

Senate Will Vote Monday on Walsh Nomination to be Labor Secretary

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As the US Senate prepares to vote on President Biden's secretary of labor nominee Marty Walsh, the business world should be preparing for sweeping changes to the nation's employment and labor laws and policies.

Bracewell's **Bob Nichols** told *Forbes* contributor Edward Segal back in January that the business community "...should expect abrupt and far-reaching changes to the administration of federal workplace laws and regulations. For instance, employers must be prepared for vigorous enforcement of requirements related to occupational safety and health, payment of overtime, proper administration of employee benefit plans, and affirmative action.

"The contrast with what businesses saw from Donald Trump and Secretary of Labor Eugene Scalia, will be pronounced and sometimes shocking for the business community. Beginning now, businesses need to be carefully re-examining their compliance with federal labor and employment laws," Nichols said.

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