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MONDAY, JULY 8, 2013
NSA Task Force on Administrative Burdens Results
Subject: The National Science Foundation holds a teleconference meeting of the Task Force on Administrative Burdens to discuss the results of the task force's request for information and an update on recent activities.
Time and Location: 5:00 p.m.
Contact: RSVP to: 703-292-7000, nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov.

TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2013
Weather Forecasting Improvement Act of 2013 Markup
Subject: The House Science, Space, and Technology Committee’s Environment Subcommittee marks up H.R.2413, the Weather Forecasting Improvement Act of 2013.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2318 Rayburn House Office Building.
Contact: 202-225-6371, science.house.gov.

Higher Education and Innovation
Subject: The House Education and the Workforce Committee holds a hearing on "Keeping College Within Reach: Improving Higher Education through Innovation."
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 2175 Rayburn House Office Building.
Contact: 202-225-4527, edworkforce.house.gov.

FY2014 Department of Education Budget
Subject: The Senate Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Subcommittee marks up its FY2014 appropriations bill.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2013

NASA Authorization Act of 2013 Markup
Subject: The House Science, Space, and Technology Committee’s Space Subcommittee marks up the NASA Authorization Act of 2013.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 2318 Rayburn House Office Building.
Contact: 202-225-6371, science.house.gov.

FY2014 Commerce, Justice, and Science Appropriations Bill Markup
Time and Location: 11:00 a.m., H-140, US Capitol.
Contact: 202-225-2771, appropriations.house.gov.

Future of Higher Education
Subject: The National Journal hosts a policy summit on the “New Knowledge Economy” featuring key industry leaders, labor and workforce experts and advocacy groups to discuss the future of higher education in the U.S. given our shifting economy and the changing models of post-secondary degrees.
Participants: Ron Brownstein (Moderator); Mohammed Qayoumi, President, San Jose State University; Kevin Carey, New America Foundation; and Cathrael Kazin, Chief Academic Officer, College For America.
Time and Location: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., The Newseum, 3rd Floor Knight Broadcasting Studio, 555 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington DC.
Contact: Register at: www.njnewknowledge.evenbrite.com.

OECD Assessment of US Higher Education
Subject: The New America Foundation hosts an event for the release of a report conducted by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). The OECD report provides an assessment of higher education in the United States, in addition to an important outsider’s perspective on challenges to America’s global standing in postsecondary education outcomes and what lawmakers could and should do to address them.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., New America Foundation, 1899 L Street, NW, Suite 400, Washington, D.C.
Contact: Register at: http://newamerica.net/events/2013/skills_beyond_school_oecd.

THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2013

National Council on the Humanities
Subject: The National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities and National Endowment for the Humanities holds a meeting of the National Council on the Humanities to advise the acting chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities on policies, programs, and procedures and to review applications for financial assistance, July 11-12.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m., Old Post Office Building, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: Lisette Voyatzis, 202-606-8322.

FY2014 Department of Education Budget
Subject: The Senate Appropriations Committee marks up the FY2014 Labor, Health and Human Services and Education appropriations bill.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m., 106 Dirksen Senate Office Building.
Contact: http://www.appropriations.senate.gov/?date=07/24/2013.
FRIDAY, JULY 12, 2013

Transforming Remedial Education to Improve Postsecondary Attainment

Subject: The American Youth Policy Forum (and Complete College America hosts an event on “Transforming Remedial Education to Improve Postsecondary Attainment” to explore how state and federal policy can accelerate proven reforms that will be central to meeting state and national goals to increase college attainment rates in the US.

Participants: Stan Jones, President, Complete College America; Tristan Denley, Provost and Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs, Austin Peay State University; Katie Hern, Chabot College and Director of the California Acceleration Project; and Dr. Nikki Edgecombe, Community College Research Center.

Time and Location: 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., TBA.

Contact: https://secure.aypf.org/np/clients/aypf/event.jsp?event=1042.

On The Floor This Week

Senate
Various nominations.

House
H.R. 761 – National Strategic and Critical Minerals Production Act of 2013

Bills to Watch

FY2014 APPROPRIATIONS
S.Con.Res. # Sponsor: Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)
Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014 (3/14/13 passed by Senate Budget Committee)

Establishing the budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2014 (3/13/13 passed by House Budget Committee)

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
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