

Heger	McIntosh	Saxton
Hill	McKeon	Scarborough
Hilleary	Metcalf	Schaefer, Dan
Hobson	Mica	Schaffer, Bob
Hoekstra	Miller (FL)	Sensenbrenner
Horn	Molinari	Sessions
Hostettler	Moran (KS)	Shadegg
Houghton	Morella	Shaw
Hulshof	Myrick	Shays
Hunter	Nethercutt	Shimkus
Hutchinson	Neumann	Shuster
Hyde	Ney	Skeen
Inglis	Northup	Smith (MI)
Jenkins	Norwood	Smith (NJ)
Johnson (CT)	Nussle	Smith (OR)
Johnson, Sam	Oxley	Smith (TX)
Jones	Packard	Smith, Linda
Kasich	Pappas	Snowbarger
Kelly	Parker	Solomon
Kim	Paul	Souder
King (NY)	Paxon	Spence
Kingston	Pease	Stearns
Klug	Peterson (PA)	Stump
Knollenberg	Petri	Sununu
Kolbe	Pickering	Talent
LaHood	Pitts	Tauzin
Largent	Pombo	Taylor (NC)
Latham	Portman	Thomas
LaTourette	Pryce (OH)	Thornberry
Lazio	Quinn	Thune
Leach	Radanovich	Tiahrt
Lewis (CA)	Ramstad	Upton
Lewis (KY)	Regula	Walsh
Linder	Riggs	Wamp
Livingston	Riley	Watkins
LoBiondo	Rogan	Weldon (FL)
Lucas	Rogers	Weldon (PA)
Manzullo	Rohrabacher	Weller
McCollum	Ros-Lehtinen	White
McCrary	Roukema	Whitfield
McDade	Royce	Wicker
McHugh	Salmon	Wolf
McInnis	Sanford	Young (FL)

Serrano	Strickland	Velazquez
Sherman	Stupak	Vento
Sisisky	Tanner	Visclosky
Skaggs	Tauscher	Waters
Skelton	Taylor (MS)	Watt (NC)
Slaughter	Thompson	Waxman
Smith, Adam	Thurman	Wexler
Snyder	Tierney	Weygand
Spratt	Torres	Wise
Stabenow	Towns	Woolsey
Stenholm	Trafficant	Wynn
Stokes	Turner	Yates

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Andrews	Chambliss	Peterson (MN)
Ballenger	Doolittle	Porter
Barr	Fawell	Ryun
Barton	Filner	Schiff
Becerra	Granger	Stark
Bishop	Hefner	Watts (OK)
Boyd	Istook	Young (AK)
Carson	McCarthy (NY)	

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Ms. RIVERS changed her vote from "yea" to "nay."

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GUTKNECHT). The question is on the resolution.

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 the provisions of clause 5 of rule I, the Chair announces that he will postpone further proceedings today on the motion to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote is objected to under clause 4 of rule XV.

Such rollcall vote, if postponed, will be taken on Thursday, April 10, 1997.

VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ACT OF 1997

Mr. MICA. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 240) to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

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*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 "Veterans Employment Opportunities Act of 1997".*

SEC. 2. EQUAL ACCESS FOR VETERANS.

(a) *COMPETITIVE SERVICE.*—Section 3304 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

*"(f)(1) No preference eligible, and no individual (other than a preference eligible) who has been separated from the armed forces under honorable conditions after 3 or more years of active service, shall be denied the opportunity to compete for an announced vacant position within an agency, in the competitive service or the excepted service, by reason of—*

*"(A) not having acquired competitive status; or*

*"(B) not being an employee of such agency. "(2) Nothing in this subsection shall prevent an agency from filling a vacant position (whether by appointment or otherwise) solely from individuals on a priority placement list consisting of individuals who have been separated from the agency due to a reduction in force and surplus employees (as defined under regulations prescribed by the Office)."*

(b) *CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION.*—

(1) *VACANT POSITIONS.*—Section 3327(b) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (1), by redesignating paragraph (2) as paragraph (3), and by inserting after paragraph (1) the following:

*"(2) each vacant position in the agency for which competition is restricted to individuals having competitive status or employees of such agency, excluding any position under paragraph (1), and".*

(2) *ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.*—Section 3327 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

*"(c) Any notification provided under this section shall, for all positions under subsection (b)(1) as to which section 3304(f) applies and for all positions under subsection (b)(2), include a notation as to the applicability of section 3304(f) with respect thereto.*

*"(d) In consultation with the Secretary of Labor, the Office shall submit to Congress and the President, no less frequently than every 2 years, a report detailing, with respect to the period covered by such report—*

*"(1) the number of positions listed under this section during such period;*

*"(2) the number of preference eligibles and other individuals described in section 3304(f)(1) referred to such positions during such period; and*

*"(3) the number of preference eligibles and other individuals described in section 3304(f)(1) appointed to such positions during such period."*

(c) *GOVERNMENTWIDE LISTS.*—

(1) *VACANT POSITIONS.*—Section 3330(b) of title 5, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

*"(b) The Office of Personnel Management shall cause to be established and kept current—*

*"(1) a comprehensive list of all announcements of vacant positions (in the competitive service and the excepted service, respectively) within each agency that are to be filled by appointment for more than 1 year and for which applications are being or will soon be accepted from outside the agency's work force; and*

*"(2) a comprehensive list of all announcements of vacant positions within each agency for which applications are being or will soon be accepted and for which competition is restricted to individuals having competitive status or employees of such agency, excluding any position required to be listed under paragraph (1)."*

(2) *ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.*—Section 3330(c) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "and" at the end of paragraph (2), by redesignating paragraph (3) as paragraph (4), and by inserting after paragraph (2) the following:

*"(3) for all positions under subsection (b)(1) as to which section 3304(f) applies and for all positions under subsection (b)(2), a notation as to the applicability of section 3304(f) with respect thereto; and"*

(3) *CONFORMING AMENDMENT.*—Section 3330(d) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking "The list" and inserting "Each list under subsection (b)".

(d) *PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE.*—

(1) *IN GENERAL.*—Subsection (a) of section 1005 of title 39, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

*"(5)(A) The provisions of section 3304(f) of title 5 shall apply with respect to the Postal Service in the same manner and under the same*

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Ackerman	Foglietta	Martinez
Allen	Ford	Mascara
Baesler	Frank (MA)	Matsui
Baldacci	Frost	McCarthy (MO)
Barcia	Furse	McDermott
Barrett (WI)	Gejdenson	McGovern
Bentsen	Gephardt	McHale
Berman	Gonzalez	McIntyre
Berry	Goode	McKinney
Blagojevich	Gordon	McNulty
Blumenauer	Green	Meehan
Boniior	Gutierrez	Meek
Borski	Hall (OH)	Menendez
Boswell	Hall (TX)	Millender
Boucher	Hamilton	McDonald
Brown (CA)	Harman	Miller (CA)
Brown (FL)	Hastings (FL)	Minge
Brown (OH)	Hilliard	Mink
Capps	Hinchev	Moakley
Cardin	Hinojosa	Mollohan
Clay	Holden	Moran (VA)
Clayton	Hooley	Murtha
Clement	Hoyer	Nadler
Clyburn	Jackson (IL)	Neal
Condit	Jackson-Lee	Oberstar
Conyers	(TX)	Obey
Costello	Jefferson	Olver
Coyne	John	Ortiz
Cramer	Johnson (WI)	Owens
Cummings	Johnson, E. B.	Pallone
Danner	Kanjorski	Pascrell
Davis (FL)	Kaptur	Pastor
Davis (IL)	Kennedy (MA)	Payne
DeFazio	Kennedy (RI)	Pelosi
DeGette	Kennelly	Pickett
Delahunt	Kildee	Pomeroy
DeLauro	Kilpatrick	Poshard
Dellums	Kind (WI)	Price (NC)
Deutsch	Kleczka	Rahall
Dicks	Klink	Rangel
Dingell	Kucinich	Reyes
Dixon	LaFalce	Rivers
Doggett	Lampson	Roemer
Dooley	Lantos	Rothman
Doyle	Levin	Roybal-Allard
Edwards	Lewis (GA)	Rush
Engel	Lipinski	Sabo
Eshoo	Lofgren	Sanchez
Etheridge	Lowey	Sanders
Evans	Luther	Sandlin
Farr	Maloney (CT)	Sawyer
Fattah	Maloney (NY)	Schumer
Fazio	Manton	Scott