

FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2011

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
10:00 a.m.: Morning Hour 12:00 p.m.: Legislative Business Fifteen "One Minutes" per side	5:00 – 6:00 p.m.	7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Postponed Suspension Vote (1 vote)

1. [H.R. 2433](#) - Veterans Opportunity to Work Act of 2011, as amended (Rep. Miller (FL) - Veterans' Affairs)

Complete Consideration of [H.R. 3078](#) - United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act (Rep. Cantor - Ways and Means) (60 minutes of debate remaining) This bill implements a trade agreement reached between the United States and Colombia. The agreement reduces most tariffs and duties currently affecting trade between the United States and Colombia. It also reduces barriers for services, increases protections for intellectual property, and is intended to enhance Colombia's labor- and environmental-enforcement standards.

Bill Text for H.R. 3078:[PDF Version](#)**Background for H.R. 3078:**[House Report \(HTML Version\)](#)[House Report \(PDF Version\)](#)[CRS Report](#) - Trade Agreements: Impact on the U.S. Economy[CRS Report](#) - Proposed U.S.- Colombia Free Trade Agreement: Background and Issues

Complete Consideration of [H.R. 3079](#) - United States-Panama Trade Promotion Agreement Implementation Act (Rep. Cantor - Ways and Means) (60 minutes of debate remaining) This bill implements a trade agreement reached between the United States and Panama. The agreement reduces most tariffs and duties currently affecting trade between the two countries, reduces barriers for services, increases protections for intellectual property, and is intended to enhance Panama's labor- and environmental-enforcement standards.

Since Panama already enjoys duty-free treatment on 99% of its exports to the United States under the Andean Trade Preference Act, most of the agreement's provisions relate to U.S. exports to Panama.

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Complete Consideration of [H.R. 3080](#) - United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Rep. Cantor - Ways and Means) (60 minutes of debate remaining) This bill implements a trade agreement reached between the United States and South Korea. The agreement reduces most tariffs and duties currently affecting trade between the United States and South Korea, reduces barriers for services, increases protections for intellectual property and reduces tariffs imposed on U.S. auto exports.

Bill Text for H.R. 3080:[PDF Version](#)**Background for H.R. 3080:**[House Report \(HTML Version\)](#)[House Report \(PDF Version\)](#)[CRS Report](#) - Trade Agreements: Impact on the U.S. Economy[CRS Report](#) - The Proposed U.S.- South Korea Free Trade Agreement (KORUS FTA): Provisions and Implications

Complete Consideration of the Motion to Concur in the Senate Amendment to [H.R. 2832](#) - To extend the Generalized System of Preferences, and for other purposes (Rep. Camp - Ways and Means) (45 minutes of debate remaining) The measure reauthorizes trade adjustment assistance (TAA) programs and alternative trade adjustment assistance (ATAA). American workers who lose their jobs due to increased imports, offshoring or outsourcing have been able to rely on the TAA program to obtain the assistance, education and training necessary to obtain new jobs, helping them stay competitive in a changing economy.

It also extends the Generalized System of Preferences (GSP) until July 31, 2013.

The U.S. Senate passed this bipartisan legislation with 17 Republican Senators voting in favor it, along with every Democratic Senator. It will finally codify an extension of TAA, which House Republicans allowed to expire in February. **Democrats are urged to VOTE YES on H.R. 2832.**

Bill Text for the Senate Amendment to H.R. 2832:

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Continue Consideration of [H.R. 2250](#) - EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011 (Rep. Griffith – Energy and Commerce) H.R. 2250 - EPA Regulatory Relief Act of 2011 (Rep. Griffith – Energy and Commerce) (one hour of debate) The bill blocks the implementation of four EPA rules that would reduce allowable emissions of mercury, cadmium, particulates and other toxic air pollutants originating from boilers and incinerators.

The measure requires the EPA to issue new regulations to replace the four original proposals within 15 months of enactment. Regulated facilities would have to be given at least 5 years to comply with any new rules.

The Rule for H.R. 2681 was adopted on 10/4 and it allows any amendment submitted and printed in the Congressional Record to be in order for consideration under the 5 minute Rule. Pro Forma amendments are also allowed under the Rule. **Any Member yet to offer their amendment should be prepared to offer this evening following last votes.**

Bill Text for H.R. 2250:

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Background for H.R. 2250:

[House Report \(HTML Version\)](#)

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[Text of Amendments printed in the Congressional Record](#)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Thursday, October 13: The House will meet at 12:00 p.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to begin consideration of [H.R. 358](#) - Protect Life Act (Rep. Pitts – Energy and Commerce/Ways and Means) (Subject to a Rule). At approximately 4:00 p.m., the House, in a joint meeting with the Senate, is expected to receive an address from His Excellency, Lee Myung-Bak, President of the Republic of Korea.

The Daily Quote

“According to the latest Washington Post-ABC News poll, a slim majority supports the plan, nearly six in 10 believe it will improve things, and nearly half place more trust in him on job creation than they do in Republicans in Congress...52 percent of Americans support the American Jobs Act compared to 36 percent who oppose the bill. 58 percent of Americans believe the American Jobs Act will improve the jobs situation, including 52 percent of independents. And more Americans trust President Obama over House Republicans to do a better job creating jobs - 49 percent compared to 34 percent.”

- The Washington Post, 10/5/11