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Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas and Mr. MARKEY changed their vote from ''aye'' to ''no.''

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

A FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A further message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed a bill of the following title in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 2507. An act to amend the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act and the Child Nutrition Act of 1966 to provide children with increased access to food and nutrition assistance, to simplify program operations and improve program management, to reauthorize child nutrition programs, and for other purposes.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 3800 AND H.R. 4107

Mr. DAVIS of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I am currently a cosponsor of H.R. 3800 and H.R. 4107. I ask unanimous consent to be removed as a cosponsor of these bills.

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

There was no objection.

AUTHORIZING CLERK TO MAKE CHANGES IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 4548, INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that in the engrossment of the bill, H.R. 4548, just passed, that the Clerk be authorized to make such technical and conforming changes as necessary to reflect the actions of the House.

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

There was no objection.

MAKING IN ORDER AT ANY TIME CONSIDERATION OF HOUSE RESOLUTION 691, REGARDING TURNING OVER CONTROL OF IRAQ

Mr. TIAHRT. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it shall be in order at any time to consider House Resolution 691 in the House;

the resolution shall be considered as read for amendment;

the resolution shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the majority leader and the minority leader or their designees; and

the previous question shall be considered as ordered on the resolution to final adoption without intervening motion or demand for division of the question.

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

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GERLACH). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 2003, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

STATEMENT OF SMART SECURITY AND INTELLIGENCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from California (Ms. WOOLSEY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. WOOLSEY. Mr. Speaker, there are few images more glamorous in our popular culture than that of the debonair spy. There is a reason that James Bond movies have been audience favorites for more than 40 years. But this is one case where art does not even come close to imitating life.

There is nothing romantic about the state of America's intelligence. It is a tired, rusty, bureaucratic, multi-headed beast that is letting down the American people. Fifteen different Federal Government agencies are a part of our intelligence apparatus, and that does not even include the ad hoc intelligence team the administration gathered to advance its phantom case that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction.

Fifteen agencies. That is 15 chains of command, 15 unique institutional cultures, 15 fiefdoms. It is a recipe for disaster, for turf battles, and ego clashes which stand in the way of the most critical work imaginable: Keeping the American people safe.

According to Bob Woodward's book, former CIA Director George Tenet told the President that he had a ''slam dunk'' case for war. In reality, Tenet could not get the different players on his own team to pass the ball to one another.

Here is what I want to know: If organizing the hodgepodge Department of Homeland Security was so important that people were called unpatriotic for opposing it, then why is it not just as urgent to unite U.S. intelligence under a single umbrella?

Earlier this week, the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence considered H.R. 4104 introduced by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. HARMAN), which would have restructured the intelligence community. This bill would have coordinated the 15 intelligence agencies, making them accountable to a single Director of National Intelligence. The bill further integrates the agencies by promoting information sharing and creating incentives for cooperation between them. But the Republicans on the committee shot this bill down.

In the same meeting, the majority rejected an amendment to fully fund counterterrorism intelligence, instead providing only 25 percent of the additional funds that are needed. It is appalling that many of the same folks who were vigilant about keeping a tight lid on intelligence information have offered nothing more than a shrug at the news that Ahmad Chalabi revealed to the Iranians that he had intercepted their secret communication codes. It is unthinkable to me that on the heels of some of the most colossal and embarrassing intelligence failures in American history, the majority is eager to stick with the status quo.

This is a situation that is crying out for reform. We failed to connect the dots that might have enabled us to intercept the 9/11 plot. Our Iraqi intelligence in the run-up to the war was based on mistakes, at best; outright deception, at worst. The administration wants to rewrite the Constitution to say who can marry whom, to give tax breaks to the Americans who need them the least, to read our e-mail and examine our library-borrowing habits, neither of which has anything to do with detaining terrorists, but when faced with a genuine problem, like the state of American intelligence, one that truly endangers the American people, they do not have the will to act.

Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to act. I have introduced H. Con. Res. 392, to create a SMART security platform for the 21st century. SMART stands for Sensible Multilateral American Response to Terrorism. SMART security treats war as an absolute last resort. It fights terrorism with stronger intelligence and multilateral partnerships. It aggressively invests in the development of impoverished nations. It controls the spread of weapons of mass destruction with a renewed commitment to nonproliferation. And to meet every one of its goals, SMART security will rely on a robust, efficient, integrated intelligence community.

Until we get serious about overhauling U.S. intelligence, I fear that that very term, U.S. intelligence, may become an oxymoron.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. BURTON of Indiana addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. LIPINSKI) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. LIPINSKI addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)