

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2017

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business Fifteen "One Minutes"	1:30 – 2:30 p.m.	3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

H.Res. 305 – Rule providing for consideration of Senate Amendments to H.R. 244 – Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Rep. Frelinghuysen – Appropriations) (One hour of debate). The Rules Committee has recommended a Rule that provides for one hour of debate on a Motion to Concur equally divided and controlled by the Chair and Ranking Minority Member of the Committee on Appropriations. The Rule waives all points of order against the legislation.

The Rule self-executes an amendment to insert the text of the FY 2017 Intelligence Authorization Act. This amendment is largely identical to the legislation that passed the House by a voice vote on December 8, 2016, but was not adopted by the Senate. **Members are urged to VOTE NO.**

Concurring in the Senate Amendments to H.R. 244 – Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (Rep. Frelinghuysen – Appropriations). This Omnibus Appropriations package contains new funding for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2017 for federal agencies under the eleven remaining Appropriations subcommittees (the Military Constructions, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies bill passed in September of 2016).

The Omnibus appropriates \$1.070 trillion in base discretionary budget authority, allocating \$551 billion for defense and \$519 billion for nondefense in line with the Budget Control Act’s statutory discretionary spending caps, as well as \$93.5 billion in additional funding designated for Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO).

The product of negotiation, this Omnibus rejects funding for President Trump’s Border Wall with Mexico and deportation force, as well as numerous high profile, controversial riders put forward by Republicans, including changes to Dodd-Frank, further limits on a woman’s access to contraceptives or a woman’s right to choose, efforts to roll back protections for American workers, and scores of others.

The measure contains a number of Democratic priorities, including an additional \$16.5 billion for the State Department and other international programs through OCO, including nearly \$1 billion to address global hunger; securing permanent health benefits for the more than 16,000 retired United Mine Workers of America coal miners and their families; improvements to the Pell Grant program by increasing the maximum grant by \$105 and reinstating the year-round grant for students to use for summer classes; a one year extension of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF); \$221 million overall for Community Oriented Policing (COPS) and \$137 million for the COPS hiring program; increased funding for the Department of the Interior by \$478 million; and a \$414 million increase for the Environmental Protection Agency’s Clean Water State Revolving Fund and increased funding for NASA. This legislation also contains essential funding for medical research, with a \$2 billion increase for the National Institutes of Health (NIH), including former Vice-President Biden’s Cancer Moonshot initiative, as well as a \$400 million increase for Alzheimer’s research. The bill also provides a \$650 million increase for opioid addiction programs at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, and the Health Resources and Services Administration.

While there are many important Democratic priorities in this bill, the Omnibus does fall short of providing certainty for Puerto Rico’s health care system, although the measure does include \$296 to temporarily assist with the island’s Medicaid funding shortfall. While additional funding has been included to increase border security, it cannot be used to plan or build the President Trump’s Border Wall. Instead it is limited to forty miles of replacement fencing, gate improvements, road construction, and video surveillance technologies.

Beyond its \$551 billion in base funding, the bill allocates \$77 billion in Defense funding designated as OCO, including funding research, development, testing, and evaluation, including for F-35 related testing; \$255 million for aircraft replacement due to combat losses; and counter ISIL campaign expenditures.

Postponed Suspensions (2 bills)



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1. [H.R. 1665](#) – Disaster Declaration Improvement Act (Rep. Rodney Davis – Transportation and Infrastructure)
2. [H.R. 1678](#) – To amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act concerning the statute of limitations for actions to recover disaster or emergency assistance payments, as amended (Rep. Frankel – Transportation and Infrastructure)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Thursday, May 4: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. Further information regarding the schedule will be announced as soon as it is available.

The Daily Quote

"Rep. Fred Upton (R-Mich.) on Tuesday became the latest House Republican to come out against the ObamaCare repeal-and-replace bill, underlining how the legislation is losing support from lawmakers who fear it could hurt people with pre-existing health conditions... 'I've supported the practice of not allowing pre-existing illnesses to be discriminated against from the very get-go,' Upton said. 'This amendment torpedoes that, and I told leadership I cannot support this bill with this provision in it.'"

- The Hill, 5/2/2017