

an IRS that gives one absolutely no benefit of the doubt, is the same administration that actually claims to be cooperating fully with congressional investigators while putting up a stone wall bigger than the Great Wall of China.

Do my colleagues think the IRS would be satisfied with the sudden "I don't recall" syndrome that happens every time a White House official testifies before Congress? Do my colleagues think the IRS would let them slide with the "no controlling legal authority" defense? Do my colleagues think the IRS would cut them some slack if they got caught red handed and then turned around and said, "The system made me do it, and anyway, everybody cheats"?

I wonder.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Madam Speaker, I offer a privileged motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. MORELLA). The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ moves that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentlewoman from New York [Ms. VELÁZQUEZ].

The question was taken.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Madam 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 vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 132, nays 285, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 465]

YEAS—132

Abercrombie	Dingell	Kilpatrick
Ackerman	Doggett	Kind (WI)
Allen	Engel	LaFalce
Andrews	Eshoo	Largent
Baldacci	Etheridge	Levin
Barrett (WI)	Evans	Lewis (GA)
Becerra	Farr	Lipinski
Berry	Fattah	Lofgren
Bishop	Fazio	Lowey
Blagojevich	Filner	Luther
Blumenauer	Ford	Maloney (CT)
Bonior	Frank (MA)	Maloney (NY)
Borski	Furse	Markey
Boswell	Gejdenson	Martinez
Boyd	Goode	Matsui
Brown (CA)	Gutierrez	McCarthy (NY)
Brown (FL)	Hall (OH)	McDermott
Brown (OH)	Harman	McGovern
Capps	Hastings (FL)	McIntyre
Clayton	Hefner	McNulty
Clyburn	Hilleary	Meehan
Coburn	Hinchey	Meek
Conyers	Hinojosa	Menendez
Coyne	Hoyer	Millender
Cramer	Jackson-Lee	McDonald
Davis (FL)	(TX)	Miller (CA)
Davis (IL)	Jefferson	Mink
DeFazio	Johnson (WI)	Moran (VA)
DeGette	Kanjorski	Murtha
Delahunt	Kaptur	Neal
DeLauro	Kennedy (RI)	Oliver
Deutsch	Kennelly	Ortiz

Owens	Sanders
Pascrell	Sawyer
Payne	Scott
Peterson (MN)	Slaughter
Pomeroy	Smith, Adam
Price (NC)	Snyder
Rangel	Spratt
Reyes	Stabenow
Rivers	Stark
Rodriguez	Stokes
Roybal-Allard	Strickland
Rush	Stupak
Sanchez	Tauscher

NAYS—285

Forbes	McInnis
Fowler	McIntosh
Fox	McKeon
Franks (NJ)	McKinney
Frelinghuysen	Metcalfe
Frost	Mica
Gallegly	Miller (FL)
Ganske	Moakley
Gekas	Mollohan
Gibbons	Moran (KS)
Gilchrest	Morella
Gillmor	Myrick
Gilman	Nadler
Goodlatte	Nethercutt
Goodling	Neumann
Gordon	Ney
Goss	Northup
Graham	Norwood
Granger	Nussle
Green	Oberstar
Greenwood	Oxley
Gutknecht	Packard
Hall (TX)	Pappas
Hamilton	Parker
Hansen	Pastor
Hastert	Paul
Hastings (WA)	Paxon
Hayworth	Pease
Hefley	Peterson (PA)
Herger	Petri
Hill	Pickering
Hilliard	Pickett
Hobson	Pitts
Hoekstra	Pombo
Holden	Porter
Hooley	Portman
Horn	Poshard
Hostettler	Pryce (OH)
Houghton	Quinn
Hulshof	Radanovich
Hunter	Rahall
Hutchinson	Ramstad
Hyde	Redmond
Inglis	Regula
Istook	Riggs
Jackson (IL)	Riley
Jenkins	Roemer
John	Rogan
Johnson (CT)	Rogers
Johnson, E. B.	Rohrabacher
Johnson, Sam	Ros-Lehtinen
Jones	Roukema
Kasich	Royce
Kelly	Ryun
Cox	Sabo
Kildee	Salmon
Kim	Sandlin
King (NY)	Sanford
Kingston	Scarborough
Klecza	Schaefer, Dan
Klug	Schaffer, Bob
Knollenberg	Sensenbrenner
Kolbe	Serrano
Kucinich	Sessions
LaHood	Shadegg
Lantos	Shaw
Latham	Shays
LaTourrette	Sherman
Lazio	Shimkus
Leach	Shuster
Lewis (CA)	Sisisky
Lewis (KY)	Skaggs
Linder	Skeen
LoBiondo	Skelton
Lucas	Smith (MI)
Manton	Smith (NJ)
Manzullo	Smith (OR)
Mascara	Smith (TX)
McCarthy (MO)	Smith, Linda
McCollum	Snowbarger
McCrery	Solomon
McDade	Souder
McHale	Spence
McHugh	Stearns

Thurman	Stenholm
Tierney	Stump
Torres	Sununu
Towns	Talent
Velazquez	Tanner
Vento	Tauzin
Waters	Taylor (MS)
Watts (OK)	Taylor (NC)
Waxman	Thomas
Wexler	Thompson
Woolsey	Thornberry
Wynn	

Thune	Weldon (PA)
Tiahrt	Weller
Trafigant	Weygand
Turner	White
Upton	Whitfield
Visclosky	Wicker
Walsh	Wise
Wamp	Wolf
Watkins	Yates
Watt (NC)	Young (AK)
Weldon (FL)	Young (FL)

NOT VOTING—16

Dellums	Lampson	Rothman
Flake	Livingston	Saxton
Foglietta	Minge	Schiff
Gephardt	Obey	Schumer
Gonzalez	Pallone	
Klink	Pelosi	

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Messrs. KIM, CUNNINGHAM, NUSSLE, PORTER, DAVIS of Virginia, ROHRABACHER, and Ms. DUNN changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. MCINTYRE, BOYD, PAYNE of New Jersey, ORTIZ, OLIVER, LA-FALCE, and RUSH, and Mrs. LOWEY and Ms. LOFGREN changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, on roll-call vote No. 465, I was unavoidably detained in New Jersey attending funeral services for Florence Rothman. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NEY). Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 360, nays 56, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 466]

YEAS—360

Ackerman	Bilbray	Callahan
Aderholt	Bilirakis	Calvert
Allen	Bishop	Camp
Andrews	Blagojevich	Campbell
Archer	Bliley	Canady
Bachus	Blumenauer	Cannon
Baessler	Blunt	Capps
Baker	Boehlert	Cardin
Baldacci	Boehner	Carson
Ballenger	Bonilla	Castle
Barcia	Bono	Chabot
Barr	Boswell	Chambliss
Barrett (NE)	Boucher	Chenoweth
Barrett (WI)	Boyd	Christensen
Bartlett	Brady	Clement
Barton	Brown (FL)	Clyburn
Bass	Brown (OH)	Coble
Bateman	Bryant	Collins
Bentsen	Bunning	Combest
Bereuter	Burr	Condit
Berman	Burton	Conyers
Berry	Buyer	Cook

Cooksey Johnson, Sam  
Cox Jones  
Coyne Kanjorski  
Cramer Kaptur  
Crane Kasich  
Crapo Kelly  
Cubin Kennedy (MA)  
Cummings Kennedy (RI)  
Cunningham Kennelly  
Danner Kildee  
Davis (FL) Kim  
Davis (IL) Kind (WI)  
Davis (VA) King (NY)  
Deal Kingston  
DeGette Kleczka  
Delahunt Klink  
DeLay Klug  
Deutsch Knollenberg  
Diaz-Balart Kolbe  
Dickey LaFalce  
Dingell LaHood  
Dixon Lantos  
Dooley Largent  
Doolittle Latham  
Doyle LaTourette  
Dreier Lazio  
Duncan Leach  
Dunn Levin  
Edwards Lewis (CA)  
Ehlers Lewis (KY)  
Ehrlich Linder  
Emerson Lipinski  
Engel Livingston  
Eshoo Lofgren  
Etheridge Lucas  
Evans Luther  
Everett Maloney (CT)  
Ewing Maloney (NY)  
Farr Manton  
Fattah Manzullo  
Fazio Martinez  
Foglietta Mascara  
Foley Matsui  
Forbes McCarthy (MO)  
Ford McCarthy (NY)  
Fowler McCollum  
Frank (MA) McCreery  
Franks (NJ) McDade  
Frelinghuysen McHale  
Frost McHugh  
Furse McNinnis  
Gallegly McIntosh  
Ganske McIntyre  
Gekas McKeon  
Gilchrest McKinney  
Gillmor Meehan  
Gilman Meek  
Goode Metcalf  
Goodlatte Mica  
Goodling Millender  
Gordon McDonald  
Goss Miller (FL)  
Graham Minge  
Granger Mink  
Green Moakley  
Greenwood Mollohan  
Gutierrez Moran (VA)  
Hall (OH) Morella  
Hall (TX) Murtha  
Hamilton Myrick  
Hansen Nadler  
Harman Neal  
Hastings (FL) Nethercutt  
Hastings (WA) Neumann  
Hayworth Ney  
Hefner Northup  
Herger Norwood  
Hinojosa Obey  
Hobson Olver  
Hoekstra Ortiz  
Holden Owens  
Horn Oxley  
Hostettler Packard  
Houghton Pappas  
Hoyer Parker  
Hunter Pascrell  
Hutchinson Pastor  
Hyde Paul  
Inglis Paxton  
Istook Payne  
Jackson (IL) Pease  
Jackson-Lee Peterson (MN)  
(TX) Peterson (PA)  
Jefferson Petri  
Jenkins Pickering  
John Pitts  
Johnson (CT) Pomeroy  
Johnson (WI) Porter  
Johnson, E. B. Portman

Price (NC)  
Pryce (OH)  
Quinn  
Radanovich  
Rahall  
Rangel  
Redmond  
Regula  
Reyes  
Riggs  
Riley  
Rivers  
Rodriguez  
Roemer  
Rogan  
Rogers  
Rohrabacher  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Roukema  
Roybal-Allard  
Royce  
Ryun  
Sanchez  
Sanders  
Sandlin  
Sanford  
Sawyer  
Scarborough  
Schaefer, Dan  
Scott  
Sensenbrenner  
Serrano  
Shadegg  
Shaw  
Shays  
Sherman  
Shimkus  
Shuster  
Siskisky  
Skaggs  
Skeen  
Skelton  
Slaughter  
Smith (MI)  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (OR)  
Smith (TX)  
Smith, Adam  
Smith, Linda  
Snowbarger  
Snyder  
Solomon  
Souder  
Spence  
Spratt  
Stabenow  
Stearns  
Stenholm  
Stokes  
Strickland  
Stump  
Sununu  
Talent  
Tanner  
Tauscher  
Tauzin  
Taylor (NC)  
Thomas  
Thornberry  
Thune  
Thurman  
Tiahrt  
Tierney  
Torres  
Towns  
Traficant  
Turner  
Upton  
Walsh  
Wamp  
Watkins  
Watt (NC)  
Watts (OK)  
Waxman  
Weldon (FL)  
Weldon (PA)  
Wexler  
Weygand  
White  
Whitfield  
Wicker  
Wise  
Wolf  
Woolsey  
Wynn  
Yates  
Young (AK)  
Young (FL)

## NAYS—56

Abercrombie Hill  
Becerra Hilleary  
Bonior Hinchey  
Borski Hooley  
Brown (CA) Hulshof  
Clay Kilpatrick  
Costello Kucinich  
DeFazio Lewis (GA)  
DeLauro LoBiondo  
Doggett Lowey  
English Markey  
Ensign McDermott  
Fawell McGovern  
Filner McNulty  
Fox Menendez  
Gejdenson Miller (CA)  
Gibbons Moran (KS)  
Gutknecht Nussle  
Hefley Oberstar

Pombo  
Poshard  
Ramstad  
Rush  
Sabo  
Salmon  
Schaffer, Bob  
Schumer  
Sessions  
Stark  
Stupak  
Taylor (MS)  
Thompson  
Velazquez  
Vento  
Visclosky  
Waters  
Weller

## NOT VOTING—17

Armey Gephardt  
Clayton Gonzalez  
Coburn Hastert  
Dellums Hilliard  
Dickson Lampson  
Flake Pallone

Pelosi  
Pickett  
Rothman  
Saxton  
Schiff

□ 1111

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

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, on roll-call vote No. 466, I was unavoidably detained in New Jersey attending funeral services for Florence Rothman. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

## CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2203, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1998

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 254 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

## H. RES. 254

*Resolved*, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2203) making appropriations for energy and water development 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. The conference report shall be considered as read.

□ 1115

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NEY). The gentlewoman from Ohio [Ms. PRYCE] is recognized for 1 hour.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MOAKLEY], the distinguished ranking member of the Committee on Rules, pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only and should be limited to debate on the issue at hand.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 254 provides for the routine consideration

of the fiscal year 1998 energy and water development appropriations bill. The resolution waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report should be considered as read.

Let me begin my congratulating the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE] and the gentleman from California [Mr. FAZIO] for ably guiding the energy and water appropriations bill through conference. The product of their hard work is a fiscally responsible conference report that spends \$1.9 billion less than the President requested, once again demonstrating to the taxpayers that this Congress is serious about cutting waste and prioritizing our spending.

Mr. Speaker, I believe this bill does an excellent job of accurately assessing our Nation's energy and water needs, adjusting the administration's request for water resources infrastructure. For example, the conference report provides funding for important flood control activities of the Army Corps of Engineers, a need that was definitely brought to light by the devastating floods that ravaged the South and Midwest last winter and throughout this past spring.

I would like to commend the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE] and the subcommittee for their continued support of the West Columbus flood wall project. In 1913, 1937, and 1959, melting snow and heavy rains caused the Scioto River to overflow its banks. The resulting catastrophic flood caused the loss of many lives, destroyed homes and businesses, and damaged millions of dollars' worth of residential and commercial property. Ensuring a continued Federal commitment to this project is essential to providing the West Columbus community peace of mind and a real measure of protection from the looming threat of destructive floods. There are examples all across our Nation of exactly the same situation found in this conference report.

I would also note that the conference report continues our commitment to downsizing and streamlining the Federal Government by imposing a number of management reforms on the Department of Energy, all designed to keep the Department focused, efficient, and accountable to the taxpayers. There are more than a few of my colleagues who view the Department of Energy as the epitome of wasteful bureaucracy that has outgrown its original limited purpose. How the Department responds to the reforms implemented by this bill will send an important message to Congress about what the future of this agency should be.

In the meantime, the conference report will provide the necessary DOE funds for basic scientific research, accelerated cleanup of contaminated DOE sites, maintenance of our Nation's nuclear weapons stockpile, and a continuation of solar renewable energy programs.