Weekly Calendar

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

Monday, November 6, 2017
House Ways and Means Markup of Tax Reform Bill (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The House Ways and Means Committee will hold a markup of H.R. 1, Tax Cuts and Jobs Act.
Time and Location: 12:00 p.m.; 1100 Longworth HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.3625.

Tuesday, November 7, 2017
House Homeland Security subcommittee hearing on the Science and Technology Directorate (H)
Subject: The House Homeland Security Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee holds a hearing on “How Effective is the Science and Technology Directorate?: Stakeholder Perspectives.”
Participants: Chief Timothy Rice, battalion chief, weapons of mass destruction branch coordinator, City of New York Fire Department; Dr. Gerald Parker Jr., associate dean for global one health, College of Veterinary Medicine and Biomedical Sciences, Texas A&M University; and Jake Parker, director of government relations, Security Industry Association.
Time and Location: 10:00 a.m.; HVC-210, Capitol Building.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.226.8417.

Research Contributions of Early Career Investigators in the Sciences (H)
Subject: The Federation of Associations in Behavioral and Brain Sciences (FABBS) will host an event to learn more about National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Science Foundation (NSF), Department of
Education’s Institute of Education Sciences (IES), Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) funded research conducted by early career investigators.

**Participants:** S. Alexandra Burt, Michigan State University, Society for Research in Psychopathology; Ayse P. Gurses, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Human Factors and Ergonomics Society; Greg Hajcak, Florida State University, Society for Psychophysiological Research; Panayiota Kendeou, University of Minnesota, Society for Text and Discourse; and Bethany Reeb-Sutherland, Florida International University, International Society for Development Psychobiology.

**Time and Location:** 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.; 2044 Rayburn HOB.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.

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**Wednesday, November 8, 2017**

**National Science Board Meeting (E&S, H)**

**Subject:** The National Science Foundation’s National Science Board will meet from November 8-November 9. The full agenda can be found here.

**Time and Location:** 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on November 8; and 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. on November 9; National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Room E-2030, Alexandria, VA. The meeting is also webcast here.

**Contact:** Public visitors must arrange for a visitor’s badge in advance by emailing nationalsciencebrd@nsf.gov with your name and organizational affiliation.

**Senate Commerce Committee Markup on NASA Nomination (E&S, H, D)**

**Subject:** The Senate Commerce Committee will hold a markup on the nomination of Rep. Jim Bridenstine (R-OK) to lead the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**Time and Location:** 9:45 a.m.; 106 Dirksen SOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.224.1251.

**First-Generation College Celebration (H)**

**Subject:** To highlight the achievements and continued struggle of first-generation college students, the Council for Opportunity in Education and NASPA-Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education will bring together Members of Congress, first-generation college students and graduates, advocates, and supporters to take part in the First Annual First-Generation College Celebration.

**Participants:** Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR); and Representative Gwen Moore (D-WI).

**Time and Location:** 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.; Capitol Visitors Center, Congressional Meeting Room South.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.

**House Education and Workforce Subcommittee Hearing on Opioids and Communities (E&S, H, D)**

**Subject:** The House Education and the Workforce Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education and Higher Education and Workforce Development Subcommittees will hold a joint hearing on “Close to Home: How Opioids are Impacting Communities.”

**Time and Location:** 10:30 a.m.; 2175 Rayburn HOB.

**Contact:** For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.4527.

**The Impacts of the Tax Battle (E&S, H, D)**

**Subject:** The Coalition on Human needs will host a webinar explaining how certain services many citizens care about will be affected by the upcoming debate over tax cuts and explain the main provisions in a jargon-free way.

**Participants:** Senator Patty Murray (D-WA), ranking member, HELP Committee; Frank Clemente, executive director, Americans for Tax Fairness; Deborah Weinstein, executive director, Coalition on Human Needs; and Jim Weill, president, Food Research and Action Center.

**Time:** 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Contact:** RSVP Here.

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**Thursday, November 9, 2017**

**House Science Subcommittee Hearing on NASA (H)**
Subject: The House Science Space Subcommittee will hold a hearing on “An Update on NASA Exploration Systems Development.”
Participants: William Gerstenmaier, associate administrator for the NASA Human Exploration and Operations Directorate; and Sandra Magnus, executive director of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics.
Time and Location: 9:30 a.m.; 2318 Rayburn HOB.
Contact: For inquiries on the hearing, contact: 202.225.6371.

Friday, November 10, 2017
Federal Holiday – Veteran’s Day.

Future Hearings and Events

Tuesday, November 14, 2017
Using Data to Get to and Through College (H)
Subject: Third Way will host the second of a three-part event series to explore the opportunities and limitations of using data about student outcomes to help get more people to and through college.
Participants: Dr. Bridget Burns, executive director, University Innovation Alliance; Dan Jason DeSousa, Ed.D., associate professor, Higher Education Leadership & Policy Studies, Howard University; and Dr. Gerardo de los Santos, senior fellow, Civitas Learning, former president and CEO, the League for Innovation in the Community College.
Time and Location: 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Hall of States, 444 North Capitol Street, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Millennials in Ed Reform (E&S, H)
Subject: The Thomas B. Fordham Institute and the Walton Family Foundation will host an event to discuss the future of education reform with several millennials who are already prominent in the field. The preferences, opinions, and predilections of millennials have already reshaped American office culture, news consumption, and taxi-hailing. But what (if anything) do their opinions portend for education and Ed reform?
Participants: Alyssa Schwenk, director, External Relations, Thomas B. Fordham Institute; Kristin Soltis Anderson, co-founder, Echelon Insights; Lea Crusey, founder, Allies for Educational Equity; Mendell Grinter, executive director, Campaign for School Equity; and David Murray, school board member, Prince George's County, District 1.
Time and Location: 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.; Thomas B. Fordham Institute, 1016 16th Street, NW, 7th Floor, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

University Innovation & Entrepreneurship Showcase (H)
Subject: The Association of Public and Land-grant Universities and the Association of American Universities, in partnership with the National Academy of Inventors and VentureWell, will host an inaugural exhibition and reception featuring startups from across the country that grew out of federally-funded university research and are fueling the innovation economy. This event will highlight the significant role federally-funded university research plays in fueling entrepreneurship, innovation and impact across the nation.
Time and Location: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.; Foyer, Rayburn HOB.
Contact: RSVP to showcaseRSVP@aplu.org.
Wednesday, November 15, 2017
Tech Apprenticeships (E&S, H)
Subject: The Cybersecurity Initiative and the Center on Education and Skills at New America will host an event to explore the opportunities and challenges of developing high-quality apprenticeships in rapidly evolving fields like cybersecurity.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; New America, 740 15th Street, NW, Suite 900, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Improving Career and Technical Education in High Schools and Community Colleges (E&S, H)
Subject: The American Enterprise Institute (AEI) will host an event to discuss reforming career and technical education in high schools and community colleges.
Participants: John P. Bailey, AEI; Albert Cheng, Harvard University; Gary Hoachlander, ConnectEd California; Nancy Hoffman, Jobs for the Future and Harvard Graduate School of Education; Tamar Jacoby, Opportunity America; Diane Jones, Urban Institute; Nat Malkus, AEI; Scott Ralls, Northern Virginia Community College; Mark Schneider, American Institutes for Research and AEI; Andy Smarick, AEI; and Van Ton-Quinlivan, California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office.
Time and Location: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; AEI, Auditorium, 1789 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

Thursday, November 16, 2017
Educational Experiences for Girls and Young Women (E&S, H, D)
Subject: New America and the Washington Area Women’s Foundation will host a discussion on the impact of harsh disciplinary practices on the educational experiences and outcomes of young women and girls of color.
Participants: Shamarla McCoy, education policy director, Advocates for Children and Youth; Ameisha Cross, director, Policy and External Relations, National Black Child Development Institute; and Rebecca Epstein, executive director, Georgetown Center on Poverty and Inequality.
Time and Location: 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.; New America, 740 15th Street, NW, Suite 900, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

The Past, Present, and Future of Democratic Education in America (E&S, H, D)
Subject: The Brown Center on Education Policy at Brookings will host an event to explore the history and purpose of public education with a focus on the defining features of democratic education—promoting equality, nurturing human beings, preparing citizens, and fostering civic solidarity.
Participants: William A. Galston, Ezra K. Zilkha Chair, senior fellow, Governance Studies, The Brookings Institution; Johann Neem, senior fellow, Institute for Advanced Studies in Culture, professor, Western Washington University; Julie Reuben, professor, Harvard University; Alex Hernandez, partner, Charter School Growth Fund; and Gerard Robinson, resident fellow, Education Policy Studies, AEI.
Time and Location: 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Brookings Institution, Saul/Zilkha Room, 1775 Massachusetts Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.
Contact: RSVP Here.

On The Floor This Week
Senate Floor:
Votes on various nominations.

House Floor:
H.R. 3441 – Save Local Business Act
H.R. 3043 – Hydropower Policy Modernization Act of 2017
H.R. 2201 – Micro Offering Safe Harbor Act

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Bills to Watch

FY 2018 APPROPRIATIONS

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

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

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