

Ros-Lehtinen	Simpson	Towns	Beuprez	Engel	LaHood	Rahall	Serrano	Thornberry
Ross	Skelton	Turner (OH)	Becerra	English	Lampson	Ramstad	Sessions	Tiberi
Rothman	Slaughter	Turner (TX)	Bell	Eshoo	Langevin	Rangel	Shadegg	Tierney
Roybal-Allard	Smith (MI)	Udall (CO)	Bereuter	Etheridge	Lantos	Regula	Shaw	Toomey
Royce	Smith (NJ)	Udall (NM)	Berkley	Evans	Larsen (WA)	Rehberg	Shays	Towns
Ruppersberger	Smith (TX)	Upton	Berman	Everett	Larson (CT)	Renzi	Sherman	Turner (OH)
Rush	Smith (WA)	Van Hollen	Berry	Farr	Latham	Reyes	Sherwood	Turner (TX)
Ryan (OH)	Snyder	Velazquez	Biggert	Fattah	LaTourette	Reynolds	Shimkus	Udall (CO)
Ryan (WI)	Solis	Visclosky	Bilirakis	Feeney	Leach	Rodriguez	Shuster	Udall (NM)
Ryun (KS)	Spratt	Vitter	Bishop (GA)	Ferguson	Lee	Rogers (AL)	Simpson	Upton
Sabo	Stark	Walsh	Bishop (NY)	Filner	Levin	Rogers (KY)	Skelton	Van Hollen
Sanchez, Linda	Stearns	Wamp	Bishop (UT)	Flake	Lewis (CA)	Rogers (MI)	Slaughter	Velazquez
T.	Stenholm	Waters	Blackburn	Fletcher	Lewis (GA)	Rohrabacher	Smith (MI)	Visclosky
Sanchez, Loretta	Strickland	Watson	Blumenauer	Foley	Lewis (KY)	Ros-Lehtinen	Smith (NJ)	Vitter
Sanders	Stupak	Watt	Blunt	Forbes	Lucas (KY)	Ross	Smith (TX)	Walsh
Sandlin	Sullivan	Waxman	Boehler	Ford	Lucas (OK)	Rothman	Smith (WA)	Wamp
Saxton	Sweeney	Weiner	Boehner	Fossella	Lucas (OK)	Roybal-Allard	Snyder	Waters
Schakowsky	Tancredo	Weldon (FL)	Bonilla	Franks (AZ)	Lowey	Royce	Solis	Watson
Schiff	Tanner	Weldon (PA)	Bonner	Frelinghuysen	Lowey	Ruppersberger	Spratt	Watt
Schrock	Tauscher	Weller	Bono	Frost	Lucas (KY)	Rush	Stark	Waxman
Scott (GA)	Tauzin	Wexler	Boozman	Gallegly	Lucas (OK)	Ryan (OH)	Stearns	Weiner
Scott (VA)	Taylor (MS)	Whitfield	Bowwell	Garrett (NJ)	Majette	Ryan (WI)	Stenholm	Weldon (FL)
Sensenbrenner	Taylor (NC)	Wicker	Boucher	Gerlach	Maloney	Ryun (KS)	Strickland	Weldon (PA)
Serrano	Terry	Wilson (NM)	Boyd	Gibbons	Manzullo	Sabo	Stupak	Weller
Sessions	Thomas	Wilson (SC)	Bradley (NH)	Gilchrist	Markey	Sanchez, Linda	Sullivan	Wexler
Shadegg	Thompson (CA)	Wolf	Brady (PA)	Gillmor	Marshall	T.	Sweeney	Whitfield
Shaw	Thompson (MS)	Woolsey	Brady (TX)	Gingrey	Matheson	Sanchez, Loretta	Tancredo	Wicker
Shays	Thornberry	Wu	Brown (OH)	Gonzalez	Matsui	Sanders	Tanner	Wilson (NM)
Sherman	Tiahrt	Wynn	Brown (SC)	Goode	McCarthy (NY)	Sandlin	Tauscher	Wilson (SC)
Sherwood	Tiberi	Young (AK)	Brown (CA)	Goode	McCollum	Saxton	Tauzin	Wolf
Shimkus	Tierney	Young (FL)	Brown, Corrine	Goodlatte	McCotter	Schakowsky	Taylor (MS)	Woolsey
Shuster	Toomey		Brown-Waite,	Gordon	McCrery	Schiff	Taylor (NC)	Wu
			Ginny	Granger	McDermott	Schrock	Terry	Wynn
			Burgess	Graves	McGovern	Scott (GA)	Thomas	Young (AK)
			Burns	Green (TX)	McHugh	Scott (VA)	Thompson (CA)	Young (FL)
			Burr	Green (WI)	McIntyre	Sensenbrenner	Thompson (MS)	
			Burton (IN)	Greenwood	McKeon			
			Buyer	Grijalva	McNulty			
			Calvert	Gutierrez	Meehan			
			Camp	Gutknecht	Meek (FL)			
			Cannon	Hall	Meeke (NY)			
			Cantor	Harman	Menendez			
			Capito	Harris	Mica			
			Capps	Hart	Michaud			
			Capuano	Hastings (FL)	Millender			
			Cardin	Hastings (WA)	McDonald			
			Cardoza	Hayes	Miller (FL)			
			Carson (IN)	Hayworth	Miller (MI)			
			Carson (OK)	Hefley	Miller (NC)			
			Carter	Hensarling	Miller, Gary			
			Case	Herger	Miller, George			
			Castle	Hill	Mollohan			
			Chabot	Hinchee	Moore			
			Chocola	Hinojosa	Moran (KS)			
			Clay	Hobson	Moran (VA)			
			Clyburn	Hoeffel	Murphy			
			Coble	Hoekstra	Murtha			
			Cole	Holden	Musgrave			
			Collins	Holt	Myrick			
			Conyers	Honda	Nadler			
			Cooper	Hooley (OR)	Napolitano			
			Cooper	Hostettler	Neal (MA)			
			Costello	Houghton	Nethercutt			
			Cox	Hoyer	Ney			
			Cramer	Hunter	Northup			
			Crane	Inslee	Norwood			
			Crenshaw	Isakson	Nunes			
			Cubin	Israel	Nussle			
			Culberson	Issa	Obey			
			Cummings	Istook	Olver			
			Cunningham	Jackson (IL)	Ortiz			
			Davis (AL)	Jackson-Lee	Osborne			
			Davis (CA)	(TX)	Ose			
			Davis (FL)	Janklow	Otter			
			Davis (IL)	Jefferson	Owens			
			Davis (TN)	Jenkins	Oxley			
			Davis, Jo Ann	John	Pallone			
			Davis, Tom	Johnson (CT)	Pascarell			
			Deal (GA)	Johnson (IL)	Pastor			
			DeFazio	Johnson, E. B.	Paul			
			DeGette	Johnson, Sam	Payne			
			DeLahunt	Jones (NC)	Pearce			
			DeLauro	Kanjorski	Pelosi			
			DeLay	Kaptur	Pence			
			DeMint	Keller	Peterson (MN)			
			Deutsch	Kelly	Peterson (PA)			
			Diaz-Balart, L.	Kennedy (MN)	Petri			
			Diaz-Balart, M.	Kennedy (RI)	Pickering			
			Dicks	Kildee	Pitts			
			Dingell	Kilpatrick	Platts			
			Doggett	Kind	Pommo			
			Doggett	King (IA)	Pomeroy			
			Dooley (CA)	King (NY)	Porter			
			Doolittle	Kingston	Portman			
			Doyle	Kirk	Price (NC)			
			Dreier	Kline	Pryce (OH)			
			Duncan	Knollenberg	Putnam			
			Abercrombie	Emanuel	Quinn			
			Ackerman	Emerson	Radanovich			
			Aderholt					
			Akin					
			Alexander					
			Allen					

## NAYS—1

Miller, George

## NOT VOTING—12

Combest	Hyde	Quinn
Crowley	McCarthy (MO)	Simmons
Gephardt	McInnis	Souder
Hulshof	Oberstar	Walden (OR)

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). The Chair will advise all Members there are 2 minutes left in this vote.

□ 1559

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.

## EXPRESSING SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING THE BLUE STAR BANNER AND THE GOLD STAR

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 109, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. GIBBONS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, H. Con. Res. 109, as amended, 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 418, nays 0, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 97]

YEAS—418

Abercrombie	Andrews	Ballance
Ackerman	Baca	Ballenger
Aderholt	Bachus	Barrett (SC)
Akin	Baird	Bartlett (MD)
Alexander	Baker	Barton (TX)
Allen	Baldwin	Bass

## NOT VOTING—16

Combest	Jones (OH)	Simmons
Crowley	Klecza	Souder
Frank (MA)	Lynch	Tiahrt
Gephardt	McCarthy (MO)	Walden (OR)
Hulshof	McInnis	
Hyde	Oberstar	

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE) (during the vote). Members are reminded that there are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1606

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

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the concurrent resolution was amended so as to read: "Concurrent resolution expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the Blue Star Flag and the Gold Star."

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1006, THE CAPTIVE WILDLIFE SAFETY ACT

Mr. MCKEON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. ALEXANDER) be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 1006, the Captive Wildlife Safety Act, as he was mistakenly added as a cosponsor to this legislation.

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

There was no objection.

## REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 743, SOCIAL SECURITY PROTECTION ACT OF 2003

Mr. LINDER, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report

(Rept. No. 108-54) on the resolution (H. Res. 168) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 743) to amend the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional safeguards for Social Security and Supplemental Security Income beneficiaries with representative payees, to enhance program protections, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

MAKING IN ORDER AT ANY TIME  
CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 735,  
POSTAL CIVIL SERVICE RETIRE-  
MENT SYSTEM FUNDING RE-  
FORM ACT OF 2003

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order at any time for the Speaker, as though pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of H.R. 735, and that consideration of the bill proceed according to the following order:

The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with.

All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived.

General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Government Reform.

After general debate, the bill shall be considered for amendment under the 5-minute rule.

It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the 5-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Government Reform now printed in the bill.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read.

All points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived.

No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except the following amendments, which may be offered only in the order specified, may be offered only by the Member designated or his designee, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole: (1) the amendment numbered 1 in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD by Representative WAXMAN of California; and, (2) the amendment numbered 2 in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD by Representative TOM DAVIS of Virginia.

All points of order against such amendments are waived.

At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment, the Committee

shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be ordered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

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

There was no objection.

MAKING IN ORDER AT ANY TIME  
CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 522,  
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE  
REFORM ACT OF 2003

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that it be in order at any time for the Speaker, as though pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, to declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House for the state of the Union for consideration of H.R. 522, and that consideration of the bill proceed according to the following order:

The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with.

All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived.

General debate shall be confined to the bill and shall not exceed 1 hour equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services.

After general debate, the bill shall be considered for amendment under the 5-minute rule.

It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the 5-minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Financial Services now printed in the bill.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read.

All points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived.

No amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except the following amendments printed in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD pursuant to clause 8 of rule XVIII, which may be offered only in the order specified, may be offered only by the Member designated or his designee, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole: (1) by Representative OSE of California; and, (2) by Representative ROHRBACHER of California.

All points of order against such amendments are waived.

At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment, the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

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

There was no objection.

PUT VETERANS BENEFITS FUNDS  
BACK IN THE BUDGET

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

Mr. HOLT. Madam Speaker, the leadership of the House of Representatives narrowly passed a budget resolution on March 20 that would severely cut veterans benefits, including health care, disability compensation, pensions, and other benefits.

Now, 211 of my colleagues and I opposed this budget resolution and many of us voted instead for an alternative budget resolution preferred by the American Legion and other veterans groups that would have increased veterans benefits. I am sad to say it did not pass.

Now today, the majority party voted for a motion to instruct conferees presented by the Democrats. I must question the seriousness of this vote. Maybe it is April Fool's Day, but cutting veterans benefits does not seem very funny to me.

How can Congress even consider cutting veterans benefits during a time of war?

I must question the seriousness of it because only a week ago when my Republican friend and colleague, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH), the chairman of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, expressed his own outrage at the leadership's budget proposal, he was severely rebuked by his own party. Now, no American should be rebuked for standing up for veterans.

The promise that the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH) got and this motion to instruct today should not have been necessary. It should have been in the original budget resolution that the veterans were looked after, that their disability payments would be taken care of. Certainly at a time of war and great sacrifice by our Nation's armed services, we cannot let these cuts stand.