



# The Daily Whip

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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
<b>10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business</b> <b>Ten "One Minutes" Per Side</b>	<b>2:00 – 3:00 p.m.</b>

## FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

**Motion to go to Conference on H.R. 2443 – Coast Guard Authorization.** Democrats may offer a motion to instruct conferees.

**H.Res. \_\_\_\_ - Iraqi Prisoner Resolution** (*Rep. Hunter / Armed Services Committee*) (Subject to a Rule). The Resolved clauses of the resolution include: That the House (1) deplores and condemns the abuses of persons in the United States custody in Iraq, regardless of the circumstances of their detention; (2) declares that the alleged crimes of a handful of individuals should not detract from the commendable sacrifices of over 300,000 members of the U.S. Armed Forces who have served, or are serving, in Operation Iraqi Freedom; and (3) reaffirms and reinforces the American principle that any and all individuals under the custody and care of the U.S. Armed Forces shall be afforded proper humane treatment. The full text of the resolution can be found at <http://www.house.gov/rules/>

The Rules Committee has recommended a closed rule that does not allow amendments; provides one hour of general debate; and one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions.

Republicans refused Democratic requests to include in the resolution any reference to a Congressional investigation directed to the military or civilian personnel involved in the abuse of Iraqi prisoners.

### Postponed Suspension Votes (3 bills):

- 1) **H.Res. 402** - Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the urgent need for freedom, democratic reform, and international monitoring of elections, human rights, and religious liberty in the Lao People`s Democratic Republic (*Rep. Burton / International Relations Committee*)
- 2) **H.Con.Res. 326** - Expressing the sense of Congress regarding the arbitrary detention of Dr. Wang Bingzhang by the Government of the People`s Republic of China and urging his immediate release (*Rep. Napolitano / International Relations Committee*)
- 3) **H.Con.Res. 398** - Expressing the concern of Congress over Iran`s development of the means to produce nuclear weapons (*Rep. Hyde / International Relations Committee*)

## TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

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

### Daily Quote...

"We are in danger of losing America as an instrument of moral authority and inspiration in the world. I have never known a time in my life when America and its president were more hated around the world than today...This administration needs to undertake a total overhaul of its Iraq policy; otherwise, it is courting a total disaster for us all."

- Thomas Friedman in the *New York Times* today