

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, the American people continue to wait for real campaign finance reform. The need for campaign finance reform is clear. Both parties raised millions and millions of dollars last year, twice as much as they raised just 4 years ago. The Senate is scheduling a vote on campaign finance reform; the President is waiting for a deal. Two years ago, just 2 years ago, the Speaker shook hands with the President on the promise of campaign finance reform. What happened to that promise? What happened to that vow? What happened to his word?

The American people deserve better, Mr. Speaker, than to be stonewalled, put down, put off and ignored. They deserve to be heard. They deserve to be respected. The Speaker is the only one in Washington standing in the way of campaign finance reform.

Mr. Speaker, it is time to end the delay. Schedule a vote on campaign finance reform today.

IF THEY CANNOT OBEY CURRENT LAW, WHY WOULD THEY OBEY FUTURE LAW?

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

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, listening to the other side get exercised about campaign finance reform would be hilarious if corruption of our political process were not such a serious matter. We can just see the White House now with their new slogan, "We've got four more years so let's change the rules." Does the other side really think that the American people think it is OK to break the rules? Then carry on about how we need to change them? Does the other side really feel comfortable defending deliberate attempts to violate the law and then blame the existence of the law as the real problem? Does the other side really think the White House is above the law, that all the little people have to obey the law but they are exempt from having to do so?

No matter how many times the other side wants to change the subject by talking about campaign finance reform the truth will finally come out. If they cannot obey the current law, what makes anybody think they will obey future law?

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. GEPHARDT. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

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

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

MOTION OFFERED BY MR. DOGGETT

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I move to reconsider the ordering of the yeas and nays.

MOTION OFFERED BY MR. MCINNIS

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, I move to lay on the table the motion to reconsider.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Colorado [Mr. MCINNIS] to lay on the table the motion to reconsider offered by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DOGGETT].

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

Mr. DOGGETT. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 15-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 217, nays 197, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 428]

YEAS—217

Aderholt	Ehlers	Kolbe
Archer	Ehrlich	LaHood
Armey	Emerson	Latham
Bachus	English	LaTourette
Baker	Ensign	Lazio
Ballenger	Everett	Leach
Barr	Ewing	Lewis (CA)
Barrett (NE)	Foley	Lewis (KY)
Bartlett	Forbes	Linder
Barton	Fowler	LoBiondo
Bass	Fox	Lucas
Bateman	Franks (NJ)	Manzullo
Bereuter	Frelinghuysen	McCollum
Bilbray	Gallegly	McCrery
Bilirakis	Ganske	McDade
Blunt	Gekas	McHugh
Boehlert	Gibbons	McInnis
Boehner	Gilchrest	McIntosh
Bono	Gillmor	McKeon
Brady	Gilman	Metcalfe
Bryant	Goodlatte	Mica
Bunning	Goodling	Miller (FL)
Burr	Goss	Moran (KS)
Burton	Graham	Morella
Buyer	Granger	Myrick
Callahan	Greenwood	Nethercutt
Calvert	Gutknecht	Neumann
Camp	Hansen	Ney
Campbell	Hastert	Northup
Canady	Hastings (WA)	Norwood
Cannon	Hayworth	Nussle
Castle	Hefley	Packard
Chabot	Herger	Pappas
Chambliss	Hill	Parker
Chenoweth	Hilleary	Paul
Christensen	Hobson	Paxon
Coble	Hoekstra	Pease
Coburn	Horn	Peterson (PA)
Collins	Hostettler	Petri
Combest	Houghton	Pickering
Cook	Hulshof	Pitts
Cooksey	Hutchinson	Pombo
Cox	Hyde	Portman
Crane	Inglis	Pryce (OH)
Crapo	Istook	Quinn
Cubin	Jenkins	Radanovich
Cunningham	Johnson (CT)	Ramstad
Davis (VA)	Johnson, Sam	Redmond
Deal	Jones	Regula
DeLay	Kasich	Riley
Diaz-Balart	Kelly	Rogan
Dickey	Kim	Rogers
Doolittle	King (NY)	Rohrabacher
Dreier	Kingston	Ros-Lehtinen
Duncan	Klug	Roukema
Dunn	Knollenberg	Royce

Ryun
Salmon
Sanford
Scarborough
Schaefer, Dan
Schaffer, Bob
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Shimkus
Shuster
Skeen
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (OR)

Smith (TX)
Smith, Linda
Snowbarger
Solomon
Souder
Spence
Stearns
Stump
Sununu
Talent
Tauzin
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Thomas
Thornberry
Thune
Tiahrt

Trafigant
Upton
Walsh
Wamp
Watkins
Watts (OK)
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
White
Whitfield
Wicker
Wolf
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NAYS—197

Abercrombie	Gordon	Nadler
Ackerman	Green	Neal
Allen	Gutierrez	Oberstar
Andrews	Hall (OH)	Obey
Baessler	Hall (TX)	Olver
Baldacci	Hamilton	Ortiz
Barcia	Harman	Owens
Barrett (WI)	Hefner	Pallone
Becerra	Hilliard	Pascarell
Bentsen	Hinchey	Pastor
Berman	Hinojosa	Payne
Berry	Holden	Pelosi
Bishop	Hooley	Peterson (MN)
Blagojevich	Jackson (IL)	Pickett
Blumenauer	Jackson-Lee	Pomeroy
Bonior	(TX)	Poshard
Borski	Jefferson	Price (NC)
Boswell	John	Rahall
Boucher	Johnson (WI)	Rangel
Boyd	Johnson, E. B.	Reyes
Brown (CA)	Kanjorski	Rivers
Brown (FL)	Kaptur	Rodriguez
Brown (OH)	Kennedy (MA)	Roemer
Capps	Kennedy (RI)	Rothman
Cardin	Kennelly	Roybal-Allard
Carson	Kildee	Rush
Clay	Kilpatrick	Sabo
Clayton	Kind (WI)	Sanchez
Clement	Klecicka	Sanders
Clyburn	Klink	Sandlin
Condit	Kucinich	Sawyer
Conyers	LaFalce	Scott
Costello	Lampson	Serrano
Coyne	Lantos	Sherman
Cramer	Levin	Sisisky
Cummings	Lewis (GA)	Skaggs
Danner	Lipinski	Skelton
Davis (FL)	Lofgren	Slaughter
Davis (IL)	Lowey	Smith, Adam
DeFazio	Luther	Snyder
Delahunt	Maloney (CT)	Spratt
DeLauro	Maloney (NY)	Stabenow
Dellums	Manton	Stark
Deutscher	Markey	Stenholm
Dicks	Martinez	Stokes
Dingell	Mascara	Strickland
Dixon	Matsui	Stupak
Doggett	McCarthy (MO)	Tanner
Dooley	McCarthy (NY)	Tauscher
Doyle	McDermott	Thompson
Edwards	McGovern	Thurman
Engel	McHale	Tierney
Eshoo	McIntyre	Towns
Etheridge	McKinney	Turner
Evans	McNulty	Velazquez
Farr	Meehan	Vento
Fattah	Meek	Visclosky
Fazio	Menendez	Watt (NC)
Filner	Millender	Waxman
Flake	McDonald	Wexler
Foglietta	Miller (CA)	Weygand
Ford	Minge	Wise
Frost	Mink	Woolsey
Furse	Moakley	Yates
Gejdenson	Mollohan	
Gephardt	Moran (VA)	
Goode	Murtha	

NOT VOTING—19

Bliley	Hoyer	Saxton
Bonilla	Hunter	Schiff
DeGette	Largent	Schumer
Fawell	Livingston	Torres
Frank (MA)	Oxley	Wynn
Gonzalez	Porter	
Hastings (FL)	Riggs	

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Messrs. ROEMER, LIPINSKI, CLYBURN, CUMMINGS, and KENNEDY of Massachusetts, and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas and Ms. SLAUGHTER changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. HILL, COBLE, BOB SCHAFER of Colorado, EVERETT, PICKERING, WATKINS and TAYLOR of North Carolina changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion to table the motion to reconsider was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CAMP). The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. GEPHARDT] on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 124, nays 293, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 429]

YEAS—124

Ackerman	Greenwood	Moakley
Allen	Gutierrez	Nadler
Andrews	Harman	Neal
Barrett (WI)	Hefner	Oberstar
Becerra	Hilleary	Obey
Bentsen	Hilliard	Olver
Berry	Hinchey	Pallone
Bonior	Hinojosa	Payne
Borski	Hoyer	Pelosi
Brown (FL)	Jackson (IL)	Pomeroy
Brown (OH)	Jackson-Lee	Reyes
Cannon	(TX)	Rodriguez
Cardin	Jefferson	Rothman
Clay	John	Roybal-Allard
Clayton	Johnson (WI)	Rush
Conyers	Johnson, E. B.	Sanchez
Costello	Kaptur	Sanders
Coyne	Kennedy (MA)	Sawyer
Cummings	Kennedy (RI)	Schumer
Davis (FL)	Kennelly	Scott
Davis (IL)	Kilpatrick	Slaughter
DeFazio	Kind (WI)	Smith, Adam
DeGette	LaFalce	Snyder
Delahunt	Lampson	Spratt
DeLauro	Levin	Stabenow
Dellums	Lewis (GA)	Stark
Deutsch	Lipinski	Strickland
Dingell	Lowey	Stupak
Doggett	Maloney (CT)	Tauscher
Eshoo	Maloney (NY)	Thompson
Etheridge	Markey	Tierney
Evans	Martinez	Torres
Farr	Matsui	Towns
Fattah	McCarthy (NY)	Velazquez
Fazio	McDermott	Vento
Filner	McGovern	Waters
Flake	McNulty	Waxman
Foglietta	Meehan	Wexler
Ford	Meek	Weygand
Furse	Menendez	Woolsey
Gedensson	Miller (CA)	Yates
Gephardt	Mink	

NAYS—293

Abercrombie	Blagojevich	Canady
Aderholt	Bliley	Capps
Archer	Blumenauer	Carson
Armey	Blunt	Castle
Bachus	Boehlert	Chabot
Baesler	Boehner	Chambliss
Baker	Bono	Chenoweth
Baldacci	Boswell	Christensen
Ballenger	Boucher	Clyburn
Barcia	Boyd	Coble
Barr	Brady	Coburn
Barrett (NE)	Brown (CA)	Collins
Bartlett	Bryant	Combest
Barton	Bunning	Condit
Bass	Burr	Cook
Bateman	Burton	Cooksey
Bereuter	Buyer	Cox
Berman	Callahan	Cramer
Bilbray	Calvert	Crane
Bilirakis	Camp	Crapo
Bishop	Campbell	Cubin

Cunningham	Klecza	Ramstad
Davis (VA)	Klink	Rangel
Deal	Klug	Redmond
DeLay	Knollenberg	Regula
Diaz-Balart	Kolbe	Riley
Dickey	Kucinich	Rivers
Dicks	LaHood	Roemer
Dixon	Lantos	Rogan
Dooley	Latham	Rogers
Doolittle	LaTourette	Rohrabacher
Doyle	Lazio	Ros-Lehtinen
Dreier	Leach	Roukema
Duncan	Lewis (CA)	Royce
Dunn	Lewis (KY)	Ryun
Edwards	Linder	Sabo
Ehlers	Livingston	Salmon
Ehrlich	LoBiondo	Sandlin
Emerson	Lofgren	Sanford
Engel	Lucas	Saxton
English	Luther	Schaefer, Dan
Ensign	Manton	Schaffer, Bob
Everett	Manzullo	Sensenbrenner
Ewing	Mascara	Serrano
Fawell	McCarthy (MO)	Sessions
Foley	McCrery	Shadegg
Forbes	McDade	Shaw
Fowler	McHale	Shays
Fox	McHugh	Sherman
Franks (NJ)	McInnis	Shimkus
Frelinghuysen	McIntosh	Shuster
Frost	McIntyre	Sisisky
Gallegly	McKeon	Skaggs
Ganske	McKinney	Skeen
Gekas	Metcalf	Skelton
Gibbons	Mica	Smith (MI)
Gilchrest	Millender-	Smith (NJ)
Gillmor	McDonald	Smith (OR)
Goode	Miller (FL)	Smith (TX)
Goodlatte	Minge	Smith, Linda
Gordon	Mollohan	Snowbarger
Goss	Moran (KS)	Solomon
Graham	Moran (VA)	Souder
Granger	Morella	Spence
Green	Murtha	Stearns
Gutknecht	Myrick	Stenholm
Hall (OH)	Nethercutt	Stokes
Hall (TX)	Neumann	Stump
Hamilton	Ney	Sununu
Hansen	Northup	Talent
Hastert	Norwood	Tanner
Hastings (WA)	Nussle	Tauzin
Hayworth	Ortiz	Taylor (MS)
Hefley	Owens	Taylor (NC)
Herger	Oxley	Thomas
Hill	Packard	Thornberry
Hobson	Pappas	Thune
Hoekstra	Parker	Thurman
Holden	Pascrell	Tiahrt
Hoolley	Pastor	Trafficant
Horn	Paul	Turner
Hostettler	Paxon	Upton
Houghton	Pease	Visclosky
Hulshof	Peterson (MN)	Walsh
Hyde	Peterson (PA)	Wamp
Inglis	Petri	Watkins
Istook	Pickering	Watt (NC)
Jenkins	Pickett	Watts (OK)
Johnson (CT)	Pitts	Weldon (FL)
Johnson, Sam	Pombo	Weldon (PA)
Jones	Porter	Weller
Kanjorski	Portman	White
Kasich	Poshard	Whitfield
Kelly	Price (NC)	Wicker
Kildee	Pryce (OH)	Wise
Kim	Quinn	Wolf
King (NY)	Radanovich	Young (AK)
Kingston	Rahall	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—16

Bonilla	Goodling	Riggs
Clement	Hastings (FL)	Scarborough
Danner	Hunter	Schiff
Frank (MA)	Hutchinson	Wynn
Gilman	Largent	
Gonzalez	McCollum	

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

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO SPEAK OUT OF ORDER

Mr. HINCHEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to speak out of order for 1 minute in order to pose a question to the majority leader or his designee.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BE-REUTER). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

Mr. MCINNIS. I object, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2209, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1998

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 238 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will suspend.

POINT OF ORDER

Mr. HINCHEY. Point of order, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York [Mr. HINCHEY] will state his point of order.

Mr. HINCHEY. My point of order, Mr. Speaker, is that the House is currently being operated in a disorderly fashion.

Mr. MCINNIS. That is not a point of order.

Mr. HINCHEY. The propensity of the majority to schedule long hiatuses day after day in the middle of the proceedings in order that some Members may socialize betrays not just a lack of consideration—

Mr. MCINNIS. Regular order.

Mr. HINCHEY. Of the Members, but it betrays also a deep-seated—

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, regular order.

Mr. HINCHEY. The House is being operated in a disorderly manner.

Mr. MCINNIS. Regular order.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York has not stated a proper point of order.

The gentleman from Colorado [Mr. McInnis] is recognized.

Mr. MCINNIS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 238 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 238

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2209) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived.