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

(195th Calendar Day of the Year – 60th Voting Day of the Year – 29 Voting Days until Target Adjournment)

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

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

Suspensions (7 bills):

- 1) [H.R. 4075](#) – Marine Mammal Protection Act Amendments of 2005 (*Rep. Pombo – Resources*)
- 2) [H.R. 3085](#) – To amend the National Trails System Act to update the feasibility and suitability study originally prepared for the Trail of Tears National Historic Trail and provide for the inclusion of new trail segments, land components, and campgrounds associated with that trail, and for other purposes (*Rep. Wamp – Resources*)
- 3) [H.R. 4376](#) – Springfield Armory National Historic Site, Massachusetts Act of 2005 (*Rep. Neal – Resources*)
- 4) [H.R. 3496](#) – National Capital Transportation Amendments Act of 2005 (*Rep. Tom Davis – Government Reform*)
- 5) [H.R. 3729](#) – Federal Judiciary Emergency Tolling Act of 2005 (*Rep. Sensenbrenner – Judiciary*)
- 6) [H.R. 1871](#) – Volunteer Pilot Organization Protection Act of 2006 (*Rep. Drake – Judiciary*)
- 7) [H.R. 4019](#) – To amend title 4 of the United States Code to clarify the treatment of self-employment for purposes of the limitation on State taxation of retirement income (*Rep. Cannon – Judiciary*)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: on Tuesday, the House will convene at 9:00 a.m. for morning hour and at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business and will consider eleven bills under Suspension of the Rules. In addition, the House will consider [H.J.Res. 88 – Constitutional Amendment to Prohibit Same Sex Marriages](#) (*Rep. Musgrave – Judiciary*) (*Subject to a Rule*).

Daily Quote...

"[M]y own reading is that the odds favor a Democratic takeover of the House. The 15 seats that the party needs for a bare majority is well below the range of minority-party gains in past tidal-wave elections. The national winds blowing against the GOP are strong and have not diminished over the past nine months. Credible progress on the ground in Iraq before November is implausible. The public's harsh evaluation of the president's performance on the economy is unlikely to be reversed by Election Day. Prospects for significant legislative achievements in the remaining months of this Congress are remote. Enough seats will be in play (including some that Republicans carried in 2004 with more than 60 percent of the vote) to allow Democrats to gain majority status in the House."

- Thomas E. Mann, a Congressional scholar at the Brookings Institution, in *the Washington Post* on Sunday