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The House met at 9 a.m.

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following prayer: Is God in the motion or in the static? Is God in the problem or in the resolve?

Is God in the activity or in the rest? Is God in the noise or in the silence? Wherever You are, Lord God, be in our midst, both now and forever. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. WILSON) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

RECOGNIZING CARBON SHREDDERS

(Mr. WELCH of Vermont asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WELCH of Vermont. Madam Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the dedicated efforts of Carbon Shredders, a grassroots

environmental group based in the Mad River Valley of Vermont. Formed in the fall of 2007 by three local environmentalists, Carbon Shredders dedicates its time to curbing local energy consumption, helping Vermonters lower their energy costs, and working towards a clean energy future. The group challenges participants to alter their lifestyles in ways consistent with the goal of reducing energy consumption.

In March, three Vermont towns passed resolutions introduced by Carbon Shredders that call on residents and businesses to reduce their carbon footprint by 10 percent by 2010. In addition to the obvious environmental advantages, participating households will save \$700 each year. Carbon Shredders' membership has grown considerably in Vermont since its founding, and this group is doing tremendous work in Vermont to lead us to a carbon-free economy.

LET'S STAY AND GET THE JOB DONE

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, today the House of Representatives will adjourn for 5 weeks. It is troubling that the Democratic leadership sees no problem in taking a 5-week vacation, having failed to vote on legislation that will lower gas prices and break our dependence on foreign oil.

House Republicans have laid out a plan of exploration, alternative energy innovation, and conservation, a comprehensive strategy that pulls together this Nation's immense natural resources and our rapidly advancing technology to reduce our dependence on foreign oil and build a more prosperous country.

Let's have a vote on a comprehensive energy package. Let's show American

families that their interests are important enough for this Congress to stay here and lower gas prices.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September the 11th. Godspeed for the future careers to Second District staff members, Chirag Shah and Kori Lorick.

COMMEMORATING THE MINNEAPOLIS I-35W BRIDGE COLLAPSE

(Mr. ELLISON asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ELLISON. Madam Speaker, last year on August 1, 2007, at 6:05 p.m., the Interstate 35W bridge in Minneapolis collapsed into the Mississippi River. Thirteen people lost their lives, injuring nearly 100 people. The 13 victims were mothers, fathers and children.

Last year on August 1, this day, we as a Nation were united in our grief for the victims. Today, the new I-35W bridge stands almost complete over the Mississippi River. I have had a chance to tour it, and it is a good-looking bridge. But we can never forget about the victims and the lessons that we have learned from the collapse.

We will be having a memorial today in Minneapolis for the victims, and we will be celebrating the fact that we have come back and been a resilient community after this collapse.

But I believe the tragic bridge collapse serves as a national call to action for our political leaders to focus on improving our domestic infrastructure. The time is now, Madam Speaker.

LET'S SECURE AMERICA

(Mr. WESTMORELAND asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

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Mr. WESTMORELAND. This morning I'm here, and if I could talk to the people of America, Madam Speaker, I would tell them that the number to the House operator is 202-224-3121, but I know I can't do that. But if I could, it would be 202-224-3121, and I would ask for Speaker PELOSI.

I would tell Speaker PELOSI that I'm not a hoax because, see, here's a quote: "This call for drilling in areas that are protected is a hoax, it's an absolute hoax on the part of the Republicans and the administration."

The American people, Madam Speaker, 73 percent of them are not a hoax. She's too busy trying to save the planet. Speaker PELOSI announced, "I'm trying to save the planet."

I hope, Madam Speaker, that if the American people could get this number that they could call the Speaker and say, "Before you save the planet, let's secure America."

Madam Speaker, we're going to adjourn today, and many in this House are going to leave for a vacation, a trip overseas, to Africa, Europe, Asia, while my constituents can't even afford to drive to a State park.

We must stay in session. We must do something to increase U.S. oil production.

HEATING OIL

(Mr. HALL of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HALL of New York. Madam Speaker, sky-high prices for gas and heating oil have taken a big bite out of family budgets. Just as we enter the home stretch of the summer driving season, these same families are bracing for increased prices in home heating oil.

Families in my district use heating oil to stave off winter cold, and too many of them are already shivering. We're not even into the heating season yet, and already prices in the Hudson Valley are over \$4.60, 70 percent more than last year.

We need to throw these families a lifeline and fix the energy crisis threatening them.

To help with the costs, I have cosponsored the HEATR Act to give qualifying families a \$500 tax credit for their heating costs over \$1,500.

To fix the markets, the majority has tried repeatedly to provide support for new technologies, increased domestic drilling, and oil releases from the SPR. Each time, the President and his allies have opposed these measures and are holding our energy solutions hostage to their insistence on old, ineffective drilling proposals.

They need to get out of D.C. and see how these prices are affecting working families, figure out how to join us, or soon we will all be out in the cold.

LET'S PASS MEANINGFUL LEGISLATION

(Mr. GINGREY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GINGREY. Madam Speaker, a famous American, Will Rogers once said, "The only thing I know about American politics is what I read in the newspaper."

Madam Speaker, what I read in the newspaper this morning are these headlines: "A shadow over recess. Impasse on energy obscures victories as Dems head home."

Another headline: "Energy shadow falls over the August recess."

Reading further, I thought we had a little ray of light and encouragement in a press conference that the Speaker gave yesterday. "And, asked if she could envision a scenario where there could be a vote on new offshore drilling, she said, 'Of course.'"

"But shortly thereafter, Pelosi's office issued a written 'clarification' stating that Pelosi was not changing her position."

And the quote now, "She has no plans to bring to the floor a bill to allow drilling in protected areas."

Unconscionable, Madam Speaker. I don't know what the plan is. Maybe it's in one of the chapters of a new book that she's spent the last 3 months writing while she should have been doing something, Madam Speaker, about these high gasoline prices that are crippling this Nation. Unconscionable.

Let's stay here. Let's not adjourn. Let's pass meaningful legislation.

□ 0915

ONE YEAR ANNIVERSARY OF I-35 BRIDGE TRAGEDY

(Mr. WALZ of Minnesota asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WALZ of Minnesota. Madam Speaker, it was one year ago today, at 6:05 p.m. this evening, that an eight-lane steel truss span bridge collapsed into the Mississippi River in Minneapolis. I'm sure we all remember that strange and surreal sight of a bridge laying in the very river it used to span and the images of vehicles that were crushed in the debris.

As a school teacher, for me the most poignant and terrifying image was that of a school bus balanced over the abyss as it was about to plunge into the steel and concrete below, but whose occupants were thankfully all unharmed.

Unfortunately, not everyone on that bridge made it home safely; 13 people were killed in the tragedy. That those numbers weren't higher was due in no small part to the hundreds of firefighters, police, emergency personnel and ordinary citizens who rushed to the aid of their fellow Americans. Their direct actions immediately following this tragedy saved lives and eased suffering.

Ordinary residents of Minneapolis displayed extraordinary courage on August 1. We are here today to note this

sad occasion and to remember those who were lost.

Construction on a new bridge is underway. It will be wider, longer, more reliable and safer. And I thank my colleague who spoke earlier, Mr. ELLISON, for his leadership on that, but it won't bring back those who tragically died.

Let us learn from this disaster and ensure it never happens again.

AMERICANS DEMAND ENERGY PLAN

(Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee. Madam Speaker, we need an American energy plan and we need it now. The American people are hurting. Young families are hurting. Senior adults are hurting. Small businesses are hurting. Vern, from Jefferson County, Tennessee, is hurting.

Vern is an Iraqi war veteran. Vern has to drive from Jefferson County in Tennessee all the way into Knoxville. It's costing him over \$90 a week to drive to work. He makes \$8 an hour. He's trying to become an electrical apprentice.

Vern told me he may have to go on welfare. Vern has a young family. Vern is an Iraqi war yet. Vern wants to do what's right by his family. He has already done what's right by America. This Congress needs to do what's right for Vern and other young families in America, senior adults in America, small businesses in America.

We don't need any more excuses. We need to vote on meaningful energy legislation. We need to do it now. We don't need to go home, we need to take votes. I'm willing to stay here today and vote. We voted this week. We had time to vote to go home. We ought to have time to vote to bring down gas prices at the pump. The American people demand it, they demand it now.

HOUSE REPUBLICANS STAND BY THE PRESIDENT'S DRILL AND VETO POLICIES OF THE PAST

(Mr. PALLONE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, House Republicans claim to be interested in supporting legislation that will help reduce the price of gas at the pump, but unfortunately they have consistently opposed legislation that would directly benefit the American people.

Republicans said no to cracking down on price gouging. They said no to repealing billions in taxpayer-funded subsidies to Big Oil so that we can instead invest in renewable energy resources. They said no to legislation that would force big oil companies to either drill on the lands they already have leased or lose the leases.

Last week, the Republicans said no to tapping the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to help lower gas prices immediately. And this week they said no to going after speculation.

Madam Speaker, if House Republicans are serious about helping the American people, they need to stop protecting Big Oil.

PRICE AT THE PUMP IS NOT A HOAX

(Mrs. BLACKBURN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BLACKBURN. Madam Speaker, I rise to express my sincere disappointment with the liberal Democrat leadership of this House.

I think it's important that they realize the price at the pump is not a hoax, it's not a mirage, it is not a bad dream, it is real life. And to my constituents in the Seventh District of Tennessee, they are angry with the price at the pump.

What we are hearing from them is this, Madam Speaker: we can't afford the change the Democrat Congress has wrought. We can't afford the price that they have delivered at the pump. And we definitely cannot afford for the Democrat Congress to vote themselves an adjournment resolution and leave for 5 weeks—5 weeks, while the price at the pump continues to rise, while the price of electric power rises, while home heating oil prices are going to triple.

This is reality. It is real life. And it is what is facing our constituents every single day. Take some of the power you're using to save the planet and use it to address this issue.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2009

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. SOLIS). Pursuant to House Resolution 1384 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 6599.

□ 0920

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 further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6599) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes, with Mr. LYNCH (Acting Chairman) in the chair. The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose on the legislative day of Thursday, July 31, 2008, the bill had been read through page 55, line 19.

Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those

amendments printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendment No. 11 by Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey.

Amendment No. 6 by Mr. McCAUL of Texas.

Amendment No. 4 by Mr. FLAKE of Arizona.

Amendment No. 3 by Mr. KING of Iowa.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

AMENDMENT NO. 11 OFFERED BY MR. GARRETT OF NEW JERSEY

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. GARRETT) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Amendment No. 11 offered by Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey:

Page 36, line 5, after the dollar amount, insert "(reduced by \$18,018,000)".

Page 41, line 22, after the dollar amount, insert "(increased by \$18,018,000)".

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 185, noes 227, not voting 27, as follows:

[Roll No. 558]

AYES—185

- Aderholt Dent
Akin Diaz-Balart, L.
Alexander Diaz-Balart, M.
Bachmann Drake
Bachus Dreier
Barrett (SC) Duncan
Bartlett (MD) Ehlers
Barton (TX) English (PA)
Biggart Everett
Bilbray Fallin
Bilirakis Feeney
Bishop (UT) Ferguson
Blackburn Flake
Blunt Forbes
Boehner Fortenberry
Bonner Fossella
Bono Mack Foxx
Boozman Franks (AZ)
Boustany Frelinghuysen
Brady (TX) Gallegly
Broun (GA) Garrett (NJ)
Brown (SC) Gerlach
Buchanan Giffords
Burton (IN) Gingrey
Buyer Goode
Calvert Goodlatte
Camp (MI) Granger
Campbell (CA) Graves
Cantor Hastings (WA)
Capito Hayes
Carter Heller
Castle Hensarling
Chabot Heger
Coble Hobson
Cole (OK) Hoekstra
Conaway Holt
Crenshaw Hunter
Culberson Ingalls (SC)
Davis (KY) Issa
Davis, David Johnson (IL)
Davis, Tom Johnson, Sam
Deal (GA) Jordan

- Paul
Pearce
Pence
Petri
Pickering
Platts
Poe
Pomeroy
Price (GA)
Putnam
Radanovich
Ramstad
Regula
Rehberg
Reichert
Renzi
Reynolds
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen

- Roskam
Rothman
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Sali
Scalise
Schmidt
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shays
Shimkus
Shuler
Shuster
Simpson
Sires
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Space
Stearns

- Sullivan
Tancred
Tanner
Terry
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi
Turner
Upton
Walberg
Walden (OR)
Walsh (NY)
Wamp
Weldon (FL)
Westmoreland
Wilson (SC)
Wittman (VA)
Wolf
Young (FL)

NOES—227

- Abercrombie
Ackerman
Allen
Altmire
Arcuri
Baca
Baird
Baldwin
Barrow
Bean
Becerra
Berkley
Berman
Berry
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Blumenauer
Bordallo
Boren
Boucher
Boyd (FL)
Boyda (KS)
Brady (PA)
Braley (IA)
Burgess
Butterfield
Capps
Capuano
Cardoza
Carnahan
Carney
Carson
Castor
Cazayoux
Chandler
Childers
Christensen
Clarke
Clay
Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Conyers
Cooper
Costa
Costello
Courtney
Cramer
Crowley
Cuellar
Davis (AL)
Davis (CA)
Davis (IL)
Davis, Lincoln
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Donnelly
Doolittle
Doyle
Edwards (MD)
Edwards (TX)
Ellison
Ellsworth
Emanuel
Emerson
Eshoo
Etheridge
Faleomavaega
Farr
Fattah

- Filner
Foster
Frank (MA)
Gilchrest
Gillibrand
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Gonzalez
Gordon
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Grijalva
Gutierrez
Hall (NY)
Hall (TX)
Hare
Hastings (FL)
Herseth Sandlin
Higgins
Hill
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Miller (NC)
Miller, George
Mollohan
Moore (KS)
Moore (WI)

- Moran (VA)
Murphy (CT)
Murphy, Patrick
Murtha
Myrick
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
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Oberstar
Obey
Olver
Ortiz
Pastor
Payne
Perlmutter
Peterson (MN)
Porter
Price (NC)
Rahall
Rangel
Reyes
Richardson
Rodriguez
Ross
Roybal-Allard
Ruppersberger
Ryan (OH)
Salazar
Sanchez, Linda
T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sarbanes
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schwartz
Scott (GA)
Scott (VA)
Serrano
Sestak
Shea-Porter
Sherman
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Solis
Souder
Speier
Spratt
Stark
Stupak
Sutton
Tauscher
Taylor
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Tierney
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Tsongas
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
Van Hollen
Velázquez
Visclosky
Walz (MN)
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Schultz
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Watt
Waxman
Weiner
Welch (VT)

Wexler	Wilson (OH)	Wu	Bilirakis	Giffords	Miller, George	Upton	Waxman	Wilson (SC)
Whitfield (KY)	Woolsey	Yarmuth	Bishop (GA)	Gilchrest	Mitchell	Walberg	Welch (VT)	Wittman (VA)
NOT VOTING—27								
Andrews	Harman	Pitts	Bishop (NY)	Gillibrand	Moore (KS)	Walden (OR)	Weldon (FL)	Wolf
Boswell	Hulshof	Pryce (OH)	Bishop (UT)	Gingrey	Moran (KS)	Walsh (NY)	Westmoreland	Yarmuth
Brown, Corrine	Kaptur	Rogers (AL)	Blackburn	Gohmert	Murphy (CT)	Walz (MN)	Whitfield (KY)	Young (FL)
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Ginny	Kilpatrick	Saxton	Blunt	Goodlatte	Murphy, Tim		NOES—86	
Cannon	Klein (FL)	Weller	Boehner	Gordon	Musgrave	Ackerman	Hobson	Pastor
Cubin	Levin	Wilson (NM)	Bonner	Granger	Myrick	Baldwin	Hoyer	Payne
Cummings	Maloney (NY)	Young (AK)	Bono Mack	Graves	Neugebauer	Berman	Jackson-Lee	Rahall
Engel	Meek (FL)		Boozman	Green, Gene	Norton	Brady (PA)	(TX)	Rangel
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			Boren	Hare	Ortiz	Capps	Johnson (GA)	Roybal-Allard
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			Brady (TX)	Herger	Perlmutter	Clay	Lewis (GA)	Slaughter
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			Broun (GA)	Higgins	Peterson (PA)	Conyers	Lynch	Stark
			Brown (SC)	Hill	Petri	Crowley	Markey	Taylor
			Buchanan	Hinchev	Pickering	Davis (IL)	Matsui	Thompson (CA)
			Burgess	Hirono	Platts	Delahunt	McCollum (MN)	Thompson (MS)
			Burton (IN)	Hodes	Poe	Dingell	McDermott	Van Hollen
			Buyer	Hoekstra	Pomeroy	Doyle	McGovern	Velázquez
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			Carney	Inslee	Regula	Green, Al	Nadler	Watt
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			Carter	Issa	Reichert	Gutierrez	Neal (MA)	Wexler
			Castle	Jackson (IL)	Renzi	Hall (TX)	Oberstar	Woolsey
			Castor	Johnson (IL)	Reynolds	Hastings (FL)	Oliver	Wu
			Cazayoux	Johnson, Sam	Richardson	Hinojosa	Pascrell	
			Chabot	Jones (NC)	Rodriguez			
			Chandler	Jordan	Rogers (KY)			
			Childers	Kagen	Rogers (MI)			
			Cleaver	Kanjorski	Rohrabacher			
			Coble	Keller	Ros-Lehtinen			
			Cohen	Kennedy	Roskam			
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			Conaway	Kind	Rothman			
			Cooper	King (IA)	Royce			
			Costa	King (NY)	Ruppersberger			
			Costello	Kingston	Ryan (OH)			
			Courtney	Kirk	Ryan (WI)			
			Cramer	Klein (FL)	Salazar			
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			Culberson	Kuhl (NY)	T.			
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			Davis (CA)	Lamborn	Sarbanes			
			Davis (KY)	Lampson	Scalise			
			Davis, David	Langevin	Schiff			
			Davis, Lincoln	Larsen (WA)	Schmidt			
			Davis, Tom	Larson (CT)	Schwartz			
			Deal (GA)	Latham	Scott (VA)			
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			Doggett	Lofgren, Zoe	Shimkus			
			Donnelly	Lowey	Shuler			
			Doolittle	Lucas	Shuster			
			Drake	Lungren, Daniel	Simpson			
			Dreier	E.	Skelton			
			Duncan	Mack	Smith (NE)			
			Edwards (TX)	Mahoney (FL)	Smith (NJ)			
			Ehlers	Manzullo	Smith (TX)			
			Ellsworth	Marchant	Smith (WA)			
			Emanuel	Marshall	Snyder			
			Emerson	Matheson	Souder			
			English (PA)	McCarthy (CA)	Space			
			Eshoo	McCarthy (NY)	Speier			
			Everett	McCaul (TX)	Spratt			
			Faleomavaega	McCotter	Stearns			
			Fallin	McCrery	Stupak			
			Feeney	McHenry	Sullivan			
			Ferguson	McHugh	Sutton			
			Filner	McIntyre	Tancredo			
			Flake	McKeon	Tanner			
			Forbes	McMorris	Tauscher			
			Fortenberry	Rodgers	Terry			
			Fossella	McNerney	Thornberry			
			Foster	McNulty	Tiahrt			
			Fox	Melancon	Tiberi			
			Franks (AZ)	Mica	Tierney			
			Frelinghuysen	Michaud	Towns			
			Gallely	Miller (FL)	Tsongas			
			Garrett (NJ)	Miller (MI)	Turner			
			Gerlach	Miller (NC)	Udall (CO)			
				Miller, Gary	Udall (NM)			

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 0947

Messrs. ACKERMAN, RUPPERSBERGER, LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee, HONDA, TAYLOR, RANGEL, KANJORSKI, PASTOR, LARSEN of Washington, HALL of Texas, SESTAK, ALTMIRE, and BURGESS changed their vote from “aye” to “no.”

Ms. GIFFORDS and Mr. WALDEN of Oregon changed their vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. KLEIN of Florida. Madam Speaker, On Friday, August 1, 2008 I was unavoidably detained.

Had I voted, I would have voted “aye” on rollcall No. 558.

AMENDMENT NO. 6 OFFERED BY MR. MCCAUL OF TEXAS

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. MCCAUL) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Amendment No. 6 offered by Mr McCaul of Texas:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. _____. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for a project or program named for an individual then serving as a Member, Delegate, Resident Commissioner, or Senator of the United States Congress.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 329, noes 86, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 559]

AYES—329

Abercrombie	Baca	Barton (TX)
Aderholt	Bachmann	Bean
Akin	Bachus	Becerra
Alexander	Baird	Berkley
Allen	Barrett (SC)	Berry
Altmire	Barrow	Biggert
Arcuri	Bartlett (MD)	Bilbray

Account	State	Location	Project Title	Amount (in thousands)
Army	Alabama	Anniston Army Depot	Lake Yard Railroad Interchange.	\$1,400
Army	Alabama	Fort Rucker	Chapel Center	\$6,800
Air Force	Arizona	Luke AFB	Repair Runway Pavement	\$1,755
Army	Arizona	Fort Huachuca	ATC Radar Operations Building.	\$2,000
Army NG	Arkansas	Cabot	Readiness Center	\$10,868
Air NG	Arkansas	Little Rock AFB	Replace Engine Shop	\$4,000
Navy	California	Monterey	Education Facility	\$9,990
Air Force	California	Edwards AFB	Main Base Runway Ph 4	\$6,000
Navy	California	North Island	Training Pool Replacement	\$6,890
Navy	California	Twentynine Palms	Lifelong Learning Center Ph 1	\$9,760
Air NG	Connecticut	Bradley IAP	TFI Upgrade Engine Shop	\$7,200
Air Force	Florida	Tyndall AFB	325 ACS Ops Training Complex	\$11,600
Army NG	Florida	Camp Blanding	Regional Training Institute Ph 4.	\$20,907
Air Force	Florida	MacDill AFB	Combat Training Facility	\$5,000
Navy	Florida	Mayport	Aircraft Refueling	\$3,380
Air NG	Georgia	Savannah CRTC	Troop Training Quarters	\$7,500
Navy	Georgia	Kings Bay	Add to Limited Area Reaction Force Facility.	\$6,130
Air Force	Georgia	Robins AFB	Avionics Facility	\$5,250
Army	Hawaii	Pohakuloa TA	Access Road, Ph 1	\$9,000
Air NG	Illinois	Greater Peoria RAP	C-130 Squadron Operations Center.	\$400
Army NG	Indiana	Muscatatuck	Combined Arms Collective Training Facility Ph 1.	\$6,000
Air NG	Indiana	Fort Wayne IAP	Aircraft Ready Shelters/Fuel Fill Stands.	\$5,600
Army NG	Iowa	Camp Dodge	MOUT Site Add/Alt	\$1,500
Army NG	Iowa	Davenport	Readiness Center Add/Alt	\$1,550
Air NG	Iowa	Fort Dodge	Vehicle Maintenance & Comm. Training Complex.	\$5,600
Army NG	Iowa	Mount Pleasant	Readiness Center Add/Alt	\$1,500
Army	Kansas	Fort Leavenworth	Chapel Complex Ph 2	\$4,200
Army	Kansas	Fort Riley	Fire Station	\$3,000
Air Force	Kansas	McConnell AFB	MXG Consolidation & Forward Logistics Center Ph 2.	\$6,800
Army NG	Kentucky	London	Aviation Operations Facility Ph III.	\$7,191
Navy	Maine	Portsmouth NSY	Dry Dock 3 Waterfront Support Facility.	\$1,450
Navy	Maine	Portsmouth NSY	Consolidated Global Sub Component Ph 1.	\$9,980
Navy	Maryland	Carderock	RDTE Support Facility Ph 1	\$6,980
Army NG	Maryland	Dundalk	Readiness Center	\$579
Navy	Maryland	Indian Head	Energetics Systems & Tech Lab Complex Ph 1.	\$12,050
Air NG	Maryland	Martin State Airport	Replace Fire Station	\$7,900
Air NG	Massachusetts	Otis ANGB	TFI Digital Ground Station FOC Beddown.	\$1,700
Air Reserve	Massachusetts	Westover ARB	Joint Service Lodging Facility.	\$943
Army NG	Michigan	Camp Grayling	Live Fire Shoot House	\$2,000
Army NG	Michigan	Camp Grayling	Urban Assault Course	\$2,000
Army NG	Minnesota	Arden Hills	Infrastructure Improvements	\$1,005
Air NG	Minnesota	Duluth	Replace Fuel Cell Hangar	\$4,500
Air NG	Minnesota	Minneapolis-St. Paul IAP	Aircraft Deicing Apron	\$1,500
Navy	Mississippi	Gulfport	Battalion Maintenance Facility.	\$5,870
Army	Missouri	Fort Leonard Wood	Vehicle Maintenance Shop	\$9,500
Air Force	Missouri	Whiteman AFB	Security Forces Animal Clinic	\$4,200
Army	Missouri	Fort Leonard Wood	Chapel Complex	\$3,500
Air NG	New Jersey	Atlantic City IAP	Operations and Training Facility.	\$8,400
Air Force	New Jersey	McGuire AFB	Security Forces Operations Facility Ph 1.	\$7,200
Army	New Jersey	Picatinny Arsenal	Ballistic Evaluation Facility Ph 1.	\$9,900
Air Force	New Mexico	Cannon AFB	CV-22 Flight Simulator Facility.	\$8,300
Air NG	New York	Gabreski Airport	Replace Pararescue Ops Facility Ph 2.	\$7,500
Army	New York	Fort Drum	Replace Fire Station	\$6,900
Air Reserve	New York	Niagara Falls ARS	Dining Facility/Community Center.	\$9,000
Air NG	New York	Hancock Field	Upgrade ASOS Facilities	\$5,400
Army	North Carolina	Fort Bragg	Access Roads Ph 1 (Additional Funds).	\$8,600
Army NG	North Carolina	Camp Butner	Training Complex	\$1,376
Army	North Carolina	Fort Bragg	Mass Casualty Facility	\$1,300
Army	North Carolina	Fort Bragg	Chapel	\$11,600
Army NG	Ohio	Camp Perry	Barracks	\$2,000
Army NG	Ohio	Ravenna	Barracks	\$2,000

Account	State	Location	Project Title	Amount (in thousands)
Air NG	Ohio	Springfield ANGB	Combat Communications Training Complex.	\$12,800
Air Force	Ohio	Wright-Patterson AFB	Security Forces Operations Facility.	\$14,000
Army	Oklahoma	McAlester AAP	AP3 Connecting Rail	\$5,800
Air Force	Oklahoma	Tinker AFB	Realign Air Depot Street	\$5,400
Army NG	Pennsylvania	Honesdale	Readiness Center Add/Alt	\$6,117
Army NG	Pennsylvania	Honesdale	Readiness Center Add/Alt	\$504
Army NG	Pennsylvania	Pittsburgh	Combined Support Maintenance Shop.	\$3,250
Army	Pennsylvania	Letterkenny Depot	Upgrade Munition Igloos Phase 2.	\$7,500
Navy	Rhode Island	Newport	Unmanned ASW Support Facility.	\$9,900
Air NG	Rhode Island	Quonset State Airport	Replace Control Tower	\$600
Army NG	South Carolina	Hemingway	Field Maintenance Shop Ph 1	\$4,600
Army NG	South Carolina	Sumter	Readiness Center	\$382
Air Force	South Carolina	Shaw AFB	Physical Fitness Center	\$9,900
Air NG	South Dakota	Joe Foss Field	Aircraft Ready Shelters/AMU	\$4,500
Army NG	Tennessee	Tullahoma	Readiness Center	\$10,372
Army Reserve	Texas	Bryan	Army Reserve Center	\$920
Army	Texas	Camp Bullis	Live Fire Shoot House	\$4,200
Air NG	Texas	Ellington Field	ASOS Facility	\$7,600
Army	Texas	Fort Hood	Chapel with Education Center	\$17,500
Air Force	Texas	Lackland AFB	Security Forces Building Ph 1	\$900
Air Force	Texas	Laughlin AFB	Student Officer Quarters Ph 2	\$1,440
Air Force	Texas	Randolph AFB	Fire and Rescue Station	\$972
Navy	Texas	Corpus Christi	Parking Apron Recapitalization Ph 1.	\$3,500
Army	Texas	Fort Bliss	Medical Parking Garage Ph 1	\$12,500
Air NG	Texas	Fort Worth NAS JRB	Security Forces Training Facility.	\$5,000
Navy	Texas	Kingsville	Fitness Center	\$11,580
Air Force	Utah	Hill AFB	Three-Bay Fire Station	\$5,400
Army NG	Vermont	Ethan Allen Range	Readiness Center	\$323
Army NG	Virginia	Fort Belvoir	Readiness Center and NGB Conference Center.	\$1,085
Army	Virginia	Fort Myer	Hatfield Gate Expansion	\$300
Army	Virginia	Fort Eustis	Vehicle Paint Facility	\$3,900
Navy	Virginia	Norfolk NS	Fire and Emergency Services Station.	\$9,960
Navy	Virginia	Norfolk NSY	Industrial Access Improvements, Main Gate 15.	\$9,990
Navy	Virginia	Quantico	OCS Headquarters Facility	\$5,980
Navy	Washington	Kitsap NB	Saltwater Cooling & Fire Protection Improvements.	\$5,110
Air NG	Washington	McChord AFB	262 Info Warfare Aggressor Squadron Facility.	\$8,600
Navy	Washington	Whidbey Island	Firefighting Facility	\$6,160
Army NG	West Virginia	Camp Dawson	Shoot House	\$2,000
Army NG	West Virginia	Camp Dawson	Access Control Point	\$2,000
Army NG	West Virginia	Camp Dawson	Multi-Purpose Building Ph 2	\$5,000
Air Force	Guam	Andersen AFB	ISR/STF Realign Arc Light Boulevard.	\$5,400

(b) ELIMINATION OF VA CONGRESSIONAL EARMARK.—None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available from the following Department of Veterans Affairs account for the following project, and the amount otherwise provided in this Act for such account is hereby reduced by the amount specified for such project from such account:

Account	State	Location	Project Title	Amount (in thousands)
Major Construction	Kentucky	Louisville	Site Acquisition and Prep	\$45,000

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 63, noes 350, answered “present” 1, not voting 25, as follows:

[Roll No. 560]

AYES—63

Bachmann
Barton (TX)
Biggart

Boehner
Broun (GA)
Burgess

Burton (IN)
Campbell (CA)
Cantor

Chabot
Cooper
Deal (GA)
Duncan
Ehlers
English (PA)
Feeney
Flake
Fossella
Foxy
Franks (AZ)
Garrett (NJ)
Gingrey
Gohmert
Goode
Goodlatte
Gordon
Heller
Hensarling

Herger
Hoekstra
Issa
Johnson (IL)
King (NY)
Kirk
Kline (MN)
Lamborn
Linder
Mack
Marchant
McCarthy (CA)
McCaul (TX)
McCotter
McMorris
Rodgers
Moran (KS)
Musgrave
Nunes

Pence
Petri
Platts
Price (GA)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Sali
Scalise
Sensenbrenner
Shadegg
Stearns
Tancredo
Terry
Tiberi
Walberg

NOES—350

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Aderholt
Akin
Alexander
Allen
Altmire
Arcuri
Baca
Bachus
Baird
Baldwin
Bilbray
Bilirakis
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Blackburn
Blumenauer
Blunt
Bonner
Bono Mack
Boozman
Bordallo
Boren
Boucher
Boustany
Boyd (FL)
Boyda (KS)

Brady (PA)
Brady (TX)
Braley (IA)
Brown (SC)
Buchanan
Butterfield
Buyer
Calvert
Camp (MI)
Capito
Capps
Capuano
Cardoza
Carnahan
Carney
Carson
Carter
Castle

Pastor	Schakowsky	Thompson (MS)
Payne	Schiff	Tiberi
Perlmutter	Schmidt	Tierney
Peterson (MN)	Schwartz	Towns
Petri	Scott (GA)	Tsongas
Pomeroy	Scott (VA)	Turner
Porter	Serrano	Udall (CO)
Price (NC)	Sestak	Udall (NM)
Rahall	Shays	Upton
Rangel	Shea-Porter	Van Hollen
Regula	Sherman	Velázquez
Rehberg	Shimkus	Visclosky
Reichert	Shuler	Walden (OR)
Renzi	Sires	Walsh (NY)
Reyes	Skelton	Walz (MN)
Richardson	Slaughter	Wasserman
Rodriguez	Smith (NJ)	Wasserman
Ros-Lehtinen	Smith (WA)	Schultz
Roskam	Snyder	Waters
Ross	Solis	Watson
Rothman	Space	Watt
Roybal-Allard	Speier	Waxman
Ruppersberger	Spratt	Weiner
Ryan (OH)	Stark	Welch (VT)
Ryan (WI)	Stupak	Wexler
Salazar	Sutton	Whitfield (KY)
Sánchez, Linda	Tanner	Wilson (OH)
T.	Tauscher	Woolsey
Sanchez, Loretta	Taylor	Wu
Sarbanes	Thompson (CA)	Yarmuth

NOT VOTING—21

Andrews	Fortuño	Rogers (AL)
Boswell	Harman	Rush
Brown, Corrine	Hulshof	Saxton
Brown-Waite,	Kilpatrick	Weller
Ginny	Levin	Wilson (NM)
Cannon	Pickering	Young (AK)
Cubin	Pitts	
Cummings	Pryce (OH)	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN (during the vote). Two minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1012

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Mr. ETHERIDGE. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of H.R. 6599, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Act, 2009. This legislation builds upon last year's needed increases in military construction and veterans affairs funding, and continues to make our veterans a top priority.

As a veteran, I am pleased that H.R. 6599 provides more support for our veterans. H.R. 6599 includes a total of \$47.7 billion for the Department of Veterans Affairs. \$40.8 billion supports the Veterans Health Administration, VHA, and Veterans Medical Services, which expects to serve over 5.8 million patients next year. To improve access to care for our veterans, H.R. 6599 provides \$200 million for fee-based providers where VHA services are not available. The bill also raises the travel reimbursement rate from 28.5 cents per mile to 41.5 cents per mile to help thousands of rural veterans get care. A continuing backlog at the VA forces our veterans to wait far too long to receive the benefits that they have earned. This bill will enable the VA to hire 1,400 new casework processors. Our veterans are men and women who have answered the call of duty to serve our country, and we have a duty to provide them with the best possible care when they return.

This bill addresses the specific issues that we see affecting our soldiers returning today from Iraq and Afghanistan. H.R. 6599 provides a \$250 million increase to support prosthetics and new prosthetic technology, as well as \$3.8 billion for specialty mental health services and \$584 million for substance abuse programs. This is funding that can help address

the growing incidence of post traumatic stress disorder and traumatic brain injury cases among our returning soldiers.

As the Representative of Fort Bragg, one of the largest United States Army bases in the country, I am pleased that this bill addresses the needs of our military installations. This bill includes \$24 billion for military construction, including an increase of \$300 million for replacing inadequate military housing. Fort Bragg is expanding rapidly, and there are crucial funds in this bill to meet new demands. H.R. 6599 includes over \$21 million for road construction and \$78 million for on-base school constructions, to meet the needs of the influx of people at Fort Bragg. In addition, this bill includes \$1,300,000 that I requested to construct a new mass casualty facility at Womack Army Medical Center for triage and decontamination purposes for the surrounding area. H.R. 6599 provides \$5.6 billion for new military construction and family housing, in line with the "Growing the Force" initiative to increase the size of the Army, Marine Corps and National Guard and Reserve. Finally, I am pleased that there is an increase of \$1.8 billion for the Base Realignment and Closure Act, BRAC, to continue these efforts.

I support H.R. 6599, Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Act, 2009, and I urge my colleagues to join me in voting for its passage.

Mr. RADANOVICH. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to express my support for H.R. 6599, The Military Construction and Veterans Affairs FY09 Appropriations Act. Unfortunately, I was unable to vote on this bill today, however if I had been able to cast my vote I would have supported this measure. I have been a strong and consistent supporter of the military, veterans, and military families and this measure provides much needed funds to assist our brave men and women in uniform.

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of this bill and our Nation's veterans. Their service and sacrifice for our country is honorable and today this body will properly honor them by ensuring greater resources for their care and wellbeing. Congress has responded appropriately by increasing funding by \$2.9 billion above the President's request.

This bill responds to the needs of our returning troops from Iraq and Afghanistan by including \$3.8 billion for mental health resources to provide treatment for post traumatic stress syndrome and traumatic brain injuries. It includes \$300 million above the President's request for maintaining VA medical facilities. Access to these facilities and ensuring their proper upkeep has a positive impact on our communities and is imperative to serving the needs of our veterans. This bill increases enrollment in VA medical care for all veterans, including those on a limited income, by 10 percent. To help veterans in rural areas that must travel to get needed health care, the mileage reimbursement has been increased from 28.5 cents to 41.5 cents.

I therefore support this bill. These improvements to our VA system will have a beneficial impact on our veterans and move our Nation in the direction of providing them with the care they need and deserve.

However, this bill includes funding for military construction projects for military operations in Afghanistan. The Bagram Air Base is the main base for the Combined Forces Air Component Command, CFACC. Funds from this bill will be used to fortify temporary build-

ings, expand refueling capability and build an aircraft maintenance hangar at Bagram. As the U.S. expands and improves military facilities in Afghanistan, the likelihood that our troops will remain in the region increases.

Including these funds, which keep our troops in harms way, in a bill meant to support our veterans is an affront to our Nation's veterans and to the level of transparency our government should maintain.

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of this bill.

I'm pleased that for the second year in a row, the 110th Congress is providing the funding necessary to meet the housing requirements of our servicemembers and their families, as well as the money needed to care for our veterans.

Let me begin by thanking Chairman EDWARDS for including report language directing the Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs to develop a plan to care for the veterans and military retirees in my district who would need health care services if Fort Monmouth's Patterson Army Health Clinic were to close in 2011. While I continue to oppose the decision to close Fort Monmouth and will continue to look for ways to reverse it, that decision is, for now, the law of the land. Accordingly, it is necessary to plan for meeting the medical needs of the many veterans and TRICARE beneficiaries in Central New Jersey in the event Fort Monmouth's medical facilities are closed. I'm pleased that the Committee is requiring that a report on how their needs will be met be delivered to Congress no later than January 30, 2009.

Overall, this bill would provide \$40.7 billion for VA health programs, which is \$3.1 billion over the current level. In addition to continuing to focus on providing adequate funding to treat veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, PTSD, and traumatic brain injury, TBI, this bill would provide \$400 million that was not requested by the President to start enrolling 10 percent of Priority 8 veterans in the VA medical system. The Priority 8 category is reserved for veterans whose injuries currently are not rated as service related and whose incomes are more than \$24,644 if single or \$29,576 for a veteran with a dependent. An estimated one half of all uninsured veterans are Priority 8, and Priority 8 veterans have not been enrolled since 2003 as part of an Administration effort to cut costs.

The bill also includes \$200 million, which was not requested by the President, to improve access to care where Veterans Health Administration, VHA, services are not available. I am hopeful that this will assist both rural veterans seeking care and those living in urban or ex-urban communities that currently lack ready access to a VA community-based outpatient clinic.

The bill would provide \$1.6 billion, \$250 million more than last year, to provide veterans with more technologically advanced prostheses. The VA has a long and generally commendable track record in this area. However, I am pleased the committee recognizes the need for the VA to apply a greater emphasis on harnessing the latest technological breakthroughs to help give our wounded veterans the maximum possible personal mobility.

I am also grateful to the committee for providing \$165 million for grants to States for the construction and renovation of extended care facilities. The President's proposed \$80 million

cut to this account was, frankly, unconscionable. The VA grant program that serves the State-run extended care facilities is critical. Many New Jersey veterans have visited with me over the past several years and described in detail the kinds of air conditioning, heating, and other upgrades that are vital to facilities such as the one in Paramus, New Jersey. I consistently have supported proper funding for this account, and I thank the committee for meeting this important need.

Finally, for our active duty community, this bill would provide \$336 million that President Bush failed to request to continue a quality of life initiative for troops and their families started in the Fiscal Year 2008 Supplemental Appropriations Act, H.R. 2642. The bill includes nearly \$200 million for the Army and Marine Corps to improve the barracks that soldiers and Marines live in when they train. It also includes \$136 million for medical military construction and planning activities to upgrade substandard medical treatment facilities. We have all seen the pictures and heard the stories about substandard living conditions for troops. I am pleased that the committee remains focused on fixing this problem as quickly as possible.

Mr. Chairman, this is a good bill that will help our active duty families and our veterans. I will vote for it and I urge my colleagues to do likewise.

Mrs. CAPITO. Mr. Chairman, per the bill's rule for H.R. 6599 that required preprinting of amendments, I submitted an amendment for consideration. This amendment was drafted incorrectly and therefore I am withdrawing the amendment.

Mr. PAUL. Mr. Chairman, I rise in reluctant opposition to this appropriations legislation. It is unfortunate that my colleagues have decided to combine the necessary appropriations contained in the Veterans Affairs portion of this bill with the bloated and unconstitutional military construction appropriations. In the past I have voted in favor of Veterans Affairs appropriation bills when they were not combined with unwise and wasteful spending of other appropriations like military construction.

This appropriation will allocate \$9.5 billion to close bases in the United States while spending nearly \$12 billion building other facilities overseas. As a matter of fact, any construction of new bases in the United States is prohibited by this bill. While I am not necessarily in favor of building new bases in the United States, we certainly should not be spending money to close existing domestic bases in favor of constructing new bases overseas.

The bill will transfer more than \$200 million to NATO, an organization with no purpose that should be disbanded immediately, for the construction of NATO facilities in countries where we have no business having our military in the first place.

We have been told that we will have no permanent bases in Iraq, but then again we have no "permanent" bases in Korea either even though we have had a military presence there for more than 50 years. It is unclear how much of this \$12 billion will go to building new facilities to maintain an indefinite presence in Iraq, but any such expenditure will be counterproductive to U.S. national interests.

This appropriation increases construction funds to the service branches by as much as 50 percent over current levels, which is financially dangerous and unsustainable particularly in view of next year's record budget deficit.

Mr. Chairman, it is a tragedy that necessary spending to keep promises to American veterans should be held hostage to this out of control spending on maintaining an unnecessary and dangerous U.S. empire overseas. We are doing no favors to today's veterans or to future veterans—or to the U.S. taxpayers—with this appropriations bill.

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Chairman, the 2009 Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations bill allocates \$47.7 billion to the Department of Veterans Affairs.

This is \$4.6 billion above 2008 and \$2.9 billion over the President's request, for veterans' medical care, claims processors, and facility improvements.

This bill makes available resources to support military construction projects and ensures America's servicemen and women have more effective training facilities, and better housing, health care and day care facilities.

I would like to take this opportunity to once again commend my colleagues, Congressman EDWARDS and Chairman OBEY for providing a comprehensive Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations for FY 2009 possible.

This Congress has made veterans our No. 1 priority. We understand the needs of our returning heroes and we will ensure that they receive the quality of care they deserve.

Mr. PASCARELL. Mr. Chairman, traumatic brain injury is one of the signature wounds of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and there is much to be accomplished. For the estimated 320,000 soldiers who have sustained a brain injury, the war will not end when the last shots are fired. For this reason, I applaud the committee for its work to make progress in treating veterans with TBI.

As co-chair of the Congressional Brain Injury Task Force, I am proud to say that we have accomplished a lot over the past year in honoring our commitment to soldiers and veterans with brain injuries. The Defense Center of Excellence for Psychological Health and Traumatic Brain Injury opened its doors in November. The FY 2008 Defense Authorization established new TBI programs for rehabilitation, reintegration, research, and civilian-military cooperation. We reauthorized the Traumatic Brain Injury Act in April, establishing new connections between HHS, the Department of Defense, and the VA. And now this month, all soldiers will begin to receive pre-deployment cognitive assessments establishing individual baselines against which each soldier can be properly screened for a brain injury so that they may receive the care that they need and deserve.

In this bill, the committee has recognized the need to improve care for veterans with TBI by fostering cooperation between DOD and VA through joint programs, by improving the ability to track patients diagnosed with TBI, and by encouraging systemic TBI screening for veterans. New research is, however, showing that there is considerable overlap in the occurrence of brain injury and mental health conditions like post-traumatic stress disorder. In fact, the Rand Corp. recently estimated that as many as 27 percent of soldiers with PTSD and depression have also sustained a brain injury.

In light of these disturbing figures, Mr. Chairman, would you be willing to work in the Conference with the Senate on language to recognize the relationship between and co-oc-

currence of TBI and PTSD among our armed services?

I want to thank the gentleman from Texas and his staff for working so hard on this legislation and making a commitment to our injured veterans. Our soldiers have fulfilled their duties bravely and honorably, and they deserve nothing less than treatment and care that is commensurate with the heroic deeds they have undertaken.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The Clerk will read.

The Clerk read as follows:

This Act may be cited as the "Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2009".

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise and report the bill back to the House with sundry amendments, with the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WEINER) having assumed the chair, Mr. LYNCH, Acting Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 6599) making appropriations for military construction, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes, he reported the bill back to the House with sundry amendments adopted in the Committee of the Whole, with the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under House Resolution 1384, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment reported from the Committee of the Whole? If not, the Chair will put them en gros.

The amendments were agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. LEWIS of California. I am in its present form.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Lewis of California moves to recommit the bill H.R. 6599 to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with the following amendment:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. _____. There is hereby enacted into law H.R. 6566 of the 110th Congress (the American Energy Act) as introduced on July 22, 2008.

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I reserve a point of order on the gentleman's motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman reserves a point of order.

The gentleman from California is recognized for 5 minutes.

□ 1015

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today with a motion to recommit. But I want to say first to my colleagues that one of the reasons for my rising with this motion is because there seems to be a good deal of confusion on the part of at least my constituency, and my colleagues' families and constituents at home may have the same kind of confusion.

It seems that my people believe that this President does want to lead to a comprehensive energy independence policy that would include the availability to States to drill off their continental shelf, et cetera, to give us an adequate supply of oil to assure our energy independence. And yet those same people believe that it is the President's Congress that is holding up such action. That is, many of them believe that the Congress, the House and the Senate, are controlled by his party. But that is not the case, and our people are confused. The Congress is controlled by the other party who are resisting those proposals that involve the ability to drill off the Outer Continental Shelf, to tap into shale, to develop a comprehensive policy that will lead to energy independence. My people are absolutely dying at the gas pump. Our small businesses are doing the same.

So I have a motion to recommit, Mr. Speaker, with the term, I might add, "promptly" in it to allow us to act immediately—I misread it. It is not promptly, it is "forthwith." So it would be implemented immediately. I did that because my colleagues on the other side have been complaining about the word "promptly." We want you to be able to act very quickly, not just strike this on a point of order, but allow the people's voices to be heard. Because I can tell you, when you go home, you are going to hear them if you strike this on a point of order. So back to the point, Mr. Speaker.

This motion would enact the American Energy Act, a comprehensive solution to the energy crisis that is causing families to pay \$4 per gallon for gasoline. Adoption of this motion will increase the supply of American-made energy and will relieve those families, those businesses, and my constituents at the gas pump. It will improve conservation efficiency, it will promote new and expanded technologies. Most of all, it will reduce America's increasingly costly and dangerous dependence on foreign sources of energy.

The minute we send them a message that we are serious about home supply, prices will crash. I can guarantee you that.

We need to consider all solutions to achieve energy independence. I hope that as we prepare to head back to our districts for the month of August, we

can go back to our constituents with the good news: We did something; rather than what this Congress has been doing in the past—nothing.

I urge support for this motion to recommit.

I yield time to my leader from Ohio, Mr. JOHN BOEHNER, the Republican leader.

Mr. BOEHNER. Let me thank my colleague for yielding.

Listen, America's families and small businesses are suffering under the high cost of energy and the high cost of gasoline. High gasoline prices are crushing American families, they are hurting our schools, they are hurting seniors, and they are destroying jobs in America; and the American people expect us to do something about it. And over these last 10 weeks, what have we done? Nothing.

The gentleman's amendment offers the American Energy Plan, which is a comprehensive plan to encourage more conservation, more biofuels, alternative sources of energy, and, yes, more American-grown oil and gas. And all we're asking of the majority Democrats in this chamber is to allow us to vote. That's all we're asking. We're not asking you to vote for it. All we're doing is, allow us a vote. Let the American people decide.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Does the gentleman from Texas insist upon his point of order?

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Yes, I do.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his point of order.

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I would like to rise in opposition first.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman continues to reserve his point of order.

The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, we believe attaching nongermane amendments to this critical veterans' bill could jeopardize its passage by unnecessarily delaying it or even grinding debate completely to a halt. This is unacceptable. My colleagues, those aren't my words. Those are the words of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Let me agree with my distinguished colleague. And let me say, last night at about midnight I told this chamber that Mr. LEWIS has been one of the champions throughout his public service career on behalf of our veterans and our troops. I meant it when I said it then, and I mean it when I say it again now.

But let me say, having said that, no one is perfect. And on this motion, I think Mr. LEWIS is wrong. Seriously wrong.

I do agree with this point he made just a moment ago; there may be confusion on this bill. There may be, so let me clear up the confusion.

This is the 2009 fiscal year Military Construction and Veterans Affairs ap-

propriations bill. If there is any confusion as to whether this is the 2009 fiscal year energy bill, get that out of your minds right now.

This is a bill designed for the deadly serious purpose of honoring our veterans. Millions of them have put on our Nation's uniform and gone into harm's way in defense of your family and my family and the American family. This bill is deadly serious, because it provides training facilities and barracks for young men and women who are willing to go to Iraq and Afghanistan to answer their Nation's call of duty.

By making this motion, the gentleman knows, were it to pass, even though he knows also that it is nongermane, it would complicate this bill, it would slow down this bill, it could well kill this bill because of the honest differences on the energy issue.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All Members are reminded that they may engage in debate only when recognized by the Chair or yielded to.

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, if my colleagues don't want to listen to my words, let me offer them some other people's words.

"It is imperative this bill is not delayed by unrelated and unnecessary amendments." That came from AMVETS.

How about what the Disabled American Veterans said about this kind of measure. They said, "This bill provides the means to serve and care for sick and disabled veterans, provide housing facilities for military families, and to fund the activities of several other agencies that affect veterans, a most generous and necessary act." They have gone on to say they do not want delay on this important bill.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Would the gentleman yield?

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. I would like to finish my remarks. I respected the gentleman's right to his remarks.

Let me go to another statement made by the Disabled American Veterans. They say, "It is our strongest recommendation that this bill be unfettered with nongermane amendments."

My colleagues, we have a very simple choice at this moment. We can choose to stand with the Republican leadership that chose to add this partisan motion at the end of a long bipartisan process; or we can stand with millions of American veterans, as represented by the statements against this very kind of motion, by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans, and the AMVETS.

I don't know about some of my colleagues on the Republican side of the aisle, but as for me, that's an easy choice. I'm going to stand with America's veterans. I'm going to stand with our troops in harm's way who deserve the funding in this bill as soon as possible.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Would the gentleman yield?

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Out of respect to the gentleman, I will yield.

Mr. LEWIS of California. I consider that to be a great courtesy for your yielding.

I know that you know that I am the Member who carried the amendment that increased the mileage reimbursement for the veterans that is in this bill. I do know they had that problem, because all those veterans who you mentioned in those quotes are the same ones that are also paying \$4 a gallon. They would love to have this bill reduce that burden.

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Reclaiming my time, Mr. Speaker, I think the views of the Disabled American Veterans, the VFW and the AMVETS are very clear. They didn't say they strongly oppose this kind of a motion; they vehemently oppose it, because it could harm millions of America's veterans.

So make your choice. You can choose to stick with the Republican leadership on a clearly partisan nongermane motion, or you can stand up for America's veterans.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

POINT OF ORDER

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I make a point of order against the motion to recommit with instructions, because it includes legislation and is not in order under clause 2 of rule XXI.

Mr. Speaker, the gentleman's motion to instruct proposes legislation in an appropriations bill and would not be in order in the Committee of the Whole pursuant to clause 2 of rule XXI. I ask for a ruling from the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman raises a point of order. Does any Member seek to be heard on the point of order? Hearing none, the Chair is prepared to rule.

The gentleman from Texas makes a point of order that the instructions in the motion to recommit constitute legislation in violation of clause 2 of rule XXI.

The Chair finds that the instructions propose the enactment of legislation directly amending existing law.

The instructions therefore constitute legislation in violation of clause 2 of rule XXI.

The point of order is sustained and the motion is not in order.

Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I appeal the ruling of the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is, Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the House?

MOTION TO TABLE

Mr. EDWARDS of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I move to table the appeal of the ruling of the Chair.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to table.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 and clause 9 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to table will be followed by 5-minute votes on passage of H.R. 6599, if arising without further debate or proceedings in recommitment; motion to suspend the rules on H. Res. 1008; and motion to suspend the rules on H. Res. 1316.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 230, noes 184, not voting 20, as follows:

[Roll No. 562]

AYES—230

Abercrombie	Gutierrez	Olver
Ackerman	Hall (NY)	Pallone
Allen	Hare	Pascrell
Altmire	Hastings (FL)	Pastor
Arcuri	Heller	Payne
Baca	Herseth Sandlin	Perlmutter
Baird	Higgins	Peterson (MN)
Baldwin	Hill	Pomeroy
Barrow	Hinchey	Porter
Bean	Hinojosa	Price (NC)
Becerra	Hirono	Rahall
Berkley	Hodes	Ramstad
Berman	Holden	Rangel
Berry	Holt	Reichert
Bishop (GA)	Honda	Richardson
Bishop (NY)	Hooley	Rodriguez
Blumenauer	Hoyer	Ros-Lehtinen
Boren	Inslee	Ross
Boswell	Israel	Rothman
Boucher	Jackson (IL)	Roybal-Allard
Boyd (FL)	Jackson-Lee	Cuellar
Boyd (KS)	(TX)	Ruppersberger
Brady (PA)	Jefferson	Ryan (OH)
Bralely (IA)	Johnson (GA)	Salazar
Butterfield	Johnson (E. B.)	Sánchez, Linda T.
Capps	Jones (NC)	Sanchez, Loretta
Capuano	Jones (OH)	Sarbanes
Cardoza	Kagen	Schakowsky
Carnahan	Kanjorski	Schiff
Carney	Kaptur	Schwartz
Carson	Kennedy	Scott (GA)
Castor	Kildee	Scott (VA)
Chandler	Kind	Serrano
Clarke	Klein (FL)	Sestak
Clay	Kucinich	Shays
Cleaver	Langevin	Shea-Porter
Clyburn	Larsen (WA)	Sherman
Cohen	Larson (CT)	Shuler
Conyers	Lee	Sires
Cooper	Lewis (GA)	Skelton
Costa	Lipinski	Slaughter
Costello	LoBiondo	Smith (NJ)
Courtney	Loebsock	Smith (WA)
Cramer	Lofgren, Zoe	Snyder
Crowley	Lowe	Solis
Cummings	Lynch	Space
Davis (AL)	Mahoney (FL)	Speier
Davis (CA)	Maloney (NY)	Spratt
Davis (IL)	Markey	Stark
Davis, Lincoln	Marshall	Stupak
DeFazio	Matheson	Sutton
DeGette	Matsui	Tanner
Delahunt	McCarthy (NY)	Tauscher
DeLauro	McCollum (MN)	Taylor
Dicks	McDermott	Thompson (CA)
Dingell	McGovern	Thompson (MS)
Doggett	McIntyre	Tierney
Doyle	McNerney	Towns
Edwards (MD)	McNulty	Tsongas
Edwards (TX)	Meek (FL)	Udall (CO)
Ellison	Meeke (NY)	Udall (NM)
Ellsworth	Melancon	Van Hollen
Emanuel	Michaud	Visclosky
Engel	Miller (NC)	Walz (MN)
Eshoo	Miller, George	Wasserman
Etheridge	Mitchell	Schultz
Farr	Mollohan	Waters
Fattah	Moore (KS)	Watson
Filner	Moore (WI)	Watt
Foster	Moran (VA)	Waxman
Frank (MA)	Murphy (CT)	Weiner
Giffords	Murphy, Patrick	Welch (VT)
Gilchrest	Murtha	Wexler
Gillibrand	Nadler	Wilson (OH)
Gonzalez	Napolitano	Woolsey
Gordon	Neal (MA)	Wu
Green, Al	Oberstar	Yarmuth
Grijalva	Obey	

NOES—184

Aderholt	Forbes	Miller (MI)
Akin	Fortenberry	Miller, Gary
Alexander	Fossella	Moran (KS)
Bachmann	Foxx	Murphy, Tim
Bachus	Franks (AZ)	Musgrave
Barrett (SC)	Frelinghuysen	Myrick
Bartlett (MD)	Gallely	Neugebauer
Barton (TX)	Garrett (NJ)	Nunes
Biggert	Gerlach	Paul
Bilbray	Gingrey	Pearce
Bilirakis	Gohmert	Pence
Bishop (UT)	Goode	Peterson (PA)
Blackburn	Goodlatte	Petri
Blunt	Granger	Pickering
Boehner	Graves	Pitts
Bonner	Hall (TX)	Platts
Bono Mack	Hastings (WA)	Poe
Boozman	Hayes	Price (GA)
Boustany	Hensarling	Putnam
Brady (TX)	Herger	Radanovich
Broun (GA)	Hobson	Regula
Brown (SC)	Hoekstra	Rehberg
Buchanan	Hunter	Renzi
Burgess	Inglis (SC)	Reynolds
Burton (IN)	Issa	Rogers (KY)
Buyer	Johnson (IL)	Rogers (MI)
Calvert	Johnson, Sam	Rohrabacher
Camp (MI)	Jordan	Roskam
Campbell (CA)	Keller	Royce
Cantor	King (IA)	Ryan (WI)
Capito	King (NY)	Sali
Carter	Kingston	Scalise
Castle	Kirk	Schmidt
Cazaoux	Kline (MN)	Sensenbrenner
Chabot	Knollenberg	Sessions
Childers	Kuhl (NY)	Shadegg
Coble	LaHood	Shimkus
Cole (OK)	Lamborn	Shuster
Conaway	Lampson	Simpson
Crenshaw	Latham	Smith (NE)
Cuellar	LaTourette	Smith (TX)
Culberson	Latta	Souder
Davis (KY)	Lewis (CA)	Stearns
Davis, David	Lewis (KY)	Sullivan
Davis, Tom	Linder	Tancred
Deal (GA)	Lucas	Terry
Dent	Lungren, Daniel	Thornberry
Diaz-Balart, L. E.	Lungren, Daniel	Tiahrt
Diaz-Balart, M.	Mack	Tiberi
Donnelly	Manzullo	Turner
Doolittle	Marchant	Upton
Drake	McCarthy (CA)	Walberg
Dreier	McCaul (TX)	Walden (OR)
Duncan	McCotter	Walsh (NY)
Ehlers	McCreary	Wamp
Emerson	McHenry	Weldon (FL)
English (PA)	McHugh	Westmoreland
Everett	McKeon	Whitfield (KY)
Fallin	McMorris	Wilson (SC)
Feeney	Rodgers	Wittman (VA)
Ferguson	Mica	Wolf
Flake	Miller (FL)	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—20

Andrews	Harman	Rogers (AL)
Brown, Corrine	Hulshof	Rush
Brown-Waite,	Kilpatrick	Saxton
Ginny	Levin	Velázquez
Cannon	Ortiz	Weller
Cubin	Pryce (OH)	Wilson (NM)
Green, Gene	Reyes	Young (AK)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded there are less than 2 minutes remaining on the vote.

□ 1045

Messrs. MCHENRY, MORAN of Kansas, and CAZAYOUX changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

Messrs. HASTINGS of Florida, ISRAEL, SHAYS, INSLEE, and RAMSTAD changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the motion to table was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:
Mr. ORTIZ. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 562, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

Mr. REYES. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 562, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 562, had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

Under clause 10 of rule XX, the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 409, nays 4, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 563]

YEAS—409

Abercrombie	Cooper	Hare
Ackerman	Costa	Hastings (FL)
Aderholt	Costello	Hayes
Akin	Courtney	Heller
Alexander	Cramer	Hensarling
Allen	Crenshaw	Herger
Altmire	Crowley	Herseth Sandlin
Andrews	Cuellar	Higgins
Arcuri	Culberson	Hill
Baca	Cummings	Hinchev
Bachmann	Davis (AL)	Hinojosa
Bachus	Davis (CA)	Hirono
Baird	Davis (IL)	Hobson
Baldwin	Davis (KY)	Hodes
Barrett (SC)	Davis, David	Hoekstra
Barrow	Davis, Lincoln	Holden
Bartlett (MD)	Davis, Tom	Holt
Barton (TX)	Deal (GA)	Honda
Bean	DeFazio	Hooley
Becerra	DeGette	Hoyer
Berkley	Delahunt	Hunter
Berman	DeLauro	Inglis (SC)
Berry	Dent	Inslee
Biggert	Diaz-Balart, L.	Israel
Bilbray	Diaz-Balart, M.	Issa
Bilirakis	Dicks	Jackson (IL)
Bishop (GA)	Dingell	Jackson-Lee
Bishop (NY)	Doggett	(TX)
Bishop (UT)	Donnelly	Jefferson
Blackburn	Doolittle	Johnson (GA)
Blumenauer	Doyle	Johnson (IL)
Blunt	Dreier	Johnson, E. B.
Boehner	Edwards (MD)	Johnson, Sam
Bonner	Edwards (TX)	Jones (NC)
Bono Mack	Ehlers	Jones (OH)
Boozman	Ellison	Jordan
Boren	Ellsworth	Kagen
Boswell	Emanuel	Kanjorski
Boucher	Emerson	Kaptur
Boustany	Engel	Keller
Boyd (FL)	English (PA)	Kennedy
Boyd (KS)	Eshoo	Kildee
Brady (PA)	Etheridge	Kind
Brady (TX)	Everett	King (NY)
Braley (IA)	Fallin	Kingston
Broun (GA)	Farr	Kirk
Brown (SC)	Fattah	Klein (FL)
Buchanan	Feeney	Kline (MN)
Burgess	Ferguson	Knollenberg
Burton (IN)	Filner	Kucinich
Butterfield	Forbes	Kuhl (NY)
Buyer	Fortenberry	LaHood
Calvert	Fossella	Lamborn
Camp (MI)	Foster	Lampson
Cantor	Fox	Langevin
Capito	Frank (MA)	Larsen (WA)
Capps	Franks (AZ)	Larson (CT)
Capuano	Frelinghuysen	Latham
Cardoza	Gallegly	LaTourette
Carnahan	Garrett (NJ)	Latta
Carney	Gerlach	Lee
Carson	Giffords	Lewis (CA)
Carter	Gilchrest	Lewis (GA)
Castle	Gillibrand	Lewis (KY)
Castor	Gingrey	Linder
Cazayoux	Gohmert	Lipinski
Chabot	Gonzalez	LoBiondo
Chandler	Goode	Loebsack
Childers	Goodlatte	Lofgren, Zoe
Clarke	Gordon	Lowey
Clay	Granger	Lucas
Cleaver	Graves	Lungren, Daniel
Clyburn	Green, Al	E.
Coble	Green, Gene	Lynch
Cohen	Grijalva	Mack
Cole (OK)	Gutierrez	Mahoney (FL)
Conaway	Hall (NY)	Maloney (NY)
Conyers	Hall (TX)	Manzullo

Marchant	Petri	Slaughter
Markey	Pickering	Smith (NE)
Marshall	Pitts	Smith (NJ)
Matheson	Platts	Smith (TX)
Matsui	Poe	Smith (WA)
McCarthy (CA)	Pomeroy	Snyder
McCarthy (NY)	Porter	Solis
McCaul (TX)	Price (GA)	Souder
McCollum (MN)	Price (NC)	Space
McCotter	Putnam	Speier
McCrery	Rahall	Spratt
McDermott	Ramstad	Stark
McGovern	Rangel	Stearns
McHenry	Regula	Stupak
McHugh	Rehberg	Sullivan
McIntyre	Reichert	Sutton
McKeon	Renzi	Tanner
McMorris	Reyes	Tauscher
Rodgers	Reynolds	Taylor
McNerney	Richardson	Terry
McNulty	Rodriguez	Thompson (CA)
Meek (FL)	Rogers (KY)	Thompson (MS)
Meeks (NY)	Rogers (MI)	Thornberry
Melancon	Rohrabacher	Tiahrt
Mica	Ros-Lehtinen	Tiberi
Michaud	Roskam	Tierney
Miller (FL)	Ross	Towns
Miller (MI)	Rothman	Tsongas
Miller (NC)	Roybal-Allard	Turner
Miller, Gary	Royce	Udall (CO)
Miller, George	Ruppersberger	Udall (NM)
Mitchell	Ryan (OH)	Upton
Mollohan	Ryan (WI)	Van Hollen
Moore (KS)	Salazar	Velázquez
Moran (KS)	Sali	Visclosky
Moran (VA)	Sánchez, Linda	Walberg
Murphy (CT)	T.	Walden (OR)
Murphy, Patrick	Sanchez, Loretta	Walsh (NY)
Murphy, Tim	Sarbanes	Walz (MN)
Murtha	Scalise	Wamp
Musgrave	Schakowsky	Wasserman
Myrick	Schiff	Schultz
Napoli	Schmidt	Waters
Napolitano	Schwartz	Watson
Neal (MA)	Scott (GA)	Watt
Neugebauer	Scott (VA)	Waxman
Nunes	Sensenbrenner	Weiner
Oberstar	Serrano	Welch (VT)
Obey	Sessions	Weldon (FL)
Oliver	Sestak	Westmoreland
Ortiz	Shadegg	Wexler
Pallone	Shays	Whitfield (KY)
Pascrell	Shea-Porter	Wilson (OH)
Pastor	Sherman	Wilson (SC)
Payne	Shimkus	Wittman (VA)
Pearce	Shuler	Wolf
Pence	Shuster	Woolsey
Perlmutter	Simpson	Wu
Peterson (MN)	Sires	Yarmuth
Peterson (PA)	Skelton	Young (FL)

NAYS—4

Campbell (CA)
Duncan

Flake
Paul

NOT VOTING—21

Brown, Corrine	Hulshof	Rush
Brown-Waite,	Kilpatrick	Saxton
Ginny	King (IA)	Tancredo
Cannon	Levin	Weller
Cubin	Moore (WI)	Wilson (NM)
Drake	Pryce (OH)	Young (AK)
Harman	Radanovich	
Hastings (WA)	Rogers (AL)	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members have 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1051

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mrs. DRAKE. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 563, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

CONDEMNING THE PERSECUTION OF BAHAI'S IN IRAN

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1008, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. BERMAN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1008, as amended.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 408, nays 3, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 564]

YEAS—408

Abercrombie	Clay	Gerlach
Ackerman	Cleaver	Giffords
Aderholt	Clyburn	Gillibrand
Akin	Coble	Gingrey
Alexander	Cohen	Gohmert
Allen	Cole (OK)	Gonzalez
Altmire	Conaway	Goode
Andrews	Conyers	Goodlatte
Arcuri	Cooper	Gordon
Baca	Costa	Granger
Bachmann	Costello	Graves
Baird	Courtney	Green, Al
Baldwin	Cramer	Green, Gene
Barrett (SC)	Crenshaw	Grijalva
Barrow	Crowley	Gutierrez
Bartlett (MD)	Cuellar	Hall (NY)
Barton (TX)	Culberson	Hall (TX)
Bean	Cummings	Hare
Becerra	Davis (AL)	Hastings (FL)
Berkley	Davis (CA)	Hastings (WA)
Berman	Davis (IL)	Hayes
Berry	Davis (KY)	Heller
Biggert	Davis, David	Hensarling
Bilbray	Davis, Lincoln	Herger
Bilirakis	Davis, Tom	Herseth Sandlin
Bishop (GA)	Deal (GA)	Higgins
Bishop (NY)	DeFazio	Hill
Bishop (UT)	DeGette	Hinchev
Blackburn	Delahunt	Hirono
Blumenauer	DeLauro	Hobson
Blunt	Dent	Hodes
Boehner	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hoekstra
Bonner	Diaz-Balart, M.	Holden
Bono Mack	Dicks	Holt
Boozman	Dingell	Honda
Boren	Doggett	Hooley
Boswell	Donnelly	Hoyer
Boucher	Doolittle	Hunter
Boustany	Doyle	Inglis (SC)
Boyd (FL)	Drake	Inslee
Boyd (KS)	Dreier	Israel
Brady (PA)	Duncan	Issa
Brady (TX)	Edwards (MD)	Jackson (IL)
Braley (IA)	Edwards (TX)	Jackson-Lee
Broun (GA)	Ehlers	(TX)
Brown (SC)	Ellison	Jefferson
Buchanan	Ellsworth	Johnson (GA)
Burgess	Emanuel	Johnson (IL)
Burton (IN)	Emerson	Johnson, E. B.
Butterfield	Engel	Johnson, Sam
Buyer	English (PA)	Jones (OH)
Calvert	Eshoo	Jordan
Camp (MI)	Etheridge	Kagen
Campbell (CA)	Everett	Kanjorski
Cantor	Fallin	Kaptur
Capito	Farr	Keller
Capps	Fattah	Kennedy
Capuano	Ferguson	Kildee
Cardoza	Filner	Kind
Carnahan	Flake	King (IA)
Carney	Forbes	King (NY)
Carson	Fortenberry	Kingston
Carter	Fossella	Kirk
Castle	Foster	Klein (FL)
Castor	Fox	Kline (MN)
Cazayoux	Frank (MA)	Knollenberg
Chabot	Franks (AZ)	Kucinich
Chandler	Frelinghuysen	Kuhl (NY)
Childers	Gallegly	LaHood
Clarke	Garrett (NJ)	Lamborn

Lampson Nunes
 Langevin Oberstar
 Larsen (WA) Obey
 Larson (CT) Olver
 Latham Ortiz
 LaTourette Pallone
 Latta Pascrell
 Lee Pastor
 Lewis (CA) Payne
 Lewis (GA) Pearce
 Lewis (KY) Pence
 Linder Perlmutter
 Lipinski Peterson (MN)
 LoBiondo Peterson (PA)
 Loeb sack Petri
 Lofgren, Zoe Pickering
 Lowey Pitts
 Lucas Platts
 Lynch Poe
 Mack Pomeroy
 Mahoney (FL) Porter
 Maloney (NY) Price (GA)
 Manzullo Price (NC)
 Markey Putnam
 Marshall Radanovich
 Matheson Rahall
 Matsui Ramstad
 McCarthy (CA) Rangel
 McCarthy (NY) Regula
 McCaul (TX) Rehberg
 McCollum (MN) Reichert
 McCotter Renzi
 McCrery Reyes
 McDermott Reynolds
 McGovern Richardson
 McHenry Rodriguez
 McHugh Rogers (AL)
 McIntyre Rogers (KY)
 McKeon Rogers (MI)
 McMorris Rohrabacher
 Rodgers Ros-Lehtinen
 McNerney Roskam
 McNulty Ross
 Meek (FL) Rothman
 Meeke (NY) Roybal-Allard
 Melancon Royce
 Mica Ruppertsberger
 Michaud Ryan (OH)
 Miller (FL) Ryan (WI)
 Miller (MI) Salazar
 Miller (NC) Sali
 Miller, Gary Sánchez, Linda
 Mitchell T.
 Mollohan Sanchez, Loretta
 Moore (KS) Sarbanes
 Moore (WI) Scalise
 Moran (KS) Schakowsky
 Moran (VA) Schiff
 Murphy (CT) Schmidt
 Murphy, Patrick Schwartz
 Murphy, Tim Scott (GA)
 Murtha Scott (VA)
 Musgrave Sensenbrenner
 Myrick Serrano
 Nadler Sessions
 Napolitano Sestak
 Neal (MA) Shadegg
 Neugebauer Shays

NAYS—3

Gilchrest Jones (NC) Paul
 Bachus Hulshof
 Brown, Corrine Kilpatrick
 Brown-Waite, Levin
 Ginny Lungren, Daniel
 Cannon E.
 Cubin Marchant
 Feeney Miller, George
 Harman Pryce (OH)
 Hinojosa Rush

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded there are less than 2 minutes remaining on the vote.

□ 1058

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution, as amended, was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 564, had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”

HONORING THE SERVICE OF LANDING SHIP TANK VETERANS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1316, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. ELLSWORTH) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1316.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

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

[Roll No. 565]

YEAS—415

Abercrombie Cazayoux
 Ackerman Chabot
 Aderholt Chandler
 Akin Childers
 Alexander Clarke
 Allen Clay
 Altmire Cleaver
 Andrews Clyburn
 Arcuri Coble
 Baca Cohen
 Bachmann Cole (OK)
 Baird Conaway
 Baldwin Conyers
 Barrett (SC) Cooper
 Barrow Costa
 Bartlett (MD) Costello
 Barton (TX) Courtney
 Bean Cramer
 Becerra Crenshaw
 Berkeley Crowley
 Berman Cuellar
 Berry Culberson
 Biggert Cummings
 Bilbray Davis (AL)
 Bilirakis Davis (CA)
 Bishop (GA) Davis (IL)
 Bishop (NY) Davis (KY)
 Bishop (UT) Davis, David
 Blackburn Davis, Lincoln
 Blumenauer Davis, Tom
 Blunt Deal (GA)
 Boehner DeFazio
 Bonner DeGette
 Bono Mack Delahunt
 Boozman DeLauro
 Boren Dent
 Boswell Diaz-Balart, L.
 Boucher Diaz-Balart, M.
 Boustany Dicks
 Boyd (FL) Dingell
 Boyda (KS) Doggett
 Brady (PA) Donnelly
 Brady (TX) Doolittle
 Braley (IA) Doyle
 Broun (GA) Drake
 Brown (SC) Dreier
 Buchanan Duncan
 Burgess Edwards (MD)
 Burton (IN) Edwards (TX)
 Butterfield Ehlers
 Buyer Ellison
 Calvert Ellsworth
 Camp (MI) Emanuel
 Campbell (CA) Emerson
 Cantor Engel
 Capito English (PA)
 Capps Eshoo
 Capuano Etheridge
 Cardoza Everett
 Carnahan Fallin
 Carney Farr
 Carson Fattah
 Carter Feeney
 Castle Ferguson
 Castor Filner

Jordan Kagen
 Kanjorski Kaptur
 Keller Kennedy
 Kildee Kind
 King (IA) King (NY)
 Kingston Kirk
 Klein (FL) Kline (MN)
 Knollenberg Kucinich
 Kuhl (NY) LaHood
 LaHood Lamborn
 Lampson Langevin
 Larsen (WA) Larson (CT)
 Latham LaTourette
 Latta Lee
 Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA)
 Lewis (KY) Linder
 Lipinski Lipinski
 LoBiondo Loeb sack
 Lofgren, Zoe Lofgren, Zoe
 Lowey Lucas
 Lungren, Daniel E.
 Lynch Lynch
 Mack Mack
 Mahoney (FL) Mahoney (FL)
 Maloney (NY) Maloney (NY)
 Manzullo Manzullo
 Markey Markey
 Matheson Matheson
 Matsui Matsui
 McCarthy (CA) McCarthy (CA)
 McCarthy (NY) McCarthy (NY)
 McCaul (TX) McCaul (TX)
 McCollum (MN) McCollum (MN)
 McCotter McCotter
 McCrery McCrery
 McDermott McDermott
 McGovern McGovern
 McHenry McHenry
 McHugh McHugh
 McIntyre McIntyre
 McKeon McKeon
 McMorris McMorris
 Rodgers Rodgers
 McNerney McNerney
 McNulty McNulty
 Meek (FL) Meek (FL)
 Meeke (NY) Meeke (NY)
 Melancon Melancon
 Mica Mica
 Michaud Michaud
 Miller (FL) Miller (FL)
 Miller (MI) Miller (MI)
 Miller (NC) Miller (NC)
 Miller, Gary Miller, Gary
 Mitchell Mitchell
 Mollohan Mollohan
 Moore (KS) Moore (KS)
 Moore (WI) Moore (WI)
 Moran (KS) Moran (KS)
 Moran (VA) Moran (VA)
 Murphy (CT) Murphy (CT)
 Murphy, Patrick Murphy, Patrick
 Murphy, Tim Murphy, Tim
 Murtha Murtha
 Musgrave Musgrave
 Myrick Myrick
 Nadler Nadler
 Napolitano Napolitano
 Neal (MA) Neal (MA)
 Neugebauer Neugebauer

NOT VOTING—19

Bachus Hulshof
 Brown, Corrine Kilpatrick
 Brown-Waite, Levin
 Ginny Marchant
 Cannon Miller, George
 Cubin Pryce (OH)
 Harman Rush

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded there are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1106

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution 398, 110th Congress, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to adjourn.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 213, noes 197, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 566]

AYES—213

Abercrombie	Gilchrest	Moore (WI)
Allen	Gonzalez	Moran (VA)
Andrews	Gordon	Murphy (CT)
Arcuri	Green, Al	Murtha
Baca	Green, Gene	Nadler
Baird	Grijalva	Napolitano
Baldwin	Gutierrez	Neal (MA)
Barrow	Hall (NY)	Oberstar
Bean	Hare	Obey
Becerra	Hastings (FL)	Olver
Berkley	Herseht Sandlin	Ortiz
Berman	Higgins	Pallone
Berry	Hill	Pascarell
Bishop (GA)	Hinchey	Pastor
Bishop (NY)	Hinojosa	Payne
Blumenauer	Hirono	Perlmutter
Boren	Hodes	Peterson (MN)
Boswell	Holden	Pomeroy
Boucher	Holt	Price (NC)
Boyd (FL)	Honda	Rahall
Boyd (KS)	Hooley	Rangel
Brady (PA)	Hoyer	Reyes
Butterfield	Inslee	Richardson
Capps	Israel	Rodriguez
Capuano	Jackson (IL)	Ross
Cardoza	Jackson-Lee	Rothman
Carnahan	(TX)	Roybal-Allard
Carson	Jefferson	Ruppersberger
Castor	Johnson (GA)	Ryan (OH)
Cazayoux	Johnson, E. B.	Salazar
Chandler	Jones (NC)	Sánchez, Linda
Clarke	Jones (OH)	T.
Clay	Kagen	Sanchez, Loretta
Cleaver	Kanjorski	Sarbanes
Clyburn	Kaptur	Schakowsky
Cohen	Kennedy	Schiff
Conyers	Kildee	Schwartz
Cooper	Kind	Scott (GA)
Costa	Klein (FL)	Scott (VA)
Costello	Kucinich	Serrano
Courtney	Langevin	Sestak
Cramer	Larsen (WA)	Shea-Porter
Crowley	Larson (CT)	Sherman
Cuellar	Lee	Shuler
Cummings	Lewis (GA)	Sires
Davis (CA)	Lipinski	Skelton
Davis (IL)	Lofgren, Zoe	Slaughter
Davis, Lincoln	Lowey	Smith (WA)
DeFazio	Lynch	Snyder
DeGette	Mahoney (FL)	Solis
Delahunt	Maloney (NY)	Space
DeLauro	Markey	Speier
Dicks	Matheson	Spratt
Dingell	Matsui	Stark
Doggett	McCarthy (NY)	Stupak
Doyle	McCollum (MN)	Sutton
Edwards (MD)	McDermott	Tanner
Edwards (TX)	McGovern	Tauscher
Ellison	McIntyre	Taylor
Emanuel	McNerney	Thompson (CA)
Engel	McNulty	Thompson (MS)
Eshoo	Meek (FL)	Tierney
Etheridge	Meeks (NY)	Tsongas
Farr	Melancon	Van Hollen
Fattah	Michaud	Velázquez
Filner	Miller (NC)	Vislosky
Frank (MA)	Mollohan	Walz (MN)
Giffords	Moore (KS)	

Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Watson
Watt

Waxman
Weiner
Welch (VT)
Wexler
Wilson (OH)

Woolsey
Wu
Yarmuth

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, due to personal business in the 13th Congressional District of Michigan, I was unable to attend several rollcall votes. Had I been present, on rollcall No. 558 I would have voted "nay"; on rollcall No. 559 I would have voted "nay"; on rollcall No. 560 I would have voted "nay"; on rollcall No. 561 I would have voted "nay"; on rollcall No. 562 I would have voted "aye"; on rollcall No. 563 I would have voted "aye"; on rollcall No. 564 I would have voted "aye"; on rollcall No. 565 I would have voted "aye"; and on rollcall No. 566 I would have voted "aye."

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, on August 1, 2008, I missed rollcall votes No. 564, 565, and 566 due to the death of my mother-in-law. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on Nos. 564 and 565 and "nay" on No. 566.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 23 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned until Monday, September 8, 2008, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS,
ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

8057. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Agriculture, transmitting a copy of draft legislation entitled, "To amend the United States Grain Standards Act to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to recover through user fees the cost of standardized activities"; to the Committee on Agriculture.

8058. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — *Bacillus thuringiensis* Vip3Aa Proteins in Corn and Cotton; Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0830; FRL-8374-2] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8059. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Difenconazole; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions [EPA-HQ-OPP-2008-0484; FRL-8375-5] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8060. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Dodine; Pesticide Tolerance [EPA-HQ-OPP-2007-0221; FRL-8367-5] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Agriculture.

8061. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Mississippi: Final Authorization of State Hazardous Waste Management Program Revision [EPA-R04-RCRA-2007-1185; FRL-8699-7] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8062. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Illinois; [EPA-R05-OAR-2006-0003; FRL-8696-3] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

NOES—197

Aderholt
Akin
Alexander
Altmire
Bachmann
Barrett (SC)
Bartlett (MD)
Barton (TX)
Biggert
Bilbray
Bilirakis
Bishop (UT)
Blackburn
Blunt
Boehner
Bonner
Bono Mack
Boozman
Boustany
Brady (TX)
Braley (IA)
Broun (GA)
Brown (SC)
Buchanan
Burgess

Foxx
Franks (AZ)
Frelinghuysen
Gallely
Garrett (NJ)
Gerlach
Gillibrand
Gingrey
Gohmert
Goode
Goodlatte
Granger
Graves
Hall (TX)
Hastings (WA)
Heller
Hensarling
Herger
Hobson
Hoekstra
Hunter
Inglis (SC)
Issa
Johnson (IL)
Johnson, Sam

Murphy, Tim
Musgrave
Myrick
Neugebauer
Nunes
Paul
Pearce
Pence
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Platts
Poe
Porter
Price (GA)
Putnam
Radanovich
Ramstad
Regula
Rehberg
Reichert
Renzi
Reynolds
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Royce
Ryan (WI)
Sali
Scalise
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaah
Shimkus
Shuster
Simpson
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Souder
Stearns
Sullivan
Terry
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi
Turner
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
Upton
Walberg
Walden (OR)
Walsh (NY)
Wamp
Weldon (FL)
Westmoreland
Whitfield (KY)
Wilson (SC)
Wittman (VA)
Wolf
Young (FL)

Burton (IN)
Buyer
Calvert
Camp (MI)
Campbell (CA)
Cantor
Capito
Carney
Carter
Castle
Chabot
Childers
Coble
Cole (OK)
Conaway
Crenshaw
Culberson
Davis (KY)
Davis, David
Davis, Tom
Deal (GA)
Dent
Diaz-Balart, L.
Diaz-Balart, M.
Donnelly
Doolittle
Drake
Dreier
Duncan
Ehlers
Ellsworth
Emerson
English (PA)
Everett
Fallin
Feeney
Ferguson
Flake
Forbes
Fortenberry
Fossella
Foster

Jordan
Keller
King (IA)
King (NY)
Kingston
Kirk
Kline (MN)
Knollenberg
Kuhl (NY)
LaHood
Lamborn
Lampson
Latham
LaTourette
Latta
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (KY)
Linder
LoBiondo
Loebsack
Lucas
Lungren, Daniel
E.
Mack
Manzullo
Marshall
McCarthy (CA)
McCaul (TX)
McCotter
McCrery
McHenry
McHugh
McKeon
McMorris
Rodgers
Mica
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Miller, Gary
Mitchell
Moran (KS)
Murphy, Patrick

NOT VOTING—24

Ackerman
Bachus
Brown, Corrine
Brown-Waite,
Ginny
Cannon
Cubin
Davis (AL)
Harman

Hayes
Hulshof
Kilpatrick
Levin
Marchant
Miller, George
Pitts
Pryce (OH)
Rush

Saxton
Schmidt
Tancredo
Towns
Weller
Wilson (NM)
Young (AK)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded there are less than 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1123

Mr. FOSTER changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

So the motion to adjourn was agreed to.

8063. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Indiana [EPA-R05-OAR-2008-0501; FRL-8698-7] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8064. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Massachusetts; Amendment to Massachusetts' State Implementation Plan for Transit System Improvements [EPA-R01-OAR-2006-1018; A-1-FRL-8691-5] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8065. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Texas; El Paso County Carbon Monoxide Redesignation to Attainment, and Approval of Maintenance Plan [EPA-R06-OAR-2006-0386; FRL-8699-9] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8066. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Drinking Water: Regulatory Determinations Regarding Contaminants on the Second Drinking Water Contaminant Candidate List [EPA-HQ-OW-2007-0068; FRL-8699-1] (RIN: 2040-AE60) received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8067. A letter from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting the Agency's final rule — Outer Continental Shelf Air Regulations Update to Include New York State Requirements [EPA-R02-OAR-2007-0553; FRL-8688-3] received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

8068. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — July — September 2008 Section 42 Bond Factor Amounts (Rev. Rul. 2008-36) received August 1, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8069. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Severance of a Trust for Generation-Skipping Transfer (GST) Tax Purposes [TD 9421] (RIN: 1545-BE70) received August 1, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8070. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Converting an IRA Annuity to a Roth IRA [TD 9418] (RIN: 1545-BE65) received August 1, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8071. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Mortality Tables for Determining Present Value [TD 9419] (RIN: 1545-BG30) received August 1, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8072. A letter from the Chief, Publications and Regulations, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Section 42 Utility Allowance Regulations Update [TD 9420] (RIN: 1545-BC22) received August 1, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

8073. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services,

transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; Changes to the Hospital Inpatient Prospective Payment Systems and Fiscal Year 2009 Rates; Payments for Graduate Medical Education in Certain Emergency Situations; Changes to Disclosure of Physician Ownership in Hospitals and Physician Self-Referral Rules; Updates to the Long-Term Care Prospective Payment System; Updates to Certain IPPS-Excluded Hospitals; and Collection of Information Regarding Financial Relationships Between Hospitals [[CMS-1390-F]; [CMS-1531-1FC1]; [CMS-1531-1FC2] [CMS-1385-F4]] (RIN: 0938-AP15; RIN: 0938-AO35; RIN: 0938-AO65) Received July 31, 2008, pursuant jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

8074. A letter from the Program Manager, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule — Medicare Program; Prospective Payment System and Consolidated Billing for Skilled Nursing Facilities for FY 2009 [CMS-1534-F] (RIN: 0938-AP11) received July 31, 2008, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Ways and Means.

8075. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Commerce, transmitting a draft bill to permit the transfer to the Bureau of the Census of monies available in any Department of Commerce appropriation to the extent necessary to further activities in support of the 2010 Decennial Census; jointly to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Financial Services, and Oversight and Government Reform.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. FILNER: Committee on Veteran's Affairs. H.R. 1527. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to allow highly rural veterans enrolled in the health system of the Department of Veterans Affairs to receive covered health services through providers other than those of the Department, and for other purposes; with amendments (Rept. 110-817). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California: Committee on Education and Labor. H.R. 2343. A bill to expand quality programs of early childhood home visitation that increase school readiness, child abuse and neglect prevention, and early identification of developmental and health delays, including potential mental health concerns, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-818 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi: Committee on Homeland Security. H.R. 1717. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to establish a National Bio and Agro-defense Facility, with an amendment (Rept. 110-819 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. CONYERS: Committee on the Judiciary. H.R. 2352. A bill to enhance the safety of elementary schools, secondary schools, and institutions of higher education, with an amendment (Rept. 110-821 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. RAHALL: Committee on Natural Resources. H.R. 5350. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Commerce to sell or exchange certain National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration property located in Norfolk, Virginia, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. 110-822 Pt. 1). Ordered to be printed.

DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the Committee on Agriculture discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1717.

REPORTED BILL SEQUENTIALLY REFERRED

Under clause 2 of rule XII, bills and reports were delivered to the Clerk for printing, and bills referred as follows:

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts: Committee on Financial Services. H.R. 1746. A bill to require disclosure of Holocaust-era policies by insurers and establish a federal cause of action for claims arising out of a covered policy, with an amendment; Rept. 110-820, Part I; referred to the Committee on Judiciary for a period ending not later than September 26, 2008, for consideration of such provisions of the bill and amendment as fall within the jurisdiction of that committee pursuant to clause 1(k), rule X. Ordered to be Printed.

TIME LIMITATION OF REFERRED BILL

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule XII the following action was taken by the Speaker:

H.R. 554. Referral to the Committees on Agriculture and the Judiciary extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 2008.

H.R. 1717. Referral to the Committee on Energy and Commerce extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 2008.

H.R. 1746. Referral to the Committees on Foreign Affairs and Oversight and Government Reform extended for a period ending not later than September 26, 2008.

H.R. 2343. Referral to the Committee on Armed Services extended for a period not later than September 12, 2008.

H.R. 2352. Referral to the Committee on Education and Labor extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 2008.

H.R. 5350. Referral to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform extended for a period ending not later than September 12, 2008.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. MAHONEY of Florida:

H.R. 6772. A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1717 Orange Avenue in Fort Pierce, Florida, as the "CeeCee Ross Lyles Post Office Building"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. CHILDERS:

H.R. 6773. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a tax credit to consumers based on fuel economy; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. SHEA-PORTER:

H.R. 6774. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to improve certain death and survivor benefits with respect to members of the Armed Forces, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. ANDREWS:

H.R. 6775. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to develop procedures for permitting car rental companies to have limited access to information in the National Driver Register, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PAYNE, and Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin):

H.R. 6776. A bill to prevent hate crimes, to provide support services for victims of hate crimes, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, Energy and Commerce, Education and Labor, Oversight and Government Reform, House Administration, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CLYBURN, Mr. ELLISON, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 6777. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide penalties for displaying nooses in public with intent to harass or intimidate a person because of that person's race, color, religion, or national origin; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Ms. BALDWIN, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. LINDA T. SANCHEZ of California, and Mr. HINCHEY):

H.R. 6778. A bill to secure the Federal voting rights of certain qualified ex-offenders who have served their sentences; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. WALDEN of Oregon (for himself, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mrs. MYRICK, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. BONNER, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mrs. EMERSON, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. FORTUÑO, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. HELLER, Mr. HERGER, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. DANIEL E. LUNGEN of California, Mr. NUNES, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. REHBERG, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. ROGERS of Alabama, Mr. SALLI, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SIMPSON, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. WAMP, Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico, Mr. WITTMAN of Virginia, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. YOUNG of Alaska, and Mr. RENZI):

H.R. 6779. A bill to provide for secure rural schools and counties, and State enhanced authority for coastal and ocean resources, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Agriculture, the Judiciary, Education and Labor, and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Ms. SOLIS, Ms. WATERS, Mr. WEINER, Mr. CLAY, Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, Ms. CLARKE, and Mr. CONYERS):

H.R. 6780. A bill to amend and to strengthen accountability features introduced by the Notification and Federal Employee Antidiscrimination and Retaliation Act of 2002, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. GOODLATTE (for himself, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. WOLF, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. GOODE, Mr. FORBES, Mr. WITTMAN of Virginia, and Mrs. DRAKE):

H.R. 6781. A bill to authorize the State of Virginia to petition for authorization to conduct natural gas or crude oil (or both) exploration and extraction activities in any area that is at least 50 miles beyond the coastal zone of the State, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Mr. MARSHALL (for himself, Mr. DEFazio, Mr. COOPER, Mr. BARROW, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mr. TAYLOR, Mr. SHIMKUS, and Mr. REYNOLDS):

H.R. 6782. A bill to create an electronic employment eligibility verification system to ensure that all workers in the United States are legally able to work, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. BROUN of Georgia (for himself, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. GOODE, Mr. PITTS, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. ADERHOLT, and Mrs. MYRICK):

H.R. 6783. A bill to withhold Federal funds from schools that permit or require the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance or the national anthem in a language other than English; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. SHAYS:

H.R. 6784. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a refundable credit against income tax to assist individuals with high residential energy costs, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas (for herself, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Ms. LEE, and Ms. WATSON):

H.R. 6785. A bill to reform the provisions requiring "one-strike" eviction from public and federally assisted housing; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. SULLIVAN:

H.R. 6786. A bill to provide for the settlement of claims arising from the use and distribution of judgment funds previously awarded and provided to the Delaware Tribe of Indians, the Delaware Nation, the Kansas Delaware Tribe of Indians, Incorporated, and the Delawares of Idaho, Incorporated, to correct underpayment of certain funds, to provide for the settlement of accounting claims arising from, and otherwise achieve the requirements of, certain litigation, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. WALDEN of Oregon (for himself, Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN, Mr. BISHOP of Utah, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. REHBERG, and Mr. SIMPSON):

H.R. 6787. A bill to amend Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2003 to expand the areas of Federal land on which hazardous fuel reduction projects may be conducted under that Act; to the Committee on Agriculture, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KUHLE of New York (for himself, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mrs. BIGGERT, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. CHABOT, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. UPTON, Mr. PRICE of Georgia, Mr. GINGREY, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. ROGERS of Michigan, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Ms. ROSLEHTINEN, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. HAYES, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. HELLER, Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. MARIO DIAZ-BALART of Florida, Mr. EHLERS, Mrs. MUSGRAVE, Mr. SHAYS, Mr. BOUSTANY, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. STEARNS, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. FERGUSON, Mr. KING of Iowa, Mr. WESTMORELAND, Mr. WHITFIELD of Kentucky, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. GRAVES, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. BARTON of Texas, Mrs. SCHMIDT, Mr. SMITH of Nebraska, Mr. MCKEON, Mr. HALL of Texas, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. CAMP of Michigan, and Mr. TURNER):

H.R. 6788. A bill to amend title XXI of the Social Security Act to extend through fiscal year 2012 funding under the State Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California (for himself, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. CAMPBELL of California, Mr. DREIER, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mr. DEAL of Georgia):

H.R. 6789. A bill to remove the incentives and loopholes that encourage illegal aliens to come to the United States to live and work, provide additional resources to local law enforcement and Federal border and immigration officers, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, Education and Labor, House Administration, Financial Services, Homeland Security, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. CARDOZA:

H.R. 6790. A bill to ensure that amounts made available for mortgage loss mitigation counseling in areas having the highest foreclosure rates are used in such areas; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. HIGGINS (for himself and Mr. ISRAEL):

H.R. 6791. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase Federal excise taxes on tobacco products and to dedicate the revenues from the increased taxes to the war on cancer; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. HERSETH SANDLIN (for herself and Mr. BOOZMAN):

H.R. 6792. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish the position of Director of Physical Therapy Service within the Veterans Health Administration and to establish a fellowship program for physical therapists in the areas of geriatrics, amputee rehabilitation, polytrauma care, and rehabilitation research; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. HOLT:

H.R. 6793. A bill to provide for grants to assist municipalities to facilitate the ability of local farmers to grow food crops and certain livestock to be sold locally, grants to enable

local nongovernmental farming associations to support the formation of community-supported agricultural projects, and grants to provide start-up funds to farmers who must diversify their operations in order to participate in the projects, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Agriculture.

By Mr. HOLT:

H.R. 6794. A bill to direct the Election Assistance Commission to reimburse jurisdictions for the costs incurred in conducting manual audits of the results of the general elections for Federal office to be held in November 2008; to the Committee on House Administration.

By Mr. DEFAZIO (for himself, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. COSTELLO, Mr. HINCHEY, Ms. KAPTUR, and Mr. ELLISON):

H.R. 6795. A bill to establish an Emergency Commission To End the Trade Deficit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Ms. WATERS (for herself, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. GUTIERREZ, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. PAYNE, Ms. LEE, Mr. HINCHEY, and Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ):

H.R. 6796. A bill to prevent speculation and profiteering in the defaulted debt of certain poor countries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KAGEN:

H.R. 6797. A bill to establish a program to provide grants to States for incumbent worker training; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. KAGEN (for himself, Mr. MCDERMOTT, and Mr. BACA):

H.R. 6798. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to establish a presumption of service connection for certain cancers occurring in veterans who served in the Republic of Vietnam and were exposed to certain herbicide agents, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. MCHUGH (for himself and Mr. KUHL of New York):

H.R. 6799. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for tax-favored unemployment savings accounts, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. KUCINICH (for himself, Mr. CARSON, Mr. DEFAZIO, Ms. LEE, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Mr. JEFFERSON, Ms. WOOLSEY, Mr. FILNER, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. ELLISON, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. HIRONO, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CUMMINGS, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. NADLER, and Mr. CARSON):

H.R. 6800. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to replace the Medicare prescription drug benefit adopted by the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003 with a revised and simplified prescription benefit program for all Medicare beneficiaries; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCHUGH:

H.R. 6801. A bill to designate 4 counties in the State of New York as high-intensity drug trafficking areas, and to authorize funding for drug control activities in those areas; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BUYER:

H.R. 6802. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to extend or make permanent

certain authorities of the Department of Veterans Affairs expiring in 2008, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. CLARKE:

H.R. 6803. A bill to improve inspections of public housing and federally assisted multifamily housing conducted by the Real Estate Assessment Center of the Department of Housing and Urban Development; to the Committee on Financial Services.

By Mr. COURTNEY (for himself and Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut):

H.R. 6804. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow individuals a temporary refundable credit for the cost of natural gas, home heating oil, and propane, to allow small businesses, farmers, and fishermen a credit for motor and other fuel costs, and to increase the credit for nonbusiness energy property and make it permanent, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. DONNELLY (for himself, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. ELLSWORTH, and Mr. HILL):

H.R. 6805. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to treat certain income and gains relating to fuels as qualifying income for publicly traded partnerships; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. GOODE:

H.R. 6806. A bill to establish a Citizens Congressional Health Benefits Program, based on the Federal employees health benefits program, to provide health insurance coverage for the President, Vice President, and Members of Congress, and citizens not eligible for coverage under the Federal employees health benefits program; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform, and House Administration, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. HALL of New York:

H.R. 6807. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a credit for the purchase of new neighborhood electric vehicles; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

H.R. 6808. A bill to establish a commission to study the culture and glorification of violence in America; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HODES:

H.R. 6809. A bill to award grants to assist public schools with the rising costs of fuel for school buses and energy for school buildings; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. HODES:

H.R. 6810. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit to employers for reimbursing the expenses of employees who provide carpooling; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. JEFFERSON:

H.R. 6811. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide incentives for building homeless shelters in areas warranting assistance due to Presidentially declared disasters; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. JONES of North Carolina:

H.R. 6812. A bill to prohibit United States foreign assistance to countries with budget surpluses; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. KING of Iowa (for himself, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Mr. BILBRAY,

Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas, Mr. BROWN of Georgia, Mr. BROWN of South Carolina, Mr. GOHMERT, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. CARTER, Mrs. CUBIN, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. DAVID DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. EVERETT, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. FEENEY, Mr. FORBES, Ms. FOXX, Mr. FRANKS of Arizona, Mr. GALLEGLY, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. GOODE, Mr. GOODLATTE, Mr. ISSA, Mr. JONES of North Carolina, Mr. JORDAN, Mr. KINGSTON, Mr. LATTA, Mr. LEWIS of Kentucky, Mr. LINDER, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. MCCAUL of Texas, Mr. MCCOTTER, Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. PITTS, Mr. POE, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. ROSKAM, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. SHADEGG, Mr. SHULER, Mr. SMITH of Texas, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. WALBERG, Mr. WELDON of Florida, and Mr. WEST-MORELAND):

H.R. 6813. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to clarify that wages paid to unauthorized aliens may not be deducted from gross income, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Judiciary, and Education and Labor, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. KUCINICH:

H.R. 6814. A bill to affirm that exports and diversions of water from the Great Lakes may only be approved if such exports and diversions are in the public interest, to provide for enforcement, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

By Ms. LEE:

H.R. 6815. A bill to establish grant programs to encourage energy-efficient economic development and green job training and creation, and to establish the Metro Area Green Institute to produce and disseminate best practice information to economic and workforce development initiatives undertaken by metropolitan communities nationally; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

By Mr. MARKEY:

H.R. 6816. A bill to provide for upgrading security at civilian nuclear facilities and of nuclear materials that could be used to construct a dirty bomb; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. MATHESON (for himself, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. ALTMIRE, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. DONNELLY, and Mr. TANNER):

H.R. 6817. A bill to increase domestic energy production and diversify America's energy portfolio; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Natural Resources, Energy and Commerce, Science and Technology, and Agriculture, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. MCCARTHY of California:

H.R. 6818. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for an enhanced credit to individuals who place qualified solar electric property in service in 2009; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. MCCARTHY of California (for himself, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mr. NUNES):

H.R. 6819. A bill to amend the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act

of 2008 to eliminate certain inappropriate changes in law made to the Medicare Advantage program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York (for herself, Ms. BALDWIN, and Ms. SCHWARTZ):

H.R. 6820. A bill to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to conduct a study of the presence of pharmaceuticals and personal care products in drinking water supplies in the United States, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York:

H.R. 6821. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a disclosure requirement under the Medicare Program for physicians referring for imaging services; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Ms. NORTON:

H.R. 6822. A bill to require appeals of personnel actions involving the officers and employees of the Government Accountability Office to be considered by the Office of Special Counsel and the Merit Systems Protection Board in the same manner as appeals of prohibited personnel practices involving employees of Executive agencies under title 5, United States Code, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

By Mr. REICHERT:

H.R. 6823. A bill to provide for the acquisition of advanced biofuels for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROSKAM:

H.R. 6824. A bill to provide for the development of advanced and alternative energy and increased domestic energy production to achieve American energy independence in 15 years; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Science and Technology, Natural Resources, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SALAZAR:

H.R. 6825. A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to assess the irrigation infrastructure of the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project in the State of Colorado, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

By Ms. SCHWARTZ (for herself, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. WAXMAN, Ms. DELAURO, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. CASTOR, Mr. YARMUTH, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. BOSWELL, Mr. BERRY, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. CARNEY, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. PATRICK MURPHY of Pennsylvania, Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. RAMSTAD, Mr. SIRES, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Ms. LEE, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. COURTNEY, Mr. CARDOZA, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. SERRANO, Ms. CLARKE, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mrs. TAUSCHER, Ms. SHEA-PORTER, Mr. ABERCROMBIE, Ms. BALDWIN, and Mr. PRICE of North Carolina):

H.R. 6826. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure more timely access to home health services for Medicare beneficiaries under the Medicare Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SHERMAN (for himself, Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN, Mr. BERMAN, Ms. BERKLEY, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mr. KIRK, Mr. PERLMUTTER, Mr. BURTON of Indiana, Mr. CAMPBELL of California, and Mr. ENGEL):

H.R. 6827. A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for rollover of gain from divesting certain qualified securities of business entities engaged in Iran or Sudan discouraged activities; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By Mr. SHERMAN (for himself, Mr. MANZULLO, and Mr. SMITH of Washington):

H.R. 6828. A bill to make improvements in the electronic filing of export data, to strengthen enforcement authorities under the Export Administration Act of 1979, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SHULER:

H.R. 6829. A bill to amend the Workforce Investment Act of 1998 to facilitate the placement of Job Corps graduates; to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. SHULER (for himself and Mr. DEFAZIO):

H.R. 6830. A bill to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of the Interior to assist in the development and coordination of markets for biomass and carbon trading for private forest landowners, to assure sustainable forest practices in the use of biomass and carbon trading activity, and to enhance the relationship between Federal lands and private forest lands on a regional basis in the biomass and carbon trading markets, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. STUPAK (for himself and Mr. RAMSTAD):

H.R. 6831. A bill to require certain metal recyclers to keep records of their transactions in order to deter individuals and enterprises engaged in theft and interstate fencing of stolen copper, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. DELAURO (for herself, Ms. SUTTON, Ms. HIRONO, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Ms. BORDALLO, Mr. HONDA, Mr. MCGOVERN, and Mr. FATTAH):

H. Res. 1409. A resolution recognizing the great strides made by the majority of countries participating in the Summer Olympic Games to increase the participation of women in sports and in the Summer Olympic Games, calling on the International Olympic

Committee and all countries to take concrete steps to increase the participation of women in the 2012 Summer Olympic Games, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin (for herself, Ms. LEE, Ms. SCHAKOWSKY, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. KUCINICH, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, and Mr. CARSON):

H. Res. 1410. A resolution supporting efforts to advance United States international diplomacy and engagement in order to restore United States credibility abroad; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

By Mr. PRICE of North Carolina:

H. Res. 1411. A resolution expressing support for designation of January 28, 2009, as "National Data Privacy Day"; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Mr. ROSKAM:

H. Res. 1412. A resolution expressing support for the designation of a Pink Prayer Day and applauding the actions of medical professionals and other caregivers, researchers, patients and their families, and others who strive to combat and raise public awareness of breast cancer; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

By Ms. WATSON (for herself, Mr. CAMPBELL of California, Mrs. BONO MACK, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Ms. SOLIS, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. SCALISE, Mr. MELANCON, Mr. REYES, Mr. ISSA, Ms. HARMAN, Ms. WATERS, and Ms. RICHARDSON):

H. Res. 1413. A resolution acknowledging the accomplishments and goals of the Youth Impact Program; to the Committee on Education and Labor.

ADDITIONAL SPONSORS

Under clause 7 of rule XII, sponsors were added to public bills and resolutions as follows:

H.R. 219: Mr. PETRI.
 H.R. 583: Mr. WILSON of Ohio.
 H.R. 643: Mr. KING of New York.
 H.R. 861: Mr. PEARCE and Mr. ALTMIRE.
 H.R. 1076: Mr. STEARNS.
 H.R. 1134: Mr. PUTNAM and Mr. HARE.
 H.R. 1157: Mr. HOBSON and Mr. CARDOZA.
 H.R. 1164: Mr. KUCINICH.
 H.R. 1174: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
 H.R. 1192: Mr. ISRAEL and Mrs. WILSON of New Mexico.
 H.R. 1655: Ms. ESHOO, Mr. MICHAUD, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, and Mr. LATOURETTE.
 H.R. 1671: Mr. RAMSTAD.
 H.R. 1755: Mr. OLVER.
 H.R. 1823: Mrs. MUSGRAVE.
 H.R. 1881: Mr. ROSS and Ms. HARMAN.
 H.R. 1927: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.
 H.R. 2020: Mr. WELCH of Vermont.
 H.R. 2092: Mr. LARSEN of Washington.
 H.R. 2116: Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. ARCURI, and Mrs. GILLIBRAND.
 H.R. 2188: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD and Mrs. CAPPS.
 H.R. 2329: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mr. WITTMAN of Virginia, and Mrs. BONO MACK Mack.
 H.R. 2384: Mr. LOBIONDO.
 H.R. 2417: Mr. LATHAM.
 H.R. 2667: Mr. STARK.
 H.R. 2802: Mr. HALL of New York.
 H.R. 2990: Mrs. BIGGERT.
 H.R. 3186: Mr. COURTNEY.
 H.R. 3232: Mr. MITCHELL and Mr. BUYER.
 H.R. 3283: Mr. GORDON.
 H.R. 3618: Mr. COHEN.
 H.R. 3654: Mr. PETRI.
 H.R. 3737: Mr. KUCINICH.
 H.R. 4054: Mr. DAVIS of Illinois.

H.R. 4236: Ms. DEGETTE.
 H.R. 4318: Mr. CLEAVER.
 H.R. 4544: Mr. MARSHALL, Mr. LOEBACK, Mr. BARTLETT of Maryland, Ms. CASTOR, Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky, and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.
 H.R. 4987: Mr. TIM MURPHY of Pennsylvania.
 H.R. 5265: Mr. WEXLER.
 H.R. 5266: Mr. GRIJALVA, Ms. DEGETTE, and Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
 H.R. 5268: Mr. HONDA, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. COSTELLO, Ms. NORTON, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Ms. TSONGAS, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Ms. SCHWARTZ, Mr. DOYLE, Mr. POMEROY, and Mr. THOMPSON of California.
 H.R. 5437: Mr. BISHOP of Georgia.
 H.R. 5513: Mr. HERGER.
 H.R. 5547: Ms. DELAURO.
 H.R. 5585: Mr. TIBERI.
 H.R. 5607: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
 H.R. 5626: Mr. FATTAH and Mr. JEFFERSON.
 H.R. 5629: Mr. ELLSWORTH.
 H.R. 5635: Mr. HARE.
 H.R. 5704: Mr. DOGGETT.
 H.R. 5742: Mr. SERRANO and Mr. AL GREEN of Texas.
 H.R. 5808: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.
 H.R. 5809: Ms. SCHAKOWSKY.
 H.R. 5840: Mr. MILLER of North Carolina and Mr. COURTNEY.
 H.R. 5882: Mr. DOGGETT.
 H.R. 5951: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.
 H.R. 5971: Mr. INGLIS of South Carolina.
 H.R. 5977: Mr. BAIRD and Mr. MELANCON.
 H.R. 5990: Mr. MCINTYRE.
 H.R. 6025: Mr. FEENEY.
 H.R. 6078: Mr. SHERMAN.
 H.R. 6110: Mr. HENSARLING.
 H.R. 6125: Mr. SOUDER.
 H.R. 6129: Mr. FEENEY.
 H.R. 6172: Mr. BACHUS.
 H.R. 6209: Mr. SHAYS and Mr. ROTHMAN.
 H.R. 6210: Mrs. CAPPS and Mr. ROSS.
 H.R. 6217: Mr. HOLT.
 H.R. 6228: Ms. LEE and Ms. WOOLSEY.
 H.R. 6260: Mr. SHAYS.
 H.R. 6264: Mr. LIPINSKI.
 H.R. 6268: Mrs. LOWEY.
 H.R. 6293: Mr. RODRIGUEZ, Mrs. LOWEY, and Mr. COLE of Oklahoma.
 H.R. 6316: Mr. PRICE of North Carolina.
 H.R. 6428: Mr. BOUSTANY.
 H.R. 6438: Mr. SMITH of New Jersey.
 H.R. 6460: Mr. KUCINICH.
 H.R. 6473: Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, and Mr. CARNEY.
 H.R. 6496: Mr. ROTHMAN.
 H.R. 6503: Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida.
 H.R. 6527: Mrs. MYRICK, Mr. GOODLATTE, and Mr. GALLEGLY.
 H.R. 6533: Mr. HULSHOF, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. KING of Iowa, and Mr. TIAHRT.
 H.R. 6543: Mr. YOUNG of Florida.
 H.R. 6559: Mrs. LOWEY.
 H.R. 6566: Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, and Mr. BROUN of Georgia.
 H.R. 6568: Mr. MURPHY of Connecticut.
 H.R. 6569: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
 H.R. 6570: Mr. SNYDER, Mr. FOSTER, Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York, Mr. BLUMENAUER, and Mr. SHULER.
 H.R. 6582: Mr. GRAVES.
 H.R. 6587: Mr. MORAN of Kansas and Mr. BUYER.
 H.R. 6597: Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas.
 H.R. 6598: Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas and Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California.
 H.R. 6601: Ms. BORDALLO.
 H.R. 6605: Mrs. LOWEY.
 H.R. 6638: Mr. KINGSTON and Mr. SCALISE.
 H.R. 6640: Mr. HERGER and Mr. MILLER of North Carolina.
 H.R. 6646: Mr. ROYCE.
 H.R. 6652: Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois and Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN.
 H.R. 6661: Mr. DOYLE.
 H.R. 6663: Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas.

H.R. 6691: Mr. SCALISE, Mr. RAHALL, Mr. CUELLAR, Ms. GIFFORDS, and Mr. MITCHELL.
 H.R. 6692: Mr. LOEBACK.
 H.R. 6701: Mr. SHERMAN, Mr. SPRATT, Mr. BECERRA, Mr. BACA, Mr. MEEK of Florida, Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. INSLER, Mr. STARK, Mr. TOWNS, Mr. FATTAH, Mr. LINCOLN DAVIS of Tennessee, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. MILLER of North Carolina, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, Mr. CROWLEY, Mr. NADLER, Mr. EMANUEL, Mr. DELAHUNT, Mr. HODES, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. ANDREWS, Ms. MCCOLLUM of Minnesota, Ms. WOOLSEY, Ms. DELAURO, Mrs. CAPPS, Mr. HOLT, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. CLYBURN, Ms. KILPATRICK, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. KUCINICH, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. LEE, Mr. JACKSON of Illinois, Mr. CLEAVER, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mr. JEFFERSON, Mr. CAPUANO, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi, Mrs. JONES of Ohio, Mr. CARSON, Mr. SCOTT of Virginia, Mr. BUTTERFIELD, Mr. CUMMINGS, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas, Ms. NORTON, Mr. PAYNE, Mr. BLUMENAUER, Ms. ZOE LOFGREN of California, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. CLARKE, Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, Mr. WAXMAN, Mrs. LOWEY, Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. ACKERMAN, Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia, Mr. ELLISON, Mr. MCNULTY, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. SIREN, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. BISHOP of Georgia, Mr. CONYERS, Mr. PASTOR, Mr. ORTIZ, Mr. REYES, Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas, Mrs. NAPOLITANO, Ms. VELÁZQUEZ, Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD, Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, Mr. DAVIS of Alabama, Mr. WALZ of Minnesota, Mr. DOGGETT, Ms. DEGETTE, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. CLAY, Ms. WATSON, Mr. KLEIN of Florida, Mr. KIND, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. PRICE of North Carolina, Mr. TIERNEY, Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts, Mr. FARR, Mr. FILNER, Mr. COHEN, and Ms. RICHARDSON.
 H.R. 6706: Ms. CASTOR.
 H.R. 6709: Mr. HILL, Mr. TIAHRT, Mr. CHILDERS, Mr. CRAMER, Mr. CARDOZA, Mr. KNOLLENBERG, Mr. ROSS, Mr. SHUSTER, Mrs. MILLER of Michigan, Mr. PICKERING, Mr. GERLACH, Mr. SENSENBRENNER, Mr. PITTS, Mr. CAMPBELL of California, Mr. DUNCAN, Mr. MARCHANT, Mrs. BLACKBURN, Mr. BURGESS, Mr. DEAL of Georgia, Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin, Mr. KING of New York, Mr. ENGLISH of Pennsylvania, Mr. HALL of Texas, Mr. POE, Mr. PLATTS, Mr. FOSSELLA, Mr. WAMP, Mr. UPTON, Mrs. BACHMANN, Mr. REGULA, Mr. WOLF, Mr. WALDEN of Oregon, Mr. RADANOVICH, Mr. WALSH of New York, Mr. MCHUGH, Mr. KUHLMAN of New York, Mr. MANZULLO, Mr. HOEKSTRA, Mr. GOHMERT, Mr. HERGER, Mr. DOOLITTLE, Mr. RENZI, Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mr. LUCAS, Mr. SULLIVAN, Ms. FALLIN, Mr. NEUGEBAUER, Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. CARTER, Mr. THORNBERRY, Ms. GRANGER, Mr. SESSIONS, Mr. HENSARLING, Mr. GINGREY, Mr. TANCREDO, Mr. ROYCE, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. HASTINGS of Washington, Mr. SHIMKUS, Mr. WELDON of Florida, Mr. MCHENRY, Mr. GOODE, Mr. CULBERSON, Mr. ADERHOLT, Mr. MCCRERY, Mr. MORAN of Kansas, Mrs. MCMORRIS RODGERS, Mr. PEARCE, Mr. TURNER, Mr. BOOZMAN, and Mrs. EMERSON.
 H.R. 6733: Mr. Foster.
 H.R. 6735: Mr. TIBERI.
 H.R. 6737: Mr. FRANKS of Arizona.
 H.R. 6758: Mr. CRAMER and Mr. DAVIS of Alabama.
 H.R. 6763: Mr. SMITH of Texas.
 H. Con. Res. 81: Mr. ETHERIDGE.
 H. Con. Res. 106: Mr. PLATTS.
 H. Con. Res. 244: Mr. HELLER.
 H. Con. Res. 321: Mr. HALL of New York and Mr. MCNULTY.
 H. Con. Res. 373: Mr. SHAYS.
 H. Con. Res. 407: Mr. ACKERMAN and Ms. NORTON.
 H. Res. 102: Ms. TSONGAS.

H. Res. 271: Mr. THORNBERRY, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, Mr. LAMBORN, Mr. COLE of Oklahoma, Mrs. DRAKE, Mr. HUNTER, Mr. HAYES, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. KLINE of Minnesota, Mr. BOREN, Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. SHUSTER, Ms. GIFFORDS, and Mr. AKIN.
 H. Res. 620: Mr. BACA.
 H. Res. 758: Mr. CANTOR.
 H. Res. 870: Mr. MEEKS of New York, Mr. HINCHEY, Mr. DAVIS of Illinois, Mrs. CHRISTENSEN, Ms. WATERS, and Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida.
 H. Res. 906: Mr. BRADY of Pennsylvania, Mr. TANCREDO, Ms. BORDALLO, and Mr. MARSHALL.
 H. Res. 1042: Mr. SHIMKUS and Mr. SHUSTER.
 H. Res. 1159: Mr. COHEN.
 H. Res. 1273: Mr. RADANOVICH.
 H. Res. 1303: Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts.
 H. Res. 1328: Ms. ROYBAL-ALLARD.
 H. Res. 1364: Mr. BOREN.
 H. Res. 1377: Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York.
 H. Res. 1390: Mr. CONAWAY, Mr. THOMPSON of California, Mr. WILSON of South Carolina, and Mr. HONDA.
 H. Res. 1391: Mr. PENCE.
 H. Res. 1408: Mr. PERLMUTTER.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 3 of rule XII, petitions and papers were laid on the clerk's desk and referred as follows:

303. The SPEAKER presented a petition of the City Commission of Margate, Florida, relative to Resolution No. 11-205 supporting severing the ties of Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties from the State of Florida and establishing their own 51st State of the Federal Union of the United States; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

304. Also, a petition of Mr. Dennis J. Kucinich, Member of Congress, relative to a two part petition for the redress of grievances, relating to charges against the President of the United States, including that he has violated United States and international laws, and a call for his impeachment; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XV, the following discharge petition was filed:

Petition 15. July 30, 2008, by Mrs. MICHELE BACHMANN on the bill H.R. 6107, was signed by the following Members: Michele Bachmann, Lee Terry, Bob Goodlatte, Dennis R. Rehberg, Robert E. Latta, John Shimkus, Marsha Blackburn, John T. Doolittle, Phil Gingrey, David Davis, Michael T. McCaul, Peter Hoekstra, Bill Sali, Mark E. Souder, Robert J. Wittman, Sue Wilkins Myrick, Roy Blunt, Michael K. Simpson, Geoff Davis, Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Mike Pence, Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, Darrell E. Issa, George Radanovich, Dana Rohrabacher, Don Young, Thaddeus G. McCotter, Adrian Smith, Ric Keller, Pete Sessions, Rodney Alexander, Dave Camp, Jim Jordan, Howard Coble, Lamar Smith, David Dreier, Stevan Pearce, Candice S. Miller, Robin Hayes, Henry E. Brown, Jr., Steven C. LaTourette, Zach Wamp, Gus M. Bilirakis, Scott Garrett, K. Michael Conaway, Gary G. Miller, Ron Paul, Rob Bishop, Spencer Bachus, Frank D. Lucas, Peter T. King, Judy Biggert, Steve Scalise, Joe Wilson, Charles W. Boustany, Jr., Trent Franks, John R. "Randy" Kuhl, Jr., Jo Ann Emerson, Dan Burton, Ron Lewis, Thomas M. Reynolds, Jo Bonner, Harold Rogers, Tim Walberg, Jean Schmidt, Edward R. Royce, W. Todd Akin, Steve Chabot, John R. Carter, Paul C. Broun, Jeff Miller, Kenny Marchant, Kevin Brady,

Doug Lamborn, Steve King, Steve Buyer, Todd Tiahrt, Kay Granger, Terry Everett, Ken Calvert, Donald A. Manzullo, Ted Poe, Charles W. Dent, Mac Thornberry, Thelma D. Drake, Roscoe G. Bartlett, Patrick T. McHenry, Ander Crenshaw, Ralph M. Hall, Bill Shuster, John Boozman, J. Gresham Barrett, John Kline, Dean Heller, Mike Rogers, Tom Latham, John Abney Culberson, Mike Rogers (MI), Sam Graves, Tom Price, John L. Mica, Tom Cole, Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Robert B. Aderholt, Michael R. Turner, Randy Neugebauer, Jerry Moran, and John B. Shadegg.

Under clause 2 of rule XV, the following discharge petition was filed:

Petition 16. July 30, 2008, by Mr. JON C. PORTER on the bill H.R. 6108, was signed by the following Members: Jon C. Porter, Lee Terry, Bob Goodlatte, Dennis R. Rehberg, Robert E. Latta, John Shimkus, Marsha Blackburn, John T. Doolittle, Phil Gingrey, David Davis, Michael T. McCaul, Peter Hoekstra, Bill Sali, Mark E. Souder, Robert J. Wittman, Sue Wilkins Myrick, Roy Blunt, Michael K. Simpson, Geoff Davis, Mike Pence, Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, Darrell E. Issa, George Radanovich, Dana Rohrabacher, Don Young, Thaddeus G. McCotter, Adrian Smith, Ric Keller, Pete Sessions, Rodney Alexander, Dave Camp, Jim Jordan, Howard Coble, Lamar Smith, David Dreier, Stevan Pearce, Candice S. Miller, Robin Hayes, Henry E. Brown, Jr., Steven C. LaTourette, Zach Wamp, Scott Garrett, K. Michael Conaway, Gary C. Miller, Ron Paul, Rob Bishop, Spencer Bachus, Frank D.

Lucas, Peter T. King, Judy Biggert, Steve Scalise, Joe Wilson, Charles W. Boustany, Jr., Trent Franks, John R. "Randy" Kuhl, Jr., Jo Ann Emerson, Dan Burton, Ron Lewis, Thomas M. Reynolds, Jo Bonner, Harold Rogers, Tim Walberg, Jean Schmidt, Edward R. Royce, W. Todd Akin, Steve Chabot, John R. Carter, Paul C. Broun, Jeff Miller, Kenny Marchant, Kevin Brady, Doug Lamborn, Steve King, Steve Buyer, Todd Tiahrt, Kay Granger, Terry Everett, Ken Calvert, Donald A. Manzullo, Ted Poe, Charles W. Dent, Mac Thornberry, Thelma D. Drake, Patrick T. McHenry, Ander Crenshaw, Ralph M. Hall, Bill Shuster, John Boozman, J. Gresham Barrett, John Kline, Dean Heller, Mike Rogers (AL), Tom Latham, John Abney Culberson, Mike Rogers (MI), Sam Graves, Tom Price, Tom Feeney, John L. Mica, Tom Cole, Cathy McMorris Rodgers, Robert B. Aderholt, Michael R. Turner, Randy Neugebauer, Jerry Moran, and John B. Shadegg.

DISCHARGE PETITIONS— ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The following Members added their name to the following discharge petition:

Petition 14, by Mr. SOUDER on House Resolution 1331: K. Michael Conaway, Virginia Foxx, John Boozman, Thomas E. Petri, Lincoln Diaz-Balart, Ric Keller, Paul Ryan, Charles W. "Chip" Pickering, John B. Shadegg, Heather Wilson, Chris Cannon, Rob

Bishop, Eric Cantor, Frank D. Lucas, Todd Tiahrt, David L. Hobson, Vern Buchanan, Marilyn N. Musgrave, Ron Paul, Mario Diaz-Balart, Lee Terry, Patrick J. Tiberi, Brian P. Bilbray, Timothy V. Johnson, Peter Hoekstra, Sue Wilkins Myrick, Michael K. Simpson, Geoff Davis, Ileana Ros-Lehtinen, Mike Pence, Howard P. "Buck" McKeon, Darrell E. Issa, George Radanovich, Duncan Hunter, Dana Rohrabacher, Don Young, Joe Barton, Jeff Fortenberry, Roy Blunt, Dave Camp, Howard Coble, Steven C. LaTourette, Joseph R. Pitts, Scott Garrett, Rick Renzi, Thomas G. Tancredo, C.W. Bill Young, Robert B. Aderholt, David G. Reichert, Jim Gerlach, Ander Crenshaw, Jo Ann Emerson, Steve Buyer, Elton Gallegly, Frank R. Wolf, John L. Mica, and Michael R. Turner.

Petition 13, by Mrs. DRAKE on the bill H.R. 2493: Bob Goodlatte, Cliff Stearns, Steve Buyer, and John B. Shadegg.

Petition 12, by Mr. ROSKAM on the bill H.R. 2208: Ander Crenshaw, Steve Buyer, and Donald A. Manzullo.

Petition 11, by Mr. TANCREDO on House Resolution 1240: C.W. Bill Young, Donald A. Manzullo, and Ted Poe.

Petition 10, by Mr. KUHLL on the bill H.R. 5656: Cliff Stearns, and Thomas G. Tancredo.

Petition 9, by Mr. ENGLISH on the bill H.R. 2279: C.W. Bill Young, Cliff Stearns, Peter Hoekstra, and John B. Shadegg.

Petition 8, by Mr. WALBERG on the bill H.R. 3089: Cliff Stearns.

Petition 4, by Mr. ADERHOLT on House Resolution 748: C.W. Bill Young.