but equal and enhanced safety measures

Mr. Speaker, let me finally point out that the existing command and control structure did not help the residents of Durham Woods. It is under the old system of command and control that that explosion took place. We need to invest greater resources in areas that present the greatest risk.

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, frankly, I was quite surprised to hear this legislation attacked by my good friend from New Jersey when indeed both New Jersey Senators not only support this legislation, but Senator Lautenberg, who has dedicated his life to transportation safety, has been a vigorous supporter of this legislation and, indeed, has put an extensive statement in the Congressional Record in support of this legislation

Further, I am surprised to hear attacks on risk assessment, because the risk assessment in this legislation starts with the position the administration has taken on risk assessment and in fact toughens it up.

We all know, nobody disputes, that pipeline is the safest form of transportation we have. Indeed, I think at bottom, what this really boils down to, this debate, is a debate between the old command and control, "Washington knows best" point of view and the point of view which says let's modernize, let's look to the future instead of the past, let's put our focus in those areas where we need the most emphasis and not try to micromanage an industry.

So for all of those reasons, I believe that this bipartisan legislation should be vigorously supported, and I would

urge its passage.

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of S. 1505, the Accountable Pipeline Safety Act. This bill is a modified version of H.R. 1323 which was passed out of the Commerce Committee last year. It is a good bill and will protect the public and the environment from hazards posed by natural gas and hazardous liquid pipelines. And it will do so in a more cost-effective manner.

I have long been concerned with the safe operation of natural gas and hazardous liquid pipelines. Since 1980, there have been at least seven pipeline ruptures in the State of Virginia. The most recent occurred in Fairfax County, VA, when approximately 9,000 gallons of diesel was spilled due to third party damage to a pipeline. Another accident in 1989 forced the city of Fredericksburg to shut down its city water intake when 5,000 gallons of kerosene were spilled.

I believe it is vitally important that our natural gas and oil pipelines are operated in as safe a manner as possible. S. 1505, like H.R. 1323, takes a new and better approach to pipeline safety. In the past, the Congress approached pipeline safety by requiring the Department of Transportation to implement Federal minimum standards which all pipelines are required to meet. Both industry and DOT agree that this is not an efficient use of resources.

The risk assessment and risk management approach taken in S. 1505 will result in improved safety at lower costs. The Commerce Committee is committed to the concept of risk assessment and I believe it is appropriate to apply it to pipeline safety regulations. In this case, this modified risk approach will benefit those living or working near pipelines by making them safer, as well as benefit consumers who pay for the cost of the pipeline safety program by lowering user fees.

I commend the subcommittee chairman and the chairmen from the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee for their hard work on this bill and I urge my colleagues to support it.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. Shuster] that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1505.

The question was taken.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on S. 15045, the bill just considered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HASTINGS of Washington). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5, rule I, the Chair will now put the question on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained.

Votes will be taken in the following order: H.R. 4000; and S. 1505.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for the second vote in this series

RESTORATION OF CERTAIN POW/ MIA AUTHORITIES APPLICABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DE-FENSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 4000, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from South Carolina [Mr. SPENCE] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4000, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 404, nays 0, not voting 29, as follows:

[Roll No. 449] YEAS—404

Dingell Abercrombie Ackerman Dixon Allard Doggett Andrews Dooley Doolittle Archer Armey Dornan Bachus Dovle Baesler Dreier Baker (CA) Duncan Baker (LA) Dunn Edwards Ballenger Ehlers Ehrlich Barcia Engel English Eshoo Barrett (NE) Bartlett Evans Bass Everett Bateman Ewing Becerra Farr Fattah Beilenson Bentsen Fawell Bereuter Fazio Fields (LA) Berman Fields (TX) Bilbray Flake Bilirakis Flanagan Bishop Foglietta Bliley Foley Blumenauer Ford Fox Boehlert Frank (MA) Boehner Franks (CT) Franks (NJ) Bonior Frelinghuysen Bono Frisa Borski Funderburk Brewster Furse Browder Gallegly Brown (CA) Ganske Brown (FL) Geidenson Brown (OH) Gekas Gephardt Brownback Bryant (TN) Geren Gibbons Bryant (TX) Bunn Gilchrest Bunning Gillmor Burr Gilman Burton Gonzalez Buver Goodlatte Callahan Goodling Calvert Gordon Camp Goss Campbell Graham Greene (UT) Canady Cardin Greenwood Gunderson Chahot Gutierrez Gutknecht Chambliss Chenoweth Hall (OH) Christensen Hall (TX) Clay Hamilton Clayton Hancock Clement Hansen Clinger Harman Clyburn Hastert Hastings (FL) Coble Coburn Hastings (WA) Coleman Hayworth Collins (GA) Hefley Collins (IL) Hefner Combest Herger Condit Hilleary Conyers Hilliard Hinchey Cooley Costello Hoke Holden Cox Horn Hostettler Coyne Cramer Houghton Crapo Hoyer Hunter Cremeans Cubin Hutchinson Cummings Inglis Istook Cunningham Danner Jackson (IL) Davis Jacobs de la Garza Jefferson Deal Johnson (CT) DeFazio Johnson (SD) DeLauro Johnson, E. B. DeLay Johnson, Sam Deutsch Johnston Diaz-Balart Jones Dickey Kanjorski Dicks Kaptur

Kelly Kennedy (RI) Kennelly Kildee Kim Kingston Kleczka Klink Klug Knollenberg LaFalce LaHood Lantos Largent Latham LaTourette Laughlin Lazio Leach Levin Lewis (CA) Lewis (KY) Lightfoot Lincoln Linder Lipinski Livingston LoBiondo Lofgren Longley Lowey Lucas Luther Maloney Manton Manzullo Markey Martinez Martini Mascara Matsui McCarthy McCollum McCrery McDade McDermott McHale McHugh McInnis McIntosh McKeon McKinney McNulty Meehan Meek Menendez Metcalf Meyers Mica Millender-McDonald Miller (CA) Miller (FL) Minge Mink Moakley Molinari Mollohan Montgomery Moorhead Moran Morella Murtha Myers Myrick Nadler Neal Nethercutt Neumann Ney Norwood Nussle Oberstar Obey Olver Ortiz Orton Owens

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Packard

Pallone

Parker

Pastor

Paxon

Payne (NJ)

Olver

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD—HOUSE

Payne (VA)	Schiff	Thomas
Pelosi	Schroeder	Thornberry
Peterson (MN)	Schumer	Thornton
Petri	Scott	Thurman
Pickett	Seastrand	Tiahrt
Pombo	Sensenbrenner	Torkildsen
Pomeroy	Serrano	Torres
Porter	Shadegg	Towns
Portman	Shaw	Traficant
Poshard	Shays	Upton
Pryce	Shuster	Velazquez
Quinn	Sisisky	Vento
Radanovich	Skaggs	Visclosky
Rahall	Skeen	Volkmer
Ramstad	Skelton	Vucanovich
Rangel	Slaughter	Walker
Reed	Smith (MI)	Walsh
Regula	Smith (NJ)	Wamp
Richardson	Smith (TX)	Ward
Rivers	Smith (WA)	Waters
Roberts	Solomon	Watt (NC)
Roemer	Souder	Watts (OK)
Rogers	Spence	Waxman
Rohrabacher	Spratt	Weldon (FL)
Ros-Lehtinen	Stark	Weldon (PA)
Rose	Stearns	Weller
Roth	Stenholm	Whitfield
Roukema	Stockman	Wicker
Roybal-Allard	Stokes	Williams
Royce	Studds	Wilson
Rush	Stump	Wise
Sabo	Stupak	Wolf
Salmon	Talent	Woolsey
Sanders	Tanner	Wynn
Sanford	Tate	Yates
Sawyer	Tauzin	Young (AK)
Saxton	Taylor (MS)	Young (FL)
Scarborough	Taylor (NC)	Zeliff
Schaefer	Tejeda	Zimmer

NOT VOTING-29

Barrett (WI)	Fowler	Kasich
Boucher	Frost	Kennedy (MA)
Chapman	Green (TX)	King
Chrysler	Hayes	Lewis (GA)
Collins (MI)	Heineman	Peterson (FL)
Dellums	Hobson	Quillen
Durbin	Hoekstra	Riggs
Ensign	Hyde	Thompson
Filner	Jackson-Lee	Torricelli
Forbes	(TX)	White

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

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 449, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present I would have voted "yea" for this important legislation.

ACCOUNTABLE PIPELINE SAFETY AND PARTNERSHIP ACT OF 1996

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 1505.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. SHUSTER] that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1505, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 276, nays 125, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 450]

Neumann

Norwood

Nussle

Ortiz

Orton

Oxley

Packard

Parker

Pastor

Paxon

Petri

Pickett

Pombo

Porter

Pomeroy

Portman

Poshard

Pryce

Rahall

Ramstad

Richardson

Rohrabacher

Ros-Lehtinen

Regula

Riggs

Roberts

Roemer

Rogers

Rose

Roth

Royce

Salmon

Saxton

Schaefer

Shadegg

Shuster

Sisisky

Skeen

Skelton

Smith (MI)

Smith (NJ)

Smith (TX)

Smith (WA)

Solomon

Souder

Spence

Spratt

Stump

Talent

Tanner

Tate Tauzin

Stearns

Stenholm

Stockman

Taylor (MS)

Taylor (NC) Tejeda

Thornberry Thornton

Torkildsen

Traficant

Thurman

Tiahrt.

Upton

Volkmer

Walker

Walsh

Wamp

Ward

Weller

Wicker

Wilson

Wise

Wynn

Whitfield

Vucanovich

Watts (OK)

Weldon (FL)

Young (AK)

Young (FL) Zeliff

Beilenson

Bevill

Thomas

Shaw

Seastrand

Sensenbrenner

Schiff

Scarborough

Payne (VA)

Peterson (MN)

Ney

Allard

Archer

Armey

Bachus

Baesler

Baker (CA)

Baker (LA)

Baldacci

Ballenger

Barrett (NE)

Barcia

Bartlett

Barton

Bateman

Bentsen

Bereuter

Bilirakis

Blute Boehlert

Boehner

Bonilla

Borski

Brewster

Browder

Bunn

Burr

Bunning

Burton

Callahan

Campbell

Canady

Castle

Chabot

Chambliss

Chenoweth

Christensen

Clement

Clinger

Coburn

Coleman

Combest

Condit

Cooley

Coyne

Crane

Crapo

Cubin

Danner

Deal

DeLay

Dickey

Dooley

Dornan

Dovle

Dreier

Dunn

Duncan

Edwards

Ehlers Ehrlich

English

Ensign

Everett

Ewing

Fawell

Fields (LA)

Abercrombie

Ackerman

Farr

Doolittle

Dicks Doggett

Cremeans

Cunningham

de la Garza

Diaz-Balart

Cramer

Cox

Costello

Collins (GA)

Coble

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Bilbray

Bishop

Bliley

Bass

Barr

YEAS-276 Fields (TX) Flanagan Foley Frank (MA) Franks (CT) Franks (NJ) Frelinghuysen Frisa Funderburk Gallegly Ganske Gekas Geren Gibbons Gilchrest Gillmor Gonzalez Goodlatte Goodling GordonGoss Graham Greene (UT) Greenwood Gunderson Gutknecht Hall (OH) Hall (TX) Hamilton Hancock Hansen Harman Hastert Hastings (WA) Hayworth Hefley Hefner Hilleary Hobson Hoke Holden Horn Hostettler Houghton Hunter Hutchinson Inglis Istook Jefferson Johnson (SD) Johnson, E. B. Johnson, Sam Jones Kim Kingston Klug Knollenberg Kolbe LaHood Largent Latham LaTourette Laughlin Leach Lewis (CA) Lewis (KY) Lightfoot Lincoln Linder Livingston Lucas Martini Mascara McCarthy McCollum McCrery McDade McHugh McInnis McIntosh

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McKeon

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Mica Miller (FL)

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NOT VOTING-32

Barrett (WI) Kennedy (MA) Berman Fox Boucher Frost King Green (TX) Lewis (GA) Chapman Hayes Heineman Chrysler Moorhead Collins (MI) Peterson (FL) Dellums Herger Quillen Radanovich Dixon Hoekstra Durbin Hyde Thompson Jackson-Lee Torricelli Forbes (TX) White

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MORELLA and Mr. SHAYS d their vote from "yea" to Mrs. changed their vote from

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. FOX of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 450 I was called away from the House floor and therefore was not recorded on rollcall No. 450. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 3937

Mr. SANDERS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name

removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 3937.
The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HASTINGS of Washington). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Vermont?

There was no objection.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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