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Summarizing budgetary issues in legislation  
scheduled for the House floor

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## SUSPENSION CALENDAR

- 1) ***Expressing the Sense of Congress Regarding the United States Congressional Philharmonic Society*** (H.Con.Res. 183).   
This resolution has no budgetary implications.
- 2) ***John F. Kennedy Center Plaza Authorization Act of 2002*** (H.R. 5012).   
This bill has no budgetary implications.
- 3) ***Great Lakes Legacy Act of 2002*** (H.R. 1070).   
This bill authorizes \$50 million a year for the Environmental Protection Agency to clean contamination that has settled into sediments at the bottom of the Great Lakes, and a sum of \$10 million for additional research. Thus, assuming the appropriation of the full amount in each year, the bill would cost \$260 million over the 2003-2007 period. The bill would not increase direct spending – spending not subject to annual appropriations – or reduce revenue.
- 4) ***Joseph Curseen Jr. and Thomas Morris Jr. Processing and Distribution Center Designation Act*** (H.R. 3287).   
This bill has no budgetary implications.
- 5) ***Barney Apodaca Post Office Designation Act*** (H.R. 5308).   
This bill has no budgetary implications.
- 6) ***Thomas E. Burnett Jr. Post Office Building Designation Act*** (H.R. 5207).   
This bill has no budgetary implications.
- 7) ***Honoring the Contributions of Venus and Serena Williams*** (H.Res. 94).   
This resolution has no budgetary implications.
- 8) ***Education Affordability Act of 2002.***   
This bill makes permanent recently enacted tax reductions related to Education Savings Accounts and certain education tax credits. The reductions, originally part of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001, are currently set to expire after 2010. The bill will not reduce revenue or increase direct spending during 2003-2007 – the period covered by the House budget resolution – but is expected to lose \$5.0 billion in revenue in the second 5 years.

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**PLEASE NOTE:** This document addresses budgetary issues only. It should not be taken to express 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. **Note:** Floor schedules and legislative details are subject to change after publication.

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**LEGISLATION CONSIDERED UNDER A RULE**

**Bill:** *The Dam Safety and Security Act of 2002* (H.R. 4727). 

**Committee:** **Transportation and Infrastructure**

**Summary:** This bill amends the National Dam Safety Program Act to establish effective Federal programs, policies, and guidelines intended to enhance dam safety. Among these are providing assistance to States in establishing, maintaining, and improving dam safety programs; establishing a National Dam Safety Review Board to monitor State implementation; monitoring the safety of dams in the United States; and advising the Director on national dam safety policy. The bill also provides for participation of representatives from Federal or State agencies or dam safety experts as nonvoting members in Board meetings.

**Cost:** The Congressional Budget Office had not completed a cost estimate at the time of the preparation of this *Budget Week*. The bill is not expected to increase direct spending or to decrease revenue.

**Budget Act:** The bill is not expected to violate the provisions of the Budget Act.