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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of BWP, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington, D.C. affecting CUR and its members. Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.

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Weekly Calendar

Key: E&S – Elementary & Secondary; H – Higher Education; D – Disability Policy

Monday, January 15, 2018
Federal Holiday - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 16, 2018
Bush-Obama School Reform (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The American Enterprise Institute (AEI) will host an event exploring the lessons learned in education policy from the administrations of George W. Bush and Barack Obama.
Participants: Frederick M. Hess, AEI (Opening Remarks); Betsy DeVos, Secretary of Education; Deven Carlson, University of Oklahoma; Sara Dahl-Brown, Wake Forest University; Joshua Dunn, University of Colorado Colorado Springs; Anna Egalite, North Carolina State University; Ashley Jochim, Center on Reinventing Public Education; Matthew Kraft, Brown University; Tom Loveless, Brookings Institution; Patrick McGuinn, Drew University; Michael Q. McShane, EdChoice; Robert Pianta, University of Virginia; Nina Rees, National Alliance for Public Charter Schools; Gerard Robinson, Center for Advancing Opportunity; Roberto Rodriguez, Teach Plus; Stefanie Sanford, College Board; Hanna Skandera, State of New Mexico Department of Education (former); Emma Vadehra, Center for American Progress; and Joanne Weiss, Weiss Associates.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.; AEI, 1789 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.
Analyzing Federal Research and Development Programs (H)
Subject: The Novim Foundation will hold an event to highlight and discuss their new report on the proposed reductions to federal research and development programs through an agency by agency analysis.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; AAAS Auditorium, 1200 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP to info@novim.org.

Wednesday, January 17, 2018
Using Data and Evidence to Improve Student Outcomes in Higher Education (E&S, H)
Subject: Results for America will hold an event to highlight and discuss findings from their recent reports focused on federal and state policies that can leverage the power of data and evidence to improve student outcomes in higher education.
Participants: John Bridgeland, CEO, Civic Enterprises; and James Kvaal, president, The Institute for College Access and Success.
Time and Location: 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; Optical Society of America, 2010 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

House Ways and Means Committee Hearing on Opioids (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee will hold a hearing on “The Opioid Crisis: The Current Landscape and CMS Actions to Prevent Opioid Misuse.”
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 1100 Longworth HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.5375.

Senate Finance Committee Markup on Azar Nomination to Serve as HHS Secretary (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Senate Finance Committee will hold an executive session to mark up the nomination of Alex Azar to serve as the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Secretary.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 215 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.4515.

Challenges and Opportunities in Achieving the National Postsecondary Attainment Goals (H)
Subject: The Educational Testing Service (ETS) will host an event to examine postsecondary degree attainment goals for the adult population of the United States and what stakeholders can do to help each other achieve them.
Participants: Almarie Munley, founder and board member, Latino Advisory Committee for the Faith and Education Coalition of the National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference (NHCLC); Ahniwake Rose, executive director, National Indian Education Association (NIEA); and Ivory Toldson, president and CEO, Quality Education for Minorities (QEM) Network.
Time and Location: 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.; ETS, 1800 M Street, NW, Suite 425, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Thursday, January 18, 2018
Senate HELP Committee Hearing on Financial Aid Simplification (H)
Witnesses: Matthew Chingos, director of education policy, Urban Institute; Joanna Darcus, racial justice fellow, National Consumer Law Center; Susan Dynarski, professor of public policy, University of Michigan; Laura Keane, chief policy officer, UAspire; and Russell Lowery-Hart, president, Amarillo College (TX).
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 430 Dirksen SOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.5375.

House Rules Committee Hearing On the Power of the Purse (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Rules Committee will hold a hearing on “Article I: Effective Oversight and the Power of the Purse.”
Witnesses: By invitation only.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; H-313, Capitol Visitors Center.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.9191.
Future Hearings and Events

Tuesday, January 23, 2018

Discussion on Workforce Education (E&S, H)

Subject: The ACT will host a breakfast policy panel on “Aligning Our Education and Workforce Systems: A Look Ahead.”

Participants: Andy Rotherham, co-founder and partner, Bellwether Education Partners; Deb Delisle executive director and CEO, ASCD; Martha Kanter, executive director, College Promise Campaign; Chauncy Lennon, managing director and head of workforce initiatives, Global Philanthropy at JPMorgan Chase; and Jane Oates, executive committee, Working Nation.

Time and Location: 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.; Hotel Monaco, 700 F Street, NW, Washington, D.C.

Contact: RSVP Here.

Elements of Successful Schools (E&S)

Subject: The Learning First Alliance will host an event to highlight and discuss findings from their new report, “The Elements of Success: 10 Million Speak on Schools That Work,” which identifies elements present in all successful schools.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; 1307 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.

Contact: RSVP Here.
Making further continuing appropriations for FY 2018 until December 22, 2017. (12/8/17 Signed by President Trump; 12/7/17 Passed by the House of Representatives; 12/7/17 passed by the Senate).

H.R.601  
Sponsor: Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY)  
Making further continuing appropriations for FY 2018 until December 8, 2017. (9/8/17 Signed by President Trump; 9/8/17 Passed by the House of Representatives; 9/7/17 passed by the Senate).

**Omnibus Appropriations**

H.R. 3354  
Sponsor: Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)  
Make America Secure and Prosperous Appropriations Act, 2018 (FY 2018 Omnibus Appropriations Act) (9/14/17 Passed by House of Representatives)

**Budget Resolutions**

H.Con.Res.71  
Sponsor: Rep. Diane Black (R-TN)  
FY 2018 House Budget Resolution (10/5/17 Passed by House of Representatives; 7/19/17 Passed by Budget Committee)

S.Con.Res.25  
Sponsor: Sen. Mike Enzi (R-WY)  
FY 2018 Senate Budget Resolution (10/19/2017 Passed by Senate; 10/5/2017 Passed by Budget Committee)

**Appropriations Bills**

H.R. 3267  
Sponsor: Rep. John Culberson (R-TX)  

S. 1662  
Sponsor: Sen. Richard Shelby (R-AL)  

H.R. 3358  
Sponsor: Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK)  
Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (7/19/17 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 7/13/17 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 1771  
Sponsor: Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO)  
Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (9/7/17 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 9/6/17 Passed by Subcommittee)

H.R. 3354  
Sponsor: Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)  
Interior and Environment Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (9/14/17 Passed by House; 7/18/17 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 7/12/17 Passed by Subcommittee)

**CARL D. PERKINS CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT**

H.R. 2353  
Sponsor: Representative Glenn Thompson (R-PA)  
Strengthening Career and Technical Education for the 21st Century Act (6/22/17 Passed House of Representatives; 6/7/17 Passed by Education & Workforce Committee)
JUVENILE JUSTICE DELINQUENCY PREVENTION ACT

H.R. 1809  Sponsors: Representatives Jason Lewis (R-MN) and Bobby Scott (D-VA)
Education & Workforce Committee)

S.860  Sponsors: Senators Chuck Grassley (R-IA) and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)
Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Reauthorization Act of 2017 (8/1/17 Passed by
the Senate; 8/1/17 Discharged by the Judiciary Committee; 4/5/17 Introduced)

Links for Up-to-Date Information on Hearings, Legislation, and Events

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U.S. Senate 2018 Schedule
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