

Financial Reform Puts Republicans on the Spot

(April 26) -- Even as they lost today's Senate vote on overhauling financial regulation, the Democrats expected to get a win. They probably did.

The chamber's Republicans held together in opposing a vote to let debate on the measure proceed toward a final roll call, depriving Democrats of the needed 60 votes to override such a filibuster, and that was just fine for the Democrats.

"It will reveal who believes we need to strengthen oversight of Wall Street, and who does not," Senate Majority Leader Harry