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FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2011

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business Fifteen "One Minutes" per side	1:00 – 2:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.

H.Res. 463 – Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 822 – National Right to Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011 (Rep. Stearns – Judiciary) (One hour of debate) The Rules Committee has recommended a structured Rule that provides for one hour of general debate equally divided between the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on the Judiciary. The Rule allows 10 amendments, each debatable for 10 minutes equally divided between the offeror and an opponent. It does allow one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. It also waives all points of order against the legislation.

The Rules Committee rejected numerous amendments offered by Democrats, including an amendment offered by Mr. Nadler, which would have prohibited a known or suspected terrorist from carrying a concealed firearm under the guidelines of this legislation. The Rules Committee also voted down a motion by Mr. McGovern to consider the bill under an open Rule.

Complete Consideration of H.R. 2838 - Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2011 (Rep. LoBiondo – Transportation and Infrastructure) The bill includes a three-year authorization of approximately \$25.7 billion for the operation expenses of the Coast Guard. The bill authorizes the end-of-year strength for military personnel at 47,000 for each of the fiscal years 2012 through 2014. The bill also authorizes \$22 million for the Federal Maritime Commission in each of the fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

In addition to the non-controversial Coast Guard Authorization, the Republicans also included the text of H.R. 2840 in this legislation, which is more controversial. HR 2840 would create a single nationwide standard for mitigating nuisance organisms in the ballast water that is discharged from commercial vessels. This single standard would preempt more stringent states' standards for ballast water discharges, and would not allow states to set their own, higher standards.

The House has completed consideration of all amendments except for two. The House is expected to complete consideration of H.R. 2838 today, including amendments, motion to recommit, and final passage. The remaining two amendments left to be debated are:

Rep. Landry Amendment. Would clarify Coast Guard guidance regarding the ability of U.S. flagged offshore supply vessels to carry unlimited amounts of combustible liquid-type cargo when said vessel is operating outside of U.S. waters, provided the vessel meets the safety requirements of the International Maritime Organization

Rep. Pierluisi Amendment. Would clarify the application of the Passenger Vessel Services Act to allow vessels to transport passengers between ports in Puerto Rico-a non-contiguous jurisdiction of multiple islands

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Bill Text for H.R. 2838:

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Background for H.R. 2838:

[House Report \(HTML Version\)](#)

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TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Wednesday, November 16: The House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to complete consideration of H.R. 822 – National Right to Carry Reciprocity Act of 2011 (Rep. Stearns – Judiciary). The House is also expected to consider the Senate Amendment to [H.R. 674](#) - To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs, and for other purposes (Rep. Herger - Ways and Means).

The Daily Quote

"In the face of the country's unemployment crisis, many politicians have portrayed regulations as the economy's primary villain. House Republicans have identified 10 'job-destroying regulations' they want to repeal, and a steady stream of bills have been proposed to block environmental rules governing everything from cement plants to boilers....They argue that getting rid of regulations will directly create jobs...Economists who have studied the matter say that there is little evidence that regulations cause massive job loss in the economy, and that rolling them back would not lead to a boom in job creation."

- The Washington Post, 11/13/11