

minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HERGER. Mr. Speaker, severe storms and floods have recently ravaged my home State of California, destroying entire communities and claiming over a dozen lives.

If flood prevention measures had been available to avoid this catastrophe at no cost to our taxpayers, every Member of Congress would have endorsed them. Mr. Speaker, next summer our Nation will face forest fires as destructive as our recent floods. If unchecked, these fire storms will incinerate public resources, homes, and people. Fortunately, the Taylor-Dicks emergency timber salvage amendment to the supplemental appropriations bill before the House today provides national wildfire protection through the removal of deadly natural fuels from our forests—at no cost to our taxpayers.

This is a deal that Americans and Congress simply cannot pass up. I strongly urge my colleagues to support this timely and tax-free legislation.

ETHICS

(Ms. MCKINNEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. MCKINNEY. Mr. Speaker, it appears my colleagues from the Sixth District of Georgia has a problem recognizing the truth and making up facts to support his medieval ideology. Examples of this include the wasteful Federal shelter that does not even exist, the heart pump that the FDA allegedly refused to approve regardless of the fact that they have not seen it, and his claim that D.C. schools are the most expensive in the country when they are not.

Now it appears that information was withheld from the Ethics Committee about his controversial college course. The ultimate purpose of this tax-exempt course, according to Jeffrey Eisenach, is to, "train by April 1996, 200,000-plus citizens into a model for replacing the welfare state * * *." Sounds like the brown-shirts to me, Mr. Speaker, it is time for an outside counsel.

CONGRESS MUST MAKE BUDGET CUTS

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

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, we hear a lot from Members saying that we cannot cut this, we cannot cut that. But you know something, we have a budget which is shaped like a pie. A slice of that pie is the debt service, which is the interest we have to pay on a \$4.5 trillion debt which, incidentally, is owned by countries like the Netherlands and Great Britain. They actually own this debt, the Treasury bonds.

It takes \$250 billion just today, this year, to pay the service on the national debt. If we allow spending to increase

at the same level that it has increased over the last 5 years, we will add \$1 trillion to the national debt. That means that the slice of the pie will no longer be \$250 billion, it will be \$360 billion. And as this slice of the pie to pay off the interest on that debt without even lowering the debt grows, it means less money to help those people who truly need help, like the aged, blind, and disabled.

Keep that in mind when Members say do not cut this or do not cut that. We have to cut them all equally.

THE GINGRICH HEALTH CARE PLAN

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

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, there is a new health care plan available to some members of the public, it is called Newtcare. Under this plan, you work for a Member of Congress for 1 month each year for just \$100, in return you are entitled to the Government's generous health care benefits. Under Newtcare, you will likely save hundreds, perhaps thousands, of dollars on your health care costs.

But wait, this is not a dream or a fantasy, at least for a select few. Last week the Capitol Hill newspaper, Roll Call, reported that a fundraiser for Speaker GINGRICH, Nancy Bocskor, has been put on the Government payroll for 1 month in 1991, 1992, and 1993, enabling her to participate in the Government employee health care plan.

Mr. Speaker, this practice may or may not violate the rules of the House. But it is wrong, just plain wrong. More importantly, this is but the latest example of the Speaker of this House pushing the rules to the limit and, perhaps, crossing the line.

There are many charges, serious charges, swirling around the Speaker of the House. Only an outside, independent counsel, can tell us for sure whether the Speaker has crossed the line. We need an outside counsel and we need one now.

STOPPING RUNAWAY INFLATION

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

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, in my hand is the most expensive credit card in the history of the world, a credit card that has piled up 4.7 trillion dollars' worth of debt and \$247 billion in budget deficits for as far as the eye can see.

This credit card is a voting card for Members of Congress. We are continuing to imprison our children and theirs by this runaway spending.

Today on this floor House Republicans are going to begin the effort to stop this runaway spending with a \$17 billion rescission package, and in May we are going to lay out a 7-year plan to

balance our budget. And we believe that this year we need to make a significant downpayment on that effort.

We are going to be hearing from the left how we are hurting this and stopping this, all of the pain today. And I will say this: There will be pain today, there will be discomfort, but our effort is to make the courageous decisions to protect our children and their children.

DON EDWARDS SAN FRANCISCO BAY WILDLIFE REFUGE

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

Mr. MINETA. Mr. Speaker, today I will introduce legislation to name the San Francisco Bay Wildlife Refuge after our distinguished former colleague Don Edwards.

Without Don Edwards, the creation of this wildlife refuge would have not been possible. Throughout the environmental community, Don is recognized as the father of this precious sanctuary.

Don was successful in passing legislation to establish the refuge by authorizing the Federal Government to acquire 20,000 acres of land around the San Francisco Bay.

In the years following, Don fought to secure appropriations for land acquisition for the refuge, and to expand the authorization of the refuge.

Mr. Speaker, I can think of no more appropriate way to recognize Don Edwards' many years of distinguished service to this body and his constituents than by naming this refuge in his honor.

REPUBLICAN CUTS WILL HURT CHILDREN

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. Mr. Speaker, I listened carefully last evening to the remarks of a Republican Member and other colleagues from the other side of the aisle as they rose in protest of what they want America to believe is the big lie.

They say Democrats are lying about the proposed cuts to school lunch and breakfast programs. They say that they are not really cutting the critically important programs, they are only slowing the rate at which they will be allowed to grow; except hungry stomachs continue to grow. They say they are not really cutting these.

Well, Mr. Speaker, because of the Department of Education figures that project that the population of elementary and schoolchildren will increase substantially, some 8 percent during the same period that the GOP spending cuts will slow the rate of growth for nutrition programs, the net result is not a big lie, it is a big cut.

Mr. Speaker, I am new to this body, but as one who has kept a watchful eye on its goings on, I can clearly remember year after year Republican charges that Democrats are cutting defense when in fact Democrats only sought to slow the growth of Pentagon spending.

What is good for the goose is good for the gander, Mr. Speaker. My colleagues from the other side of the aisle cannot have it both ways.

When the tax cut is going to help not working Americans but those who have it already, I would say let the other guys miss a meal. I do not want our children to miss a meal. Let us not cut school breakfast and school lunches. Our children of America simply need to eat.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HANSEN). The Chair will remind people in the gallery that they are here as guests of the House and that any manifestation of approval or disapproval of proceedings is in violation of the rules of the House.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged motion.

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

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. VOLKMER moves that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. VOLKMER].

The question was taken; and on a division (demanded by Mr. VOLKMER), there were—yeas 6, nays 2.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 49, nays 367, answered “present” 1, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 235]

YEAS—49

Abercrombie	Hefner	Orton
Andrews	Hilliard	Owens
Becerra	Holden	Pastor
Bonior	Johnson (SD)	Payne (NJ)
Boucher	Lewis (GA)	Pelosi
Brown (FL)	Lofgren	Pomeroy
Clyburn	Lowey	Roybal-Allard
Coleman	Manton	Stark
Collins (IL)	McDermott	Stokes
Collins (MI)	McKinney	Studds
Conyers	McNulty	Thompson
Danner	Miller (CA)	Velazquez
Dellums	Mollohan	Volkmer
Filner	Moran	Watt (NC)
Foglietta	Neal	Wise
Ford	Oberstar	
Frank (MA)	Obey	

NAYS—367

Ackerman	Baker (CA)	Barr
Archer	Baker (LA)	Barrett (NE)
Armey	Baldacci	Barrett (WI)
Bachus	Ballenger	Bartlett
Baesler	Barcia	Barton

Bass	Franks (NJ)	Markey
Bateman	Frelinghuysen	Martini
Beilenson	Frisa	Mascara
Bentsen	Funderburk	Matsui
Berman	Furse	McCarthy
Bevill	Gallegly	McCollum
Bilbray	Ganske	McDade
Bilirakis	Gejdenson	McHale
Bishop	Gekas	McHugh
Bliley	Gephardt	McInnis
Boehlert	Geren	McIntosh
Boehner	Gibbons	McKeon
Bonilla	Gilchrest	Meehan
Bono	Gillmor	Meek
Borski	Gilman	Menendez
Brewster	Gonzalez	Meyers
Browder	Goodlatte	Mfume
Brown (CA)	Goodling	Mica
Brown (OH)	Gordon	Miller (FL)
Brownback	Goss	Mineta
Bryant (TN)	Graham	Minge
Bryant (TX)	Green	Mink
Bunn	Greenwood	Molinari
Bunning	Gunderson	Montgomery
Burr	Gutierrez	Moorhead
Burton	Gutknecht	Morella
Buyer	Hall (TX)	Murtha
Callahan	Hamilton	Myers
Calvert	Hancock	Myrick
Camp	Hansen	Nadler
Canady	Harman	Nethercutt
Cardin	Hastert	Neumann
Castle	Hastings (WA)	Ney
Chabot	Hayes	Norwood
Chambliss	Hayworth	Nussle
Chapman	Hefley	Oliver
Chenoweth	Heineman	Ortiz
Christensen	Herger	Oxley
Chrysler	Hilleary	Packard
Clay	Hinchey	Pallone
Clayton	Hobson	Paxon
Clement	Hoekstra	Payne (VA)
Clinger	Hoke	Peterson (FL)
Coble	Horn	Peterson (MN)
Coburn	Hostettler	Petri
Collins (GA)	Houghton	Pickett
Combest	Hoyer	Pombo
Condit	Hunter	Porter
Cooley	Hutchinson	Portman
Costello	Hyde	Poshard
Cox	Inglis	Pryce
Coyne	Istook	Quillen
Cramer	Jackson-Lee	Quinn
Crapo	Jacobs	Radanovich
Creameans	Jefferson	Rahall
Cunningham	Johnson (CT)	Ramstad
Davis	Johnson, E. B.	Rangel
de la Garza	Johnson, Sam	Reed
Deal	Johnston	Regula
DeFazio	Jones	Reynolds
DeLauro	Kanjorski	Richardson
DeLay	Kaptur	Riggs
Deutsch	Kasich	Rivers
Diaz-Balart	Kelly	Roberts
Dickey	Kennedy (MA)	Roemer
Dicks	Kennedy (RI)	Rogers
Dingell	Kennelly	Rohrabacher
Dixon	Kildee	Ros-Lehtinen
Doggett	Kim	Roukema
Dooley	King	Royce
Doolittle	Kingston	Rush
Dornan	Klecza	Sabo
Doyle	Klink	Salmon
Dreier	Klug	Sanders
Duncan	Knollenberg	Sanford
Dunn	Kolbe	Sawyer
Durbin	LaFalce	Saxton
Edwards	LaHood	Scarborough
Ehlers	Lantos	Schaefer
Ehrlich	Largent	Schiff
Emerson	Latham	Schroeder
Engel	LaTourette	Schumer
English	Laughlin	Scott
Ensign	Lazio	Seastrand
Eshoo	Leach	Sensenbrenner
Evans	Levin	Serrano
Everett	Lewis (CA)	Shadegg
Ewing	Lewis (KY)	Shaw
Farr	Lightfoot	Shays
Fawell	Lincoln	Shuster
Fields (LA)	Linder	Sisisky
Fields (TX)	Lipinski	Skaggs
Flake	Livingston	Skeen
Flanagan	LoBiondo	Skelton
Foley	Longley	Slaughter
Forbes	Lucas	Smith (MI)
Fowler	Luther	Smith (NJ)
Fox	Maloney	Smith (TX)
Franks (CT)	Manzullo	Smith (WA)

Solomon	Thurman	Waxman
Souder	Tiahrt	Weldon (FL)
Spence	Torkildsen	Weldon (PA)
Spratt	Torres	Weller
Stearns	Torricelli	White
Stenholm	Towns	Whitfield
Stockman	Trafigant	Wicker
Stump	Tucker	Williams
Stupak	Upton	Wilson
Talent	Vento	Wolf
Tanner	Visclosky	Wyden
Tate	Vucanovich	Wynn
Tauzin	Waldholtz	Yates
Taylor (MS)	Walker	Young (AK)
Taylor (NC)	Walsh	Young (FL)
Tejeda	Wamp	Zeliff
Thomas	Ward	Zimmer
Thornberry	Waters	
Thornton	Watts (OK)	

ANSWERED “PRESENT”—1

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NOT VOTING—17

Allard	Frost	Moakley
Bereuter	Hall (OH)	Parker
Blute	Hastings (FL)	Rose
Crane	Martinez	Roth
Cubin	McCrery	Woolsey
Fazio	Metcalfe	

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Messrs. DEUTSCH, CLAY, GILLMOR, KLUG, BISHOP, MINETA, and ROYCE, Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Mr. YATES, and Ms. DELAURO changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Ms. LOFGREN and MESSRS. HILLIARD, PAYNE of New Jersey, and OWENS changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

Mr. FATTAH changed his vote from “yea” to “present.”

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PROVIDING AMOUNTS FOR EXPENSES OF CERTAIN COMMITTEES OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN THE 104TH CONGRESS

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on House Oversight, I offer a privileged resolution (H. Res. 107) providing amounts for the expenses of certain committees of the House of Representatives in the 104th Congress, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HANSEN). The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 107

Resolved,

SECTION 1. COMMITTEE EXPENSES FOR THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH CONGRESS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—With respect to the One Hundred Fourth Congress, there shall be paid out of the applicable accounts of the House of Representatives, in accordance with this primary expense resolution, not more than the amount specified in subsection (b) for the expenses of each committee named in that subsection, including—

- (1) the expenses of all staff salaries;
- (2) the expenses of consultant services under section 202(i) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 72a(i)); and
- (3) the expenses of staff training under section 202(j) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 72a(j)).