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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2005

House Meets At	Last Vote Predicted At
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business	9:00 p.m.
Unlimited "One Minutes"	

** IMPORTANT VOTES ARE EXPECTED THIS WEEK AND MEMBER ATTENDANCE IS CRITICAL. PLEASE CALL THE WHIP'S OFFICE IF A MEMBER ANTICIPATES NOT BEING IN ATTENDANCE.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

The House will recess immediately after One Minutes and reconvene at 2:00 p.m. Votes will be suspended until 6:30 p.m.

Suspensions (13 bills):

- 1) H.Res. 261 Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services should be commended for implementing the Medicare demonstration project to assess the quality of care of cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy (Rep. Hall Energy and Commerce)
- 2) S. 1413 Colin L. Powell Residential Plaza Redesignation Act (Sen. Lugar Transportation and Infrastructure)
- **3) H.Con.Res. 161** Authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for an event to commemorate the 10th Anniversary of the Million Man March (Rep. Davis (IL) Transportation and Infrastructure)
- **4) S. 1786** A bill to authorize the Secretary of Transportation to make emergency airport improvement project grants-in-aid under title 49, United States Code, for repairs and costs related to damage from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita (Sen. Lott Transportation and Infrastructure)
- **5) H.Res. 15** Supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month (*Rep. Duncan Government Reform*)
- **H.Res. 276** Supporting the goals and ideals of Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month (*Rep. Platts Government Reform*)
- **H.Con.Res. 59** Recognizing the contributions of African-American basketball teams and players for their achievements, dedication, and contributions to the sport of basketball and to the Nation (*Rep. Kilpatrick Government Reform*)
- **8) H.R. 3439** Ava Gardner Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Etheridge Government Reform*)
- **9) H.R. 3894** Hurricane Katrina Emergency Housing Act of 2005 (*Rep. Alexander Financial Services*)
- **10)** H.R. 3895 Rural Housing Hurricane Relief Act of 2005 (Rep. Baker Financial Services)
- **11) H.R. 3896** Hurricane Katrina Emergency Relief CDBG Flexibility Act of 2005 (*Rep. Baker Financial Services*)
- **12) H.Con.Res. 248** Honoring the life and work of Simon Wiesenthal and reaffirming the commitment of Congress to the fight against anti-Semitism and intolerance in all forms, in all forums, and in all nations (*Rep. Waxman International Relations*)
- **13)** H.R.___ Social Services Emergency Relief and Recovery Act of 2005 (Rep. Deal Energy and Commerce)

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Conference Report on H.R. 2360 - Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for FY06 (*Rep. Rogers (KY*) - *Appropriations*) (*Subject to a Rule*). This conference report provides \$31.8 billion for operations and activities of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in fiscal year 2006. Highlights include: \$7.1 billion for Customs and Border Protection with \$1.1 billion allocated from user fees; \$3.4 billion for Immigration and Customs Enforcement with \$253 million allocated from user fees; \$3.9 billion for the Transportation Security Administration; \$2.6 billion for response and recovery activities by FEMA; \$4.03 billion for the Preparedness Directorate; \$7.79 billion for the Coast Guard; \$1.2 billion for the Secret Service; and \$1.5 billion for science and technology. Funding in the conference report reflects the Department of Homeland Security's reorganization proposed by Secretary Chertoff, specifically the creation of a new Preparedness Directorate, and also provides that the bulk of first-responder grants be distributed on the basis of risk of terrorist attacks, instead of population.

The Rules Committee has recommended a closed rule that provides for one hour of general debate and waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration.

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: on Friday, the House will consider **H.R. 3893 – Gasoline for America's Security Act of 2005** (Rep. Barton – Energy and Commerce) (Subject to a Rule).

Daily Quote...

"This bill is more about rewarding oil and gas companies that already are reaping record profits, and less about actually solving our energy problems. Nothing in this bill will reduce consumer energy prices or protect our economy against future price shocks."

- Karen Wayland, Legislative Director, Natural Resources Defense Council