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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
11:30 a.m.: Legislative Business Ten "One Minutes" Per Side	1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

Motion to go to Conference on H.R. 3108 - Pension Funding Equity Act of 2003. Democratic Motion to Instruct.

H.R. 3752 - Commercial Space Launch Amendments Act of 2004 (*Rep. Rohrabacher - Science*) (*Modified Open Rule*). This bill amends federal law to specify that the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through the Office for Commercial Space Transportation is to regulate commercial human space flight. Provisions in this bill include: giving FAA the authority to approve launch and re-entry vehicles, safety systems, and personnel; providing for the issuance of experimental permits (including permits for reusable suborbital rockets) allowing for an unlimited number of launches; directing FAA to issue regulations for crew relating to training and medical condition; and requiring FAA to issue regulations for space flight participants (requirements are limited to space flight participants being informed of the risks of their participation). This bill also extends for three years the existing liability indemnification regime for the entire commercial space transportation industry (including licensed, non-experimental commercial human space launches) and requires the FAA to arrange for a study of how best to gradually eliminate the liability risk sharing regime for commercial space transportation.

The Rule adopted yesterday provides one hour of general debate and makes in order only those amendments to the bill that are pre-printed in the Congressional Record.

Postponed Suspension Votes (2 bills):

- 1) H.Res. 412** - Honoring the men and women of the Drug Enforcement Administration on the occasion of its 30th Anniversary (*Rep. Souder - Judiciary*)
- 2) H.Res. 56** - Supporting the goals of the Japanese American, German American, and Italian American communities in recognizing a National Day of Remembrance to increase public awareness of the events surrounding the restriction, exclusion, and internment of individuals and families during World War II (*Rep. Honda - Judiciary*)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: On Friday, no votes are expected in the House.

Daily Quote...

"While the ad projects the president's concern for ordinary Americans in a struggling economy, it is striking in its lack of specifics. There is no mention of Bush's tax cuts, his No Child Left Behind law or his prescription-drug program, perhaps in tacit recognition that these are not viewed as having produced much progress."

- *The Washington Post*, Today