

Smith (TX)	Thomas	Weller
Smith (WA)	Thornberry	White
Solomon	Torkildsen	Whitfield
Souder	Traficant	Wicker
Spence	Upton	Wise
Stenholm	Visclosky	Wolf
Talent	Vucanovich	Young (AK)
Tanner	Walsh	Young (FL)
Tate	Watts (OK)	Zeliff
Taylor (NC)	Weldon (FL)	Zimmer
Tejeda	Weldon (PA)	

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Abercrombie	Gephardt	Pastor
Ackerman	Gibbons	Payne (NJ)
Andrews	Green (TX)	Payne (VA)
Baessler	Gutierrez	Pelosi
Baldacci	Hamilton	Peterson (MN)
Barcia	Hancock	Petri
Barrett (WI)	Hastert	Pomeroy
Becerra	Hastings (FL)	Poshard
Beilenson	Hefner	Quinn
Bentsen	Hilliard	Rangel
Berman	Hinchey	Richardson
Blumenauer	Hostettler	Riggs
Bonior	Hoyer	Roemer
Borski	Jackson (IL)	Rohrabacher
Boucher	Jackson-Lee	Rose
Browder	(TX)	Roybal-Allard
Brown (CA)	Jacobs	Royce
Brown (FL)	Jefferson	Rush
Brown (OH)	Johnson (SD)	Sabo
Bryant (TX)	Johnson, E. B.	Sanders
Cardin	Johnston	Sawyer
Chapman	Kanjorski	Scarborough
Clay	Kaptur	Schroeder
Clayton	Kennedy (MA)	Schumer
Clement	Kennelly	Scott
Clyburn	Kildee	Sensenbrenner
Coleman	Klecza	Serrano
Collins (IL)	Klug	Skaggs
Collins (MI)	LaFalce	Skelton
Combest	Lantos	Slaughter
Conyers	Levin	Spratt
Cooley	Lewis (GA)	Stark
Costello	Lofgren	Stearns
Cramer	Lowey	Stockman
Cummings	Luther	Stokes
Danner	Maloney	Studds
DeFazio	Manton	Stump
DeLauro	Markey	Stupak
Dellums	Matsui	Taylor (MS)
Deutsch	McCarthy	Thompson
Dingell	McDermott	Thornton
Dixon	McHale	Thurman
Doggett	McKinney	Tiahrt
Durbin	McNulty	Torres
Engel	Meehan	Towns
Eshoo	Menendez	Velazquez
Evans	Millender	Vento
Farr	McDonald	Volkmer
Fattah	Miller (CA)	Walker
Fazio	Minge	Wamp
Fields (LA)	Mink	Ward
Filner	Moakley	Waters
Flake	Moran	Watt (NC)
Foglietta	Nadler	Waxman
Ford	Neumann	Williams
Frank (MA)	Oberstar	Woolsey
Frost	Obey	Wynn
Furse	Owens	Yates
Gejdenson	Pallone	

NOT VOTING—18

Armey	Houghton	Peterson (FL)
Baker (LA)	Lincoln	Ramstad
Callahan	McCrery	Roth
Emerson	McDade	Tauzin
Fields (TX)	Meek	Torricelli
Hansen	Oliver	Wilson

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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 3662, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. RADANOVICH). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SCHUMER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and unable to make votes 249, 250, 251, and 252. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes" on all four.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. FAZIO of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I take this time for the purpose of inquiring of the distinguished majority whip about the schedule for next week. I would be happy to yield for whatever description of the schedule he would like to provide.

Mr. DELAY. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, the House has concluded its legislative business for the week. On Monday, June 24, we will meet in pro forma session. Of course, there will be no legislative business and no votes that day.

On Tuesday, June 25, the House will meet at 10:30 a.m. for morning hour, and 12 noon for legislative business. Members should note that we do expect recorded votes close to 1 p.m. Please be advised that we will have a full day planned for Tuesday, June 25.

The House will first debate H.R. 2531, the House Parent Exemption Act, which is on the corrections day calendar. We will then take up under suspension of the rules H.R. 3604, the Safe Drinking Water Act. After consideration of the suspension on Tuesday, the House will consider the rule for H.R. 3666, the VA-HUD appropriations, and the bill itself.

On Wednesday, June 26, and the balance of the week, the House will consider the appropriation bill for the Department of Transportation, and possibly for the Departments of Labor and Health and Human Services.

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to remind Members that we may take up a resolution holding the President's aides in contempt of Congress. It is our hope that the President will be forthcoming with the subpoenaed Travelgate documents before next week. However, in the event that these key documents are not provided, we may need to act on the contempt resolution.

Mr. Speaker, we hope to finish legislative business and start the July 4th district period by 2 p.m. on Friday, June 28. Members should be prepared to return to Washington on Tuesday, July 9. We expect recorded votes to be held that day after 5 p.m.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the whip for assuring members that 5 o'clock is still the time for votes on that Tuesday return after the Fourth of July break.

Is it likely that given the fact that the Labor-HHS bill is not yet marked up and probably will not be until the end of Tuesday of next week, that we probably are not likely to see it on the floor? Is it realistic that it will be the two appropriations bills, Transportation, VA-HUD?

Mr. DELAY. Well, the reason I said possibly consideration of the Labor-HHS appropriations bill is that hopefully we can work some sort of agreement out between the ranking member, Mr. OBEY, and the chairman, Mr. LIVINGSTON, so that we could go to that bill. If that is not possible, then we may not do the bill next week.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Speaker, I have another question. Could the gentleman tell me when the first reconciliation bill is likely to hit the floor. I know many thought it would be before us in the next week. I know also that the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. GEPHARDT], the Democratic leader, has written to the Speaker asking for some sort of clarification as to the intent of the majority with regard to welfare, Medicaid, and taxes, whether they would be tied together or come separately, would they or would they not be part of the reconciliation, and what requirements might the Committee on Rules impose as to how we could construct a viable Democratic alternative.

Is the gentleman in a position to give us any understanding about when that might come and how it might come?

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Mr. DELAY. If the gentleman would continue to yield, those decisions have not been made as yet, and we are consulting with as many Members as possible to decide which is the best way to proceed.

We expect that the first reconciliation bill, if indeed we split up the reconciliation bill, would come soon after the July 4th break. We have every intention of working with the minority's leadership to make sure that the minority will have plenty of time in which to craft any substitute that they may want to offer.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate the gentleman's assurance, and I look forward to finalizing the arrangements, because I want to maintain, very clearly, that the minority is very anxious to participate in the discussions, whether we take them up as a package or individually, and we look forward to providing an alternative.

I want to find out from the majority whip, if he can tell us, what will be the fate of the so-called reform week, which we understood was coming that week on our return. We now have backed up several key appropriations bills, we have just heard about the need to bring up the reconciliation bills, and we pick up anecdotally that many of the reforms are falling by the wayside.

I am wondering, is reform week still in our future, or has it perhaps been drifting off into oblivion?

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Chairman, if the gentleman will continue to yield, I would say to him that we want to continue the reputation that we have established in the 104th Congress of being the reform Congress. We have every intention of continuing with our plans for a reform week.

We intend to do a campaign finance reform bill. Unfortunately, we are slipping the schedule on our appropriations bills, and our first priority is to get through the 13 appropriation bills and use the precious floor time for them, but we have every intention of honoring our commitments on reforms, to continue the reforms that we have been working on, sometime in July.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Chairman, reclaiming my time, I would once again ask the gentleman, as I have the gentleman from California, Chairman THOMAS, and others who may have jurisdiction, if we could be given some understanding about what will be coming to the floor during that week, whenever it is.

It is our experience that when we have task force government in the legislative process, we do not always have an opportunity to participate until, all of a sudden, the legislation is before us. So, I am wondering when we may be informed about what will be the composition of reform week in some detail. Could the gentleman inform us?

Mr. DELAY. As soon as we know, we will let the gentleman know.

Mr. FAZIO of California. I consider that a very candid comment, and I appreciate the response.

One last question, and I will not prolong this. I know a good deal of attention is suddenly being focused on the MFN for China. Could the gentleman tell us when that very important debate, which is really bipartisan in nature, might well come before the body?

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Chairman, I would advise the gentleman that we are trying to work with both sides on the MFN issue. We are going to have a leadership meeting next week and we have been in discussion with our leadership team. There is a possibility that we would do MFN next week if we can get the floor time for it and do it.

We would like to get it on to the floor and moving as quickly as we can, and we think we can do that. Although, we cannot, for certain, say it is going to be next week, there is a possibility it will be brought up next week.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Does the gentleman have any idea how long we might have to debate that, how extensive the time commitment to MFN would likely be?

Mr. DELAY. If we do it next week, it would be several hours, but it would not be the 20 hours as required. We will consult with the minority leadership to make sure that every Member's requests are taken care of, but understanding that floor time is very precious.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Chairman, I will try to wrap this one up and yield further.

If it is possible, after the first two appropriations bills, VA-HUD and Transportation, are dealt with, if Labor-HHS is not ready, we may well then go to Thursday afternoon, Friday morning consideration of MFN; is that correct?

Mr. DELAY. I would say that that is a real possibility.

Mr. FAZIO of California. And Friday is firm, until 2, next week?

Mr. DELAY. Friday we will be out by 2 p.m. no matter what.

Mr. FAZIO of California. Mr. Chairman, I appreciate very much the input of the majority whip, and if the Speaker would forbear for just a second, I have been asked by the White House to indicate for those going to the picnic tonight that they are urging people to take Independence Avenue to 17th street, right on 17th, cross Constitution and take the first right turn onto the Ellipse.

There is a tremendous potential for a traffic snarl there tonight. Parking is available on the Ellipse and east toward East Executive Drive. If any Members who are listening to this have some concerns about it, call the cloakrooms of the two parties and we will help try to ease transportation.

HOUR OF MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 25, 1996

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns on Monday, June 24, 1996, it adjourn to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 25, 1996, for morning hour debates.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. RADANOVICH). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY NEXT

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

ADJOURNMENT TO MONDAY, JUNE 24, 1996

Mr. DELAY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday next.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

THE FILEGATE INVESTIGATION

(Mr. HAYWORTH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material.)

Mr. HAYWORTH. Mr. Speaker, all Americans should note with pride the fact that the Olympic torch passes through Washington today on its way to Atlanta, GA, but we should issue this warning both to the International Olympic Committee and the U.S. Olympic Committee: "Whatever you do with that torch, please don't stop at the White House." Chances are the torch would get lost and we would not see it for 2½ years. But I am sure that would be just an honest bureaucratic snafu.

Mr. Speaker, in all sincerity, this morning I respectfully request that we include in today's Washington Times entitled "The Filegate Investigation." If we include that in the RECORD, we will come to the conclusion that all sober and fair-minded Americans should share, that with all due respect to the FBI, letting the FBI conduct its own investigation into the Filegate matter would be like letting the fox guard the henhouse. An independent counsel is needed to get to the truth on this subject.

THE FILEGATE INVESTIGATION

Now that Whitewater independent counsel Kenneth Starr has determined he lacks jurisdiction to investigate White House abuse of FBI background files on more than 400 Reagan and Bush appointees, Attorney General Janet Reno is planning to turn over the investigation to the FBI itself. That is less than a satisfactory solution—to put it mildly.

This unprecedented and "egregious"—as FBI Director Louis Freeh describes it—violation of the Privacy Act could not, after all, have happened without FBI cooperation. And this is not the first time that that agency has overstepped the bounds of propriety, if not legality, in its willingness to cooperate with the Clinton White House. Senior FBI officials allowed themselves to be browbeaten by White House staffers into getting involved in constructing the Clintons' cover story for the summary firing of seven travel office employees in May, 1993. And now it turns out that for months afterwards, without batting an eye, they were merrily handling over hundreds of confidential files the White House had no business getting its hands on.

The White House responded to the initial revelations of these privacy violations with typical disingenuousness. While acknowledging it should never have happened, Clinton spokesmen laid it all at the feet of a low-level clerk, who had no idea who did or did not still need White House access and was using an outdated Secret Service list—and an order form stamped with then-White House Counsel Bernard Nussbaum's name. The Secret Service quickly jumped into the fray with the news that their lists of employees are constantly updated, and that active and inactive passholders are very clearly designated—in short, that there is no such thing as an out-dated Secret Service list.

That hardly mattered in any case, once it also became known that the clerk, civilian Army investigator Anthony Marceca, was actually a longtime Democratic hack, who'd been brought on board by and was working under the direction of another veteran Democratic operative, Craig Livingstone, who worked for then-Associate Counsel, Rose Law Firm partner and Clinton crony William H. Kennedy III. All three had every reason to know perfectly well that they didn't need