

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR TUESDAY, JULY 24, 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"	2:15 – 3:15 p.m.	5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

H.Res. 1011 – Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 184 – Protect Medical Innovation Act of 2017 (Rep. Paulsen – Ways and Means) and H.R. 6311 – Increasing Access to Lower Premium Plans and Expanding Health Savings Accounts Act of 2018 (Rep. Roskam – Ways and Means) (One hour of debate). The Rules Committee has recommended one Rule which would provide for consideration of two bills.

For **H.R. 184**, the Rules Committee has recommended a closed Rule that provides for one hour of general debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The Rule allows one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, and waives all points of order against the legislation.

For **H.R. 6311**, the Rules Committee has recommended a closed Rule that provides for one hour of general debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The Rule allows one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, and waives all points of order against the legislation. **Members are urged to VOTE NO.**

H.Res. 1012 – Rule providing for consideration of H.R. 6199 – Restoring Access to Medication and Modernizing Health Savings Accounts Act of 2018 (Rep. Jenkins – Ways and Means) (One hour of debate). The Rules Committee has recommended a closed Rule that provides for one hour of general debate on the motion equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The Rule allows one motion to recommit, with or without instructions, and waives all points of order against the legislation.

The Rules Committee rejected a motion by Mr. Hastings of Florida to make in order and provide the appropriate waivers to amendment #1, offered by Reps. Duncan and DesJarlais of Tennessee which expands deductible medical expenses to include dietary supplements, such as over-the-counter vitamins, minerals, herbs, and fiber. **Members are urged to VOTE NO.**

H.R. 184 – Protect Medical Innovation Act of 2018 (Rep. Paulsen – Ways and Means) (One Hour of Debate). This bill would repeal, without offset, the excise tax established by the ACA on medical devices manufactured in the U.S. or imported going forward.

Because most sectors of the health industry were correctly expected to benefit from additional revenue when millions of previously uninsured Americans gained coverage under the ACA, the ACA included a series of provisions that asked those industries that are benefitting to contribute a portion of their additional revenue to help pay for the newly insured. These provisions helped to ensure that the ACA reduces the deficit, as confirmed time and again by the Congressional Budget Office. In the case of the medical devices, this contribution comes in the form of a 2.3% excise tax on revenues from all devices sold in the United States.

This permanent tax cut will add billions to the deficit, and Republicans have chosen to bring the bill to the Floor without providing an offset just a few months after House Republican’s \$1.8 trillion deficit exploding tax cuts that benefit the wealthiest people in our nation.

It is clear that this fiscally irresponsible bill is just another Republican attempt to undermine the ACA. Skyrocketing health care costs are bleeding American families dry at the same time Republicans and Donald Trump continue their political attacks on the ACA. House Republicans should work with Democrats to help improve the lives of the American people instead of forcing them to suffer the consequences of their irresponsible, politically driven actions.

Suspensions (17 bills)

1. **H.R. 1201** – EACH Act (Rep. Davis (IL) – Ways and Means)
2. **H.R. 1476** – Native American Health Savings Improvement Act (Rep. Moolenaar – Ways and Means)
3. **H.R. 519** – Water and Agriculture Tax Reform Act of 2017 (Rep. Buck – Ways and Means)

4. [H.R. 3500](#) – Ensuring Integrity in the IRS Workforce Act of 2018, as amended (Rep. Noem – Ways and Means)
5. [H.R. 6084](#) – Improving Social Security’s Service to Victims of Identity Theft Act, as amended (Rep. Bishop (MI) – Ways and Means)
6. [H.R. 4952](#) – Improving Seniors Access to Quality Benefits Act (Rep. Kelly (PA) – Ways and Means)
7. [H.R. 6138](#) – ASC Payment Transparency Act of 2018, as amended (Rep. Nunes – Ways and Means)
8. [H.R. 6124](#) – Tribal Social Security Fairness Act of 2018, as amended (Rep. Reichert – Ways and Means)
9. **House Amendment to [S. 1182](#)** – National Flood Insurance Program Extension Act of 2018 (Rep. MacArthur – Financial Services)
10. [H.R. 2409](#) – To allow servicemembers to terminate their cable, satellite television, and Internet access service contracts while deployed, as amended (Rep. Costello – Veterans’ Affairs)
11. [H.R. 2787](#) – VET MD Act, as amended (Rep. Kaptur – Veterans’ Affairs)
12. [H.R. 5538](#) – To amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the inclusion of certain additional periods of active duty service for purposes of suspending charges to veterans’ entitlement to educational assistance under the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs during periods of suspended participation in vocational rehabilitation programs (Rep. Peters – Veterans’ Affairs)
13. [H.R. 5649](#) – Navy SEAL Chief Petty Officer William “Bill” Mulder (Ret.) Transition Improvements Act of 2018, as amended (Rep. Arrington – Veterans’ Affairs)
14. [H.R. 5882](#) – Gold Star Spouses Leasing Relief Act, as amended (Rep. Bustos – Veterans’ Affairs)
15. [H.R. 5864](#) – VA Hospitals Stablishing Leadership Performance Act of 2018, as amended (Rep. Bost – Veterans’ Affairs)
16. [H.R. 5938](#) – Veterans Serving Veterans Act of 2018, as amended (Rep. Gonzalez-Colon – Veterans’ Affairs)
17. [H.R. 5974](#) – VA COST SAVINGS Enhancements Act, as amended (Rep. Denham – Veterans’ Affairs)

TOMORROW’S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Wednesday, July 25: The House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to complete consideration of H.R. 6199 – Restoring Access to Medication and Modernizing Health Savings Accounts Act of 2018 (Rep. Jenkins – Ways and Means) and H.R. 6311 – Increasing Access to Lower Premium Plans and Expanding Health Savings Accounts Act of 2018 (Rep. Roskam – Ways and Means). The House is also expected to consider bills listed for consideration under suspension of the Rules.

The Daily Quote

“In the nearly two years since Russia attacked the American democratic process, congressional Republicans have played conflicting roles in the drama: Some have pressed to impose sanctions on Russia and quietly pursue investigations, but they have been outshouted by Republicans who have obfuscated and undercut efforts to uncover the Kremlin’s plot. Now, as they grapple with the political and foreign policy fallout from President Trump’s summit meeting in Helsinki, Finland, with President Vladimir V. Putin of Russia, all Republicans, regardless of their stance so far, are facing a charge even from within their own party that goes beyond the White House: complicity.”

- New York Times, 7/22/2018