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Latest News

- The House was not in session this week and will return on September 25. The Senate was in session and approved a package of bills to address the opioid epidemic. Last week, both the House and Senate completed the first mini-bus appropriations bill. The Senate approved its second mini-bus appropriations bill conference report which also included a Continuing Resolution until mid-December for the bills that includes funding for the Departments of Homeland Security and Justice.
- **NNOAC Drug Enforcement Forum** - The National Narcotic Officers' Associations' Coalition held its second annual Drug Enforcement Forum last week. This year's event once again brought together most of the major law enforcement associations and other stakeholders and focused on the opioid and heroin epidemic. Presentations addressed what is working in law enforcement to counter the epidemic, the role of funding and grants to fund task forces, and non-traditional non-law enforcement partnerships. Additionally, Attorney General Sessions gave the keynote address at the event. You can view the Attorney General's remarks [here](#).



Attorney General Jeff Sessions at the NNOAC Drug Enforcement Forum.

Previous Updates:

- [FY 2018 Omnibus](#)
- [FY 2019 Budget Summary](#)
- [FY 2018 FEMA Grants](#)
- [FY2017 FEMA Grants](#)
- [Weekly 9/4/18](#)
- [Weekly 8/27/18](#)
- [Weekly 7/30/18](#)
- [Weekly 7/23/18](#)
- [Weekly 7/16/18](#)



Acting EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler discussing the drug take-back program.

- **EPA Drug Take-Back Program** - At the NNOAC Forum, Acting Environmental Protection Agency Administration Andrew Wheeler unveiled a new memorandum to provide clarity, certainty, and assist law enforcement agencies with the management of household drugs collected in take-back programs. You can read the press release [here](#). You can read the memo [here](#).
- **Rocky Mountain HIDTA Report** - The Rocky Mountain High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area released a new report marijuana-positive traffic fatalities, hospitalizations, marijuana use, and illegal market activity have increased since marijuana legalization. The report found that the percentage of all Colorado traffic deaths that were marijuana related increased from 11.43 percent in 2013 to 21.3 percent in 2017. Additionally, Colorado past month marijuana use for ages 12 and older is ranked 3rd in the nation and is 85 percent higher than the national average. You can view the entire report [here](#).
- **AG Award For Distinguished Service in Policing** - Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced the Second Annual Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service in Policing. This year, they recognized the work of 25 law enforcement officers and deputies from 12 jurisdictions across the country. The AG Award recognizes individual state, local,



and tribal sworn rank-and-file police officers and deputies for exceptional efforts in policing. According to the press release, “the awarded officers and deputies have demonstrated active engagement with the community in one of three areas: criminal investigations, field operations or innovations in community policing.” You can view the press release and awardees [here](#).

- **ARTICLES OF INTEREST:**

Senate reaches deal on more than 70 bills to combat opioid epidemic

Washington Examiner | Robert King

The Senate will vote next week on a raft of more than 70 proposals to combat the opioid crisis, including a bill to address shipments of illicit fentanyl from overseas. The Opioid Crisis Response Act is the Senate response to a collection of more than 50 opioid-related bills that passed the House in June. Sen. Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., said late Thursday that there is “bipartisan urgency to work with our House colleagues to get the legislation to the President’s desk.”

Continue reading [here](#).

Naloxone can reverse opioid overdoses, but does the drug belong in elementary schools?

USA Today | Ken Alltucker

It was nearly two weeks before school opened, and Anne Arundel County’s school nurses were already getting quizzed. The scenario: An 8-year-old boy is acting strange and sleepy. His pupils are tiny and his breathing is labored. How would they treat him? The newly hired nurses and nurse assistants voiced mixed opinions. Then the supervisor overseeing the training session in a Maryland county walloped by the opioid epidemic made a suggestion: the overdose-reversal drug Narcan. “What do we have to lose?” Maureen Neall asked. Nearly 50,000 Americans died from opioid overdoses last year – more than from car accidents. Now schools across the nation are preparing for what some believe is inevitable: overdoses at schools. Continue reading [here](#).

Hearings & Markups Happening This Week

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[The Implications of the Reinterpretation of the Flores Settlement Agreement for Border Security and Illegal Immigration Incentives](#)

September 18 @ 10:00 am - 342 Dirksen

Senate Judiciary Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - September 20 @ 9:30 am - 216 Hart

[S. 2785](#) - DETER Act

Status: Held over by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

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: Held over by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

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



Legislation on the Floor This Week

House:

The House is not in session this week and will return on September 25.

Senate:

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

H.R. 6 - Opioid Crisis Response Act

Status: Approved by the Senate as amended on 9/17/18; approved by the House on 6/22/18.

Summary: The Senate version of this legislation to address the opioid epidemic combines approximately 70 pieces of legislation, and includes provisions such as training grants for first responders, extends authorization of drug monitoring programs, reauthorizes ONDCP to include HIDTA and DFC, and provisions to curb the flow of fentanyl and other opioids coming into the U.S. through mail.

H.R. 6157 - Department of Defense and Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education Appropriations Act, 2019

Status: To be considered by the Senate this week.

Summary: This minibus appropriations bill funds the Departments of Defense, HHS, and Education for the 2019 fiscal year. The bill also includes a continuing resolution that would fund the rest of the government, including the Departments of Homeland Security and Justice at fiscal 2018 levels through December 7. It would also reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act through December 7.

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 Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Nomination Hearing - September 4-6

[Nomination of the Honorable Brett M. Kavanaugh to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States](#)

Summary: This nomination hearing examined the qualifications of Brett Kavanaugh to serve as an associate justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

Senate Commerce Committee - Full Committee Hearing - September 5

[Keeping Our Skies Secure: Oversight of the Transportation Security Administration](#)

Summary: This oversight hearing examined the work of the Transportation Security Administration and their efforts to secure air travel. There was a lot of discussion surrounding the Quiet Skies surveillance program, which has monitored thousands of passengers. TSA Administrator Pecoske stated that the program has not foiled any terrorist plot or led to any arrests, however, he also defended the program and assured the committee of strong oversight of the program. Administrator Pecoske expressed the importance of risk-based programs that are intelligence based to identify those who may pose a threat.

House Natural Resources Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - September 5

H.R. 6287 - 9/11 Memorial Act

Status: Approved by the House Natural Resources Committee on 9/5/18.

Summary: To provide competitive grants for the operation, security, and maintenance of certain memorials to victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

House Homeland Security Committee - Joint Subcommittee Hearing - September 6



[Understanding Cybersecurity Threats to America's Aviation Sector](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the cyber threats posed to the aviation sector. Witnesses from the private sector representing the aviation community expressed the need to work with the Federal government to identify and address cyber threats. Witnesses also discussed a lack of national standards. Members of the committee asked what could be done to incentivize more information sharing from the aviation sector with DHS and other relevant agencies. Witnesses expressed the need to improve on the timeliness of information sharing. Additionally, requiring a minimum standard of information sharing would result in a greater ability of the industry to respond to cyber threats.

House Foreign Affairs Committee - Global Health Subcommittee Hearing - September 6

[Tackling Fentanyl: Holding China Accountable](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the threat of fentanyl, and what officials are doing to stop the flow of it from entering the U.S. Witnesses reiterated that synthetic opioids produced in China are fueling the current epidemic and are responsible for many of the deaths and overdoses in the country. Witnesses emphasized the continued dialogue and collaboration with China on real-time law enforcement, electronic data systems in shipping, and additional restrictions on certain substances.

Senate Judiciary Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - July 13

[Nomination of James W. Carroll, Jr., to be Director of National Drug Control Policy](#)

Status: Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

[S. 2961 - Victims of Child Abuse Act Reauthorization Act of 2018](#)

Status: Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To reauthorize subtitle A of the Victims of Child Abuse Act of 1990.

[S. 3354 - Missing Children's Assistance Act of 2018](#)

Status: Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To amend the Missing Children's Assistance Act, and for other purposes.

[S. 3170 - CyberTipline Modernization Act of 2018](#)

Status: Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To amend title 18, United States Code, to make certain changes to the reporting requirement of certain service providers regarding child sexual exploitation visual depictions, and for other purposes.

[S. 2785 - DETER Act](#)

Status: Held over by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

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.

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House Judiciary Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - September 13

[H.R. 5634 - Medical Cannabis Research Act of 2018](#)

Status: Approved by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To increase the number of manufacturers registered under the Controlled Substances Act to manufacture cannabis for legitimate research purposes, to authorize health care providers of the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide recommendations to veterans regarding participation in federally-approved cannabis clinical trials, and for other purposes.



[H.R. 6755](#) - Judiciary ROOM Act

Status: Approved by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To provide for additional Article III judges, to modernize the administration of justice, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 3487](#) - To amend section 1332 of title 28, United States Code, to provide that the requirement for diversity of citizenship jurisdiction is met if any one party to the case is diverse in citizenship from any one adverse party in the case

Status: Was not considered by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: This bill amends the federal judicial code to specify that U.S. district courts have jurisdiction on the basis of diversity of citizenship if at least one adverse party does not share the same citizenship as another adverse party.

[H.R. 6754](#) - CIRCUIT Act

Status: Approved by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To amend title 28, United States Code, to modify the structure of the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6730](#) - Injunctive Authority Clarification Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit the issuance of national injunctions, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 2899](#) - Second Chance Reauthorization Act of 2017

Status: Was not considered by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to: revise and reauthorize grant programs for offender reentry demonstration projects; family-based substance abuse treatment; and evaluating and improving educational methods at prisons, jails, and juvenile facilities; and repeal grant programs for offender reentry courts and drug treatment alternatives to incarceration. Additionally, the legislation amends the Second Chance Act of 2007 to: rename, revise, and reauthorize grant programs for technology career training demonstration projects and reentry mentoring services, reauthorize offender reentry research and the grant program for offender reentry substance abuse and criminal justice collaboration, reauthorize and modify eligibility for an elderly offender early release pilot program, and repeal grant programs for the responsible reintegration of offenders and the study of Depot Naltrexone to treat heroin addiction.

[H.R. 6063](#) - a bill to enact certain existing laws relating to domestic security as Title 6, United States Code, "Domestic Security" and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code

Status: Was not considered by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To enact certain existing laws relating to domestic security as title 6, United States Code, "Domestic Security", and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code.

[H.R. 6342](#) - To make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code.

Status: Was not considered by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To make revisions in title 51, United States Code, as necessary to keep the title current, and to make technical amendments to improve the United States Code.

[H.R. 6762](#) - To make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code.

Status: Was not considered by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.



Summary: To make improvements in the enactment of title 41, United States Code, into a positive law title and to improve the Code.

[H.R. 6176](#) - To make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code, title 50, United States Code, and title 52, United States Code.

Status: Was not considered by the House Judiciary Committee on 9/13/18.

Summary: To make technical amendments to update statutory references to certain provisions classified to title 2, United States Code, title 50, United States Code, and title 52, United States Code.

House Homeland Security Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - September 13

[H.R. 6620](#) - Protecting Critical Infrastructure Against Drones and Emerging Threats Act

Status: Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 9/13.

Summary: To require the Department of Homeland Security to prepare a threat assessment relating to unmanned aircraft systems, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6735](#) - To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a vulnerability disclosure policy for Department of Homeland Security internet websites

Status: Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 9/13.

Summary: To direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to establish a vulnerability disclosure policy for Department of Homeland Security internet websites, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6740](#) - Border Tunnel Task Force Act

Status: Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 9/13.

Summary: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish Border Tunnel Task Forces, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6742](#) - Secure Border Communications Act

Status: Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 9/13.

Summary: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that appropriate officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection are equipped with secure radios or other two-way communication devices, supported by system interoperability, and for other purposes.

[S. 1281](#) - Hack the Department of Homeland Security Act of 2017

Status: Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 9/13.

Summary: This bill directs the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to establish, within the Office of the Chief Information Officer, a bug bounty pilot program to minimize vulnerabilities to DHS Internet-facing information technology. A "bug bounty program" is a program under which an approved individual, organization, or company is temporarily authorized to identify and report vulnerabilities of Internet-facing information technology of DHS in exchange for compensation. Under such program, DHS shall: provide compensation for reports of previously unidentified security vulnerabilities within the websites, applications, and other DHS Internet-facing information technology that are accessible to the public; award a competitive contract to manage the pilot program and for executing the remediation of vulnerabilities identified by the program; designate mission-critical operations within DHS that should be excluded from the pilot program; consult with the Department of Justice on how to protect from prosecution approved individuals or entities who comply with the requirements of the program; develop an expeditious process for registration, background checks, and eligibility determinations for participation in the pilot program; and engage interested persons about the structure of the program. DHS must report to Congress on the program within 180 days of its completion.

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing - September 13

[Evolving Threats to the Homeland](#)



Summary: This hearing examined the continuing threats to the U.S. and what is being done to address these threats. Much of the discussions evolved around cyber threats, particularly supply chain security. Witnesses stated that the U.S. is more vulnerable to cyber threats due to reliance on network technology, private ownership of critical infrastructure, and the ability of foreign adversaries to more easily conduct influence operations. Witnesses stated that to mitigate effects from cyber attacks, the Federal government should increase and expedite threat data sharing, create greater resilience in assets, strengthen supply chain, and go after the perpetrators. Additionally, witnesses discussed threats from geomagnetic disturbances and electromagnetic pulses.

Legislation Considered Last Week

House:

[H.R. 6439](#) – Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program Authorization Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to provide statutory authority for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Biometric Identification Transnational Migration Alert Program (BITMAP). That program was established to address and reduce national security, border security, and terrorist threats before such threats reach the international border of the United States. In carrying out BITMAP operations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement must: (1) coordinate foreign and U.S. officials to facilitate the sharing of biometric and biographic information of foreign nationals to identify and screen such nationals for terrorism and threats to national or border security; (2) provide capabilities, including training and equipment, to collect and compare biometric and biographic identification data of foreign nationals to protect against national security, border security, or terrorist threats and illegal entries; and (3) ensure that such data are incorporated into appropriate government databases. Before carrying out BITMAP operations in a foreign country, DHS must enter into an agreement with the government of such country that outlines such operations and must provide the congressional homeland security committees with a copy of the agreement.

[H.R. 6459](#) – TSA OPEN for Business Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to require a strategy to diversify the technology stakeholder marketplace regarding the acquisition by the Transportation Security Administration of security screening technologies, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6430](#) – Securing the Homeland Security Supply Chain Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to authorize the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to restrict procurement of information technology, telecommunications equipment and services, and related products or services (covered articles), if it determines that a vendor of such products and services poses a risk to the DHS supply chain. After determining that such a risk exists, DHS may limit the disclosure of information relating to the basis for restricting a procurement and may exclude a vendor from the procurement process. The bill requires DHS to make certain security-related determinations and provide notifications before it can exercise the authority to restrict procurement of any covered article. The bill defines "supply chain risk" as the risk that a malicious actor may sabotage, maliciously introduce an unwanted function, extract or modify data, or otherwise manipulate the design, integrity, manufacturing, production, distribution, installation, operation, or maintenance of a covered article.

[H.R. 6443](#) – Advancing Cybersecurity Diagnostics and Mitigation Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to: (1) deploy, operate, and maintain a continuous diagnostics and mitigation program to collect, analyze, and visualize security data and cybersecurity risk; (2) regularly deploy new technologies and modify existing technologies to improve such program; and (3) develop a comprehensive strategy to carry out the program. In carrying out the program, DHS must ensure



that cybersecurity risk information, assessments, and analyses are provided in real time and program information is available to the DHS national cybersecurity and communications integration center.

H.R. 5869 – Maritime Border Security Review Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a maritime border threat analysis, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6374 – FIT Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: To require the Department of Homeland Security to streamline Federal contractor fitness determinations, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6438 – DHS Countering Unmanned Aircraft Systems Coordinator Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to designate a DHS official as the Countering Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Coordinator to coordinate with relevant DHS offices and components on the development of policies and plans to counter threats associated with UAS, including: countering UAS that may be used in a terrorist attack; promoting research and development of counter UAS technologies; ensuring the dissemination of information and guidance related to countering such threats; and serving as the DHS point of contact for federal, state, local, and tribal law enforcement entities and the private sector regarding DHS activities to counter UAS. The coordinator shall: (1) ensure that activities for identifying, assessing, or defeating a UAS are carried out in accordance with applicable federal laws; and (2) serve as the principal DHS official for disseminating information regarding counter-UAS technology to the private sector.

H.R. 6447 – Department of Homeland Security Chief Data Officer Authorization Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: This bill amends the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to direct the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to designate a career appointee of DHS as its Chief Data Officer. The bill sets forth the responsibilities of the Chief Data Officer, including: (1) ensuring that DHS conforms with recognized data management best practices, (2) coordinating the release of data for public use after privacy reviews, (3) promoting the use of modern data systems to improve DHS operations, and (4) serving as the liaison to other federal agencies and the Office of Management and Budget on data.

H.R. 6265 – PreCheck is PreCheck Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: This bill directs the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to ensure that only travelers who are members of a trusted traveler program are permitted to use TSA PreCheck security screening lanes at TSA checkpoints. Any traveler under the age of 12 or over the age of 75 who is not a member of a trusted traveler program shall be permitted to utilize PreCheck security screening lanes at TSA checkpoints when traveling on the same reservation as a member of a trusted traveler program. The TSA shall implement a risk modified screening protocol for lanes other than designated TSA PreCheck security screening lanes at TSA checkpoints to further segment passengers based on risk. Only low-risk passengers shall be eligible to undergo risk modified screening at TSA checkpoints. The Inspector General of the Department of Homeland Security must assess whether there has been a systematic pattern of violations of the use of TSA PreCheck security screening lanes at TSA checkpoints during the previous calendar year. The TSA shall complete the implementation of a long-term strategy to increase enrollment in the TSA PreCheck Program and expand the total population of members of trusted traveler programs.

H.R. 6461 – TSA National Deployment Force Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: To amend title 49, United States Code, to establish in the Transportation Security Administration a National Deployment Office, and for other purposes.



[H.R. 6400](#) – United States Ports of Entry Threat and Operational Review Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/4/18.

Summary: To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to conduct a threat and operational analysis of ports of entry, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 5576](#) – Cyber Deterrence and Response Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/5/18.

Summary: To address state-sponsored cyber activities against the United States, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6691](#) – Community Security and Safety Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/7/18.

Summary: To amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the definition of “crime of violence”, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6198](#) – Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/12/18.

Summary: To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish the Countering Weapons of Mass Destruction Office, and for other purposes.

[H.R. 6411](#) – FinCEN Improvement Act of 2018

Status: Approved by the House on 9/12/18

Summary: This bill amends the duties of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN). FinCEN must work with tribal law enforcement agencies, protect against terrorism regardless of origin, and coordinate internationally on matters involving emerging technology and virtual currency.

[H.R. 6287](#) – 9/11 Memorial Act

Status: Approved by the House on 9/12/18

Summary: To provide competitive grants for the operation, security, and maintenance of certain memorials to victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

Conference Report to Accompany [H.R. 5895](#) – Energy and Water, Legislative Branch, and Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2019

Status: Approved by the House 9/13; Approved by the Senate 9/12.

Summary: This bill provides FY2019 appropriations for several federal agencies. The bill includes 3 of the 12 regular FY2019 appropriations bills: the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019; the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2019; and the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2019.

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Legislation Introduced Last Week

Date Introduced	Bill Number	Sponsor	Description
9/13/2018	HR 6806	Madeleine Bordallo (D-GU-AL)	To amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 to increase the minimum amount made available to territories under the Sexual Assault Services Program, and for other purposes.
9/13/2018	HR 6805	Karen Bass (D-CA-37)	To prohibit the use of restraints and restrictive housing on inmates during the period of pregnancy, labor and postpartum recovery, to collect data on incarcerated pregnant women in the United States and the results of such pregnancies, to address the health needs of incarcerated women related to pregnancy and childbirth, and for other purposes.
9/13/2018	HR 6798	Brad Byrne (R-AL-1)	To require the Director of the Institute of Education Sciences to make available to elementary and secondary school officials research for improving school safety, and for other purposes.
9/13/2018	HR 6797	Ted Poe (R-TX-2)	To reauthorize Department of Justice programs that combat violence against women, and for other purposes.
9/13/2018	HR 6796	Elise Stefanik (R-NY-21)	To reauthorize Department of Justice programs that combat violence against women, and for other purposes.
9/12/2018	HR 6788	Ted Lieu (D-CA-33)	To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide a criminal penalty for certain Federal officers and employees using their public office for private gain, and for other purposes.
9/12/2018	HR 6779	Ken Buck (R-CO-4)	To amend the Controlled Substances Act to require the Drug Enforcement Administration to report certain information on distribution of opioids, and for other purposes.
9/12/2018	HR 6776	Kevin Yoder (R-KS-3)	Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2019 - Making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes.
9/12/2018	HR 6775	Katherine Clark (D-MA-5)	To effectively staff the public elementary schools and secondary schools of the United States with school-based mental health services providers.
9/12/2018	HR 6772	Bennie Thompson (D-MS-2)	To strengthen partnerships between historically Black colleges and universities and minority-serving institutions and the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes.
9/12/2018	S 3433	Pat Toomey (R-PA)	A bill to exempt firefighters and police officers from the Government Pension Offset and Windfall Elimination Provisions under the Social Security Act.
9/12/2018	S 3428	Ed Markey (D-MA)	A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to require warning labels for prescription opioids, and for other purposes.
9/12/2018	S 3427	Jeff Markley (D-OR)	A bill to effectively staff the public elementary schools and secondary schools of the United States with school-based mental health services providers.
9/10/2018	HR 6754	Darrell Issa (R-CA-49)	CIRCUIT Act of 2018 - To amend title 28, United States Code, to modify the structure of the Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and for other purposes.
9/7/2018	HR 6747	John Katko (R-NY-24)	Protecting Our Communities and Rights Act of 2018 - To provide States with funding to establish new tools to prevent suicide and violence, and for other purposes.



9/7/2018	HR 6742	Brian Mast (R-FL-18)	Secure Border Communications Act - To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to ensure that appropriate officers and agents of U.S. Customs and Border Protection are equipped with secure radios or other two-way communication devices, supported by system interoperability, and for other purposes.
9/7/2018	HR 6740	Pete Sessions (R-TX-32)	Border Tunnel Task Force Act - To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish Border Tunnel Task Forces, and for other purposes.
9/6/2018	HR 6729	Ann Wagner (R-MO-2)	Empowering Financial Institutions to Fight Human Trafficking Act of 2018 - To allow nonprofit organizations to register with the Secretary of the Treasury and share information on activities that may involve human trafficking or money laundering with financial institutions and regulatory authorities, under a safe harbor that offers protections from liability, in order to better identify and report potential human trafficking or money laundering activities.
9/6/2018	HR 6721	Ted Budd (R-NC-13)	FinCEN Modernization Act of 2018 - To amend title 31, United States Code, to modernize the research, development, information sharing, and acquisition process of the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network, and for other purposes.
9/6/2018	HR 6713	Mike Coffman (R-CO-6)	Safe to Tell Act of 2018 - To promote the creation of State anonymous school threat reporting programs, and for other purposes.
9/6/2018	S 3420	Kamala Harris (D-CA)	Accountability in Opioid Advertising Act - To require the Food and Drug Administration to prioritize the promotional materials for drugs for serious, life-threatening diseases or conditions or substance use disorders, especially opioid drugs and drugs for medication-assisted treatment, in considering whether promotional materials are false or misleading.
9/5/2018	HR 6702	Gus Bilirakis (R-FL-12)	DEA Enforcement and Authority Act of 2018 - To clarify the congressional intent behind the requirements relating to immediate suspension orders and corrective action plans under the Controlled Substances Act that were added by the Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act of 2016.
9/5/2018	S 3409	Bill Nelson (D-FL)	A bill to allow veterans to use, possess, or transport medical marijuana and to discuss the use of medical marijuana with a physician of the Department of Veterans Affairs as authorized by State law, and for other purposes.
9/4/2018	HR 6697	David Kustoff (R-TN-8)	Restoring the Armed Career Criminal Act - To amend title 18, United States Code, relating to sentencing of armed career criminals.
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