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FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, JULY 13, 2018

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
9:00 a.m.: Legislative Business	10:15 – 10:45 a.m.	10:45 – 11:15 a.m.
Five "One Minutes"		

<u>H.R. 50</u> – Unfunded Mandates Information and Transparency Act of 2017 (Rep. Foxx – Oversight and Government Reform) (One Hour of Debate). This bill amends the Congressional Budget Act and the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) to give the private sector an advantage over the public as it relates to federal mandates that protect public health, safety, and the environment.

The bill would make several significant changes to UMRA. It eliminates the current reporting exemption held by independent regulatory agencies, like the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Consumer Product Safety Commission. It would also require federal agencies to consult with private corporations (but not other stakeholders or the public) before proposing any new rules—giving corporations an unfair advantage and stripping the public of its voice in the rulemaking process.

The bill would also amend the Congressional Budget Act, requiring the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), at the request of a committee Chairman or Ranking Member, to conduct analyses into the direct cost of promulgated rules on state, local, and tribal governments—also including forgone business profits as a "direct cost." It would further subject rules that would increase the direct cost of private sector mandates to points of order beyond limits established by UMRA.

The Rule makes in order 4 amendments, debatable for 10 minutes, equally divided between the offeror and an opponent. The amendments are:

Watson Coleman Amendment. 1 Strikes Section 5, which repeals the exclusion of independent agencies from reporting requirements.

Raskin/Foxx Amendment. Requires a record of any consultation with any non-Federal party and any comments submitted by any non-Federal party to be posted on the agency website within five days.

Vargas Amendment. Strikes section 11 from the bill.

Connolly Amendment. Provides for a sunset of amendments made to the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and the Congressional Budget Act if GDP growth fails to increase at an average annual rate of five percent or more.

Bill Text for H.R. 50:

PDF Version

Background for H.R. 50:

House Report (HTML Version)
House Report (PDF Version)

The Daily Quote

"Most of the funding for an Affordable Care Act outreach program is being cut by the Trump administration, a move announced late Tuesday... The drop in funding for the outreach groups known as 'navigators' illustrates the Trump administration's continuing push to roll back support of the health law after Republicans in Congress failed to repeal the ACA."

- Wall Street Journal, 7/10/2018