

ON WHAT TERMS WILL THIS ADMINISTRATION SPY ON AMERICANS?

I think these Senators are really getting tired trying to teach their Republican colleagues about the rule of law and the importance of all three branches of government.

Thanks to Selise for the YouTube. One highlight:

I know the Bush Administration fears and despises Judicial Oversight. Probably with very good reason.

And check out Whitehouse quoting Scalia starting at 7:55.

There was a sense of a sharp necessity to separate the legislative from the judicial power at the founding of our government. This sense of sharp necessity triumphed among the framers of the new Federal Constitution. And it did so—again quoting the decision—prompted by the crescendo of legislative interference with private judgments of the Court.

Nice touch, Whitehouse.

Just a quick summary of where things stand. The amendments that Harry Reid believes won't be close will be voted on tomorrow. It will almost certainly go into Wednesday. If Mitch McConnell has his way, though, he'll push the FISA vote out until Thursday or Friday to hand it to the House with no time to fix it.

One more point. If I'm not mistaken, Harry Reid was really worried about giving Hillary and Obama the opportunity to get back to vote on the Stimulus Package. But apparently they seem a lot less interested in getting back to vote for our

privacy and civil liberties.