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

FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

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

Suspensions (3 bills):

- 1) **H.Res. 46** – Supporting the goals and ideals of National Mentoring Month (Rep. Osborne – Education & the Workforce)
- 2) **H.R. 315** - To designate the United States courthouse at 300 North Hogan Street, Jacksonville, Florida, as the "John Milton Bryan Simpson United States Courthouse" (Rep. Brown (FL) - Transportation & Infrastructure)
- 3) **H.R. 548** - To designate the United States courthouse at 200 West 2nd Street, Dayton, Ohio, as the "Tony Hall Federal Building and United States Courthouse" (Rep. Hobson - Transportation & Infrastructure)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule: on Wednesday, the House will meet at 10:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to consider three bills under Suspension of the Rules.

Daily Quote...

"Similarly, some prominent conservatives said that the 2006 budget showed Mr. Bush to be a 'big-government conservative' who was not interested in limiting the size of Washington's bureaucracy and that the political reality was that many of the cuts to popular programs would be restored by Congress in the budget battles that are likely to rage on Capitol Hill for the rest of the year.

'They're billing it as a new and tougher budget stance, and I don't think that's right,' said Chris Edwards, the director of tax policy at the libertarian Cato Institute. 'Last year, they came out with 130 programs they said they were going to terminate and cut. And basically nothing happened.'

Some conservative critics pointed out that Mr. Bush's budget did not cut military or domestic security spending, and that the net cuts in his domestic budget were only \$2 billion to \$3 billion out of a total of \$389 billion in programs.

Administration officials themselves acknowledged that the budget would not significantly cut the \$427 billion deficit in the near term, and that their calculations did not include any money beyond the \$81 billion to be requested this month to cover expenses this year for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan or the initial cost of Mr. Bush's plan to overhaul Social Security."

- From today's *New York Times*