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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Unlimited "One Minutes"	8:00 – 9:00 p.m.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

There will be a Members Only Briefing with Secretary of State Powell at 2:00 p.m. in HC-5.

H.Res. 686 - Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4548 - Intelligence Authorization Act for FY05 (Rep. Myrick/Rules). The Rules Committee has recommended a restrictive rule that provides for one hour of general debate; waives all points of order against consideration of the bill; and provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. **The Rule makes in order only 1 out of 5 amendments Intelligence committee Democrats requested and denies committee Democrats from offering critical amendments to fully fund counterterrorism needs. Therefore, Democrats are urged to VOTE NO on the Previous Question in order to allow consideration of the Peterson (MN) Amendment to fully fund the counterterrorism needs of the intelligence community by increasing by 100% the funds authorized to be appropriated in the Contingency Emergency Reserve, as specified in the classified portion of the bill.**

In addition, the Rule makes in order ten amendments to be considered in the following order:

- **Goss Amendment (10 minutes).** This amendment restores the authorization of funds for the National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC) to the level requested by the President in the fiscal year 2005 budget request (\$37.8 million).
- **Gallegly Amendment (20 minutes).** This amendment changes current law regarding designations of Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTO); replaces the requirement to formally re-designate FTOs every 2 years with a procedure allowing these groups to petition the Secretary at 2-year intervals to have their designation revoked; requires the Secretary to review the designation of each FTO every 6 years; establishes a new procedure for handling the situation in which a terrorist organization changes its name or uses new aliases; and requires that the State Department's annual report on terrorism include information on countries and FTOs that are seeking to obtain weapons of mass destruction.
- **Boehlert Amendment (20 minutes).** This amendment expresses the sense of Congress to: affirm that the world has been made safer with the dismantling and removal of Libya's weapons of mass destruction and the means to deliver them; acknowledge that this would not have been possible if not for the demonstrated resolve of the United States in the global war on terror and in the liberation of Iraq by United States and Coalition Forces; commend the President for having the courage to undertake those policies which persuaded Libya to agree to relinquish such weapons; and urge other countries such as Iran, Syria, and North Korea, to follow Libya's example and voluntarily dismantle their weapons of mass destruction and submit their programs to international inspections.
- **Johnson, Sam Amendment (20 minutes).** This amendment expresses the sense of Congress that the apprehension, detention, and interrogation of terrorists are fundamental to the successful prosecution of the Global War on Terror.
- **Rogers, Mike (MI) Amendment (20 Minutes).** This amendment expresses the sense of Congress in support of the efforts of the Intelligence Community.
- **Ackerman Amendment (10 minutes).** This amendment requires the Director of Central Intelligence to report to the appropriate committees of Congress regarding: the efforts of any Pakistani entity or individual to acquire or transfer weapons of mass destruction and related technologies or missile equipment and technology to any other nation, entity or individual; Pakistani steps to curb the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the means to deliver them; Pakistan steps to ensure that their own nuclear weapons are secure; an estimate of the size of the Pakistani fissile material stockpile; efforts by the government of Pakistan to fight al Qaeda, the Taliban, and other terrorist networks inside Pakistan; and efforts by the government of Pakistan to establish and strengthen democratic institutions in that country. Provides that the first report be due 90 days after the date of enactment and annually thereafter until April 1, 2009.
- **Shays Amendment (20 minutes).** This amendment expresses the sense of Congress that the head of each element of the Intelligence Community, including the Central Intelligence Agency, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the intelligence elements of the Department of Defense, the Department of State, and the Department of the Treasury should make available upon a request from a



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committee of Congress with jurisdiction over matters relating to the Office of the Iraq Oil-for-Food Program of the United Nations, any information and documents in the possession or control of such element in connection with any investigation of that Office by such a committee.

- **Kucinich Amendment (10 minutes).** This amendment directs the Inspector General of the Central Intelligence Agency to audit the evidence of the relationship, existing prior to September 11, 2001, between the regime of Saddam Hussein and al-Qaeda, referenced in all intelligence reporting, including products, briefings, and memoranda, distributed by the Central Intelligence Agency to the White House and Congress.
- **Simmons Amendment (10 minutes).** This amendment directs the Director of Central Intelligence to report to Congress on the progress the Intelligence Community is making in utilizing Open Source Intelligence (OSINT).
- **Reyes Amendment (20 minutes).** This amendment withholds 25% of the funds available to the Central Intelligence Agency Program, the General Defense Intelligence Program, the Joint Military Intelligence Program, and the Army Tactical Intelligence and Related Activities Program until the appropriate congressional committees receive all documents related to the handling and treatment of detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, Guantanamo Bay, and elsewhere.

Suspensions (7 bills):

- 1) **H.R. 4635** – Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2004, Part III (Rep. Young(AK)/ *Transportation and Infrastructure*)
- 2) **H.R. 4053** - United States International Leadership Act of 2004 (*Rep. Lantos / International Relations*)
- 3) **H.Con.Res. 460** - Regarding the Security of Israel and the Principles of Middle East Peace (*Reps. DeLay/Hoyer International Relations*)
- 4) **H.Res. 676** - Recognizing and honoring the 40th anniversary of congressional passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (*Rep. Norton / Judiciary*)
- 5) **H.R. 1731** - Identity Theft Penalty Enhancement Act (*Rep. Carter / Judiciary*)
- 6) **H.R. 218** - Law Enforcement Officers Safety Act of 2003 (*Rep. Cunningham / Judiciary*)
- 7) **H.R. 4345** - To amend title 38, United States Code, to increase the maximum amount of home loan guaranty available under the home loan guaranty program of the Department of Veterans Affairs (*Rep. Brown-Waite / Veterans' Affairs*)

H.R. 4548 - Intelligence Authorization Act for FY05 (Rep. Goss - House Intelligence) (Subject to a Rule).

This bill authorizes classified amounts for fourteen intelligence agencies including the CIA and the National Security Agency (NSA), and foreign intelligence activities of the Defense Department, State Department, Homeland Security Department, FBI and other agencies. This bill shortchanges counterterrorism intelligence, fails to fix clearly identified problems with intelligence, and ignores the trend toward less and less effective oversight. Regarding oversight issues, Democrats in the committee highlighted the need to determine: (1) what went wrong on the abuse of detainees; and (2) what was the true nature of the U.S. government's relationship with Ahmed Chalabi. Democrats unanimously opposed this bill in the Intelligence Committee.

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: On Thursday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to consider **H.Res. 685** – Revising the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2005, as it applies to the House of Representatives (*Rep. Obey / Budget Committee*) (Unanimous Consent Agreement); **H.R. 3973 - Spending Control Act of 2004** (*Rep. Nussle - Budget*) (Subject to a Rule); **H.Con.Res. ____** - Congratulating the interim government of Iraq on its assumption of full responsibility and authority as a sovereign government (*Rep. Hyde/International Relations*) (Subject to a Rule).

Daily Quote...

" Inserting the language into the popular Pentagon bill lets lawmakers sidestep a direct vote on boosting the legal limit on government borrowing, now at \$7.4 trillion. Many Republicans are eager to avoid such a specific vote as November's elections near, especially at a time of record annual federal deficits... Congress approved a \$984 billion debt ceiling boost in May 2003, the largest ever, and a \$450 billion increase in June 2002. Before that, the cap was not increased since 1997, thanks to the four-year string of annual budget surpluses under Clinton."

- Associated Press today