

who establish sites are able to put anything they want on them, and in any fashion. Typically, committees post background information and pictures of committee members, committee rules and procedures, press releases, speeches by the chairman—all sorts of things. If minority Web pages are inserted somewhere in the mix of all that, they are likely to receive much less attention than they would if they were presented on a separate Web site, where the format could be designed as the minority wishes.

We ask our Republican friends to consider whether this is the policy they would want to live under if they were in the minority, as they were during the last Congress and will be again, sooner or later, in the future. Our guess is that it is not.

On more point on this matter: the majority has argued that even if they believe the membership should consider this amendment, it would not be appropriate to allow it as part of the debate on this appropriations, bill, since the committee of jurisdiction—in this case, the House Oversight Committee—objects to making it in order. As a general rule, we agree with the policy, which was established when Democrats controlled the House, of not allowing amendments in such cases.

However, in this particular case, Mr. Speaker, there will not be an opportunity to address this issue, since the policy is one that exists as a directive from the House Oversight Committee, and does not require the approval of the full House. The legislative branch appropriations bill is thus the only vehicle we see for resolving this matter.

There is one further matter I would like to point out about the rule, if I may, Mr. Speaker, and that is that it waives two important provisions of the Budget Act: section 302, which prohibits consideration of legislation which exceeds a committee's allocation of new entitlement authority, and section 308, which requires a cost estimate in committee reports on new entitlement authority. These waivers cover the bill's provisions dealing with the pay of the director of the Congressional Budget Office.

While there are legitimate reasons for providing these waivers, we mention this matter because we have noticed that Budget Act waivers seem to be increasingly common in the rules that are being issued by the Rules Committee. We want to take this opportunity to urge committees to make every effort to comply with the provisions of the Budget Act and the Rules of the House, and to urge the majority members of the Rules Committee to avoid getting into the habit of waiving these important safeguards on a routine basis.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, with respect to the bill that this rule makes in order, we believe that it deserves the support of the House. In general, it provides an adequate, though not generous, amount of funding for Congress to ful-

fill its responsibilities. After 4 years of cutting positions to a point where we now have almost 20 percent fewer staff members in the legislative branch than we had in fiscal 1992, we believe that the Appropriations Committee has acted responsibly by not reducing funding for staff further, except with respect to the General Accounting Office, where a 2-year, 25-percent reduction in staffing is continued through this legislation.

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Mr. Speaker, I have no requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I urge an "aye" vote on the rule, and an "aye" vote on the bill, which will be beautifully managed by my colleague, the gentleman from California [Mr. PACKARD].

Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. EWING). Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the resolution.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and to include extraneous material on House Resolution 473.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

COST OF GOVERNMENT DAY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 193.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. CLINGER] that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 193, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the Chair will reduce to a minimum of 5 minutes the time for a recorded vote, if ordered, on the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 376, nays 23, not voting 34, as follows:

[Roll No. 293]

YEAS—376

Abercrombie	Duncan	King
Ackerman	Durbin	Kingston
Allard	Edwards	Klecza
Andrews	Ehlers	Klink
Archer	Ehrlich	Klug
Armey	Engel	Knollenberg
Bachus	English	Kolbe
Baesler	Ensign	LaFalce
Baker (CA)	Eshoo	LaHood
Baker (LA)	Evans	Lantos
Baldacci	Ewing	Largent
Ballenger	Farr	Latham
Barcia	Fattah	LaTourette
Barr	Fawell	Laughlin
Barrett (NE)	Fazio	Lazio
Barrett (WI)	Fields (LA)	Leach
Bartlett	Fields (TX)	Levin
Barton	Filner	Lewis (CA)
Bass	Flake	Lewis (GA)
Bateman	Flanagan	Lewis (KY)
Bentsen	Forbes	Lightfoot
Bereuter	Fowler	Linder
Berman	Fox	Lipinski
Bevill	Frank (MA)	Livingston
Bilbray	Franks (CT)	LoBiondo
Bilirakis	Franks (NJ)	Lofgren
Bliley	Frelinghuysen	Longley
Blumenauer	Frisa	Lowe
Blute	Frost	Lucas
Boehlert	Funderburk	Luther
Boehner	Furse	Maloney
Bonilla	Gallegly	Manzullo
Bonior	Ganske	Markey
Bono	Gejdenson	Martinez
Borski	Gekas	Martini
Boucher	Gephardt	Mascara
Brewster	Geren	Matsui
Browder	Gilchrest	McCarthy
Brown (CA)	Gillmor	McCollum
Brown (OH)	Gilman	McCrery
Brownback	Gonzalez	McHale
Bryant (TN)	Goodlatte	McHugh
Bryant (TX)	Goodling	McInnis
Bunn	Gordon	McIntosh
Bunning	Goss	McKeon
Burr	Graham	McNulty
Burton	Green (TX)	Menendez
Buyer	Greene (UT)	Metcalf
Callahan	Greenwood	Meyers
Calvert	Gunderson	Mica
Camp	Gutierrez	Millender-
Campbell	Gutknecht	McDonald
Canady	Hall (TX)	Miller (FL)
Cardin	Hamilton	Minge
Castle	Hancock	Mink
Chabot	Hansen	Moakley
Chambliss	Harman	Molinari
Chapman	Hastert	Montgomery
Chenoweth	Hastings (FL)	Moorhead
Christensen	Hastings (WA)	Moran
Chrysler	Hayworth	Morella
Clement	Hefley	Murtha
Clinger	Hefner	Myers
Clyburn	Heineman	Myrick
Coble	Herger	Nadler
Coburn	Hilliard	Neal
Collins (GA)	Hinchey	Nethercutt
Combest	Hoekstra	Neumann
Condit	Hoke	Ney
Cooley	Holden	Nussle
Costello	Horn	Olver
Cox	Hostettler	Ortiz
Cramer	Houghton	Orton
Crane	Hoyer	Owens
Crapo	Hunter	Oxley
Cremeans	Hutchinson	Packard
Cubin	Hyde	Pallone
Cummings	Inglis	Parker
Cunningham	Istook	Pastor
Danner	Jackson (IL)	Paxon
Davis	Jackson-Lee	Payne (NJ)
de la Garza	(TX)	Payne (VA)
Deal	Jacobs	Peterson (FL)
DeFazio	Jefferson	Peterson (MN)
DeLauro	Johnson (CT)	Pickett
DeLay	Johnson (SD)	Pombo
Deutsch	Johnson, Sam	Pomeroy
Diaz-Balart	Jones	Porter
Dicks	Kanjorski	Portman
Dixon	Kasich	Poshard
Doggett	Kelly	Pryce
Dooley	Kennedy (MA)	Quillen
Doolittle	Kennedy (RI)	Radanovich
Dornan	Kennelly	Rahall
Doyle	Kildee	Ramstad
Dreier	Kim	Rangel

Reed	Shaw	Thornberry
Regula	Shays	Thornton
Richardson	Shuster	Thurman
Riggs	Sisisky	Tiahrt
Rivers	Skaggs	Torkildsen
Roberts	Skeen	Torres
Roemer	Skelton	Towns
Rogers	Slaughter	Traficant
Rohrabacher	Smith (MI)	Upton
Ros-Lehtinen	Smith (NJ)	Velazquez
Rose	Smith (TX)	Vento
Roth	Smith (WA)	Visclosky
Roybal-Allard	Solomon	Vucanovich
Royce	Souder	Walker
Rush	Spence	Walsh
Salmon	Spratt	Wamp
Sanders	Stearns	Ward
Sanford	Stenholm	Watts (OK)
Sawyer	Stockman	Weldon (PA)
Saxton	Stokes	Weller
Scarborough	Studds	White
Schaefer	Stump	Whitfield
Schiff	Stupak	Wicker
Schroeder	Talent	Wilson
Schumer	Tanner	Wolf
Scott	Tate	Woolsey
Seastrand	Tauzin	Wynn
Sensenbrenner	Taylor (MS)	Yates
Serrano	Taylor (NC)	Young (AK)
Shadegg	Thomas	Zeliff

NAYS—23

Becerra	Dellums	Oberstar
Beilenson	Dingell	Pelosi
Brown (FL)	Foglietta	Stark
Coleman	Johnson, E. B.	Thompson
Collins (IL)	McDermott	Volkmer
Collins (MI)	Meek	Waters
Conyers	Miller (CA)	Waxman
Coyne	Mollohan	

NOT VOTING—34

Bishop	Hobson	Roukema
Clay	Johnston	Sabo
Clayton	Kaptur	Tejeda
Dickey	Lincoln	Torricelli
Dunn	Manton	Watt (NC)
Everett	McDade	Weldon (FL)
Foley	McKinney	Williams
Ford	Meehan	Wise
Gibbons	Norwood	Young (FL)
Hall (OH)	Obey	Zimmer
Hayes	Petri	
Hilleary	Quinn	

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Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois, Ms. PELOSI, and Mr. BECERRA changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. DICKEY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 293, I was absent because of the malfunction of my beeper. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. WELDON of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 293, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. EVERETT. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 293, I was inadvertently detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained this afternoon and was therefore unable to cast my vote in support of House Concurrent Resolution 193, the Cost of Government Day Resolution.

House Concurrent Resolution 193 expresses the sense of Congress that the cost of Government spending should be reduced

so that American families will be able to keep more of what they earn. Throughout my tenure in the House of Representatives, I have been committed to balancing the budget by eliminating wasteful Government spending. I therefore would like to express my strong support for this resolution which commemorates July 3, 1996, as Cost of Government Day.

It is an injustice that western New Yorkers and all Americans are forced to give up more than 50 percent of what they earn to the Government. Out of 366 days in 1996, the average American will work 184.6 days to support the total cost of Government, leaving 181 days of work to support their families.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. EWING). Pursuant to clause 5 of rule 1, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

RECORDED VOTE

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

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 342, noes 53, answered "present" 1, not voting 37, as follows:

[Roll No. 294]

AYES—342

Ackerman	Chambliss	Fields (LA)
Allard	Chapman	Fields (TX)
Andrews	Chenoweth	Flake
Archer	Christensen	Flanagan
Armey	Chrysler	Foglietta
Bachus	Clement	Forbes
Baesler	Clinger	Fowler
Baker (CA)	Coble	Frank (MA)
Baker (LA)	Collins (GA)	Franks (CT)
Baldacci	Collins (IL)	Franks (NJ)
Ballenger	Combest	Frelinghuysen
Barcia	Condit	Frisa
Barr	Conyers	Frost
Barrett (NE)	Cooley	Furse
Barrett (WI)	Costello	Gallegly
Bartlett	Cox	Ganske
Barton	Coyne	Gejdenson
Bass	Cramer	Gekas
Bateman	Crane	Gilchrest
Becerra	Crapo	Gillmor
Beilenson	Creameans	Gilman
Bentsen	Cubin	Gonzalez
Bereuter	Cummings	Goodlatte
Berman	Cunningham	Goodling
Bevill	Danner	Gordon
Bilbray	Davis	Goss
Bilirakis	de la Garza	Graham
Biiley	Deal	Green (TX)
Blumenauer	DeLauro	Greene (UT)
Blute	DeLay	Greenwood
Boehlert	Dellums	Gunderson
Boehner	Deutsch	Gutierrez
Bonilla	Diaz-Balart	Hall (TX)
Bonior	Dicks	Hamilton
Bono	Dixon	Hancock
Boucher	Doggett	Hansen
Browder	Dooley	Hastert
Brown (FL)	Doolittle	Hastings (WA)
Brownback	Dornan	Hayworth
Bryant (TN)	Doyle	Hefner
Bryant (TX)	Dreier	Herger
Bunning	Duncan	Hobson
Burr	Durbin	Hoekstra
Burton	Edwards	Holden
Buyer	Ehlers	Horn
Callahan	Ehrlich	Hostettler
Calvert	Engel	Houghton
Camp	Eshoo	Hoyer
Campbell	Evans	Hunter
Canady	Ewing	Hutchinson
Cardin	Farr	Hyde
Castle	Fattah	Inglis
Chabot	Fawell	Jackson (IL)

Jefferson	Minge	Scarborough
Johnson (CT)	Mink	Schaefer
Johnson (SD)	Moakley	Schiff
Johnson, E. B.	Molinari	Schumer
Johnson, Sam	Mollohan	Scott
Jones	Montgomery	Seastrand
Kanjorski	Moorhead	Sensenbrenner
Kasich	Moran	Serrano
Kelly	Morella	Shadegg
Kennedy (MA)	Murtha	Shaw
Kennedy (RI)	Myers	Shays
Kennelly	Myrick	Shuster
Kildee	Nadler	Sisisky
Kim	Neal	Skaggs
King	Nethercutt	Skeen
Kingston	Neumann	Skelton
Klecza	Ney	Smith (MI)
Klink	Nussle	Smith (NJ)
Klug	Olver	Smith (TX)
Knollenberg	Ortiz	Smith (WA)
Kolbe	Orton	Solomon
LaFalce	Owens	Souder
LaHood	Oxley	Spence
Lantos	Packard	Spratt
Largent	Parker	Stark
LaFourette	Pastor	Stearns
Laughlin	Paxon	Stenholm
Lazio	Payne (NJ)	Stokes
Leach	Payne (VA)	Studds
Lewis (CA)	Pelosi	Stump
Lewis (KY)	Peterson (FL)	Stupak
Lightfoot	Peterson (MN)	Talent
Linder	Pomeroy	Tanner
Lipinski	Porter	Tate
Livingston	Portman	Tauzin
LoBiondo	Poshard	Thomas
Lofgren	Pryce	Thornberry
Lowe	Quillen	Thornton
Lucas	Radanovich	Thurman
Luther	Rahall	Tiahrt
Maloney	Ramstad	Torres
Manton	Rangel	Towns
Manzullo	Reed	Traficant
Markey	Regula	Upton
Mascara	Richardson	Vucanovich
Matsui	Riggs	Walker
McCarthy	Rivers	Walsh
McCollum	Roberts	Wamp
McCrery	Roemer	Ward
McDermott	Rogers	Waxman
McHale	Rohrabacher	Weldon (PA)
McHugh	Ros-Lehtinen	White
McInnis	Rose	Whitfield
McKeon	Roth	Wicker
McNulty	Roukema	Wilson
Metcalf	Roybal-Allard	Woolsey
Meyers	Royce	Wynn
Mica	Salmon	Yates
Millender-	Sanders	Young (AK)
McDonald	Sanford	Zeliff
Miller (CA)	Sawyer	
Miller (FL)	Saxton	

NOES—53

Abercrombie	Hastings (FL)	Pallone
Borski	Hefley	Pickett
Brown (CA)	Heineman	Pombo
Brown (OH)	Hilliard	Rush
Clyburn	Hinchey	Schroeder
Coleman	Hoke	Slaughter
Collins (MI)	Jackson-Lee	Stockman
DeFazio	(TX)	Taylor (MS)
Dingell	Jacobs	Thompson
English	Latham	Torkildsen
Ensign	Levin	Velazquez
Fazio	Lewis (GA)	Vento
Filner	Longley	Visclosky
Fox	Martinez	Volkmer
Funderburk	Martini	Waters
Gephardt	Meek	Watts (OK)
Geren	Menendez	Weller
Gutknecht	Oberstar	Wolf

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Harman

NOT VOTING—37

Bishop	Gibbons	Meehan
Brewster	Hall (OH)	Norwood
Bunn	Hayes	Obey
Clay	Hilleary	Petri
Clayton	Istook	Quinn
Coburn	Johnston	Sabo
Dickey	Kaptur	Taylor (NC)
Dunn	Lincoln	Tejeda
Everett	McDade	Torricelli
Foley	McIntosh	
Ford	McKinney	