

There was no objection.

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

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

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. 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 Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for a record vote, if ordered, on the Speaker's approval of the Journal following this vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 406, nays 0, not voting 28, as follows:

[Roll No. 34]

YEAS—406

Abercrombie	Coburn	Gonzalez
Ackerman	Collins	Goode
Aderholt	Combest	Goodlatte
Allen	Condit	Goodling
Andrews	Conyers	Gordon
Archer	Cook	Goss
Armey	Costello	Graham
Baca	Cox	Green (TX)
Bachus	Coyne	Green (WI)
Baird	Cramer	Greenwood
Baker	Crane	Gutierrez
Baldacci	Crowley	Gutknecht
Baldwin	Cubin	Hall (OH)
Ballenger	Cummings	Hall (TX)
Barcia	Cunningham	Hansen
Barrett (NE)	Danner	Hastings (FL)
Barrett (WI)	Davis (FL)	Hastings (WA)
Bartlett	Davis (IL)	Hayes
Barton	Davis (VA)	Hayworth
Bass	Deal	Hefley
Bateman	DeFazio	Hill (IN)
Becerra	DeGette	Hill (MT)
Bentsen	Delahunt	Hilleary
Bereuter	DeLauro	Hilliard
Berkley	DeLay	Hinchey
Berman	DeMint	Hinojosa
Berry	Deutsch	Hobson
Biggart	Diaz-Balart	Hoefel
Billray	Dickey	Hoekstra
Billirakis	Dicks	Holden
Bishop	Dingell	Holt
Blagojevich	Doggett	Hooley
Bliley	Dooley	Horn
Blumenauer	Doolittle	Hostettler
Blunt	Dreier	Houghton
Boehlert	Duncan	Hoyer
Boehner	Edwards	Hulshof
Bonilla	Ehlers	Hunter
Bonior	Ehrlich	Hutchinson
Bono	Emerson	Hyde
Borski	Engel	Inslee
Boucher	English	Isakson
Boyd	Eshoo	Istook
Brady (PA)	Etheridge	Jackson (IL)
Brady (TX)	Evans	Jackson-Lee
Brown (FL)	Everett	(TX)
Bryant	Ewing	Jefferson
Burr	Farr	Jenkins
Burton	Fattah	John
Buyer	Filner	Johnson (CT)
Callahan	Fletcher	Johnson, E. B.
Calvert	Foley	Johnson, Sam
Camp	Forbes	Jones (NC)
Campbell	Ford	Jones (OH)
Canady	Fossella	Kanjorski
Cannon	Fowler	Kaptur
Capps	Frank (MA)	Kasich
Capuano	Franks (NJ)	Kelly
Cardin	Frelinghuysen	Kennedy
Carson	Galleghy	Kildee
Castle	Ganske	Kilpatrick
Chabot	Gejdenson	Kind (WI)
Chambliss	Gekas	King (NY)
Chenoweth-Hage	Gephardt	Kingston
Clay	Gibbons	Klink
Clayton	Gilchrest	Knollenberg
Clyburn	Gillmor	Kolbe
Coble	Gilman	Kucinich

Kuykendall	Oberstar	Sisisky
LaFalce	Obey	Skeen
LaHood	Olver	Skelton
Lampson	Ortiz	Slaughter
Lantos	Ose	Smith (MI)
Largent	Owens	Smith (NJ)
Latham	Oxley	Smith (TX)
Lazio	Packard	Smith (WA)
Leach	Pallone	Snyder
Lee	Pascrell	Souder
Levin	Pastor	Spratt
Lewis (CA)	Paul	Stabenow
Lewis (GA)	Pease	Stark
Lewis (KY)	Pelosi	Stearns
Linder	Peterson (MN)	Stenholm
Lipinski	Peterson (PA)	Strickland
LoBiondo	Petri	Stump
Lofgren	Phelps	Sununu
Lowe	Pickett	Sweeney
Lucas (KY)	Pitts	Talent
Lucas (OK)	Pombo	Tancredo
Luther	Pomeroy	Tanner
Maloney (CT)	Porter	Tauscher
Maloney (NY)	Portman	Tauzin
Manzullo	Price (NC)	Taylor (MS)
Markey	Pryce (OH)	Taylor (NC)
Martinez	Quinn	Terry
Mascara	Radanovich	Thomas
Matsui	Rahall	Thompson (CA)
McCarthy (MO)	Ramstad	Thompson (MS)
McCarthy (NY)	Rangel	Thornberry
McCrery	Regula	Thune
McDermott	Reyes	Thurman
McGovern	Reynolds	Tiahrt
McHugh	Riley	Tierney
McInnis	Rivers	Toomey
McIntyre	Rodriguez	Towns
McKeon	Roemer	Trafficant
McKinney	Rogan	Turner
McNulty	Rogers	Udall (CO)
Meehan	Rohrabacher	Udall (NM)
Meek (FL)	Ros-Lehtinen	Upton
Meeks (NY)	Rothman	Velazquez
Menendez	Roukema	Visclosky
Metcalfe	Roybal-Allard	Vitter
Mica	Royce	Walden
Millender-	Rush	Walsh
McDonald	Ryan (WI)	Wamp
Miller (FL)	Ryun (KS)	Waters
Miller, Gary	Sabo	Watkins
Miller, George	Sanders	Watt (NC)
Minge	Sandlin	Watts (OK)
Mink	Sanford	Waxman
Moakley	Sawyer	Weiner
Mollohan	Saxton	Weldon (FL)
Moore	Schakowsky	Weldon (PA)
Moran (KS)	Sensenbrenner	Weller
Morella	Serrano	Wexler
Murtha	Sessions	Weygand
Myrick	Shadegg	Whitfield
Nadler	Shaw	Wicker
Napolitano	Shays	Wilson
Neal	Sherman	Wise
Nethercutt	Sherwood	Wolf
Ney	Shimkus	Woolsey
Northup	Shows	Wu
Norwood	Shuster	Wynn
Nussle	Simpson	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—28

Barr	Heger	Sanchez
Boswell	Klecza	Scarborough
Brown (OH)	Larson	Schaffer
Clement	LaTourrette	Scott
Cooksey	McCollum	Spence
Dixon	McIntosh	Stupak
Doyle	Moran (VA)	Vento
Dunn	Payne	Young (AK)
Frost	Pickering	
Granger	Salmon	

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Messrs. MALONEY of Connecticut, KLINK and KANJORSKI changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated For:

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 34 on March 9, 2000, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question of agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will reverse an earlier statement and announce that this will be a 15-minute vote on approving the Journal.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 369, noes 45, answered "present" 1, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 35]

AYES—369

Abercrombie	Cook	Goss
Ackerman	Cox	Graham
Allen	Coyne	Green (TX)
Andrews	Cramer	Green (WI)
Archer	Crowley	Greenwood
Armey	Cubin	Gutknecht
Baca	Cummings	Hall (OH)
Bachus	Cunningham	Hall (TX)
Baker	Danner	Hansen
Baldacci	Davis (FL)	Hastings (WA)
Baldwin	Davis (IL)	Hayes
Ballenger	Davis (VA)	Hayworth
Barcia	Deal	Herger
Barr	DeFazio	Hill (IN)
Barrett (NE)	DeGette	Hinojosa
Barrett (WI)	Delahunt	Hobson
Bartlett	DeLauro	Hoefel
Barton	DeLay	Hoekstra
Bass	DeMint	Holden
Bateman	Deutsch	Holt
Becerra	Diaz-Balart	Hooley
Bentsen	Dicks	Horn
Bereuter	Dingell	Hostettler
Berkley	Dixon	Houghton
Berman	Doggett	Hoyer
Berry	Dooley	Hulshof
Biggart	Doolittle	Hunter
Billirakis	Doyle	Hutchinson
Bishop	Dreier	Hyde
Blagojevich	Duncan	Inslee
Bliley	Dunn	Isakson
Blumenauer	Edwards	Istook
Blunt	Ehlers	Jackson (IL)
Boehlert	Ehrlich	Jackson-Lee
Boehner	Emerson	(TX)
Bonilla	Engel	Jefferson
Bonior	Eshoo	Jenkins
Boswell	Etheridge	John
Boucher	Evans	Johnson (CT)
Boyd	Everett	Johnson, E. B.
Brady (TX)	Ewing	Johnson, Sam
Brown (FL)	Farr	Jones (NC)
Bryant	Fattah	Jones (OH)
Burr	Fletcher	Kanjorski
Burton	Foley	Kaptur
Buyer	Forbes	Kelly
Callahan	Ford	Kennedy
Calvert	Fossella	Kildee
Camp	Fowler	Kilpatrick
Campbell	Franks (NJ)	Kind (WI)
Canady	Frelinghuysen	King (NY)
Cannon	Galleghy	Kingston
Capps	Ganske	Klecza
Cardin	Gejdenson	Klink
Carson	Gekas	Knollenberg
Castle	Gephardt	Kolbe
Chabot	Gilchrest	Kuykendall
Chambliss	Gillmor	LaFalce
Clayton	Gilman	LaHood
Coble	Gonzalez	Lampson
Collins	Goode	Lantos
Combest	Goodlatte	Largent
Condit	Goodling	Larson
Conyers	Gordon	Latham

Lazio	Owens	Simpson
Leach	Oxley	Sisisky
Lee	Packard	Skeen
Levin	Pallone	Skelton
Lewis (CA)	Pastor	Slaughter
Lewis (KY)	Paul	Smith (MI)
Linder	Pease	Smith (NJ)
Lipinski	Pelosi	Smith (TX)
Lofgren	Peterson (PA)	Smith (WA)
Lowey	Petri	Snyder
Lucas (KY)	Phelps	Souder
Lucas (OK)	Pickering	Spratt
Luther	Pitts	Stabenow
Maloney (CT)	Pombo	Stark
Maloney (NY)	Pomeroy	Stearns
Manzullo	Porter	Stenholm
Markey	Portman	Stump
Martinez	Price (NC)	Sununu
Mascara	Pryce (OH)	Talent
Matsui	Quinn	Tanner
McCarthy (MO)	Radanovich	Tauscher
McCarthy (NY)	Rahall	Tauzin
McCrery	Rangel	Taylor (NC)
McGovern	Regula	Terry
McHugh	Reyes	Thomas
McInnis	Reynolds	Thornberry
McIntyre	Riley	Thune
McKeon	Rivers	Thurman
McKinney	Rodriguez	Tiahrt
McNulty	Roemer	Tierney
Meehan	Rogan	Toomey
MEEK (FL)	Rogers	Towns
Meeks (NY)	Rohrabacher	Trafficant
Menendez	Ros-Lehtinen	Turner
Metcalf	Rothman	Udall (CO)
Mica	Roukema	Upton
Millender-	Roybal-Allard	Velazquez
McDonald	Royce	Vitter
Miller (FL)	Rush	Walden
Miller, Gary	Ryan (WI)	Walsh
Minge	Ryun (KS)	Wamp
Mink	Salmon	Watkins
Moakley	Sanchez	Watt (NC)
Mollohan	Sanders	Watts (OK)
Moran (KS)	Sandlin	Waxman
Morella	Sanford	Weiner
Murtha	Sawyer	Weldon (FL)
Myrick	Saxton	Weldon (PA)
Nadler	Schakowsky	Wexler
Napolitano	Sensenbrenner	Weygand
Neal	Serrano	Whitfield
Nethercutt	Sessions	Wicker
Ney	Shadegg	Wilson
Northup	Shaw	Wise
Norwood	Shays	Wolf
Nussle	Sherman	Woolsey
Obey	Sherwood	Wynn
Olver	Shimkus	Young (AK)
Ortiz	Shows	Young (FL)
Ose	Shuster	

NOES—45

Aderholt	Gutierrez	Peterson (MN)
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Pickett
Bilbray	Hefley	Ramstad
Borski	Hill (MT)	Sabo
Brady (PA)	Hilleary	Strickland
Chenoweth-Hage	Hilliard	Stupak
Clay	Hinche	Sweeney
Clyburn	Kucinich	Taylor (MS)
Coburn	Lewis (GA)	Thompson (CA)
Costello	LoBiondo	Thompson (MS)
Crane	McDermott	Udall (NM)
Dickey	Miller, George	Visclosky
English	Moore	Waters
Filner	Oberstar	Weller
Gibbons	Pascrell	Wu

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Tancredo

NOT VOTING—19

Bono	Granger	Scarborough
Brown (OH)	Kasich	Schaffer
Capuano	LaTourette	Scott
Clement	McCollum	Spence
Cooksey	McIntosh	Vento
Frank (MA)	Moran (VA)	
Frost	Payne	

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H. CON. RES. 396

Mr. BERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of House Concurrent Resolution 396.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. OSE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

IVANPAH VALLEY AIRPORT PUBLIC LANDS TRANSFER ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 433 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 1695.

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 1695) to provide for the conveyance of certain Federal public lands in the Ivanpah Valley, Nevada, to Clark County, Nevada, for the development of an airport facility, and for other purposes, with Mr. LAHOOD in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered as having been read the first time.

Under the rule, the gentleman from Utah (Mr. HANSEN) and the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Utah (Mr. HANSEN).

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume, and I rise in support of H.R. 1695, introduced by my colleague, the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS).

An enormous amount of effort has gone into the preparation of this bill, and I would like to commend the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) for working so diligently on this bill and bringing it to the floor. I do not think a lot of my colleagues realize that the gentleman from Nevada probably knows as much about aviation as any Member in the Congress, serving both as a military pilot and a commercial pilot, as well as the many other accomplishments he has had in his life. And I commend him on doing an excellent job on a piece of legislation that has been quite controversial, but which I think we now have a meeting of the minds on.

Clark County, Nevada, is the fastest growing metropolitan area in the Nation, and its current McCarran Airport, located in Las Vegas, is quickly exceeding capacity. The exorbitant growth in development and tourism has made the need for another airport in the Las Vegas metro area absolutely critical. The ever-increasing influx of

visitors to southern Nevada is overrunning the present airport. Approximately half of the visitors to Las Vegas arrive as passengers at McCarran Airport, and that figure will continue to climb as the city increasingly becomes an international destination. I have been given to understand that it is now the ninth busiest airport in America.

H.R. 1695 authorizes the sale of Federal lands to Clark County for the construction of a new airport which will serve southern Nevada and the Las Vegas Valley. Clark County would pay fair market value for 6,500 acres in Ivanpah Valley, the proceeds of which would be used to purchase and preserve environmentally-sensitive areas within the State of Nevada.

The topography and orientation of the Ivanpah Valley make it an ideal location for an airport. The land is a dried-up lakebed, with nothing more than an interstate highway and a railroad on either side. An airport in this valley would be close enough to serve the metro area; however, its existence will not interfere with the current airspace needs of McCarran Airport or Nellis Air Force Base.

The environmental impact of this airport will be minimal. Nevertheless, H.R. 1695 ensures full compliance with all of the National Environmental Protection Act's provisions prior to operation of this airport. The airport will be located 16 miles away from the Mojave Preserve to avoid interference with that area. The Secretary of Transportation will design an airspace management plan that will avoid, to the maximum extent possible, overflights of the Mojave Preserve.

Mr. Chairman, at the appropriate time I will be offering an en bloc amendment to address the outstanding concerns with this legislation. The amendment has been agreed to by the minority and provides bipartisan support for this legislation, and I thank my staff and the staff of the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) and the minority for working diligently to work out this en bloc amendment.

Mr. Chairman, I reiterate my support for H.R. 1695 and ask for the endorsement of the Members to provide this much-needed improvement to Nevada's infrastructure.

Mr. Chairman, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman H.R. 1695 directs the conveyance of a substantial tract of public lands located near the Mojave National Preserve for the development of a large commercial airport and related facilities for the Las Vegas area.

As reported by the Committee on Resources, H.R. 1695 was a controversial measure. The bill was opposed by the administration, the environmental community, and many Members because the legislation failed to adequately address the potential environmental impacts, land-use conflicts, and