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4/26/21 Weekly Washington Update

Headlines to Know

- President Biden plans to sign an executive order Monday creating a task force that would aim to make it easier for workers to unionize. The team will examine existing policies and issue a series of recommendations within 180 days on how they can be leveraged to promote worker organizing and collective bargaining.
- Sunday evening, a Connecticut Judge dismissed a case that sought to bar transgender student athletes from participating on sports teams that match their gender identity, citing clear violations of Title IX.
- OSHA will testify this week on the status of coronavirus workplace safety rules. The issuance of an Emergency Temporary Standard would provide enforceable work standards as opposed to guidelines previously issued.

This Week on Capitol Hill

Hearings of Interest:

- Monday, Apr. 26 | 10:30 a.m. House Democrats virtual discussion, beginning at 10:30 a.m., on the status of Black maternal health in the United States during a roundtable with public health experts and representatives from women's health and women's rights advocacy groups from Maryland.
- Tuesday, Apr. 27 | 10 a.m. Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee hearing on "Supporting Children, Workers and Families by Strengthening America's Child Care Sector." 216 Hart.
- Tuesday, Apr. 27 | 10 a.m. Senate Finance Committee hearing on "Climate Challenges: The Tax Code's Role in Creating American Jobs, Achieving Energy Independence, and Providing Consumers with Affordable, Clean Energy." 215 Dirksen.
- Tuesday, Apr. 27 | 12 p.m. House Natural Resources Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee hearing on "Accessibility for People with Disabilities on National Parks and Public Lands."
- Tuesday, Apr. 27 | 2:30 p.m. Senate Finance Fiscal Responsibility and Economic Growth Subcommittee hearing on "Creating Opportunity Through a Fairer Tax System." 215 Dirksen.
- Wednesday, Apr. 28 | 10 a.m. Senate Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee hearing on "Examining Our COVID-19 Response: Using Lessons Learned to Address Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders." 430 Dirksen.
- Wednesday, Apr. 28 | 12 p.m. House Education and Labor Committee hearing on "Building Back Better: Investing in Improving Schools, Creating Jobs, and Strengthening Families and our Economy."
- Wednesday, Apr. 28 | 12:15 p.m. House Small Business Committee hearing on "Harnessing the Power of Immigrant-owned Businesses to Build Back Better."

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- Wednesday, Apr. 28 | 2 p.m. House Ways and Means Health Subcommittee hearing on "Charting the Path Forward for Telehealth."
- Thursday, Apr. 29 | 10 a.m. Senate Appropriations Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Subcommittee hearing on "Diversifying On-Farm Income: Opportunities to Strengthen Rural America." 192 Dirksen.
- Thursday, Apr. 29 | 10 a.m. Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee hearing on "The Dignity of Work."
- Thursday, Apr. 29 | 12 p.m. House Financial Services Diversity and Inclusion Subcommittee hearing on "Closing the Racial and Gender Wealth Gap Through Compensation Equity."
- Thursday, Apr. 29 | 1 p.m. House Small Business Economic Growth, Tax and Capital Access Subcommittee hearing on "Supply Chain Resiliency and the Role of Small Manufacturers."
- Thursday, Apr. 29 | 1:30 p.m. House Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee hearing on "Advancing U.S. Economic Competitiveness, Equity, and Sustainability Through Infrastructure Investments."
- Friday, Apr. 30 | 2 p.m. House Education and Labor Workforce Protections Subcommittee hearing on "Protecting Workers from COVID-19: Monitoring the Status of OSHA's (Occupational Safety and Health Administration) Emergency Temporary Standard."

Schedule of Floor Activity:

- The Senate will be in Session this week.
- The House will be in Committee.