

Friday, September 26, 2008

House Meets At...	Votes Predicted At...
9:00 a.m. For Legislative Business Five "One Minutes" Per Side	Last Vote: Evening

**Any anticipated Member absences for votes this week should be reported to the Office of the Majority Whip at 226-3210.**

### Floor Schedule and Procedure

- **H. Res. 1502 – Providing for Consideration of H.R. 7060– Renewable Energy and Job Creation Tax Act of 2008 (Rep. Arcuri -Rules)**: The closed rule provides for one hour of general debate on the bill equally divided and controlled by the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ways & Means. The rule provides for one motion to recommit the bill with or without instructions. Debate on the rule will be managed by Rep. Arcuri, and consideration will proceed as follows:
  - One hour of debate on the rule.
  - Possible vote on a Democratic Motion ordering the previous question. **Democrats are urged to vote yes.**
  - Vote on adoption of the rule. **Democrats are urged to vote yes.**
- **H.R. 7060– Energy Production and Conservation Tax Relief Act of 2008 (Rep. Rangel –Ways & Means)**: Pursuant to the rule, debate on the bill will be managed by Ways & Means Committee Chairman Rep. Charlie Rangel, or his designee, and will proceed as follows:
  - One hour of general debate on the bill.
  - Possible debate and vote on a Republican motion to recommit the bill. **Democrats are urged to vote no.**
  - Vote on passage of the bill.
- **H. Res. 1500 – Providing for Consideration of Motions to Suspend the Rules (Rep. Welch -Rules)**: The closed rule provides that measures may be considered under suspension of the rules at any time through Sunday, September 28, 2008. Debate on the rule will be managed by Rep. Welch, and consideration will proceed as follows:
  - One hour of debate on the rule.

- Possible vote on a Democratic Motion ordering the previous question. **Democrats are urged to vote yes.**
  - Vote on adoption of the rule. **Democrats are urged to vote yes.**
- **H. Res. 1503 – Waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (Rep. Castor -Rules):** The closed rule waives the two-thirds vote requirement to consider a rule on the same day it is reported from the Committee on Rules on the legislative day September 26, 2008, providing for consideration or disposition of any resolution providing for consideration or disposition of a measure making supplemental appropriations for job creation and preservation, infrastructure investment, and economic and energy assistance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009. Debate on the rule will be managed by Rep. Castor, and consideration will proceed as follows:
    - One hour of debate on the rule.
    - Possible vote on a Democratic Motion ordering the previous question. **Democrats are urged to vote yes.**
    - Vote on adoption of the rule. **Democrats are urged to vote yes.**
- **H. R. \_\_\_\_\_ – Providing for Appropriations for Job Creation and Preservation, Infrastructure Investment, and Economic and Energy Assistance for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes (Rep. Obey -Appropriations):** Debate on the bill will proceed pursuant to a same-day rule to be reported from the Committee on Rules.
- **Suspension Bills:** Today, the House will consider several bills on the Suspension calendar. Bills considered on the Suspension calendar are debatable for 40 minutes; may not be amended; and require a two-thirds vote for passage.
    1. **H.R. 6999** – Integrated Deepwater Program Reform Act of 2008 (Rep. Cummings – Transportation and Infrastructure)
    2. **S. 2482** - To repeal the provision of title 46, United States Code, requiring a license for employment in the business of salvaging on the coast of Florida (Sen. Nelson – Transportation and Infrastructure)
    3. **H.R. 3068** - Federal Protective Service Guard Contracting Reform Act of 2007 (Rep. Holmes Norton - Transportation and Infrastructure)
    4. **H.Res. 1224** - Commending the Tennessee Valley Authority on its 75th anniversary (Rep. Cramer - Transportation and Infrastructure)
    5. **H.R. \_\_\_** - A bill related to Iran sanctions and divestment (Rep. Berman - Foreign Affairs)

6. **H.R. 7081** - United States-India Nuclear Cooperation Approval and Nonproliferation Enhancement Act (Rep. Berman - Foreign Affairs)
7. **H.R. \_\_\_** - To authorize the transfer of naval vessels to certain foreign recipients, and for other purposes (Rep. Berman – Foreign Affairs)
8. **H.R. 6063** - National Aeronautics and Space Administration Authorization Act of 2008 (Rep. Udall (CO) – Science and Technology)
9. **H.R. 7083** - Charity Enhancement Act of 2008 (Rep. Lewis (GA) – Ways and Means)
10. **H.R. 7082** - The Inmate Tax Fraud Prevention Act (Rep. Ramstad–Ways and Means)
11. **S. 3477** - Presidential Historical Records Preservation Act of 2008 (Sen. Warner – Oversight and Government Reform)
12. **S. 3350** - Bill to provide that claims of the United States to certain documents relating to Franklin Delano Roosevelt shall be treated as waived and relinquished in certain circumstances (Sen. Schumer – Oversight and Government Reform)
13. **H.R. 2786** - Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Reauthorization Act (Rep. Kildee – Financial Services)
14. **H.R. \_\_\_** - Small Business Lending Improvements Act of 2008 (Rep. Velazquez – Small Business)
15. **S. 3325** - the Prioritizing Resources and Organization for Intellectual Property (PRO-IP) Act of 2008 (Sen. Leahy – Judiciary)
16. **S.1738** - Combating Child Exploitation Act of 2008 (PROTECT ACT) (Sen. Biden – Judiciary)
17. **H.R. 7084** – Webcaster Settlement Act (Rep. Inslee – Judiciary)
18. **H.R. \_\_\_** – The Drug Trafficking Vessel Interdiction Act of 2008 (Rep. Lungren – Judiciary)
19. **S. 3296** - A bill to extend the authority of the United States Supreme Court Police to protect court officials off the Supreme Court Grounds and change the title of the Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice (Sen. Leahy – Judiciary)
20. **H.R. 5057** – Debbie Smith Reauthorization Act of 2008 Debbie Smith Act (Rep. Maloney - Judiciary)
21. **S. 2840** - Military Personnel Citizenship Processing Act (Sen. Schumer – Judiciary)

22. **H.R. 6146** – To amend title 28, United States Code, to prohibit recognition and enforcement of foreign defamation judgments (Rep. Cohen - Judiciary)
  23. **H.R. 3174** - Equal Justice For Our Military Act (Rep. Davis (CA) - Judiciary)
  24. **H.R. 1777** - Need -Based Educational Aid Act of 2008 (Rep. Delahunt – Judiciary)
  25. **H.R. 1283** - Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act of 2007 (Rep. Eshoo – Energy and Commerce)
  26. **S. 3560** - A bill to amend title XIX of the Social Security (Sen. Baucus – Energy and Commerce)
  27. **H.R. 2297** - Arizona National Scenic Trail Act (Rep. Giffords – Natural Resources)
- **Postponed Suspension Votes:**
    1. **H.R. 928** – Inspector General Reform Act of 2008 (Rep. Cooper – Oversight and Government Reform)
    2. **S. 1046** – Senior Professional Performance Act of 2008 (Sen. Voinovich – Judiciary)
    3. **H.R. 6045** - Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 2008 (Rep. Visclosky – Judiciary)
    4. **H.Con.Res. 214** - Posthumous pardon to John Arthur "Jack" Johnson (Rep. Peter King – Judiciary)
    5. **H.R. 4120** - Effective Child Pornography Prosecution Act of 2007(Rep. Boyda\Carney – Judiciary)
    6. **S. 1382** - ALS Registry Act (Sen. Reid - Education and Labor)
    7. **S. 2932** - The Poison Center Support, Enhancement, and Awareness Act of 2008 (Sen. Murray – Education and Labor)

## **Bill Summary and Key Issues**

### **H.R. 7060– Renewable Energy and Job Creation Tax Act of 2008**

The House Amendment to the Senate Amendment to H.R. 7060, the Renewable Energy and Job Creation Tax Act of 2008, will:

- provide approximately \$16 billion of tax incentives for investment in renewable energy, carbon capture and sequestration demonstration projects, energy efficiency and conservation.
- extend \$27 billion of expiring temporary tax provisions, including the research and development credit, special rules for active financing income, the State and local sales tax deduction, the deduction for out-of-pocket expenses for teachers, and the deduction for qualified tuition expenses.
- provide \$3 billion of additional tax relief for individuals through an expansion of the refundable child tax credit.
- be offset using the same revenue-raising provisions that were included in the Senate amendment to H.R. 6049:
  1. prevent the understatement of foreign oil and gas extraction income in calculating foreign tax credits;
  2. freeze the section 199 deduction for oil and gas companies at 6%;
  3. provide for broker reporting of customer's basis in securities;
  4. extend the FUTA surtax for one year;
  5. extend and increase funding for the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund;
  6. close a tax loophole that allows individuals that work for certain offshore corporations, such as hedge fund managers, to defer tax on their compensation.
- These revenue-raising provisions passed the Senate today by a vote of 93 to 2.

### **Quote of the Day**

" Never give up, for that is just the time and place that the tide will turn."

- Harriet Beecher Stowe

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