

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S3561–S3712*

**Measures Introduced:** Fifty-eight bills and ten resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2497–2554, S.J. Res. 38, S. Res. 311–318, and S. Con. Res. 18.

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#### Measures Reported:

Special Report entitled “Further Revised Allocation to Subcommittees of Budget Totals for Fiscal Year 2024”. (S. Rept. No. 118–78)

S. 873, to improve recreation opportunities on, and facilitate greater access to, Federal public land, with amendments. (S. Rept. No. 118–79)

S. 950, to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to make a technical correction to the water rights settlement for the Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, with an amendment. (S. Rept. No. 118–80)

S. 265, to reauthorize the rural emergency medical service training and equipment assistance program, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute.

S. 1278, to designate the Federal building located at 985 Michigan Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Rosa Parks Federal Building”.

S. 1381, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend.

S. 1844, to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize user fee programs relating to new animal drugs and generic new animal drugs, with an amendment.

S. 2195, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program.

S. 2395, to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs.

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#### Measures Passed:

**Recruit and Retain Act:** Senate passed S. 546, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets

Act of 1968 to authorize law enforcement agencies to use COPS grants for recruitment activities, after agreeing to the committee amendment.

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**Strong Communities Act:** Senate passed S. 994, to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide that COPS grant funds may be used for local law enforcement recruits to attend schools or academies if the recruits agree to serve in precincts of law enforcement agencies in their communities, after agreeing to the committee amendments.

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**Project Safe Neighborhoods Reauthorization Act:** Senate passed S. 1387, to reauthorize the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program Authorization Act of 2018, after agreeing to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

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**Missing Children’s Assistance Reauthorization Act:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 2051, to reauthorize the Missing Children’s Assistance Act, and the bill was then passed.

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**Coast Guard maritime border security:** Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 166, honoring the efforts of the Coast Guard for excellence in maritime border security, and the resolution was then agreed to, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Whitehouse (for Cruz) Amendment No. 1066, to amend the preamble.

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**Vanderbilt University 150th anniversary:** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 288, observing the 150th anniversary of Vanderbilt University, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**National Child Awareness Month:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 313, designating September 2023 as “National Child Awareness Month” to promote awareness of charities that benefit children and youth-serving organizations throughout the United States and recognizing the efforts made by those charities and

organizations on behalf of children and youth as critical contributions to the future of the United States.

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**Authorize testimony and representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 314, to authorize testimony and representation in *United States v. Sabady*. **Page S3585**

**Authorize testimony and representation:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 315, to authorize testimony and representation in *United States v. Bozell*. **Page S3585**

**Texas Tech University 100th anniversary:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 317, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the founding of Texas Tech University. **Page S3585**

**Honoring the late former Senator Weicker:** Senate agreed to S. Res. 316, honoring the life of Lowell Palmer Weicker, Jr., former Senator for the State of Connecticut. **Page S3585**

#### Measures Considered:

**National Defense Authorization Act—Agreement:** Senate continued consideration of S. 2226, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2024 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, taking action on the following amendments and motions proposed thereto: **Pages S3563–80, S3585–S3609**

##### Adopted:

By 95 yeas to 2 nays (Vote No. 198), Warnock Amendment No. 199 (to Amendment No. 935), to provide enhanced protection against debt collector harassment of members of the Armed Forces. (Pursuant to the order of Thursday, July 20, 2023, the amendment having achieved 60 affirmative votes, was agreed to.) **Pages S3570–71**

##### Rejected:

By 46 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 199), Cruz Amendment No. 421 (to Amendment No. 935), to provide remedies to members of the Armed Forces discharged or subject to adverse action under the COVID–19 vaccine mandate. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3586–87**

By 51 yeas to 48 nays (Vote No. 200), Wicker Amendment No. 1055 (to Amendment No. 935), to establish the Office of the Lead Inspector General for Ukraine Assistance. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3587–88**

By 20 yeas to 78 nays (Vote No. 201), Paul Amendment No. 438 (to Amendment No. 935), to provide for the independent and objective conduct

and supervision of audits and investigations relating to the programs and operations funded with amounts appropriated or otherwise made available to Ukraine for military, economic, and humanitarian aid. (A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the amendment, having failed to achieve 60 affirmative votes, was not agreed to.) **Pages S3588–89**

##### Pending:

Schumer (for Reed/Wicker) Amendment No. 935, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3585**

Schumer Amendment No. 936 (to Amendment No. 935), to add an effective date. **Page S3585**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the Schumer (for Reed/Wicker) Amendment No. 935 (listed above), and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur on Friday, July 28, 2023. **Page S3585**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill, 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 Schumer (for Reed/Wicker) Amendment No. 935. **Page S3585**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that it be in order to call up the following amendments to the bill: Barrasso Amendment No. 999, Sanders Amendment No. 1030, Cardin Amendment No. 705, Marshall Amendment No. 874, Gillibrand Amendment No. 1065, Kennedy Amendment No. 1034, Hawley Amendment No. 1058, and Menendez Amendment No. 638; that, with respect to the amendments listed above, at a time to be determined by the Majority Leader, in consultation with the Republican Leader, Senate vote on or in relation to the amendments in the order listed, with no further amendments or motions in order, with 60-affirmative votes required for adoption, and that there be two minutes equally divided prior to each vote. **Page S3585**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Thursday, July 27, 2023; and that at 11:30 a.m., Senate vote on or in relation to the remaining amendments under the previous order. **Page S3720**

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

Martin O'Malley, of Maryland, to be Commissioner of Social Security for the remainder of the term expiring January 19, 2025.

Paul K. Martin, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, United States Agency for International Development.

Cardell Kenneth Richardson, Sr., of Virginia, to be Inspector General, Department of State.

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Record Votes: Four record votes were taken today. (Total—201) Pages S3571, S3587–89

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., on Wednesday, July 26, 2023 and adjourned, as a further mark of respect to the memory of the late Lowell Palmer Weicker, Jr., former Senator for the State of Connecticut, in accordance with S. Res. 316, at 12:40 a.m., on Thursday, July 27, 2023, until 10 a.m. on the same day. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3712.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Lieutenant General Gregory M. Guillot, USAF, to be general and Commander, United States Northern Command/Commander, North American Aerospace Defense Command, and Lieutenant General Stephen N. Whiting, USSF, to be general and Commander, United States Space Command, both of the Department of Defense, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### DOD PERSONNEL PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Personnel concluded a hearing to examine potential budgetary efficiencies achieved through improvement to management and planning processes within Department of Defense personnel programs, after receiving testimony from Michael J. Roark, Deputy Inspector General, Department of Defense; David E. Mosher, Director of National Security Analysis, Con-

gressional Budget Office; and Elizabeth A. Field, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, Government Accountability Office.

### JUNK FEES

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Protection concluded a hearing to examine taking account of fees and tactics impacting Americans' wallets, after receiving testimony from Pennsylvania Attorney General Michelle A. Henry, Philadelphia; Lindsey Siegel, Atlanta Legal Aid Society, Atlanta, Georgia; and Brian Johnson, Patomak Global Partners, Washington, D.C.

### FISCAL CONSEQUENCES OF CLIMATE CHANGE

*Committee on the Budget:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the fiscal consequences of climate change on infrastructure, after receiving testimony from Louisiana Governor John Bel Edwards, Baton Rouge; Susan F. Tierney, Analysis Group, Inc., Denver, Colorado; Jesse M. Keenan, Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana; Linda Apsey, ITC Holdings Corp., Novi, Michigan; and Alexander Herrgott, The Permitting Institute, Washington, D.C.

### ENERGY PERMITTING PROCESS

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine opportunities for Congress to reform the process for permitting electric transmission lines, pipelines, and energy production on Federal lands, after receiving testimony from Antonio Smyth, American Electric Power Company, Columbus, Ohio; Jason M. Stanek, formerly of the Maryland Public Service Commission, Riverdale; Chad Teply, The Williams Companies, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Erik Milito, National Ocean Industries Association, Washington, D.C.; Pete Obermueller, Petroleum Association of Wyoming, Casper; and Kelly Speakes-Backman, Invenergy, Chicago, Illinois.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2195, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to reauthorize the diesel emissions reduction program;

S. 2395, to reauthorize wildlife habitat and conservation programs;

S. 1381, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes

that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend;

S. 1278, to designate the Federal building located at 985 Michigan Avenue in Detroit, Michigan, as the “Rosa Parks Federal Building”; and

16 General Services Administration resolutions.

### CRITICAL MINERAL RECOVERY

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine improving capacity for critical mineral recovery through electronic waste recycling and reuse, after receiving testimony from Ajay Kochhar, Li-Cycle, Toronto, Canada; Craig Boswell, HOB International, Inc., Dallas, Texas; Kitty McIlroy, Maryland Recycling Network, Baltimore; and Charles Pellicane, Human-I-T, Bell, California.

### CLEANER TRAINS

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Clean Air, Climate, and Nuclear Safety concluded a hearing to examine cleaner trains, focusing on opportunities for reducing emissions from America’s rail network, after receiving testimony from Carl Rosen, United Electrical, Radio, and Machine Workers of America, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Ivette Torres, People’s Collective for Environmental Justice, San Bernardino, California; and Ian Jefferies, Association of American Railroads. Washington, D.C.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Finance:* Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, “Modernizing and Ensuring PBM Accountability (MEPA) Act”.

### U.S. ECONOMIC SECURITY

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine U.S. economic security, focusing on addressing economic coercion and increasing competitiveness, after receiving testimony from Jose Fernandez, Under Secretary of State for Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment; and Jay Shambaugh, Under Secretary of the Treasury for International Affairs.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Dennis B. Hankins, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti, James C. O’Brien, of Nebraska, to be an Assistant Secretary (European and Eurasian Affairs), Nathalie Rayes, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Croatia, who was introduced by Senators Menendez and Padilla, and Tobin John Bradley, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guatemala, all of the Department of

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

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2251, to improve the cybersecurity of the Federal Government, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2291, to establish the Northern Border Coordination Center, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2248, to require a pilot program on the use of big data analytics to identify vessels evading sanctions and export controls and to require a report on the availability in the United States of emerging and foundational technologies subject to export controls, with amendments;

S. 1332, to require the Office of Management and Budget to revise the Standard Occupational Classification system to establish a separate code for direct support professionals, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2219, to amend the Congressional Accountability Act of 1995 to expand access to breastfeeding accommodations in the workplace;

S. 2286, to improve the effectiveness and performance of certain Federal financial assistance programs, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2283, to prohibit the procurement of certain items containing perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) or perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and prioritize the procurement of products not containing PFAS, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2293, to establish the Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers Council, Chief Artificial Intelligence Officers, and Artificial Intelligence Governance Boards, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2073, to amend title 31, United States Code, to require agencies to include a list of outdated or duplicative reporting requirements in annual budget justifications, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 2032, to require the reduction of the reliance and expenditures of the Federal Government on legacy information technology systems, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1973, to require the purchase of domestically made flags of the United States of America for use by the Federal Government, with an amendment;

S. 2256, to authorize the Director of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency to establish an apprenticeship program and to establish a pilot program on cybersecurity training for veterans

and members of the Armed Forces transitioning to civilian life, and

S. 2260, to require transparency in notices of funding opportunity.

### FARM BILL

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine Native priorities for the 2023 Farm Bill reauthorization, after receiving testimony from Richard Peterson, Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Juneau; Jay Spaan, Self-Governance Communication and Education Tribal Consortium, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Davis Price, NDN Collective, Ewa Beach, Hawaii; Abi Fain, Intertribal Agriculture Council, Billings, Montana; Trenton Kisse, Muscogee (Creek) Nation, Okmulgee, Oklahoma; and Cody Desautel, Intertribal Timber Council, Portland, Oregon.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Margaret M. Garnett, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, who was introduced by Senator Schumer, Jennifer L. Hall, of Pennsylvania, to be United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, who was introduced by Senators Carper and Coons, Brandy R. McMillion, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Michigan, who was introduced by Senator Stabenow, Karoline Mehalchick, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, who was introduced by Senator Casey, and Joseph Albert Laroski, Jr., of Maryland, and Lisa W. Wang, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Judge of the United States Court of International Trade, who were both introduced by Senator Coons, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### PTO OVERSIGHT

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Intellectual Property concluded an oversight hearing to examine the Patent and Trademark Office, after receiving testimony from Kathi Vidal, Under Secretary of

Commerce for Intellectual Property, and Director, Patent and Trademark Office.

### WOMEN'S ENTREPRENEURSHIP

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine pathways to women's entrepreneurship, focusing on understanding opportunities and barriers, including S. 673, to allow nonprofit child care providers to participate in certain loan programs of the Small Business Administration, S. 1411, to amend title 5, United States Code, to require greater transparency for Federal regulatory decisions that impact small businesses, S. 1744, to amend the Small Business Act to reauthorize the SCORE program, S. 1896, to reauthorize the SCORE program, S. 2184, to amend the Small Business Act to improve the Women's Business Center Program, and an original bill entitled, "Community Advantage Loan Program Act of 2023", after receiving testimony from Adrienne M. Somerville, Somerville Consulting Group, Hughesville, Maryland; Patrice Onwuka, Independent Women's Forum Center for Economic Opportunity, Washington, D.C.; Nik Sweeney, Amani Nicol Wellness, Baltimore, Maryland; and Catherine Koch, K-Tec Systems, St. Ferndale, Michigan.

### PACT ACT

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine implementing the PACT Act, after receiving testimony from Shereef Elnahal, Under Secretary for Health, and Joshua D. Jacobs, Under Secretary for Benefits, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nomination of Michael Colin Casey, of Kentucky, to be Director of the National Counterintelligence and Security Center.

### 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: 88 public bills, H.R. 4895–4952; and 7 resolutions, H.

Con. Res. 60; and H. Res. 615–620, were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H4033–34

**Report Filed:** A report was filed today as follows: H. Res. 614, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4366) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 9) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to ‘Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Lesser Prairie-Chicken; Threatened Status With Section 4(d) Rule for the Northern Distinct Population Segment and Endangered Status for the Southern Distinct Population Segment’; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 24) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service relating to “Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Endangered Species Status for Northern Long-Eared Bat” (H. Rept. 118–158).

**Pages H4027–28**

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Ezell to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 11:13 a.m. and reconvened at 12 p.m.

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**Recess:** The House recessed at 1:16 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

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**Suspension—Proceedings Resumed:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure. Consideration began Tuesday, July 25th.

*Soo Locks Security and Economic Reporting Act of 2023:* H.R. 3399, to study the security of the Soo Locks and effects on the supply chain resulting from a malfunction or failure of the Soo Locks. **Page H3976**

**Recess:** The House recessed at 5:17 p.m. and reconvened at 5:45 p.m.

**Pages H4007–08**

*Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024:* The House considered H.R. 4366, making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024. Consideration is expected to resume tomorrow, July 27th.

**Pages H3966–76, H3976–H4007, H4008–15**

Proceedings postponed on the Wasserman Schultz motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Appropriations.

**Page H4015**

Agreed to:

Carter (TX) en bloc amendment No. 1 consisting of the following amendments printed in H. Rept. 118–158: Pettersen (No. 4) that increases and de-

creases funding for child development centers to underscore the need for increased investment; Caraveo (No. 5) that increases and decreases funding for the Veterans Housing Benefit Program by \$2,000,000 to encourage the VA to provide outreach about housing loans and grants to veterans living in states with high housing costs; Ogles (No. 6) that increases and decreases funding for the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund for the development of improved informational materials regarding the relative benefits of a VA home loan versus other types of housing loans for different homebuyer profiles; Gottheimer (No. 7) that increases and decreases funding for General Operating Expenses by \$1 million to provide support for the Department of Veterans Affairs’ implementation of the U.S. National Strategy to Counter Antisemitism, including efforts to develop an education program to highlight contributions of Jewish veterans, incorporate training on combating antisemitism and other forms of bias, and ensure VA hospitals accommodate kosher meal requests for inpatient residents; Gottheimer (No. 8) that increases and decreases funding for General Operating Expenses by \$1 million to provide additional support for the VA Transition Assistance Program to provide information, resources, and tools to service members and their families to help prepare for the move from military to civilian life; Norton (No. 9) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Veterans Benefits Administration to provide support to law school clinical programs that assist veterans with legal matters; Ross (No. 10) that increases and decreases funding by \$10 million for the VA Education Benefits Program to provide support and resources to veterans interested in pursuing undergraduate degrees in STEM fields; Arrington (No. 11) that increases and decreases funding in the VA administrative account “Purchased Long-Term Services and Supports,” in order to emphasize the prioritization of resources and reduce improper payments; Boebert (No. 12) that increases and decreases funding for the Veterans Health Administration to redirect more resources to the Staff Sergeant Parker Gordon Fox Suicide Prevention Grant Program, suicide prevention, veteran’s telehealth, and rural health; Caraveo (No. 13) that increases and decreases funding for the VA Office of Rural Health by \$10,000,000 to encourage the Office to increase efforts to improve transportation for veterans living in rural areas who need consistent access to health care services; Carbajal (No. 14) that increases and decreases funding for VA Medical Services by \$5,000,000 to express the intent that additional funding could be used to improve telephone services at Community Based Outpatient Clinics;

Gluesenkamp Perez (No. 15) that increases and decreases funding by \$1 million for the Veterans Health Administration for the purposes of submitting a report to Congress on the efforts of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to ensure access to health care for veterans residing in geographic proximity to a Department of Veterans Affairs community-based outpatient clinic subject to closure; Hudson (No. 16) that increases funding for the Department of Veteran Affairs Veterans Crisis Line by \$10,000,000, and reduces the General Administration account by the corresponding amount; Molinaro (No. 17) that increases and decreases funding for the Veterans Health Administration by \$2m to emphasize the importance of assisting veterans with disabilities and those with mental health and substance abuse challenges; Ogles (No. 18) that increases and decreases funding for medical services at the Veterans Health Administration for the treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder in veterans; Pettersen (No. 19) that increases and decreases the Medical Services Account by \$10,000,000 to emphasize the importance of medication-assisted treatment for substance use disorders beyond alcoholism; Ross (No. 20) that increases and decreases by \$1 million the budget for the VA Center for Women Veterans to support research on postpartum depression among veterans who served in active duty combat and to develop recommendations and services to address postpartum depression in this population; Ogles (No. 22) that increases and decreases funding for the Veterans Health Administration's medical community care account to increase accessibility for in-home health care services for veterans; Gluesenkamp Perez (No. 23) that increases and decreases funding for Department of Veterans Affairs medical support and compliance for the purpose of requiring the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs to update Patient Experience Compare Data published on a public website to ensure that the data is broken down and displayed by county; Boebert (No. 25) that redirects funds from the General Administration account to increase resources for medical and prosthetic research for veterans; Boebert (No. 26) that redirects funds from the General Administration fund to the National Cemetery Administration to increase burial access for veterans; Boebert (No. 27) that redirects resources from the General Administration fund to provide more resources for the Board of Veterans' Appeals to help reduce its backlog and process veterans' claims more quickly; Boebert (No. 28) that redirects funds from the General Administration fund to the Grants for Construction of Veterans Cemeteries program to assist states, territories, and tribal governments in providing gravesites for veterans in areas where a veteran cannot be buried in a VA na-

tional cemetery; Boebert (No. 29) that redirects resources from the General Administration fund to provide grants and more resources for construction of state extended care facilities for veterans; Gottheimer (No. 30) that increases and decreases funding for Departmental Administration by \$1 million to provide support for the Veterans Experience Office to better inform separating service members and veterans about their benefits; Tlaib (No. 31) that reduces the General Administration account by \$5 million and increases the VA State Home Construction Grant Program by \$5 million; Zinke (No. 32) that reduces funding for VA IT personnel by \$5 million and increases funding for Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities by \$5 million; Molinaro (No. 33) that increases and decreases funding for the VA electronic health record by \$1m to emphasize the importance of modernizing its system to help transitioning veterans access and receive quality care at VA facilities;

**Pages H3994–96**

Bergman amendment (No. 24 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that increases and decreases the Medical and Prosthetic Research account at the Department of Veterans Affairs to ensure the VA conducts large-scale studies into the efficacy of drugs that have FDA-designated Breakthrough Therapy status to treat post-traumatic stress disorder through VA-administered drug assisted therapy trials;

**Page H3996**

Mast amendment (No. 36 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that prevents the VA from interfering with a veteran's ability to participate in a legal state medical cannabis program, deny service to such a veteran, or limit health care providers' ability to make appropriate recommendations of this treatment option for veterans;

**Pages H4000–02**

Ryan amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that increases and decreases funding \$103 million to Army Military Construction in an effort to address flooding damage at the United States Military Academy at West Point (by a recorded vote of 394 ayes to 19 noes, Roll No. 369);

**Pages H3992, H4008**

Bost amendment (No. 35 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that prohibits the VA from using funds to submit a beneficiary's name to the NICS list based on VA's appointment of a fiduciary (by a recorded vote of 228 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 373);

**Pages H3997–H4000, H4011**

Rosendale amendment (No. 37 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that prohibits the use of funds made available by this Act from enforcing any COVID–19 mask mandates (by a recorded vote of 223 ayes to 211 noes, Roll No. 374);

**Pages H4002–03, H4011–12**

Roy amendment (No. 38 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that prohibits funds made available by

this Act from being used to carry out VHA Directive 1193.01, “Coronavirus Disease 2019 Vaccination Program for Veterans Health Administration Health Care Personnel” (by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 210 noes, Roll No. 375);

**Pages H4003–04, H4012–13**

Roy amendment (No. 39 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) none of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used to modify or remove any VA display of the mission statement, “To fulfill President Lincoln’s promise ‘to care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan’ by serving and honoring the men and women who are America’s veterans.” (by a recorded vote of 221 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 376);

**Pages H4004–05, H4013**

Roy amendment (No. 40 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that prohibits funds in this act from being used to carry out Biden’s climate change executive orders (by a recorded vote of 220 ayes to 214 noes, Roll No. 377); and

**Pages H4005–07, H4013–14**

Zinke amendment (No. 41 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that prohibits funding for administering, implementing, or enforcing Executive Order 14057 (Catalyzing Clean Energy Industries and Jobs Through Federal Sustainability) (by a recorded vote of 222 ayes to 212 noes, Roll No. 378).

**Pages H4007, H4014**

Rejected:

Ogles amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that sought to transfer \$3 million from NATO’s Security Investment Program to the Spending Reduction Account at the end of the bill (by a recorded vote of 99 ayes to 327 noes, Roll No. 370);

**Pages H3992–93, H4009**

Greene (GA) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that sought to cut the \$73 million increase in funding for the NATO Security Investment Program (by a recorded vote of 83 ayes to 347 noes, Roll No. 371); and

**Pages H3993–94, H4009–10**

Greene (GA) amendment (No. 34 printed in H. Rept. 118–158) that sought to strike funding for the Office of Resolution Management, Diversity and Inclusion (by a recorded vote of 204 ayes to 227 noes, Roll No. 372).

**Pages H3996–97, H4010–11**

H. Res. 614, amended, the rule providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4366) and the joint resolutions (S.J. Res. 9) and (S.J. Res. 24) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 217 ayes to 206 noes, Roll No. 368, after the previous question was ordered on the resolution and the amendment by a yea-and-nay vote of 208 yeas to 191 nays, Roll No. 367.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yea-and-nay vote and twelve recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H3974, H3974–75, H3975, H4008, H4009, H4009–10,

H4010, H4011, H4011–12, H4012, H4013, H4013–14, and H4014.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### GENERATIONAL LEARNING LOSS: HOW PANDEMIC SCHOOL CLOSURES HURT STUDENTS

*Committee on Education and Workforce:* Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education held a hearing entitled “Generational Learning Loss: How Pandemic School Closures Hurt Students”. Testimony was heard from Catherine Truitt, Superintendent, Department of Public Instruction, North Carolina; and public witnesses.

### STOPPING THE EXPLOITATION OF MIGRANT CHILDREN: OVERSIGHT OF HHS’ OFFICE OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Stopping the Exploitation of Migrant Children: Oversight of HHS’ Office of Refugee Resettlement”. Testimony was heard from Xavier Becerra, Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.

### SELF-DRIVING VEHICLE LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK: ENHANCING SAFETY, IMPROVING LIVES AND MOBILITY, AND BEATING CHINA

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Innovation, Data, and Commerce held a hearing entitled “Self-Driving Vehicle Legislative Framework: Enhancing Safety, Improving Lives and Mobility, and Beating China”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Financial Services:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4763, the “Financial Innovation and Technology for the 21st Century Act”; H.R. 1747, the “Blockchain Regulatory Certainty Act”; H.R. 3244, the “Stop Fentanyl Money Laundering Act of 2023”; H.R. 4768, the “No Russian Agriculture Act”; H.R. 4765, the “Exposing China’s Support for the Taliban Act”; and H.R. 2969, the “Financial Technology Protection Act of 2023”. H.R. 4763 was ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1747, H.R. 3244, H.R. 4768, H.R. 4765, and H.R. 2969 were ordered reported, without amendment.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4619, to authorize the sale of Virginia Class submarines to Australia in support of the



trilateral security partnership between Australia, the United Kingdom, and the United States, and for other purposes; H.R. 4725, to conduct oversight and accountability of the State Department's implementation of AUKUS, and for other purposes; H.R. 4716, to amend the Arms Export Control Act in support of Australia and the AUKUS partnership; H.R. 4715, to amend the Arms Export Control Act in support of the United Kingdom and the AUKUS partnership; H.R. 1776, to prevent, treat, and cure tuberculosis globally; H.R. 4517, to require the Secretary of State to submit a plan for the reimbursement of personal funds expended to evacuate American citizens, American lawful permanent residents, and Afghan allies from Afghanistan, and for other purposes; H.R. 3152, to impose sanctions with respect to countries, individuals, and entities that engage in any effort to acquire, possess, develop, transport, transfer, or deploy Iranian missiles and related goods and technology, including materials and equipment, and for other purposes; H.R. 4741, to require the development of a strategy to promote the use of secure telecommunications infrastructure worldwide, and for other purposes; H.R. 4691, to provide for congressional review of actions to terminate or waive sanctions imposed with respect to Iran; H.R. 1456, to limit the use of funds for the production of films using assets of the Department of State under certain circumstances, and for other purposes; H. Res. 578, calling for the immediate release of Eyvin Hernandez, a United States citizen and Los Angeles County public defender, who was wrongfully detained by the Venezuelan regime in March 2022; and H.R. 4825, to require the imposition of sanctions and other measures relating to the Russian oil price cap policy, and for other purposes.

#### **THE REAL COST OF AN OPEN BORDER: HOW AMERICANS ARE PAYING THE PRICE**

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Border Security and Enforcement; and Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence held a joint hearing entitled "The Real Cost of an Open Border: How Americans are Paying the Price". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **OVERSIGHT OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Oversight of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security". Testimony was heard from Alejandro Mayorkas, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Natural Resources:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1318, the "Women's Suffrage

National Monument Location Act"; H.R. 1722, the "Grand Ronde Reservation Act Amendment of 2023"; H.R. 2717, the "Hershel 'Woody' Williams National Medal of Honor Monument Location Act"; H.R. 2997, the "CONVEY Act"; H.R. 3049, the "Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration Exchange Act of 2023"; H.R. 3499, the "Direct Hire to Fight Fires"; H.R. 3675, the "Western Water Accelerated Revenue Repayment Act"; H.R. 4141, to provide that certain communications projects are not subject to requirements to prepare certain environmental or historical preservation reviews, and for other purposes; and H.R. 4377, to amend the Military Lands Withdrawal Act of 1999 with respect to extensions, additions, and revisions to the Barry M. Goldwater Range in Arizona. H.R. 4141, H.R. 3675, H.R. 2717, H.R. 2997, and H.R. 3499 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 3049, H.R. 1318, H.R. 4377, H.R. 1722 were ordered reported, without amendment.

#### **UNIDENTIFIED ANOMALOUS PHENOMENA: IMPLICATIONS ON NATIONAL SECURITY, PUBLIC SAFETY, AND GOVERNMENT TRANSPARENCY**

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled "Unidentified Anomalous Phenomena: Implications on National Security, Public Safety, and Government Transparency". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **GETTING NOWHERE: DOD'S FAILURE TO REPLACE THE DEFENSE TRAVEL SYSTEM**

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability:* Subcommittee on Cybersecurity, Information Technology, and Government Innovation held a hearing entitled "Getting Nowhere: DoD's Failure to Replace the Defense Travel System". Testimony was heard from Jeffrey Register, Director, Defense Human Resources Activity, Office of the Under Secretary for Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense; and Elizabeth Field, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, Government Accountability Office.

#### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024**

*Committee on Rules:* Full Committee began a hearing on H.R. 4368, the "Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024". Testimony was heard from Representatives Harris, Bishop of Georgia, Molinaro, Nunn, Spartz, and Jackson Lee.

### UNEARTHING INNOVATION: THE FUTURE OF SUBSURFACE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN THE UNITED STATES

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Energy held a hearing entitled “Unearthing Innovation: The Future of Subsurface Science and Technology in the United States”. Testimony was heard from Alexandra Hakala, Senior Fellow, Geologic and Environmental Systems, National Energy Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

### RURAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP: EXAMINING THE CHALLENGES AND STATE OF RURAL SMALL BUSINESSES

*Committee on Small Business:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Rural Entrepreneurship: Examining the Challenges and State of Rural Small Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 3848, the “HOME Act”; H.R. 3943, the “Servicemember Employment Protection Act of 2023”; H.R. 3874, the “Veterans Education Assistance Improvement Act”; H.R. 3933, the “TAP Promotion Act”; H.R. 4278, the “Restore Department of Veterans Affairs Accountability Act”; H.R. 4461, the “Modernizing Department of Veteran Affairs Disability Benefit Questionnaires Act”; H.R. 3581, the “COPE Act”; H.R. 1767, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide that educational assistance paid under Department of Veterans Affairs educational assistance programs to an individual who pursued a program or course of education that was suspended or terminated for certain reasons shall not be charged against the entitlement of the individual, and for other purposes; H.R. 3981, the “Veterans Education Oversight Expansion Act”; H.R. 542, the “Elizabeth Dole Home Care Act of 2023”; and H.R. 984, the “Commitment to Veteran Support and Outreach Act”. H.R. 3848, H.R. 3943, H.R. 3874, H.R. 4278, H.R. 4461, H.R. 3581, H.R. 1767, H.R. 3981, H.R. 542, and H.R. 984 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 3933 was ordered reported, without amendment.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 4822, the “Health Care Price Transparency Act of 2023”; and H.R. 3284, the “Providers and Payers COMPETE Act”. H.R. 4822 and H.R. 3284 were ordered reported, as amended.

### COMMANDING HEIGHTS: ENSURING U.S. LEADERSHIP IN THE CRITICAL AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES OF THE 21ST CENTURY

*Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Commanding Heights: Ensuring U.S. Leadership in the Critical and Emerging Technologies of the 21st Century”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## Joint Meetings

### CAPITOL POLICE BOARD OVERSIGHT

*Joint Hearing:* Senate Committee on Rules and Administration concluded a joint oversight hearing with the House of Representatives Committee on House Administration to examine the Capitol Police Board, after receiving testimony from Karen H. Gibson, Chair, Capitol Police Board, and Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate; William P. McFarland, Acting Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives; Chere Rexroat, Acting Architect and Chief Engineer, Architect of the Capitol; and Chief J. Thomas Manger, Capitol Police.

### RESCUING UKRAINIAN CHILDREN AND WOMEN

*Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine rescuing Ukrainian children and women from Russia’s aggression, after receiving testimony from Beth Van Schaack, Ambassador-At-Large for Global Criminal Justice, and Cindy Dyer, Ambassador-At-Large, Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, both of the Department of State; Andriy Kostin, Prosecutor General of Ukraine; Oksana Markarova, Ambassador of Ukraine to the United States; Sebastian Stachowski, Lion Environmental; Mykola Kuleba, Save Ukraine; and James S. Gordon, The Center for Mind-Body Medicine.

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### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

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S. 111, to require each agency, in providing notice of a rulemaking, to include a link to a 100-word plain language summary of the proposed rule. Signed on July 25, 2023. (Public Law 118–9)

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY,

JULY 27, 2023

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

## Senate

*Committee on Appropriations:* business meeting to markup an original bill entitled, “Defense Appropriations Act”, an original bill entitled “Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act”, an original bill entitled, “Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act”, and an original bill entitled, “Homeland Security Appropriations Act”, 10:30 a.m., SD–106.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* business meeting to consider S. 447, to establish a demonstration program for the active remediation of orbital debris and to require the development of uniform orbital debris standard practices in order to support a safe and sustainable orbital environment, S. 484, to require the Secretary of Commerce to provide training and guidance relating to human rights abuses, including such abuses perpetrated against the Uyghur population by the Government of the People’s Republic of China, S. 1153, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the National Manufacturing Advisory Council within the Department of Commerce, S. 1303, to require sellers of event tickets to disclose comprehensive information to consumers about ticket prices and related fees, S. 1409, to protect the safety of children on the internet, S. 1418, to amend the Children’s Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 to strengthen protections relating to the online collection, use, and disclosure of personal information of children and teens, S. 1421, to require origin and location disclosure for new products of foreign origin offered for sale on the internet, S. 1648, to facilitate access to the electromagnetic spectrum for commercial space launches and commercial space reentries, S. 1669, to require the Secretary of Transportation to issue a rule requiring access to AM broadcast stations in motor vehicles, S. 2086, to require the Secretary of Commerce to establish the Sea Turtle Rescue Assistance Grant Program, S. 2116, to require the Secretary of Commerce to produce a report that provides recommendations to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, and impact of Department of Commerce programs related to supply chain resilience and manufacturing and industrial innovation, and S. 2201, to increase knowledge and awareness of best practices to reduce cybersecurity risks in the United States, 10 a.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Subcommittee on Chemical Safety, Waste Management, Environmental Justice, and Regulatory Oversight, to hold hearings to examine solutions for single-use waste, focusing on expanding refill and reuse infrastructure, 9:45 a.m., SD–406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women’s Issues, to hold hearings to examine Haiti, focusing on next steps on the international response, 10 a.m., SD–419.

## House

*Committee on Agriculture,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4763, the “Financial Innovation and Technology for the 21st Century Act”, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Education and Workforce,* Subcommittee on Higher Education and Workforce Development, hearing entitled “Lowering Costs and Increasing Value for Students, Institutions, and Taxpayers”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3385, the “Diaspora Link Act”; H.R. 3369, the “AI Accountability Act”; H.R. 4510, the “NTIA Reauthorization Act of 2023”; H.R. 1435, the “Preserving Choice in Vehicle Purchases Act”; H.R. 4468, the “Choice in Automobile Retail Sales Act of 2023”; and H.R. 4469, the “No Fuel Credits for Batteries Act of 2023”, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 4766, the “Clarity for Payment Stablecoins Act of 2023”; legislation on the Keep Your Coins Act of 2023; H.R. 4790, the “Guiding Uniform and Responsible Disclosure Requirements and Information Limits Act of 2023”; H.R. 4767, the “Protecting Americans’ Retirement Savings from Politics Act”; H.R. 4823, the “American Financial Institution Regulator Sovereignty and Transparency Act”; H.R. 4655, the “Businesses Over Activists Act”; and H.J. Res. 66, a joint resolution disapproving the rule submitted by the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau relating to “Small Business Lending Under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act (Regulation B)”, 9 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* Subcommittee on Oversight and Accountability, hearing entitled “A Failure to Plan: Examining the Biden Administration’s Preparation for the Afghanistan Withdrawal”, 10 a.m., HVC–210.

Full Committee, hearing entitled “Illicit IT: Bankrolling Kim Jong Un”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, hearing entitled “Colombia’s Descent to Socialism: Assessing Gustavo Petro’s Presidency”, 2:30 p.m., HVC–210.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance, hearing entitled “Oversight of the Drug Enforcement Administration”, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Constitution and Limited Government, hearing entitled “The Dangers and Due Process Violations of ‘Gender-Affirming Care’ for Children”, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Full Committee, markup on a Report Recommending that the House of Representatives Cite Mark Zuckerberg for Contempt of Congress”, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled “Safeguarding American Jobs and Economic Growth: Examining the Future of the Offshore Leasing Program”, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries, hearing on H.R. 1437, the “Black Vulture Relief Act of 2023”; H.R. 1792, the “South Pacific Tuna Treaty Act of 2023”; H.R. 2950, the “Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023”; H.R. 2982, the “New York-New Jersey

Watershed Protection Act”; H.R. 4051, the “SHARKED Act”; H.R. 4094, the “Great Salt Lake Stewardship Act”; H.R. 4587, the “Red Snapper Act”; and H.R. 4596, the “Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Reauthorization Act of 2023”, 10:15 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Examining Barriers to Access: Ongoing Visitor Experience Issues at America’s National Parks”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Indian and Insular Affairs, hearing on legislation on the Restoring Accountability in the Indian Health Service Act of 2023, 2:15 p.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Accountability*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Oversight and Reauthorization of the Office of National Drug Control Policy”, 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health Care and Financial Services, hearing entitled “Hemp in the Modern World: The Yearslong Wait for FDA Action”, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic, hearing entitled “Because I Said So: Examining the Science and Impact of COVID–19 Vaccine Mandates”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, begin markup on H.R. 4755, the “Privacy Enhancing Technology Research Act”; H.R. 4824, the “Carbon Sequestration Collaboration Act”; H.R. 4877, the “Abandoned Well Remediation Research and Development Act”; H.R. 1069, the “Clean Energy Demonstration Transparency Act of 2023”; H.R. 3915, the “Aviation Weather Improvement Act”; and H.R. 4866, the “Fire Weather Development Act of 2023” 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 1547, the “One Seat Ride Act”; H.R. 4693, the “Tennessee Valley Authority Salary Transparency Act”; H.R. 4762, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend the non-premium war risk insurance program; H. Res. 609, the “Expressing Opposition to Central Business District Tolling Program of New York City”; H.R. 1752, the “Eliminating Barriers to Rural Internet Development Grant Eligibility Act”; H.R. 532, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 600 East First Street in Rome, Georgia, as the “Harold L. Murphy Federal Building and United States Courthouse”; H.R. 4688, to direct the Administrator of General Service to sell the property known as the Webster School; and 15 General Services Administration Capital Investment and Leasing Program Resolutions, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled “Review of the Recapitalization of the United States Coast Guard Surface, Air, IT, and Shoreside Assets”, 2 a.m., 2253 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled “VA Disability Exams: Are Veterans Receiving Quality Services?”, 10 a.m., 360 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “The Employee Retention Tax Credit Experience: Confusion, Delays, and Fraud”, 2 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

### Joint Meeting

*Joint Economic Committee*: to hold hearings to examine the economic impact of diabetes, 10 a.m., SD–192.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Thursday, July 27

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Thursday, July 27

## Senate Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Senate will continue consideration of S. 2226, National Defense Authorization Act, with a series of votes on or in relation to amendments to the bill at 11:30 a.m.

## House Chamber

**Program for Thursday:** Complete consideration of H.R. 4366—Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2024.

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