

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, JUNE 8, 2018

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
9:00 a.m.: Legislative Business Five "One Minutes"	10:40 – 11:00 a.m.	11:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Complete Consideration of [H.R. 5895](#) – Energy and Water, Legislative Branch, and Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2019 (Rep. Simpson – Appropriations). This bill combines three FY19 appropriations bills – Energy and Water Appropriations Act, Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, and Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act – into one “Minibus” package that fails to fully fund critical domestic programs and includes controversial policy riders that jeopardize environmental protections and public health, many of which Democrats have successfully fought to keep out of the enacted appropriations bills in past years.

Adoption of this package would set a dangerous precedent for the remainder of this year’s appropriations process. Under the Bipartisan Budget Act in February, discretionary spending caps were increased for both defense and non-defense discretionary spending. Instead of investing the 3.1% increase for non-defense discretionary spending on bipartisan initiatives Republicans have prioritized increases to the Department of Homeland Security, presumably to fund President Trump’s border wall and deportation policies. This leaves many Democratic priorities virtually flat-funded, including four of the twelve appropriations bills: Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education; Interior; Agriculture; and Financial Services. Additionally, because of OCO funding, essentially State and Foreign Operations is flat-funded as well. Supporting this Minibus will thus make it more difficult to adequately fund essential programs like the Child Care Development Block Grant, Pell Grants, election security, EPA, and numerous others that are included in later appropriations bills.

In addition, the Energy and Water Appropriations division cuts funding for critical renewable energy and energy efficiency programs, delaying progress in developing the clean energy technologies of the future. It also includes several poison pill riders that undermine public health and put the safety and welfare of Americans at risk. Among other problems, this division: removes Clean Water Act protections for the streams, headwaters, wetlands and other water bodies that serves as a drinking water source for 117 million Americans; overturns court decisions meant to protect endangered species; and allows guns to be carried on all Army Corps of Engineers lands.

It is essential that this bill be defeated to protect our environment and natural resources, as well as to pave the way for additional appropriations bills that reflect Democratic priorities. **Members are urged to VOTE NO.**

The Rule provides for no further general debate and makes in order 12 remaining amendments. A full list of the remaining amendments can be found [HERE](#). As of last night, the House has completed debate through Barr Amendment #27.

Postponed Amendment Votes (3):

Gohmert Amendment #10
Meadows Amendment #16
Takano Amendment #15

The Daily Quote

“Brace yourselves -- it looks like Obamacare premiums could jump by double digits again next year. Insurers in several states have requested large rate hikes for 2019, with many pointing to steps taken by President Donald Trump and Republicans in Congress as the main reasons why.”

- CNN, 6/7/2018