

Protect Democracy in Burma Act of 2021: H.R. 1112, amended, to require a report on the military coup in Burma. **Pages H1560–63**

Question of Privilege: Representative McCarthy rose to a question of the privileges of the House and submitted a resolution. Upon examination of the resolution, the Chair determined that the resolution qualified. Subsequently, the House agreed to the Hoyer motion to table H. Res. 243, removing a certain Member from a certain committee of the House of Representatives, by a yea-and-nay vote of 218 yeas to 200 nays with 3 answering “present”, Roll No. 94. **Pages H1570–71**

Suspension—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

Condemning the military coup that took place on February 1, 2021, in Burma and the Burmese military detention of civilian leaders, calling for the release of all those detained and for those elected to serve in Parliament to resume their duties: H. Res. 134, condemning the military coup that took place on February 1, 2021, in Burma and the Burmese military detention of civilian leaders, calling for the release of all those detained and for those elected to serve in Parliament to resume their duties. **Pages H1563–66**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on page H1507.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H1567, H1567–68, H1569, H1570, and H1571.

Adjournment: The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL WORKPLACE RIGHTS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch held a budget hearing on the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights. Testimony was heard from Susan Tsui Grundmann, Executive Director, Office of Congressional Workplace Rights.

EFFORTS TO ADDRESS MARINE PLASTIC POLLUTION THROUGH RECYCLING

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “Efforts to Address Marine Plastic Pollution Through Recycling”. Testimony was heard

from Ginger Spencer, Public Works Director, Phoenix, Arizona; and public witnesses.

COVID OUTBREAKS AND MANAGEMENT CHALLENGES: EVALUATING THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS’ PANDEMIC RESPONSE AND THE WAY FORWARD

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies held a hearing entitled “COVID Outbreaks and Management Challenges: Evaluating the Federal Bureau of Prisons’ Pandemic Response and the Way Forward”. Testimony was heard from Michael Carvajal, Director, Federal Bureau of Prisons.

UNMANNED SYSTEMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces held a hearing entitled “Unmanned Systems of the Department of the Navy”. Testimony was heard from Jay Stefany, Acting Assistant Secretary of the Navy, Research, Development and Acquisition, Department of the Navy; Vice Admiral James Kilby, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations, Warfighting Requirements and Capabilities, Department of the Navy; and Lieutenant General Eric M. Smith, Commanding General, Marine Corps Combat Development Command, Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps.

FIGHTING FOR FAIRNESS: EXAMINING LEGISLATION TO CONFRONT WORKPLACE DISCRIMINATION

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Human Services; and Subcommittee on Workforce Protections held a joint hearing entitled “Fighting for Fairness: Examining Legislation to Confront Workplace Discrimination”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

THE CLEAN FUTURE ACT: INDUSTRIAL CLIMATE POLICIES TO CREATE JOBS AND SUPPORT WORKING COMMUNITIES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and Climate Change held a hearing entitled “The CLEAN Future Act: Industrial Climate Policies to Create Jobs and Support Working Communities”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BY THE NUMBERS, HOW DIVERSITY DATA CAN MEASURE COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion held a hearing entitled “By the

Numbers, How Diversity Data Can Measure Commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion”. Testimony was heard from Thomas DiNapoli, Comptroller, New York; Daniel Garcia-Diaz, Managing Director, Financial Markets and Community Investment Team, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

ASSESSING THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION IN SAUDI ARABIA

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East, North Africa, and Global Counterterrorism held a hearing entitled “Assessing the Human Rights Situation in Saudi Arabia”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

A YEAR OUT: ADDRESSING INTERNATIONAL IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “A Year Out: Addressing International Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Homeland Security: Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 1833, the “DHS Industrial Control Systems Capabilities Enhancement Act of 2021”; H.R. 1850, the “Supporting Research and Development for First Responders Act”; H.R. 1870, the “Strengthening Local Transportation Security Capabilities Act of 2021”; H.R. 1871, the “Transportation Security Transparency Improvement Act”; H.R. 1877, the “Security Screening During COVID-19 Act”; H.R. 1893, the “Transportation Security Preparedness Act of 2021”; and H.R. 1895, the “Transportation Security Public Health Threat Preparedness Act of 2021”. H.R. 1833, H.R. 1870, and H.R. 1877 were ordered reported, as amended. H.R. 1850, H.R. 1871, H.R. 1893, and H.R. 1895 were ordered reported, without amendment.

DISCRIMINATION AND VIOLENCE AGAINST ASIAN AMERICANS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties held a hearing entitled “Discrimination and Violence Against Asian Americans”. Testimony was heard from Senator Duckworth, and Representatives Matsui, Chu, and Meng; and public witnesses.

REVIVING COMPETITION, PART 3: STRENGTHENING THE LAWS TO ADDRESS MONOPOLY POWER

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Antitrust, Commercial, and Administrative Law held a hearing entitled “Reviving Competition, Part 3:

Strengthening the Laws to Address Monopoly Power”. Testimony was heard from Rebecca Kelly Slaughter, Acting Chairwoman, Federal Trade Commission; Diane P. Wood, Judge, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit; Phillip Weiser, Attorney General, Colorado; Noah Phillips, Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission; Doug Peterson, Attorney General, Nebraska; and a public witness.

RESTORING ABANDONED MINE LANDS, LOCAL ECONOMIES, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Restoring Abandoned Mine Lands, Local Economies, and the Environment”. Testimony was heard from Representatives Cartwright and LaHood; Todd Parfitt, Director, Department of Environmental Quality, Wyoming; and public witnesses.

LESSONS LEARNED FROM THE TEXAS BLACKOUTS: RESEARCH NEEDS FOR A SECURE AND RESILIENT GRID

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Lessons Learned from the Texas Blackouts: Research Needs for a Secure and Resilient Grid”. Testimony was heard from Juan Torres, Associate Laboratory Director, Energy Systems Integration, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

THE ROLE OF COMMUNITY NAVIGATORS IN REACHING UNDERSERVED BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Underserved, Agricultural, and Rural Business Development held a hearing entitled “The Role of Community Navigators in Reaching Underserved Businesses”. Testimony was heard from Bruce Strong, State Director, Small Business Development Center, St. Paul, Minnesota; and public witnesses.

BUILDING SMARTER: THE BENEFITS OF INVESTING IN RESILIENCE AND MITIGATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management held a hearing entitled “Building Smarter: The Benefits of Investing in Resilience and Mitigation”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BEYOND DEBORAH SAMPSON: IMPROVING HEALTHCARE FOR AMERICA’S WOMEN VETERANS IN THE 117TH CONGRESS

Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Beyond Deborah Sampson: Improving Healthcare for America’s

Women Veterans in the 117th Congress”. Testimony was heard from Kameron Mathews, Assistant Undersecretary for Health, Clinical Service, Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; and public witnesses.

HEARING WITH THE IRS COMMISSIONER ON THE 2021 FILING SEASON

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Oversight held a hearing entitled “Hearing with the IRS Commissioner on the 2021 Filing Season”. Testimony was heard from Charles P. Rettig, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury.

Joint Meetings

VSO LEGISLATIVE PRESENTATIONS

Senate Committee on Veterans’ Affairs and House Committee on Veterans’ Affairs: Committees concluded joint hearings to examine the legislative presentation of veterans services organizations, after receiving testimony from Harold J. Roesch II, Vincent Lawrence, Patrick Murray, and Ryan Gallucci, all of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States; Jan Brown, AMVETS; Michael F. Fulton, Fleet Reserve Association; Nancy Menagh, Gold Star Wives of

America, Inc.; Fawn R. Sharp, National Congress of American Indians; and Richard D. Kingsberry, National Association for Black Veterans.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 19, 2021

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Readiness, hearing entitled “Investing in an Organic Industrial Base to Support Service Modernization Plans”, 11 a.m., Webex.

Subcommittee on Cyber, Innovative Technologies, and Information Systems, hearing entitled “Department of Defense Electromagnetic Spectrum Operations: Challenges and Opportunities in the Invisible Battlespace”, 3 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, Central Asia, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled “America’s Way Forward in the Indo-Pacific”, 10 a.m., Webex.

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis, Full Committee, organizational meeting, 9:45 a.m., Webex.