



## Federal Legislative Activities Week of October 5, 2015

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Please find a listing of federal legislative activities the County and our federal advocates are monitoring during the week of October 5, 2015, below.

### **Congressional Hearings and Floor Activity**

#### **Tuesday, October 6th**

2 PM | The House will meet for legislative business to consider the following under suspension of the rules:

[H.R. 1839](#) - Reforming Access for Investments in Startup Enterprises (RAISE) Act of 2015 - establishes a legal framework for private secondary markets for the trading of equities in order to increase liquidity in such markets.

[H.R. 2091](#) - Child Support Assistance Act of 2015 - eliminates the requirement that state and local child support enforcement agencies notify individuals 10 days before pulling their credit reports for the purposes of determining the appropriate level of payment or for enforcing a child support order, award, agreement or judgment. Under the measure, therefore, no notification to the individual would be required.

[H.R. 3102](#) - Airport Access Control Security Improvement Act of 2015 - requires the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) to establish a risk-based method for screening airport personnel who will work in secure areas of an airport.

[S. 1300](#) - Adoptive Family Relief Act - allows the State Department to waive fees for the renewal or replacement of visas for an adopted child if the visa was issued on or after March 27, 2013. Intended to assist families adopting children from the Democratic Republic of the Congo

2:30 PM | Senate Veterans Affairs Committee Hearing: to examine pending health and benefits legislation.

#### **Wednesday, October 7th**

10 AM | House Education and the Workforce Committee Hearing: "Strengthening Head Start for Current and Future Generations." Click [here](#) to view the live webcast.

10 AM | House Environment and Oversight Subcommittees Hearing: EPA's 2015 Ozone Standard: Concerns Over Science and Implementation

10 AM | House Transportation and Infrastructure Hearing: Ensuring Aviation Safety in the Era of Unmanned Aircraft Systems. Click [here](#) to view the live webcast.

10 AM | House Education and Workforce Committee Hearing: "Reviewing the Juvenile Justice System and How It Serves At-Risk Youth." Click [here](#) to view the live webcast.

10 AM | Senate Commerce Committee Hearing: to examine removing barriers to wireless broadband deployment.

10:15 AM | House Energy and Commerce Committee Hearing: "Examining Legislative Proposals to Combat our Nation's Drug Abuse Crisis." Subcommittee members will review the following bills to address the growing threat of drug abuse. Click [here](#) to view the live webcast.

[H.R. 2536](#), Recovery Enhancement for Addiction Treatment Act (TREAT Act), would provide prescribing privileges to nurse practitioners and physicians assistance and require an examination of how this legislation impacts treatment access and drug diversion.

[H.R. 2805](#), the Heroin and Prescription Opioid Abuse Prevention, Education, and Enforcement Act of 2015, would, among other things, establish a pain management best practices task force, establish a national prescription drug abuse education and awareness campaign, and create naloxone demonstration programs.

[H.R. 2872](#), Opioid Addiction Treatment Modernization Act, would require all forms of FDA-approved medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for opioid addiction to be made available in federally-regulated Office-Based Opioid Treatment programs (OBOT).

[H.R. 3014](#), Medical Controlled Substances Transportation Act of 2015, would amend the Controlled Substances Act to allow registered physicians to transport and administer controlled substances to patients at other practice settings and disaster areas if the physician enters into an agreement with the Drug Enforcement Agency.

[H.R. 3537](#), Synthetic Drug Control Act of 2015, would help stop the sale of deadly synthetic drugs.

12 PM | The House will meet for legislative business to consider the following:

[H.R. 3192](#) - Homebuyers Assistance Act - delays until Feb. 1, 2016, implementation of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau's integrated rules regarding lender disclosures to consumers applying for home mortgage loans, prohibiting enforcement of the rules and lawsuits against lenders until then as long as the lender makes a good-faith effort to comply with the rules.

### **Thursday, October 8th**

9 AM | House Financial Services Committee Hearing: "The Future of Housing Policy in America: 50 Years of HUD and its impact on Federal Housing Policy"

9:30 AM | Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee Hearing: Hearings to examine [H.R.2898](#), to provide drought relief in the State of California, [S.1894](#), to provide short-term water supplies to drought-stricken California, and other legislation

10 AM | House Agriculture Committee Hearing: To review 2015 fire season and long-term trends. Click [here](#) to view the live webcast.

12 PM | The House will meet for legislative business to consider the following:

[H.R. 538](#) - Native American Energy Act, Rules Committee Print (Subject to a Rule)

2:30 PM | Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee Hearing: to examine the California Desert Conservation and Recreation Act of 2015 (Feinstein), [S.414](#), and other legislation. S.414 provides for conservation, enhanced recreation opportunities, and development of renewable energy in the California Desert Conservation Area. County Supervisor Lovingood is expected to testify. Click [here](#) to view the live webcast.