Weekly Calendar

MONDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2014
None.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2014

Undergraduate STEM
Subject: The National Science Foundation (NSF) will host a series of identical webinars (11/24, 12/2 and 12/11) to provide information about the Improving Undergraduate STEM Education (IUSE) program.
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Contact: Register at: http://nsf.gov/events/event_summ.jsp?cntn_id=133433&org=NSF.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2014

Skilled Workforce Development
Subject: Business Roundtable and Change the Equation will host an event, “CEOs Weigh In: U.S. Competitiveness and Growth Depend on a Skilled Workforce.”
Participants: Jamie Dimon, chairman and CEO, JP Morgan Chase & Co.; Eric Spiegel, president and CEO, Siemens Corporation; Rex Tillerson, chairman and CEO, Exxon Mobil Corporation; Maggie Wilderotter, chairman and CEO, Frontier Communications Corporation; Jerry Seib,

**Time and Location:** 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.; 300 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC.

**Contact:** RSVP to namarlooi@brt.org.

**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2014**

**Direction of Education and Workforce Policy**

**Subject:** ACT will host an event, “ACT Leaders and Linkages Policy Forum,” that will discuss the future of education and workforce policy.

**Participants:** Danette Gerald Howard, vice president for policy and mobilization, Lumina Foundation; and Andy Rotherham, executive editor, Real Clear Education.

**Time and Location:** 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.; 1127 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC.

**Contact:** Register at http://www.cvent.com/events/act-policy-forum-breakfast/event-summary-698a4a25f39a428d9b021a34fb5be705.aspx.

**White House Summit on College Completion**

**Subject:** The White House will host a summit on college completion as part of First Lady Michelle Obama’s Reach Higher Initiative.

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2014**

**NSF Accepting STEM Research Proposals**

**Subject:** The National Science Foundation (NSF) will host a series of identical webinars (11/17, 11/25, 12/5 and 12/8) to inform researchers of opportunities to submit proposals to the Education & Human Resources (EHR) Core Research program announcement, especially in regards to STEM research.

**Participant:** Philis Hauser, assistant program director, NSF.

**Time:** 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**Contact:** Register at: https://nsf.webex.com/mw0307i/mywebex/default.do?service=1&siteurl=nsf&nomenu=true&main_url=%2Fmc0806I%2Ffe.do%3Fsiteturl%3Dnsf%26AT%26MI%26EventID%3D294882357%26UID%26Host%261b87598012435f3b0b4e45%26FrameSet%26D2%26MTID%3Dm93641789c2dda834219c731fe33dcbc5.

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**On The Floor This Week**

**Senate Floor:**

Legislation Related to Funding Government Operations for Fiscal Year 2015

**House Floor:**

- H.R. 3410 – Critical Infrastructure Protection Act
- H.R. 3438 – National Laboratories Mean National Security Act
- H.R. 5683 – Ensuring Access to Justice for Claims Against the United States Act

Legislation Related to Funding Government Operations for Fiscal Year 2015

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**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)

**H.R. 5**  
Sponsor: Rep. John Kline (R-MN)  
Student Success Act to reauthorize the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (6/19/13 passed by House Education and the Workforce Committee)

**STRENGTHENING EDUCATION THROUGH RESEARCH ACT**

**H.R. 4366**  
Sponsor: Rep. Todd Rokita (R-IN)  
Strengthening Education through Research Act (09/17/14 passed by Senate HELP Committee; 05/08/14 passed by House Education and the Workforce Committee)

**SIMPLIFYING THE APPLICATION FOR STUDENT AID ACT**

**H.R. 4982**  
Sponsor: Rep. Larry Bucshon (R-IN)  
Simplifying the Application for Student Aid Act (06/26/14 referred to House Committee on Education and the Workforce)

**STRENGTHENING TRANSPARENCY IN HIGHER EDUCATION ACT**

**H.R. 4983**  
Sponsor: Rep. Virginia Foxx (R-NC)  
Strengthening Transparency in Higher Education Act (06/26/14 referred to House Committee on Education and the Workforce)

**EMPOWERING STUDENTS THROUGH ENHANCED FINANCIAL COUNSELING ACT**

**H.R. 4984**  
Sponsor: Rep. Brett Guthrie (R-KY)  
Empowering Students Through Enhanced Financial Counseling Act (06/26/14 referred to House Committee on Education and the Workforce)

**HIGHER EDUCATION AFFORDABILITY ACT**

**S. 2954**  
Sponsor: Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA)  
Higher Education Affordability Act (discussion draft of the bill, comments due to HELP Committee by 08/29/14)

**AMERICA COMPETES REAUTHORIZATION ACT**

**S. 2757**  
Sponsor: Sen. John Rockefeller (D-WV)  
America Creating Opportunities to Meaningfully Promote Excellence in Technology, Education, and Science Reauthorization Act of 2014 (07/31/14 referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation)

**H.R. 4186**  
Sponsor: Rep. Larry Bucshon (R-IN)  
Frontiers in Innovation, Research, Science and Technology Act of 2014 (03/10/14 reported out of committee by voice vote)

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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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