

My concern is that the cost is going to run out of control. That is why this amendment would place a cap on the amount of taxpayer funds that can be spent on that analysis of \$1 million, which is twice what CBO says should be spent on this bill.

Now, it is interesting how the other side has done a quick pivot. They said, oh, this bill is not going to cost much money. It is only \$500,000, and it is well worth it. But then when we have challenged that figure and said, all right, we will accept double the amount of CBO, but we think it is going to cost more, let us at least be sure that we limit it, they come around and say, oh, no, no, no. We cannot limit it because it may cost more.

Well, one of my colleagues said, what is good for the goose is good for the gander. Either it is going to cost \$500,000 or under a million or it is going to cost more. And if it is going to cost more, I think it is going to be wasteful.

I tried to pursue a minute ago with the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. RYAN) the idea that maybe we put the cap of a million dollars simply on the regulatory analysis and not on the corporate welfare side. But then the response was back that he did not want any cap at all.

Well, I want a cap for one reason. I want to protect the taxpayers from having their money wasted on analysis for no purpose.

This amendment is important to do now in this bill. We were told, let us work out another piece of legislation. Let us develop a relationship. We will talk about it in committee. We will talk about it after the bill passes.

Well, the leadership of our committee, which is controlled by the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) and the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. MCINTOSH), have not given us a hearing on this. Mr. MCINTOSH said, oh, we cannot do this. We have not had a hearing. They are not willing to call a hearing on this idea of corporate welfare. We have had no hearings on the issue.

We were told when we had the mandates bill, we said, well, if you are going to mandate and require a separate vote in the House before there is a mandate, let us do that when it comes to protection of the environment. We were told, well, that is something that should be in another piece of legislation.

This amendment belongs in this bill. It would add balance to the bill. The bill as written requires analysis of the costs of Federal programs to regulated entities. The amendment would require OMB to also look at the benefits of Federal programs to corporations through various types of what we would call corporate welfare.

Each year the Federal Government gives out billions in subsidies to successful businesses in the form of preferential tax treatment, subsidized loans, grants, and the use of Federal land, assets and facilities at below-market costs.

Many might think that a Congress that has worked so hard to take people off welfare might also try to force successful corporations off welfare as well. But just the opposite is true.

Let us understand what is going on here. Last week this House, on a partisan vote, passed H.R. 2488. I consider it an irresponsible tax bill that does nothing to ensure the long-term solvency of Medicare and Social Security.

What it does do is disproportionately provide its tax benefits to the wealthy, to corporations, to businesses, not to ordinary people who pay taxes.

This tax bill was passed largely on party lines. It contains almost a hundred billion dollars in new direct tax breaks to businesses.

Now, many might want to keep this information secret about these tax breaks. But I think the public has a right to know who we are giving our money to.

The Congressional Research Service has determined that there is not a comprehensive list of subsidized industries. We do not know where all the Federal tax breaks are going to businesses. We do not know where all the grants and the other indirect subsidies are going.

The CHAIRMAN. The time of the gentleman from California (Mr. WAXMAN) has expired.

(By unanimous consent, Mr. WAXMAN was allowed to proceed for 2 additional minutes.)

Mr. WAXMAN. Mr. Chairman, we know if the Hoeffel-Kucinich-Visclosky amendment were adopted it would cure this problem by requiring each year the Office of Management and Budget to identify Federal subsidies and disclose the costs and benefits of these subsidies.

Mr. Chairman, if the intent of this bill is to provide more information to the American people about the relationship between regulated entities and the Federal Government, this amendment will very much help accomplish that goal. There is no reason the American people should not be informed about how their tax dollars are being used to subsidize corporations.

I have heard this argument, what if the person or entity getting a subsidy is an individual business, therefore, you are going to presumably invade their privacy or make it too difficult to understand where the money by way of corporate subsidies actually goes?

Well, that is a sham. These corporate entities can be stated in the aggregate. They are topics. It is not a doctor's office. It is how much doctors get. It is not a subsidy to one corporation. It can be corporations in a particular enterprise. And in that way we will know how much of a benefit is being placed on these corporations when we ask them to clean up the environment and protect public health, when we ask them to come in and make sure their drugs are safe and effective and to get approved by the FDA.

We also ought to know, on the other hand, whether we give them subsidies

that help them deal with that burden, as we do so often to corporations that take advantage of special tax breaks and special grants and special preferential treatments in the use of Federal assets.

The CHAIRMAN. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. HOEFFEL).

The question was taken; and the Chairman announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. MCINTOSH. Mr. Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to House Resolution 258, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. HOEFFEL) will be postponed.

Mr. MCINTOSH. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin) having assumed the chair, Mr. LAHOOD, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1074) to provide Governmentwide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6 p.m.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 45 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6 p.m.

□ 1801

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. RYAN of Wisconsin) at 6 o'clock and 1 minute p.m.

REGULATORY RIGHT-TO-KNOW ACT OF 1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 258 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 1074.

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1074) to provide Governmentwide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits, and for other purposes, with Mr. LAHOOD in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole House rose earlier today, a demand for a recorded vote on amendment No. 1 printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD by the gentleman

from Pennsylvania (Mr. HOFFFEL) had been postponed.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 OFFERED BY MR. HOFFFEL

The CHAIRMAN. The pending business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendment No. 1 offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. HOFFFEL) on which further proceedings were postponed, and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 192, noes 217, not voting 24, as follows:

[Roll No. 335]

AYES—192

Abercrombie	Hastings (FL)	Olver
Ackerman	Hill (IN)	Ortiz
Allen	Hilliard	Owens
Andrews	Hinchey	Pallone
Baird	Hinojosa	Pascrell
Baldacci	Hoefel	Pastor
Baldwin	Holt	Payne
Barcia	Hooley	Pelosi
Barrett (WI)	Hoyer	Phelps
Becerra	Insee	Pomeroy
Berkley	Jackson (IL)	Price (NC)
Berman	Jackson-Lee	Rahall
Bilbray	(TX)	Rangel
Blumenauer	Jefferson	Reyes
Boehlert	Jones (OH)	Rivers
Bonior	Kanjorski	Rodriguez
Borski	Kaptur	Roemer
Boswell	Kasich	Rothman
Brady (PA)	Kennedy	Roukema
Brown (FL)	Kildee	Roybal-Allard
Brown (OH)	Kilpatrick	Royce
Campbell	Kind (WI)	Rush
Capps	King (NY)	Sabo
Capuano	Klecza	Sanchez
Cardin	Klink	Sanders
Carson	Kucinich	Sawyer
Clay	LaFalce	Saxton
Clayton	Lampson	Schakowsky
Clyburn	Lantos	Scott
Conyers	Larson	Serrano
Costello	Lazio	Shays
Coyne	Leach	Sherman
Crowley	Lee	Sherwood
Cummings	Levin	Skelton
Davis (FL)	Lewis (GA)	Slaughter
Davis (IL)	Lipinski	Smith (NJ)
DeFazio	Lowe	Snyder
DeGette	Luther	Spratt
Delahunt	Maloney (CT)	Stabenow
DeLauro	Maloney (NY)	Stark
Deutsch	Markey	Strickland
Dicks	Mascara	Stupak
Dingell	Matsui	Thompson (CA)
Doggett	McCarthy (MO)	Thompson (MS)
Doyle	McCarthy (NY)	Thurman
Engel	McGovern	Tierney
Eshoo	McKinney	Traficant
Etheridge	McNulty	Udall (CO)
Evans	Meehan	Udall (NM)
Fattah	Meek (FL)	Velazquez
Filner	Meeks (NY)	Vento
Foley	Menendez	Visclosky
Forbes	Millender-	Walsh
Ford	McDonald	Waters
Frank (MA)	Miller, George	Watt (NC)
Franks (NJ)	Minge	Waxman
Frelinghuysen	Mink	Weiner
Frost	Moakley	Weldon (PA)
Gejdenson	Moore	Wexler
Gephardt	Moran (VA)	Weygand
Gilman	Moralla	Wise
Gonzalez	Nadler	Woolsey
Green (TX)	Napolitano	Wu
Gutierrez	Neal	Wynn
Hall (OH)	Obey	

NOES—217

Aderholt	Goodling	Pickering
Archer	Goss	Pickett
Armey	Graham	Pitts
Bachus	Green (WI)	Pombo
Baker	Greenwood	Porter
Ballenger	Gutknecht	Portman
Barr	Hall (TX)	Quinn
Barrett (NE)	Hansen	Radanovich
Bartlett	Hastings (WA)	Ramstad
Barton	Hayes	Regula
Bass	Hayworth	Reynolds
Bateman	Hefley	Riley
Bentsen	Herger	Rogan
Bereuter	Hill (MT)	Rogers
Berry	Hilleary	Rohrabacher
Biggart	Hobson	Ros-Lehtinen
Bilirakis	Hoekstra	Ryan (WI)
Bishop	Holden	Ryan (KS)
Bliley	Horn	Salmon
Blunt	Hostettler	Sandlin
Boehner	Houghton	Sandford
Bonilla	Hulshof	Scarborough
Bono	Hutchinson	Schaffer
Boucher	Hyde	Sensenbrenner
Boyd	Isakson	Sessions
Brady (TX)	Istook	Shadegg
Bryant	Jenkins	Shaw
Burr	John	Shimkus
Burton	Johnson (CT)	Shows
Buyer	Johnson, Sam	Shuster
Callahan	Jones (NC)	Simpson
Calvert	Kelly	Sisisky
Camp	Kingston	Skeen
Canady	Knollenberg	Smith (MI)
Castle	Kolbe	Smith (TX)
Chabot	Kuykendall	Smith (WA)
Chambliss	LaHood	Souder
Clement	Largent	Spence
Coble	Latham	Stearns
Collins	LaTourette	Stenholm
Combest	Lewis (CA)	Stump
Condit	Lewis (KY)	Sununu
Cook	Linder	Sweeney
Cooksey	LoBiondo	Talent
Cramer	Lofgren	Tancredo
Cunningham	Lucas (KY)	Tanner
Danner	Lucas (OK)	Tauscher
Davis (VA)	Manzullo	Tauzin
Deal	McCrery	Taylor (MS)
DeLay	McHugh	Terry
DeMint	McInnis	Thomas
Diaz-Balart	McIntosh	Thornberry
Dickey	McIntyre	Thune
Dooley	McKeon	Tiahrt
Doolittle	Metcalf	Toomey
Dreier	Mica	Towns
Duncan	Miller (FL)	Turner
Dunn	Miller, Gary	Upton
Edwards	Mollohan	Vitter
Ehlers	Moran (KS)	Walden
Emerson	Myrick	Wamp
English	Nethercutt	Watkins
Everett	Ney	Watts (OK)
Ewing	Northup	Weldon (FL)
Fletcher	Norwood	Weller
Fowler	Nussle	Whitfield
Gallegly	Ose	Wicker
Gekas	Oxley	Wilson
Gibbons	Packard	Wolf
Gilchrest	Paul	Young (AK)
Gillmor	Pease	Young (FL)
Goode	Peterson (MN)	
Goodlatte	Petri	

NOT VOTING—24

Blagojevich	Ehrlich	Martinez
Cannon	Farr	McCollum
Chenoweth	Fossella	McDermott
Coburn	Ganske	Murtha
Cox	Gordon	Oberstar
Crane	Granger	Peterson (PA)
Cubin	Hunter	Pryce (OH)
Dixon	Johnson, E. B.	Taylor (NC)

□ 1825

Mr. BOYD changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

Ms. ESHOO changed her vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. FOSSELLA. Mr. Chairman, on rollcall No. 335, I was unable to get here to vote due

to inclement weather in the metro New York City area. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

The CHAIRMAN. The question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended, was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN. Under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PEASE) having assumed the chair, Mr. LAHOOD, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1074) to provide Governmentwide accounting of regulatory costs and benefits, and for other purposes, pursuant to House Resolution 258, he reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute adopted by the Committee of the Whole? If not, the question is on the amendment.

The amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on passage of the bill.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 254, noes 157, not voting 22, as follows:

[Roll No. 336]

AYES—254

Aderholt	Burr	Diaz-Balart
Archer	Burton	Dickey
Armey	Buyer	Dooley
Bachus	Callahan	Doolittle
Baker	Calvert	Doyle
Ballenger	Camp	Dreier
Barr	Campbell	Duncan
Barrett (NE)	Canady	Dunn
Bartlett	Cannon	Edwards
Barton	Castle	Ehlers
Bass	Chabot	Emerson
Bateman	Chambliss	English
Bentsen	Clayton	Etheridge
Bereuter	Clement	Everett
Berry	Coble	Ewing
Biggart	Collins	Fletcher
Bilirakis	Combest	Foley
Bishop	Condit	Ford
Bliley	Cook	Fowler
Blunt	Cooksey	Franks (NJ)
Boehner	Cox	Frelinghuysen
Bonilla	Cramer	Gallegly
Bono	Cunningham	Gekas
Boswell	Danner	Gibbons
Boucher	Davis (VA)	Gillmor
Boyd	Deal	Goode
Brady (TX)	DeLay	Goodlatte
Bryant	DeMint	Goodling

Goss	McCrey	Sessions
Graham	McHugh	Shadegg
Green (WI)	McInnis	Shaw
Greenwood	McIntosh	Shays
Gutknecht	McIntyre	Shroy
Hall (TX)	McKeon	Shimkus
Hansen	McCalf	Shuster
Hastings (WA)	Mica	Simpson
Hayes	Miller (FL)	Sisisky
Hayworth	Miller, Gary	Skeen
Hefley	Moore	Skelton
Herger	Moran (KS)	Smith (MI)
Hill (IN)	Moran (VA)	Smith (NJ)
Hill (MT)	Myrick	Smith (TX)
Hilleary	Napolitano	Souder
Hobson	Nethercutt	Spence
Hoekstra	Ney	Spratt
Holden	Northup	Stearns
Horn	Norwood	Stenholm
Hostettler	Nussle	Stump
Houghton	Ose	Sununu
Hulshof	Oxley	Sweeney
Hutchinson	Packard	Talent
Hyde	Paul	Tancredo
Isakson	Pease	Tanner
Istook	Peterson (MN)	Tauscher
Jefferson	Petri	Tauzin
Jenkins	Pickering	Taylor (MS)
John	Pickett	Terry
Johnson (CT)	Pitts	Thomas
Johnson, Sam	Pombo	Thornberry
Jones (NC)	Pomeroy	Thune
Kanjorski	Porter	Thurman
Kaptur	Portman	Tiahrt
Kasich	Price (NC)	Toomey
Kelly	Quinn	Towns
Kind (WI)	Radanovich	Traficant
King (NY)	Ramstad	Turner
Kingston	Regula	Upton
Knollenberg	Reynolds	Vitter
Kolbe	Riley	Walden
Kuykendall	Roemer	Walsh
LaHood	Rogan	Wamp
Largent	Rogers	Watkins
Latham	Rohrabacher	Watts (OK)
LaTourette	Ros-Lehtinen	Weldon (FL)
Lazio	Roukema	Weldon (PA)
Leach	Royce	Weller
Lewis (CA)	Ryan (WI)	Weygand
Lewis (KY)	Ryan (KS)	Whitfield
Linder	Salmon	Wicker
LoBiondo	Sanchez	Wilson
Lucas (KY)	Sandlin	Wolf
Lucas (OK)	Sanford	Young (AK)
Luther	Scarborough	Young (FL)
Manzullo	Schaffer	
McCarthy (MO)	Sensenbrenner	

NOES—157

Abercrombie	Doggett	Lee
Ackerman	Engel	Levin
Allen	Eshoo	Lewis (GA)
Andrews	Evans	Lipinski
Baird	Fattah	Lofgren
Baldacci	Filner	Lowe
Baldwin	Forbes	Maloney (CT)
Barcia	Frank (MA)	Maloney (NY)
Barrett (WI)	Frost	Markey
Becerra	Gejdenson	Mascara
Berkley	Gephardt	Matsui
Berman	Gilchrist	McCarthy (NY)
Bilbray	Gilman	McGovern
Blumenauer	Gonzalez	McKinney
Boehlert	Green (TX)	McNulty
Bonior	Gutierrez	Meehan
Borski	Hall (OH)	Meek (FL)
Brady (PA)	Hastings (FL)	Meeks (NY)
Brown (FL)	Hilliard	Menendez
Brown (OH)	Hinchee	Millender-
Capps	Hinojosa	McDonald
Capuano	Hoefel	Miller, George
Cardin	Holt	Minge
Carson	Hooley	Mink
Clay	Hoyer	Moakley
Clyburn	Inslee	Mollohan
Conyers	Jackson (IL)	Morella
Costello	Jackson-Lee	Nadler
Coyne	(TX)	Neal
Crowley	Jones (OH)	Obey
Cummings	Kennedy	Olver
Davis (FL)	Kildee	Ortiz
Davis (IL)	Kilpatrick	Owens
DeFazio	Klecza	Pallone
DeGette	Klink	Pascrell
Delahunt	Kucinich	Pastor
DeLauro	LaFalce	Payne
Deutsch	Lampson	Pelosi
Dicks	Lantos	Phelps
Dingell	Larson	Rahall

Rangel	Serrano	Udall (NM)
Reyes	Sherman	Velazquez
Rivers	Slaughter	Vento
Rodriguez	Smith (WA)	Visclosky
Rothman	Snyder	Waters
Roybal-Allard	Stabenow	Watt (NC)
Rush	Stark	Waxman
Sabo	Strickland	Weiner
Sanders	Stupak	Wexler
Sawyer	Thompson (CA)	Wise
Saxton	Thompson (MS)	Woolsey
Schakowsky	Tierney	Wu
Scott	Udall (CO)	Wynn

NOT VOTING—22

Blagojevich	Fossella	McDermott
Chenoweth	Ganske	Murtha
Coburn	Gordon	Oberstar
Crane	Granger	Peterson (PA)
Cubin	Hunter	Pryce (OH)
Dixon	Johnson, E. B.	Taylor (NC)
Ehrlich	Martinez	
Farr	McCollum	

□ 1843

Mr. STUPAK changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. FOSSELLA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 336, I was unable to get to vote due to inclement weather in the metro New York City area. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes".

Stated against:

Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall numbers 335 and 336, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on each rollcall vote.

□ 1845

REPORT ON PROGRESS TOWARD ACHIEVING BENCHMARKS IN BOSNIA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 106-104)

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE) laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objection, referred to the Committee on International Relations and the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

As required by section 7 of Public Law 105-174, the 1998 Supplemental Appropriations and Rescissions Act, I transmit herewith a 6-month periodic report on progress made toward achieving benchmarks for a sustainable peace process.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, July 23, 1999.

REPORTS ON NATIONAL TRAFFIC AND MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY ACT OF 1966, HIGHWAY SAFETY ACT AND MOTOR VEHICLE INFORMATION AND COST SAVINGS ACT OF 1972—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The Speaker pro tempore laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and, together with the accompanying papers, without objec-

tion, referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure and the Committee on Commerce:

To the Congress of the United States:

I transmit herewith the 1996 calendar year reports as prepared by the Department of Transportation on activities under the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 1966, the Highway Safety Act, and the Motor Vehicle Information and Cost Savings Act of 1972, as amended.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, July 26, 1999.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2587, DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106-263) on the resolution (H. Res. 260) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2587) making appropriations for the government of the District of Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part against revenues of said District for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2605, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106-264) on the resolution (H. Res. 261) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2605) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

FAIRNESS FOR VETERANS

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

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, colleagues I rise today in support of the action taken earlier today by Vice President AL GORE on behalf of our Nation's veterans. The Vice President has announced that the administration will seek an additional \$1 billion fully paid for to ensure our Nation can continue to provide quality and timely health care for our veterans.

America's veterans and many Members of Congress have been speaking out loudly in the past months for an increase in the veterans budget for fiscal year 2000. I am pleased and proud that the administration has heard our call.

The Vice President's action is a vital step toward keeping the promise that was made to our veterans when they