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

* DEMOCRATS ARE URGED TO SIGN THE HILL DISCHARGE PETITION TO ALLOW CONSIDERATION OF THE BIPARTISAN MANUFACTURING TAX BILL. 163 MEMBERS HAVE SIGNED ON. CHECK THE CLERK'S WEBSITE TO SEE IF YOUR MEMBER HAS SIGNED ON: (http://clerk.house.gov/108/lrc/pd/petitions/Dis5.htm)

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

H.Res. 561 - Rule providing for consideration of H.Res. 557 - Relating to the liberation of the Iraqi people and the valiant service of the United States Armed Forces and Coalition forces (*Rep. Dreier / Rules Committee*). The Rules Committee has recommended a closed rule that provides four hours of general debate; provides one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions; and provides that during consideration of the resolution, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the resolution to a time designated by the Speaker.

Suspensions (2 bills):

- **1) H.R. 3782** Counter-Terrorist and Narco-Terrorist Rewards Program Act (*Rep. Hyde International Relations*)
- **2) H.Con.Res. 364** To recognize more than 5 decades of strategic partnership between the United States and the people of the Marshall Islands in the pursuit of international peace and security (*Rep. Pombo International Relations*)

H.Res. 557 - Relating to the liberation of the Iraqi people and the valiant service of the United States Armed Forces and Coalition forces (Rep. Hyde - International Relations / Armed Services) (Subject to a Rule). This resolution states that the House of Representatives: (1) affirms that the United States and the world have been made safer with the removal of Saddam Hussein and his regime from power in Iraq; (2) commends the Iraqi people for their courage in the face of unspeakable oppression and brutality inflicted on them by Saddam Hussein's regime; (3) commends the Iraqi people on the adoption of Iraq's interim constitution; and (4) commends the members of the United States Armed Forces and Coalition forces for liberating Iraq and expresses its gratitude for their valiant service.

Postponed Suspension Vote (1 bill)

1) H.J.Res. 87 - Honoring the life and legacy of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and recognizing his contributions on the anniversary of the date of his birth (Rep. Slaughter - Government Reform)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: On Thursday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. to consider: **H.R. 1375 - Financial Services Regulatory Relief Act** (Rep. Capito - Financial Services / Judiciary) (Subject to a Rule)

Daily Quote...

"The Republican majority began with the whole reform movement, going after the House bank and all that. We were great reformers, we were going to have the ethical standards. [Today] it's not a very pretty picture with the House."

- Former House Majority Leader Dick Armey (R-TX), regarding the litany of House Republicans' alleged ethical transgressions, in *The Washington Post* today