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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2004

| House Meets At... | Last Vote Predicted At... |
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| 12:30 p.m.: Morning Hour 2:00 p.m.: Legislative Business Unlimited "One Minutes" | 7:00 p.m. |

**** DEMOCRATS ARE URGED TO SIGN THE LEE-SANDERS-CAPUANO DISCHARGE PETITION (#11) TO PROVIDE AFFORDABLE HOUSING.**

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

Votes will be postponed until 6:30 p.m.

Suspensions (38 bills):

- 1) **S. 2363** – To revise and extend the Boys and Girls Clubs of America (*Sen. Hatch – Judiciary*)
- 2) **H.R. 4319** – Title 46 Codification Act of 2004 (*Rep. Sensenbrenner – Judiciary*)
- 3) **H.R. 4077** – Piracy Deterrence and Education Act of 2004 (*Rep. Smith (TX) / Judiciary*)
- 4) **H.Res. 752** – Expressing continued support for the construction of the Victims of Communism Memorial (*Rep. Shimkus – Resources*)
- 5) **H.R. 3954** – Rancho El Cajon Boundary Reconciliation Act (*Rep. Hunter – Resources*)
- 6) **H.R. 4066** – Chickasaw National Recreation Area Land Exchange Act of 2004 (*Rep. Cole – Resources*)
- 7) **H.R. 4469** – Angel Island Immigration Station Restoration and Preservation Act (*Rep. Woolsey – Resources*)
- 8) **H.R. 4579** – Truman Farm Home Expansion Act (*Rep. McCarthy {MO} – Resources*)
- 9) **H.R. 4596** – To amend Public Law 97-435 to extend the authorization for the Secretary of the Interior to release certain conditions contained in a patent concerning certain land conveyed by the United States to Eastern Washington University until December 31, 2009 (*Rep. Nethercutt – Resources*)
- 10) **H.R. 4683** – Gullah/Geechee Cultural Heritage Act (*Rep. Clyburn – Resources*)
- 11) **H.R. 4808** – To provide for a land exchange involving private land and Bureau of Land Management land in the vicinity of Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico, for the purpose of removing private land from the required safety zone surrounding munitions storage bunkers at Holloman Air Force Base (*Rep. Pearce – Resources*)
- 12) **S. 643** – Hibben Center Act (*Sen. Domenici – Resources*)
- 13) **S. 1687** – Manhattan Project National Historical Park Study Act of 2003 (*Sen. Bingaman – Resources*)
- 14) **S. 2052** – El Camino Real de los Tejas National Historic Trail Act of 2004 (*Sen. Hutchison – Resources*)
- 15) **H.R. 3247** – Trail Responsibility and Accountability for the Improvement of Lands Act or TRAIL Act (*Rep. Tancredo – Resources*)
- 16) **H.R. 4617** – To amend the Small Tracts Act to facilitate the exchange of small tracts of land (*Rep. Doolittle – Resources*)
- 17) **H.R. 4827** – To amend the Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area and Black Ridge Canyons Wilderness Act of 2000 to rename the Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area as the McInnis Canyons National Conservation Area (*Rep. Walden – Resources*)
- 18) **H.R. 4838** – Healthy Forests Youth Conservation Corps Act of 2004 (*Rep. Walden / Resources*)
- 19) **S. 1537** – To direct the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the New Hope Cemetery Association certain land in the State of Arkansas for use as a cemetery (*Sen. Lincoln – Resources*)
- 20) **S. 1778** – Craig Recreation Land Purchase Act (*Sen. Murkowski – Resources*)
- 21) **S. 2180** – Arapaho and Roosevelt National Forests Land Exchange Act of 2004 (*Sen. Campbell – Resources*)
- 22) **H.R. 3210** – Little Butte/Bear Creek Subbasins Water Feasibility Act (*Rep. Walden – Resources*)
- 23) **H.R. 3597** – To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study on the Alder Creek water storage and conservation project in El Dorado County, California (*Rep. Doolittle – Resources*)
- 24) **H.R. 4606** – Southern California Groundwater Remediation Act (*Rep. Baca – Resources*)
- 25) **H.R. 5009** – Montana Water Contracts Extension Act of 2004 (*Rep. Rehberg – Resources*)
- 26) **H.R. 5016** – To extend the water service contract for the Ainsworth Unit, Sandhills Division, Pick-Sloan Missouri Basin Program, Nebraska (*Rep. Osborne – Resources*)
- 27) **S. 2508** – To redesignate the Ridges Basin Reservoir, Colorado, as Lake Nighthorse (*Sen. Domenici – Resources*)
- 28) **H.J.Res. 102** – Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Battle of Peleliu and the end of Imperial Japanese control of Palau during World War II and urging the Secretary of the Interior to work to protect the historic sites of the Peleliu Battlefield National Historic Landmark and to



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establish commemorative programs honoring the Americans who fought there (*Rep. Flake – Resources*)

- 29) H.Res. 737** – Recognizing the 60th anniversary of the Liberation of Guam during World War II (*Del. Bordallo – Resources*)
- 30) H.R. 2941** – Colorado River Indian Reservation Boundary Correction Act (*Rep. Grijalva – Resources*)
- 31) H.R. 3479** – Brown Tree Snake Control and Eradication Act of 2003 (*Del. Bordallo – Resources*)
- 32) H.R. 4657** – District of Columbia Retirement Protection Improvement Act of 2004 (*Rep. Tom Davis – Government Reform*)
- 33) H.R. 4046** – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 555 West 180th Street in New York, New York, as the "Sergeant Riayan A. Tejada Post Office" (*Rep. Rangel – Government Reform*)
- 34) H.Con.Res. 461** – Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the importance of life insurance, and recognizing and supporting National Life Insurance Awareness Month (*Rep. Biggert – Government Reform*)
- 35) H.R. 5027** – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 411 Midway Avenue in Mascotte, Florida, as the "Specialist Eric Ramirez Post Office" (*Rep. Brown-Waite – Government Reform*)
- 36) H.R. 5133** – To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 11110 Sunset Hills Road in Reston, Virginia, as the "Martha Pennino Post Office Building" (*Rep. Moran {VA} – Government Reform*)
- 37) H.Res. 784** – Commending the resiliency of the people of the State of Florida and the work of those individuals who have assisted with the recovery efforts after the devastation caused by Hurricanes Charley, Frances, and Ivan (*Rep. Foley – Government Reform*)
- 38) H.R. 5147** – Evan Asa Ashcraft Post Office Building Designation Act (*Rep. Waxman / Government Reform*)

Motion to go to conference on H.R. 4200 – Department of Defense Authorization Bill for FY05. Motion to Instruct Conferees. Democrats will offer a motion that instructs the conferees to include in the conference report the Hate Crimes/Local Law Enforcement Enhancement bill which the Senate added to its version of the DOD bill. This motion to instruct is supported by Ranking Member Skelton. The Hate Crimes bill will provide assistance to state and local law enforcement officials to investigate and prosecute hate crimes and expands existing federal authority to permit a wider range of investigations and prosecutions. The bill strengthens the current federal hate crimes law by covering violent crimes based on race, color, religion, national origin, disability, gender, and sexual orientation. In 2000, the House adopted a similar motion to instruct conferees on the DOD bill to accept the Senate-passed hate crimes bill by a bi-partisan vote of 232-192 (all but 11 Democrats supported the motion). Unfortunately, the hate crimes provision was dropped in conference at the insistence of the Republican Leadership. In the current Congress, there are 177 bi-partisan cosponsors of the hate crimes legislation. **Democrats are urged to VOTE YES.**

Motion to go to conference on H.R. 4520 – FSC/ETI Bill. Motion to Instruct Conferees. The motion instructs conferees to: 1) remove the provisions that provide incentives to move jobs overseas; 2) retain provisions that help domestic manufacturers create jobs in the U.S. by reducing corporate tax rates for domestic production; and 3) produce a revenue-neutral conference report so as to not add to record-high and growing deficits. The motion also urges conferees to hold open meetings of the full conference committee and to complete their work before the election in order to allow full, bipartisan participation and to prevent additional escalation of the tariffs against U.S. products that the GOP has allowed to grow to 11%. **Democrats are urged to VOTE YES.**

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: On Wednesday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House will consider eleven bills under Suspension of the Rules and will also consider: **H.R. 3193 – District of Columbia Personal Protection Act** (*Rep. Souder – Government Reform*) (*Subject to a Rule*). In addition, the House may consider **H.R. _____ - Continuing Resolution FY05 and H.R. _____ - Short-Term Extension of Transportation Authorization.**

Daily Quote...

"Nationwide, workers' costs for health insurance have risen by 36 percent since 2000, dwarfing the average 12.4 percent increase in earnings since President Bush took office . . . The number of Americans spending more than a quarter of their income on medical costs climbed from 11.6 million in 2000 to 14.3 million this year."

- A story in *The Washington Post* today regarding a new report on health costs by Families USA