

of seniors who have fallen prey and unfortunately in many cases have lost their life savings to these unfortunate marketing practices.

This bill will send a very strong message. We are acting for the people of the United States of America who really deserve our help, the seniors of America. I thank everyone.

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Mr. FATTAH. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from the great State of Maryland (Mr. CARDIN), who is a member of the Committee on Ways and Means and also is a better golfer than me.

Mr. CARDIN. I am not sure about the last comment, Mr. Speaker, but let me thank my friend, the gentleman from Pennsylvania, for his work on this legislation and all that is involved in bringing forward the sweepstake legislation.

I know in my district I have heard from many of my seniors who have been victimized by believing that they have won a sweepstake, only to send back information, and the only thing that they found out is that it cost them money to buy magazine subscriptions. They have spent thousands of dollars in hopes of winning the sweepstake that they never won.

The Attorney General in my State, Joe Curran, has documented many, many abuses by many, many sweepstake operators. This is true around the Nation.

This is an important bill. I am glad we are able to move it forward. It is going to affect thousands of our constituents in each one of our districts. Hopefully it is going to change the practice of magazine owners or magazine companies in the way that they sell their subscriptions. They have to be more direct with our constituents and let them know that they have not won a sweepstake.

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Utah (Mr. HANSEN), a good friend of this bill and a colleague of mine on the Committee on Armed Services.

As I mentioned, Mr. Speaker, there were many who had input into this process, and he is one of the gentlemen who has spoken to me about a very important related issue with respect to billing processes through the mail.

(Mr. HANSEN asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. HANSEN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I think this is an excellent piece of legislation. I commend the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. FATTAH) and the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) for the hard work they have done on this.

Mr. Speaker, a lot of people do not realize that at the end of these sweepstakes they enter, what do they do? A lot say they buy something.

I think it is very interesting. I went down to my little town where I live and

where the gentlemen hold court that are all retired and have their coffee every morning. They told me, they said, "I buy this stuff," and they talked about a certain magazine, nine of them sitting around the table. "We all bought this magazine popular in the Second World War. We paid it immediately."

And then what happened? They kept billing them and billing them and billing them, and they sent their canceled check and nothing would happen. This is an outfit out of Florida, and one time after another.

I started checking into it. I said, well, I think you folks do not understand it. I put one in, paid mine, and immediately they billed me. I paid it, and I got billed five times in a row. I finally had to call them up to get them off of it. I tried that a number of other places. I tried it with one on home repairs, and they billed me and billed me, and finally turned it over to a collection agency.

Then I looked at my father-in-law who is 89 years old. I pay all his bills for him. He paid one bill 10 times because he did not realize he had been billed all these times. I commend the gentleman for what he is doing. I would point out, I think there is a predator billing problem going on in America right now. It has an a lot to do with these magazines and all this other paraphernalia they sell through the mail.

There is no way on Earth these people get a response. They send a letter, a copy of their canceled check, and nobody ever responds. There ought to be a way, Mr. Speaker, and maybe it is to the point that this organization called the U.S. House and Senate should do something about it, to take care of the people who are getting bilked by these people.

I thank the gentleman, and I support this legislation. I wanted to add that one further note.

Mr. FATTAH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, in conclusion, I would like to say that the first amendment that I passed on the floor of this House had to do with going after telemarketing fraud. This sweepstakes issue is just another, I think, head of the same animal.

It is of note that just last week the United States Postal Service, along with key government and civic leaders, had a press conference to announce a nationwide effort to go after telemarketing fraud in a very serious way, and I just want to say that I think the House this evening collaborates in that effort by the passage of this very important piece of legislation.

I thank my colleague, the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH), someone who I have had the pleasure to work with for a few years on this committee, and we have gotten a lot done.

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

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

As we have heard today, this is a good bill. It needs to be acted on now, so let us do that.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WALDEN of Oregon). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 335, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended, and the Senate bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on S. 335, as amended, the legislation just passed.

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

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Debate has concluded on all motions to suspend the rules.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will now put the question on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained.

Votes will be taken in the following order: House Concurrent Resolution 223, by the yeas and nays; and the conference report on H.R. 1554, by the yeas and nays.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first such vote in this series.

SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING FREEDOM DAY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 223.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 223, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 417, nays 0, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 580]

YEAS—417

Abercrombie	Deutsch	Jones (NC)
Ackerman	Diaz-Balart	Jones (OH)
Aderholt	Dickey	Kanjorski
Allen	Dicks	Kaptur
Andrews	Dingell	Kasich
Archer	Dixon	Kelly
Armey	Doggett	Kennedy
Bachus	Dooley	Kildee
Baird	Doolittle	Kilpatrick
Baker	Doyle	Kind (WI)
Baldacci	Dreier	King (NY)
Baldwin	Duncan	Kingston
Ballenger	Dunn	Klecza
Barcia	Ehlers	Klink
Barr	Ehrlich	Knollenberg
Barrett (NE)	Emerson	Kolbe
Barrett (WI)	Engel	Kucinich
Bartlett	English	Kuykendall
Barton	Eshoo	LaFalce
Bass	Etheridge	LaHood
Bateman	Evans	Lampson
Becerra	Everett	Lantos
Bentsen	Ewing	Largent
Bereuter	Farr	Larson
Berkley	Fattah	Latham
Berman	Filner	LaTourette
Berry	Fletcher	Lazio
Biggert	Foley	Leach
Bilbray	Forbes	Lee
Bilirakis	Ford	Levin
Bishop	Fossella	Lewis (CA)
Blagojevich	Fowler	Lewis (GA)
Bliley	Frank (MA)	Lewis (KY)
Blumenauer	Franks (NJ)	Linder
Blunt	Frelinghuysen	Lipinski
Boehlert	Frost	LoBiondo
Boehner	Gallely	Lofgren
Bonilla	Ganske	Lowe
Bonior	Gejdenson	Lucas (KY)
Bono	Gekas	Lucas (OK)
Borski	Gibbons	Luther
Boswell	Gilchrest	Maloney (CT)
Boucher	Gillmor	Maloney (NY)
Boyd	Gilman	Manzullo
Brady (PA)	Gonzalez	Markey
Brady (TX)	Goode	Mascara
Brown (FL)	Goodlatte	McCarthy (MO)
Brown (OH)	Goodling	McCarthy (NY)
Bryant	Gordon	McCollum
Burr	Goss	McCrery
Burton	Graham	McGovern
Buyer	Granger	McHugh
Callahan	Green (TX)	McInnis
Calvert	Green (WI)	McIntosh
Camp	Greenwood	McIntyre
Campbell	Gutierrez	McKeon
Canady	Gutknecht	McKinney
Cannon	Hall (OH)	McNulty
Capps	Hall (TX)	Meehan
Capuano	Hansen	Meek (FL)
Cardin	Hastings (WA)	Meeks (NY)
Carson	Hayes	Menendez
Castle	Hayworth	Metcalf
Chabot	Hefley	Mica
Chambliss	Herger	Millender-
Clay	Hill (IN)	McDonald
Clayton	Hill (MT)	Miller (FL)
Clement	Hilleary	Miller, Gary
Clyburn	Hilliard	Miller, George
Coble	Hinchey	Minge
Coburn	Hinojosa	Mink
Collins	Hobson	Moakley
Combest	Hoefel	Mollohan
Condit	Hoekstra	Moore
Conyers	Holden	Moran (KS)
Cook	Holt	Moran (VA)
Cooksey	Hoolley	Morella
Costello	Horn	Murtha
Cox	Hostettler	Myrick
Coyne	Houghton	Nadler
Cramer	Hulshof	Napolitano
Crane	Hunter	Neal
Crowley	Hutchinson	Nethercutt
Cubin	Hyde	Ney
Cummings	Inslee	Northup
Cunningham	Isakson	Norwood
Danner	Istook	Nussle
Davis (FL)	Jackson (IL)	Oberstar
Davis (IL)	Jackson-Lee	Obey
Davis (VA)	(TX)	Olver
DeFazio	Jefferson	Ortiz
DeGette	Jenkins	Ose
Delahunt	John	Owens
DeLauro	Johnson (CT)	Oxley
DeLay	Johnson, E. B.	Packard
DeMint	Johnson, Sam	Pallone

Pastor	Sanders	Taylor (NC)
Paul	Sandlin	Terry
Payne	Sanford	Thomas
Pease	Sawyer	Thompson (CA)
Pelosi	Saxton	Thompson (MS)
Peterson (MN)	Schaffer	Thornberry
Peterson (PA)	Schakowsky	Thune
Petri	Scott	Thurman
Phelps	Sensenbrenner	Tiahrt
Pickering	Serrano	Tierney
Pickett	Sessions	Toomey
Pitts	Shadegg	Towns
Pombo	Shaw	Trafigant
Pomeroy	Shays	Turner
Porter	Sherman	Udall (CO)
Portman	Sherwood	Udall (NM)
Price (NC)	Shimkus	Upton
Pryce (OH)	Shows	Velazquez
Quinn	Simpson	Vento
Radanovich	Sisisky	Visclosky
Rahall	Skeen	Vitter
Ramstad	Skelton	Walden
Rangel	Slaughter	Walsh
Regula	Smith (MI)	Wamp
Reyes	Smith (NJ)	Waters
Reynolds	Smith (WA)	Watkins
Riley	Snyder	Watt (NC)
Rivers	Souder	Watts (OK)
Rodriguez	Spence	Waxman
Roemer	Stabenow	Weiner
Rogan	Stark	Weldon (FL)
Rogers	Stearns	Weldon (PA)
Rohrabacher	Stenholm	Weller
Ros-Lehtinen	Strickland	Weygand
Rothman	Stump	Whitfield
Roukema	Stupak	Wicker
Roybal-Allard	Sununu	Wilson
Royce	Sweeney	Wise
Rush	Talent	Wolf
Ryan (WI)	Tancred	Woolsey
Ryun (KS)	Tanner	Wu
Sabo	Tauscher	Wynn
Salmon	Tauzin	Young (AK)
Sanchez	Taylor (MS)	

NOT VOTING—16

Chenoweth-Hage	Martinez	Smith (TX)
Deal	Matsui	Spratt
Edwards	McDermott	Wexler
Gephardt	Pascarell	Young (FL)
Hastings (FL)	Scarborough	
Hoyer	Shuster	

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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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER
PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WALDEN of Oregon). Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair announces that he will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for electronic voting on each additional motion to suspend the rules on which the Chair has postponed further proceedings.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 1554,
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY AND
COMMUNICATIONS OMNIBUS RE-
FORM ACT OF 1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the conference report on the bill, H.R. 1554.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARMEY) that the House suspend the rules and

agree to the conference report on the bill, H.R. 1554, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 411, nays 8, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 581]

YEAS—411

Abercrombie	Davis (FL)	Hostettler
Ackerman	Davis (IL)	Houghton
Aderholt	Davis (VA)	Hoyer
Allen	DeFazio	Hulshof
Andrews	DeGette	Hunter
Archer	Delahunt	Hutchinson
Armey	DeLauro	Hyde
Bachus	DeLay	Inslee
Baird	DeMint	Isakson
Baker	Deutsch	Istook
Baldacci	Diaz-Balart	Jackson (IL)
Baldwin	Dickey	Jackson-Lee
Ballenger	Dicks	(TX)
Barcia	Dingell	Jefferson
Barr	Dixon	Jenkins
Barrett (NE)	Doggett	John
Barrett (WI)	Dooley	Johnson (CT)
Bartlett	Doolittle	Johnson, E. B.
Barton	Doyle	Johnson, Sam
Bass	Dreier	Jones (NC)
Bateman	Duncan	Jones (OH)
Becerra	Dunn	Kanjorski
Bentsen	Ehlers	Kasich
Bereuter	Ehrlich	Kelly
Berkley	Emerson	Kennedy
Berman	Engel	Kildee
Berry	English	Kilpatrick
Biggert	Eshoo	Kind (WI)
Bilbray	Etheridge	King (NY)
Bilirakis	Evans	Kingston
Bishop	Everett	Klecza
Blagojevich	Ewing	Klink
Bliley	Farr	Knollenberg
Blumenauer	Fattah	Kolbe
Blunt	Filner	Kuykendall
Boehlert	Fletcher	LaHood
Boehner	Foley	Lampson
Bonilla	Forbes	Lantos
Bonior	Ford	Largent
Bono	Fossella	Larson
Borski	Fowler	Latham
Boswell	Frank (MA)	LaTourette
Boucher	Franks (NJ)	Lazio
Boyd	Frelinghuysen	Leach
Brady (PA)	Frost	Lee
Brady (TX)	Gallely	Levin
Brown (FL)	Ganske	Lewis (CA)
Brown (OH)	Gejdenson	Lewis (CA)
Bryant	Gekas	Lewis (KY)
Burr	Gibbons	Linder
Burton	Gilchrest	LoBiondo
Buyer	Gilman	Lofgren
Callahan	Gonzalez	Lowe
Calvert	Goode	Lucas (KY)
Camp	Goodlatte	Lucas (OK)
Campbell	Goodling	Luther
Canady	Gordon	Maloney (CT)
Cannon	Goss	Maloney (NY)
Capps	Graham	Manzullo
Capuano	Granger	Markey
Cardin	Green (TX)	Mascara
Carson	Green (WI)	McCarthy (MO)
Castle	Greenwood	McCarthy (NY)
Chabot	Gutierrez	McCollum
Chambliss	Gutknecht	McCrery
Clay	Hall (OH)	McDermott
Clayton	Hall (TX)	McGovern
Clement	Hansen	McHugh
Clyburn	Hastings (FL)	McInnis
Coble	Hastings (WA)	McIntosh
Coburn	Hayes	McIntyre
Collins	Hayworth	McKeon
Combest	Hefley	McKinney
Condit	Herger	McNulty
Conyers	Hill (IN)	Meehan
Cook	Hill (MT)	Meek (FL)
Cooksey	Hilleary	Meeks (NY)
Costello	Hilliard	Menendez
Cox	Hinchey	Metcalf
Coyne	Hinojosa	Mica
Cramer	Hobson	Millender-
Crane	Hoefel	McDonald
Crowley	Hoekstra	Miller (FL)
Cubin	Holden	Miller, Gary
Cummings	Holt	Miller, George
Cunningham	Hoolley	Minge
Danner	Horn	Mink