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.

**Weekly Calendar**

**Monday, December 6, 2021**
None.

**Tuesday, December 7, 2021**
None.

**Wednesday, December 8, 2021**
None.

**Thursday, December 9, 2021**

**Subject:** The Hunt Institute will host a webinar on “Redefining Student Success to Represent Today’s Postsecondary Students.”

**Participants:** Randy Gardner, chancellor, Ohio Department of Education; Tiffany Beth Mfume, assistant vice president for student success, Morgan State University; and Kathe Pelletier, director, Teaching and Learning Program, Educause.

**Time:** 11:00 a.m.

**Contact:** Register [here](#).
Webinar: The Growing Hostility of Education Politics (E&S, H, D)

**Subject:** The Brookings Institute will host a webinar to examine how education policy issues over the last two years, including COVID-induced school closures, mask and vaccine mandates, critical race theory, and transgender students’ rights have contributed to a growing hostility around the politics and government of education.

**Participants:** Jon Valant, director, Brown Center on Education Policy, Brookings (Moderator); Martin West, academic dean and professor of education, Harvard School of Education; Lauren Camera, senior education writer, *U.S. News & World Report*; and Jonathan Collins, assistant professor of international and public affairs, Brown University.

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Contact:** Register [here](#).

Webinar: Environmental Literacy Education (E&S, H)

**Subject:** The U.S. Department of Education and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) will host a webinar to discuss the federal government’s support for environmental literacy education.

**Participants:** Patti Curtis, STEM education fellow, U.S. Department of Education (Moderator); Andrea Falken, U.S. Department of Education; Sarah Schoedinger, NOAA Environmental Literacy Program; Shannon Sprague, NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office; Bronwen Rice, NOAA Bay Watershed Education and Training Program; Bart Merrick, NOAA Environmental Science Training Center; and Frank Niepold, NOAA Climate Program Office.

**Time:** 3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Contact:** Register [here](#).

Webinar: Importance of Educator Diversity (E&S, H)

**Subject:** The Education Trust will host a webinar on “Education Diversity: Why it Matters & Hot to Make it Happen, Development, Identity, and Impact.”

**Participants:** Eric Duncan, senior p-12 data and policy analyst for educator diversity, The Education Trust; Julia Burrola-Ortiz, math teacher, Alburquerque Collegiate Charter School, NM; Takeru “TK” Nagayoshi, English teacher, New Bedford High School, MA; and Andrea Thomas, 3rd grade teacher, Central Consolidated Schools District, NM.

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

**Contact:** Register [here](#).

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**Friday, December 10, 2021**

None.

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**Future Hearings and Events**

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**On The Floor This Week**

**Senate Floor:**

- Consideration of agency nominations

**House Floor:**

- H.R. 5314 – Protecting our Democracy Act
- Consideration of the FY22 National Defense Authorization Act
- Possible Consideration of Legislation Related to the Debt Limit
- Possible Consideration of Legislation Related to End of the Year Healthcare Provisions

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Bills to Watch

H.R. 5376 – Build Back Better Act (11/22/21 passed by the House)

FY 2022 Appropriations

Continuing Resolutions

H.R. 6119  Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2022, and for other purposes. (through 2/28/22)
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)
(12/3/21 Signed by President; 12/2/21 Passed by Senate; 12/2/21 Passed by House)

H.R. 5305  FY 2022 Extending Funding and Emergency Assistance Act (through 12/3/21)
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)
(9/30/21 Signed by President; 9/30/21 Passed by Senate; 9/30/21 Passed by House)

Minibus Package

H.R. 4502  FY2022 Consolidated Appropriations Act (Labor, Health and Human Services, Education; Agriculture, Rural Development; Energy and Water Development; Financial Services and General Government; Interior, Environment; Military Construction-VA; Transportation, Housing, and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2022)
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)
(7/29/21 Passed by House)

Select Individual Appropriations Bills

H.R. 4356  Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA and Related Agencies Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Rep. Sanford Bishop, Jr. (D-GA)
(7/29/21 Passed by House; 6/30/21 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 6/25/21 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 2599  Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA and Related Agencies Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Sen. Tammy Baldwin (D-WI)
(8/4/22 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 8/2/22 Passed by Subcommittee)

H.R. 4505  Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Rep. Matt Cartwright (D-PA)
(07/15/21 Passed by House Appropriations Committee; 7/12/2021 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 3042  Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Sen. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH)
(10/21/21 Introduced)

H.R. 4549  Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Rep. Marcy Kaptur (D-OH)
(7/29/21 Passed by House; 07/16/21 Passed by House Appropriations Committee; 7/12/2021 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 2605  Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA)
(08/04/21 Passed by Senate Appropriations Committee)

H.R. 4372  Interior and Environment Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Rep. Chellie Pingree (D-ME)
(7/29/21 Passed by House; 7/1/2021 Passed by Appropriations Committee; 6/28/21 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 3034  Interior and Environment Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR)
(10/20/21 Introduced)

H.R. 4502  Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Rep. Rosa DeLauro (D-CT)
(07/29/21 Passed by House; 7/15/21 Passed by House Appropriations Committee; 7/12/2021 Passed by Subcommittee)

S. 3062  Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of FY 2022
Sponsor: Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA)
(10/25/21 Introduced)

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

- U.S. House and Senate 2021 Schedule
- Updated 2021 U.S. House Schedule
- U.S. Department of Education
- U.S. Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions
- U.S. House Committee on Education and Labor
- U.S. Senate Budget Committee
- U.S. House Budget Committee
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