Director of the National Institutes of Health; H. Res. 1268, of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to actions taken by the Secretary of Health and Human Services related to the COVID-19 pandemic response; H. Res. 1274, of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to communications by or among any of the Department of Health and Human Services, the Office of National Drug Control Policy, the White House, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the Department of Justice related to the executive branch's recommendations for a long-term, consensus approach to reduce the supply and availability of illicitly manufactured fentanyl-related substances in the United States; H. Res. 1275, of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to communications by staff of the White House regarding the implications of revoking the public health orders commonly referred to as "title 42"; H. Res. 1284, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services to provide certain documentation to the House of Representatives relating to the negotiation of prices for prescription drugs under the Medicare prescription drug program; H. Res. 1287, of inquiry directing the President to provide certain documents in the President's possession to the House of Representatives relating to the recall of infant formula manufactured by Abbott Laboratories and potential impacts on the infant formula supply chain; H. Res. 1265, of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to plans to exploit the energy crisis to pursue a radical climate agenda; H. Res. 1272, of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to plans to declare a "climate emergency" in order to invoke emergency authorities to impose regulations on industrial activity, or the supply and delivery of energy or electric power, in the United States; H. Res. 1260, of inquiry requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Energy, to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to plans to draw down and sell petroleum products from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve and plans to refill the Strategic Petroleum Reserve; H. Res. 1326, of inquiry requesting the President, and directing the Secretary of Energy, to transmit to the House of Representatives certain information relating to plans to protect baseload bulk power system generation and transmission to maintain bulk power system reliability; H. Res. 1264, of inquiry requesting the President to transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to misinformation and the preservation of free speech; H. Res. 1271, of inquiry requesting the President transmit to the House of Representatives certain documents relating to

activities of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration relating to broadband service; H. Res. 1237, of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to online censorship of political speech; and H. Res. 1261, of inquiry requesting the President to provide certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to communications and directives with the Federal Trade Commission, 10:15 a.m., 2123 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Holding Megabanks Accountable: Oversight of America's Largest Consumer Facing Banks", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs*, Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled "Examining the U.S. Interest in Regional Security Cooperation in the Middle East and North Africa: Opportunities, Obstacles, and Objectives", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Europe, Energy, the Environment, and Cyber, hearing entitled "Accountability for Atrocity Crimes Committed by Russia in Ukraine", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Critical Infrastructure Preparedness and Resilience: A Focus on Water", 10 a.m., 310 Cannon and Webex.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5455, the "Terry Technical Correction Act"; H.R. 2864, the "Clean Slate Act of 2021"; H.R. 5651, the "Fresh Start Act of 2021"; H.R. 8770, the "Expanding the VOTE Act"; H. Res. 1343, of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Secretary of Homeland Security to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to unaccompanied alien children; and H. Res. 1356, of inquiry requesting the President and directing the Attorney General to transmit, respectively, certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to Ray Epps, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Committee on Natural Resources*, Full Committee, continue markup on H. Res. 1247, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the 2023-2028 five-year program for offshore oil and gas leasing; H. Res. 1248, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the compliance with the obligations of the Mineral Leasing Act; H. Res. 1251, of inquiry directing the Secretary of Agriculture to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest; H. Res. 1252, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the mineral withdrawal within the Superior National Forest; and H. Res. 1253, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the actions of the Department of the Interior's Departmental Ethics Office; and H.R. 4690, the "Sustaining



America's Fisheries for the Future Act of 2021", 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth and Webex.

*Committee on Oversight and Reform*, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled "Putin's Proxies: Examining Russia's Use of Private Military Companies", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Zoom.

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*Committee on Rules*, Subcommittee on Legislative and Budget Process, hearing entitled "Right to Repair: Legislative and Budgetary Solutions to Unfair Restrictions on Repair" [Original Jurisdiction Hearing], 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics; and Subcommittee on Environment, joint hearing entitled "Looking Back to Predict the Future: The Next Generation of Weather Satellites", 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Committee on Small Business*, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 1298, of inquiry directing the Secretary of the Treasury to transmit certain documents to the House of Representatives relating to the role of the Department of the Treasury in the Paycheck Protection Program of the Small Business Administration; and H.R. 8844, the "STEP Improvement Act of 2022", 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Zoom.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Full Committee, business meeting on legislation on VA Facility Naming Bills; and

markup on H.R. 6273, the "VA Zero Suicide Demonstration Project Act of 2021"; H.R. 3793, the "Support Families of the Fallen Act"; legislation on the Food Security for All Veterans Act; H.R. 8852, the "End Veteran Hunger Act of 2022"; legislation on the Expanding Home Loans for Guard and Reservists Act; H.R. 2800, the "WINGMAN Act"; H.R. 8510, the "Strengthening Whistleblower Protections at the Department of Veterans Affairs Act"; H.R. 5918, to amend title 38, United States Code, to ensure that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs repays members of the Armed Forces for certain contributions made by such members of towards Post-9/11 Educational Assistance; H.R. 1957, the "Veterans Infertility Treatment Act of 2021"; H.R. 4601, the "Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act"; H.R. 3304, the "CARS for Vets Act"; H.R. 2521, the "DOULA for VA Act of 2021"; and H.R. 7589, the "REMOVE Copays Act", 10 a.m., HVC-210 and Zoom.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8876, the "Jackie Walorski Maternal and Child Home Visiting Reauthorization Act of 2022"; legislation on Improvements to Medicare Inpatient and Outpatient Mental Health Services; legislation on Improvements to the Medicare Program Related to Physician Services and Education; legislation on Requiring Coverage of Forensic Medical Exams with No Cost Sharing; legislation on Improved Information in Provider Directories, Plan Definitions, and Crisis Services for Private Insurance Plans; and legislation on Improved Information for Network Coverage and Plan Documents in Private Insurance Plans, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth and Webex.

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