

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

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**Measures Introduced:** Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1958–1962. **Pages S3958–59**

**Measures Passed:**

***Recognizing the Devastating Attack on a Girls' School in Kabul, Afghanistan:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 229, recognizing the devastating attack on a girls' school in Kabul, Afghanistan, on May 8, 2021, and expressing solidarity with the Afghan people.

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***HAVANA Act:*** Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of S. 1828, to amend the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 to authorize the provision of payment to personnel of the Central Intelligence Agency who incur qualifying injuries to the brain, to authorize the provision of payment to personnel of the Department of State who incur similar injuries, and the bill was then passed.

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***COPS Counseling Act:*** Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. 1502, to make Federal law enforcement officer peer support communications confidential, and the bill was then passed, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Schumer (for Cortez Masto) Amendment No. 2115, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S3966**

***National Cancer Research Month:*** Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 253, supporting the designation of May 2021 as “National Cancer Research Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to.

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**Endless Frontier Act—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that post-cloture time on the nomination of Regina M. Rodriguez, to be United States District Judge for the District of Colorado, expire at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, June 8, 2021; if cloture is invoked on the nomination of Regina M. Rodriguez, the order of Friday, May 28,

2021 with respect to S. 1260, to establish a new Directorate for Technology and Innovation in the National Science Foundation, to establish a regional technology hub program, to require a strategy and report on economic security, science, research, innovation, manufacturing, and job creation, to establish a critical supply chain resiliency program, be executed immediately following the disposition of the nomination of Regina M. Rodriguez; and that the cloture motion on the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 7, to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide more effective remedies to victims of discrimination in the payment of wages on the basis of sex, ripen following disposition of S. 1260.

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**Neals Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Julien Xavier Neals, to be United States District Judge for the District of New Jersey.

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

By 66 yeas to 28 nays (Vote No. EX. 219), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, June 8, 2021; and that at 11:30 a.m., all post-cloture time expire.

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**Nominations Received:** On Thursday, May 27, 2021, Senate received the following nominations:

Brian Eddie Nelson, of California, to be Under Secretary for Terrorism and Financial Crimes.

Elizabeth Rosenberg, of Vermont, to be Assistant Secretary for Terrorist Financing, Department of the Treasury.

Arun Venkataraman, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary of Commerce and Director General of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service.

Sarah Bianchi, of Virginia, to be Deputy United States Trade Representative (Asia, Africa, Investment, Services, Textiles, and Industrial Competitiveness), with the rank of Ambassador.

Elizabeth Merrill Brown, of Maryland, to be General Counsel, Department of Education.

Gwynne A. Wilcox, of New York, to be a Member of the National Labor Relations Board for the term of five years expiring August 27, 2023.

Matthew G. Olsen, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Attorney General.

6 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—219)

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 7:18 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3966.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in Pro Forma session at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2021.

## Committee Meetings

### APPROPRIATIONS—DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND RELATED PROGRAMS

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

### FISCAL YEAR 2022 ARMY AND MARINE CORPS GROUND SYSTEMS MODERNIZATION PROGRAMS

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing entitled "Fiscal Year 2022 Army and Marine Corps Ground Systems Modernization Programs". Testimony was heard from Douglas Bush, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology (ASA(ALT)), Department of the Army; General John M. Murray, U.S. Army, Commanding General, Army Futures Command; Frederick Stefany, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research, Development, and Acquisition, Department of the Navy; and Lieutenant General Eric M. Smith, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command and Deputy Commandant for Com-

bat Development and Integration, U.S. Marine Corps.

### THE STATE DEPARTMENT'S FOREIGN POLICY STRATEGY AND FY22 BUDGET REQUEST

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The State Department's Foreign Policy Strategy and FY22 Budget Request". Testimony was heard from Antony Blinken, Secretary, Department of State.

### SLEEPING DANGER: THE ROCK 'N PLAY AND FAILURES IN INFANT PRODUCT SAFETY

*Committee on Oversight and Reform:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Sleeping Danger: The Rock 'n Play and Failures in Infant Product Safety". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

### DEFINING A NATIONAL 'OCEANSHOT': ACCELERATING OCEAN AND GREAT LAKES SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology:* Subcommittee on Environment held a hearing entitled "Defining a National 'Oceanshot': Accelerating Ocean and Great Lakes Science and Technology". Testimony was heard from Craig McLean, Assistant Administrator for Oceanic and Atmospheric Research and Acting Chief Scientist, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.