

Committee Meetings

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Oversight and Accountability: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Ezell, McBath, and Porter.

ENSURING ACCOUNTABILITY IN AGENCY RULEMAKING ACT; WHOLE MILK FOR HEALTHY KIDS ACT OF 2023; PROTECT LIBERTY AND END WARRANTLESS SURVEILLANCE ACT

Committee on Rules: Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 357, the “Ensuring Accountability in Agency Rulemaking Act”; H.R. 1147, the “Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act of 2023”; and H.R. 6570, the “Protect Liberty and End Warrantless Surveillance Act”. The Committee granted, by a record vote of 8–4, a rule providing for consideration of H.R. 1147, the “Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act of 2023” and H.R. 357, the “Ensuring Accountability in Agency Rulemaking Act”. The rule provides for consideration of H.R. 1147, the “Whole Milk for Healthy Kids Act of 2023”, under a structured rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each amendment shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce or their respective designees. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. The rule provides one motion to recommit. The rule further provides for consideration of H.R. 357, the “Ensuring Accountability in Agency Rulemaking Act”, under a closed rule. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as

adopted, and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Judiciary or their respective designees. The rule provides one motion to recommit. Finally, the rule provides that on any legislative day of the second session of the One Hundred Eighteenth Congress before January 9, 2024, the Speaker may dispense with organizational and legislative business and that the Journal of the proceedings of the previous day shall be considered as approved if applicable. Testimony was heard from Chairman Thompson of Pennsylvania, and Representatives Scott of Virginia, Biggs, and Nadler.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine communities in crisis, focusing on what happens when disaster recovery funds are delayed, 10 a.m., SD–192.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands, Forests, and Mining, to hold hearings to examine S. 1281, to amend the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 to provide for security of tenure for use of mining claims for ancillary activities, and S. 1742, to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing on Iran and its proxy threat to U.S. policy and personnel post-October 7, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. 1840, to amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and improve the National Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program for fiscal years 2024 through 2028, S. 3392, to reauthorize the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002, and the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act, S. 3393, to reauthorize the SUPPORT for Patients and Communities Act, S. 644, to expand the take-home prescribing of methadone through pharmacies, and other pending calendar business, 10 a.m., SD–430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to hold hearings to examine Coast Guard Academy whistleblowers, focusing on stories of sexual assault and harassment, 10:15 a.m., SD–562.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine cleaning up the C-Suite, focusing on ensuring accountability for corporate criminals, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Government Publishing Office, 3 p.m., SR-301.

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

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled “F-35 Acquisition Program Update”, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Workforce, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 6585, the “Bipartisan Workforce Pell Act”; H.R. 6655, the “A Stronger Workforce for America Act”; H.J. Res. 98, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by the National Labor Relations Board relating to “Standard for Determining Joint Employer Status”; and H.R. 3400, the “Small Businesses before Bureaucrats Act”, 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on National Security, Illicit Finance, and International Financial Institutions, hearing entitled “Restricting Rogue-State Revenue: Strengthening Energy Sanctions on Russia, Iran, and Venezuela”, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Capital Markets, hearing entitled “Examining the Agenda of Regulators, SROs, and Standards-Setters for Accounting, Auditing”, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight and Accountability, hearing entitled “Reviewing the Bureau of Industry and Security, Part II: U.S. Export Controls in an Era of Strategic Competition”, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Europe, hearing entitled “Addressing the Scourge of Anti-Semitism in Europe”, 2 p.m., HVC-210.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled “Considering DHS’ and CISA’s Role in Securing Artificial Intelligence”, 10 a.m., 310 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Counterterrorism, Law Enforcement, and Intelligence, hearing entitled “From Festive Cheer to Retail Fear: Addressing Organized Retail Crime”, 2 p.m., 310 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Looking Ahead Series: Oversight of the Smithsonian Institution”, 10:30 a.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing on H.R. 5482, the “Energy Poverty Prevention and Accountability Act of 2023”; H.R. 6474, to amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to expedite geothermal exploration and development in previously studied or developed areas; and H.R. 6481, to amend the Mineral Leasing Act to require the Secretary of the Interior to reimburse the fee for an expression of interest if the expression of interest becomes inactive, and for other purposes, 10:30 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “The Mineral Supply Chain and the New Space Race”, 10:15 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife and Fisheries, hearing entitled “Left in the Dark: Examining the Biden Administration’s Efforts to Eliminate the Pacific Northwest’s Clean Energy Production”, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, Full Committee, markup on H. Res. 918, directing certain committees to continue their ongoing investigations as part of the existing House of Representatives inquiry into whether sufficient grounds exist for the House of Representatives to exercise its Constitutional power to impeach Joseph Biden, President of the United States of America, and for other purposes [Original Jurisdiction Markup], 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Small Business, Full Committee, hearing entitled “A Year in Review: The State of Small Business in America”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Full Committee, business meeting on updated Committee roster, 9:45 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management, hearing entitled “Ensuring Transparency in the Federal Government: An Examination of GSA’s Site Selection for the FBI Headquarters”, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing entitled “Guardians of the Sea: National Security Missions of the United States Coast Guard”, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “SSG Fox Suicide Prevention Grants: Savings Veterans’ Lives Through Community Connection”, 10:30 a.m., 360 Cannon.

Select Committee on the Strategic Competition Between the United States and the Chinese Communist Party, Full Committee, business meeting on a committee report addressing America’s economic and technological competition with the Chinese Communist Party, 8 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of December 12 through
December 15, 2023

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Harry Coker, Jr., of Kansas, to be National Cyber Director, and vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 11:45 a.m.

If cloture is invoked on the nomination, Senate will vote on confirmation thereon at 2:15 p.m. Following disposition of the nomination, there will be up to 15 minutes for debate prior to a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the conference report to accompany H.R. 2670, National Defense Authorization Act.