

# **UNCLE TOOBZ? ARE YOU OBSTRUCTING OVERSIGHT OF TARP?**

Some Republican Senator is trying to prevent anyone from conducting oversight of TARP funds.

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# **RICHARD SHELBY WANTS TO PLACE US GOVERNMENT IN BANKRUPTCY AND ELIMINATE MILITARY PENSIONS AND BENEFITS**

Seriously. He must be saying that, right? Let me draw an analogy that will drive people nuts. What about military pensions and benefits after retirement? Well, come on what about it blowhards that are so quick to call for trashing the pensions and benefits of the auto workers, are you also arguing to trash and burn the same for those in the military??? Because, there is a lot of yammering about how the

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# **KUCINICH OR CUMMINGS FOR OVERSIGHT**

Now that Waxman is taking over Energy and Commerce from John Dingell, we need a strong

leader to replace Waxman at Oversight. I nominate either Dennis Kucinich or Elijah Cummings.

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## **MORE ON JOEMENTUM**

Two interesting details in this Politico story.

“Sen. Lieberman’s preference is to stay in the caucus, but he’s going to keep all his options open,” a Lieberman aide said. “McConnell has reached out to him, and at this stage, his position is he wants to remain in the caucus but losing the chairmanship is unacceptable.”

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Lieberman’s aide told Politico on Friday morning that “essentially what transpired is that Sen.

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## **SANCTIMONIOUS JOE IN THE CROSSFIRE**

Holy Joe is shopping for a future. But I’m not sure he’s got any good options.

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## **THE WAXMAN CHALLENGE TO DINGELL**

I’ve got mixed feelings about Henry Waxman’s challenge to John Dingell.

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## **RAHM-ORS**

I don't buy the rumors that Rahm Emmanuel has been named White House Chief of Staff.

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## **SENATE TEA LEAVES**

A new Hill piece talks about some of the changes that will come if Obama does win the Presidency.

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## **DOWN GOES TOOBZ! DOWN GOES TOOBZ!**

Where is Howard Cosell when you need him? The Hulk has been smashed by a guilty verdict on all counts in his corruption trial. This is good news for all those that have fought Stevens, Alaskan corruption (Palin is not really one of them either), and the GOP lions that have laid waste to the United States Senate for so long. I have a different take however.

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## **MIERS AND BOLTEN CAN KICKED DOWN THE ROAD**

The opinion by the DC Circuit Court of Appeals in the Harriet Miers and Josh Bolten subpoena

matter has just been issued. The court has granted the stay requested by the Bush Administration; which, by all appearances, will effectively end the litigation as the subpoenas presumptively expire on January 3, 2009 when the term of the current 110th Congress expires.