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THURSDAY, JUNE 8, 2006

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

(159th Calendar Day of the Year – 41st Voting Day of the Year – 51 Voting Days until Target Adjournment)

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

<u>H.Res. 851</u> - Rule providing for consideration of <u>H.R. 5522</u> Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs. The Rules Committee has recommended an open Rule that provides one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Under the rule, amendments that do not require waivers of points of order will be considered under the five-minute rule.

<u>H.Res. 850</u> - Rule providing for consideration of <u>H.R. 5252</u> - Communications

Opportunity, Promotion, and Enhancement Act of 2006. The Rules Committee has recommended a rule that provides one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also makes in order eight amendments with all but one debatable for 10 minutes each:

- > Barton Manager's Amendment.
- ➤ **Jackson-Lee Amendment**. To reduce the public, educational, and governmental (PEG) channels payment from 1% to .5% for cable operators that are small businesses operated by women or socially and economically disadvantaged persons.
- ➤ **Wynn Amendment**. To allow a local franchising authority to issue an order requiring compliance with FCC consumer protection rules.
- **Eddie Bernice Johnson Amendment**. To increase the maximum penalty from \$500,000 to \$750,000 against cable operators that discriminate against consumers based on their income.
- **Rush Amendment**. To establish a process through which local franchise authorities and national franchisees can resolve fee disputes.
- > Smith (TX) Amendment. To clarify that this bill does not affect the applicability of antitrust laws to cases involving network neutrality.
- Markey/Boucher/Eshoo/Inslee Amendment (20 minutes). To seek to restore important non-discrimination requirements enforced by the FCC from the inception of the Internet until August of 2005.
- > Gutknecht/Stupak/John Peterson/Boyd/Herseth/Skelton Amendment. To preserve the ability of the FCC to require Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) providers to pay appropriate compensation for their voice traffic to the Universal Service Fund.

H.R. 5522 – Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act for FY07 (*Rep. Kolbe – Appropriations*) (*Subject to a Rule*). This bill provides \$21.3 billion including: \$4.7 billion for military assistance (\$2.5 billion for Israel, and \$1.8 billion for Egypt); \$1.63 billion for multilateral economic assistance (\$1 billion for the World Bank, \$115 million for the Asian Development Bank, \$328 million for International Organizations); \$15.47 billion for bilateral economic assistance (\$2.65 billion for the Economic Support Fund, \$3.26 billion for the Development Assistance Fund, \$1.57 billion for the Child Survival Fund, \$2 billion for the Millennium Challenge Corporation, \$507 million for the Andean Counterdrug Initiative; and \$750

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million for Migration and Refugee Assistance). This bill provides a total of \$3.4 billion for global assistance to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria; \$522 million for a new initiative designed to provide incentives for countries to embrace free trade policies -- the Trade Capacity Enhancement Fund; and \$450 million for humanitarian relief efforts in Sudan.

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: on Friday, the House will meet at 9:00 a.m. and will consider <u>H.R. 5252</u> - Communications Opportunity, Promotion, and Enhancement Act of 2006; and may also consider the Conference Report on <u>H.R. 4939</u> – Emergency Supplemental Act.

Daily Quote...

"Of the many remaining threats to national security, the greatest is nuclear material still unsecured in Russia and other places outside the United States, the chairman and vice chairman of the 9/11 Commission told a House panel Tuesday...Finding and securing radioactive material outside the United States is at the top of a list of commission recommendations that still have not been addressed, they said. Six months ago, the commission gave failing grades to efforts to counteract terrorism since the panel issued its findings last December."

- From CongressDailyAM this morning