Mr. GOWDY. Mr. Speaker, I would again thank our colleagues Ms. NORTON and Mr. CUMMINGS, and I urge Members to support the passage of H.R. 3237.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I would like to recognize thegentlewoman from South Carolina, Ms. NORTON, and thegentleman from South Carolina, Mr. GOWDY.

Mr. Speaker, on this issue I yield to the gentlelady from South Carolina, Ms. NO RTON, and thegentleman from South Carolina, Mr. GOWDY.

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Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2297 is needed to promote the development of the Southwest waterfront near Maine Avenue in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to thank my colleagues, Ms. NORTON, and my colleague, Ranking Member CUMMINGS, for working with us to ensure we had the appropriate language to modify the legislation that is before us today.

With that, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

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I want to thank the chairman of the full committee, Mr. Issa and my good friend on the other side who is managing the bill, for the committee chair of the subcommittee, Mr. Goodwyn, for working closely with us on this bill so that we could get it to the floor today. I also thank the ranking member of the full committee and Mr. Davis, the ranking member of the subcommittee, as my colleague so aptly pointed out, also deserves credit.

With that, I would urge all of our fellow Members to support the passage of H.R. 2297, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. Goodlatte) to the effect that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2297, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the motion agreed to.

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Today I am pleased that we are considering a bipartisan bill to update the Video Privacy Protection Act of 1988. This bill will ensure that a law related to the handling of videotape rental information is updated to reflect the realities of the 21st century.

The VPPA was passed by Congress in the wake of Judge Robert Bork’s 1987 Supreme Court nomination battle, during which a local Washington, D.C., newspaper obtained a list of videotapes the Bork family rented from its neighborhood video store. This disclosure caused bipartisan outrage, which resulted in the enactment of the VPPA.

The commercial video distribution landscape has changed dramatically since 1988. Back then, the primary consumer consumption of commercial video content occurred through the sale or rental of prerecorded video-cassette tapes. This required users to travel to their local video rental store to pick a movie. Afterward, consumers had to travel back to the store to return the rented movie. Movies that consumers rented and enjoyed were recommended to friends primarily through face-to-face conversations.

With today’s technology, consumers can quickly and efficiently access video programming through a variety of platforms, including through Internet protocol-based video services, all without leaving their homes.

This bill updates the VPPA to allow videotape service providers to facilitate the sharing on social media networks of the movies watched or recommended by users. Specifically, it is narrowly crafted to preserve the VPPA protections for privacy while modernizing the law to empower consumers to do more with their video consumption preferences, including sharing names of new or favorite TV shows or movies on social media in a simple way. However, it protects the consumer’s control over the information by requiring consumer consent before any of this occurs, and it makes clear that a consumer can opt-in to the ongoing sharing of his or her favorite movies or TV shows without having to provide consent each and every time a movie is rented.

It also makes clear that written, affirmative consent can be provided.

I urge passage of the bill. I yield back the balance of my time. Mr. GOWDY. Mr. Speaker, I would once again thank our colleague Ms. HOLMES NORTON and Ranking Member CUMMINGS, Mr. Davis, the ranking member of the subcommittee, as my colleague so aptly pointed out, also deserves credit.

With that, I would urge all of our fellow Members to support the passage of H.R. 2297, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. Gowdy) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2297, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 2:45 p.m. today. According to the calendar (at 3:00 and 54 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 2:45 p.m.

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