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So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution was agreed

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid upon the table.

Stated for

Mr. STEARNS. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 532, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER CONFIDENTIALITY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 3218.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. OSE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3218, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 385, nays 0, not voting 47, as follows:

[Roll No. 533]

YEAS-385

Brady (TX) Abercrombie DeMint Brown (OH) Deutsch Aderholt Bryant Diaz-Balart Allen Burr Dicks Andrews Burton Dingell Archer Buver Dixon Callahan Armey Doggett Calvert Doolittle Bachus Camp Canady Dovle Baird Dreier Baker Cannon Duncan Baldacci Capps Capuano Dunn Baldwin Edwards Ehlers Ehrlich Ballenger Carson Barcia Castle Chabot Emerson Barr Barrett (NE) Chambliss Engel Bartlett Clav Eshoo Clayton Etheridge Barton Bass Clement Evans Becerra Clyburn Everett Coble Bentsen Ewing Bereuter Coburn Farr Berklev Collins Filner Berman Combest Fletcher Berry Condit Foley Ford Biggert Cook Cookse Bilbray Bilirakis Fossella Costello Fowler Frank (MA) Bishop Cox Blagojevich Coyne Frelinghuysen Bliley Cramer Frost Blumenauer Crane Gallegly Ganske Blunt Boehlert Crowley Cummings Geidenson Danner Davis (FL) Boehner Gekas Gibbons Gilchrest Bonilla Bonior Davis (IL) Bono Davis (VA) Gillmor Borski Deal DeFazio Gilman Boswell Gonzalez Goodlatte DeGette Boucher Boyd Brady (PA) DeLauro Goodling DeLay Gordon

Granger Green (TX) Green (WI) Greenwood Gutknecht Hall (OH) Hall (TX) Hastings (FL) Hastings (WA) Hayes Hayworth Hefley Herger Hill (IN) Hill (MT) Hilleary Hilliard Hinchev Hinojosa Hobson Hoeffel Holden Holt Hooley Horn Hover Hulshof Hunter Hutchinson Hyde Inslee Isakson Istook Jackson (IL) Jackson-Lee (TX)

Johnson, E. B. Johnson, Sam Jones (OH) Kanjorski Kaptur Kelly Kilpatrick Kind (WI) King (NY) Kingston Knollenberg Kucinich Kuykendall LaFalce LaHood Lampson Lantos Largent Larson Latham LaTourette Leach Lee Levin Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA) Lewis (KY) Linder LoBiondo Lofgren Lowey Lucas (KY) Lucas (OK) Luther Maloney (CT) Maloney (NY) Manzullo Markey Martinez

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Barrett (WI)

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Brown (FL)

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Fattah Kennedy Forbes Kleczka Franks (NJ) Klink Gephardt Kolbe Goode Graham Lazio Lipinski Gutierrez McCollum Hansen Hostettler McIntosh Miller (FL) Houghton Nethercutt Jones (NC) Kasich Ney Oxley

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Smith (NJ)

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Sweenev

Tancredo

Tauscher

Taylor (MS)

Taylor (NC)

Thompson (MS)

Thornberry

Tanner

Tauzin

Terry

Thomas Thompson (CA)

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Tiahrt

Tierney

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Velazquez

Visclosky

Towns

Upton

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Walsh

Wamp

Waters

Watkins

Watt (NC)

Waxman

Weiner

Weller

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Watts (OK)

Weldon (FL)

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Walden

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Whitfield Wicker Wilson Wolf Ryan (WI) Woolsey Rvun (KS) Wu Sabo Wynn Young (AK) Salmon Young (FL)

Pascrell Pitts Rodriguez Ros-Lehtinen Sanders Shaw Stupak Talent

Turner Weygand Wise

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So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table

FISH AND WILDLIFE PROGRAMS IMPROVEMENT AND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM CEN-TENNIAL ACT OF 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and concurring in the Senate amendments to the bill, H.R. 3671.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendments to the bill. H.R. 3671.

The question was taken; and (twothirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate amendments were concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

TRIBAL CONTRACT SUPPORT COST TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS OF 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 4148, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4148, as amended.

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

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

CHEYENNE RIVER SIOUX TRIBE EQUITABLE COMPENSATION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 964, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Alaska (Mr. YOUNG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 964, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds 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.

REAPPOINTMENT AS MEMBER TO ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON STU-DENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, and pursuant to section 491 of the Higher Education Act, 20 USC 1098(c), the Chair announces the Speaker's reappointment of the following member on the part of the House to the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance for a 3-year term:

Mr. Henry Givens, St. Louis, Missouri.

There was no objection.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 4635, DEPARTMENTS OF **VETERANS** HOUSING AFFAIRS AND AND DEVELOPMENT, URBAN AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPRO-PRIATIONS ACT, 2001

Mr. WALSH submitted the following conference report and statement on the bill (H.R. 4635) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes:

CONFERENCE REPORT (H. REPT. 106-988)

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4635) "making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes", having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken and inserted by said amendment, insert:

Section 1. (a) The provisions of the following bills of the 106th Congress are hereby enacted into law:

(1) H.R. 5482, as introduced on October 18, 2000.

(2) H.R. 5483, as introduced on October 18, 2000

(b) In publishing this Act in slip form and in the United States Statutes at Large pursuant to section 112 of title 1, United States Code, the Archivist of the United States shall include after the date of approval at the end appendixes setting forth the texts of the bills referred to in subsection (a) of this section.

; And the Senate agree to the same.

JAMES T. WALSH, TOM DELAY, DAVE HOBSON, JOE KNOLLENBERG, RODNEY FRELINGHUYSEN, ANNE M. NORTHUP, JOHN E. SUNUNU, VIRGIL GOODE, Jr., BILL YOUNG, ALAN B. MOLLOHAN, MARCY KAPTUR,

CARRIE P. MEEK, DAVID E. PRICE, BUD CRAMER, DAVE OBEY,

Managers on the Part of the House.

CHRISTOPHER S. BOND. CONRAD BURNS. RICHARD C. SHELBY, LARRY E. CRAIG, KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON, TED STEVENS, PETE V. DOMENICI, BARBARA A. MIKULSKI. PATRICK LEAHY, FRANK R. LAUTENBERG, TOM HARKIN, ROBERT C. BYRD, HARRY REID, DANIEL K. INOUYE,

Managers on the Part of the Senate. JOINT EXPLANATORY STATEMENT OF THE COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE

The managers on the part of the House and the Senate at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 4635) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, submit the following joint statement to the House and the Senate in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the managers and recommended in the accompanying report.

This conference agreement includes more than the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001. The conference agreement has been expanded to include the Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2001, as well as the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2001. Both of these Acts have been enacted into law by reference in this conference report: however, a copy of the referenced legislation has been included in this statement for convenience.

DEPARTMENTS OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOP-MENT. AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

The conference agreement would enact the provisions of H.R. 5482 as introduced on October 18, 2000. The text of that bill follows:

A BILL Making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS **AFFAIRS**

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For the payment of compensation benefits to or on behalf of veterans and a pilot program for disability examinations as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. 107, chapters 11, 13, 18, 51, 53, 55, and

61); pension benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. chapters 15, 51, 53, 55, and 61; 92 Stat. 2508); and burial benefits, emergency and other officers' retirement pay, adjusted-service credits and certificates, payment of premiums due on commercial life insurance policies guaranteed under the provisions of Article IV of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Civil Relief Act of 1940, as amended, and for other benefits as authorized by law (38 U.S.C. 107, 1312, 1977, and 2106, chapters 23, 51, 53, 55, and 61; 50 U.S.C. App. 540-548; 43 Stat. 122, 123; 45 Stat. 735; 76 Stat. 1198), \$22,766,276,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That not to exceed \$17,419,000 of the amount appropriated shall be reimbursed to "General operating expenses" and "Medical care" for necessary expenses in implementing those provisions authorized in the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990, and in the Veterans' Benefits Act of 1992 (38 U.S.C. chapters 51, 53, and 55), the funding source for which is specifically provided as the "Compensation and pensions" appropriation: Provided further, That such sums as may be earned on an actual qualifying patient basis, shall be reimbursed to "Medical facilities revolving fund'' to augment the funding of individual medical facilities for nursing home care provided to pensioners as authorized.

READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapters 21, 30, 31, 34, 35, 36, 39, 51, 53, 55, and 61, \$1,634,000,000, to remain available until expended: Provided, That expenses for rehabilitation program services and assistance which the Secretary is authorized to provide under section 3104(a) of title 38, United States Code, other than under subsection (a)(1), (2), (5) and (11) of that section, shall be charged to the account: Provided further, That funds shall be available to pay any court order, court award or any compromise settlement arising from litigation involving the vocational training program authorized by section 18 of Public Law 98-77, as amended.

VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

For military and naval insurance, national service life insurance, servicemen's indemnities. service-disabled veterans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 19; 70 Stat. 887; 72 Stat. 487, \$19,850,000, to remain available until expended.

VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the program, as authorized by 38 U.S.C. chapter 37, as amended: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: Provided further, That during fiscal year 2001, within the resources available, not to exceed \$300,000 in gross obligations for direct loans are authorized for specially adapted housing loans.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, \$162,000,000, which may be transferred to and merged with the appropriation for "General operating expenses".

EDUCATION LOAN FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the cost of direct loans, \$1,000, as authorized by 38 U.S.C. 3698, as amended: Provided, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: Provided further, That these funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed \$3 400

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct loan program, \$220,000, which may be transferred to and