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This Week in Washington

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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of WPLLC, provides an overview of upcoming events in Washington D.C. that are relevant to CUR’s interests. Please use the bookmarks below to navigate to your area of interest.

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MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2014
NONE.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014

Federal Data on U.S. Science and Technology Enterprise

Subject: The National Science Board will host a breakfast briefing, “What the Latest Federal Data Tell Us About the U.S. Science & Technology Enterprise,” to discuss America’s global position in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM).

Participants: Dr. Arvizu, Chairman, National Science Board; Ray Bowen, S&E Indicators Chairman, National Science Board; and Cora Marett, Acting Director, National Science Foundation.

Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.; 253 Russell SOB.

Contact: RSVP to NSBSEI2014@nsf.gov by Monday, February 10.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014
NONE.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2014

Postsecondary Enrollment for Underserved Youth
Subject: The Alliance for Excellent Education will host a webinar, “The Postsecondary Success Collaborative: Partnerships to Increase College Enrollment,” to discuss access and persistence in postsecondary education for underserved youth.

Participants: Maud Abeel, Associate Director, Strategic Partnerships, FHI 360; Debora Borges-Carrera, Principal, Kensington High School for Creative and Performing Arts, MD; Lisa Ciacci, Director, Citi Postsecondary Success Project, The Education Fund; and Robert Rothman, Senior Fellow, Alliance for Excellent Education.

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Contact: Register at: http://all4ed.org/webinar/feb-13-2014/.

Dual Enrollment in Postsecondary Education

Subject: The American Youth Policy Forum (AYPF) will host a webinar, “Dual Enrollment: The Role of Policy in Promoting Quality Pathways to Postsecondary Success,” to discuss how state policy affects dual enrollment across secondary and postsecondary education.

Participants: Jennifer Dounay Zinth, Education Commission of the States; Adam Lowe, National Alliance for Concurrent Enrollment Partnerships; John Fischer, Deputy Commissioner, Vermont Department of Education; and Joyce Judy, President, Vermont Community College.

Time: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Contact: Register at: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/899329992.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2014

NONE.

On The Floor This Week

Senate Floor:
S. 1963 - Military Retirement Pay Restoration Act

House Floor:
H.R. 3193 - Consumer Financial Protection and Soundness Improvement Act of 2013

Possible Consideration of the Legislation Related to the Debt Limit

Bills to Watch

ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT (ESEA)
S. 1094 Sponsor: Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA)
Strengthening American Schools Act of 2013 to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (6/12/13 passed by Senate HELP Committee)

Student Success Act to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (6/19/13 passed by House Ed and Workforce Committee)

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA)
H.R. 803 Sponsor: Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC)
Supporting Knowledge and Investing in Lifelong Skills Act (3/15/13 passed by House; 3/6/13 passed by House Education and the Workforce Committee)

S. 1356
Sponsor: Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)
Workforce Investment Reauthorization Act (7/31/13 passed by Senate HELP Committee)

CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CCDBG)
S. 1086
Sponsor: Sen. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD)
Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2013 (9/18/13 passed by Senate HELP Committee)

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

U.S. House of Representatives 2013 Schedule:
http://majorityleader.gov/calendar/113thCongressFirstSession.pdf

U.S. Senate 2013 Schedule:
http://www.senate.gov/pagelayout/legislative/one_item_and_teasers/2013_schedule.htm


U.S. Senate Budget Committee: http://www.budget.senate.gov

U.S. House Budget Committee: http://www.house.gov/budget

Congressional Budget Office: http://www.cbo.gov

Federal legislative information: http://thomas.loc.gov

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