

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2018

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business Fifteen "One Minutes"	3:30 – 4:00 p.m.	4:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Complete Consideration of [H.R. 5788](#) – Securing the International Mail Against Opioids Act of 2018 (Rep. Bishop (MI) – Ways and Means) (One hour of debate). This bill would require the U.S. Postal Service to obtain and transmit advanced electronic information to the U.S. Customs service on certain inbound mail it receives from foreign postal services. The bill pays for the additional screening through the creation of a new customs fee on inbound express mail. These measures are being taken to help stop the importation of opioids and other illicit drugs into the United States.

Although H.R. 5788 passed out of Committee unanimously, House Republicans are self-executing an amendment that allows the Commissioner of Customs to impose financial penalties on the USPS if the USPS accepts certain international mail shipments without advance electronic data after December 31, 2020.

The Rule, which was adopted yesterday, provides for one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Bill Text for H.R. 5788:

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Background for H.R. 5788:

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

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Complete Consideration of [H.R. 5735](#) – Transitional Housing for Recovery in Viable Environments Demonstration Program Act (Rep. Barr – Financial Services) (One hour of debate). This bill would require the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to set aside 10,000 or .5 percent of the total amount of Section 8 Housing Vouchers (HCV) allocated per fiscal year for eligible non-profits, chosen by the Secretary of HUD, to administer those vouchers in conjunction with a treatment and job skills training program for individuals recovering from an opioid or other substance abuse disorder. Those vouchers would be time limited for individuals for a period of twelve to twenty-four months. All of the grantees would be required to report to HUD annually on the progress of those receiving the assistance. Additionally, HUD would be required to submit a progress report to Congress within two years of the bill's enactment. Under this bill, this "demonstration" program would last for five years and then all vouchers would be returned back to HUD.

It is important to note that H.R. 5735 does not authorize any additional funding for the Section 8 housing vouchers, so this program would allow vouchers to be taken from other families and individuals in need, many of whom have been waiting for a significant period of time to receive these vouchers. This bill also does not provide resources for oversight of this demonstration program. Unlike the public housing agencies currently in charge of the voucher program, the non-profits selected to handle these vouchers do not typically handle public housing.

The Rule, which was adopted yesterday, provides for one hour of general debate and provides for consideration of 4 amendments. The amendments are:

Barr Amendment. Clarifies selection requirements for eligible entities, removes recovery treatment time limits, and makes additional technical changes.

Rohrabacher Amendment. Alters the application section to require eligible entities to provide proof to the Secretary that the supportive housing facilities to which they provide financial assistance have authorization to operate by the local government with jurisdiction over that zone.

Moore Amendment. Addresses the devastating opioid crisis in tribal communities by ensuring that tribal housing authorities are designated as eligible entities to receive vouchers and ensuring that the selection criteria for awarding vouchers reflects the impact that opioids are having in tribal communities.

Biggs Amendment. Removes a requirement to include recommendations for further continuation and expansion of the voucher program in a report to Congress.

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TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Friday, June 15: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to complete consideration of [H.R. 2851](#) – Stop Importation and Trafficking of Synthetic Analogues Act of 2017 (Rep. Katko – Judiciary).

The Daily Quote

"House Republicans are looking to President Donald Trump to help them pass a GOP solution for Dreamers. But even if he weighs in, it's unclear that the bill will make it across the finish line. Conservatives have not committed to voting for the framework GOP leaders crafted after weeks of negotiation with moderate Republicans and the far right. The final details of the bill are still being worked out... While GOP leaders have worked closely with both factions, there is still no agreement between moderates and conservatives, and many senior Republicans say they're not convinced this 'compromise' will pass. 'Can [Trump] move 100 people because he says he likes it? The answer is no,' House Freedom Caucus Chairman Mark Meadows (R-N.C.) said."

- Politico, 6/13/2018