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Latest News

- The House is not in session this week, and will return on March 14. The Senate is in this week, and is expected to complete consideration of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act, which would seek to provide more resources to combat the heroin and opioid epidemic.
- This week, there could be a possible announcement on an agreement to make changes to the Senate criminal justice reform legislation, to ease some fears that reducing mandatory minimum sentences for nonviolent drug crimes will free some violent criminals from federal prisons. Once the details of the changes are released, we will forward them along.
- On March 4, Chairman of the House Judiciary Committee Bob Goodlatte, and Congressman Steve King, sent a letter to the Government Accountability Office requesting a study on the cost of crime in the U.S. The request asks for a breakdown of the cost of crime for federal, state, and local governments. You can view the letter [here](#).
- House Homeland Security Committee Chairman Mike McCaul, and Senator Mark Warner introduced legislation on February 29 that would create a commission to study cybersecurity and encryption issues. The purpose of this Commission is to collectively address the larger issue of protecting national security and digital security, without letting encrypted communications become a safe haven for terrorists. You can view the legislation [here](#).
- Senator Richard Burr, Chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, and Senator Dianne Feinstein is reportedly close to an agreement on introducing legislation that would force companies such as Apple to comply with court orders to cooperate with FBI requests for encrypted information from cellphones and other electronic devices. While this legislation would directly address the “going dark” problem, it is expected to face much greater resistance by Congress compared to the commission approach by Congressman McCaul. We have yet to see the proposed draft legislation.
- The Department of Justice sent a response letter to House Appropriations CJS Subcommittee Chairman John Culberson outlining its intention to crack down on sanctuary cities that refuses to cooperate in enforcing various immigration laws. The policy would allow the Bureau of Prisons to offer Immigration and Customs Enforcement, instead of states and municipalities, the first opportunity to take into custody and remove an individual. Additionally, the Department of Justice will take action against jurisdictions that falsely certify that they are in compliance with applicable Federal law. You can view the DOJ letter [here](#).
- **ARTICLES OF INTEREST:**
A Message from the President of the National Fusion Center Association ISE Blog | Mike Sena
 As the capabilities of the National Network of Fusion Centers have expanded to accom-

plish our mission of enhancing public safety and preventing crime and terrorism, we have found that at the heart of this mission is the effective, efficient, ethical, lawful, and professional sharing of intelligence and information. By the nature of our mission, we are called upon to handle large volumes of sensitive information of many kinds and from many sources. It is therefore essential we take all appropriate measures to ensure the confidentiality and security of this information. **Continue reading [here](#).**

Alabama expands efforts to combat human trafficking

WTVM 9 News | Lindsey Rogers

MONTGOMERY, AL (WSFA) - Human trafficking is a problem worldwide. Traffickers can be cunning criminals and dismantling their operations requires a coordinated approach by authorities. To discuss how to best share key details on cases, 40 intelligence analysts and members of law enforcement from 11 different states met for a two-day training event at the RSA Headquarters in Montgomery this week, the first ever human trafficking symposium. **Continue reading [here](#).**

Hearings & Markups Happening This Week

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[FY2017 budget for the Homeland Security Department](#)

March 8 @ 10:00 am - 342 Dirksen

Senate Appropriations Committee - Homeland Security Subcommittee Hearing

[FY2017 budget for Customs and Border Protection and Immigration and Customs Enforcement](#)

March 8 @ 2:30 pm - 138 Dirksen

Senate Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing

[Oversight of the Justice Department](#)

March 9 @ 9:30 am - 226 Dirksen

Senate Judiciary Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - March 10 @ 10:00 am - 226 Dirksen

[S. 247](#) - Expatriate Terrorist Act

Status: To be marked up by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 3/10

Summary: Amends the Immigration and Nationality Act to include as grounds for losing U.S. nationality by a native-born or naturalized citizen taking an oath or making a declaration of allegiance to a foreign terrorist organization after becoming 18 years old. The bill would bar the secretary of state from issuing a passport to anyone attempting to become a member of a terrorist group.

[S. 2390](#) - Federal Bureau of Investigation Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act

Status: To be marked up by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 3/10

Summary: To provide adequate protections for whistleblowers at the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Legislation on the Floor This Week

House:

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Senate:

[S. 524](#) - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2015

Status: Complete consideration in the Senate this week; Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 2/11

Summary: Directs the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a Pain Management Best Practic-

es Inter-Agency Task Force to develop: (1) best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and (2) a strategy for disseminating such best practices. Additionally, the legislation amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize the Attorney General to make various grants.

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.

Week of February 29 - March 4

House Appropriations Committee - Homeland Security Subcommittee Hearing - March 1
[Budget for U.S. Customs and Border Protection](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the budget request for Customs and Border Protection. Concerns have been raised with a number of budget gimmicks within the budget including increases in aviation security fees to pay for additional CBP officers, and also proposals to decrease the number of mandated border patrol agents. Additionally issues surrounding the President's immigration executive order, as well as the Administration's handling of the influx of unaccompanied alien children were also discussed.

House Homeland Security Committee - Border Subcommittee Hearing - March 1

[Transparency, Trust and Verification: Measuring Effectiveness and Situational Awareness along the Border](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the government's efforts to effectively control and secure the southwest border. The hearing also looked at security gaps in the nation's border security efforts. Congresswoman McSally noted that the Border Patrol cannot determine how many people we are not catching, or detecting. GAO also has stated that although CBP has devoted resources to securing the border, it lacks measures to determine overall effectiveness. CBP claims an 81 percent interdiction effectiveness rate, however concerns have been raised over how that rate has been calculated, which includes unaccompanied children and those who voluntarily turn themselves in, thereby inflating the number.

House Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing - March 1

[The Encryption Tightrope: Balancing Americans' Security and Privacy](#)

Summary: This hearing examined encryption and the "going dark" issue facing law enforcement and the national security community. FBI Director James Comey testified, along with a representative from Apple, NY District Attorney Cy Vance, and an encryption expert. A majority of the Members from the committee remained skeptical of the FBI's efforts, and viewed it as a threat to the safety of data if we go down the path of weakening encryption. Director Comey repeatedly stated that they are not asking for a backdoor, but for the ability of law enforcement, with a court order, the ability to break into a device without it destroying the information after a set number of incorrect attempts. Some Members expressed concerns with the creation of an environment that is untouchable to law enforcement. Congressman Gowdy expressed frustration with some of his colleagues who appeared to be ok with treating electronic data differently than other forms of information, and permitting an untouchable platform that could be used for the promotion of criminal activity.

Senate Appropriations Committee - Homeland Security Subcommittee Hearing - March 1

[FY2017 budget for the Transportation Security Administration](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the budget request for the TSA. Senators discussed the threats towards air travel, and asked questions regarding how TSA is addressing the concerns raised in the inspector generals report which highlighted a number of security vulnerabilities. Concerns were also raised with the administration's request to raise aviation security fees to cover approximately \$900 million of its budget, which Congress is unlikely to approve. The hearing also focused on the use of new technologies, ways to improve and expand PreCheck, and also briefly discussed the BioWatch program.

House Homeland Security Committee - Transportation Security Subcommittee Hearing - March 2

[The Transportation Security Administration's FY2017 Budget Request](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the budget request for the TSA. Discussions consisted of what progress has been made to address past security concerns, including the effectiveness of screening checkpoints, airport personnel vetting, and addressing weapons and drug smuggling incidences involving airport workers.

House Oversight Committee - Full Committee Hearing - March 2

[Geolocation Technology and Privacy](#)

Summary: This hearing examined law enforcements use of geolocation technology, in particular they focused on the use of cell-site simulators. Chairman Chaffetz used this hearing to push his legislation that would effectively require a warrant for the use of all technology that obtains geolocation. Discussions also surrounded the laws, and policies surrounding how historical geolocation metadata from phone records are treated, and geolocation information from a cell-site simulator device. Different legal standards and guidelines are used to manage the use of geolocation technology at the local, state, and federal level.

House Energy & Commerce Committee - Oversight Subcommittee Hearing - March 2

[Examining the U.S. Public Health Response to the Zika Virus](#)

Summary: This hearing heard from nine witnesses to discuss the public health response to the Zika virus. While as of late February there had been no known locally acquired mosquito-borne cases reported in the continental U.S., over 100 travel-associated Zika virus disease cases have been identified in over 20 states. According to the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, they have accelerated ongoing research efforts to speed the development of tools that could help control current and future outbreaks of the Zika virus.

House Appropriations Committee - Homeland Security Subcommittee Hearing - March 2

[Budget for the Transportation Security Administration](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the budget request for the TSA. The hearing looked at the TSA's risk based security initiatives, as well as concerns with funding derived from increases in aviation security fees, which have not, and will likely not be approved by Congress. Discussions on how to increase the number of travelers in Pre-Check, and what improvements have been made to rectify the safety concerns highlighted in previous inspector general reports were also discussed.

House Oversight Committee - Government Operations Subcommittee Hearing - March 2

[Firearms Lost: GSA's Administration of the Surplus Firearm Donation Program](#)

Summary: This hearing examined an inspector general's report that outlined how hundreds of firearms have gone missing through the GSA's Surplus Firearm Donation Program. Members of the committee expressed outrage over the poor management of the program and lack of accountability. GSA is in the process of implementing recommendations made by the IG which includes implementing a database to more easily keep track of the firearms, working on ways to standardize the acquisition process, and ensure better auditing of the weapons.

Senate Homeland Security Committee - Full Committee Hearing - March 3

[Dogs of DHS: How Canine Programs Contribute to Homeland Security](#)

Summary: At this hearing, canine officers demonstrated how canines are utilized to seek out and find currency, firearms and dangerous agricultural products on passengers. Discussions involved the training that occurs at the U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Canine Center, and the skill's learned at detecting contraband material.

House Veterans Affairs Committee - Oversight Subcommittee Field Hearing - Concord, N.H. - March 4

[Addressing VA Opioid Prescription and Pain Management Practices](#)

Summary: This field hearing examined opioid prescription practices within the VA, and alternatives to powerful medications to ensure patients receive the treatment needed while avoiding the harmful side effects that are seen with opioid use. Roughly half of those who use VA services have some sort of chronic pain, and more options need to be available to address the varying needs of the patients who enter the VA.

Week of February 22 - 26

Senate Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 23

[The Unaccompanied Children Crisis: Does the Administration Have a Plan to Stop the Border Surge and Adequately Monitor the Children?](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the surge of unaccompanied minors, the Administrations plan to stop the border surge, and the Administrations plan to adequately monitor the children. Concerns have been raised by a recent GAO report that called into question Health and Human Service's care for these children. Traditional migration factors exacerbated by misperceptions of recent US immigration policies among migrants have attributed to the 2014 surge. According to the Executive Office of Immigration Review, over 40 percent of unaccompanied minors are not showing up for immigration hearings and no one is following up on these individuals when they skip their hearings, unless they are receiving post-release services.

Senate Finance Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 23

[Examining the Opioid Epidemic: Challenges and Opportunities](#)

Summary: This hearing looked at the opioid epidemic and potential solutions to combat it. During this hearing, discussions surrounded potential legislation as part of a comprehensive effort to address the opioid crisis with increased prevention, treatment and law enforcement. The legislation would allow states to use federal foster care funds to help opioid-addicted parents raise their infants.

Senate HELP Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 24

[Zika Virus: Addressing the Growing Public Health Threat](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the response to the Zika virus, and the Administration's \$1.9 billion emergency funding request emphasizing the need for more research to fully understand and combat Zika virus. The Committee heard about NIAID's current research on Zika, which includes investigation into advancements in diagnostics, vaccines, therapeutics and vector control. Questions focused on understanding the basics of Zika virus in order to figure out what the need is for emergency funding. Senator Collins also asked how the U.S. can plan better responses in advance of outbreaks in order to prevent the need for reactive emergency strategies.

House Appropriations Committee - Homeland Security Subcommittee - February 24

[The Department of Homeland Security Budget](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the Administration's budget request for the Department of Homeland Security. Concerns were raised about the proposed cuts to homeland security grants, with Secretary Johnson responding that due to budget constraints, hard choices had to be made. The majority of the hearing focused on the Administration's response to the surge in unaccompanied minors, and other immigration enforcement issues. Additionally, Members were receptive to proposed increases for cybersecurity enhancements.

House Foreign Affairs Committee - [Full Committee Markup](#) - February 24

[H.R. 4403 - Enhancing Overseas Traveler Vetting Act](#)

Status: Approved by the House Foreign Affairs Committee on 2/24; Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 2/2

Summary: This bill authorizes the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of State to: develop open-source software based on U.S. Customs and Border Protection's global travel targeting and analysis systems and the State Department's watchlisting, identification, and screening systems to facilitate the vetting of travelers against terrorist watchlists and law enforcement databases, enhance border management, and improve targeting and analysis; and make such software and any related technical assistance or training available to foreign governments or multilateral organizations for such purposes.

House Appropriations Committee - CJS Subcommittee Hearing - February 24

[The Department of Justice Budget](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the Administrations budget request for the Department of Justice. Sanctuary city policies were brought up in the hearing in light of a DOJ announcement that they would crack down on sanctuary cities, and require them to abide by immigration laws or see their federal funds cut. If they are found to be in violation of federal laws, as in protecting illegal immigrants, Justice will move in with civil or criminal charges. Attorney General Lynch also discussed the growing encryption issue, and what DOJ is doing to respond to the growing problem of "going dark."

House Oversight Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 24

[The Zika Virus: Coordination of a Multi-Agency Response](#)

Summary: This hearing looked at the coordinated federal response to the spread of the Zika virus both within the U.S. and internationally. The Administration has requested \$1.8 billion in emergency funding to prepare for and respond to the spread of Zika. The NIH stated that with additional funding, an early stage clinical trial vaccine could be ready by this summer.

Senate Aging Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 24

[Opioid Use Among Seniors - Issues and Emerging Trends](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the prescribing of opioid painkillers to the elderly, of which is a significant source of unintentional supply for family members. Concerns have been raised in this and other hearings over the overprescribing of opioids, as well as implementing drug takeback programs.

Senate Appropriations Committee - Homeland Security Subcommittee Hearing - February 24

[FY2017 budget request and funding justification for the Homeland Security Department](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the Administration's budget for the Department of Homeland Security. Senators expressed opposition to proposed TSA fee increases, and concerns with significant reductions for various homeland security grants. Immigration and border issues also were a focus of the hearing, as to what the Administration is doing to stem the influx of illegal immigration, and the flow of drugs crossing the border.

House Intelligence Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 25

[World Wide Threats](#)

Summary: This hearing heard from the heads of all the major intelligence agencies, including DNI, FBI, DIA, CIA, NCTC, and NSA. A large portion of the questions surrounded encryption, and the inability of law enforcement and the intelligence community from gaining access to information that is encrypted. Director Comey reiterated that a balance can be achieved of protecting information while allowing law enforcement access to an encrypted device pursuant to lawful legal process. Cyber threats, threats from ISIS, and homegrown terrorism was also a major concern by Members, seeking information on how the Administration is responding to these threats.

House Judiciary Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 25

[International Conflicts of Law Concerning Cross Border Data Flow and Law Enforcement Requests](#)

Summary: This hearing examined concerns with law enforcements requests for information from domestic companies held on servers overseas. Some Members have expressed concerns with forcing companies to turn over information held in a foreign country contrary to their laws. They believe this could economically harm a companies competitiveness, as well as create foreign relations problems. The Administration testified that they are working on an agreement with the United Kingdom to address these sort of instances with them, which could potentially be replicated with other close allies. Some Members were not keen with this idea, and are supporting legislation that would create a universal policy to address such instances.

House Oversight Committee - Full Committee Hearing - February 25

[Security Clearance Reform: The Performance Accountability Council's Path Forward](#)

Summary: This hearing examined a proposal by the Administration to create a new National Background Investigations Bureau within the Office of Personnel Management. Under the new proposal, the Federal Investigative Services would be absorbed into the new NBIB. The Department of Defense will assume responsibility for the design, development, security, and operation of information technology systems for the NBIB. Some concerns have been raised with the inability of BOD and OMB from giving a timeline for incorporating social media monitoring into the security clearance process, and concerns over who is ultimately accountable for the new system, be it DOD or OMB.

Senate Appropriations Committee - CJS Subcommittee Hearing - February 25

[FY2017 budget request and funding justification for the Justice Department](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the budget submission for the Department of Justice. As was the case in the

earlier hearing on the DOJ budget in the House, immigration issues were front and center, as well as discussions on the current fight between Apple and the FBI over encryption.

House Appropriations Committee - CJS Subcommittee Hearing - February 25

[The Federal Bureau of Investigation Budget](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the budget submission for the FBI. This hearing focused on the resources needed to address cyber threats, go after extremists, tackle the “going dark” problem, improve the National Instant Criminal Background Check System, and other investigative issues.

House Homeland Security Committee - Cybersecurity Subcommittee hearing - February 25

[Emerging Cyber Threats to the United States](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the emerging cyber threats from nation states such as China, Russia, Iran and North Korea, as well as threats from criminal organizations and terrorist groups. Testimony was heard from leading cybersecurity experts, discussing how more needs to be done to ensure greater cooperation between the government and businesses, as well as taking a more proactive, instead of reactive response to fighting cyber attacks.

House Homeland Security Committee - Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee Hearing - February 26

[Food for Thought: Efforts to Defend the Nation's Agriculture and Food](#)

Summary: This hearing examined the risk to the nation from a terrorist attack or natural disruption to our agricultural or food systems, including an assessment of the threat and overview of capabilities and efforts to enhance our security posture. Concerns have been raised with the shortcomings of the DHS BioWatch program, and the National Biosurveillance Integration Center.

Legislation Considered Last Week

House:

[H.R. 3584](#) – Transportation Security Administration Reform and Improvement Act of 2015

Status: Approved by the House under the suspension of the rules on 2/23; Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee 9/30/15

Summary: This legislation authorizes, streamlines, and identifies efficiencies within the Transportation Security Administration. TSA would be required to establish an automated, biometric-based system to verify the identity of travelers enrolled in the PreCheck program. The agency would develop an automated system at certain airports to verify travel documents for passengers who aren't enrolled in the program. The bill also would require inspectors assessing the security of mass transit agencies and over-the-road bus operators to have relevant surface transportation experience and inspection qualifications.

[H.R. 4408](#) - National Strategy to Combat Terrorist Travel Act of 2016

Status: Approved by the House under the suspension of the rules on 2/23; Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 2/2

Summary: DHS would be required to develop a national strategy to intercept and constrain international and domestic travel by terrorists and foreign fighters. The president would submit an initial strategy to Congress within 180 days of enactment, followed by an update 180 days after a new president enters office. Subsequent updates would be provided, as appropriate, until seven years after enactment. Each strategy would include goals to identify and eliminate travel security vulnerabilities that could be exploited by terrorists and foreign fighters. DHS would develop implementation plans and provide them to Congress annually for 10 years.

[H.R. 4398](#) - DHS Acquisition Documentation Integrity Act of 2016

Status: Approved by the House under the suspension of the rules on 2/23; Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 2/2

Summary: DHS would be required to maintain complete and accurate documentation for major acquisition programs with total expenditures exceeding \$300 million. Documentation would include operational require-

ments, lifecycle cost estimates and schedules. Components of DHS would submit the documents as part of the department's annual Comprehensive Acquisition Status Report.

H.R. 4402 - Foreign Fighter Review Act of 2016

Status: Approved by the House under the suspension of the rules on 2/23; Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 2/2

Summary: DHS would be required to review known instances of individuals who, since 2011, have traveled or attempted to travel from the U.S. to join or support terrorist organizations in Syria and Iraq. The bill would require the president, acting through DHS, to initiate the review within 30 days of enactment. It would include operational issues, security vulnerabilities, and systemic challenges that undermined efforts to prevent the foreign fighters from traveling. DHS would report the results of the review, including the travel routes of greatest concern, lessons learned, and recommendations for improvement, within 120 days of enactment.

S.238 - Eric Williams Correctional Officer Protection Act of 2015

Status: Approved by the House under the suspension of the rules on 2/24; Approved by the Senate on 12/16/15

Summary: Amends the federal criminal code to require the Director of the Bureau of Prisons to issue oleoresin capsicum spray to: (1) any Bureau officer or employee employed in a prison that is not a minimum or low security prison who may respond to an emergency situation in such prison; and (2) such additional prison officers and employees as the Director deems appropriate, subject to specified requirements.

H.R. 4401 - Amplifying Local Efforts to Root out Terror Act of 2016

Status: Approved by the House on 2/29; Approved by the House Homeland Security Committee on 2/2

Summary: To authorize the Secretary of Homeland Security to provide countering violent extremism training to Department of Homeland Security representatives at State and local fusion centers, and for other purposes.

H.R. 1471 - FEMA Disaster Assistance Reform Act of 2015

Status: Approved by the House on 2/29

Status: Authorizes appropriations for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for FY2016-FY2018 for management and administration. Directs FEMA, through the National Advisory Council, to undertake and report on a comprehensive study of disaster costs and losses. Amends the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to: authorize appropriations for FY2016-FY2018 for the National Urban Search and Rescue Response System; authorize appropriations for FY2016-FY2018 for grants to implement the Emergency Management Assistance Compact; include public broadcasting facilities within the definition of "private nonprofit facility" for purposes of disaster assistance eligibility; establish a three-year statute of limitation for reclaiming disaster relief funds and for collecting debts related to disaster assistance; allow a waiver for the collection of certain disaster-related debts; increase from \$35,000 to \$1 million the threshold for determining the eligibility of certain small projects for expedited disaster assistance payments; establish rates for reimbursing states and local governments for direct and indirect administrative costs incurred to implement disaster recovery projects; authorize the President, whether or not a major disaster is declared, to provide hazard mitigation assistance in any area affected by a fire; and allow recipients of hazard mitigation assistance to use such assistance for activities to reduce the risk of future damage, hardship, loss, or suffering in any area affected by a wildfire or earthquake hazards.

Senate:

S. 524 - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2015

Status: Begun consideration in the Senate; Approved by the Senate Judiciary Committee on 2/11

Summary: Directs the Department of Health and Human Services to convene a Pain Management Best Practices Inter-Agency Task Force to develop: (1) best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and (2) a strategy for disseminating such best practices. Additionally, the legislation amends the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize the Attorney General to make various grants.

Legislation Introduced Last Week

Date Introduced	Bill Number	Sponsor	Description
3/3/2016	HR 4703	Blaine Luetkemeyer	To eliminate the authority of the executive branch to further restrict intra-family firearm transfers.
3/3/2016	HR 4698	John Katko	To enhance aviation by requiring airport security assessments and a security coordination enhancement plan, and for other purposes.
3/3/2016	HR 4697	Elizabeth Esty	To provide for increased Federal oversight of prescription opioid treatment and assistance to States in reducing opioid addiction, diversion, and deaths.
3/3/2016	HR 4677	Michael Capuano	To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to provide death benefits for campus police officers.
3/3/2016	S 2642	Amy Klobuchar	A bill to require air carriers to provide training to certain employees and contractors to combat human trafficking.
3/3/2016	S 2625	Pat Toomey	A bill to protect our servicemembers' children from convicted pedophiles and other felons infiltrating the classroom.
3/3/2016	S 2623	Al Franken	A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to deny the deduction for advertising and promotional expenses for prescription drugs.
3/2/2016	HR 4666	Marsha Blackburn	Protecting Students from Sexual and Violent Predators Act - To require State educational agencies that receive funding under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 to have in effect policies and procedures on background checks for school employees.
3/2/2016	HR 4663	David Jolly	No Taxpayer Support for Apple Act - To forbid Federal agencies from buying Apple products until Apple provides the Federal Government with technical support necessary to access encrypted information sought by a warrant that may be materially relevant to the commission of terrorism.
3/1/2016	HR 4654	Sean Patrick Maloney	Keeping Communities Safe through Treatment Act of 2016 - To direct the Attorney General to carry out a pilot program to provide grants to eligible entities for diversion programs to divert individuals with low-level drug offenses to drug treatment programs, and for other pur-

3/1/2016	S 2614	Chuck Schumer	Kevin and Avonte's Law of 2016 - To amend the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994, to reauthorize the Missing Alzheimer's Disease Patient Alert Program, and to promote initiatives that will reduce the risk of injury and death relating to the wandering characteristics of some children with autism.
3/1/2016	S 2613	Chuck Grassley	Adam Walsh Reauthorization Act of 2016 - To reauthorize certain programs established by the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006.
2/29/2016	HR 4651/ S 2604	Mike McCaul/ Mark Warner	Digital Security Commission Act of 2016 - To establish in the legislative branch the National Commission on Security and Technology Challenges.
2/26/2016	HR 4641	Susan Brooks	To provide for the establishment of an inter-agency task force to review, modify, and update best practices for pain management and prescribing pain medication, and for other purposes.
2/26/2016	HR 4635	Matt Cartwright	To provide for a prescription drug take-back program for members of the Armed Forces and veterans, and for other purposes.
2/25/2016	HR 4628	Nita Lowey	To require reporting of terrorist activities and the unlawful distribution of information relating to explosives, and for other purposes.
2/25/2016	HR 4613	John Katko	To amend title 18, United States Code, with respect to civil forfeitures relating to certain seized animals.
2/25/2016	HR 2594	Richard Blumenthal	A bill to provide for the discoverability and admissibility of gun trace information in civil proceedings.
2/24/2016	HR 4611	Ted Lieu	To discourage the use of payment of money as a condition of pretrial release in criminal cases, and for other purposes.
2/24/2016	HR 4606	Ted Deutch	Status of the Sixth Amendment Act of 2016 - To require the Governor of a State to submit to the Attorney General an annual report on the number of individuals who represented themselves in court in criminal matters or juvenile delinquency matters, and for other purposes.
2/24/2016	HR 4603	David Cicilline	Hate Crimes Prevention Act - To prevent a person who has been convicted of a misdemeanor hate crime, or received an enhanced sentence for a misdemeanor because of hate or bias in its commission, from obtaining a firearm.

2/24/2016	HR 4602/ S 2577	Ted Poe/ John Cornyn	Effective Administration of Criminal Justice Act of 2015 - To protect crime victims' rights, to eliminate the substantial backlog of DNA and other forensic evidence samples to improve and expand the forensic science testing capacity of Federal, State, and local crime laboratories, to increase research and development of new testing technologies, to develop new training programs regarding the collection and use of forensic evidence, to provide post-conviction testing of DNA evidence to exonerate the innocent, to support accreditation efforts of forensic science laboratories and medical examiner offices, to address training and equipment needs, to improve the performance of counsel in State capital cases, and for other purposes.
2/24/2016	HR 4599/ S 2578	Katherine Clark/ Elizabeth Warren	Reducing Unused Medications Act of 2016 - To amend the Controlled Substances Act to permit certain partial fillings of prescriptions.
2/24/2016	HR 4597	Mo Brooks	ICE Agent Support Act of 2016 - To provide resources and incentives for the enforcement of immigration laws in the interior of the United States and for other purposes.
2/24/2016	S. 2576	Kelly Ayotte	A bill to permit the Attorney General to authorize a temporary transfer of funds from Department of Justice accounts in the amount necessary to restore Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Program equitable sharing payments to participating law enforcement agencies.
2/24/2016	HR 4586	Robert Dold	Lali's Law - To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to States for developing standing orders and educating health care professionals regarding the dispensing of opioid overdose reversal medication without person-specific prescriptions, and for other purposes.
2/23/2016	HR 4584	John Carter	POLICE Act of 2016 - To amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to authorize COPS grantees to use grant funds for active shooter training, and for other purposes.
2/23/2016	S 2567	Kirsten Gillibrand	Preventing Overprescribing for Pain Act of 2016 - To require the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to issue guidelines relating to the prescription of opioids for acute pain.
2/23/2016	S 2566	Jeanne Shaheen	Sexual Assault Survivors' Rights Act - To amend title 18, United States Code, to provide sexual assault survivors with certain rights, and for other purposes.

2/23/2016	S 2565	Chuck Grassley	Protecting Families Affected by Substance Abuse Act - To amend part B of title IV of the Social Security Act to reauthorize grants to assist children affected by methamphetamine, opioid, or other substance abuse under the promoting safe and stable families program.
2/22/2016	S 2562	Sherrod Brown	Heroin and Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and Reduction Act - To support a comprehensive public health response to the heroin and prescription drug abuse crisis.
2/22/2016	S 2561	Jeff Sessions	Protection of Children Act of 2016 - To amend the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 to provide expedited processing for unaccompanied alien children who are not victims of a severe form of trafficking in persons and who do not have a fear of returning to their country of nationality or last habitual residence, and for other purposes.
2/22/2016	S 2558	Bill Nelson	Spoofing Prevention Act of 2016 - To expand the prohibition on misleading or inaccurate caller identification information, and for other purposes