

Gilchrest	Lewis (KY)	Sanford
Gillmor	Linder	Saxton
Gilman	Lipinski	Scarborough
Gonzalez	Livingston	Schaefer
Goodlatte	Longley	Schiff
Goodling	Lucas	Scott
Goss	Manton	Seastrand
Graham	Manzullo	Shadegg
Greenwood	Matsui	Shaw
Hall (OH)	McCollum	Shuster
Hall (TX)	McCrery	Sisisky
Hamilton	McDade	Skeen
Hansen	McHugh	Skelton
Harman	McIntosh	Smith (MI)
Hastert	McKeon	Smith (NJ)
Hastings (FL)	McNulty	Smith (TX)
Hastings (WA)	Meek	Smith (WA)
Hayes	Metcalf	Solomon
Hayworth	Meyers	Souder
Hefley	Mica	Spence
Heineman	Miller (FL)	Stearns
Herger	Mink	Stenholm
Hilleary	Molinari	Stockman
Hobson	Montgomery	Stump
Hoekstra	Moorhead	Talent
Hoke	Myers	Tanner
Horn	Myrick	Tate
Hostettler	Nethercutt	Tauzin
Houghton	Ney	Taylor (MS)
Hoyer	Norwood	Taylor (NC)
Hunter	Nussle	Tejeda
Hutchinson	Ortiz	Thomas
Hyde	Orton	Thompson
Inglis	Oxley	Thornberry
Istook	Packard	Thornton
Jefferson	Parker	Tiahrt
Johnson (CT)	Pastor	Torkildsen
Johnson, E. B.	Paxon	Torres
Johnson, Sam	Payne (VA)	Trafficant
Jones	Petri	Vucanovich
Kasich	Pickett	Waldholtz
Kelly	Pombo	Walker
Kennedy (RI)	Porter	Walsh
Kennelly	Portman	Wamp
Kim	Poshard	Ward
King	Radanovich	Waters
Kingston	Regula	Watts (OK)
Knollenberg	Richardson	Weldon (FL)
Kolbe	Riggs	Weldon (PA)
LaHood	Roberts	Weller
Largent	Rogers	White
Latham	Rohrabacher	Whitfield
LaTourette	Ros-Lehtinen	Wicker
Laughlin	Roth	Wolf
Lazio	Royce	Young (AK)
Leach	Salmon	Zeliff

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Andrews	Flake	Martini
Barcia	Foglietta	Mascara
Barrett (WI)	Frank (MA)	McCarthy
Becerra	Franks (NJ)	McDermott
Beilenson	Furse	McHale
Bentsen	Ganske	McKinney
Berman	Gedden	Meehan
Blute	Gephardt	Menendez
Borski	Gibbons	Miller (CA)
Brown (CA)	Gordon	Minge
Brown (FL)	Green	Moakley
Brown (OH)	Gutknecht	Mollohan
Bryant (TX)	Hefner	Moran
Camp	Hilliard	Morella
Cardin	Hinchey	Murtha
Chabot	Holden	Nadler
Chapman	Jackson (IL)	Neal
Clay	Jackson-Lee	Neumann
Clayton	(TX)	Oberstar
Collins (IL)	Jacobs	Obey
Collins (MI)	Johnson (SD)	Olver
Condit	Johnston	Owens
Conyers	Kanjorski	Pallone
Coyne	Kaptur	Payne (NJ)
DeLauro	Kennedy (MA)	Pelosi
Dellums	Kildee	Peterson (FL)
Deutsch	Kleczka	Peterson (MN)
Dicks	Klink	Pomeroy
Dingell	Klug	Rahall
Dixon	LaFalce	Ramstad
Doggett	Lantos	Rangel
Dooley	Levin	Reed
Doyle	Lewis (GA)	Rivers
Engel	Lincoln	Roemer
Eshoo	LoBiondo	Rose
Evans	Lofgren	Roukema
Farr	Lowey	Roybal-Allard
Fattah	Luther	Rush
Fazio	Maloney	Sabo
Fields (LA)	Markey	Sanders
Filner	Martinez	Sawyer

Schroeder	Studds	Waxman
Schumer	Stupak	Williams
Sensenbrenner	Thurman	Wilson
Serrano	Torricelli	Wise
Shays	Upton	Woolsey
Skaggs	Velazquez	Wyden
Slaughter	Vento	Wynn
Spratt	Volkmer	Yates
Stark	Watt (NC)	Zimmer

NOT VOTING—17

Ackerman	Lewis (CA)	Quinn
Bonior	Lightfoot	Stokes
DeFazio	McInnis	Towns
Gunderson	Mfume	Visclosky
Gutierrez	Pryce	Young (FL)
Hancock	Quillen	

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The Clerk announced the following pairs:

On this vote:

Mr. Quillen for, with Mr. DeFazio against.
Mr. Lightfoot for, with Mr. Stokes against.
Mr. Lewis of California for, with Mr. Towns against.

Messrs. FARR, SERRANO, and MOLLOHAN, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. HEFNER, and Mr. BECERRA changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. GONZALEZ and Mr. DURBIN changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

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

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

There was no objection.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I see my friend, the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. HOYER].

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I yield to the gentleman from Maryland.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I was going to seek recognition and yield to the majority leader, but he preempted me.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to preface my remarks by apologizing to the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. HOYER]. I am sure he knows that it gave me no joy to do so.

Mr. HOYER. It does not give me much salve, Mr. Speaker, but I appreciate the observation.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, this is the last scheduled vote for the day. I am sorry to tell the Members that I cannot

at this time make any definitive announcement with respect to the rest of the day. We have many things under consideration. It is possible that we will have another vote which would be, indeed, an important vote, before the day is over.

It is still our hope that we can find a basis by which we could expeditiously get to that point, to have that vote, and under conditions that the Members might feel comfortable with and be free to depart for their own districts for the weekend. We are working toward that objective, and as soon as we have the alternatives fully examined and brought out, we will come back either to present them or to make another announcement. So if the Members can please allow me to beg their indulgence we will, in just a few minutes, after some cleanup work, take a recess subject to the call of the Chair and try to get this done as quickly as we can.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, the initial observation I would like to make, Mr. Speaker, we on this side are very concerned that we stay in whatever negotiations are necessary to try to overcome this impasse and to accomplish the work that is before us. We are also very concerned, of course, that we give notice to the country and to its workers that they in fact will be working on Monday and that government will be operating on Monday.

Can the gentleman tell me whether or not at some point in time today his side intends to offer a CR which will ensure that happening?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, reclaiming my time, we are working on different alternatives. Mr. Speaker, as you might guess, we were bitterly disappointed in the offer the President's team made today. We find the President's budget proposal to give us scant little with which to work. We do understand the stress of the circumstance that has been brought about by that meager offering. We do have a fairly good measure of the will of the body on both sides of the issue of the possible continuing resolution. We are trying to sort all that out and see what, if anything, we can present to the body before the day's end.

Mr. Speaker, we simply do not wish to make any definitive action until we are fully satisfied we have fully examined all of the options.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will continue to yield, the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. GEPHARDT] and the gentleman from Wisconsin [Mr. OBEY] have what we call a clean continuing resolution. Obviously, that would require unanimous consent. Obviously, neither would be recognized for the purposes of offering that unless there was agreement on both sides, but we on this side would hope that the leadership would seriously consider realizing that there were negotiations that went on some weekends ago when this impasse last occurred on November 13. Whether or not we can get that resolution up—

Mr. ARMEY. Reclaiming my time, Mr. Speaker, I do appreciate the sentiment of the gentleman. I must say in all candor that the President's offering was so meager that I do not believe a clean continuing resolution is an option under consideration.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman, as I understood it, his earlier announcement was that in a short period of time we would go into recess.

Is the gentleman planning to, along with that notification of recess, give us, give Members the notification time frame for which we will be back; in other words, 15 minutes, 2 hours, 1 hour? Or are we just dangling out here?

Mr. ARMEY. Obviously there will be a recess, subject to the call of the Chair, and we will work as quickly as we can, and certainly every Member will have the 15-minute notice.

Mr. VOLKMER. You are going to leave it at 15 minutes?

Mr. ARMEY. Fifteen.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I yield to the gentleman from Virginia.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the majority leader, the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. BURTON], the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. GEKAS], the gentleman from Florida [Mr. MICA], and myself and several others have proposed legislation that we understand was acceptable to the leadership that would avoid a situation that occurred last time we had a Government shutdown with Federal employees, where Federal employees were paid for not working. This legislation would ensure that at least they work and then be subsequently reimbursed. We understood that that might be put on an expeditious track.

Could the gentleman clarify that situation and give us some idea whether we would be able to expect that?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if I may clarify the situation, the gentleman's optimism, I am sure, is understandable. I think the gentleman, though, is excessively optimistic to report that the option that he referred to is acceptable to the leadership at this time, but I can report that it is one of the matters that is being considered. As soon as we can resolve it, we will be back with an announcement.

Mr. HOYER. If the gentleman will yield again, there are a number of Members perhaps on both sides, I have not seen the list, who are interested in doing special orders, either 5-minute or hour special orders. I am wondering whether or not you intend, as we have done in the past, to go into special orders and then if we run out of special orders, to recess at that point in time? In other words, will there be a provision at the end of our business to allow for special orders?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, let me just say to the gentleman that that is

a very difficult question to address, since we do not know exactly under what parliamentary basis we may end our business for the day. So let me just say I full respect the Members' interests in special orders, and we certainly would not engage in a parliamentary option that would have as an objective to prevent special orders. It is not inconceivable that special orders could be, or the loss of special orders could be the consequence of a necessary parliamentary method that we may use later, so again, I would just ask the gentleman if he could just be patient and trust me. We will try to get it worked out.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I would say to the gentleman, I respect the gentleman and like him. I want him to know that I continue that.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, before I suffer any more abuse, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HOYER. Seriously, Mr. Speaker, before the gentleman yields back his time, my point was that historically, in many instances, what we do is we go to special orders while we wait for the negotiations or other items to go on. If special orders concludes and there is still a reason that the majority would want to stay here pending negotiations, or perhaps come back to the floor to do additional legislative business, to have that time filled up by Members on both sides of the aisle going back and forth who want to do special orders.

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My question was a legitimate question, since as we do have Members who had signed up to do special orders, whether or not they might accomplish that objective within the time frame that we are waiting for the negotiations or other decisions to be made by the leadership.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I will get back to the gentleman on that.

Mr. Speaker, for the time being, at least, let me yield back the balance of my time.

EXTENSION OF AU PAIR PROGRAMS

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on International Relations be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2767) to extend au pair programs, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KINGSTON). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

Mr. HAMILTON. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I do not intend to object, I am pleased that the gentleman from New York [Mr. GILMAN] and I were able to work on this bill to extend the authority of USIA to run the au pair program for another 2 years, and I yield to the gentleman to explain the bill.

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. HAMILTON. I yield to the gentleman from New York.

Mr. GILMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding, and I appreciate the opportunity to bring to the floor H.R. 2767, a 2-year extension of the au pair program. I know this is a program of interest to a number of our Members, many of whom have heard from their constituents that have been affected by the expiration of the program. Through a bipartisan effort, we have cleared the way to quickly pass this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I want to acknowledge the key role that the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. HAMILTON], the distinguished ranking member of the House Committee on International Relations, played in drafting the bill and moving it through the committee. I urge the support of H.R. 2767.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. HAMILTON. Further reserving the right to object, I yield to the gentleman from Virginia.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, with regard to this bill, I want to rise in support of the extension of the au pair program for 2 more years under the auspices of the United States Information Agency. I know that this is a minor issue in the context of a much more important issue with regard to the Government shutdown, but many Members have asked us to bring forward this bill.

The program, a very successful cultural program, not only benefits young people wishing to learn more about the United States, but it benefits also a great many families throughout the country in providing important child care and the opportunity to learn from the au pair about the traditions and cultural differences in their home country.

Now, I understand that Mr. JOHNSTON and others have some concern over whether this is a family-friendly measure, with some very attractive au pairs coming from Scandinavian countries, particularly. I do not think that is a particular reason to oppose the legislation.

Mr. Speaker, it is important that we pass this legislation today because it would expire otherwise. We have many families across the country that have been left hanging, waiting for their au pair to arrive, so they are trying to find temporary child care, hoping that it will not have a negative impact on their children. Many families, particularly with two parents working, are struggling to make ends meet and are dependent upon these au pairs. The visas cannot be issued to these young people until Congress passes this legislation.

It is really not fair to them in other European allied countries that have tried to participate in this program months ago to have their visas held because of congressional inaction. They