



# The Daily Whip

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

## FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

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

### Suspensions (6 bills):

- 1) H.Res. 218** – Congratulating charter schools and their students, parents, teachers, and administrators across the United States for their ongoing contributions to education (*Rep. Porter – Education & the Workforce*)
- 2) H.Res. 216** – To honor the late playwright Arthur Miller and the University of Michigan for its intention of building a theatre in his name (*Rep. Schwarz – Education & the Workforce*)
- 3) H.Res. 228** – Honoring the contributions of Vietnamese Americans to American Society over the past three decades (*Rep. Tom Davis – International Relations*)
- 4) H.Con.Res. 127** – Calling on the Government of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to transfer Charles Ghankay Taylor, former President of the Republic of Liberia, to the Special Court for Sierra Leone to be tried for war crimes, crimes against humanity, and other serious violations of international humanitarian law (*Rep. Royce – International Relations*)
- 5) H.Res. 233** – Recognizing the 60th anniversary of Victory in Europe (V-E) Day during World War II (*Rep. Gallegly – International Relations*)
- 6) H.Res. 195** – Recognizing the 60th anniversary of Victory in Europe (VE) Day and the Liberation of Western Bohemia (*Rep. Kingston – International Relations*)

### H.Res.\_\_\_\_- Conyers Resolution Raising a Question of the Privileges of the House.

Ranking Member Conyers' resolution addresses the description of some of the Democratic amendments (by Reps. Nadler, Scott (VA), and Jackson-Lee) in the Committee Report for the Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act that the House considered last week. In that report, in a blatant abuse of power, Republicans mischaracterized the description of numerous Democratic amendments. Some of these amendments had been considered in previous Congresses by the Judiciary Committee in earlier versions of the same bill and the Committee reports had never distorted the content of the amendments. The *resolved* clause of this resolution: 1) finds that the Judiciary Committee purposefully and deliberately mischaracterized these amendments; and 2) directs the Chairman of the Judiciary Committee to issue a supplemental House Report that objectively describes the amendments.

## 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 is expected to consider two bills under Suspension of the Rules and will also consider: **H.R. 366 – Vocational and Technical Education for the Future Act** (*Rep. Castle – Education & the Workforce*) (*Subject to a Rule*).

### Daily Quote...

"President Bush, who has put Social Security at the top of his second-term agenda, gets his worst rating so far on the issue: 35% approval, 58% disapproval. The idea he endorsed last week of "progressive indexing" — maintaining future benefits for low-income workers but reducing initial benefits for the middle-class and affluent — was opposed by 54%-38%."

- A *USA Today* story this morning, referring to a USA Today/CNN/Gallup Poll taken Friday through Sunday

"The Bush plan gives the false impression that the wealthiest beneficiaries would bear the most pain. That's not the case. The wealthier one is, the lower the percentage of retirement income coming from Social Security, so even a big cut has little impact. By 2075, an average worker's benefit cut would equal 10 percent of pre-retirement income; a millionaire's reduction would be only 1 percent."

- *The New York Times*, in an editorial today