

For this reason, I will vote “no” on the measure tonight, but I remain optimistic about this legislation’s ultimate passage into law after we complete its consideration under regular order.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. NUNES. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, first, I thank Mr. Phil Tubesing, who has been a congressional fellow with our committee for the last 2 years. This will be his last bill. He will be leaving us at the end of the month, so I wanted to recognize him for all his fine work on the bill.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote “yes” on this bill. This is typically how the bill has come to the floor from the Intelligence Committee. As nearly all the Members know, for the last several years that is how it has occurred. Unfortunately, we are beginning to deteriorate into political theater at the Intelligence Committee. As long as I am chairman, I am going to continue to try to stop that from happening.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a “yes” vote, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. CARSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, as a member of the House Intelligence Committee, I am proud of the bipartisanship that allowed us to put this bill together.

Our committee, which normally operates quietly, has gotten more attention than normal this year as we conduct the critical business of investigating Russian intervention in our elections.

But we still do our day job—overseeing intelligence programs and providing support to the men and women of our intelligence community who fight to keep our country safe.

This bill is the culmination of this cooperation.

Our country is facing a wide array of pervasive and complex threats.

Our near-peer adversaries, Russia and China, are rapidly growing their military capabilities and regularly, unashamedly violating international law.

A nuclear weapons stockpile and functioning ICBM program now sit in the hands of an unpredictable North Korean dictator.

And the so-called caliphate started by ISIS is losing ground, only to increase homegrown attacks against the United States and its allies.

My constituents, like all Americans, are rightly concerned.

But they can feel confident that we are working with the intelligence community on ways to address them.

As the Ranking Member of the Emerging Threats Subcommittee, I am particularly interested in supporting our intelligence professionals who assess and prevent terrorist threats to our homeland—while protecting the civil rights and liberties of innocent Americans.

I’m working to ensure they use their expertise, as well as that in the private sector, to find and remove online propaganda used to recruit would-be attackers.

I’m also proud to include language that will enable the IC and private sector to temporarily exchange IT talent in order to better tackle some of the toughest cybersecurity challenges.

Mr. Speaker, Chairman NUNES and Ranking Member SCHIFF have led this process with bipartisan professionalism.

This bill is stronger because it reflects the input of all of our members.

The full House should have this same opportunity—not be forced to vote up or down under suspension.

Republican leadership owes it to our members to return to regular order so our bill can benefit from the input of the full House.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, as a senior member of the Homeland Security Committee and vigilant defender of our national security, I rise in support of H.R. 3180, the “Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2018,” which will provide the Intelligence Community (IC) with the necessary resources and authorities to ensure they remain capable of protecting and defending the United States.

This bill authorizes appropriations for Fiscal Year 2018 for vital intelligence activities of the U.S. government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes.

H.R. 3180 comes at a critical time in the status of our national security and the IC’s ability to protect it.

As we continue to face a diverse and growing array of threats from terrorist groups, hostile nation states, and questionable or incompetent figures in the Trump administration, it is crucial that the IC receive all the resources it needs to do its job while Congress has the necessary tools to carry out rigorous oversight of its work.

This bill seeks to meet these challenges by supporting critical national security programs, particularly those focused on countering terrorism and cyberattacks.

Under H.R. 3180, the Director of National Intelligence will be required to electronically publish an unclassified advisory report on foreign counterintelligence and cybersecurity threats to federal elections.

It also bolsters intelligence oversight by ensuring that IC contractors can meet freely with Congress.

Lastly, this bill improves IC accountability to Congress by requiring the IC to provide reports on:

Investigations of leaks of classified information;

Security clearance processing timelines;

The process for reviewing information about computer vulnerabilities for retention or potential release;

And Russian influence campaigns directed at foreign elections and threat finance activities.

Mr. Speaker, H.R. 3180 is a necessary response to the overwhelming evidence pointing to a carefully planned and executed infiltration of our 2016 Presidential Election by the Russian government and its operatives.

The issue of cybersecurity, particularly with regards to our federal election computer system infrastructure, has been of great concern to me and the American public as more and more reports of Russian hacking efforts have come to light.

In addition, the provision requiring reports on security clearance processing timelines should shed light on the highly dubious and inscrutable security clearances of Ivanka Trump and Jared Kushner.

Donald Trump’s blatant and irresponsible nepotism towards his daughter and son-in-law

have made us all vulnerable to Russian and other foreign influence at the highest levels of our federal government.

H.R. 3180 will give the American people what they crave and deserve: clarity and transparency to pierce through the haze of cover-ups and distractions surrounding the Trump Administration.

This bill also takes significant, much-needed steps to improve benefits for members of the IC, such as increasing employee compensation and authorizing \$514 million in appropriations for the CIA’s Retirement and Disability System.

Congress must do its part to adequately recompense the patriotic Americans who serve our nation through their work in the IC, especially employees with disabilities, who make up 9 percent of the intelligence workforce.

At the same time, we must continue to ensure that Congress can exercise oversight over and maintain transparency for the 17 agencies that comprise the IC.

I am heartened that my Republican colleagues in the Intelligence Committee are starting to see the light in recognizing the sinister threat of Russian infiltration and White House collusion, both of which endanger our nation’s ability to practice and protect its core democratic values.

I look forward to working with all Members of Congress to strengthen our IC, and I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this important legislation.

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. 3180, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

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RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o’clock and 43 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CARTER of Georgia) at 6 o’clock and 30 minutes p.m.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.J. RES. 111 PROVIDING FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISAPPROVAL OF THE RULE SUBMITTED BY BUREAU OF CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION RELATING TO ARBITRATION AGREEMENTS

Mr. BUCK from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 115–252) on the resolution (H. Res. 468) providing for consideration of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 111) providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the rule submitted by Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection relating to “Arbitration Agreements”, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REQUESTING THE SENATE TO RETURN TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 76

Mr. BUCK. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a privileged resolution and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 469

*Resolved*, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives request the Senate to return to the House the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 76) entitled “Granting the consent and approval of Congress for the Commonwealth of Virginia, the State of Maryland, and the District of Columbia to a enter into a compact relating to the establishment of the Washington Metrorail Safety Commission.”

The resolution was agreed to.

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 motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

- H.R. 3180, by the yeas and nays;
- S. 114, by the yeas and nays;
- H.R. 3218, by the yeas and nays.

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

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3180) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2018 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and

for other purposes, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the 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, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 241, nays 163, not voting 29, as follows:

[Roll No. 407]

YEAS—241

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|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Abraham       | Goodlatte       | Norcross        |
| Aderholt      | Gosar           | Norman          |
| Aguilar       | Gottheimer      | Nunes           |
| Allen         | Gowdy           | O’Halloran      |
| Amodei        | Granger         | Olson           |
| Arrington     | Graves (GA)     | Palmer          |
| Babin         | Graves (LA)     | Paulsen         |
| Bacon         | Griffith        | Pearce          |
| Banks (IN)    | Grothman        | Perry           |
| Barletta      | Guthrie         | Peters          |
| Barr          | Handel          | Peterson        |
| Barton        | Harper          | Pittenger       |
| Bera          | Harris          | Poliquin        |
| Bergman       | Hartzler        | Posey           |
| Biggs         | Hensarling      | Ratcliffe       |
| Bilirakis     | Herrera Beutler | Reed            |
| Bishop (MI)   | Hice, Jody B.   | Reichert        |
| Bishop (UT)   | Higgins (LA)    | Rice (SC)       |
| Black         | Hill            | Roby            |
| Blackburn     | Holding         | Roe (TN)        |
| Blum          | Hollingsworth   | Rogers (AL)     |
| Bost          | Hudson          | Rogers (KY)     |
| Brady (TX)    | Huizenga        | Rokita          |
| Bridenstine   | Hunter          | Rooney, Francis |
| Brooks (IN)   | Hurd            | Ros-Lehtinen    |
| Brownley (CA) | Issa            | Rosen           |
| Buchanan      | Jenkins (KS)    | Roskam          |
| Buck          | Johnson (LA)    | Ross            |
| Bucshon       | Johnson (OH)    | Rothfus         |
| Budd          | Johnson, Sam    | Rouzer          |
| Burgess       | Joyce (OH)      | Royce (CA)      |
| Bustos        | Katko           | Ruiz            |
| Byrne         | Keating         | Russell         |
| Calvert       | Kelly (MS)      | Rutherford      |
| Carbajal      | Kelly (PA)      | Schneider       |
| Carter (GA)   | Kihuen          | Schrader        |
| Carter (TX)   | King (IA)       | Schweikert      |
| Chabot        | King (NY)       | Scott, Austin   |
| Cheney        | Kinzinger       | Sensenbrenner   |
| Coffman       | Knight          | Sessions        |
| Cole          | Kuster (NH)     | Shea-Porter     |
| Collins (GA)  | Kustoff (TN)    | Shimkus         |
| Collins (NY)  | LaHood          | Shuster         |
| Comer         | LaMalfa         | Simpson         |
| Comstock      | Lamborn         | Sinema          |
| Conaway       | Lance           | Smith (NE)      |
| Cook          | Latta           | Smith (NJ)      |
| Correa        | Lewis (MN)      | Smith (TX)      |
| Costa         | Lipinski        | Smucker         |
| Cramer        | LoBiondo        | Stefanik        |
| Crist         | Loeb sack       | Stivers         |
| Culberson     | Long            | Suozzi          |
| Curbelo (FL)  | Loudermilk      | Taylor          |
| Davis, Rodney | Love            | Tenney          |
| Denham        | Lucas           | Thompson (PA)   |
| Dent          | Luetkemeyer     | Thornberry      |
| DeSantis      | Lujan Grisham,  | Tiberi          |
| DesJarlais    | M.              | Tipton          |
| Diaz-Balart   | MacArthur       | Trott           |
| Donovan       | Maloney, Sean   | Turner          |
| Duffy         | Marchant        | Upton           |
| Duncan (SC)   | Marino          | Valadao         |
| Dunn          | Marshall        | Wagner          |
| Emmer         | Mast            | Walberg         |
| Estes (KS)    | McCarthy        | Walden          |
| Farenthold    | McClintock      | Walker          |
| Faso          | McHenry         | Walorski        |
| Ferguson      | McMorris        | Walters, Mimi   |
| Fitzpatrick   | Rodgers         | Weber (TX)      |
| Fleischmann   | McNerney        | Webster (FL)    |
| Flores        | McSally         | Wenstrup        |
| Fortenberry   | Meadows         | Westerman       |
| Foxx          | Meehan          | Wilson (SC)     |
| Franks (AZ)   | Messer          | Wittman         |
| Frelinghuysen | Mitchell        | Womack          |
| Gaetz         | Moolenaar       | Woodall         |
| Gallagher     | Mullin          | Yoder           |
| Garamendi     | Murphy (FL)     | Yoho            |
| Garrett       | Murphy (PA)     | Young (AK)      |
| Gianforte     | Newhouse        | Young (IA)      |
| Gibbs         | Noem            | Zeldin          |

NAYS—163

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|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Adams           | Frankel (FL)   | Nadler         |
| Amash           | Fudge          | Neal           |
| Barragán        | Gabbard        | Nolan          |
| Beatty          | Gallego        | O’Rourke       |
| Beyer           | Gohmert        | Pallone        |
| Bishop (GA)     | Gomez          | Panetta        |
| Blumenauer      | Gonzalez (TX)  | Pascarell      |
| Blunt Rochester | Green, Al      | Payne          |
| Bonamici        | Green, Gene    | Perlosi        |
| Boyle, Brendan  | Grijalva       | Perlmutter     |
| F.              | Hanabusa       | Pingree        |
| Brady (PA)      | Hastings       | Pocan          |
| Brat            | Heck           | Polis          |
| Brown (MD)      | Higgins (NY)   | Price (NC)     |
| Butterfield     | Himes          | Quigley        |
| Capuano         | Hoyer          | Raskin         |
| Cárdenas        | Huffman        | Rice (NY)      |
| Carson (IN)     | Jackson Lee    | Richmond       |
| Cartwright      | Jayapal        | Royal-Allard   |
| Castor (FL)     | Jeffries       | Ruppersberger  |
| Castro (TX)     | Johnson, E. B. | Rush           |
| Chu, Judy       | Jones          | Ryan (OH)      |
| Cicilline       | Jordan         | Sánchez        |
| Clark (MA)      | Kaptur         | Sanford        |
| Clarke (NY)     | Kelly (IL)     | Sarbanes       |
| Clay            | Kennedy        | Schakowsky     |
| Cleaver         | Khanna         | Schiff         |
| Clyburn         | Kildee         | Scott (VA)     |
| Cohen           | Kilmer         | Scott, David   |
| Connolly        | Kind           | Serrano        |
| Conyers         | Krishnamoorthi | Sewell (AL)    |
| Cooper          | Labrador       | Sherman        |
| Courtney        | Langevin       | Sires          |
| Cuellar         | Larsen (WA)    | Slaughter      |
| Davidson        | Larson (CT)    | Smith (WA)     |
| Davis (CA)      | Lawson (FL)    | Soto           |
| DeFazio         | Lee            | Speier         |
| DeGette         | Levin          | Swalwell (CA)  |
| Delaney         | Lewis (GA)     | Takano         |
| DeLauro         | Lieu, Ted      | Thompson (CA)  |
| DelBene         | Lofgren        | Thompson (MS)  |
| Demings         | Lowenthal      | Titus          |
| DeSaulnier      | Lowe           | Tonko          |
| Deutch          | Luján, Ben Ray | Torres         |
| Dingell         | Lynch          | Tsongas        |
| Doggett         | Maloney,       | Veasey         |
| Doyle, Michael  | Carolyn B.     | Vela           |
| F.              | Matsui         | Velázquez      |
| Duncan (TN)     | McCollum       | Vislosky       |
| Ellison         | McEachin       | Walz           |
| Engel           | McGovern       | Wasserman      |
| Eshoo           | Meeks          | Schultz        |
| Espallat        | Meng           | Watson Coleman |
| Esty (CT)       | Moore          | Wilson (FL)    |
| Evans           | Moulton        | Yarmuth        |
| Foster          |                |                |

NOT VOTING—29

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| Bass          | Jenkins (WV) | Rohrabacher    |
| Brooks (AL)   | Johnson (GA) | Rooney, Thomas |
| Costello (PA) | Lawrence     | J.             |
| Crawford      | McCaul       | Scalise        |
| Crowley       | McKinley     | Smith (MO)     |
| Cummings      | Mooney (WV)  | Stewart        |
| Davis, Danny  | Napolitano   | Vargas         |
| Graves (MO)   | Palazzo      | Waters, Maxine |
| Gutiérrez     | Poe (TX)     | Welch          |
| Hultgren      | Renacci      | Williams       |

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Messrs. MESSER, MEADOWS, LOEBSACK, BIGGS, ARRINGTON, GOSAR, NORCROSS, and GARAMENDI changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds not being in the affirmative) the motion was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS BONUS TRANSPARENCY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (S. 114) to amend title 38, United States Code, to require the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to submit an annual report regarding performance awards and bonuses awarded to certain