

and successful civilian life. This bill will help our servicemembers to continue to serve our Nation in many new ways by filling 21st century jobs and keeping America on the cutting edge of innovation.

Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend, Mr. TAKANO, the ranking vice chair of the Veterans' Affairs Committee and a fellow member on the Science, Space, and Technology Committee, for cosponsoring this bipartisan legislation. I also salute all of my fellow veterans on the Science, Space, and Technology Committee who joined me in introducing this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 4323, the Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act, and I thank Mr. DUNN and Mr. TAKANO for introducing this good legislation.

The demand for a workforce equipped with STEM skills is growing. At the same time, many veterans developed valuable technical skills during their service. We must do more to take advantage of those skills and increase veteran participation in STEM careers if we are to meet the workforce demands.

This summer, I was pleased to see the passage of the Forever GI Bill, which extended GI benefits for veterans enrolled in STEM degree programs. Now that STEM degrees are more accessible for veterans, we must do more to support veterans during their transition into STEM degree programs and careers.

H.R. 4323 directs the National Science Foundation to report data on veterans in STEM studies and careers and develop a plan to increase outreach to veterans.

This bill also creates an interagency committee that will examine how Federal programs and policies can best be leveraged to equip veterans with the skills they need to transition into STEM careers.

H.R. 4323 is a good step toward strengthening our STEM workforce and creating opportunities for an eminently deserving sector of our citizenry.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from California (Mr. TAKANO).

Mr. TAKANO. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman, the ranking member, for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of H.R. 4323, the Supporting Veterans in STEM Careers Act.

I led this bill with the gentleman from Florida because finding ways to

improve higher education for veterans is essential to our economy and critical to keeping our promise to those who serve.

This legislation advances the great work being done by the National Science Foundation by requiring NSF to develop a plan to help more veterans enter science, technology, engineering, and math fields.

In addition, it requires NSF to report available data on veterans participating in STEM fields.

NSF will also be required to recruit veterans for existing NSF programs, including the Noyse Teacher Scholarship program, and for cybersecurity-specific education and training programs.

Finally, this bill creates an interagency committee to help veterans and their spouses transition to STEM careers, including reporting on their progress.

All of us understand the challenges veterans face when trying to further their education, but we have also seen what happens when former servicemembers are empowered to success as civilians. After World War II, soldiers returned home to a GI Bill that sparked an era of innovation and economic growth.

By helping veterans enter STEM education and research programs, this bill will help build a workforce that is prepared to succeed in the modern economy. At the same time, it will drive some of our best and brightest into fields where they can make new discoveries and create new technologies that will redefine the world for future generations.

Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the opportunity to work with my Republican colleague, Mr. DUNN, and I encourage all Members to support this legislation.

□ 1815

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time. I urge support of this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DUNN. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. DUNN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4323, 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. DUNN. 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.

NATIONAL SECURITY STRATEGY OF THE UNITED STATES—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, referred to the Committee on Armed Services:

To the Congress of the United States:

Consistent with section 108 of the National Security Act of 1947, as amended (50 U.S.C. 3043), I have enclosed the National Security Strategy of the United States.

This National Security Strategy sets forth my guidance and direction for an America First foreign policy and charts a path to achieving the goals and objectives that will make America great again.

DONALD J. TRUMP.
THE WHITE HOUSE, December 18, 2017.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess for a period of less than 15 minutes.

Accordingly (at 6 o'clock and 16 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1830

AFTER RECESS

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

HOUR OF MEETING ON TOMORROW

Mr. HOLDING. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 4 of rule XVI, I move that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow for morning-hour debate and 10 a.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. HASTINGS. 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, this 15-minute vote on the motion to fix the convening time will be followed by 5-minute votes on motions to suspend the rules on:

H.R. 4375, by the yeas and nays; and H.R. 3979, by the yeas and nays.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 216, nays 169, not voting 46, as follows:

[Roll No. 685]

YEAS—216

Abraham	Babin	Barton
Aderholt	Bacon	Bergman
Allen	Banks (IN)	Biggs
Amodei	Barletta	Bilirakis
Arrington	Barr	Bishop (MI)

Bishop (UT) Harris
 Black Hartzler
 Blackburn Hensarling
 Blum Herrera Beutler
 Bost Hice, Jody B.
 Brady (TX) Hill
 Brat Holding
 Brooks (IN) Hollingsworth
 Buchanan Huizenga
 Buck Hultgren
 Bucshon Hunter
 Budd Hurd
 Burgess Issa
 Byrne Jenkins (KS)
 Calvert Jenkins (WV)
 Carter (GA) Johnson (LA)
 Chabot Johnson (OH)
 Cheney Johnson, Sam
 Coffman Jones
 Cole Jordan
 Collins (GA) Joyce (OH)
 Comer Kelly (PA)
 Comstock King (IA)
 Conaway King (NY)
 Cook Kinzinger
 Costello (PA) Knight
 Cramer Kustoff (TN)
 Culberson LaHood
 Curbelo (FL) LaMalfa
 Curtis Lamborn
 Davidson Sessions
 Davis, Rodney Latta
 Denham Lewis (MN)
 Dent LoBiondo
 DesJarlais Long
 Diaz-Balart Love
 Donovan Lucas
 Duncan (TN) Luetkemeyer
 Dunn MacArthur
 Emmer Marchant
 Estes (KS) Marino
 Farenthold Marshall
 Faso Messer
 Ferguson Mast
 Fitzpatrick McCarthy
 Fleischmann McCaul
 Flores McClintock
 Fortenberry McHenry
 Foxx McKinley
 Frelinghuysen McMorriss
 Gaetz Rodgers
 Gallagher McSally
 Garrett Meadows
 Gianforte Meehan
 Gibbs Messer
 Gohmert Mitchell
 Goodlatte Moolenaar
 Gosar Mullin
 Gowdy Newhouse
 Granger Neom
 Graves (GA) Norman
 Graves (LA) Nunes
 Graves (MO) Olson
 Griffith Palazzo
 Grothman Palmer
 Guthrie Paulsen
 Handel Pearce
 Harper Perry

NAYS—169

Adams Cohen
 Aguilar Connolly
 Amash Cooper
 Barragán Correa
 Bass Costa
 Beatty Courtney
 Bera Crist
 Beyer Crowley
 Bishop (GA) Cuellar
 Blumenauer Cummings
 Blunt Rochester Davis (CA)
 Bonamici Davis, Danny
 Brady (PA) DeFazio
 Brown (MD) DeGette
 Brownley (CA) Delaney
 Bustos DeLauro
 Butterfield DelBene
 Carbajal Demings
 Cárdenas DeSaulnier
 Carson (IN) Dingell
 Cartwright Doggett
 Castor (FL) Doyle, Michael
 Castro (TX) F.
 Chu, Judy Ellison
 Cicilline Engel
 Clark (MA) Eshoo
 Clay Espallat
 Cleaver Esty (CT)
 Clyburn Evans

Pittenger Poe (TX)
 Poliquin Kuster (NH)
 Posey Langevin
 Ratcliffe Larsen (WA)
 Reed Lawson (FL)
 Reichert Lee
 Renacci Levin
 Rice (SC) Lewis (GA)
 Roby Lieu, Ted
 Roe (TN) Lipinski
 Rogers (AL) Loeb sack
 Rogers (KY) Lofgren
 Rokita Lowenthal
 Rooney, Thomas J. Lowey
 Ros-Lehtinen Lujan Grisham,
 Roskam M.
 Ross Luján, Ben Ray
 Rothfus Carolyn B.
 Rouzer Maloney, Sean
 Royce (CA) Matsui
 Russell McEachin
 Rutherford McGovern
 Sanford McNeerney
 Scalise Schiff
 Schweikert Meeks
 Scott, Austin Meng
 Sensenbrenner Moore

Kind Krishnamoorthi
 Moulton Nadler
 Scott, David Serrano
 Sherman Neal
 Sires Norcross
 Slaughter O'Halleran
 Smith (WA) Pallone
 Soto Panetta
 Suozzi Payne
 Swalwell (CA) Pelosi
 Takano Perlmutter
 Thompson (CA) Peters
 Thompson (MS) Peterson
 Titus Pingree
 Tonko Polis
 Torres Price (NC)
 Tsongas Quigley
 Vargas Raskin
 Veasey Richmond
 Vela Roybal-Allard
 Velázquez Ruiz
 Visclosky Ruppertsberger
 Wasserman Ryan (OH)
 Waters, Maxine Schakowsky
 Watson Coleman Schiff
 Welch Schneider
 Wilson (FL) Schrader
 Yarmuth Scott (VA)

NOT VOTING—46

Boyle, Brendan Higgins (LA)
 F. Hudson
 Bridenstine Katko
 Brooks (AL) Kelly (MS)
 Capuano Kennedy
 Carter (TX) Labrador
 Clarke (NY) Larson (CT)
 Collins (NY) Lawrence
 Crawford Loudermill
 DeSantis McCollum
 Deutch Mooney (WV)
 Duffy Murphy (FL)
 Duncan (SC) Napolitano
 Gonzalez (TX) Nolan
 Green, Al O'Rourke
 Gutiérrez Pascrell

□ 1858

Messrs. TAKANO, BRADY of Pennsylvania, PETERS, COSTA, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. AGUILAR, Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico, and Mr. RASKIN changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. WALDEN, CALVERT, and CARTER of Georgia changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion to fix convening time was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

STEM RESEARCH AND EDUCATION EFFECTIVENESS AND TRANSPARENCY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 4375) to provide for a study on broadening participation in certain National Science Foundation research and education programs, to collect data on Federal research grants to science agencies, 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 gentlewoman from Virginia (Mrs. COMSTOCK) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 376, nays 9, not voting 46, as follows:

[Roll No. 686]

YEAS—376

Abraham Diaz-Balart
 Adams Dingell
 Aderholt Doggett
 Aguilar Donovan
 Allen Doyle, Michael
 Amodei F.
 Arrington Dunn
 Babin Ellison
 Bacon Emmer
 Banks (IN) Engel
 Barletta Eshoo
 Barr Espallat
 Barragán Estes (KS)
 Barton Esty (CT)
 Bass Evans
 Beatty Farenthold
 Bera Faso
 Bergman Ferguson
 Beyer Fitzpatrick
 Bilirakis Fleischmann
 Bishop (GA) Flores
 Bishop (MI) Fortenberry
 Bishop (UT) Foster
 Black Foxx
 Blackburn Frankel (FL)
 Blum Frelinghuysen
 Blumenauer Fudge
 Blunt Rochester Gabbard
 Bonamici Gallagher
 Bost Gallego
 Brady (PA) Garamendi
 Brady (TX) Garrett
 Brat Gianforte
 Brooks (IN) Gibbs
 Brown (MD) Gomez
 Brownley (CA) Goodlatte
 Buchanan Gottheimer
 Buck Gowdy
 Bucshon Granger
 Budd Graves (GA)
 Burgess Graves (LA)
 Bustos Graves (MO)
 Butterfield Green, Gene
 Byrne Griffith
 Calvert Grijalva
 Carbajal Guthrie
 Cárdenas Hanabusa
 Carson (IN) Handel
 Carter (GA) Harper
 Cartwright Hartzler
 Castor (FL) Hastings
 Castro (TX) Heck
 Chabot Hensarling
 Cheney Herrera Beutler
 Chu, Judy Hice, Jody B.
 Cicilline Higgins (NY)
 Clark (MA) Hill
 Clay Himes
 Cleaver Holding
 Clyburn Hollingsworth
 Coffman Hoyer
 Cohen Huffman
 Cole Huizenga
 Collins (GA) Hultgren
 Comer Hunter
 Comstock Hurd
 Conaway Issa
 Connolly Jackson Lee
 Cook Jayapal
 Cooper Jeffries
 Correa Jenkins (KS)
 Costa Jenkins (WV)
 Costello (PA) Johnson (GA)
 Courtney Johnson (LA)
 Cramer Johnson (OH)
 Crist Johnson, E. B.
 Crowley Johnson, Sam
 Cuellar Jones
 Culberson Jordan
 Cummings Joyce (OH)
 Curbelo (FL) Kaptur
 Curtis Keating
 Davidson Kelly (IL)
 Davis (CA) Kelly (PA)
 Davis, Danny Khanna
 Davis, Rodney Kihuen
 DeFazio Kildee
 DeGette Kilmer
 Delaney Johnson (GA)
 DeLauro Johnson, E. B.
 DelBene Kaptur
 Demings Keating
 DeSaulnier Kelly (IL)
 Dingell Khanna
 Doggett Kihuen
 Doyle, Michael Kildee
 F. Kind
 Ellison Kilmer
 Engel King (IA)
 Eshoo King (NY)
 Espallat Kinzinger
 Esty (CT) Knight
 Evans Krishnamoorthi
 Foster Kuster (NH)
 Frankel (FL) Kustoff (TN)
 Frelinghuysen Lujan Grisham,
 Fudge M.
 Gabbard Luján, Ben Ray
 Gallagher Lynch
 Gallego MacArthur
 Garamendi Maloney, Carolyn B.
 Garrett Maloney, Sean
 Gianforte Marchant
 Gibbs Marino
 Gomez Marshall
 Goodlatte Mast
 Gottheimer Matsui
 Gowdy McCarthy
 Granger McCaul
 Graves (GA) McClintock
 Graves (LA) McEachin
 Graves (MO) McGovern
 Green, Gene McHenry
 Griffith McKinley
 Grijalva McMorriss
 Guthrie Rodgers
 Hanabusa McNeerney
 Handel McSally
 Harper Meadows
 Hartzler Meehan
 Hastings Meeks
 Heck Meng
 Hensarling Messer
 Herrera Beutler Mitchell
 Hice, Jody B. Moolenaar
 Higgins (NY) Moore
 Hill Moulton
 Himes Mullin
 Holding Nadler
 Hollingsworth Neal
 Hoyer Newhouse
 Huffman Noem
 Huizenga Norcross
 Hultgren Norman
 Hunter Nunes
 Hurd O'Halleran
 Issa Olson
 Jackson Lee Palazzo
 Jayapal Pallone
 Jeffries Palmer
 Jenkins (KS) Panetta
 Jenkins (WV) Paulsen
 Johnson (GA) Payne
 Johnson (LA) Pearce
 Johnson (OH) Pelosi
 Johnson, E. B. Perlmutter
 Jones Perry
 Jones Peterson
 Jordan Pingree
 Joyce (OH) Pittenger
 Kaptur Poe (TX)
 Keating Poliquin
 Kelly (IL) Polis
 Kelly (PA) Posey
 Khanna Price (NC)
 Kihuen Quigley
 Kildee Raskin
 Kilmer Ratcliffe
 Johnson (GA) Kind
 Johnson, E. B. Reichert
 Kaptur Renacci
 Keating Rice (NY)
 King (IA) Rice (SC)
 King (NY) Kinzinger
 Kinzinger Knight
 Knight Krishnamoorthi
 Kildee Richmond
 Kildee Kuster (NH)
 Kind Roby
 Kilmer Roe (TN)