

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2017

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
9:00 a.m.: Legislative Business	10:00 – 11:00 a.m.	12:00 – 1:00 p.m.
Five “One Minutes”		

H.Res. 289 – Rule providing for consideration of H.J.Res. 99 – **Making Further Continuing Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2017, and for other purposes (Rep. Frelinghuysen – Appropriations) (One hour of debate)**. The Rules Committee has recommended a closed Rule that provides for one hour of general debate, equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Member of the Committee on Appropriations. The Rule allows one motion to recommit and waives all points of order against the joint resolution.

H.J.Res. 99 – **Making Further Continuing Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2017, and for other purposes (Rep. Frelinghuysen – Appropriations) (One hour of debate)**. The measure extends for one week – through May 5, 2017 – the current Continuing Resolution’s FY 2016 level appropriations for all government operations, other than the previously enacted FY 2017 MilCon-VA appropriations bill.

The Resolution also includes a one week extension to prevent more than 16,000 retired United Mine Workers of America coal miners from losing their earned health benefits due to no fault of their own, which had been included in the previous CR.

With just five months remaining in the next fiscal year, Republicans are still trying to piece together a way to fund the government through September. After abandoning the regular order appropriations process last year, Republicans were forced to rely on a Continuing Resolution to fund the government at FY 2016’s levels, first through December, then through April, and now another week into the 8th month of FY 2017. Under these short-term continuing resolutions, government agencies are unable to properly plan or budget more than a few months – or in this case days – in advance and unable to adjust to changing priorities, which is wasteful, burdensome, and a completely irresponsible way to run one of the most powerful nations in the world.

The Daily Quote

“President Donald Trump seems destined to serve his 100th day in office without House passage of a major Republican health care bill or enactment of a budget financing the government for the rest of this year... The struggle over both bills was embarrassing to the GOP, which has Trump in the White House and majorities in Congress.”

- Washington Post, 4/28/2017