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Latest News

- The House and Senate have adjourned until after the midterm elections, and will return on November 13. The Senate Judiciary Committee held a nomination hearing on several judicial nominations this week.
- **IACP 2018 Orlando** - Everyone on the Brooks Bawden Moore team had a productive (and fun) time in Orlando at the IACP conference. The IACP staff always do an amazing job with the conference. Additionally, we enjoyed seeing everyone at ASCIA and MCCA, where many important conversations were had. We had great discussions and made significant headway on a number of issues important to public safety practitioners, however, significant challenges remain. We enjoyed seeing old friends and making new ones and are already looking forward to Chicago in 2019.
- **Marijuana's Impact on California** - The California High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area recently released a new report on the impact of marijuana in California. The report details the increased use of marijuana by teens and young adults, the increase in drivers testing positive for marijuana who are involved in a fatal car crash, and other issues that California is seeing as it relates to marijuana. You can read the report [here](#).
- **DEA Drug Takeback** - The Drug Enforcement Administration will hold their next drug take back day on October 27. You can find additional information on this [here](#).
- **Violent Crime Reduction Operations Guide** - The Bureau of Justice Assistance and the Major Cities Chiefs Association recently released a guide that outlines essential components of crime-fighting strategies, and provides a high-level outline of resources, training, and assistance available to assist police executives in building capacity and examples of how those resources have been implemented nationwide. You can view the guide [here](#).
- **Transnational Organized Crime Task Force** - Attorney General Sessions announced the creation of a Transnational Organized Crime Task Force. Sessions appointed Associate Deputy Attorney General Patrick Hovakimian to serve as the Department's first Director of Counter Transnational Organized Crime. He also appointed Adam Cohen as the new Director of Organized Crime and Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF). The taskforces subcommittees will be required to provide specific recommendations within 90 days on how to disrupt and dismantle TOC, whether through prosecution, diplomacy, or other lawful means. You can view more information [here](#).



BBM Team at 2018 Brooks NNOAC Dinner.



- **ARTICLES OF INTEREST:**

Poll: Three-Fourths of Americans Oppose Central Plank of FIRST STEP Act

The Washington Free Beacon | Charles Fain Lehman

An overwhelming majority of Americans oppose a federal sentencing change which would grant early release to those convicted of dealing hard drugs, a new poll released Thursday shows. These results suggest that Americans would be unlikely to support the FIRST STEP Act, a criminal justice reform bill which has stalled out in the Senate following President Donald Trump's withdrawal of support, but which a coalition of Democrats and reform-minded Republicans still hope to pass in the next session. **Continue reading [here](#).**

Stoned Driver Crash Risk Grows as Legal Pot Spreads in the U.S.

Bloomberg | Ryan Beene

As the push to legalize marijuana gains momentum, so is evidence that more permissive policies on the drug are putting motorists at risk. The Insurance Institute for Highway Safety found, in a study to be released on Thursday, that traffic accidents are rising in states that have legalized recreational marijuana. That followed stark warnings from the National Transportation Safety Board, which on Tuesday issued several recommendations to combat drug-impaired driving. "The last thing in the world that we want is to introduce another legal substance where we may be adding to that toll and to the carnage on our highways," said David Harkey, president of the Insurance Institute. "With marijuana impairment, we're just now starting to understand what we don't know." **Continue reading [here](#).**

Hearings & Markups Happening This Week

The House and Senate are not in session, however, the Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on District and Appellate Court judgeship nominations.

Legislation on the Floor This Week

House:

The House has adjourned for the month of October and will return on November 13.

Senate:

Note: Due to Senate scheduling and rules, additional items not listed may be added to the calendar for consideration.

The Senate has adjourned for the for the remainder of the month and will return on November 13.

Recap of Last Week's Hearings & Markups

Note: For more details on any of the following hearings, we can provide access to hearing transcripts upon request.

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing - October 10

[Threats to the Homeland](#)

Status: This hearing examined threats posed to the U.S., and focused heavily on the threats from China. Secretary Nielsen discussed cybersecurity, supply chain issues, election interference, and fentanyl. Overall cybersecurity issues was the main focus, particularly cyber threats from China. Director Wray discussed terror threats from groups like ISIS and al Qaeda,



and ways these groups use social media and other resources for recruitment.

Senate Commerce Committee - Full Committee Hearing - October 10

[Consumer Data Privacy: Examining Lessons From the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation and the California Consumer Privacy Act](#)

Summary: This hearing further discussed data privacy laws and regulations with witnesses who are in support of greater privacy legislation and regulations. The hearing focused on what potential federal privacy legislation could entail and how it could be implemented. Witnesses expressed support for stronger data breach requirements, data retention regulations, limits on types of data collection and processing, and limits on how data is shared. Additionally, the hearing focused on enforcement of potential privacy regulations.

Senate Judiciary Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - October 11

S. 2785 - DETER Act

Status: Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 10/11/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to make an alien who is seeking to engage in, or has engaged in, improper interference in a U.S. election inadmissible. Improper interference in a U.S. election is conduct by an alien that: (1) violates federal criminal, voting rights, or campaign finance law, or is under the direction of a foreign government; and (2) interferes with any general or primary federal, state, or local election or caucus, including a candidate's campaign or a ballot measure.

S. 3178 - Justice for Victims of Lynching Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 10/11/18

Summary: To amend title 18, United States Code, to specify lynching as a deprivation of civil rights, and for other purposes.

Legislation Considered Last Week

House:

The House was not in session.

Senate:

S.1305 - CBP HiRe Act

Status: Approved by the Senate on 10/10/18.

Summary: This bill provides hiring and compensation flexibilities to support the recruitment, relocation, and retention of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) employees in rural or remote areas. Specifically, if the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) determines there is a critical hiring need and a direct relationship between the rural or remote nature of an area and the difficulty recruiting and retaining CBP employees in that area, then it may exercise direct hire authority and pay recruitment, relocation, and retention bonuses. Additionally, the Office of Personnel Management may establish special pay rates. The DHS Office of Inspector General must review the use of hiring and compensation flexibilities and determine whether they help meet hiring and retention needs in rural and remote areas. DHS must report to Congress on the number of requests it receives from other federal agencies for the file of an applicant for a position in the CBP that includes the results of a polygraph examination.

Nomination of [Jeffrey Bossert Clark](#), to be an assistant attorney general, Environment and Natural Resources Division

Status: Confirmed by the Senate on 10/11/2018

Nomination of [Eric S. Dreiband](#), to be an assistant attorney general, Civil Rights Division

Status: Confirmed by the Senate on 10/11/2018



[H.R. 6896](#) - U.S. Parole Commission Extension Act

Status: Approved by the Senate on 10/11/18; Approved by the House on 9/28/18.

Summary: To provide for the continued performance of the functions of the United States Parole Commission, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 3834](#) - 9/11 Heroes Medal of Valor Act of 2017

Status: Approved by the Senate on 10/11/18; Approved by the House on 9/26/18.

Summary: This bill makes eligible for the 9/11 Heroes Medal of Valor a public safety officer who: (1) participated in the response to the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001; and (2) died because of such participation as a result of a WTC-related health condition (i.e., a World Trade Center-related health condition).



Legislation Introduced Last Week

Date Introduced	Bill Number	Sponsor	Description
10/12/2018	HR 7062	Carolyn Maloney (D-NY-12)	To extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes.
10/12/2018	HR 7059	Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-23)	To fund construction of the southern border wall and to ensure compliance with Federal immigration law.
10/11/2018	S 3597	Dean Heller (R-NV)	A bill to strengthen protections for child trafficking victims testifying against human traffickers.
10/11/2018	S 3591	Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY)	A bill to extend authorization for the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund of 2001 through fiscal year 2090, and for other purposes.
10/11/2018	S 3588	Brian Schatz (D-HI)	A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to establish an Office of Federal Correctional Education, and for other purposes.
10/10/2018	S 3565	Claire McCaskill (D-MO)	Opioid Advocacy Transparency Act of 2018 - To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to include additional covered recipients for transparency reports required of manufacturers of opioids.
10/9/2018	HR 7056	Tom MacArthur (R-NJ-3)	Modern School Threat Reporting Act of 2018 - To authorize the Attorney General to make grants to States to acquire a mobile application that facilitates the reporting of school safety threats to local law enforcement agencies for use by students in secondary schools, and for other purposes.
10/5/2018	HR 7046	Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-DC-AL)	Federal Bureau of Prisons Medical Care Act of 2018 - To amend title 18, United States Code, to limit the ability to assess a fee for health care services for prisoners, and for other purposes.
10/5/2018	HR 7040	Hakeem Jeffries (D-NY-8)	Ex-Offender Voter Registration Act of 2018 - To amend title 18, United States Code, to direct the Bureau of Prisons to provide certain voting information to Federal prisoners upon their release from prison.
10/5/2018	S 3558	Mazie Hirono (D-HI)	A bill to provide for enhanced protections for vulnerable alien children, and for other purposes.
10/4/2018	SRes 669	Angus King (I-ME)	A resolution supporting the designation of September 2018 as "National Alcohol and Drug Addiction Recovery Month".
10/2/2018	HR 7030	Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-FL-23)	Prevent CHILD Harm Act of 2018 - To protect the information obtained by the Secretary of Health and Human Services for the placement of unaccompanied alien children from being used for any purpose other than providing safe and secure placements, and for other purposes.
10/2/2018	HR 7028	Filemon Vela (D-TX-34)	DHS Body-Worn Camera Act of 2018 - To establish pilot programs for, and require the development of policies with respect to, the use of body-worn cameras by officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and for other purposes.
10/2/2018	HR 7016	Sheila Jackson Lee (D-TX-18)	PLASTIC Act - To establish a task force to address the national security and safety issues presented by the manufacturing of prohibited firearms, munitions, and related materials through the use of 3-D printing technology, to prohibit the use of 3-D printing technology to make a firearm, ammunition, or a component of a firearm or ammunition, and to prohibit the possession or transfer of a firearm, ammunition, or component so made, and for other purposes.



10/2/2018	S 3538	Kamala Harris (D-CA)	DHS Body-Worn Camera Act of 2018 - To establish pilot programs for, and require the development of policies with respect to, the use of body-worn cameras by officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and for other purposes.
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Upcoming Events/Conferences

[National Fusion Center Association Annual Training Event](#)

November 6-8—Alexandria, VA

October 2018

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■ Senate in Session

■ House & Senate in Session

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