Tomorrow, three of President Trump’s Cabinet nominees will be voted on by Senate committees, and a fourth will have a hearing next week. JWI opposes these nominees – a vote for Sessions, Price, DeVos, or Puzder is a vote against women! Take a few minutes to call your Senators and ask them to vote against confirmation. Our country’s future depends on it!

SENATOR JEFF SESSIONS, nominee for Attorney General

Judiciary Committee Vote: Tuesday, January 31

Sessions has a troubling history of voting against victims and survivors, trying to restrict reproductive rights, and opposing civil rights protections. In 2013, Sessions was one of a handful of senators to vote against the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA). He has consistently opposed civil rights protections for LGBT people, and voted for numerous extreme anti-reproductive rights bills, including an unconstitutional 20-week abortion ban. Senator Sessions has proven time and again that he will not stand up for women, survivors of violence, and minorities.

REP. TOM PRICE, nominee for Secretary of Health and Human Services

Finance Committee Vote: Tuesday, January 31

Price is an opponent of reproductive rights who supports the defunding of Planned Parenthood, and has previously proposed severe cuts to Medicaid and CHIP, crucial government programs that support healthcare access for low-income women and children. Price supports repeal of the Affordable Care Act, which gave millions of low-income women access to healthcare and implemented crucial women’s health provisions, including bans on pre-existing conditions and gender discrimination in insurance pricing, and coverage for domestic violence screenings and contraception.
BETSY DEVOS, nominee for Secretary of Education

HELP Committee Vote: 
Tuesday, January 31

DeVos has little to no experience with public education, federal civil rights law, and other crucial areas overseen by the Department of Education. During her hearing, DeVos failed to competently respond to questions about education policy and refused to commit to enforcing current Title IX guidance. DeVos has also financially supported groups that are hostile to sexual violence survivors on campus.

ANDREW PUZDER, nominee for Secretary of Labor

HELP Committee Hearing: 
Tuesday, February 7

Puzder is the CEO of CKE Restaurants, the franchiser of Carl’s Jr. and Hardee’s restaurants. He has a long record of opposing worker protections, from minimum wage to paid sick days. CKE’s restaurants had higher-than-average rates of sexual harassment allegations while Puzder was CEO, with a shocking 66 percent of female employees surveyed reporting harassment. Puzder will not promote the safety of domestic and sexual violence survivors in the workplace, prevent and address sexual harassment, or support the economic security of working women.