

Some Senate Republicans oppose this Conference Report. They say it gives consumers too many rights and does not do enough to grease the wheels for the financial services industry. I could not disagree more.

The Conference Report demonstrates that Congress can facilitate electronic commerce at the same time that we protect consumers. I am confident that this is what is best for the Internet in the long run.

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the conference report.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOLEY). The question is on the conference report.

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

Mr. BLILEY. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

□ 1230

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOLEY). Pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 1531

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) at 3 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Ms. Wanda Evans, one of his secretaries.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON S. 761, ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES IN GLOBAL AND NATIONAL COMMERCE ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of agreeing to the conference report on the Senate bill, S. 761, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the conference report.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 426, nays 4, not voting 4, as follows:

	[Roll No. 271]	YEAS—426	Olver	Ryun (KS)	Tauscher
Abercrombie	Deutsch	John	Ortiz	Sabo	Tauzin
Ackerman	Diaz-Balart	Johnson (CT)	Ose	Salmon	Taylor (NC)
Aderholt	Dickey	Johnson, E. B.	Packard	Sanchez	Terry
Allen	Dicks	Johnson, Sam	Pallone	Sanders	Thomas
Andrews	Dingell	Jones (NC)	Pascrell	Sandlin	Thompson (CA)
Archer	Dixon	Jones (OH)	Pastor	Sanford	Thompson (MS)
Armey	Doggett	Kanjorski	Payne	Sawyer	Thornberry
Baca	Dooley	Kaptur	Pease	Saxton	Thune
Bachus	Doolittle	Kasich	Pelosi	Scarborough	Thurman
Baird	Doyle	Kelly	Peterson (MN)	Schaffer	Tiahrt
Baker	Dreier	Kennedy	Peterson (PA)	Schakowsky	Tierney
Baldacci	Duncan	Kildee	Pettigrew	Scott	Toomey
Baldwin	Dunn	Kilpatrick	Portman	Serrano	Towns
Ballenger	Edwards	Kind (WI)	Pickering	Sessions	Traficant
Barcia	Ehlers	King (NY)	Pickett	Shadegg	Turner
Barr	Ehrlich	Kingston	Pitts	Shaw	Udall (CO)
Barrett (NE)	Emerson	Klecka	Pombo	Shays	Udall (NM)
Barrett (WI)	Engel	Klink	Pomeroy	Sherman	Upton
Bartlett	English	Knollenberg	Porter	Shuster	Velazquez
Barton	Eshoo	Kolbe	Price (NC)	Simpson	Visclosky
Bass	Etheridge	Kucinich	Pryce (OH)	Siskiyou	Walsh
Bateman	Evans	Kuykendall	Quinn	Watkins	Wamp
Becerra	Everett	LaFalce	Radanovich	Witter	Watkins
Bentsen	Ewing	LaHood	Rahall	Slaughter	Watt (NC)
Bereuter	Farr	Lampson	Ramstad	Smith (MI)	Watts (OK)
Berkley	Fattah	Lantos	Rangel	Smith (NJ)	Waxman
Berman	Filner	Largent	Regula	Smith (TX)	Weiner
Berry	Fletcher	Larson	Reyes	Smith (WA)	Weldon (FL)
Biggert	Foley	Latham	Reynolds	Snyder	Weldon (PA)
Bilbray	Forbes	LaTourette	Riley	Souder	Weller
Bilirakis	Ford	Lazio	Rivers	Spence	Wexler
Bishop	Fossella	Leach	Rodriguez	Spratt	Weygand
Blagojevich	Fowler	Lee	Roemer	Stabenow	Whitfield
Biley	Frank (MA)	Levin	Rogan	Stark	Wicker
Blumenauer	Franks (NJ)	Lewis (CA)	Rogers	Stearns	Wilson
Blunt	Frelinghuysen	Lewis (GA)	Rohrabacher	Stenholm	Wise
Boehlert	Frost	Lewis (KY)	Ros-Lehtinen	Strickland	Wolf
Boehner	Gallagly	Linder	Rothman	Stupak	Woolsey
Bonilla	Ganske	Lipinski	Roukema	Sununu	Wu
Bonior	Gejdenson	LoBiondo	Royal-Allard	Sweeney	Wynn
Bono	Gekas	Lofgren	Royce	Talent	Young (AK)
Borski	Gephardt	Lowey	Rush	Tancredo	Young (FL)
Boswell	Gibbons	Lucas (KY)	Ryan (WI)	Tanner	
Boucher	Gilchrest	Lucas (OK)			
Boyd	Gillmor	Luther			
Brady (PA)	Gilman	Maloney (CT)			
Brady (TX)	Gonzalez	Maloney (NY)			
Brown (FL)	Goode	Manzullo			
Brown (OH)	Goodlatte	Markey			
Bryant	Goodling	Martinez			
Burr	Gordon	Mascara			
Burton	Goss	Matsui			
Buyer	Graham	McCarthy (MO)			
Callahan	Granger	McCarthy (NY)			
Calvert	Green (TX)	McCullom			
Camp	Green (WI)	McCrary			
Campbell	Greenwood	McDermott			
Canady	Gutierrez	McGovern			
Cannon	Gutknecht	McHugh			
Capps	Hall (OH)	McInnis			
Capuano	Hall (TX)	McIntosh			
Cardin	Hansen	McIntyre			
Carson	Hastings (FL)	McKeon			
Castle	Hastings (WA)	McKinney			
Chabot	Hayes	McNulty			
Chambliss	Hayworth	Meehan			
Clay	Hefley	Meek (FL)			
Clayton	Herger	Meeks (NY)			
Clement	Hill (IN)	Menendez			
Clyburn	Hill (MT)	Metcalf			
Coble	Hilleary	Mica			
Coburn	Hilliard	Millender			
Collins	Hinchey	McDonald			
Combest	Hinojosa	Miller (FL)			
Condit	Hobson	Miller, Gary			
Conyers	Hoefel	Miller, George			
Cooksey	Hoekstra	Minge			
Costello	Holden	Mink			
Cox	Holt	Moakley			
Coyne	Hooley	Mollohan			
Cramer	Horn	Moore			
Crane	Hostettler	Moran (KS)			
Crowley	Houghton	Moran (VA)			
Cubin	Hoyer	Morella			
Cummings	Hulshof	Murtha			
Cunningham	Hunter	Myrick			
Davis (FL)	Hutchinson	Nadler			
Davis (IL)	Hyde	Napolitano			
Davis (VA)	Inslee	Neal			
Deal	Isakson	Nethercutt			
DeFazio	Istook	Ney			
DeGette	Jackson (IL)	Northup			
Delahunt	Jackson-Lee	Norwood			
DeLauro	(TX)	Nussle			
DeLay	Jefferson	Oberstar			
DeMint	Jenkins	Obey			

NAYS—4

Chenoweth-Hage
Paul

NOT VOTING—4

Cook
Danner

□ 1553

So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING PLANS TO ATTEND "TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD" AT KENNEDY CENTER

(Mr. CALLAHAN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CALLAHAN. Mr. Speaker, many of my colleagues are interested tonight in attending the performance of "To Kill a Mocking Bird" at the Kennedy Center, and we are trying desperately to work out arrangements with the leadership to roll the votes. If votes are rolled, there will be three buses waiting at the foot of the Capitol steps between 6:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to take my colleagues to the Kennedy Center and then bring them back after the performance.

DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR,
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS
ACT, 2001

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Pursuant to House Resolution 518 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. 4577.

□ 1556

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. 4577) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2001, and for other purposes, with Mr. PEASE (Chairman pro tempore) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Tuesday, June 13, 2000, the bill had been read through page 84, line 21.

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word for the purpose of entering into a colloquy with the gentleman from New York (Mr. QUINN).

Mr. Chairman, I yield to the gentleman from New York (Mr. QUINN) for an explanation of his concerns.

Mr. QUINN. Mr. Chairman, I want to begin by thanking the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. PORTER) for the fine job and the hard work he has done, not only for the job he has done this year in a very difficult year, but over the years for our Labor-HHS bill.

□ 1600

Mr. Chairman, as a former teacher, funding for elementary and secondary education programs is a top priority for me as well as many other Members here in the House. I have several concerns regarding education funding levels in this bill. I am particularly concerned that the title I education programs have been level funded at fiscal year 2000 levels. These title I programs are vital for school districts like the Buffalo area and many more. Title I educational assistance programs target low-income and disadvantaged areas providing accelerated instruction, smaller classes, extra time to learn after school and during the summer, and computer-based instruction. Buffalo receives approximately \$23 million a year in title I funding alone.

As my colleague can see, this is critical for many districts. I have been working closely with our colleague, the gentleman from New York (Mr. MCHUGH), to ensure full funding for this program.

Secondly, Mr. Chairman, I also want to talk with the gentleman for a moment about other programs we have discussed. It has been argued that a nearly \$200 million cut in the dislocated workers assistance program, run by the Department of Labor, can be justified by our Nation's strong economy. While that may be true in some parts of the country, unfortunately, in my district, in our area of the State and many other Rust Belt communities throughout the country, workers who are permanently separated from their jobs depend on this program to return to productive unsubsidized employment.

Lastly, the one-stop career centers were not funded in the bill this year. The elimination of these one-stop career centers would threaten the division of Veterans Employment and Training Services efforts toward establishing licensing and certification of military skills for the civilian economy. This would affect the licensing and certification language in the new Montgomery GI Bill legislation, which was passed in the House in May. It would also have a negative effect on Veterans Employment and Training legislation which the subcommittee will introduce later this summer. Everyone has worked extremely hard to ensure these programs exist for our Veterans.

These three concerns, Mr. Chairman, lead me to look forward to working closely with the gentleman from Illinois in the weeks to come so that these programs receive adequate funding in the final version of the legislation, and I appreciate the opportunity for this discussion.

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Chairman, reclaiming my time, I thank the gentleman for bringing this to my attention. Because of budget restraints, we were not able to provide an increase in these programs in the House bill.

However, I understand the gentleman's concerns and will assure him that I will do my best to work with my colleagues in conference to ensure that these programs receive adequate funding.

Mr. Chairman, I include the following material for the RECORD.