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## WEEKLY UPDATE

July 16 - 20, 2018

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### Latest News

- The House and Senate are in session this week with the House considering its next set of appropriations bills to include the portion that funds ONDCP and HIDTA. Passage of this bill will bring the House to the halfway point in consideration of the 12 appropriations bills. Additionally, the House Appropriations Homeland Security Subcommittee marked-up their version of the FY 2019 Homeland Security Appropriations bill. Also, the Senate Judiciary Committee held a hearing on DNA analysis, particularly focused on the rape kit backlog and reauthorization of the Debbie Smith Act. After this week, the House is scheduled to be in session one more week before adjourning for the August recess. The Senate has canceled their August recess, however that is subject to change.

- **ARTICLES OF INTEREST:**

#### **D.C. reports spike of suspected K2 overdoses**

**The Washington Post | Clarence Williams and Laurie McGinley**

The scene at 3rd and E streets NW was frightening. Three men lay unconscious, drooling and entangled in a distorted mess on a city sidewalk only two blocks from police headquarters. At the corner, two more people were down and unresponsive, including a man in a pool of vomit. A sixth man teetered as he overlooked the splay of bodies, just barely aware of his surroundings. The D.C. fire department medics called to the scene Wednesday evening spread out and went to work — and within minutes five more people in the same area fell out from a overdoses of suspected synthetic marijuana. **Continue reading [here](#).**

#### **'I pray for our cops every day': Law enforcement deaths spiking, guns No. 1 cause**

**ABC News | Emily Shapiro**

When New York State Police trooper Nicholas Clark responded to a reported suicidal person barricaded in a home this month, the suspect gunned him down before taking his own life. "A 29-year-old trooper, a stellar trooper with an extraordinary record, his whole life before him," a grieving New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said at a news conference hours later. "Great athlete. Well accomplished. He wanted to do one thing -- which was help people." Clark was not alone. His death followed those of over 70 brothers and sisters in blue across the country already this year. **Continue reading [here](#).**

### Hearings & Markups Happening This Week

House Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Field Hearing  
[Oversight of the ATF National Canine Division](#)



July 16 @ 9:30 am - Front Royal, VA

House Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[Facebook, Google and Twitter: Examining the Content Filtering Practices of Social Media Giants](#)

July 17 @ 10:00 am - 2141 Rayburn

Senate Judiciary Committee – Full Committee Hearing

[Promoting Justice for Victims of Crime: Examining the Federal Investment in DNA Analysis](#)

July 18 @ 10:00 am - 226 Dirksen

House Transportation Committee - Economic Development Subcommittee Hearing

[Are We Ready? Recovering from 2017 Disasters and Preparing for the 2018 Hurricane Season](#)

July 18 @ 10:00 am - 2167 Rayburn

House Homeland Security Committee - Transportation Subcommittee Hearing

[Leadership, Recruitment, and Retention: Examining Efforts by the United States Secret Service to Meet Mission Challenges](#)

July 18 @ 2:00 pm - HVC 210

House Appropriations Committee - [Homeland Security Subcommittee Markup](#) - July 19 @ 9:30 am - 2362A Rayburn

**H.R. XXXX - FY 2019 Homeland Security Appropriations Act**

**Status:** To be considered by the House Appropriations Subcommittee on 7/19

**Summary:** Making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, and for other purposes. This bill provides \$538,000,000 for the State Homeland Security Grant Program, \$85,000,000 for Operation Stonegarden, and \$661,000,000 for the Urban Area Security Initiative.

House E&C Committee - Health Subcommittee Hearing

[21st Century Cures Implementation: Examining Mental Health Initiatives](#)

July 19 @ 10:00 am - 2123 Rayburn

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## Legislation on the Floor This Week

### House:

#### **S. 717 – POWER Act**

**Status:** Approved by the House on 7/17/18.

**Summary:** This bill requires the U.S. Attorney's office in each judicial district to conduct, at least annually, a public event to promote pro bono legal services for survivors of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Additionally, the U.S. Attorney's office in a judicial district that contains an Indian tribe or tribal organization must conduct, at least once during each three-year period, a public event to promote pro bono legal services for Indian or Alaska Native victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking. U.S. Attorneys' offices must, in conducting public events, seek to maximize the local impact and the provision of high-quality pro bono legal services to survivors. U.S. Attorneys' offices must report to the Department of Justice (DOJ) on the public events they conduct. DOJ must compile and summarize the reports and submit them to Congress.

#### **H.R. 6147 – Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act**

**Status:** Approved by the House on 7/19/18.

**Summary:** This minibuss appropriations bill includes the \$35.3 billion Interior-Environment appropriations and the \$23.4 billion Financial Services bill. The Financial Services portion includes funding for ONDCP, which includes \$280,000,000 for the HIDTA program.



\*Additional Legislative Items are Possible

### **Senate:**

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

Nothing affecting the law enforcement or homeland security communities.

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## 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.

House Homeland Security Committee - Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee Field Hearing - July 9

[Protecting Our Future: Addressing School Security Challenges in America](#)

**Summary:** This hearing examined the challenges of protecting our nation's schools, and what resources and programs exist to help jurisdictions develop their own plans to protect the schools in their jurisdictions. Chairman Donovan stated that it is important to coordinate the resources available to schools. Witnesses discussed the need for adequate resources to include prevention efforts to identify students that may pose a threat and ensure they receive the additional support and counseling needed to steer them away from violence. Additionally, witnesses discussed smart security procedures, information sharing, and best practices and programs available for schools. Also, it was discussed what is being done to research the role of guns in school shootings.

Senate Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Nomination Hearing - July 11

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

**Summary:** At Carroll's nomination hearing, he discussed three things to turn the current epidemic around to include control the supply of drugs entering the U.S., work on prevention initiatives and an awareness campaign, and embrace recovery and treatment. Carroll also discussed the importance of interdicting drugs at our borders, and the importance of the HIDTA program which brings together local, state, and federal law enforcement to develop a coordinated plan to target drug issues within certain regions.

House Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing - July 11

[DHS's Progress in Securing Election Systems and Other Critical Infrastructure](#)

**Summary:** This hearing examined DHS's efforts to secure our nations elections and critical infrastructure. NPPD testified that progress has been made by working with state and local officials and other partners to share information and develop strategies to reduce risk. The Rhode Island Secretary of State testified that for the most part his colleagues from other states recognize the threats and vulnerabilities to the election system, and are taking steps to counter those threats, however in some places there is some distrust with how much information they share with the feds.

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Federal Spending Oversight & Emergency Management Subcommittee Hearing - July 11

[Examining Warrantless Smartphone Searches at the Border](#)

**Summary:** This hearing examined instances of warrantless searches of smartphones when an individual crosses the border into the U.S. Since 2009, policy changes by CBP has not required a warrant to search a phone. Since January, CBP has tweaked its policy to require agents to distinguish between a basic or advanced search. Witnesses testified that they believed the current policies are being used as a way to avoid the warrant process. Additionally, there has been a dramatic increase in the number of searches on devices by CBP over the past few years.

Senate Judiciary Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - July 12

**S. 2946 - Anti-Terrorism Clarification Act of 2018**

**Status:** Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 7/12.



**Summary:** To amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify the meaning of the terms “act of war” and “blocked asset”, and for other purposes.

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## Legislation Considered Last Week

### House:

#### **H.R. 5729 – Transportation Worker Identification Credential Accountability Act of 2018**

**Status:** Approved by the House on 7/10.

**Summary:** This bill prohibits the U.S. Coast Guard from: (1) implementing the rule titled "Transportation Worker Identification Credential (TWIC)-Reader Requirements," and (2) proposing or issuing a notice of proposed rulemaking for a rule that would require the use of biometric readers for biometric transportation security cards. These prohibitions end 60 days after the Department of Homeland Security submits to Congress an assessment of the transportation security card program.

#### **H.R. 6237 – Matthew Young Pollard Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 2018 and 2019**

**Status:** Approved by the House on 7/12.

**Summary:** To authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

### Senate:

**Nomination of [Brian Allen Benczkowski](#)**, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division

**Status:** Confirmed by the Senate on 7/11.



## Legislation Introduced Last Week

Date Introduced	Bill Number	Sponsor	Description
7/13/2018	<a href="#">HR 6374</a>	Scott Perry (R-PA-4)	FIT Act - To require the Department of Homeland Security to streamline Federal contractor fitness determinations, and for other purposes.
7/12/2018	<a href="#">HR 6361</a>	Mark Pocan (D-WI-2)	Establishing a Humane Immigration Enforcement System Act - To establish a Commission tasked with establishing a humane immigration enforcement system, terminate Immigration and Customs Enforcement, and for other purposes.
7/12/2018	<a href="#">HR 6359</a>	Raja Krishnamoorthi (D-IL-8)	To direct the head of each department and agency of the United States to submit annual reports to Congress on the security clearances to individuals by reason of the individuals' affiliation with hate groups, and for other purposes.
7/12/2018	<a href="#">HR 6353</a>	David Roe (R-TN-1)	To amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978 to prohibit the United States Government from accessing and using information of United States persons collected under section 702 of such Act without a warrant.
7/12/2018	<a href="#">HR 6350</a>	Madeleine Bordallo (D-GU-AL)	To amend the PROTECT Act to expand the national AMBER Alert system to territories of the United States, and for other purposes.
7/12/2018	<a href="#">S 3211</a>	Ed Markey (D-MA)	Keeping Gun Dealers Honest Act of 2018 - To ensure greater accountability by licensed firearms dealers.
7/11/2018	<a href="#">S 3195</a>	Ben Cardin (D-MD)	Law Enforcement Trust and Integrity Act of 2018 - To encourage greater community accountability of law enforcement agencies, and for other purposes.
7/10/2018	<a href="#">HR 6318</a>	Diane Black R-TN-6)	To amend section 275(a) of the Immigration and Nationality Act to change the first commission of one of the criminal offenses described in that section from a misdemeanor to a felony, and for other purposes.
7/10/2018	<a href="#">S 3191</a>	Doug Jones (D-AL)	Civil Rights Cold Case Records Collection Act of 2018 - To provide for the expeditious disclosure of records related to civil rights cold cases, and for other purposes.



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**Upcoming Events/Conferences**

[National Forum on Criminal Justice](#)

July 22-25—Ft. Worth, TX

[APCO 2018](#)

August 5-8—Las Vegas, NV

[IACP 2018](#)

October 6-9—Orlando, FL

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

November 6-8—Alexandria, VA

**July 2018**

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Senate in Session

House & Senate in Session

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