

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
Traffican
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.

In addition, the conference report begins the phaseout of funding for another agency that has outlived its necessity by terminating the appropriations for the Tennessee Valley Authority after fiscal year 1998. I should note that through this legislation the TVA will receive \$70 million for its nonpower program, but this amount represents a 34 percent cut below the current level and the administration's request.

Mr. Speaker, as the fiscal year draws to a close, I encourage my colleagues to adopt the rule before us without delay so that the House may proceed with consideration of the fiscal year 1998 energy and water conference report. I urge support for both the rule and the underlying legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume. I thank my colleague and friend, the gentlewoman from Ohio [Ms. PRYCE], for yielding me the customary half hour.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this rule and in support of this energy and water conference report. I also would like to congratulate my colleagues, the ranking member, the gentleman from California [Mr. FAZIO], and the chairman, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE], for a job well done. The gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE], in his first year as chairman, has worked very hard with the other body to make sure that House Members were treated fairly.

This conference report will make some very serious improvements in our country, especially in our country's infrastructure, and the subcommittee members should be congratulated on their diligence and on their hard work.

Mr. Speaker, this rule, like most conference report rules, waives points of order against the conference report and provides for 1 hour of debate. This conference report also fully funds the budget request for the Energy Department's arms control and nonproliferation programs as the House has instructed them to do. It restores funding for the Energy Department, which means that they can continue to cut spending through normal attrition instead of making radical staff cuts which could hurt our country's energy program. The Energy Department, in addition to atomic defense activities, conducts basic science and energy research which I think is tremendously important, especially in today's high-tech world.

I am glad that the committee did not have to make major staff cuts, and once again, Mr. Speaker, I congratulate my ranking member, the gentleman from California [Mr. FAZIO], and my chairman, the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE], for the conference committee and all the other conference committee members for their hard work. I urge my colleagues to support the rule.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

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

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes 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 vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 415, nays 3, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 467]

YEAS—415

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Aderholt
Allen
Andrews
Archer
Armey
Bachus
Baesler
Baker
Baldacci
Ballenger
Barcia
Barrett (NE)
Barrett (WI)
Bartlett
Barton
Bass
Bateman
Becerra
Bentsen
Bereuter
Berman
Berry
Bilbray
Bilirakis
Blagojevich
Bliley
Blumenauer
Blunt
Boehlert
Boehner
Bonilla
Bonior
Bono
Borski
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Brady
Brown (CA)
Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
Bryant
Bunning
Burr
Burton
Buyer
Callahan
Calvert
Camp
Campbell
Canady
Cannon
Capps
Carson
Castle
Chabot
Chambliss
Chenoweth
Christensen
Clay
Clayton
Clement

Clyburn
Coble
Coburn
Collins
Combest
Condit
Conyers
Cook
Cooksey
Costello
Cox
Coyne
Cramer
Crane
Crapo
Cubin
Cummings
Cunningham
Danner
Davis (FL)
Davis (IL)
Davis (VA)
Deal
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
DeLay
Deutsch
Diaz-Balart
Dickey
Dicks
Dingell
Dixon
Doggett
Dooley
Doolittle
Doyle
Dreier
Duncan
Dunn
Edwards
Ehlers
Ehrlich
Emerson
Engel
English
Eshoo
Etheridge
Evans
Everett
Ewing
Fattah
Fawell
Fazio
Filner
Foglietta
Foley
Forbes
Ford
Fowler
Fox
Frank (MA)
Franks (NJ)

Frelinghuysen
Frost
Furse
Gallegly
Ganske
Gejdenson
Gekas
Gephardt
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Gilman
Goode
Goodlatte
Goodling
Gordon
Goss
Graham
Granger
Green
Greenwood
Gutierrez
Gutknecht
Hall (OH)
Hall (TX)
Hamilton
Hansen
Harman
Hastert
Hastings (FL)
Hastings (WA)
Hayworth
Hefley
Hefner
Herger
Hill
Hilleary
Hilliard
Hinchey
Hinojosa
Hobson
Hoekstra
Holden
Hooley
Horn
Hostettler
Houghton
Hoyer
Hulshof
Hutchinson
Hyde
Inglis
Istook
Jackson (IL)
Jackson-Lee
(TX)
Jefferson
Jenkins
John
Johnson (CT)
Johnson (WI)
Johnson, E. B.
Johnson, Sam
Jones
Kanjorski

Kaptur
Kasich
Kennedy (MA)
Kennedy (RI)
Kennelly
Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kim
Kind (WI)
King (NY)
Kingston
Kleczka
Klink
Klug
Knollenberg
Kolbe
Kucinich
LaHood
Lampson
Lantos
Largent
Latham
LaTourette
Lazio
Leach
Levin
Lewis (CA)
Lewis (GA)
Lewis (KY)
Linder
Lipinski
Livingston
LoBiondo
Lofgren
Lowey
Lucas
Luther
Maloney (CT)
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Manton
Manzullo
Markey
Martinez
Mascara
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
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McCollum
McCrery
McDade
McDermott
McGovern
McHale
McHugh
McInnis
McIntosh
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinney
McNulty
Meehan
Meek
Menendez
Metcalf
Mica
Millender-
McDonald
Miller (CA)
Miller (FL)
Minge
Mink
Moakley
Mollohan
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)

Morella
Murtha
Myrick
Nadler
Neal
Nethercutt
Neumann
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Oliver
Ortiz
Owens
Oxley
Packard
Pappas
Parker
Pascrell
Pastor
Paul
Paxon
Payne
Pease
Peterson (MN)
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Poshard
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Redmond
Regula
Reyes
Riggs
Riley
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rogan
Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roukema
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Rush
Ryun
Sabo
Salmon
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sanford
Sawyer
Scarborough
Schaefer, Dan
Schaffer, Bob
Schumer
Scott
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Sessions

Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Shimkus
Shuster
Sisk
Skaggs
Skeen
Skeltton
Slaughter
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (OR)
Smith (TX)
Smith, Adam
Smith, Linda
Snowbarger
Snyder
Solomon
Souder
Spence
Spratt
Stabenow
Stark
Stearns
Stenholm
Stokes
Strickland
Stump
Stupak
Sununu
Talent
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Thomas
Thompson
Thornberry
Thune
Thurman
Tiahrt
Tierney
Torres
Towns
Traficant
Turner
Upton
Velazquez
Vento
Visclosky
Walsh
Wamp
Waters
Watkins
Watt (NC)
Watts (OK)
Waxman
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Weller
Wexler
Weygand
White
Whitfield
Wicker
Wise
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Yates
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NAYS—3

Ensign Gibbons Kelly

NOT VOTING—15

Barr Flake Pelosi
Bishop Gonzalez Pickett
Cardin Hunter Rothman
Dellums LaFalce Saxton
Farr Pallone Schiff

□ 1141

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

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.