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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
9:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Five "One Minutes" Per Side	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

H.Res. 694 – Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 4614 - Energy & Water Development Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (*Rep. Sessions-Rules*). The Rules Committee has recommended an open rule that provides one hour of general debate and one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Under the Rule, only amendments that do not require waivers of points of order are permitted. **The Rule did not make in order an important amendment by Reps. Eshoo, DeFazio, and Inslee that would require the release of documents relating to Enron and the manipulation of Western energy markets in order to expedite rebates for consumers. Therefore, Democrats are urged to VOTE NO on the Previous Question in order to allow consideration of this amendment.**

H.R. 4614 – Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for FY05 (*Rep. Hobson – Appropriations*)(*Subject to a Rule*). This bill provides \$28 billion for FY05, which is \$734.5 million above the amount appropriated in FY04. This bill includes: \$22.5 billion for the Department of Energy (\$3.6 billion for science research activities; \$9 billion for the National Nuclear Security Administration; \$7.8 billion for DOE environmental management cleanup activities; \$343 million for renewable energy programs; \$463.8 million for nuclear energy programs); \$4.82 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers; \$1.1 billion for the Department of Interior's Bureau of Reclamation; and \$202 million for several Independent Agencies. This bill includes \$131 million for the Yucca Mountain project.

Daily Quote...

"After insisting for months that the federal budget deficit should be reduced by spending cuts rather than tax increases, House Republicans were blocked by a rebellion in their own ranks early Friday over a bill that would have imposed tough limits on spending... The vote highlighted the conflict among Republican lawmakers, who have control of both the House and Senate, over how to claim the mantle of fiscal responsibility."

- *The New York Times* story today