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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2004

House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Unlimited "One Minutes"	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

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

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

H.Res. 803 - Rule providing for consideration of H.J.Res. 107 - Making Continuing Appropriations for FY05 (Rep. Linder / Rules). The Rules Committee has recommended a closed rule that waives all points of order against consideration of the joint resolution and provides one motion to recommit.

H.Res. 709 - Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3193 - District of Columbia Personal Protection Act (Rep. Hastings (WA) / Rules). The Rules Committee has recommended a closed rule that provides one hour of debate and provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Rule also has a self-executing provision incorporating into the underlying bill an amendment offered by Rep. Souder, the sponsor of the bill, that clarifies that any firearm, loaded or unloaded, is prohibited from being carried outside of an individual's home or property.

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.**

H.R. 3193 – District of Columbia Personal Protection Act (Rep. Souder – Government Reform) (Subject to a Rule). This bill repeals D.C. laws that ban the sale and possession of handguns and prohibits the D.C. government from enacting laws or regulations that discourage or eliminate the private ownership or use of firearms. H.R. 3193 also repeals the District of Columbia's: registration requirement for possession of firearms; prohibition on registration of handguns; prohibition on possession of handgun ammunition; and requirement that firearms in the possession of certain individuals must be kept unloaded, disassembled, or with the trigger locked. This bill also repeals the ban on semiautomatic weapons, eliminates criminal penalties for possessing an unregistered firearm, and amends Federal law to eliminate criminal penalties for carrying a pistol whether loaded or unloaded in one's dwelling house or place of business. H.R. 3193 maintains the current ban on the possession and control of a sawed-off shotgun, machine gun, or short-barreled rifle.

H.J.Res. 107 - Making Further Continuing Appropriations for FY05 (Rep. Young (FL) - Appropriations) (Subject to a Rule). This bill provides temporary funding for the Federal government through Saturday, November 20th.

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Motion to go to Conference on H.R. 4567 - Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for FY05. Democratic Motion to Instruct Conferees.

Suspensions (11 bills):

- 1) **H.R. 5149** - To reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families block grant program through March 31, 2005 (*Rep. Herger / Ways and Means*)
- 2) **H.R. 4768** - Veterans Medical Facilities Management Act of 2004 (*Rep. Simmons / Veterans` Affairs*)
- 3) **H.R. 4231** - Department of Veterans Affairs Nurse Recruitment and Retention Act of 2004 (*Rep. Simmons / Veterans` Affairs*)
- 4) **H.Res. 759** - Commending the Festival of Children Foundation for its outstanding efforts on behalf of children and expressing the support of the House of Representatives for the designation of a "Child Awareness Month" (*Rep. Rohrabacher / Education and the Workforce*)
- 5) **H.Res. 778** - Commemorating the 100 anniversary of the birth of William "Count" Basie (*Rep. Pallone / Education and the Workforce*)
- 6) **H.Con.Res. 501** - Honoring the life and work of Duke Ellington, recognizing the 30th anniversary of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts, congratulating Blue Note records on its 65th anniversary and Down Beat Magazine on its 70th anniversary, and supporting the annual Duke Ellington Jazz Festival (*Del. Norton / Education and the Workforce*)
- 7) **H.Res. 792** - Honoring the United Negro College Fund on the occasion of the Fund`s 60th anniversary (*Rep. George Miller / Education and the Workforce*)
- 8) **H.R. 4731** - To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to reauthorize the National Estuary Program (*Rep. Gerlach / Transportation and Infrastructure*)
- 9) **H.R. 5105** - To authorize the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution to carry out construction and related activities in support of the collaborative VERITAS project on Kitt Peak near Tucson, Arizona (*Rep. Ney / Transportation and Infrastructure*)
- 10) **H.R. 3124** - F.H. Newell Building Designation Act (*Rep. Otter / Transportation and Infrastructure*)
- 11) **H.R. 1402** - Garza-Vela United States Courthouse Designation Act (*Rep. Ortiz / Transportation and Infrastructure*)

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 will consider: **H.J.Res. 106 – Marriage Protection Amendment (Rep. Musgrave – Judiciary) (Subject to a Rule)**. In addition, the House may consider **H.R. ____ - Short-Term Extension of Transportation Authorization and the Homeland Security Appropriations Conference Report.**

Daily Quote...

"Kerry has a positive vision for America, plus the proven intelligence, good sense, and guts to make it happen. That's why THE ICONOCLAST urges Texans not to rate the candidate by his hometown or even his political party, but instead by where he intends to take the country. THE ICONOCLAST wholeheartedly endorses John Kerry."

-The Iconoclast, President Bush's hometown newspaper, 9/28/04