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Summarizing budgetary issues in legislation
scheduled for the House floor

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SUSPENSION CALENDAR

- 1) **Harvey and Bernice Jones Post Office Building Designation Act** (H.R. 4381). 
This bill has no budget implications.
- 2) **Guardians of Freedom Memorial Post Office Building Designation Act and to Authorize the Installation of a Plaque at Such Site** (H.R. 4442). 
This bill has no budget implications.
- 3) **General William Carey Lee Post Office Building Designation Act** (H.R. 4556). 
This bill has no budget implications.
- 4) **Anthony I. Lombardi Memorial Post Office Building Designation Act** (H.R. 4618). 
This bill has no budget implications.
- 5) **To Reauthorize the Tropical Forest Conservation Act of 1998 Through Fiscal Year 2007** (H.R. 4654). 
This bill authorizes, subject to appropriations, \$75 million through fiscal year 2007 for loan debt reduction for developing countries with tropical forests. Enacting this bill will not increase direct spending – spending not subject to appropriations – or reduce revenue.
- 6) **Making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations for the Federal Emergency Management Administration for the Fiscal Year Ending September 30, 2004, and for Other Purposes.**
Though the text of this measure is not available – and hence neither is a final cost estimate – it is expected to follow closely the President's request for emergency spending. The President has asked Congress to provide \$2.0 billion for an emergency fiscal year 2004 supplemental appropriation for the Department of Homeland Security, and has designated the amount as an emergency requirement. This budget authority is intended to respond to urgent needs associated with Hurricanes Charley and Frances in Florida.
- 7) **Garrett Lee Smith Memorial Act** (S. 2634).
This bill authorizes, subject to appropriations, funding for Statewide youth suicide early intervention and prevention. At the time of publication, a cost estimate was not available, but enacting this bill is not expected to increase direct spending or reduce revenue.

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PLEASE NOTE: This document addresses budgetary issues only. It should not be taken to address support or opposition on any other grounds. A green flag indicates no serious budgetary or budget compliance concerns. A yellow flag indicates moderate or potential problems. A red flag indicates serious problems. *Also note: Floor schedules and legislative details are subject to change after publication.*

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LEGISLATION CONSIDERED UNDER A RULE

Bill: *Department of Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005*

Committee: Appropriations

Summary: The fiscal year 2005 appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies provides spending authority for a wide variety of agencies, including discretionary funds for three major Federal departments.

The bill provides appropriations for Department of Labor, including funding for the Workforce Investment Act programs.

The bill also provides funding for the Department of Health and Human Services, including funding for the National Institutes of Health, Community Health Centers, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program, Head Start, Abstinence Education, and Safe and Stable Families programs. Health Professions, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and Community Services Block Grant programs are also funded.

It provides spending authority for the Department of Education including Grants to Local Educational Agencies and Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Grants to States and Pell Grants, Reading First State Grants and Mathematics and Science Partnerships. The bill provides budget authority for The Fund for the Improvement of Education, Perkins Vocational Education, and the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education.

Cost: No cost estimate has been made available showing the level of appropriations to be included in this measure. The 302(b) allocation provided to the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Subcommittee is \$142.526 billion in discretionary budget authority and \$141.117 billion in discretionary outlays. The bill is expected to be close to these levels.

Budget Act: Because no cost estimate has been made available, it cannot be determined whether this measure will comply with S. Con. Res. 95, the budget resolution currently in force. It is also unknown whether the bill will include any emergency designations, though the measure is likely to contain advance appropriations that have been specifically allowed by the budget resolution.

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