

Hinojosa	McInnis	Sanchez, Linda
Hobson	McIntyre	T.
Hoeffel	McNulty	Sanders
Hoekstra	Meehan	Sandlin
Holden	Meeks (NY)	Saxton
Holt	Menendez	Schakowsky
Honda	Mica	Schiff
Hooley (OR)	Michaud	Schrock
Hostettler	Millender-	Scott (GA)
Houghton	McDonald	Scott (VA)
Hoyer	Miller (FL)	Sensenbrenner
Hunter	Miller (NC)	Serrano
Hyde	Miller, Gary	Sessions
Inslee	Miller, George	Shadegg
Isakson	Mollohan	Shaw
Israel	Moore	Shays
Issa	Moran (KS)	Sherman
Istook	Moran (VA)	Sherwood
Jackson (IL)	Murphy	Shimkus
Jackson-Lee	Murtha	Shuster
(TX)	Musgrave	Simmons
Janklow	Myrick	Simpson
Jefferson	Nadler	Skelton
Jenkins	Napolitano	Slaughter
John	Neal (MA)	Smith (MI)
Johnson (CT)	Nethercutt	Smith (NJ)
Johnson (IL)	Neugebauer	Smith (TX)
Johnson, E. B.	Ney	Smith (WA)
Johnson, Sam	Northup	Snyder
Jones (NC)	Norwood	Solis
Jones (OH)	Nunes	Souder
Kanjorski	Nussle	Spratt
Kaptur	Oberstar	Stark
Keller	Obey	Stearns
Kelly	Olver	Stenholm
Kennedy (MN)	Ortiz	Strickland
Kennedy (RI)	Osborne	Stupak
Kildee	Ose	Sullivan
Kilpatrick	Otter	Sweeney
Kind	Owens	Tancredo
King (IA)	Oxley	Tanner
King (NY)	Pallone	Tauscher
Kingston	Pascrell	Tauzin
Kirk	Pastor	Taylor (MS)
Kleczyka	Paul	Taylor (NC)
Kline	Pearce	Thomas
Knollenberg	Pelosi	Thompson (CA)
Kolbe	Pence	Thompson (MS)
Kucinich	Peterson (MN)	Thornberry
LaHood	Petri	Tiaht
Lampson	Pickering	Tiberi
Langevin	Pitts	Tierney
Lantos	Platts	Toomey
Larsen (WA)	Pombo	Towns
Larson (CT)	Pomeroy	Turner (OH)
Latham	Porter	Turner (TX)
LaTourette	Price (NC)	Udall (CO)
Leach	Pryce (OH)	Udall (NM)
Lee	Putnam	Upton
Levin	Quinn	Van Hollen
Lewis (CA)	Radanovich	Velazquez
Lewis (GA)	Rahall	Visclosky
Lewis (KY)	Ramstad	Vitter
Linder	Rangel	Walden (OR)
LoBiondo	Regula	Walsh
Lofgren	Rehberg	Wamp
Lowey	Renzi	Waters
Lucas (KY)	Reyes	Watson
Lucas (OK)	Reynolds	Watt
Lynch	Rodriguez	Waxman
Majette	Rogers (AL)	Weiner
Maloney	Rogers (KY)	Weldon (FL)
Manzullo	Rogers (MI)	Weldon (PA)
Markey	Rohrabacher	Weller
Marshall	Ros-Lehtinen	Wexler
Matheson	Ross	Whitfield
Matsui	Rothman	Wicker
McCarthy (MO)	Roybal-Allard	Wilson (NM)
McCarthy (NY)	Royce	Wilson (SC)
McCollum	Ruppberger	Wolf
McCotter	Rush	Wu
McCrery	Ryan (OH)	Wynn
McDermott	Ryan (WI)	Young (AK)
McGovern	Sabo	Young (FL)
McHugh		

NOT VOTING—26

Becerra	Ferguson	Miller (MI)
Berkley	Fletcher	Payne
Berry	Gephardt	Peterson (PA)
Cannon	Gutierrez	Portman
Conyers	Hensarling	Ryun (KS)
Cox	Hulshof	Sanchez, Loretta
Davis (IL)	Lipinski	Terry
DeGette	McKeon	Woolsey
Duncan	Meek (FL)	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FORBES) (during the vote). Members are reminded there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

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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.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBERS AS COSPONSORS OF H.R. 2789

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove the following cosponsors from H.R. 2789:

The gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. DAVIS); the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. JENKINS); the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. BROWN); the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. NORWOOD); the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. COLLINS); the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. MCCOTTER); the gentleman from California (Mr. CARDOZA); and the gentlewoman from North Carolina (Mrs. MYRICK).

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

There was no objection.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO RAISE QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE OF THE HOUSE

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I rise to give notice of my intention to raise a question of privilege under rule IX, and the form of the resolution is as follows:

Whereas, during a meeting of the Committee on Ways and Means on July 18, 2003, for the consideration of the bill H.R. 1776, the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means offered an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

Whereas during the reading of that amendment, the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means directed majority staff of the committee to ask the United States Capitol Police to remove minority party members of the committee from a room of the committee during the meeting, causing the United States Capitol Police thereupon to confront the minority party members of the committee;

Whereas pending a unanimous consent request to dispense with the reading of that amendment, the chairman deliberately and improperly refused to recognize a legitimate and timely objection by a member of the committee;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the House of Representatives disapproves the manner in which Representative Thomas summoned the United States Capitol Police to evict minority party members of the Committee on Ways and Means from using the library of the Committee on Ways and Means, as well as the manner in which he conducted the markup in the Committee on Ways and Means on July 18, 2003, and finds that the bill considered at that markup was not validly ordered reported to the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under rule IX, a resolution offered from the floor by a Member other than the majority leader or the minority leader as a question of the privileges of the House has immediate precedence only at a time designated by the Chair within 2 legislative days after the resolution is properly noticed.

Pending that designation, the form of the resolution noticed by the gentleman from New York will appear in the RECORD at this point.

The Chair will not at this point determine whether the resolution constitutes a question of privilege. That determination will be made at the time designated for consideration of the resolution.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2575

Mr. SCOTT of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to have my name removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 2575.

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

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENTION TO OFFER MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 1308, TAX RELIEF, SIMPLIFICATION, AND EQUITY ACT OF 2003

Mr. ROSS. Mr. Speaker, subject to rule XXII, clause 7(c), I hereby announce my intention to offer a motion to instruct on H.R. 1308, the Child Tax Credit bill. The form of the motion is as follows:

Mr. Speaker, I move that the managers on the part of the House in the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the House amendment to the Senate amendment to H.R. 1308 be instructed as follows:

Number one, the House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment not included in the House amendment that provides immediate payments to taxpayers receiving an additional credit by reason of the bill in the same manner as other taxpayers were entitled to immediate payments under the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

Number two, the House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report the provision of the Senate amendment (not included in the House amendment) that provides families of military personnel serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, and other combat zones a child credit based on the earnings of the individual serving in the combat zone.

Number three, the House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report all of the other provisions of the Senate amendment and shall not report back a conference report that includes additional tax benefits not offset by other provisions.

Number four, to the maximum extent possible within the scope of the conference, the House conferees shall be instructed to include in the conference report other tax benefits for military personnel and the families of the astronauts who died in the Columbia disaster.

Finally, number five, the House conferees shall, as soon as practicable, after the adoption of this motion, meet in open session

with the Senate conferees, and the House conferees shall file a conference report consistent with the preceding provisions of this instruction not later than the second legislative day after adoption of this motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the notice will appear in the RECORD.

PEACEKEEPING AND HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE FOR LIBERIA

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, in the last 48 hours, the city of Monrovia, Liberia, has been overrun with rebels. Women and children are fleeing for their lives, and people are dying. Yet our Nation is standing by, refusing to act as expeditiously as we should.

It is important to say to the American people that this is distinctive from the issue of war in Iraq where brave young men and women every day are on the frontline protecting the interests of the United States of America. This is a situation where the Liberian people who are well connected with this Nation have asked for peacekeeping and humanitarian assistance.

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It is imperative that we join in with the United Nations and the organization of West African states as peacekeepers and for humanitarian aid to this country. It is imperative that we act now to stop the loss of life.

I too want to ensure that the young men and women who serve in the United States military are not put in harm's way. My position on the war in Iraq is well known, but this is a different set of circumstances. The people of Liberia are begging for our assistance, and our assistance is being asked for truly and only as peacekeepers and humanitarians.

I believe it is imperative for the President of the United States, the Secretary of State and the Secretary of the Defense Department to act expeditiously, not only to protect the United States embassy and Americans in the United States embassy and in Liberia, but to be a friend to Africa, as represented in the last visit by the President of the United States, in order to protect the innocent women and children and families that are desiring the aid of this Nation in a humanitarian and peacekeeping manner.

COMMUNICATION FROM CONGRESSIONAL AIDE OF HON. ELTON GALLEGLY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from Nicole Dolski, Congressional Aide of the Honorable ELTON GALLEGLY, Member of Congress:

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Washington, DC, July 15, 2003.

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Washington, DC.

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After consulting with the Office of General Counsel, I have determined that compliance with the subpoena would be consistent with the privileges and rights of the House.

Sincerely,

NICOLE DOLSKI,
Congressional Aide.

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TERRY HISER,
Congressional Aide.

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TINA COBB,
Congressional Aide.

COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT CHIEF OF STAFF OF HON. ELTON GALLEGLY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from

Brian Miller, District Chief of Staff of the Honorable ELTON GALLEGLY, Member of Congress:

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Sincerely,

BRIAN MILLER,
District Chief of Staff.

COMMUNICATION FROM DISTRICT DIRECTOR OF HON. ELTON GALLEGLY, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

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Sincerely,

PAULA SHEIL,
District Director.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. HARRIS). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 7, 2003, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes.

REIMPORTATION OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS WILL BENEFIT AMERICAN SENIORS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. EMANUEL) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. EMANUEL. Madam Speaker, as the conference for a Medicare prescription drug benefit gets under way, we are reminded how difficult this compromise will be and that the bills in both the House and the other Chamber will leave many seniors with many high prescription drug costs.

We have a bipartisan bill with the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. GUTKNECHT), the gentlewoman from Missouri (Mrs. EMERSON) and myself, other Republicans and Democrats from both