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**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2006**

House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Ten "One Minutes" Per Side	8:30 - 9:30 p.m.

*(271<sup>st</sup> Calendar Day of the Year – 80<sup>th</sup> Voting Day of the Year – 1 Voting Day until Target Adjournment)***FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY**

**\*\* MEMBERS ARE URGED TO SIGN THE BARROW DISCHARGE PETITION (#16)** to force consideration of legislation by Reps. Peterson (MN), Etheridge, and Herseth, [H.R.5099](#), regarding emergency agriculture disaster assistance.

**\*\* MEMBERS ARE URGED TO SIGN THE LOWEY DISCHARGE PETITION (#17)** on [H.R. 5147](#) to hold seniors harmless on the surcharges imposed by the Prescription Drug bill.

[H.Res. 1045](#) - Rule providing for consideration of Motions to Suspend the Rules (*Rep. Putnam - Rules*). The Rule provides that it shall be in order at any time through the legislative day of September 29, 2006 for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules.

[H.Res. 1046](#) - Martial Law Rule (*Rep. Hastings (WA) - Rules*). The Rule provides for same-day consideration of rules for the following three bills: 1) a bill to authorize trial by military commission for violations of the law of war; 2) a bill to update the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978; and 3) a conference report on [H.R. 5441](#) – FY07 Homeland Security Appropriations bill.

H.Res. \_\_\_\_ - Rule providing for consideration of [H.R. 5825](#) - Electronic Surveillance Modernization Act (*Rules*).

[H.R. 5825](#) – Electronic Surveillance Modernization Act (*Rep. Wilson (NM) - Judiciary*) (*Subject to a Rule*). This bill amends the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) and would allow the government to monitor electronic conversations between suspected foreign terrorists and U.S. citizens for varying periods of time without obtaining a warrant from the court established for precisely that purpose by FISA. The bill authorizes the president to conduct warrantless electronic surveillance for up to 90 days if an "armed" or "terrorist" attack against the U.S. has occurred, or if there is an "imminent threat" that it is likely to cause death or widespread harm in the country. The bill would also institute a new broad definition of "electronic surveillance" and require notification to the House and Senate Intelligence Committees of warrantless surveillance under certain circumstances. The Intelligence and Judiciary Committees reported different versions of this bill, although the version of [H.R. 5825](#) expected to be considered on the floor today which was presented last night, is closer to the Intelligence Committee's text.

**Suspensions (29 bills):**

- 1) [H.R. 6198](#) - To hold the current regime in Iran accountable for its threatening behavior and to support a transition to democracy in Iran (*Rep. Ros-Lehtinen - International Relations*)
- 2) [H.R. 6162](#) - Secure Border Initiative Financial Accountability Act of 2006 (*Rep. Rogers (AL) - Homeland Security*)
- 3) [H.R. 5574](#) - Children`s Hospital GME Support Reauthorization Act of 2006 (*Rep. Deal - Energy and Commerce*)
- 4) [H.R. 6143](#) - Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Modernization Act of 2006 (*Rep. Bono - Energy and Commerce*)
- 5) [H.R. 5418](#) - To establish a pilot program in certain United States district courts to encourage enhancement of expertise in patent cases among district judges (*Rep. Issa - Judiciary*)
- 6) [H.R. 6197](#) - Older Americans Act Amendments of 2006 (*Rep. Tiberi - Education and the Workforce*)
- 7) [H.R. 5681](#) - Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2006 (*Rep. Young (AK) - Transportation and Infrastructure*)
- 8) [S. 2464](#) - Fort McDowell Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Revision Act of 2006 (*Sen. McCain - Resources*)
- 9) [H.R. 4545](#) - To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Los Angeles County Water Supply Augmentation Demonstration Project, and for other purposes (*Rep. Linda Sanchez - Resources*)
- 10) [H.R. 4846](#) - To authorize a grant for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library (*Rep. Goodlatte - Government Reform*)
- 11) [S. 2146](#) - A bill to extend relocation expenses test programs for Federal employees (*Sen. Collins - Government Reform*)



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- 12) [H.Con.Res. 473](#) - Supporting the goals and ideals of Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month (*Rep. Issa - Government Reform*)
- 13) [H.Res. 402](#) - Supporting the goals and ideals of Infant Mortality Awareness Month (*Rep. Burgess - Government Reform*)
- 14) [H.Res. 748](#) - Recognizing the 225th anniversary of the American and French victory at Yorktown, Virginia, during the Revolutionary War (*Rep. Jo Ann Davis - Government Reform*)
- 15) [H.Con.Res. 222](#) - Supporting the goals and ideals of National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day (*Rep. Latham - Government Reform*)
- 16) [H.Res. 991](#) - Congratulating the Columbus Northern Little League Baseball Team from Columbus, Georgia, on its victory in the 2006 Little League World Series Championship games (*Rep. Westmoreland - Government Reform*)
- 17) [H.R. 5108](#) - Lance Corporal Robert A. Martinez Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Poe - Government Reform*)
- 18) [H.R. 6075](#) - Robert J. Thompson Post Office Building (*Rep. Pitts - Government Reform*)
- 19) [H.R. 6078](#) - Chuck Fortenberry Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Brady (TX) - Government Reform*)
- 20) [H.R. 4720](#) - Beverly J. Wilson Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Doolittle - Government Reform*)
- 21) [H.R. 6151](#) - Hamilton H. Judson Post Office Designation Act (*Rep. Kline - Government Reform*)
- 22) [H.R. 5736](#) - Vincent J. Whibbs, Sr. Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Miller (FL) - Government Reform*)
- 23) [S. 3757](#) - Katherine Dunham Post Office Building Designation Act (*Sen. Obama - Government Reform*)
- 24) [H.R. 1472](#) - Tito Puente Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Rangel - Government Reform*)
- 25) [H.Res. 973](#) - Recognizing Financial Planning Week (*Rep. Hinojosa - Government Reform*)
- 26) [H.R. 5989](#) - John J. Sinde Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Davis (IL) - Government Reform*)
- 27) [H.R. 5990](#) - Wallace W. Sykes Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Davis (IL) - Government Reform*)
- 28) [S. 3613](#) - Major George Quamo Post Office Building Designation Act (*Sen. Clinton - Government Reform*)
- 29) [S. 3187](#) - Richard L. Cevoli Post Office Designation Act (*Sen. Reed - Government Reform*)

Motion to go to Conference on [H.R. 4954](#) – **SAFE Port Act** (*Rep. Lungren – Homeland Security*). Democratic Motion to Instruct Conferees.

## TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: on Friday, the House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business and may consider numerous bills under Suspension of the Rules. The House will also consider: [H.R. 4772](#) - **Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 2006**; [H.R. 5441](#) – **Homeland Security Appropriations Conference Report**; [H.R. 5122](#) – **National Defense Authorization Conference Report**; and may consider a **Military Commissions Act**.

### Daily Quote...

"It's just a different atmosphere. The enthusiasm isn't there. In 2004, we had 950 volunteers [to help spur voter turnout]. They just believed in George W. Bush. This year, we have maybe 150, tops. I'll ask people if they can make phone calls or go door-to-door and they'll say, 'Um, let me check my schedule.'"

- Scott Owens, executive director of the Republican Party in Butler County, Ohio, describing mood of Republican voters in this battleground state in a *Bloomberg News* story this morning