

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 345, nays 56, not voting 32, as follows:

[Roll No. 616]

YEAS—345

Ackerman	Engel	Lewis (CA)
Aderholt	Eshoo	Lewis (KY)
Allen	Etheridge	Linder
Andrews	Evans	Lipinski
Armey	Ewing	Livingston
Bachus	Farr	Lofgren
Baesler	Fawell	Lowey
Baker	Flake	Lucas
Ballenger	Foley	Luther
Barcia	Forbes	Maloney (CT)
Barr	Ford	Manton
Barrett (NE)	Fossella	Manzullo
Barrett (WI)	Fowler	Martinez
Bartlett	Frank (MA)	Mascara
Barton	Franks (NJ)	Matsui
Bass	Frelinghuysen	McCarthy (MO)
Bateman	Frost	McCarthy (NY)
Bentsen	Furse	McCollum
Berman	Galleghy	McCrery
Berry	Ganske	McGovern
Billirakis	Gejdenson	McHale
Bishop	Gekas	McHugh
Blagojevich	Gibbons	McInnis
Bliley	Gilchrest	McIntyre
Blunt	Gilman	McKeon
Boehlert	Goode	McKinney
Boehner	Goodlatte	Meehan
Bonilla	Goodling	Metcalfe
Bono	Gordon	Mica
Boswell	Goss	Millender-
Boucher	Graham	McDonald
Boyd	Granger	Miller (FL)
Brady	Green	Minge
Brown (FL)	Greenwood	Mink
Bryant	Hall (OH)	Moakley
Bunning	Hall (TX)	Mollohan
Burr	Hamilton	Moran (KS)
Burton	Hansen	Moran (VA)
Buyer	Hastert	Morella
Callahan	Hastings (WA)	Murtha
Calvert	Hayworth	Myrick
Camp	Hefner	Nadler
Campbell	Herger	Neal
Canady	Hilleary	Nethercutt
Cannon	Hinojosa	Ney
Cardin	Hobson	Northup
Carson	Holden	Norwood
Chabot	Hooley	Nussle
Chambliss	Horn	Obey
Chenoweth	Hostettler	Olver
Christensen	Houghton	Ortiz
Clayton	Hoyer	Owens
Clement	Hunter	Oxley
Coble	Hutchinson	Packard
Coburn	Hyde	Pappas
Collins	Inglis	Parker
Combest	Istook	Pastor
Condit	Jackson (IL)	Paul
Conyers	Jackson-Lee	Paxon
Cook	(TX)	Payne
Cooksey	Jefferson	Pease
Coyne	Jenkins	Pelosi
Cramer	John	Peterson (MN)
Crane	Johnson (CT)	Peterson (PA)
Crapo	Johnson (WI)	Petri
Cummings	Johnson, Sam	Pickering
Cunningham	Jones	Pitts
Danner	Kanjorski	Pombo
Davis (FL)	Kaptur	Pomeroy
Davis (IL)	Kasich	Porter
Davis (VA)	Kelly	Portman
Deal	Kennedy (RI)	Poshard
DeGette	Kennelly	Price (NC)
DeLauro	Kildee	Pryce (OH)
DeLay	Kilpatrick	Radanovich
Dellums	Kim	Rahall
Deutsch	Kind (WI)	Rangel
Diaz-Balart	King (NY)	Redmond
Dicks	Kleczka	Regula
Dingell	Klink	Reyes
Dixon	Knollenberg	Riggs
Doggett	Kolbe	Rivers
Dooley	LaFalce	Rodriguez
Doolittle	LaHood	Roemer
Doyle	Lampson	Rogan
Dreier	Lantos	Rogers
Duncan	Largent	Rohrabacher
Dunn	Latham	Roh-Lehtinen
Edwards	LaTourette	Roukema
Ehlers	Lazio	Roybal-Allard
Ehrlich	Leach	Royce
Emerson	Levin	Rush

Ryun	Smith (NJ)
Salmon	Smith (OR)
Sanchez	Smith (TX)
Sanders	Smith, Adam
Sandlin	Smith, Linda
Sanford	Snowbarger
Sawyer	Snyder
Saxton	Solomon
Scarborough	Souder
Schaefer, Dan	Spence
Schumer	Stark
Sensenbrenner	Stearns
Serrano	Stenholm
Shadegg	Stokes
Shays	Stump
Sherman	Sununu
Shimkus	Talent
Shuster	Tanner
Sisisky	Tauscher
Skaggs	Tauzin
Skeen	Thomas
Skelton	Thornberry
Slaughter	Thune
Smith (MI)	Thurman

Tiahrt
Tierney
Towns
Traficant
Turner
Upton
Vento
Wamp
Watkins
Watt (NC)
Watts (OK)
Waxman
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Wexler
White
Whitfield
Wicker
Wise
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Young (FL)

NAYS—56

Abercrombie	Gephardt	Pallone
Baldacci	Gutierrez	Pascarell
Becerra	Gutknecht	Pickett
Billbray	Hastings (FL)	Ramstad
Bonior	Hefley	Sabo
Borski	Hill	Schaffer, Bob
Brown (CA)	Hilliard	Scott
Brown (OH)	Hulshof	Sessions
Clay	Johnson, E. B.	Spratt
Clyburn	Kingston	Strickland
DeFazio	Kucinich	Stupak
Delahunt	Lewis (GA)	Taylor (MS)
Dickey	LoBiondo	Thompson
English	Markey	Velazquez
Ensign	McNulty	Visclosky
Everett	Meek	Waters
Fazio	Menendez	Weller
Filner	Miller (CA)	Yates
Fox	Oberstar	

NOT VOTING—32

Archer	Harman	Riley
Bereuter	Hinche	Rothman
Blumenauer	Hoekstra	Schiff
Castle	Kennedy (MA)	Shaw
Costello	Klug	Stabenow
Cox	Maloney (NY)	Taylor (NC)
Cubin	McDade	Torres
Fattah	McDermott	Walsh
Foglietta	McIntosh	Weygand
Gillmor	Neumann	Young (AK)
Gonzalez	Quinn	

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

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

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore [Mr. PEASE]. Will the gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SOLOMON led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1747. An act to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize the design

and construction of additions to the parking garage and certain site improvements, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed with an amendment in which the concurrence of the House is requested, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 1377. An act to amend title I of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 to encourage retirement income savings.

The message also announced that the Senate had passed bills and a concurrent resolution of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 170. An act to provide for a process to authorize the use of clone paggers, and for other purposes;

S. 1079. An act to permit the mineral leasing of Indian land located within the Fort Berthold Indian Reservation in any case in which there is consent from a majority interest in the parcel of land under consideration for lease;

S. 1417. An act to provide for the design, construction, furnishing and equipping of a Center for Performing Arts within the complex known as the New Mexico Hispanic Cultural Center and for other purposes.

S. 1455. An act to provide financial assistance for the relocation and expansion of Haffenreffer Museum of Anthropology, Providence, Rhode Island.

S. 1456. An act to authorize an interpretive center at Fort Peck Dam, Montana; and

S. Con. Res. 48. Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding proliferation of missile technology from Russia to Iran.

The message also announced that pursuant to Public Law 105-56, the Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, announces the appointment of the following individuals as members of the Panel to Review Long-Range Air Power: Samuel D. Adcock, of Virginia, and Merrill A. McPeak, of Oregon.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will now recognize ten 1-minutes on each side of the House.

ALLEGED WRONGDOINGS OF SECRETARY BABBITT

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

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, Americans deserve the truth and they deserve an answer. Did the Secretary of the Interior Bruce Babbitt wield political power in exchange for the promise of a campaign contribution? Did the order to do so come from the White House? These are very serious questions that the American people deserve to have answered.

Well, let us ask Secretary Babbitt. First he says, "No." Then he says, "Yes, I did it, but I was only doing as I was told." Now the answer approved by the White House is, "I don't know." Well, how many scandals and how

many allegations of criminal wrongdoing will the executive branch of this Government respond to with, "I don't know"? Well, maybe this Congress should instruct the Centers for Disease Control to investigate the rampant selective loss of memory in this administration.

However, Mr. Speaker, I am here to say enough is enough. American people deserve the truth. I urge Attorney General Reno to appoint an independent counsel to investigate the alleged wrongdoings of Secretary Bruce Babitt.

VOTE AGAINST FAST TRACK

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

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote against giving the President fast track authority in order to ensure that new trade agreements advance the interests of U.S. workers as well as the health and safety of all Americans.

My opposition to fast track is based on our experience with NAFTA, which I believe has been a dismal failure. In 3 years since NAFTA was implemented, the U.S. trade deficit with Mexico has skyrocketed, leading to the loss of hundreds of thousands of U.S. jobs. Environmental problems along the border with Mexico have gotten worse. Drug trafficking has increased. The public health in the United States has been threatened by the importation of tainted food.

The President made all kinds of promises with NAFTA a few years ago and is making more promises now. But these promises in the form of NAFTA side agreements on the environment and labor have not been kept. I urge my colleagues to vote against fast track. Do not be led astray by false promises again.

MIDDLE-CLASS TAXPAYERS NEED IRA EXPANSION

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

Mr. SAXTON. Mr. Speaker, I have spoken on a number of previous occasions on the need to expand IRA accounts. Today I would like to cite the need for middle-class parents to save for college education as an important reason for further IRA expansion.

Earlier this year, I introduced a bill to expand IRA income caps and deductions to permit penalty-free withdrawals for a number of purposes, including college education. And I am very pleased that the tax bill we passed last summer lifted some of the income caps to benefit more middle-income families.

Although good progress has been made in the expansion of IRA eligibility for college expenses, much more is needed. The main problem is that

IRA deduction ceilings remain, and have remained so for some decades, at \$2,000. It is inadequate. The solution is to increase IRA deduction. My legislation would increase it \$500 annually for 10 years, ending up with a \$7,000 cap. Perhaps a more aggressive schedule could even be kept and it would be possible if current budget trends do result in a budget surplus.

GLOBAL CORPORATE TRADE THREATENS NATIONAL SOV- EREIGNTY

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

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, Congress is being asked to give away our national sovereignty in the name of global corporate trade. Fast track legislation furthers the role of the World Trade Organization, an intertribunal of unelected, unaccountable trade experts with the authority to overrule the U.S. Congress, to overrule our national, State, and local laws. The WTO can overrule laws which include job creation legislation, consumer health and safety protections, and environmental protections.

The fast track vote is a vote on the preservation of our national sovereignty, our ability to determine our own destiny. Fast track is an assault on our American political traditions and foundations. It establishes the right of the citizenry to have democratically elected officials be able to make the laws here and the standards we live by.

Fast track gives the World Trade Organization the right to overrule this Congress. We begin these sessions of Congress with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and to the country for which it stands. And if we are to remain one Nation, under God, indivisible, we must stand for liberty and justice and we must reject fast track.

UNITED STATES IS EXPORTING JOBS

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

Mr. BALLENGER. Mr. Speaker, while we are playing around with fast track, our neighbors to the north are eating our economic lunch and stealing our job growth. Let me give my colleagues a couple quotes, first from the Washington Post. "Because of a recent free-trade pact between Canada and Chile that lowered tariffs between the two countries, Caterpillar is beginning to lose sales in Chile to a small Canadian competitor."

"If Caterpillar finds that it is seriously disadvantaged in Latin America by the absence of free-trade agreements, the company would consider shifting production out of the United States and into the region, or to places such as Canada or Mexico that already

have duty-free arrangements with much of Latin America."

Some other U.S. companies are investigating whether their Canadian subsidiaries and plants should now handle their business with Chile in order to profit from tariff breaks.

Ford Motor Co. says it is beginning to examine the feasibility of shipping its popular F-series pickup trucks to Chile from Canada. More than 50 Canadian-Chilean joint ventures are already operating, and some of those are already shipping to other Latin American countries.

Mr. Speaker, as the AFL-CIO sticks its head in the sand, we are exporting jobs.

FAST TRACK SHIPS JOBS OVERSEAS

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

Mr. TRAFICANT. Mr. Speaker, I am opposed to fast track. When American workers are serving Mexican tomatoes and Canadian beef at Burger King and Bob Evans, something is very wrong. The American workers are not dumb. They are fed up, they are sick and tired of unemployment compensation, sick and tired of retraining, sick and tired of promises. They are sick and tired of politics. They are busted, disgusted, and cannot be trusted to vote for cerebral politicians who continue to ship their jobs overseas.

Now, as far as I am concerned, I listened to all this "bridge to the 21st century" business. I say the bridge to the 21st century is turning into another bridge over the River Kwai. Beam me up. Bridge this, Mr. President.

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SUPPORT H.R. 1129, MICROCREDIT FOR SELF-RELIANCE ACT

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

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I urge the House today to support H.R. 1129, the Microcredit for Self-Reliance Act which is up on suspension today. Microcredit is one of the universally recognized U.S. programs that has produced incredibly significant and positive results. This bill introduced by the gentleman from New York [Mr. HOUGHTON] and the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. HALL] will continue the great work that has been done using this economic assistance plan.

Microcredit provides small loans to people who want to start a business but would not be able to secure normal financing. It has worked well in Africa where it has been successfully used in many countries. It is especially effective in promoting women's rights and family development. I would also like