

I am particularly pleased that the legislation creates the Medical Information Technology Assessment Board which will work in conjunction with the Department of Health and Human Services to develop national interoperability standards. I was pleased to work with the Committee to get this provision included in the bill. These national standards will allow all aspects of health care technology to become compatible. Thus, computers, hand held electronic charts and other new devices that hold a variety of medical information, including laboratory and radiology results, pharmacy orders, etc, will all be compatible. This compatibility will greatly reduce medical errors. Further, the legislation authorizes grants to test the interoperability standards. This is vitally important as it will prove the efficacy, usability, and scalability of interoperability standards, thus encouraging hospitals and other health care facilities and providers to adopt the standards and invest in medical informatics.

Mr. Speaker, I am proud to be a cosponsor of the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act, and I thank both the Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means Committees for working in a bipartisan fashion to produce good legislation on such an important issue.

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to rise in support of the Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Act. This important legislation takes a number of steps to reduce medical errors.

In November of 1999, the Institute of Medicine released its groundbreaking report, *To Err is Human*, which raises serious concerns about shortcomings in the area of patient safety.

According to some estimates, as many as 98,000 people die in any given year from medical errors that occur in hospitals. That's more than die from motor vehicle accidents, breast cancer, or AIDS.

The costs of preventable adverse events are staggering. The direct and indirect costs of medical errors range from \$17 billion to \$29 billion. By any standard, that is far too much.

The Institute of Medicine recommended a number of options to help reduce medical errors, such as the creation of a Center for Patient Safety within the Agency for Health Quality and Research.

They also suggested a new system of reporting, and better use of technological advancements.

The legislation we are considering today incorporates many of the suggestions made by IOM, and will go a long way to help health care providers improve patient safety and prevent medical errors.

This legislation creates a "culture of safety" by encouraging providers to report medical mistakes. By reporting these problems, physicians and other providers are able to learn from their mistakes and prevent them from happening in the future.

This legislation also permits the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services to provide to patient safety organizations and to States technical assistance with reporting systems for health care errors, to es-

tablish a process to certify patient safety organizations, and to develop or adopt voluntary national standards promoting the interoperability of information technology systems involved with health care delivery.

These provisions will go a long way in helping our hospitals and physicians offices a safer place. I urge my colleagues to support this legislation and hope to see it signed by the President this year.

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

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. BILIRAKIS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 663, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Mr. BILIRAKIS. 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 and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will now resume on two of the motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 659, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 389, by the yeas and nays.

Pursuant to House Resolution 67, the official photograph will be taken between these two votes, each of which will be conducted as a 15-minute vote.

HOSPITAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE ACT OF 2003

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 659, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. GARY G. MILLER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 659, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 419, nays 0, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 56]

YEAS—419

Abercrombie	Alexander	Bachus
Ackerman	Allen	Baird
Aderholt	Andrews	Baker
Akin	Baca	Baldwin

Ballance	Duncan	Kleczka
Ballenger	Dunn	Kline
Barrett (SC)	Edwards	Knollenberg
Bartlett (MD)	Ehlers	Kolbe
Barton (TX)	Emanuel	Kucinich
Bass	Emerson	LaHood
Beauprez	Engel	Lampson
Becerra	English	Langevin
Bell	Eshoo	Lantos
Bereuter	Etheridge	Larsen (WA)
Berkley	Evans	Larson (CT)
Berry	Everett	Latham
Biggert	Farr	LaTourette
Bilirakis	Fattah	Leach
Bishop (GA)	Feeney	Lee
Bishop (NY)	Ferguson	Levin
Bishop (UT)	Filner	Lewis (CA)
Blackburn	Flake	Lewis (GA)
Blumenauer	Fletcher	Lewis (KY)
Blunt	Foley	Linder
Boehert	Forbes	Lipinski
Boehner	Ford	LoBiondo
Bonilla	Frank (MA)	Lofgren
Bonner	Franks (AZ)	Lowey
Bono	Frelinghuysen	Lucas (KY)
Boozman	Frost	Lucas (OK)
Boswell	Gallegly	Lynch
Boucher	Garrett (NJ)	Majette
Boyd	Gerlach	Maloney
Bradley (NH)	Gibbons	Manzullo
Brady (PA)	Gillmor	Markey
Brady (TX)	Gingrey	Marshall
Brown (OH)	Gonzalez	Matheson
Brown (SC)	Goode	Matsui
Brown, Corrine	Goodlatte	McCarthy (MO)
Brown-Waite,	Gordon	McCarthy (NY)
Ginny	Goss	McCollum
Burgess	Granger	McCotter
Burns	Graves	McCreery
Burr	Green (TX)	McDermott
Burton (IN)	Green (WI)	McGovern
Buyer	Greenwood	McHugh
Calvert	Grijalva	McInnis
Camp	Gutierrez	McIntyre
Cannon	Gutknecht	McKeon
Cantor	Hall	McNulty
Capito	Harman	Meehan
Capps	Harris	Meek (FL)
Capuano	Hart	Meeks (NY)
Cardin	Hastings (FL)	Menendez
Cardoza	Hastings (WA)	Mica
Carson (IN)	Hayes	Michaud
Carson (OK)	Hayworth	Millender-
Carter	Hefley	McDonald
Case	Hensarling	Miller (FL)
Castle	Herger	Miller (MI)
Chabot	Hill	Miller (NC)
Chocola	Hinchee	Miller, Gary
Clay	Hinojosa	Miller, George
Clyburn	Hobson	Mollohan
Coble	Hoekstra	Moore
Cole	Holden	Moran (KS)
Collins	Holt	Moran (VA)
Conyers	Honda	Murphy
Cooper	Hoolley (OR)	Murtha
Costello	Hostettler	Musgrave
Cox	Houghton	Myrick
Cramer	Hoyer	Nadler
Crane	Hulshof	Napolitano
Crenshaw	Hunter	Neal (MA)
Crowley	Isakson	Nethercutt
Cubin	Israel	Ney
Culberson	Issa	Northup
Cummings	Istook	Norwood
Cunningham	Jackson (IL)	Nunes
Davis (AL)	Jackson-Lee	Nussle
Davis (CA)	(TX)	Oberstar
Davis (FL)	Janklow	Obey
Davis (IL)	Jefferson	Olver
Davis (TN)	Jenkins	Ortiz
Davis, Jo Ann	John	Osborne
Davis, Tom	Johnson (CT)	Ose
Deal (GA)	Johnson, E. B.	Otter
DeFazio	Johnson, Sam	Owens
DeGette	Jones (NC)	Oxley
Delahunt	Jones (OH)	Pallone
DeLauro	Kanjorski	Pascrell
DeLay	Kaptur	Pastor
DeMint	Keller	Paul
Deutsch	Kelly	Payne
Diaz-Balart, L.	Kennedy (MN)	Pearce
Diaz-Balart, M.	Kennedy (RI)	Pelosi
Dicks	Kildee	Pence
Dingell	Kilpatrick	Peterson (MN)
Doggett	Kind	Peterson (PA)
Dooley (CA)	King (IA)	Petri
Doolittle	King (NY)	Pickering
Doyle	Kingston	Pitts
Dreier	Kirk	Platts

Pomboy	Schrock	Thomas
Pomeroy	Scott (GA)	Thompson (CA)
Porter	Scott (VA)	Thompson (MS)
Portman	Sensenbrenner	Thornberry
Price (NC)	Serrano	Tiahrt
Pryce (OH)	Sessions	Tiberi
Putnam	Shadegg	Tierney
Quinn	Shaw	Toomey
Radanovich	Shays	Towns
Rahall	Sherman	Turner (OH)
Ramstad	Sherwood	Turner (TX)
Rangel	Shimkus	Udall (CO)
Regula	Shuster	Udall (NM)
Rehberg	Simmons	Upton
Renzi	Simpson	Van Hollen
Reynolds	Skelton	Vislosky
Rodriguez	Slaughter	Vitter
Rogers (AL)	Smith (MI)	Walden (OR)
Rogers (KY)	Smith (NJ)	Walsh
Rogers (MI)	Smith (TX)	Wamp
Rohrabacher	Smith (WA)	Waters
Ros-Lehtinen	Solis	Watson
Ross	Souder	Watt
Rothman	Spratt	Waxman
Roybal-Allard	Stark	Weiner
Royce	Stearns	Weldon (FL)
Ruppersberger	Stenholm	Weller
Rush	Strickland	Wexler
Ryan (OH)	Stupak	Whitfield
Ryan (WI)	Sullivan	Wicker
Ryun (KS)	Sweeney	Wilson (NM)
Sabo	Tancredo	Wilson (SC)
Sanchez, Linda	Tanner	Wolf
T.	Tauscher	Woolsey
Sanchez, Loretta	Tauzin	Wu
Sandlin	Taylor (MS)	Wynn
Saxton	Taylor (NC)	Young (AK)
Schiff	Terry	Young (FL)

declares the House in recess while the Chamber is being prepared.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 45 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 1347

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 1 o'clock and 47 minutes p.m.

(Thereupon the Members sat for the official photograph of the House of Representatives for the 108th Congress.)

AUTOMATIC DEFIBRILLATION IN ADAM'S MEMORY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LINDER). The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 389.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. SHIMKUS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 389, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 415, nays 0, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 57]

YEAS—415

NOT VOTING—15

Berman	Hoeffel	Sanders
Combest	Hyde	Schakowsky
Fossella	Inlee	Snyder
Gephardt	Johnson (IL)	Velazquez
Gilchrest	Reyes	Weldon (PA)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) (during the vote). The Chair would remind Members that there are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1344

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 67, this time has been designated for the taking of the official photo of the House of Representatives in session.

The House will be in a brief recess while the Chamber is being prepared for the photo. As soon as these preparations are complete, the House will immediately resume its actual session for the taking of the photograph.

About 5 minutes after that, the House will proceed with the business of the House.

For the information of the Members, when the Chair says the House will be in order, we are ready to take our picture. That will be in just a few minutes.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair

Abercrombie	Burns	Deutsch
Ackerman	Burr	Diaz-Balart, L.
Aderholt	Burton (IN)	Diaz-Balart, M.
Akin	Buyer	Dicks
Alexander	Calvert	Dingell
Allen	Camp	Doggett
Andrews	Cannon	Dooley (CA)
Baca	Cantor	Doolittle
Bachus	Capito	Doyle
Baird	Capps	Dreier
Baker	Capuano	Duncan
Baldwin	Cardin	Dunn
Ballance	Cardoza	Edwards
Ballenger	Carson (IN)	Ehlers
Barrett (SC)	Carson (OK)	Emerson
Bartlett (MD)	Carter	Engel
Barton (TX)	Case	English
Bass	Castle	Eshoo
Beauprez	Chabot	Evans
Becerra	Chocola	Everett
Bell	Clay	Farr
Bereuter	Clyburn	Fattah
Berkley	Coble	Feeney
Berman	Cole	Ferguson
Berry	Collins	Filner
Biggert	Conyers	Flake
Bilirakis	Cooper	Fletcher
Bishop (GA)	Costello	Foley
Bishop (NY)	Cox	Forbes
Bishop (UT)	Cramer	Ford
Blackburn	Crane	Fossella
Blumenauer	Crenshaw	Frank (MA)
Blunt	Crowley	Franks (AZ)
Boehlert	Cubin	Frelinghuysen
Boehner	Culberson	Frost
Bonilla	Cummings	Gallegly
Bonner	Cunningham	Garrett (NJ)
Bono	Davis (AL)	Gerlach
Boozman	Davis (CA)	Gibbons
Boswell	Davis (FL)	Gillmor
Boucher	Davis (IL)	Gingrey
Boyd	Davis (TN)	Gonzalez
Bradley (NH)	Davis, Jo Ann	Goode
Brady (PA)	Davis, Tom	Goodlatte
Brady (TX)	Deal (GA)	Gordon
Brown (OH)	DeFazio	Goss
Brown (SC)	DeGette	Granger
Brown, Corrine	Delahunt	Graves
Brown-Waite,	DeLauro	Green (TX)
Ginny	DeLay	Green (WI)
Burgess	DeMint	Greenwood

Grijalva	McCarthy (NY)	Ruppersberger
Gutknecht	McCollum	Ryan (OH)
Hall	McCotter	Ryan (WI)
Harman	McCrery	Ryun (KS)
Harris	McDermott	Sabo
Hart	McGovern	Sanchez, Linda
Hastings (FL)	McHugh	T.
Hastings (WA)	McInnis	Sanchez, Loretta
Hayes	McIntyre	Sandlin
Hayworth	McKeon	Saxton
Hefley	McNulty	Schakowsky
Hensarling	Meehan	Schiff
Herber	Meek (FL)	Schrock
Hill	Meeks (NY)	Scott (GA)
Hinchey	Menendez	Scott (VA)
Hinojosa	Mica	Sensenbrenner
Hobson	Michaud	Serrano
Hoekstra	Millender-	Sessions
Holden	McDonald	Shadegg
Holt	Miller (FL)	Shaw
Honda	Miller (MI)	Shays
Hooley (OR)	Miller (NC)	Sherman
Hostettler	Miller, Gary	Sherwood
Houghton	Mollohan	Shimkus
Hulshof	Moore	Shuster
Inslee	Moran (KS)	Simmons
Isakson	Moran (VA)	Simpson
Israel	Murphy	Skelton
Issa	Murtha	Slaughter
Istook	Musgrave	Smith (MI)
Jackson (IL)	Myrick	Smith (NJ)
Jackson-Lee	Nadler	Smith (TX)
(TX)	Neal (MA)	Smith (WA)
Janklow	Nethercutt	Solis
Jefferson	Ney	Souder
Jenkins	Northup	Spratt
John	Norwood	Stark
Johnson, E. B.	Nunes	Stearns
Johnson, Sam	Nussle	Stenholm
Jones (NC)	Oberstar	Strickland
Jones (OH)	Obey	Stupak
Kanjorski	Olver	Sullivan
Kaptur	Ortiz	Sweeney
Keller	Osborne	Tancredo
Kelly	Ose	Tanner
Kennedy (MN)	Otter	Tauscher
Kennedy (RI)	Owens	Tauzin
Kildee	Oxley	Taylor (MS)
Kilpatrick	Pallone	Taylor (NC)
Kind	Pascrell	Terry
King (IA)	Pastor	Thomas
King (NY)	Paul	Thompson (CA)
Kingston	Payne	Thompson (MS)
Kirk	Pearce	Thornberry
Kleczka	Pelosi	Tiahrt
Kline	Pence	Tiberi
Knollenberg	Peterson (MN)	Tierney
Kolbe	Peterson (PA)	Toomey
Kucinich	Petri	Towns
LaHood	Pickering	Turner (OH)
Lampson	Pitts	Turner (TX)
Langevin	Platts	Udall (CO)
Lantos	Pomboy	Udall (NM)
Larsen (WA)	Pomeroy	Upton
Larson (CT)	Porter	Van Hollen
Latham	Portman	Velazquez
LaTourette	Price (NC)	Vislosky
Leach	Pryce (OH)	Vitter
Lee	Putnam	Walden (OR)
Levin	Quinn	Walsh
Lewis (CA)	Radanovich	Wamp
Lewis (GA)	Rahall	Waters
Lewis (KY)	Ramstad	Watson
Linder	Rangel	Watt
Lipinski	Regula	Waxman
LoBiondo	Rehberg	Weiner
Lofgren	Renzi	Weldon (FL)
Lowe	Reyes	Weller
Lucas (KY)	Reynolds	Wexler
Lucas (OK)	Rodriguez	Whitfield
Lynch	Rogers (AL)	Wicker
Majette	Rogers (KY)	Wilson (NM)
Maloney	Rogers (MI)	Wilson (SC)
Manzullo	Rohrabacher	Wolf
Markey	Ros-Lehtinen	Woolsey
Marshall	Ross	Wu
Matheson	Rothman	Young (AK)
Matsui	Roybal-Allard	Young (FL)
McCarthy (MO)	Royce	

NOT VOTING—19

Combest	Hoyer	Rush
Emanuel	Hunter	Sanders
Etheridge	Hyde	Snyder
Gephardt	Johnson (CT)	Weldon (PA)
Gilchrest	Johnson (IL)	Wynn
Gutierrez	Miller, George	
Hoeffel	Napolitano	