Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I believe we can proceed to the second roll-call vote, which is the Coburn amendment No. 918.

AMENDMENT NO. 918

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, there will now be 2 minutes of debate on amendment No. 918 offered by the Senator from Oklahoma, Mr. COBURN.

Who yields time?

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, this amendment is one which I think would be bad policy, a bad precedent for us here in the Senate. It basically puts a hard and fast, drop-dead date on any legislation contained in this bill and says there is a sunset provision so that any program authorized here, any kind of activity permitted under this legislation, would be prohibited following that date in 2011. It is not the kind of sunset we would normally adopt on legislation. I don't think it is appropriate here. I urge colleagues to oppose the amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Who yields time in support of the amendment?

Mr. ALEXANDER. Mr. President, I yield back the time on this side.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to amendment No. 918.

Mr. COBURN. Mr. President, I request the yeas and nays. The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There being no objection, the PRESIDING OFFICER. The motion to lay on the table was rejected.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, we have a briefing at 4 o'clock. We are going to do this next vote and complete that. We have scheduled another vote right at 5:30. We are going to finish this bill tonight. If people have amendments, they should offer them.

These two managers have worked extremely hard to finish this bill. This will be a big win in the cap for bipartisanship. We are going to stay here tonight until we finish this bill. We have, as I understand it, about three amendments left after we do this one, but we should all have the opportunity to go to that briefing. So we will be back here at 5:30 after this next vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico is recognized.

AMENDMENT NO. 942

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Kohl amendment No. 942 be the pending amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the amendment No. 942 be the pending amendment.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to amendment No. 942.

The amendment (No. 942) was rejected.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table. The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico is recognized.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote, and I move to lay that motion on the table. The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senator LANDRIEU's amendment No. 975, Senator DORGAN's amendment No. 958, and a managers' amendment, which must be cleared by both managers; that after disposition of the above amendments, the bill be read the third time, and the Senate, without any intervening action or debate, vote on final passage of S. 761. The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECESS

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess until 5:30 p.m. There being no objection, the Senate, at 4:10 p.m., recessed until 5:30 p.m. and reassembled when called to order by the Presiding Officer (Mr. OBAMA).

AMERICA COMPETES ACT—Continued

AMENDMENTS NOS. 915, AS MODIFIED; 916, AS MODIFIED; 921, AS MODIFIED; 922, AS MODIFIED; 924, AS MODIFIED; 930, AS MODIFIED; 951, AS MODIFIED; 952, AS MODIFIED; 957, AS MODIFIED; 958, AS MODIFIED; 960, AS MODIFIED; 970, AS MODIFIED; 975, AS MODIFIED; 977, AND 980

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico.

Mr. BINGAMAN. Mr. President, we have a managers' package of amendments which have been cleared and which are at the desk. Some are in modified form. Let me go through the list and then ask consent for their approval:

Amendment No. 915, as modified, by Senator GRASSLEY; amendment No. 916, as modified, by Senator GRASSLEY; amendment No. 924, as modified, by Senator OBAMA; amendment No. 926, as modified, by Senator MENENDEZ; amendment No. 944, as modified, by Senator COLEMAN; amendment No. 950 by Senator BAUCUS; amendment No. 951 by Senator LENIOR; amendment No. 952 by Senator SMITH; amendment No. 953 by Senator HARKIN; amendment No. 957 by Senator HARKIN; amendment No. 960 by Senator KERRY; amendment No. 970 by Senator COLE; amendment No. 975 by Senator SMITH; amendment No. 977 by Senator SMITH; amendment No. 980 by Senator SMITH.