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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Unlimited "One Minutes"	6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

H.R. 2862 – Science and Departments of State, Justice, Commerce, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for FY06 (*Rep. Wolf – Appropriations*) (*Complete Consideration*). This bill provides \$57.45 billion, an amount approximately \$1.2 billion above the FY05 level. Funding highlights of this bill include: \$21.67 billion for the Department of Justice; \$5.82 billion for the Department of Commerce; \$9.66 billion for the Department of State; \$16.47 billion for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration; \$5.64 billion for the National Science Foundation; \$863 million for the Securities and Exchange Commission; \$289 million for the Federal Communications Commission; \$589 million for the Small Business Administration; \$331 million for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; \$211 million for the Federal Trade Commission; and \$330 million for the Legal Services Corporation. This bill calls for deep cuts to important programs that help strengthen States and local communities. Compared to last year's levels, the law enforcement grants are cut by \$400 and the Economic Development Assistance program is cut by \$53 million.

Yesterday, the House completed general debate and considered several amendments. Today, the House will consider 37 additional amendments under the unanimous consent agreement reached last night. All but 7 of these amendments are debatable for 10 minutes:

- **Chocola Amendment.** Regarding NASA funds for any individual with the title "artist in residence."
- **Hefley Amendment.** To cut 1% of total discretionary funds provided in this bill.
- **Paul Amendment.** Regarding U.S. contributions to the UN or any UN affiliated agency.
- **Paul Amendment.** Regarding UN efforts to develop, publicize, implement, or impose a tax or fee on U.S. citizens to raise revenue for the UN or any of its agencies.
- **Stearns Amendment.** To prohibit funds in this bill for the design, construction or rental of any new headquarters for the UN in New York City or any other location in the U.S.
- **Tancredo Amendment.** To prohibit the use of State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAP) funds in the bill by any state or local government entity that restricts its officials from transmitting information regarding an individual's citizenship or immigration status to the Department of Homeland Security. **VOTE NO**
- **Tancredo Amendment.** To prohibit funds in this bill to be used to include in any trade agreement provisions that would increase the number of aliens permitted into the U.S. as non-immigrants or permanent residents.
- **Hostettler Amendment.** To prohibit funds in this bill to enforce a recent ruling by the U.S. District Court in southern Indiana (*Russelburg v. Gibson County*) regarding the removal of a monument representing the Ten Commandments.
- **Cleaver Amendment (15 minutes).** To prohibit funds in this bill to be used to process a competition under OMB Circular A-76 (outsourcing) for services provided by NOAA's National Logistics Support.
- **Maloney Amendment (20 minutes).** To prohibit funds in this bill be used to enforce any provision of law that restricts or prohibits funding for the United Nations Population Fund.
- **Wolf Amendment.** Regarding funding levels in the bill.
- **Hinchey Amendment (30 minutes).** To prohibit funds in this bill to prosecute individuals who use medical marijuana in those states that legally permit it --- Alaska, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Maine, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Vermont and Washington.
- **Markey Amendment (15 minutes).** Regarding U.S. commitment to the UN Convention Against Torture.
- **Nadler Amendment (15 minutes).** To prohibit any funds from being used to issue a "national security letter" to health insurance companies under any of the provisions amended by Section 505 of the PATRIOT Act. Currently, under Section 505 of the PATRIOT Act, the FBI is authorized to issue self-authorized secret national security letters to health insurance providers, which allows secret seizure of highly personal medical information.
- **Sanders Amendment (40 minutes).** To prohibit the FBI from using Section 215 of the Patriot Act to access library circulation records, library patron lists, book sales records, or book customer lists. **VOTE YES**
- **Schiff Amendment.** Regarding grants to states that do not collect DNA from convicted felons.
- **Cardin Amendment.** Regarding WTO action against China for currency manipulation.
- **Mica Amendment.** Regarding economic officer positions at the State Department.



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- **Shimkus/Eshoo Amendment.** Regarding funding for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.
- **Inslee Amendment.** Regarding NOAA's Coastal Zone Management Program.
- **Fossella/King (NY) Amendment.** To require the US Interests Section in Havana to announce the names of fugitives believed to be in Cuba and any rewards for their capture.
- **Flake Amendment.** Regarding educational cultural exchanges.
- **Flake Amendment (20 minutes).** Regarding goods to Cuba.
- **Jackson-Lee Amendment.** To prohibit funds in this bill to be used to fund state or local anti-drug task forces that do not collect and make available data on the racial distribution of convictions made as result of those operations.
- **Jackson-Lee Amendment.** To prohibit funds in this bill to be used to issue "affirmances" (to affirm the result of a decision by an immigration judge) by members of the Board of Immigration Appeals without a written opinion.
- **Moran (VA) Amendment.** Regarding licenses to export firearms.
- **Musgrave Amendment.** To reduce \$250,000 from the FBI's entertainment office and increase funding by \$250,000 for FBI counterterrorism investigations.
- **Otter Amendment.** Regarding delaying notice on search warrants.
- **King (IA) Amendment.** Regarding receiving and providing information to the federal government on the immigration status of an individual.
- **Schiff Amendment.** To express the sense of Congress that all necessary steps should be taken to provide adequate security for the judiciary.
- **Jackson-Lee Amendment.** Regarding safety reports of the NASA Space Shuttle program and the International Space Station.
- **Jones (OH) Amendment.** Regarding the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.
- **Moore (WI) Amendment.** Regarding funds to the SBA for salaries and expenses.
- **Weiner Amendment.** To provide \$147 million for the COPS program and restore it to its FY01 level. This increase is offset by reducing funds for National Science Foundation research.
- **Hayworth Amendment.** To cut the U.S. contributions to the UN Regular Budget by 50%.
- **McDermott Amendment.** Regarding the prosecution of individuals traveling to Cuba.
- **Reyes Amendment.** To express that Congress urges the State Department to assist Mexican authorities in identifying several unidentified victims through forensic analysis.

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: on Thursday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to consider **H.R. 2863** - Department of Defense Appropriations Act for FY06 (*Rep. Young (FL) - Appropriations Committee*) (*Subject to a Rule*); and **H.R. 2745** - United Nations Reform Act of 2005 (*Rep. Hyde - International Relations Committee*) (*Subject to a Rule*).

Daily Quote...

"Our core problem in Iraq remains Donald Rumsfeld's disastrous decision - endorsed by President Bush - to invade Iraq on the cheap. From the day the looting started, it has been obvious that we did not have enough troops there. We have never fully controlled the terrain. Almost every problem we face in Iraq today - the rise of ethnic militias, the weakness of the economy, the shortages of gas and electricity, the kidnappings, the flight of middle-class professionals - flows from not having gone into Iraq with the Powell Doctrine of overwhelming force."

- Tom Friedman in the *New York Times* this morning