



Legislative Summary  
from  
the Legislative Counsel  
**Wednesday, October 11, 2017**  
To: All Interested Interior Offices

Attached for your information is today's Legislative Summary.

In order to keep the Summary as up-to-date as possible, we request that any bureau or office contacted directly regarding hearings or markups notify this office immediately.

New information about scheduled hearings and business meetings appears shaded in yellow. Hearings printed in ***bold italic*** type indicate DOI involvement.

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**2017 Congressional Recess Schedule**

<i>Senate</i>	<i>Holidays &amp; Special Days</i>	<i>House</i>
<b>State Work Period</b> Oct. 9 – Oct. 13	<b>Columbus Day</b> Oct. 9	
		<b>District Work Week</b> Oct. 16 – Oct. 20
	<b>Veterans Day</b> Nov. 10 (Observed)	
<b>State Work Period</b> Nov. 20 – Nov. 24	<b>Thanksgiving Day</b> Nov. 23	<b>District Work Week</b> Nov. 20 – Nov. 24
<b>State Work Period</b> Dec. 18 – Dec. 29	<b>Christmas Day</b> Dec. 25	

## **Scheduled Floor Action**

### **House**

#### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH**

On Wednesday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for morning hour and 12:00 p.m. for legislative business.

#### **Legislation Considered Under Suspension of the Rules:**

- 1) [H.R. 2105](#) - NIST Small Business Cybersecurity Act of 2017, as amended (*Sponsored by Rep. Daniel Webster / Science, Space, and Technology Committee*)
- 2) [H.R. 2763](#) - The Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Improvements Act of 2017, as amended (*Sponsored by Rep. Steve Knight / Small Business Committee / Science, Space, and Technology Committee*)
- 3) [S. 190](#) - Power And Security Systems (PASS) Act (*Sponsored by Sen. Cory Gardner / Energy and Commerce Committee*)
- 4) [S. 920](#) - National Clinical Care Commission Act (*Sponsored by Sen. Jeanne Shaheen / Energy and Commerce Committee*)
- 5) [H.R. 378](#) - Bonuses for Cost-Cutters Act of 2017, as amended (*Sponsored by Rep. Chuck Fleischmann / Oversight and Government Reform Committee*)
- 6) [H.R. 2196](#) - To amend title 5, United States Code, to allow whistleblowers to disclose information to certain recipients. (*Sponsored by Rep. Steve Russell / Oversight and Government Reform Committee*)
- 7) [H.R. 2229](#) - All Circuit Review Act (*Sponsored by Rep. Elijah Cummings / Oversight and Government Reform Committee*)
- 8) [H.R. 2989](#) - Frederick Douglass Bicentennial Commission Act, as amended (*Sponsored by Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton / Oversight and Government Reform Committee*)
- 9) [H.R. 3031](#) - TSP Modernization Act of 2017, as amended (*Sponsored by Rep. Elijah Cummings / Oversight and Government Reform Committee*)
- 10) [H.R. 3243](#) - FITARA Enhancement Act of 2017 (*Sponsored by Rep. Gerry Connolly / Oversight and Government Reform Committee*)

#### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12TH AND THE BALANCE OF THE WEEK**

On Thursday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for morning hour and 12:00 p.m. for legislative business.

On Friday, the House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. Last votes expected no later than 3:00 p.m.

[S. 585](#) - Dr. Chris Kirkpatrick Whistleblower Protection Act of 2017 (Subject to a Rule) (*Sponsored by Sen. Ron Johnson / Oversight and Government Reform Committee / Veterans Affairs Committee*)

#### **Legislation Related to Disaster Supplemental Appropriations**

#### **Additional Legislative Items are Possible**

## **Senate**

The Senate is in State Work Period this week

### **Monday, Oct. 16, 4 p.m.**

The Senate reconvenes at 4 p.m. and is expected to resume consideration of the nomination of Callista L. Gingrich, of Virginia, to be a U.S. ambassador to the Holy See. At 5:30 p.m., the chamber will vote on confirmation of the Gingrich nomination

### **Nominations**

Callista L. Gingrich, of Virginia, to be a U.S. ambassador to the Holy See

**Recent Legislative Activity of Interest**

Senate

N/A

**House**

By Mr. BISHOP of Utah (for himself, Mr. Lamborn, Mr. McClintock, Mr. Gosar, Mr. LaMalfa, and Mr. Westerman):

H.R. 3990. A bill to amend title 54, United States Code, to reform the Antiquities Act of 1906, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mrs. RADEWAGEN (for herself, Miss Gonzalez-Colon of Puerto Rico, and Mr. Sablan):

H.R. 3993. A bill to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to include United States nationals among the eligible employees of an EB-5 commercial enterprise, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

**The Department has been invited to the following hearings:**

**Wed., Oct 11    Federal Lands Bills**

**House Natural Resources S/C on Federal Lands (McClintock)**

**Subcommittee hearing on**

***H.R. 219 (Young), Swan Lake Hydroelectric Project Boundary  
Correction Act***

***H.R. 2630 (Gosar), La Paz County Land Conveyance Act***

***H.R. 3373 (Holmes Norton), To amend the District of Columbia Stadium  
Act of 1957 to extend for an additional 50 years the lease under which  
the government of the District of Columbia uses the ground under and  
the parking facilities associated with Robert F. Kennedy Memorial  
Stadium***

***H.R. 3607 (McClintock), To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to  
establish fees for medical services provided in units of the National Park  
System***

***10:00 a.m.; Room 1334 Longworth***

***Hearing Noticed 9.28.17***

***Witness: Robert Vogel, Acting Deputy Director for Operations, National Park  
Service on H.R. 3373 and H.R. 3607***

***(Testimony Received)***

**Wed., Oct 11    Committee Markup**

**House Natural Resources Committee (Bishop)**

**Committee markup of**

***H.R. 3990 (Bishop), National Monument Creation and Protection Act;  
and***

***H.Res. 555 (Grijalva), A resolution of inquiry requesting the President  
and directing the Secretary of the Interior to transmit, respectively,  
certain documents and other information to the House of Representatives  
relating to the executive order on the review of designations under the  
Antiquities Act.***

***4:00 p.m.; Room 1334 Longworth***

***No Request for DOI witness***

**Wed., Oct 11 Federal Paperwork Reduction**

**House Small Business Committee (Chabot)**

***Full Committee oversight hearing on Evaluating the Paperwork Reduction Act Part II: Are Burdens Being Reduced?***

***11:00 a.m.; Room 2360 Rayburn***

***Invitation Received 9.27.17***

***Witness: Steve Guertin, Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
(Testimony Received)***

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**Thurs., Oct 12 Water Bills**

**House Natural Resources S/C on Water, Power and Oceans (Lamborn)**

***Subcommittee hearing on***

***H.R. 3144 (McMorris Rodgers), To provide for operations of the  
Federal Columbia River Power System pursuant to a certain operation  
plan for a specified period of time***

***H.R. 3916 (Calvert), Federally Integrated Species Health (FISH) Act***

***10:00 a.m.; Room 1334 Longworth***

***Witness: Alan Mikkelsen, Acting Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation  
Statement for the Record, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
(Testimony Received)***



## **Hearings of Interest:**

### **Wed., Oct 11      Highways and Transit Infrastructure**

#### **House Transportation and Infrastructure S/C on Highways and Transit (Graves)**

Subcommittee oversight hearing on Building a 21st Century Infrastructure for America:  
Highways and Transit Stakeholders' Perspectives

10:00 a.m.; Room 2167 Rayburn  
No request for DOI witness

### **Wed., Oct 11      GPO Reform (Part IV)**

#### **House Administration Committee (Harper)**

Full Committee oversight hearing on Transforming GPO for the 21st Century and Beyond:  
Part 4 – Federal Depository Library Program

10:30 a.m.; Room 1310 Longworth  
No request for DOI witness

### **Wed., Oct 11      OCS Energy Revenue Distribution**

#### **House Natural Resources S/C on Energy and Mineral Resources (Gosar)**

Subcommittee hearing on

**H.R. \_\_**, Accessing Strategic Resources Offshore (ASTRO) Act

2:00 p.m.; Room 1334 Longworth  
No request for DOI witness

### **Wed., Oct 11      Security Clearance Investigations**

#### **House Oversight and Government Reform S/C on Government Operations (Meadows)**

Subcommittee oversight hearing on Security Clearance Investigation Challenges and  
Reforms

2:00 p.m.; Room 2154 Rayburn  
No request for DOI witness

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**Thurs., Oct 12      First Responder Communications**

**House Homeland Security S/C on Emergency Preparedness, Response and Communications (Donovan)**

Subcommittee oversight hearing on Assessing First Responder Communications

10:00 a.m.; Room HVC0210, U.S. Capitol

No request for DOI witness

**Thurs., Oct 12      Cross Border Data Flow Policies**

**House Energy and Commerce S/C on Digital Commerce and Consumer Protection (Latta)**

Subcommittee oversight hearing on 21st Century Trade Barriers: Protectionist Cross Border Data Flow Policies Impact on U.S. Jobs

10:15 a.m.; Room 2322 Rayburn

No request for DOI witness

**Fri., Oct 13      Expanding Broadband Infrastructure in N.H.**

**Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee (Thune)**

Full Committee oversight field hearing on Expanding Broadband Infrastructure in the Granite State

10:00 a.m.; Centennial Hall Alumni Center, 229 Main St., Keene, N.H.

No request for DOI witness

**Fri., Oct 13      Onshore Energy Policy**

**House Natural Resources S/C on Energy and Mineral Resources (Gosar)**

Subcommittee oversight hearing on Onshore Energy Policy and discussion draft "H.R. , To achieve domestic energy independence by empowering States to manage the development and production of oil and gas on available Federal land, and for other purposes." (the ONSHORE act)

9:00 a.m.; Room 1324 Longworth

No request for DOI witness

**Status of DOI Testimony**  
**April 25, 2018**

<b>Bureau/Preparer</b>	<b>Witness</b>	<b>Committee</b>	<b>Subject/Bill Number/Sponsor</b>	<b>OCL Attorney</b>	<b>Date of Hearing</b>	<b>Date OCL Notified</b>	<b>Due to OMB</b>	<b>Bureau Notified</b>	<b>Date Due to OCL</b>	<b>Date Rec'd in OCL</b>
NPS	TBD	H-NR	Federal Lands Bills	Barkin	10.11.17	9.28.17	--	NPS	10.10.17	10.6.17
BOR	Mikkelsen	H-NR s/c	HR 3144	Mahan	10.12.17	9.28.17	--	BOR	10.5.17	10.4.17
FWS	Guertin	H-SB	Paperwork Reduction Act	Maione	10.11.17	9.27.17	--	FWS	10.5.17	10.4.17
FWS	SFTR	H-NR	HR 3916	Maione	10.12.17	9.28.17	--	FWS	10.5.17	10.4.17