

Pastor	Sánchez, Linda	Tanner
Paul	T.	Tauscher
Payne	Sanders	Thompson (CA)
Pelosi	Schakowsky	Thornberry
Pence	Schiff	Tierney
Peterson (MN)	Schwartz (PA)	Towns
Petri	Scott (GA)	Udall (CO)
Platts	Scott (VA)	Van Hollen
Poe	Sensenbrenner	Velázquez
Pomeroy	Serrano	Wasserman
Price (GA)	Sessions	Schultz
Rangel	Shadegg	Watt
Reyes	Sherman	Waxman
Rohrabacher	Skelton	Weiner
Rothman	Slaughter	Westmoreland
Royce	Snyder	Wexler
Ruppersberger	Solis	Wilson (SC)
Rush	Stark	Wolf
Ryan (WI)	Stearns	Wu
Sabo	Stupak	Wynn
Salazar	Sweeney	

NOT VOTING—13

Ackerman	Granger	Ney
Boehler	Harris	Strickland
Case	Millender-	Thompson (MS)
Cubin	McDonald	Walsh
Evans	Moore (KS)	

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Messrs. GUTKNECHT, PETRI, SWEENEY, BURGESS, INGLIS of South Carolina, and FORD, and Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So (two-thirds of those voting having not responded in the affirmative) the motion was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 65

Mr. SIMMONS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 65.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GUTKNECHT). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Connecticut?

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON H.R. 5441, DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1 of rule XXII and by direction of the Committee on Appropriations, I move to take from the Speaker's table the bill (H.R. 5441) making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2007, and for other purposes, with a Senate amendment thereto, disagree to the Senate amendment, and agree to the conference asked by the Senate.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The motion was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the Chair appoints the following conferees: Messrs. ROGERS of Kentucky, WAMP, LATHAM, Mrs. EMERSON, Messrs. SWEENEY, KOLBE, ISTOOK, CRENSHAW, CARTER, LEWIS of California, SABO, PRICE of North Carolina, SERRANO, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Messrs. BISHOP of Georgia, BERRY, EDWARDS, and OBEY.

There was no objection.

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Mr. FARR. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 65.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. HOYER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, at this time I yield to my friend, the majority leader, Mr. BOEHNER, for the purposes of inquiring about the schedule for the week to come.

Mr. BOEHNER. I thank my colleague from Maryland for yielding.

Next week, Mr. Speaker, the House will convene on Monday at 12:30 for morning hour and 2 p.m. for legislative business. No votes will occur before 6:30 on Monday evening. We will have a number of measures considered under suspension of the rules. We will have a final list of those bills to Members' offices by tomorrow afternoon.

For the balance of the week, the House will consider H.R. 6054, the Military Commissions Act; H.R. 5825, the Electronic Surveillance Modernization Act; H.R. 748, the Child Interstate Abortion Notification Act; H.R. 2679, the Public Expression of Religion Act; H.R. 5631, Department of Defense appropriations conference report; the National Institutes of Health reauthorization bill; H.R. 5313, Open Space and Farmland Preservation Act; and H.R. 5092, the BATFE Modernization and Reform Act of 2006.

In addition to that, I would note that a conference report may be brought up at any time, and I expect to see H.R. 5122, the Sonny Montgomery National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007 conference report.

In addition to these, we do hope to have suspension authority for all of next week to try to accommodate Members who have suspension items on both sides of the aisle. It is expected that there will be many suspensions next week, and I want to prepare Members for that.

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Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for that information. To clarify, am I correct that the three bills that you mentioned prior to the mentioning of the last conference report, the NIH authorization bill, the Open Space and Farmland Preservation Act, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Modernization Reform Act, am I correct they will all be suspension bills?

Mr. BOEHNER. Likely they will.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman.

On the schedule, last week we talked about the 29th being the target date,

and that we were going to get out on the 29th. But that being Friday, we might go over to Saturday if we did not finish on Friday, and we have advised Members to make sure that their Saturday schedule was flexible to accommodate that. But can you clarify that additionally as to what your thoughts are and the possibility of being here on Saturday?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. BOEHNER. I thank my colleague for yielding.

I have told Members and have told you for months that we will be finished on the 29th. We will be finished on the 29th. Now, how long the 29th lasts, I don't know. But I would expect that we would be here on the evening of the 29th and hopefully not much longer than that.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for that information.

It reminds me that before we had a court of appeals opinion in Maryland, before I went to the Senate, constitutionally you had a 90-day session, but as you point out, on the last day you weren't quite sure how long that last day would be.

Mr. BOEHNER. If the gentleman would yield, we have both been here long enough to know that that last day before the recess for the election lasts a little longer than an average day.

Mr. HOYER. I hear you. I will advise our Members not to have Friday night planes scheduled, and to have maybe a little later Saturday scheduled, maybe well into the morning.

November is when we will next reconvene, it is my understanding. You previously indicated that after we have our last votes, the House will not be in session again until Monday, November 13. Is that still your intention?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. BOEHNER. It is.

Mr. HOYER. What can you tell us about the rest of the November and December schedule so that Members might be planning for that as well? Are we likely to have votes on Friday, the 17th, for example; and what about the following week and Thanksgiving week?

Mr. BOEHNER. I would expect that we would have votes all that week, including the 17th. But once you get beyond there, it really is unclear as to when we will be back. I have been working with the Senate leadership trying to come to some understanding. We have not come to any agreement or understanding. But I can say this. If we cannot complete our work by Thanksgiving, which in my view is doubtful, that the House would be off the week of Thanksgiving and the following week and would come back the week of December 4 for a week or two to finish our business.

I think that is the most realistic schedule that I see. Is it firm? Nowhere close. But in terms of trying to be helpful to Members as they plan, that is as helpful as I can be with the knowledge that I have today.