

dioxin—one of the most toxic chemicals known. PCBs accumulate in the environment and move toward the top of the food chain, contaminating fish, birds, and ultimately humans.

The language originally included in Section 321 of the Senate bill, S. 2060, would have nullified over twenty years of sound environmental law and jeopardized the health and safety of Americans by allowing the DoD to import foreign-produced PCBs into the United States. This proposed change was never reviewed by the Commerce Committee, which has jurisdiction over TSCA. It is also important to note that current law already provided an exemption that allows the DoD to return PCB waste to the United States if the PCBs were manufactured in the United States, shipped to a foreign military base, have been continuously under U.S. control, and now need to be returned for disposal. This exemption ensures that any PCBs exported from the United States to one of our foreign military installations can be returned.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud the Chairman and Ranking Member for striking the Senate language and instead directing the DoD to submit a detailed report to Congress on the true size and scope of the PCB problem at our overseas military bases. I look forward to working with the National Security, Commerce, and Transportation & Infrastructure Committees to address this problem and I urge my colleagues to support the legislation.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the conference report.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the conference report.

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

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 373, nays 50, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 458]

YEAS—373

Abercrombie	Berry	Burr
Ackerman	Bilbray	Buyer
Allen	Bilirakis	Callahan
Andrews	Bishop	Calvert
Archer	Blagojevich	Camp
Army	Bliley	Canady
Bachus	Blunt	Cannon
Baesler	Boehlert	Capps
Baker	Boehner	Cardin
Baldacci	Bonilla	Carson
Ballenger	Bono	Castle
Barcia	Borski	Chabot
Barr	Boswell	Chambliss
Barrett (NE)	Boucher	Chenoweth
Barton	Boyd	Christensen
Bass	Brady (PA)	Clay
Bateman	Brown (CA)	Clayton
Becerra	Brown (FL)	Clement
Bentsen	Brown (OH)	Clyburn
Bereuter	Bryant	Coble
Berman	Bunning	Coburn

Collins	Hulshof	Pastor
Combest	Hunter	Paxon
Condit	Hutchinson	Pease
Cook	Hyde	Peterson (MN)
Cooksey	Inglis	Peterson (PA)
Costello	Istook	Pickering
Cox	Jackson-Lee	Pickett
Coyne	(TX)	Pitts
Cramer	Jefferson	Pombo
Crane	Jenkins	Pomeroy
Crapo	John	Porter
Cubin	Johnson (CT)	Portman
Cummings	Johnson (WI)	Price (NC)
Cunningham	Johnson, E. B.	Quinn
Danner	Jones	Radanovich
Davis (FL)	Kanjorski	Rahall
Davis (VA)	Kaptur	Ramstad
Deal	Kasich	Redmond
DeGette	Kelly	Regula
DeLauro	Kennedy (MA)	Reyes
DeLay	Kennedy (RI)	Riggs
Deutsch	Kildee	Rodriguez
Diaz-Balart	Kilpatrick	Roemer
Dickey	Kim	Rogan
Dicks	King (NY)	Rogers
Dingell	Kingston	Ros-Lehtinen
Dixon	Kleczka	Rothman
Doggett	Klink	Roukema
Dooley	Knollenberg	Roybal-Allard
Doolittle	Kolbe	Royce
Doyle	LaFalce	Ryun
Dreier	LaHood	Sabo
Duncan	Lampson	Salmon
Dunn	Lantos	Sanchez
Edwards	Largent	Sandlin
Ehlers	Latham	Sanford
Emerson	LaTourrette	Sawyer
Engel	Lazio	Saxton
English	Leach	Scarborough
Ensign	Levin	Schaefer, Dan
Eshoo	Lewis (CA)	Schaffer, Bob
Etheridge	Lewis (GA)	Schumer
Evans	Lewis (KY)	Scott
Everett	Linder	Serrano
Ewing	Lipinski	Sessions
Farr	Livingston	Shadegg
Fattah	LoBiondo	Sherman
Fawell	Lucas	Shimkus
Fazio	Maloney (CT)	Shuster
Foley	Maloney (NY)	Sisisky
Forbes	Manton	Skaggs
Ford	Manzullo	Skeen
Fossella	Markey	Skelton
Fowler	Martinez	Slaughter
Fox	Mascara	Smith (MI)
Frank (MA)	Matsui	Smith (NJ)
Frelinghuysen	McCarthy (MO)	Smith (OR)
Frost	McCarthy (NY)	Smith (TX)
Gallegly	McCollum	Smith, Adam
Ganske	McCrery	Smith, Linda
Gejdenson	McDade	Snowbarger
Gekas	McGovern	Snyder
Gephardt	McHale	Solomon
Gibbons	McHugh	Souder
Gilchrest	McInnis	Spence
Gillmor	McIntosh	Spratt
Gilman	McIntyre	Stabenow
Gonzalez	McKeon	Stearns
Goodlatte	McNulty	Stenholm
Goodling	Meehan	Stokes
Gordon	Meek (FL)	Strickland
Graham	Menendez	Stump
Granger	Metcalf	Stupak
Green	Mica	Sununu
Greenwood	Millender-	Talent
Gutknecht	McDonald	Tanner
Hall (OH)	Miller (FL)	Tauscher
Hall (TX)	Mink	Tauzin
Hamilton	Moakley	Taylor (MS)
Hansen	Mollohan	Taylor (NC)
Harman	Moran (KS)	Thomas
Hastert	Moran (VA)	Thompson
Hastings (FL)	Murtha	Thornberry
Hastings (WA)	Myrick	Thune
Hayworth	Neal	Thurman
Hefley	Nethercutt	Tiahrt
Hefner	Neumann	Tierney
Hergert	Neum	Torres
Hill	Northup	Towns
Hillery	Norwood	Traficant
Hilliary	Nussle	Turner
Hilliary	Olver	Upton
Hillier	Ortiz	Visclosky
Hobson	Oxley	Walsh
Holden	Packard	Wamp
Horn	Pallone	Waters
Hostettler	Pappas	Watkins
Houghton	Parker	Watt (NC)
Hoyer	Pascrell	Watts (OK)

Waxman	Weygand	Wise
Weldon (FL)	White	Wolf
Weldon (PA)	Whitfield	Wynn
Weller	Wicker	Young (AK)
Wexler	Wilson	Young (FL)

NAYS—50

Barrett (WI)	Kind (WI)	Paul
Bartlett	Klug	Payne
Blumenauer	Kucinich	Pelosi
Bonior	Lee	Petri
Campbell	Lofgren	Rangel
Conyers	Lowey	Rivers
Davis (IL)	Luther	Rohrabacher
DeFazio	McDermott	Rush
Delahunt	McKinney	Sanders
Filner	Meeks (NY)	Sensenbrenner
Franks (NJ)	Miller (CA)	Shays
Furse	Minge	Stark
Goode	Morella	Velazquez
Gutierrez	Nadler	Vento
Hoekstra	Oberstar	Woolsey
Hooley	Obey	Yates
Jackson (IL)	Owens	

NOT VOTING—11

Aderholt	Goss	Pryce (OH)
Brady (TX)	Johnson, Sam	Riley
Burton	Kennelly	Shaw
Ehrlich	Poshard	

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Mrs. LOWEY and Mr. JACKSON of Illinois changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. RILEY. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and was not present for rollcall No. 458. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ADERHOLT. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 458, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on rollcall No. 458. I ask that the RECORD reflect, that had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SPENCE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on the conference report just agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from South Carolina?

There was no objection.

WORKFORCE IMPROVEMENT AND PROTECTION ACT OF 1998

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 513 and ask for its immediate consideration.