



# The Daily Whip

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House Meets At...	Last Vote Predicted At...
<b>9:00 a.m.: Morning Hour</b> <b>10:00 a.m.: Legislative Business</b> <b>Unlimited "One Minutes"</b>	<b>9:00 – 10:00 p.m.</b>

## FLOOR SCHEDULE AND BILL SUMMARY

**H.R. 2360 – Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Rep. Rogers {KY} – Appropriations) (Subject to a Rule).** This bill provides \$30.8 billion for operations and activities of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) in fiscal year 2006. Funding in this bill includes \$10.6 billion for border and transportation security (\$5.78 billion for Customs and Border Protection with \$1.14 billion allocated from user fees; \$3.82 billion for Immigration and Customs Enforcement; \$3.26 billion for the Transportation Security Administration with \$1.99 billion allocated from fee receipts); \$7.45 billion for the Coast Guard; \$1.23 billion for the Secret Service; \$3.56 billion for domestic preparedness; \$3.03 billion for emergency preparedness and response; \$861 million for information analysis and infrastructure; and \$1.34 billion for science and technology. This bill includes \$30 million for three air cargo-screening pilot projects; and contains provisions that would penalize the TSA Administrator if requirements to increase the percentage of cargo carried on passenger aircraft that is screened are not met before the end of this fiscal year. This bill cuts fire grants by 16% from \$715 million in FY05 to \$600 in FY06, and fails to provide any funds to help states comply with the federal mandates imposed by the REAL ID Act.

The Rules Committee has recommended an open rule that provides for one hour of general debate and provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Rule protects most provisions in the bill from points of order regarding legislating on an appropriations bill (Rule XXI), however, the Rule does not protect about 30 provisions --- including sections ordering DHS to expand its screening of air cargo and provisions to restrict DHS's ability to designate non-classified documents as "Sensitive Security Information." Germane amendments will be considered under the five-minute rule.

## 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: **H.R. 1817 – Homeland Security Authorization Act for FY06 (Rep. Cox – Homeland Security) (Subject to a Rule).**

### Daily Quote...

"The recent federal bailout of an airline's pension plan provides a stark reminder that many workers in other sectors could be facing a precarious retirement because their pension plans are neither fully funded nor insured by the federal government."

- An article in *The Wall Street Journal* today