Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to consider the nominations of Erik Paul Bethel, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, Keith W. Dayton, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, William A. Douglass, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Julie D. Fisher, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, Melanie Harris Higgins, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, Jeanne Marie Maloney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Michael A. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Jonathan Pratt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Djibouti, Manisha Singh, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, James Broward Story, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Barbera Hale Thornhill, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Thomas Laszlo Vajda, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Union of Burma, Kenneth R. Weinstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Japan, and Alex Nelson Wong, of New Jersey, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, all of the Department of State, Edward A. Burrier, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation, and other pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Ashok Michael Pinto, of Illinois, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, William E. Todd, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights), both of the Department of State, and other pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine state and local cybersecurity, focusing on defending communities from cyber threats amid COVID–19, 3 p.m., SD–342.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces, hearing entitled ''Modernization of the Conventional Ammunition Production Industrial Base'', 1 p.m., 2118 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Financial Services, Full Committee, hearing entitled ''Oversight of the Treasury Department's and Federal Reserve's Pandemic Response'', 10:30 a.m., 2128 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation, hearing entitled ''Stemming a Receding Tide: Human Rights and Democratic Values in Asia'', 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled ''Diversity and Diplomacy: Assessing the State Department's Record in Promoting Diversity and Inclusion'', 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled ''Maintaining Judicial Independence and the Rule of Law: Examining the Causes and Consequences of Court Capture'', 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, hearing entitled ''Trump Administration Broken Promises on Renewable Energy'', 12 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, hearing entitled ''Examining the Trump Administration's Afghanistan Strategy, Part 2'', 11 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: to hold hearings to examine the economic impact of America's failure to contain the Coronavirus, 2:30 p.m., REMOTE.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 22 through September 25, 2020

Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, Senate will continue consideration of the nomination of Edward Hulvey Meyers, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, post-cloture, with a vote on confirmation thereon at 11:30 a.m., to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

At 2:15 p.m., if cloture is invoked, Senate will vote on confirmation of the nomination of Andrea R. Lucas, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, to be followed by a vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the nomination of Keith E. Sonderling, of Florida, to be a Member of the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations: September 23, Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2021 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 2 p.m., SR–325.

Committee on Armed Services: September 23, to receive a closed briefing on Department of Defense cyber operations in support of efforts to protect the integrity of U.S. national elections from malign actors, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 24, to hold hearings to examine the quarterly CARES Act report to Congress, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on the Budget: September 23, to hold hearings to examine the Congressional Budget Office's updated budget outlook, 2:30 p.m., SD–608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 22, Subcommittee on Security, to hold hearings to examine the United States Coast Guard capabilities for safeguarding national interests and promoting economic security in the Arctic, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

September 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the need for federal data privacy legislation, 10 a.m., SR–253.

September 24, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet, to hold hearings to examine an evaluation of FirstNet's progress, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 22, to hold hearings to examine emerging offshore and marine energy technologies in the United States, including offshore wind, marine and hydrokinetic energy, and alternative fuels for maritime shipping, 10 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: September 23, to hold hearings to examine the Endangered Species Act Amendments of 2020, focusing on modernizing the Endangered Species Act, 10 a.m., SD–106.

Committee on Foreign Relations: September 22, business meeting to consider the nominations of Erik Paul Bethel, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Panama, Keith W. Dayton, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, William A. Douglass, of Florida, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Julie D. Fisher, of Tennessee, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Belarus, Melanie Harris Higgins, of Georgia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, Jeanne Marie Maloney, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Michael A. McCarthy, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Liberia, Jonathan Pratt, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Djibouti, Manisha Singh, of Florida, to be Representative of the United States of America to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, with the rank of Ambassador, James Broward Story, of South Carolina, to be Ambassador to the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Barbera Hale Thornhill, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Singapore, Thomas Laszlo Vajda, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Union of Burma, Kenneth R. Weinstein, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to Japan, and Alex Nelson Wong, of New Jersey, to be Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate Representative of the United States of America to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during his tenure of service as Alternate Representative of the United States of America for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, all of the Department of State, Edward A. Burrier, of the District of Columbia, to be Deputy Chief Executive Officer of the United States International Development Finance Corporation, and other pending calendar business; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Ashok Michael Pinto, of Illinois, to be United States Alternate Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, William E. Todd, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and Eric M. Ueland, of Oregon, to be an Under Secretary (Civilian Security, Democracy, and Human Rights), both of the Department of State, and other pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD–106.

September 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine United States policy in a changing Middle East, 9 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: September 23, to hold hearings to examine COVID–19, focusing on an update on the federal response, 10 a.m., SD–G50.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: September 22, Subcommittee on Federal Spending Oversight and Emergency Management, to hold hearings to examine state and local cybersecurity, focusing on defending communities from cyber threats amid COVID–19, 3 p.m., SD–342.

September 23, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Chad F. Wolf, of Virginia, to be Secretary of Homeland Security, 10 a.m., SD–342.

September 24, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine threats to the homeland, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: September 23, to hold hearings to examine S. 3126, to amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize a special behavioral health program for Indians, S. 3264, to expedite and streamline the deployment of affordable broadband service on Tribal land, S. 3937, to amend section 330C of the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize special programs for Indians for providing services for the prevention and treatment of diabetes, S. 4079, to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and S. 4556, to authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Indian Health Service, to acquire private land to facilitate access to the Desert Sage Youth Wellness Center in Hemet, California, 2:30 p.m., SD–628.

Committee on the Judiciary: September 23, to hold hearings to examine certain nominations, 10 a.m., SD–226.

September 24, Full Committee, business meeting to consider S. 4632, to amend title 17, United States Code,

to establish an alternative dispute resolution program for copyright small claims, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to modify the scope of protection from civil liability for ''good Samaritan'' blocking and screening of offensive material, and the nominations of Benjamin Joel Beaton, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Kentucky, Kristi Haskins Johnson, and Taylor B. McNeel, both to be a United States District Judge for the Southern District of Mississippi, Kathryn Kimball Mizelle, to be United States District Judge for the Middle District of Florida, and Thompson Michael Dietz, of New Jersey, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Federal Claims, 10 a.m., SR–325.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: September 23, business meeting to consider S. 4393, to improve the provision of health care and other benefits from the Department of Veterans Affairs for veterans who were exposed to toxic substances, and S. 4511, to make certain improvements in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to education, burial benefits, and other matters, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Select Committee on Intelligence: September 22, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

September 23, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH–219.

September 24, Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 9:30 a.m., SVC–217.

Special Committee on Aging: September 24, to hold hearings to examine women and retirement, focusing on unique challenges and opportunities to pave a brighter future, 9:30 a.m., SD–562.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, September 24, Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry, hearing entitled ''The 2020 Wildfire Year: Response and Recovery Efforts'', 1 p.m., 1300 Longworth and Webex.

Committee on Armed Services, September 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled ''The Role of Allies and Partners in U.S. Military Strategy and Operations'', 12 p.m., CVC and Webex.

Committee on Education and Labor, September 24, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 8294, the ''National Apprenticeship Act of 2020'', 10:15 a.m., 2175 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, September 23, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled ''Health Care Lifeline: The Affordable Care Act and the COVID–19 Pandemic'', 10 a.m., Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Commerce, hearing entitled ''Mainstreaming Extremism: Social Media's Role in Radicalizing America'', 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Foreign Affairs, September 23, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, Energy, and the Environment, hearing entitled ''Green Recovery Plans for the COVID–19 Crisis'', 10 a.m., Webex.

September 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled ''Oversight of the United States Agency for Global Media and U.S. International Broadcasting Efforts'', 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on the Judiciary, September 23, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship, hearing entitled ''Immigrants as Essential Workers During COVID–19'', 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties, hearing entitled ''Oversight of the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice'', 9:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Full Committee, hearing entitled ''Diversity in America: The Representation of People of Color in the Media'', 2:30 p.m., 2141 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Natural Resources, September 24, Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife, hearing entitled ''Federal and State Efforts to Restore the Salton Sea'', 12 p.m., Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, hearing on H.R. 7565, to authorize the Seminole Tribe of Florida to lease or transfer certain land, and for other purposes; and H.R. 8255, to clarify the status of gaming conducted by the Catawba Indian Nation, and for other purposes, 2 p.m., Webex.

September 25, Full Committee, hearing entitled ''Puerto Rico's Options for a Non-Territory Status and What Should Happen After November's Plebiscite'', 12 p.m., Webex.

Committee on Oversight and Reform, September 23, Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis, hearing entitled ''Hybrid Hearing with Federal Reserve Chair Jerome H. Powell'', 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on Environment Hybrid, hearing entitled ''Climate Change, Part IV: Moving Towards a Sustainable Future'', 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology, September 23, Subcommittee on Investigation and Oversight, hearing entitled ''Data for Decision-Making: Responsible Management of Data during COVID–19 and Beyond'', 11 a.m., Webex.

Committee on Small Business, September 24, Subcommittee on Innovation and Workforce Development, hearing entitled ''Paycheck Protection Program: An Examination of Loan Forgiveness, SBA Legacy Systems, and Inaccurate Data'', 2360 Rayburn and Webex.

September 25, Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax, and Capital Access, hearing entitled ''A Review of PPP Forgiveness'', 9:30 a.m., 2360 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, September 23, Full Committee, hearing entitled ''Driving Equity: The U.S. Department of Transportation's Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Program'', 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

September 24, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled ''The Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan and Water Management in Florida'', 11 a.m., 2167 Rayburn and Webex.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, September 23, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing entitled ''Toxic Exposures: Examining Airborne

Hazards in the Southwest Asia Theater of Military Operations", 10 a.m., HVC–210 and Webex.

Committee on Ways and Means, September 24, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing entitled "Save Our Social Security Now", 1 p.m., Webex.

September 25, Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures, hearing entitled "Restaurants in America During the COVID–19 Pandemic", 9 a.m., Webex.

Joint Meetings

Joint Economic Committee: September 22, to hold hearings to examine the economic impact of America's failure to contain the Coronavirus, 2:30 p.m., REMOTE.