



Thursday, February 14, 2008

Votes Predicted At
Last Vote: ???

Any anticipated Member absences for votes this week should be reported to the Office of the Majority Whip at 226-3210.

Floor Schedule and Procedure

- H. Res. 982 providing for adoption of H. Res. 979 -- Recommending that the House of Representatives find Harriet Miers and Joshua Bolten, Chief of Staff, White House, in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with subpoenas duly issued by the Committee on the Judiciary. H. Res. 980 -- Authorizing the Committee on the Judiciary to initiate or intervene in judicial proceedings to enforce certain subpoenas (Rep. Slaughter-Rules): The rule provides that upon adoption of the rule, House Resolution 979 and House Resolution 980 are hereby adopted. Debate on the rule will be managed by Rules Committee Chair Rep. Louise Slaughter, and consideration will proceed as follows:
 - One hour of debate on the rule.
 - Possible vote on a Democratic Motion ordering the previous question. Democrats are urged to vote yes.
 - Vote on adoption of the rule. Democrats are urged to vote yes.
- H. Res. 983 Waiving a Requirement of Clause 6(a) of Rule XIII With Respect to Consideration of Certain Resolutions Reported from the Committee on Rules, Providing for Consideration of Motions to Suspend the Rules (Rep. Arcuri-Rules): The rule waives clause 6(a) of rule XIII (requiring a two-thirds vote to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Rules Committee) against certain resolutions reported from the Rules Committee. The rule applies the waiver to any resolution reported on the legislative day of February 14, 2008, providing for consideration of any bill related to foreign intelligence surveillance. The rule provides that certain specified measures may be considered under suspension of the rules at any time on the legislative day of Thursday, February 14, 2008. Debate on the rule will be managed by Rep. Arcuri, and consideration will proceed as follows:
 - One hour of debate on the rule.

- Possible vote on a Democratic Motion ordering the previous question. Democrats are urged to vote yes.
- Vote on adoption of the rule. Democrats are urged to vote yes.
- <u>Possible consideration of Legislation Regarding the Foreign</u> Intelligence Surveillance Act.

• Postponed Suspension Votes:

- 1) H.Res. 966- Honoring African American inventors, past and present, for their leadership, courage, and significant contributions to our national competitiveness (Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson Science and Technology)
- 2) H.R. 1834 National Ocean Exploration Program Act (Rep. Saxton Science and Technology)
- 3) S. 2571 To make technical corrections to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (Sen. Harkin – Agriculture)
- 4) H.Con. Res. 289 Honoring and praising the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People on the occasion of its 99th anniversary (Rep. Al Green Judiciary)
- 5) H.R. 4169 American Braille Flag Memorial Act (Rep. Tiahrt Veterans' Affairs)
- 6) H.Res 790 Commending the people of the State of Washington for showing their support for the needs of the State of Washington's veterans and encouraging residents of other States to pursue creative ways to show their own support for veterans (Rep. Baird –Veterans' Affairs)
- 7) H.Res. 963 Supporting the goals and ideals of National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, and for other purposes. (Rep. Rodriguez Veterans' Affairs)
- 8) H.Res. 972 Supporting the Goals and Ideals of American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day (Rep. Capps –Energy and Commerce)

Quote of the Day

"It is only in the United States that a penniless survivor of the Holocaust and a fighter in the anti-Nazi underground could have received an education, raised a family, and had the privilege of serving the last three decades of his life as a Member of Congress. I will never be able to express fully my profoundly felt gratitude to this great country." -Chairman Tom Lantos (1928-2008)