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Stearns	Torres	Weldon (PA)
Stenholm	Torricelli	Weller
Stokes	Towns	White
Studds	Traficant	Whitfield
Stump	Upton	Wicker
Stupak	Velazquez	Williams
Talent	Vento	Wilson
Tanner	Visclosky	Wise
Tate	Volkmer	Wolf
Tauzin	Vucanovich	Woolsey
Taylor (NC)	Walker	Wynn
Tejeda	Wamp	Yates
Thomas	Ward	Young (AK)
Thompson	Waters	Young (FL)
Thornberry	Watt (NC)	Zeliff
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Doyle	KIINK	Quinn
Holden	McDermott	Taylor (MS)
Kanjorski	McHale	Walsh

ANSWERED "PRESENT"-10

Borski	Goss	Sawyer
Cardin	Hobson	Schiff
Cooley	Johnson (CT)	
Gephardt	Pelosi	

NOT VOTING-19

Conyers	Hayes	Meyers
Dicks	Heineman	Peterson (FL)
Fields (LA)	Johnston	Quillen
Fields (TX)	Kaptur	Stockman
Furse	Kennedy (RI)	Thornton
Ganske	Lincoln	
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Mr. KLINK changed his vote from "ave" to "no."

Mrs. MEEK of Florida, Ms. RIVERS, and Messrs. WATT of North Carolina, EVERETT, and DIXON 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.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION WAIVING REQUIREMENT OF CLAUSE 4(b) OF RULE XI REGARDING SAME DAY CONSIDERATION OF CER-TAIN RESOLUTIONS REPORTED BY COMMITTEE ON RULES

Mr. SOLOMON, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 104–809), on the resolution (H. Res. 525) waiving a requirement of clause 4(b) of rule XI with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE—IN-STRUCTING COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CON-DUCT TO IMMEDIATELY RE-LEASE OUTSIDE COUNSEL'S RE-PORT ON SPEAKER GINGRICH

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of the privileges of the House, and I offer a resolution pursuant to clause 2 of rule IX.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Lahood). The Clerk will report the resolution. $\,$

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Whereas on December 6, 1995, the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct agreed to appoint an outside counsel to conduct an independent, nonpartisan investigation of allegations of ethical misconduct by Speaker NEWT GINGRICH;

Whereas, after an eight-month investigation, that outside counsel has submitted an extensive document containing the results of his inquiry;

Whereas the report of the outside counsel cost the taxpayers \$500,000;

Whereas the public has a right—and Members of Congress have a responsibility—to examine the work of the outside counsel and reach an independent judgment concerning the merits of the charges against the Speaker;

Whereas these charges have been before the Ethics Committee for more than two years;

Whereas a failure of the Committee to release the outside counsel's report before the adjournment of the 104th Congress will seriously undermine the credibility of the Ethics Committee and the integrity of the House of Representatives: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct shall immediately release to the public the outside counsel's report on Speaker NEWT GINGRICH, including any conclusions, recommendations, attachments, exhibits or accompanying material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution constitutes a question of privilege under rule IX.

MOTION TO TABLE OFFERED BY MR. ARMEY

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, in respect for the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, I offer a privileged motion.

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

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. ARMEY moves to lay the resolution on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to table offered by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. Armey].

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

RECORDED VOTE

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

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 225, noes 179, answered "present" 10, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 424] AYES—225

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Archer	Brewster	Coburn
Armey	Brownback	Collins (GA)
Bachus	Bryant (TN)	Combest
Baker (CA)	Bunn	Condit
Baker (LA)	Bunning	Crane
Ballenger	Burr	Crapo
Barr	Burton	Cremeans
Barrett (NE)	Buyer	Cubin
Bartlett	Callahan	Cunningham
Barton	Calvert	Davis
Bass	Camp	Deal
Bateman	Campbell	DeLay
Bereuter	Canady	Diaz-Balart
Bilbray	Castle	Dickey
Bilirakis	Chabot	Doolittle
Bliley	Chambliss	Dornan
Blute	Chenoweth	Dreier
Boehlert	Christensen	Duncan
Boehner	Chrysler	Dunn
Bonilla	Clinger	Ehlers

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Bishop

Bonior

Boucher

Browder

Brown (CA)

Brown (FL)

Brown (OH)

Bryant (TX)

Chapman

Clayton

Clement

Clyburn

Coleman

Conyers

Coyne

Cramer

Danner

DeFazio

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NOT VOTING—19

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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.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mrs. KENNELLY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the distinguished majority leader, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARMEY].

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to announce that the House has finished its work for the week. We will next meet for legislative business on Tuesday, September 24, at 10:30 a.m. for morning hour and noon for legislative business. Votes will be held after 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24.

Mr. Speaker, on Tuesday we hope to consider the following measures: Correction day bill H.R. 3153, the Small Business Transport Correction Advancement Act; Correction Day bill H.R. 2988, a bill regarding traffic signal synchronization; a bill to permit same day consideration of rules and to allow suspensions on days other than Monday and Tuesday; and H.R. 3666, the VA/ HUD appropriations conference report.

Mr. Speaker, the House will also take up a number of bills under suspension of the rules, a list of which will be distributed to Members' offices tomorrow afternoon.

For Wednesday, September 25 and the balance of the week, we hope to have a number of conference reports ready. Among the possibilities are H.R. 3540, the Foreign Operations Appropriations Act; H.R. 3259, the Intelligence Authorization Act: H.R. 2202, the Immigration in the National Interest Act; and H.R. 3005, the Securities Amendments of

The House may also consider a fiscal year 1997 omnibus appropriations bill next week.

Mr. Speaker, as we approach the end of the 104th Congress, we brace ourselves for our usual hectic pace. We expect that a number of other measures. both from the other body and from our own committees, may become available. Of course, we will keep Members apprised throughout the week of what might be brought under consideration.

As previously announced, we hope to conclude legislative business and adjourn the 104th Congress sine die on Friday, September 27.

Mr. Speaker, if I might just add, call me optimistic but it is still our hope that we may be able to conclude by that day and that is the target for which we shoot.

I thank the gentlewoman.

KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker. Mrs. should I take from the gentleman's last remarks that Members should not prepare to stay through the weekend next

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentlewoman will continue to yield, as I said to my conference yesterday, we are at sine die. These are the end times and there are times of great tribulation. I think the prudent Member might be prepared to work not only Friday but possibly even Saturday next week as we try to clean up the year's final days of business. Again, I think it is always useful to speak in the most optimistic terms, but also to be prepared for the possibility delays keeping us either late Friday night or even into Saturday.

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, last week in this very same exchange, in this forum, Mr. FAZIO asked you if you might schedule a vote so that we in the House could proclaim our support of the troops in the Iraq situation. The Senate took such a vote on September 5. I wonder, is there any possibility that we might schedule a vote so we. too, could share our support in this House for the troops that are in the Iraq situation?

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, if the gentlewoman will continue to yield, I thank the gentlewoman for her inquiry.

If I might just also make a point, if I may just digress for a moment, as I talked about our concerns and hopes with respect to the 27th and/or the 28th, we should also recognize it is altogether possible we would perhaps have to work the following week. Nothing is settled until it is settled.

With respect to the kind of resolution that the gentlewoman has asked about, I have at this point not had any member of any committee, any chairman, approach me with any resolution and any inquiry with respect to placing it on the schedule.

Mrs. KENNELLY. Mr. Speaker, I think what I would hope is that maybe we could just take up the Senate bill.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentlewoman for the suggestion, and I will take it under consideration.

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

Mrs. KENNELLY. I yield to the gentleman from Missouri.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, the gentleman knows, having been here in the last Congress, we did not do the martial law resolution which we will be doing for this Congress. I do not have any great reservations about it because we used it many times before and I can understand in the closing days you use

But there is one part of this one that I have some serious problems with. I would like some assurances that perhaps we could get, depending on the circumstances, perhaps a little more notice. It says in here, "shall be in order for a time for the remainder of the second session for the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules, provided that the object of a motion is announced from the floor at least 1 hour before the motion is offered.

Now, my concern about this is, let us say that we are in a recess, and as you know, there will be days toward the end when we will be in suspended recess, maybe for several hours. I would hope that we would make sure that Members have an opportunity, if a bill is brought up through a suspension, which it can be at any time, that at least we have an opportunity, knowing that it is going to be brought at a certain time, we have an opportunity to examine the bill, look at it, have our staff look at it so that we can appraise it before we vote. That is my biggest concern, not that you have the right to do the suspension but that Members could have sufficient time to be prepared to vote on it.

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I think the gentleman makes an important point and a point that I am in agreement with.

Let me just say, one, I would hope that we would not even need to use this authority from the Committee on Rules. Should it become necessary. I think again a primary consideration must be the orderly functioning of the body, and in due respect for the needs of the minority and all Members to be informed as timely as possible for any action pending. I will pledge to the gentleman my personal commitment to do that to the very utmost of my ability.

Mr. VOLKMER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, will

the gentlewoman yield?
Mrs. KENNELLY. I yield to the gentlewoman from Colorado.

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Speaker, this last weekend the Speaker said he had no objection to a bill that some of us have offered, that passed unanimously in the Senate and the President said he would sign. I was wondering if there was any way we could get that to the floor in the last week. That is the bill that would expand the Brady bill so that people who have been convicted of domestic violence offenses could not be able to purchase a gun. I was really pleased to hear the Speaker say he did