

safe. This bill will authorize those resources while ensuring full congressional oversight of the intelligence community. I urge my colleagues to vote for the bill.

In closing, Mr. Speaker, I want to again thank Mr. SCHIFF for his congeniality and all of his staff's work and our staff's work on our side.

Mr. Speaker, I urge passage of the bill.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as a senior member of the Homeland Security Committee and Ranking member of the Judiciary Committee's Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations, I rise in support of H.R. 4127, the "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016," for several reasons.

With bipartisan legislative changes negotiated and incorporated, H.R. 4127, is an improved and acceptable bill that will provide critical funding for our nation's 16 intelligence agencies.

While this measure is not perfect, H.R. 4127 corrects many of the provisions that were objectionable by providing a more balanced and realistic budget for our Intelligence Community.

The revised Intelligence Authorization Act makes cuts to less effective programs, adds money to underfunded ones, and requires intelligence agencies to keep Congress abreast of their activities to ensure responsible and lawful spending practices.

More specifically, I am pleased that this bill will: provide critical resources for the fight against ISIL; emphasize collection to monitor and ensure compliance with the Iranian nuclear agreement; provide the necessary means to counter threats from nation-state actors, particularly in cyberspace, space and the undersea environment, and furthermore helps to shore up our counter-proliferation and counter-intelligence capabilities; support our overhead architecture through the funding of critical space programs, invests in space protection and resiliency, preserves investments in cutting-edge technologies, and enhances the oversight of contracting and procurement practices; promotes foreign partner capabilities; and enhance human intelligence capabilities and oversight throughout CIA's reorganization process.

H.R. 4127 will provide funding that is 7% above last year's enacted budget level, and only 1% less than President Obama's budget request.

Importantly, this version of the bill corrects the over-reliance on short-term Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) funding to evade Budget Control Act caps, which proved problematic in the earlier version.

I applaud my colleagues for working together to reach agreement on a fair and balanced budget framework that does not harm our economy or require draconian cuts.

Additionally of concern in the prior measure, to the extent intelligence funds might be used in an effort to shutter the Guantanamo facility, the Guantanamo-related language in the current version will merely subject those funds to restrictions identical to those imposed by the FY 2016 National Defense Authorization Act, recently passed and signed into law by the President.

Lastly, while a provision of H.R. 4127 still curtails the Privacy and Civil Liberties Over-

sight Board's (PCLOB) ability to access information regarding covert action, it does not alter the PCLOB's broader jurisdiction or mission to provide independent oversight and to ensure that the U.S. appropriately protects privacy and civil liberties in its counter terrorism programs.

With respect to covert actions, the language of H.R. 4127 has been reworded to emphasize that such actions are subject to presidential approval and reporting to Congress pursuant to existing law.

The balance between liberty and security must be respected to preserve our way of life and the values that countless generations have fought to preserve.

This includes taking precautionary measures to ensure that lives are safe from eminent danger and terrorist threats both domestically and abroad.

On balance, Mr. Speaker, H.R. 4127 contains more salutary than objectionable provisions, and for that reason I support this bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. NUNES) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4127.

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

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Ordering the previous question on H. Res. 539;

Adopting H. Res. 539, if ordered; and Suspending the rules and passing S. 1170.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 8, NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY SECURITY AND INFRASTRUCTURE ACT OF 2015; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S.J. RES. 23, PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF A RULE SUBMITTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S.J. RES. 24, PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF A RULE SUBMITTED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 539) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 8) to modernize energy infrastructure, build a 21st century energy and manufacturing workforce, bolster America's energy se-

curity and diplomacy, and promote energy efficiency and government accountability, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 23) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Standards of Performance for Greenhouse Gas Emissions from New, Modified, and Reconstructed Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units"; and providing for consideration of the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 24) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of a rule submitted by the Environmental Protection Agency relating to "Carbon Pollution Emission Guidelines for Existing Stationary Sources: Electric Utility Generating Units", on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 242, nays 179, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 646]

YEAS—242

Abraham	Duncan (TN)	Kelly (MS)
Aderholt	Ellmers (NC)	Kelly (PA)
Allen	Emmer (MN)	King (IA)
Amash	Farenthold	King (NY)
Amodei	Fincher	Kinzinger (IL)
Babin	Fitzpatrick	Kline
Barletta	Fleischmann	Knight
Barr	Fleming	Labrador
Barton	Flores	LaHood
Benishek	Forbes	LaMalfa
Bilirakis	Fortenberry	Lamborn
Bishop (MI)	Fox	Lance
Bishop (UT)	Franks (AZ)	Latta
Black	Frelinghuysen	LoBiondo
Blackburn	Garrett	Long
Blum	Gibbs	Loudermilk
Bost	Gibson	Love
Boustany	Gohmert	Lucas
Brady (TX)	Goodlatte	Luetkemeyer
Brat	Gosar	Lummis
Bridenstine	Gowdy	MacArthur
Brooks (AL)	Granger	Marchant
Brooks (IN)	Graves (GA)	Marino
Buchanan	Graves (LA)	Massie
Buck	Graves (MO)	McCarthy
Bucshon	Griffith	McCaul
Burgess	Grothman	McClintock
Byrne	Guinta	McHenry
Calvert	Guthrie	McKinley
Carter (GA)	Hanna	McMorris
Carter (TX)	Hardy	Rodgers
Chabot	Harper	McSally
Chaffetz	Harris	Meadows
Clawson (FL)	Hartzler	Meehan
Cole	Heck (NV)	Messer
Collins (GA)	Hensarling	Mica
Collins (NY)	Hice, Jody B.	Miller (FL)
Comstock	Hill	Miller (MI)
Conaway	Holding	Moolenaar
Cook	Hudson	Mooney (WV)
Costello (PA)	Huelskamp	Mullin
Cramer	Huizenga (MI)	Mulvaney
Crawford	Hultgren	Murphy (PA)
Crenshaw	Hunter	Neugebauer
Culberson	Hurd (TX)	Newhouse
Curbelo (FL)	Hurt (VA)	Noem
Davis, Rodney	Issa	Nugent
Denham	Jenkins (KS)	Nunes
Dent	Jenkins (WV)	Olson
DeSantis	Johnson (OH)	Palazzo
DesJarlais	Johnson, Sam	Palmer
Diaz-Balart	Jolly	Paulsen
Dold	Jones	Pearce
Donovan	Jordan	Perry
Duffy	Joyce	Pittenger
Duncan (SC)	Katko	Pitts