

Since its conception as a public company in 1971, Southwest has succeeded by just about every measure. In more than 45 years, in an industry filled with bankruptcies and mergers, Southwest has never had a year where it lost money. Under Mr. Kelleher's leadership, Southwest broke through in an industry entrenched with big names to offer a new spin on commercial air travel. In addition, the company promoted a healthy work environment before the idea became a widely-embraced corporate concept.

To Mr. Kelleher, Southwest Airlines was more than just another company; to him, it was a cause. His goal was to keep fares low and fly to as many cities as possible. In his words, the focus was to "democratize the skies" by making it as easy, affordable, and flexible for everyday Americans to travel. Such a mission may seem quaint today, but it was a revolutionary aspiration back when he first began.

Madam Speaker, the life of Herb Kelleher that we celebrate today is a testament to the value of great character and honesty. Because of Mr. Kelleher, Southwest Airlines made an essential contribution to America's quality of life. And most importantly, for Dallas and Texans statewide, Mr. Kelleher made an essential and long-lasting economic contribution to our region. Today as we reflect on his life, it is safe to say that the late Mr. Kelleher made a very real contribution to our world, and we are all witnessing the benefit of those contributions today.

SENATE COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Title IV of Senate Resolution 4, agreed to by the Senate of February 4, 1977, calls for establishment of a system for a computerized schedule of all meetings and hearings of Senate committees, subcommittees, joint committees, and committees of conference. This title requires all such committees to notify the Office of the Senate Daily Digest—designated by the Rules Committee—of the time, place and purpose of the meetings, when scheduled and any cancellations or changes in the meetings as they occur.

As an additional procedure along with the computerization of this information, the Office of the Senate Daily Digest will prepare this information for printing in the Extensions of Remarks section of the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on Monday and Wednesday of each week.

Meetings scheduled for Tuesday, January 15, 2019 may be found in the Daily Digest of today's RECORD.

MEETINGS SCHEDULED

JANUARY 16

9:30 a.m.

Committee on the Judiciary

To continue hearings to examine the nomination of William Pelham Barr, of

Virginia, to be Attorney General, Department of Justice.

SH-216

Special Committee on Aging

To hold hearings to examine fighting elder fraud, focusing on progress made and work to be done.

SD-562

10 a.m.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Organizational business meeting to consider committee rules for the 116th Congress.

SD-106

Committee on Environment and Public Works

To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Andrew Wheeler, of Virginia, to be Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

SD-406

Select Committee on Intelligence

To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters.

SH-219

2:30 p.m.

Committee on Appropriations

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development

To hold hearings to examine the future of nuclear power, focusing on advanced reactors.

SD-138