Associated Press Daybook-Tuesday-Congress-Senate for Tuesday, Dec. 05.

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NEW EVENT: Tuesday, Dec. 05 10:00 AM Senate resumes consideration of DHS Secretary-nominee Kirstjen Nielsen - Senate convenes and proceed to executive session to resume consideration of the nomination of Kirstjen Nielsen to be Secretary of Homeland Security * Cloture motion on the nomination passed by 59 votes to 33 yesterday

Location: Washington, DC http://www.senate.gov/

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The Senate will recess subject to the call of the chair at 12:30pm

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NEW EVENT: Tuesday, Dec. 05 12:45 PM Vice President Mike Pence on Capitol Hill, where he participates in the Senate Republican Policy Lunch


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NEW EVENT: Tuesday, Dec. 05 1:00 PM Black-AAPI day of action on immigration held on Capitol Hill - ‘Black-AAPI Immigrant Action Day’ on Capitol Hill, with around 150 immigrants and advocates from Black and Asian-American Pacific Islander communities coming together to call for a clean DREAM Act and a permanent solution for Temporary Protected Status holders, led by the UndocuBlack Network and AAPI Immigrant Rights Organizing Table. House Minority Whip Steny Hoyer and fellow Democratic Reps. Judy Chu and Jan Schakowsky participate in press conference alongside undocumented young people and TPS holders, House Triangle (1:00 PM EST), before the delivery of a CREDO petition with over 200,000 signatures to the offices of Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, House Speaker Paul Ryan, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, and House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi (2:00 PM EST)


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Tuesday, Dec. 05 10:00 AM Senate Banking Committee votes on Fed governor nominee - Executive Session, with agenda including the nomination of Jerome Powell to be Federal Reserve System Chairman of the Board of Governors, as well as ‘S. 2155, the Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief and Consumer Protection Act’ * President Donald Trump announced Powell’s nomination at the beginning of last month, and, if confirmed, he will replace Janet Yellen in February after she has served just one term

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 538, Washington, DC http://banking.senate.gov/

Contacts: Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs 1 202 224 7391

Tuesday, Dec. 05 10:00 AM Senate HELP Committee nominations hearing - Nominations hearing considers Kenneth Marcus to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Civil Rights; Johnny Collett to be Assistant Secretary of Education for Special Education and Rehabilitative Services; Scott Mugno to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration; and Dr William Beach to be Commissioner of Labor Statistics

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 430, Washington, DC http://help.senate.gov/

Contacts: Senate HELP Committee 1 202 224 5375
Tuesday, Dec. 05 10:00 AM Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee nominations hearing - Nominations hearing considers Dr Timothy Petty to be Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Water and Science; and Dr Linda Capuano to be Energy Information Administration Administrator

Location: Rm 366, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC www.energy.senate.gov

Contacts: Senate Energy Committee 1 202 224 4971

Tuesday, Dec. 05 10:00 AM Senate Appropriations subcommittee hearing on addressing the opioid crisis - Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Subcommittee hearing on ‘Addressing the Opioid Crisis in America: Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery’, with testimony from President’s Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and the Opioid Crisis member (and former Rep.) Patrick Kennedy; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use Dr Elinore McCance-Katz; National Institutes of Health Director Dr Francis Collins; and CDC National Center for Injury Prevention and Control Director Dr Debra Houry

Location: Rm 124, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC http://appropriations.senate.gov/
https://twitter.com/SenateApprops

Contacts: Senate Appropriations Committee 1 202 224 7257

Tuesday, Dec. 05 2:30 PM Senate Foreign Relations Committee Business Meeting, hearing on international accords - Business Meeting, with agenda including legislation including ‘S.1118, North Korean Human Rights Reauthorization Act of 2017’, ‘S.447, Justice for Uncompensated Survivors Today Act of 2017’, ‘S. Res. 150, A resolution recognizing threats to freedom of the press and expression around the world and reaffirming freedom of the press as a priority in efforts of the United States Government to promote democracy and good governance’, ‘S. Res 139, A resolution condemning the Government of Iran’s state-sponsored persecution of its Baha’i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights’, and the nominations of Eric Ueland to be Under Secretary of State for Management, and James Randolph Evans to be U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg * Immediately followed by hearing on ‘The President, Congress, and Shared Authority Over International Accords’, with testimony from Duke University School of Law Professor Curtis Bradley; and former Principal Deputy National Security Advisor Avril Haines


Contacts: Senate Committee on Foreign Relations 1 202 224 4651

Location: Rm 366, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC www.energy.senate.gov

Contacts: Senate Energy Committee 1 202 224 4971

Tuesday, Dec. 05 3:00 PM Closed Briefing: Intelligence Matters

Location: Rm 219, Hart Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC http://intelligence.senate.gov

Contacts: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence 1 202 224 1700

UPDATED EVENT: Wednesday, Dec. 06 2:30 PM Senate Environment and Public Works subcommittee hearing on cleanup following natural disasters - Superfund, Waste Management, and Regulatory Oversight Subcommittee hearing on ‘Challenges Facing Superfund and Waste Cleanup Efforts Following Natural Disasters’, with testimony from Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Chairman Bryan Shaw; University of Houston Law Center Professor Tracy Hester; and California Environmental Protection Agency Secretary Matthew Rodriquez

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 406, Washington, DC http://epw.senate.gov/public/

Contacts: Senate Environment and Public Works Committee 1 202 224 8832

Wednesday, Dec. 06 9:30 AM Hearing on ‘America’s Aging Workforce: Opportunities and Challenges’

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 562, Washington, DC http://aging.senate.gov/

Contacts: Senate Aging Committee 1 202 224 5364
Wednesday, Dec. 06 10:00 AM Nominations hearing considers R.D. James to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 406, Washington, DC http://epw.senate.gov/public/

Contacts: Senate Environment and Public Works Committee 1 202 224 8832

Wednesday, Dec. 06 10:00 AM Senate Judiciary Committee hearing on firearms and the National Instant Criminal Background Check System - Hearing on ‘Firearm Accessory Regulation and Enforcing Federal and State Reporting to the National Instant Criminal Background Check System (NICS)’ * Follows Las Vegas mass shooter Stephen Paddock’s use of a ‘bump stock’ (which allows semi-automatic weapons to conduct automatic gunfire), and the U.S. Air Force’s failure to report Sutherland Springs, TX, mass shooter Devin Kelley’s ‘bad conduct’ discharge to the FBI

Location: Rm 226, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC http://judiciary.senate.gov/

Contacts: Senate Judiciary Committee press 1 202 224 7703

Wednesday, Dec. 06 10:00 AM Senate Homeland Security Committee hearing on ‘defending the homeland against the evolving international terrorist threat’ - Hearing on ‘Adapting to Defend the Homeland Against the Evolving International Terrorist Threat’, with testimony from Acting Assistant Secretary of Defense for Special Operations/Low-Intensity Conflict Mark Mitchell; National Counterterrorism Center Acting Director for Intelligence Lora Shiao; FBI Deputy Assistant Director for Counterterrorism Nikki Floris; and Acting Deputy Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis Robin Taylor

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 342, Washington, DC http://hsgac.senate.gov/ https://twitter.com/SenateHSGAC

Contacts: Senate Committee on Homeland Security 1 202 224 2627

Wednesday, Dec. 06 1:00 PM ITIF releases ‘A Policymaker’s Guide to Developing a National Competitiveness Strategy’ - Information Technology and Innovation Foundation releases ‘A Policymaker’s Guide to Developing a National Competitiveness Strategy’ at a Capitol Hill event, with
speakers Democratic Sen. Chris Coons, Brookings Institution Metropolitan Policy Program Policy
Director Mark Muro, McKinsey Global Institute partner Sree Ramaswamy, and George Washington
University Research Professor Andrew Reamer - examining the issue of competitiveness, explaining how
conventional economic advice leads policymakers astray, and offering specific steps for the federal govt
to stem the recent decline in U.S. economic competitiveness

Location: U.S. Capitol Visitor Center, SVC-209, Washington, DC www.itif.org
https://twitter.com/ITIFdc #ITIFcompetitiveness

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Wednesday, Dec. 06 2:30 PM Senate Indian Affairs Committee legislative hearing - Legislative hearing
on ‘S. 664 Navajo Utah Water Rights Settlement Act of 2017’ and ‘S. 1770 Hualapai Tribe Water Rights
Settlement Act of 2017’

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 628, Washington, DC http://indian.senate.gov
https://twitter.com/IndianCommittee

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Wednesday, Dec. 06 2:30 PM Senate Foreign Relations subcommittee hearing on countering terrorism in
North Africa - Near Eastern, South, and Central Asian Affairs and Counterterrorism Subcommittee
hearing on ‘Beyond ISIS: Countering Terrorism, Radicalization, and Promoting Stability in North Africa’,
with testimony from State Department Ambassador-At-Large and Coordinator for Counterterrorism Amb.
Nathan Sales; and Acting Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs David Satterfield

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 419, Washington, DC http://foreign.senate.gov/

Contacts: Senate Committee on Foreign Relations 1 202 224 4651

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Wednesday, Dec. 06 2:30 PM Business Meeting, to consider ‘S. 1870, the Securing Urgent Resources
Vital to Indian Victim Empowerment (SURVIVE) Act’

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 628, Washington, DC http://indian.senate.gov
https://twitter.com/IndianCommittee

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Wednesday, Dec. 06 4:00 PM Annual Taste of Delaware celebration - Delaware State Chamber of Commerce Annual Taste of Delaware celebration, with over 20 restaurants bakeries, breweries, and wineries from around the state slated to showcase their produce. Honorary host is Democratic Sen. Chris Coons

Location: Russell Senate Office Building, Kennedy Caucus Rm, Washington, DC www.dscc.com https://twitter.com/destatechamber

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Wednesday, Dec. 06 5:00 PM U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree lighting ceremony - 2017 U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree lit by House Speaker Paul Ryan * The Capitol Christmas Tree has been a tradition since 1964, and this year’s tree was chosen from Kootenai National Forest in Montana


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Thursday, Dec. 07 10:00 AM NIH and FDA heads testify to Senate HELP Committee on 21st Century Cures Act implementation - Hearing on ‘Implementation of the 21st Century Cures Act: Progress and the Path Forward for Medical Innovation’, with testimony from National Institutes of Health Director Dr Francis Collins; and Food and Drug Administration Commissioner Scott Gottlieb

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building, Rm 430, Washington, DC http://help.senate.gov/

Contacts: Senate HELP Committee 1 202 224 5375

Thursday, Dec. 07 10:00 AM Senate Armed Services Committee hearing on DoD acquisition reform - Hearing on ‘Department of Defense Acquisition Reform Efforts’, with testimony from Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics Ellen Lord; Secretary of the Army Mark Esper; Secretary of the Navy Richard Spencer; and Secretary of the Air Force Heather Wilson

Location: Rm G50, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC http://armed-services.senate.gov/
Thursday, Dec. 07 10:30 AM Senate Judiciary Committee Executive Business Meeting - Executive Business Meeting, with agenda including consideration of the nominations of Leonard Steven Grasz to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Eighth Circuit; James Ho and Don Willett to be U.S. Circuit Judges for the Fifth Circuit; Terry Doughty to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Louisiana; Terry Fitzgerald Moorer to be U.S. District Judge for the Southern District of Alabama; Mark Saalfield Norris Sr. to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Tennessee; Claria Horn Boom to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern and Western Districts of Kentucky; John Broomes to be U.S. District Judge for the District of Kansas; Rebecca Grady Jennings to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky; and Robert Earl Wier to be U.S. District Judge for the Eastern District of Kentucky

Location: Rm 226, Dirksen Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC http://judiciary.senate.gov/

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Thursday, Dec. 07 2:00 PM Closed Briefing: Intelligence Matters

Location: Rm 219, Hart Senate Office Bldg, Washington, DC http://intelligence.senate.gov

Contacts: Senate Select Committee on Intelligence 1 202 224 1700

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