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

Monday, July 17, 2017
None.

Tuesday, July 18, 2017
House Appropriations Committee Markup of FY2018 Interior Spending Bill (E&S, H)
Subject: The House Appropriations Committee will markup the FY2018 appropriations bill for the Department of the Interior.
Time and Location: 10:30 a.m.; 2359 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.2771.

Wednesday, July 19, 2017
House Appropriations Committee Markup of FY2018 Labor, HHS, and Education Spending Bill (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Appropriations Committee will markup the FY2018 appropriations bill for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2359 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.2771.
Senate Commerce Committee Hearing on FCC nominations (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Senate Commerce Committee will hold a hearing on the nominations of Ajit Pai, Jessica Rosenworcel and Brendan Carr to be members of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). Pai and Rosenworcel's nominations are reappointments.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 253 Russell SOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.1251.

House Science, Space, and Technology Committee Hearing on Energy Innovation (H)
Subject: The House Science, Space, and Technology Committee will hold a hearing on "Energy Innovation: Letting Technology Lead."
Witnesses: Jacob DeWitte, president and CEO of Oklo; Kiran Kumaraswamy, market development director at AES Energy Storage; Venky Narayanamurti, research professor of technology and public policy at the Harvard University School of Engineering and Applied Sciences; and Gaurav Sant, associate professor and fellow in the University of California, Los Angeles School of Engineering and Applied Science Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; 2318 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.6371.

Thursday, July 20, 2017
None.

Friday, July 21, 2017
None.

Future Hearings and Events

Tuesday, July 25, 2017
Improving Teacher Development for Computer Science Education (E&S, H)
Subject: Microsoft and the American Institutes for Research (AIR) will host a panel discussion titled, "Help Wanted: Computer Science Teachers!" that will explore what it takes to provide the preparation and support needed for teachers to successfully teach computer science.
Participants: Allyson Knox, director of education policy and programs, Microsoft (Moderator); Melissa Rasberry, senior technical assistance consultant, American Institutes for Research; Cameron Wilson, chief operating officer and president, Code.org Advocacy Coalition; and Jennifer Smith, computer science teacher/early career teacher mentor, Digital Harbor High School.
Time and Location: 9:30 a.m.; Microsoft Innovation & Policy Center, 901 K Street, NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Thursday, July 27, 2017
Education Task Force Lunch Series with Congresswoman Susan Davis (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Women in Government Relations Education Task Force and Washington Partners are hosting a lunch-time discussion with Congresswoman Susan Davis (D-CA) to learn more about the Congresswoman's legislative priorities and life as a woman in politics. Attendees will also have an opportunity to engage with the Congresswoman in a Q&A.
Time and Location: 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.; American Trucking Association, 430 First Street, SE, Washington, DC.
Contact: RSVP Here.
On The Floor This Week

**Senate Floor:**
Votes on various nominations for political appointments. Vote on Senate Better Care Act to repeal and replace the Affordable Care Act – postponed.

**House Floor:**
- **H.R. 806** – Ozone Standards Implementation Act of 2017
- **H.R. 2910** – Promoting Interagency Coordination for Review of Natural Gas Pipelines Act
- **H.R. 2883** – Promoting Cross-Border Energy Infrastructure Act
- **H.R. 218** – King Cove Road Land Exchange Act

Bills to Watch

**FY 2018 APPROPRIATIONS**

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

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

- **H.R. #**  
  **Sponsor:** Rep. Ken Calvert (R-CA)  
  Interior and Environment Appropriations Act of FY 2018 (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)

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

- U.S. House of Representatives 2017 Schedule
- U.S. Senate 2017 Schedule
- U.S. Department of Education
- U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
- U.S. House Committee on Education and the Workforce
- U.S. Senate Budget Committee
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