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**Schedules: White House and Congress**

**WHITE HOUSE**

- Biden travels to Scranton, Pa., today to speak at 5:15 p.m. at the Electric City Trolley Museum on his economic agenda.

**CONGRESS:**

- House lawmakers are scheduled to consider as many as 18 bills under expedited floor procedure.
  
- The Senate plans to vote on Biden’s nominee to be an Education Department assistant secretary before a procedural vote on Democrats’ bill to overhaul elections.

**Congressional, Health Policy, and Political News**

- **Bloomberg Government: ACA Extras Cost $553 Billion, Add Millions to Public Plans:** Obamacare enhancements at the core of Democrats’ health agenda would cost $553.2 billion and extend coverage to nearly 4 million Americans over a decade, according to a nonpartisan analysis by the Congressional Budget Office released yesterday. Enrollment in Medicaid and individual health plans subsidized by Obamacare would increase by 4 million and 3.6 million respectively, according to the report.

- **The New York Times: In A First, Surgeons Attached A Pig Kidney To A Human — And It Worked:** Surgeons in New York have successfully attached a kidney grown in a genetically altered pig to a human patient and found that the organ worked normally, a scientific breakthrough that one day may yield a vast new supply of organs for severely ill patients. Although many questions remain to be answered about the long-term consequences of the transplant, which involved a brain-dead patient followed only for 54 hours, experts in the field said the procedure represented a milestone.

- **Roll Call: Lawmakers Clash Over Surprise Billing Law’s Implementation:** Lawmakers who crafted last year’s law addressing surprise billing are once again at odds over policy particulars after the Biden administration issued a rule to implement the law in a manner that some say revives a congressional dispute. Certain members on Capitol Hill and influential voices in the health care industry that spent millions trying to influence the law are pushing the Biden administration to amend its surprise billing policies before the law takes effect on Jan. 1. But policy experts say the rule is unlikely to change significantly.
• **Modern Healthcare: HHS Proposes Withdrawing Trump 'Good Guidance' Rules:** The Biden administration on Tuesday announced plans to withdraw Trump-era rules that make it harder for regulators to punish individuals and organizations for not following Health and Human Services Department guidances. The rules, issued in the final months of the Trump administration, ban HHS from penalizing individuals and organizations for noncompliance with agency guidance and requires the agency only carry out civil enforcement actions using standards that are publicly stated. HHS proposed withdrawing the rules Tuesday, arguing it creates "unnecessary hurdles" to issuing guidance and bringing enforcement actions and is inconsistent with the goals of the Biden administration.

• **Bloomberg Government: Biden Pick for OSHA Head, Doug Parker, Moves Toward Senate Vote:** Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) has filed a motion to limit debate on the nomination of Doug Parker to head the Labor Department’s Occupational Safety and Health Administration, a move that is aimed to put him on a path to confirmation. Parker, who is head of the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health, was approved by the Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions committee by a vote of 13-9 on June 16. He is nominated to serve as assistant secretary of labor for occupational safety and health.

• **Bloomberg Government: Grand Jury Indicts House Republican:** Rep. Jeff Fortenberry (R-Neb.) was indicted in a U.S. investigation of a $30,000 campaign contribution he allegedly received from Lebanese-Nigerian billionaire Gilbert Chagoury. The Chagoury Group founder figured into a previous controversy over whether Hillary Clinton’s bid for the White House in 2016 was tainted by the non-profit Clinton Foundation’s acceptance of foreign contributions while she was secretary of state.

• **Bloomberg Government: Bidens Not Deemed Exposed After Mayorkas Tests Positive:** Biden and first lady Jill Biden aren’t considered close-contact exposures to Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas, who tested positive for Covid-19 three days after attending an outdoor event with them. Biden, who received his booster shot three weeks ago, isn’t considered at risk because his most recent encounter was more than 48 hours before his positive test and occurred outdoors, the White House said.