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NOT VOTING-

Hastings (FL) Rothman Bonner Cardin Davis (IL) Hoeffel Shuster Smith (NJ) Kilpatrick DeMint Kleczka Tauzin Fattah Millender-Tiahrt Gephardt McDonald Toomey Gordon Pascrell Waters Greenwood Rohrabacher

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CULBERSON) (during the vote). Members are advised they have 2 minutes within which to record their votes.

□ 1217

Ms. HART changed her vote from "nay" to "yea."

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.

Stated for:

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 134. had I been present. I would have voted

Ms. MILLENDER-McDONALD, Mr. Speaker. on rollcall No. 134, I was detained by constituents which is the reason for my not voting. Had I been present. I would have voted "vea."

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8, rule XX, the remaining vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

WILKIE D. FERGUSON, JR., UNITED STATES COURTHOUSE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 1904.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by gentleman from Ohio LATOURETTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 1904, 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 408, nays 0, not voting 25, as follows:

[Roll No. 135]

YEAS-408

Abercrombie Barrett (SC) Bishop (NY) Bartlett (MD) Ackerman Bishop (UT) Aderholt Barton (TX) Blackburn Akin Bass Blumenauer Alexander Beauprez Boehlert. Allen Becerra Boehner Andrews Bell Bonilla Bereuter Baca Bono Bachus Berkley Boozman Baird Berman Boswell Baker Berry Boucher Baldwin Biggert Bovd Bradley (NH) Brady (PA) Ballance Bilirakis Bishop (GA) Ballenger

Brady (TX) Brown (OH) Brown (SC) Brown, Corrine Brown-Waite, Ginny Burgess Burns Burr Buver Calvert Camp Cannon Cantor Capito Capps Capuano Cardoza Carson (IN) Carson (OK) Carter Case Castle Chabot Chandler Chocola Clav Clyburn Coble Cole Collins Conyers Cooper Costello Cox Cramer Crane Crenshaw Crowley Cubin Culberson Cummings Cunningham Davis (AL) Davis (CA) Davis (FL) Davis (TN) Davis, Jo Ann Davis, Tom Deal (GA) DeFazio DeGette Delahunt DeLauro DeLay Deutsch Diaz-Balart, L. Diaz-Balart, M. Dicks Dingell Doggett Dooley (CA) Doolittle Doyle Dreier Duncan Dunn Edwards Ehlers Emanuel Emerson Engel English Eshoo Etheridge Evans Everett Farr Feeney Ferguson Filner Flake Foley Forbes Ford Fossella Frank (MA) Franks (AZ) Frelinghuysen Frost

Gallegly

Gerlach

Gibbons

Gillmor

Gingrey

Goode

Gonzalez

Gilchrest

Garrett (NJ)

Goss Granger Graves Green (TX) Green (WI) Grijalya Gutierrez Gutknecht Hall Harman Harris Hart Hastings (WA) Hayes Hayworth Hefley Hensarling Herger Hill Hinchey Hinojosa Hobson Hoekstra Holden Holt Honda Hooley (OR) Hostettler Houghton Hover Hulshof Hunter Hyde Inslee Isakson Israel Issa Istook Jackson (IL) Jackson-Lee (TX) Jefferson Jenkins. John Johnson (CT) Johnson (IL) Johnson, E. B. Johnson, Sam Jones (NC) Jones (OH) Kanjorski Kaptur Keller Kelly Kennedy (MN) Kennedy (RI) Kildee Kind King (IA) King (NY) Kingston Kirk Kline Knollenberg Kolbe Kucinich LaHood Lampson Langevin Lantos Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Latham LaTourette Leach Lee Levin Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA) Lewis (KY) Linder Lipinski LoBiondo Lofgren Lowey Lucas (KY) Lucas (OK) Lynch Majette Maloney Manzullo Markey Marshall Matheson Matsui McCarthy (MO) McCarthy (NY) McCollum

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NOT VOTING-25

Blunt	Greenwood	Shuster
Bonner	Hastings (FL)	Smith (NJ)
Burton (IN)	Hoeffel	Tauzin
Cardin	Kilpatrick	Tiahrt
Davis (IL)	Kleczka	Toomey
DeMint	Mollohan	Waters
Fattah	Rohrabacher	Wexler
Gephardt	Rothman	Wester
Gordon	Schiff	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1225

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate 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. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 135, had I been present, I would have voted "vea."

Mr. BURTON. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 135 on adoption of a motion to suspend the rules and pass S. 1904, the Wilkie D. Ferguson United States Courthouse Designation Act, I am not recorded. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

RECESS

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

Accordingly (at 12 o'clock and 23 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

□ 1350

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) at 1 o'clock and 50 minutes p.m.

PERMANENTLY EXTENDING DEDUC-STANDARD CREASED AND 15-PERCENT INDI-VIDUAL INCOME TAX RATE BRACKET EXPANSION, FOR MAR-RIED TAXPAYERS FILING JOINT RETURNS

Mr. WELLER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 607, I call up the bill (H.R. 4181) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the increased standard deduction, and the 15-percent individual income tax rate bracket expansion, for married taxpayers filing joint returns, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 607, the bill is considered read for amendment. The text of H.R. 4181 is as follows:

H.R. 4181

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF INCREASED STAND-ARD DEDUCTION FOR MARRIED TAX-PAYERS FILING JOINT RETURNS.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (2) of section 63(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to basic standard deduction) is amended to read as follows:
- (2) BASIC STANDARD DEDUCTION.—For purposes of paragraph (1), the basic standard deduction is-
- '(A) 200 percent of the dollar amount in effect under subparagraph (C) for the taxable year in the case of-
 - '(i) a joint return, or
- "(ii) a surviving spouse (as defined in section 2(a)),
- "(B) \$4.400 in the case of a head of household (as defined in section 2(b)), or
- (C) \$3,000 in any other case. (b) Conforming Amendments.—
- (1) Section 63(c)(4) of such Code is amended by striking "(2)(D)" each place it occurs and inserting "(2)(C)".
- (2) Section 63(c) of such Code is amended
- by striking paragraph (7).
 (c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004.

SEC. 2. EXTENSION OF 15-PERCENT INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RATE BRACKET EXPAN-SION FOR MARRIED TAXPAYERS FIL-ING JOINT RETURNS.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—Paragraph (8) of section 1(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to phaseout of marriage penalty in 15percent bracket) is amended to read as fol-
- "(8) Elimination of marriage penalty in 15-PERCENT BRACKET.—With respect to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004, in prescribing the tables under paragraph
- "(A) the maximum taxable income in the 15 percent rate bracket in the table contained in subsection (a) (and the minimum taxable income in the next higher taxable income bracket in such table) shall be 200 percent of the maximum taxable income in the 15-percent rate bracket in the table contained in subsection (c) (after any other adjustment under this subsection), and
- '(B) the comparable taxable income amounts in the table contained in subsection (d) shall be $\frac{1}{2}$ of the amounts determined under subparagraph (A).".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The heading for subsection (f) of section 1 of such Code is amended by striking "PHASEOUT" and inserting "ELIMINATION".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004.

SEC. 3. REPEAL OF SUNSET.

Title IX of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 shall not apply to the amendments made by sections 301 and 302 of such Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The amendment printed in part A of House Report 108-470 is adopted.

The text of H.R. 4181, as amended, is as follows:

H.R. 4181

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- "(ii) a surviving spouse (as defined in section 2(a)).
- "(B) \$4,400 in the case of a head of household (as defined in section 2(b)), or
 - (C) \$3,000 in any other case.
 - (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.-
- (1) Section 63(c)(4) of such Code is amended by striking "(2)(D)" each place it occurs and inserting ((2)(C))
- (2) Section 63(c) of such Code is amended by striking paragraph (7).
- (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004.

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- (B) the comparable taxable income amounts in the table contained in subsection (d) shall be 1/2 of the amounts determined under subparagraph (A).'
- (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—The heading for subsection (f) of section 1 of such Code is amended by striking "PHASEOUT" and inserting "ELIMINATION"
- (c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2004.

SEC. 3. REPEAL OF SUNSET.

Title IX of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2001 shall not apply to the amendments made by title III of

The SPEAKER pro tempore. After 1 hour of debate on the bill, as amended,