# This Week in the House: Return from Recess, Budget Negotiations

#### Outlook: U.S. House of Representatives, Week of Feb 22, 2016



• House Committee on Appropriations Budget Hearings: Office of Management and Budget, Department of Commerce



- Energy & Commerce Hearing: "The Fiscal Year 2017 HHS Budget," with HHS Secretary Sylvia Burwell
- Oversight & Government Reform Hearing: "The Zika Virus: Coordination of a Multi-Agency Response"
- House Committee on Appropriations Budget Hearings: Department of Homeland Security, United States Forest Service, Department of State and Foreign Assistance, Department of Agriculture, Food and Nutrition Service, Department of Justice, Department of Transportation, Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service



- Oversight & Government Reform Hearing: "Review of ObamaCare Consumer Operated and Oriented Plans (Co-Ops)"
- Intelligence Committee Hearing: World Wide Threats, with CIA Director John Brennan, FBI Director James Coney and other top intelligence officials
- Judiciary Committee Hearing: International Conflicts of Law Concerning Cross Border Data Flow and Law Enforcement Requests
- House Committee on Appropriations Budget Hearings: Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Defense, Food and Drug Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation,

### Also this week:

- This week will feature budget hearings for various agencies; Budget Committee Chairman Tom Price (R-GA) hopes to hold a committee vote on a budget this week
- Two pieces of legislation are on the docket: the Sportsmen's Heritage and Recreational Enhancement (SHARE Act) and the Fraudulent Joinder Prevention Act

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# This Week in the Senate: Return from Recess, Potential Battle Over Supreme Court Nominee

#### Outlook: U.S. Senate, Week of Feb 22, 2016



- Finance Committee Hearing: "Examining the Opioid Epidemic: Challenges and Opportunities"
- Energy & Natural Resource Committee Hearing: "Hearing to Examine Department of Interior's FY 2017 Budget Request
- Veterans Affairs Committee Hearing: "Fiscal Year 2017 Budget for Veterans' Programs and Fiscal Year 2018 Advance Appropriations Request"



- HELP Committee Hearing: "Zika Virus: Addressing the Growing Public Health Threat"
- Environment & Public Works Hearing: "Oversight of the Renewable Fuel Standard"



- Judiciary Committee Hearing: "The Impact of High-Skilled Immigration on U.S. Workers"
- Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Hearing: "Connecting Patients to New and Potential Life Saving Treatments

### Also this week:

• The Senate will continue to debate whether it should initiate confirmation proceedings to replace Justice Antonin Scalia

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## This Week in the White House: President's Schedule Includes a Mix of Music, Medicine, Money and the Middle East

#### Outlook: The White House, Week of Feb 22, 2016



• The President will attend a Democratic National Committee event



- The President will welcome Jordan's King Abdullah to the White House
- In the evening, the president will hold an East Room salute to musician Ray Charles



• The president will stump for the "precision medicine" initiative he outlined in his SOTU address



• President Obama will leave for Florida

## Also this week:

• Following the return of both chambers of Congress from recess, the President may announce a nominee for vacant seat on the Supreme Court

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