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This Week in Washington

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This Week in Washington, a weekly publication of BPAG, 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, May 23, 2022

Webinar: 21st Century Learners in a Broadband-Enhanced World (E&S, H)

Subject: The Software and Information Industry Association will hold a virtual discussion on "The Diamond in the Rough: Chiseling 21st Century Learners in a Broadband-Enhanced World."

Participants: Ji Soo Song, broadband adviser, U.S. Department of Education; Nicole Ferraro, site editor, Broadband World News ; Larry Irving, president, Irving Group; Sen. John Thune (R-SD); Heather Gate, chair, Federal Communications Commission Communications Equity and Diversity Council; Rosemary Lahasky, senior director of government affairs, Cengage Group; and Michael Calabrese, director, New America Wireless Future Program.

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Contact: Register [here](#).

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

Hearing: House Appropriations Subcommittee Member Day (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The House Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee holds a hearing on "FY2023 Member Day."

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Hearing: Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on FY2023 Education Budget (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The Senate Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the FY2023 budget for the Education Department.

Witness: Miguel Cardona, secretary, U.S. Department of Education.

Time and Location: 10:15 a.m.; 138 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Hearing: Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on FY2023 Interior Budget (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The Senate Appropriations Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on the FY2023 budget for the Interior Department.

Witness: Deb Haaland, secretary, U.S. Department of Interior.

Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 124 Dirksen SOB.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Hearing: House Appropriations Subcommittee on Teacher Shortages (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The House Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee will hold a hearing on "Tackling Teacher Shortages."

Witnesses: Jane West, education policy consultant; Lindsey Burke, director, Center for Education Policy, Heritage Foundation; Desiree Carver-Thomas, researcher and policy analyst, Learning Policy Institute; and Randi Weingarten, president, American Federation of Teachers.

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Markup: Senate HELP Committee on Nominations (E&S, H)

Subject: The Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee will hold a markup to vote on the nominations of Kalpana Kotagal to be a member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; LaWanda Amaker Toney to be assistant Education secretary for communications and outreach; Nasser H. Paydar to be assistant Education secretary for postsecondary education; and Rita M. Landgraf to be assistant HHS secretary for aging.

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Webinar: Youth Mental Health (E&S, H)

Subject: Washington Post Live will hold a virtual discussion on "Youth Mental Health."

Participants: Sen. Chris Murphy (D-Ct); Sen. Bill Cassidy (R-LA); and Miana Bryant, founder, Mental Elephant.

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Contact: Register [here](#).

Hearing: Supporting the Conservation Workforce (E&S, H)

Subject: The House Agriculture Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry will hold a hearing on "Supporting Careers in Conservation: Workforce Training, Education, and Job Opportunities."

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Thursday, May 26, 2022

Hearing: House Appropriations Subcommittee Witness Day (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The House Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education and Related Agencies Subcommittee holds a hearing on "FY2023 Public Witness Day."

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Webinar: Access to Higher Education and Social Capital (E&S, H)

Subject: The Brookings Institution will hold a virtual discussion on "Who You Know: The Role of Social Capital in Uplifting Young Americans," focusing on access to higher education.

Participants: Patrick Corvington, CEO, Minds Matter National; Richard Reeves, director, Brookings Future of the Middle Class Initiative; Emily Parrott, director of research and evaluation, Thrive Scholars; Sarah Reber, visiting fellow in economic studies, Brookings; Michael DeVaul, national executive director, YMCA of the USA; and Beyond Deng, research assistant, Brookings Center on Children and Families.

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Contact: Register [here](#).

Hearing: House Ed and Labor Committee on Education Department Priorities (E&S, H, D)

Subject: The House Education and Labor Committee will hold a hearing on "Examining the Policies and Priorities of the U.S. Department of Education."

Witness: Miguel Cardona, secretary, U.S. Department of Education.

Time: 12:00 p.m.

Contact: Live stream available [here](#).

Friday, May 27, 2022

None.

Future Hearings and Events

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[H.R. 7309](#)

Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2022

Sponsor: Rep. Bobby Scott (D-VA)

(5/17/22 Passed by House; 4/5/22 Passed by House Ed and Labor Committee; 3/31/22 Introduced in House)

[H.R.4521](#)

America COMPETES Act of 2022

Sponsor: Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (D-TX)

(2/4/22 Passed by House; 7/19/21 Introduced in House)

[S.1260](#)

United States Innovation and Competition Act of 2021

Sponsor: Sen. Chuck Schumer (D-NY)

(6/8/21 Passed by Senate; 4/20/21 Introduced in Senate)

[H.R.5376](#)

Build Back Better Act

Sponsor: Rep. John Yarmuth (D-KY)

(11/22/21 passed by the House; 9/27/21 Introduced in House)

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