

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE DAN BISHOP OF NORTH CAROLINA AND THE HONORABLE GREG MURPHY OF NORTH CAROLINA TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. PRICE) is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, as dean of the North Carolina delegation, it is my privilege to introduce our two newest colleagues, Representatives GREG MURPHY and DAN BISHOP.

Representative MURPHY was born in Raleigh, our capital city, before attending Davidson College and UNC Medical School. He is a urologist by training, and he has served in the North Carolina House of Representatives since 2015, focusing on healthcare policy.

Representative BISHOP was born in Charlotte and also graduated from the University of North Carolina as an undergraduate and from the law school. He has an extensive record of public service in North Carolina, initially elected as a commissioner in Mecklenburg County in 2005 before serving in both the North Carolina House and Senate.

Madam Speaker, I want to welcome both of these new Members to the people's House. They are experienced legislators who have traveled long and sometimes unexpected paths to get here, and they both face special challenges. The Ninth District has been without a House Member for 257 days following evidence of election fraud in the 2018 election. The Third District was represented by one of the most independent-minded and well-liked Members of this institution, our friend, the late Walter Jones, Jr.

Madam Speaker, our new Members had hard-fought campaigns, and the people of North Carolina have spoken. On behalf of our entire delegation and this entire body, I want to welcome them to the House of Representatives.

Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Ms. FOXX), who is the senior Republican in our delegation.

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I want to thank Congressman PRICE for his very kind comments and associate myself with them.

I want to welcome our new Members, and I want to thank all of the Members here in advance for helping them feel welcomed to this wonderful body and for helping them get adjusted in a hurry to their work here.

Former Speaker Boehner always said that the North Carolina delegation punched above its weight. I want to say that, with the addition of these two wonderful Members, we are going to continue that tradition of punching above our weight and bring to the people's House a wealth of experience and a commitment to helping all of the people of the United States of America.

So I want to welcome, again, Representative BISHOP and Representative MURPHY to the people's House and say: God bless you, and may God continue to bless all of us.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. BISHOP).

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I am grateful for Representative PRICE, Representative FOXX, members of the North Carolina delegation, and for all Members.

I want to say, just briefly, there is a cute, short blonde in that gallery up there. Her name is Jo Bishop, and I love her more than anything in the world. Right next to her is our only son, Jack, who needs to get back to North Carolina State University and do well in that test tomorrow.

I thank my family members—my sisters, Mary Ann and Cecelia—and the large group of our supporters for their support. I am grateful for the voters of the Ninth District and for all the Members.

Madam Speaker, I know that you and all the Members continue to feel this every day when you walk on this floor, the majesty of this place, what it represents and the history made here. It is an overwhelming experience.

Madam Speaker, I look forward to getting to know all the Members and working together with you to make commonsense solutions to make the lives of Americans better.

God bless you all.

Mr. PRICE of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. MURPHY).

Mr. MURPHY of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, I thank all the Members of the North Carolina delegation for making me feel so much at home. I thank all the Members for the warm welcome.

Just a moment of thanks:

I would like to thank my God for giving me the opportunity of life and the ability to experience all the great wonders that He has given us.

I thank this country for the freedom it has given me as an individual and how much I can enjoy that freedom.

I thank most of all, here in the room, my wonderful wife, Wendy, who has been with me side by side for all these elections. She followed me through medical school, through surgical residency, and through the maze of raising three wonderful children. I love her with all my heart.

I thank her parents, Gary and Carol Simes, who have supported me all the way; my cousins, Frank Wood and Betsy Wood; and all the clan who have come from eastern North Carolina and even from Davidson College to support me.

I thank the people of eastern North Carolina for bringing me here, and I thank, especially, one particular member of my campaign team, Lynda Blount, who could not be here tonight. She is with us in heart and spirit, and we love her very, very much.

I also want to thank Congressman Walter Jones. Walter was a friend of mine, and he was a mentor. I know he was beloved by this institution, and I would not be here today without him.

So, Madam Speaker, I look forward to working with each and every one of you and getting to know each and every one of you so that we can continue to make this the greatest nation on Earth.

May God bless you all.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentlemen from North Carolina, the whole number of the House is 435.

#### MOTION TO CLOSE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MEETINGS ON S. 1790, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020

Mr. SMITH of Washington. Madam Speaker, pursuant to clause 12 of rule XXII, I move that meetings of the conference between the House and the Senate on the bill (S. 1790) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2020 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes, may be closed to the public at such times as classified national security information may be discussed, provided that any sitting Member of Congress shall be entitled to attend any meeting of the conference.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. KUSTER of New Hampshire). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule XXII, the motion is not debatable, and the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 407, nays 4, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 532]

YEAS—407

Adams	Bishop (UT)	Carter (GA)
Aderholt	Blunt Rochester	Carter (TX)
Aguilar	Bonamici	Cartwright
Allen	Bost	Case
Allred	Boyle, Brendan	Casten (IL)
Amodei	F.	Castor (FL)
Armstrong	Brady	Castro (TX)
Arrington	Brindisi	Chabot
Axne	Brooks (AL)	Cheney
Babin	Brooks (IN)	Chu, Judy
Bacon	Brown (MD)	Cicilline
Baird	Brownley (CA)	Cisneros
Balderson	Buchanan	Clark (MA)
Banks	Buck	Clarke (NY)
Barr	Bucshon	Cleaver
Barragán	Budd	Cline
Bass	Burchett	Cloud
Beatty	Burgess	Cohen
Bera	Bustos	Cole
Bergman	Butterfield	Collins (GA)
Beyer	Byrne	Collins (NY)
Biggs	Calvert	Comer
Bilirakis	Carbajal	Conaway
Bishop (GA)	Cárdenas	Connolly
Bishop (NC)	Carson (IN)	Cook

Cooper  
Correa  
Costa  
Courtney  
Cox (CA)  
Craig  
Crawford  
Crenshaw  
Crist  
Crow  
Cuellar  
Cunningham  
Curtis  
Davids (KS)  
Davidson (OH)  
Davis (CA)  
Davis, Danny K.  
Davis, Rodney  
Dean  
DeGette  
DeLauro  
DelBene  
Delgado  
Demings  
DesJarlais  
Deutch  
Diaz-Balart  
Dingell  
Doggett  
Doyle, Michael F.  
Duffy  
Duncan  
Dunn  
Emmer  
Engel  
Escobar  
Eshoo  
Espallat  
Estes  
Evans  
Ferguson  
Finkenauer  
Fitzpatrick  
Fleischmann  
Fletcher  
Flores  
Fortenberry  
Foster  
Foxx (NC)  
Frankel  
Fudge  
Fulcher  
Gaetz  
Gallagher  
Gallego  
Garamendi  
Garcia (IL)  
Garcia (TX)  
Gianforte  
Gibbs  
Gohmert  
Golden  
Gomez  
Gonzalez (OH)  
Gonzalez (TX)  
Gooden  
Gosar  
Gottheimer  
Granger  
Graves (GA)  
Graves (LA)  
Graves (MO)  
Green (TN)  
Green, Al (TX)  
Griffith  
Grijalva  
Grothman  
Guest  
Guthrie  
Haaland  
Hagedorn  
Harder (CA)  
Harris  
Hartzler  
Hastings  
Hayes  
Heck  
Hern, Kevin  
Herrera Beutler  
Hice (GA)  
Higgins (LA)  
Higgins (NY)  
Hill (AR)  
Hill (CA)  
Himes  
Holding  
Hollingsworth  
Horn, Kendra S.

Horsford  
Houlahan  
Hudson  
Huffman  
Huizenga  
Hunter  
Hurd (TX)  
Jackson Lee  
Jayapal  
Jeffries  
Johnson (GA)  
Johnson (LA)  
Johnson (OH)  
Johnson (SD)  
Johnson (TX)  
Jordan  
Joyce (OH)  
Joyce (PA)  
Kaptur  
Katko  
Keating  
Keller  
Kelly (IL)  
Kelly (MS)  
Kelly (PA)  
Kennedy  
Khanna  
Kildee  
Kilmer  
Kim  
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King (IA)  
King (NY)  
Kinzinger  
Kirkpatrick  
Krishnamoorthi  
Kuster (NH)  
Kustoff (TN)  
LaHood  
Lamb  
Lamborn  
Langevin  
Larsen (WA)  
Larson (CT)  
Latta  
Lawrence  
Lawson (FL)  
Lee (CA)  
Lee (NV)  
Lesko  
Levin (CA)  
Levin (MI)  
Lewis  
Lieu, Ted  
Lipinski  
Lofgren  
Long  
Loudermilk  
Lowenthal  
Lowey  
Lucas  
Luetkemeyer  
Luján  
Luria  
Lynch  
Malinowski  
Maloney  
Carolyn B.  
Maloney, Sean  
Marchant  
Marshall  
Matsui  
McAdams  
McBath  
McCarthy  
McCaul  
McClintock  
McCollum  
McGovern  
McHenry  
McKinley  
McNerney  
Meadows  
Meeks  
Meng  
Meuser  
Miller  
Mitchell  
Moolenaar  
Mooney (WV)  
Moore  
Morelle  
Moulton  
Mucarsel-Powell  
Mullin  
Murphy (FL)  
Murphy (NC)  
Nadler  
Napolitano

Neal  
Neguse  
Newhouse  
Norcross  
Norman  
Nunes  
O'Halleran  
Ocasio-Cortez  
Olson  
Omar  
Palazzo  
Pallone  
Palmer  
Panetta  
Pappas  
Pascarella  
Payne  
Pence  
Perlmutter  
Perry  
Peters  
Peterson  
Phillips  
Pingree  
Pocan  
Porter  
Posey  
Pressley  
Price (NC)  
Raskin  
Ratcliffe  
Reed  
Reschenthaler  
Rice (NY)  
Rice (SC)  
Richmond  
Riggleman  
Rodgers (WA)  
Roe, David P.  
Rogers (AL)  
Rogers (KY)  
Rooney (FL)  
Rose (NY)  
Rose, John W.  
Rouda  
Rouzer  
Roy  
Roybal-Allard  
Ruiz  
Ruppersberger  
Rush  
Rutherford  
Sánchez  
Sarbanes  
Scalise  
Scanlon  
Schakowsky  
Schiff  
Schneider  
Schrader  
Schrier  
Schweikert  
Scott (VA)  
Scott, Austin  
Sensenbrenner  
Serrano  
Shalala  
Sherman  
Sherrill  
Shimkus  
Simpson  
Sires  
Slotkin  
Smith (MO)  
Smith (NE)  
Smith (WA)  
Smucker  
Soto  
Spanberger  
Spano  
Speier  
Stanton  
Staubert  
Stefanik  
Steil  
Steube  
Stevens  
Stewart  
Stivers  
Suozi  
Swalwell (CA)  
Takano  
Taylor  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (PA)  
Thornberry  
Timmons  
Tipton  
Titus

Tonko  
Torres (CA)  
Torres Small  
(NM)  
Trahan  
Turner  
Underwood  
Upton  
Van Drew  
Vargas  
Veasey  
Vela  
Velázquez  
Visclosky

Wagner  
Walberg  
Walden  
Walorski  
Waltz  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters  
Watkins  
Watson Coleman  
Weber (TX)  
Welch  
Wenstrup  
Westerman

Wexton  
Wild  
Williams  
Wilson (SC)  
Wittman  
Womack  
Woodall  
Wright  
Yarmuth  
Yoho  
Young  
Zeldin

#### NAYS—4

#### NOT VOTING—23

Abraham  
Clay  
Clyburn  
Cummings  
DeFazio  
DeSaulnier  
Gabbard  
Hoyer

LaMalfa  
Loebback  
Mast  
McEachin  
Quigley  
Roby  
Ryan  
Scott, David

Sewell (AL)  
Smith (NJ)  
Thompson (MS)  
Trone  
Walker  
Webster (FL)  
Wilson (FL)

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So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### PERMITTING STATES TO TRANSFER CERTAIN FUNDS FROM CLEAN WATER REVOLVING FUND TO DRINKING WATER REVOLVING FUND

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the bill (S. 1689) to permit States to transfer certain funds from the clean water revolving fund of a State to the drinking water revolving fund of the State in certain circumstances, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. HOULAHAN). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 1689

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. TRANSFER AUTHORITY.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress finds that—

(1) lead is a toxic chemical that—

(A) is particularly harmful to young children; and

(B) can cause reduced intelligence quotients, attention disorders, and other serious health problems;

(2) excessive and harmful levels of lead have been found in water systems across all 50 States and those water systems serve drinking water to millions of people in the United States;

(3) hundreds of the water systems described in paragraph (2) are water systems that provide drinking water to schools or day care centers;

(4) not all States have sufficient funds in the drinking water revolving fund of that State to address the threat to public health from heightened exposure to lead in drinking water; and

(5) some States have available funds in the clean water revolving fund of that State that

could be used to provide additional resources to help address lead in drinking water.

(b) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) CLEAN WATER REVOLVING FUND.—The term “clean water revolving fund” means a State water pollution control revolving fund established under title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1381 et seq.).

(2) DRINKING WATER REVOLVING FUND.—The term “drinking water revolving fund” means a State drinking water treatment revolving loan fund established under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12).

(c) AUTHORITY.—In addition to the transfer authority in section 302(a) of the Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments of 1996 (42 U.S.C. 300j–12 note; Public Law 104–182), and notwithstanding section 1452(d) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12(d)), during the 1-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, if a State, in consultation with the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, determines that available funds in the clean water revolving fund of the State are necessary to address a threat to public health as a result of heightened exposure to lead in drinking water, the State may transfer an amount equal to not more than 5 percent of the cumulative clean water revolving fund Federal grant dollars to the State to the drinking water revolving fund of the State. Funds transferred pursuant to this subsection shall be used by the State to provide additional subsidy to eligible recipients in the form of forgiveness of principal, negative interest loans, or grants (or any combination of these).

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, was read the third time, and passed, and a motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ALASKA REMOTE GENERATOR RELIABILITY AND PROTECTION ACT

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Commerce be discharged from further consideration of the bill (S. 163) to prevent catastrophic failure or shutdown of remote diesel power engines due to emission control devices, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

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

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 163

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Alaska Remote Generator Reliability and Protection Act”.

#### SEC. 2. REVISION OF REGULATIONS REQUIRED.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency shall revise section 60.4216(c) of title 40, Code of Federal Regulations (as in effect on the date of enactment of this Act), by striking “that was not certified” and all that follows through “compared to engine-out emissions” and inserting “must have that engine certified as meeting at least Tier 3 PM standards”.