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THIS WEEK IN CONGRESS AND THE ADMINISTRATION

- This week, the House and Senate are in session, with the House holding Committee Work Days.
- As soon as this week, Senate Republicans are expected to vote on a targeted COVID-19 relief package.
- This week, the Senate is expected to take up the nominations of Brett Ludwig, Christy Wiegand, Hala Jarbou, Thomas Cullen and Diane Gujarati, each to be district judges.

BUDGET AND APPROPRIATIONS

- UC's FY 2021 Appropriations Tracker
- UC's FY 2021 Budget Advocacy Toolkit
- UC's FY 2021 Funding Priorities

THIS WEEK IN CONGRESSIONAL HEARINGS AND POLICY BRIEFINGS

- On Wednesday, the House Energy and Commerce Committee will hold a hearing to consider H.R. 3797, the Medical Marijuana Research Act of 2019, H.R. 4499, the NIMHD Research Endowment Revitalization Act of 2019, H.R. 8132, the American COMPETE Act, and H.R. 8159, the Department of Energy Organization and Management Improvement Act, among other legislation.
- On Wednesday, the Research and Technology Subcommittee of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee will hold a hearing titled, “The Impact of the COVID-19 Crisis on University Research.”
- On Wednesday, the Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee will hold a hearing titled, “Vaccines: Saving Lives, Ensuring Confidence, and Protecting Public Health.”
- On Wednesday, the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee will hold a hearing to examine the nomination of John Gibbs to be director of the office of personnel management, among other nominations.
- On Thursday, the Civil Rights and Human Services Subcommittee of the House Education and Labor Committee will hold a hearing titled, “On the Basis of Sex: Examining the Administration’s Attacks on Gender-Based Protections.”
- On Thursday, the House Veterans’ Affairs Committee will hold a hearing on multiple bills including H.R. 8147, the TREAT Act.
- On Friday, the Energy Subcommittee of the House Science, Space and Technology Committee will hold a hearing titled, “Biological Research at the Department of Energy: Leveraging DOE’s Unique Capabilities to Respond to the COVID-19 Pandemic.”
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