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WEEKLY UPDATE

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Latest News

- The House and Senate were in session this week, with the House Appropriations Committee considering the Financial Services Appropriations bill, which includes funding for ONDCP, and the Homeland Security Appropriations bill. The House Oversight & Reform committee held a hearing on the federal government's use of facial recognition technology. The Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on the scheduling of fentanyl analogues.
- **FY 2020 Appropriations** - Next week, the House is expected to consider a "mini-bus" appropriations bill that will include five of the twelve appropriations bills. This bill is expected to include the Labor HHS, Legislative Branch, Defense, State-Foreign Ops, and the Energy & Water bills. The House is expected to consider all twelve bills during the month of June. The House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee approved the Homeland Security Appropriations bill this week.
- **NIJ Opioid & Drug Threat Forum** - The National Institute of Justice and the Forensic Technology Center of Excellence will be hosting the National Opioid and Emerging Drug Threats Policy and Practice Forum on July 18-19, 2019 in Washington, D.C. The forum will discuss the drug threats and the consequences of this national epidemic on the public safety and health and the criminal justice response. You can find more information, including how to register for this event [here](#).
- **National Public Safety Partnership to Combat Violent Crime** - The Department of Justice recently announced ten new National Public Safety Partnership (PSP) sites. The partnership provides a framework for enhancing federal support of state, local and tribal law enforcement officials and prosecutors as they investigate and pursue violent criminals, specifically those involved in gun crime, drug trafficking and gang violence. You can read more about it [here](#).
- **DOJ S&L LE Coordination Section** - In May, Attorney General Bill Barr announced the creation of the State and Local Law Enforcement Coordination Section (SLEC-S) within the Office of Legislative Affairs. This new section will be responsible for ensuring that Department leadership is properly informed of state and local law enforcement's top priorities. Our friend Dean Kueter, who many of you know who has served in a similar role at ATF, has been appointed to serve and help stand up this new section at DOJ. You can read the initial press release on this new section [here](#).
- **CLIENT IN THE SPOTLIGHT:**
 - ⇒ The ability to identify a victim or link a suspect to a crime in an expeditious manner is always a top priority to those in public safety. Through the use of [ANDE's](#) rapid DNA technology, the Orange County, FL Sheriffs Office was able to identify an unidentifiable victim of a fatal car accident. In a different case, the Logan, UT Police Department, through the Utah Attorney General's office used a ANDE rapid DNA machine to ana-



lyze DNA in the disappearance and murder of a five year old child. You can read those stories [here](#) and [here](#).

- **ARTICLES OF INTEREST:**

As the Opioid Crisis Peaks, Meth and Cocaine Deaths Explode

PEW | Christine Vestal

Most states are keeping a close eye on opioid overdose deaths, but they may need to start focusing on cocaine and other stimulants as well. It turns out that the same lethal drug that has been driving the nation's spiraling opioid epidemic is also causing an historic surge in overdose deaths among cocaine users. That's according to a new analysis of death certificate data from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention showing that fentanyl — a cheap synthetic opioid that is a hundred times more potent than morphine — and other opioids were involved in nearly three-fourths of all cocaine overdose deaths and an increasing number of methamphetamine deaths. **Continue reading [here](#).**

Colorado governor signs law legalizing marijuana social use areas

The Hill | Aris Folley

Colorado Gov. Jared Polis (D) on Wednesday signed off on legislation that would allow businesses in the state to apply for licenses for social marijuana use areas. The measure "authorizes marijuana hospitality spaces in "which marijuana may be consumed on site and retail marijuana hospitality and sales establishments in which retail marijuana, retail marijuana concentrate, and retail marijuana products may be sold and consumed on site in the establishment's hospitality space." **Continue reading [here](#).**

FDA to hold its first hearing on CBD as industry leaders and experts demand action

NBC News | Erika Edwards

The Food and Drug Administration is set to take its first step Friday toward regulating cannabidiol, or CBD. The CBD product craze — with its myriad oils, capsules, gummies, lotions and potions — has exploded into a frenzy never before seen in the supplement industry. On Friday, the FDA will hold its first public hearing on cannabis and cannabis-derived compounds, the most popular of which is CBD. **Continue reading [here](#).**

Oregon, awash in marijuana, takes steps to curb production

AP | Andrew Selsky

Oregon is awash in pot, glutted with so much legal weed that if growing were to stop today, it could take more than six years by one estimate to smoke or eat it all. Now, the state is planning to curb production. Five years after voters legalized recreational marijuana, lawmakers have given the Oregon Liquor Control Commission more leeway to deny new pot-growing licenses based on supply and demand. **Continue reading [here](#).**

Hearings & Markups Happening This Week

House Appropriations Committee - [Financial Services Subcommittee Markup](#) - June 3 @ 7:00 pm - H-140 Capitol

[HR. XXXX](#) - **Fiscal Year 2020 Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act**

Status: Approved by the House Appropriations Financial Services Subcommittee on 6/3.

Summary: Making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, and for other purposes. This legislation includes \$300 million for the High Intensity Drug Trafficking Ares program, and \$100.5 million for the Drug Free Communities Program. The legislation also gave protections to the financial services industry for providing services to the marijuana industry in states that have legalized the use of marijuana.

House Oversight & Reform Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[Facial Recognition Technology \(Part II\): Ensuring Transparency in Government Use](#)

June 4 @ 10:00 am - 2154 Rayburn



House Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[Perspectives on TSA's Policies to Prevent Unlawful Profiling](#)

June 4 @ 10:00 am - 310 Cannon

Senate Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[The Countdown: Fentanyl Analogues & the Expiring Emergency Scheduling Order](#)

June 4 @ 10:00 am - 226 Dirksen

Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Reform Committee - Full Committee Roundtable

[Sensibly Reforming the Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards Program](#)

June 4 @ 2:30 pm - 106 Dirksen

House Oversight & Reform - Civil Rights Subcommittee Hearing

[Confronting White Supremacy \(Part II\): Adequacy of the Federal Response](#)

June 4 @ 2:00 pm - 2247 Rayburn

House Appropriations Committee - [DHS Subcommittee Markup](#) - June 5 @ 9:00 am - 2008 Rayburn

H.R. XXXX - Fiscal Year 2020 Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act

Status: To be marked-up by the House Appropriations DHS Subcommittee on 6/5.

Summary: Making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020. This legislation includes \$700 million for the Urban Area Security Initiative, and \$625 million for the State Homeland Security Grant Program.

[Upcoming scheduled hearings/markups:](#)

House Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[Lessons from the Mueller Report: Presidential Obstruction and Other Crimes](#)

June 10 @ 2:00 pm - 2141 Rayburn

House Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[The Need to Reauthorize the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund](#)

June 11 @ 10:00 am - 2141 Rayburn

Senate Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[The Secure and Protect Act: a Legislative Fix to the Crisis at the Southwest Border](#)

June 11 @ 10:00 am - 226 Dirksen

House Homeland Security Committee - Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee Hearing

[Assessing FEMA's Readiness for Future Disasters](#)

June 12 @ 10:00 am - 310 Cannon

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[Nominations of Chad F. Wolf to be Under Secretary for Strategy, Policy, and Plans, U.S. Department of Homeland Security;](#)
[Jeffrey C. Byard to be Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency, U.S. Department of Homeland Security;](#)

[Troy D. Edgar to be Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Department of Homeland Security](#)

June 12 @ 2:320 pm - 342 Dirksen



Legislation on the Floor This Week

House:

H.R. 2157 – Additional Supplemental Appropriations for Disaster Relief Act, 2019

Status: Approved by the House on 6/3; Approved by the Senate as amended on 5/23; Approved by the House on 5/10.

Summary: This bill provides \$17.2 billion in FY2019 supplemental appropriations to several federal departments and agencies for expenses related to the consequences of recent wildfires, hurricanes, volcanos, earthquakes, typhoons, and other natural disasters.

S. 1379 – Pandemic and All-Hazards Preparedness and Advancing Innovation Act of 2019

Status: To be considered by the House on 6/4; Approved by the Senate on 5/16.

Summary: To reauthorize certain programs under the Public Health Service Act and the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to public health security and all-hazards preparedness and response, and for other purposes.

H.R. 6 – American Dream and Promise Act

Status: To be considered by the House this week.

Summary: This bill cancels and prohibits removal proceedings against certain aliens and provides such aliens with a path toward permanent resident status. The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) or the Department of Justice (DOJ) shall cancel removal proceedings against certain aliens who entered the United States as minors and grant such aliens conditional permanent residence status for 10 years. The bill imposes various qualification requirements, such as the alien being continuously physically present in the United States and being enrolled in or having completed certain educational programs. Aliens who were eligible for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) status and not disqualified for renewal also qualify. DHS shall remove the conditional permanent resident status granted to such aliens, if the alien applies and meets certain requirements, such as completing certain programs at an educational institution or serving at least two years in the Uniformed Services and being discharged honorably. This bill also repeals a restriction that bars states from providing higher education benefits to undocumented aliens unless those benefits are available to all U.S. citizens. DHS or DOJ shall cancel removal proceedings against certain aliens who qualified for temporary protected status or Deferred Enforced Departure status on certain past dates (both statuses temporarily protect covered aliens from removal). For such aliens who apply, DHS shall grant permanent residence status. When DHS eliminates temporary protected status for nationals of a foreign country, it shall report to Congress its reasons for doing so.

Senate:

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

S.1328 - DETER Act

Status: Approved by the Senate on 6/3.

Summary: To designate foreign persons who improperly interfere in United States elections as inadmissible aliens, and for other purposes.

S.Con.Res. 15 - A concurrent resolution expressing support for the designation of October 28, 2019, as "Honoring the Nation's First Responders Day".

Status: Approved by the Senate on 6/5.

Summary: A concurrent resolution expressing support for the designation of October 28, 2019, as "Honoring the Nation's First Responders Day".

S.Res. 238 - A resolution designating the week of June 3 through June 9, 2019, as "Hemp History Week".

Status: Approved by the Senate on 6/5.

Summary: A resolution designating the week of June 3 through June 9, 2019, as "Hemp History Week".



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.

The House and Senate were not in session.

Legislation Considered Last Week

House:

The House was not in session.

Senate:

The Senate was not in session.



Legislation Introduced Last Week

- The House and Senate met in pro forma sessions last week, and there was no legislation introduced that affected the law enforcement or homeland security communities.



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Upcoming Events/Conferences

[Major County Sheriffs of America 2019 Summer Conference](#)

June 12-14—Louisville, KY

June 2019

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fri	Sa
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	1	2	3	4	5	6

July 2019

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fri	Sa
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7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

Senate in Session

House & Senate in Session

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