

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES ON H.R. 2443, COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 2003

MOTION TO INSTRUCT OFFERED BY MR. FILNER

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LINDER). The pending business is the de novo vote on the motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 2443.

The Clerk will redesignate the motion.

The Clerk redesignated the motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to instruct offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. FILNER).

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 395, nays 19, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 148]

YEAS—395

Abercrombie	Chandler	Franks (AZ)
Ackerman	Clay	Frelinghuysen
Aderholt	Clyburn	Frost
Akin	Coble	Galleghy
Alexander	Cole	Garrett (NJ)
Allen	Collins	Gephardt
Andrews	Conyers	Gerlach
Bachus	Cooper	Gibbons
Baird	Costello	Gillmor
Baker	Cox	Gingrey
Baldwin	Cramer	Gonzalez
Ballance	Crane	Goode
Barrett (SC)	Crenshaw	Goodlatte
Barton (TX)	Crowley	Gordon
Bass	Cubin	Goss
Beauprez	Culberson	Granger
Becerra	Cummings	Green (WI)
Bell	Cunningham	Grijalva
Bereuter	Davis (AL)	Gutierrez
Berkley	Davis (CA)	Gutknecht
Berman	Davis (FL)	Hall
Berry	Davis (IL)	Harman
Biggert	Davis (TN)	Harris
Bilirakis	Davis, Jo Ann	Hart
Bishop (GA)	Davis, Tom	Hastings (FL)
Bishop (NY)	Deal (GA)	Hastings (WA)
Bishop (UT)	DeFazio	Hayes
Blackburn	DeGette	Hayworth
Blumenauer	Delahunt	Hefley
Boehlert	DeLauro	Heger
Boehner	Deutsch	Hill
Bonner	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hinchey
Boozman	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hinojosa
Boswell	Dicks	Hobson
Boucher	Dingell	Hoefel
Bradley (NH)	Doggett	Hoekstra
Brady (PA)	Dooley (CA)	Holden
Brown (OH)	Doolittle	Holt
Brown (SC)	Doyle	Honda
Brown, Corrine	Duncan	Hooley (OR)
Brown-Waite,	Dunn	Hostettler
Ginny	Edwards	Houghton
Burgess	Ehlers	Hoyer
Burns	Emanuel	Hulshof
Burr	Emerson	Hyde
Burton (IN)	Engel	Inslee
Buyer	English	Isakson
Calvert	Eshoo	Israel
Camp	Etheridge	Issa
Cannon		Istook
Capito	Everett	Jackson (IL)
Capps	Farr	Jackson-Lee
Capuano	Fattah	(TX)
Cardin	Feeney	Jefferson
Cardoza	Ferguson	John
Carson (IN)	Filner	Johnson (CT)
Carson (OK)	Flake	Johnson (IL)
Carter	Foley	Johnson, E. B.
Case	Forbes	Jones (NC)
Castle	Fossella	Jones (OH)
Chabot	Frank (MA)	Kanjorski

Kaptur	Myrick	Schiff
Keller	Nadler	Schrock
Kelly	Napolitano	Scott (GA)
Kennedy (MN)	Neal (MA)	Scott (VA)
Kennedy (RI)	Nethercutt	Sensenbrenner
Kildee	Neugebauer	Serrano
Kilpatrick	Ney	Sessions
Kind	Northup	Shadeegg
King (IA)	Norwood	Shaw
King (NY)	Nunes	Shays
Kirk	Nussle	Sherman
Klecza	Oberstar	Sherwood
Kline	Obey	Shimkus
Knollenberg	Olver	Shuster
Kolbe	Ortiz	Simmons
Kucinich	Osborne	Simpson
LaHood	Ose	Skelton
Lampson	Otter	Slaughter
Langevin	Owens	Smith (MI)
Lantos	Oxley	Smith (NJ)
Larsen (WA)	Pallone	Smith (TX)
Larson (CT)	Pascrell	Smith (WA)
LaTourette	Pastor	Snyder
Leach	Paul	Souder
Lee	Payne	Spratt
Levin	Pearce	Stark
Lewis (CA)	Pelosi	Stearns
Lewis (GA)	Pence	Stenholm
Linder	Peterson (MN)	Strickland
Lipinski	Peterson (PA)	Stupak
LoBiondo	Petri	Sweeney
Lofgren	Pickering	Tanner
Lowey	Pitts	Tauscher
Lucas (KY)	Platts	Taylor (MS)
Lucas (OK)	Pombo	Terry
Lynch	Pomeroy	Thompson (CA)
Majette	Porter	Thompson (MS)
Maloney	Price (NC)	Thornberry
Manzullo	Pryce (OH)	Tiahrt
Markey	Quinn	Tierney
Marshall	Radanovich	Toomey
Matheson	Rahall	Towns
Matsui	Ramstad	Turner (OH)
McCarthy (MO)	Rangel	Turner (TX)
McCarthy (NY)	Regula	Udall (CO)
McCollum	Rehberg	Udall (NM)
McCotter	Renzi	Upton
McCrery	Reyes	Van Hollen
McDermott	Reynolds	Velázquez
McGovern	Rodriguez	Visclosky
McHugh	Rogers (AL)	Vitter
McInnis	Rogers (KY)	Walden (OR)
McIntyre	Rogers (MI)	Walsh
McKeon	Rohrabacher	Wamp
McNulty	Ros-Lehtinen	Waters
Meehan	Ross	Watson
Meek (FL)	Rothman	Watt
Mica	Roybal-Allard	Waxman
Michaud	Royce	Weiner
Millender-	Ruppersberger	Weldon (FL)
McDonald	Rush	Weldon (PA)
Miller (FL)	Ryan (OH)	Weller
Miller (MI)	Ryan (WI)	Wexler
Miller (NC)	Ryun (KS)	Whitfield
Miller, Gary	Sabo	Wicker
Mollohan	Sánchez, Linda	Wilson (NM)
Moore	T.	Wolf
Moran (KS)	Sanchez, Loretta	Woolsey
Moran (VA)	Sanders	Wu
Murphy	Sandlin	Wynn
Murtha	Saxton	Young (AK)
Musgrave	Schakowsky	Young (FL)

NAYS—19

Bartlett (MD)	Gilchrest	Sullivan
Blunt	Graves	Tancredo
Bonilla	Hensarling	Taylor (NC)
Cantor	Johnson, Sam	Thomas
Chocola	Kingston	Tiberi
DeLay	Portman	
Dreier	Putnam	
Baca	Green (TX)	Menendez
Ballenger	Greenwood	Miller, George
Bono	Hunter	Solis
Boyd	Jenkins	Tauzin
Brady (TX)	Latham	Wilson (SC)
DeMint	Lewis (KY)	
Ford	Meeks (NY)	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1307

Messrs. NEY, LINDER, TIAHRT and DOOLITTLE changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will appoint conferees at a subsequent time.

Stated for:

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 148, on motion to instruct on Coast Guard authorization, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”

EXPRESSING SENSE OF HOUSE RE- GARDING NEED FOR FREEDOM AND DEMOCRATIC REFORM IN LAOS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the resolution, H. Res. 402.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. BURTON) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 402, 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 1, answered “present” 1, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 149]

YEAS—408

Abercrombie	Brown-Waite,	Davis (IL)
Ackerman	Ginny	Davis (TN)
Aderholt	Burgess	Davis, Jo Ann
Akin	Burns	Davis, Tom
Alexander	Burr	Deal (GA)
Allen	Burton (IN)	DeFazio
Andrews	Buyer	DeGette
Bachus	Calvert	Delahunt
Baird	Camp	DeLauro
Baker	Cannon	DeLay
Baldwin	Cantor	Deutsch
Ballance	Capito	Diaz-Balart, M.
Ballenger	Capps	Dicks
Bartlett (MD)	Capuano	Dingell
Barton (TX)	Cardin	Doggett
Bass	Cardoza	Doolittle
Beauprez	Carson (IN)	Doyle
Becerra	Carson (OK)	Dreier
Bell	Case	Duncan
Bereuter	Castle	Dunn
Berkley	Chabot	Edwards
Berman	Chandler	Ehlers
Berry	Chocola	Emanuel
Biggert	Clay	Emerson
Bilirakis	Clyburn	Engel
Bishop (GA)	Coble	English
Bishop (NY)	Cole	Eshoo
Bishop (UT)	Collins	Etheridge
Blackburn	Conyers	Evans
Blumenauer	Cooper	Everett
Blunt	Costello	Farr
Boehlert	Cox	Fattah
Boehner	Cramer	Feeney
Bonilla	Crane	Filner
Bonner	Crenshaw	Flake
Boozman	Crowley	Foley
Boswell	Cubin	Forbes
Boucher	Culberson	Ford
Bradley (NH)	Cummings	Fossella
Brady (PA)	Cunningham	Frank (MA)
Brown (OH)	Davis (AL)	Franks (AZ)
Brown (SC)	Davis (CA)	Frost
Brown, Corrine	Davis (FL)	Galleghy

Garrett (NJ) Lucas (KY)
 Gephardt Lucas (OK)
 Gerlach Lynch
 Gibbons Majette
 Gilchrest Maloney
 Gillmor Manzullo
 Gingrey Marshall
 Gonzalez Matheson
 Goode Matsui
 Goodlatte McCarthy (MO)
 Gordon McCarthy (NY)
 Goss McCollum
 Granger McCotter
 Graves McCrery
 Green (TX) McDermott
 Green (WI) McGovern
 Grijalva McHugh
 Gutierrez McInnis
 Gutknecht Hall
 Harman McKeon
 Harris McNulty
 Hart Meehan
 Hastings (FL) Meek (FL)
 Hastings (WA) Mica
 Hayes Michaud
 Hayworth Millender-
 Heffley McDonald
 Hensarling Miller (FL)
 Henger Miller (MI)
 Hill Miller (NC)
 Hinchey Miller, Gary
 Hinojosa Mollohan
 Hobson Moore
 Hoeffel Moran (KS)
 Hoekstra Moran (VA)
 Holden Murphy
 Holt Murtha
 Honda Musgrave
 Hooley (OR) Myrick
 Hostettler Nadler
 Houghton Napolitano
 Hoyer Neal (MA)
 Hulshof Nethercutt
 Hunter Neugebauer
 Hyde Ney
 Insole Northup
 Isakson Norwood
 Israel Nunes
 Issa Nussle
 Istook Oberstar
 Jackson (IL) Obey
 Jackson-Lee Olver
 (TX) Ortiz
 Jefferson Osborne
 John Ose
 Johnson (IL) Otter
 Johnson, E. B. Owens
 Johnson, Sam Oxley
 Jones (NC) Pallone
 Jones (OH) Pascarell
 Kanjorski Pastor
 Kaptur Payne
 Keller Pearce
 Kelly Pelosi
 Kennedy (MN) Pence
 Kennedy (RI) Peterson (MN)
 Kildee Peterson (PA)
 Kilpatrick Petri
 Kind Pickering
 King (IA) Pitts
 King (NY) Platts
 Kingston Pombo
 Kirk Pomeroy
 Kleczka Porter
 Kline Portman
 Knollenberg Price (NC)
 Kolbe Price (OH)
 Kucinich Putnam
 LaHood Quinn
 Lampson Radanovich
 Langevin Rahall
 Lantos Ramstad
 Larsen (WA) Rangel
 Larson (CT) Regula
 LaTourette Rehberg
 Leach Renzi
 Lee Reyes
 Levin Reynolds
 Lewis (CA) Rodriguez
 Lewis (GA) Rogers (AL)
 Linder Rogers (KY)
 Lipinski Rohrabacher
 LoBiondo Ros-Lehtinen
 Lowey Ross

Rothman
 Roybal-Allard
 Royce
 Ruppersberger
 Rush
 Ryan (OH)
 Ryan (WI)
 Ryun (KS)
 Sabo
 Sánchez, Linda
 T.
 Sanchez, Loretta
 Sanders
 Sandlin
 Saxton
 Schakowsky
 Schiff
 Schrock
 Scott (GA)
 Scott (VA)
 Sensenbrenner
 Serrano
 Sessions
 Shadegg
 Shaw
 Shays
 Sherman
 Sherwood
 Shimkus
 Shuster
 Simmons
 Simpson
 Skelton
 Slaughter
 Smith (MI)
 Smith (NJ)
 Smith (TX)
 Smith (WA)
 Snyder
 Souder
 Spratt
 Stark
 Stearns
 Stenholm
 Strickland
 Stupak
 Sullivan
 Sweeney
 Tancredo
 Tanner
 Tauscher
 Taylor (MS)
 Taylor (NC)
 Terry
 Thomas
 Thompson (CA)
 Thompson (MS)
 Thornberry
 Tiahrt
 Tiberi
 Tierney
 Toomey
 Towns
 Turner (OH)
 Turner (TX)
 Udall (CO)
 Udall (NM)
 Upton
 Van Hollen
 Velázquez
 Visclosky
 Vitter
 Walden (OR)
 Walsh
 Wamp
 Waters
 Watson
 Watt
 Waxman
 Weiner
 Weldon (FL)
 Weldon (PA)
 Weller
 Wexler
 Whitfield
 Wicker
 Wilson (NM)
 Wolf
 Woolsey
 Wu
 Wynn
 Young (AK)
 Young (FL)

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Miller, George

NOT VOTING—23

Baca
 Barrett (SC)
 Bono
 Boyd
 Brady (TX)
 Carter
 DeMint
 Diaz-Balart, L.
 Dooley (CA)
 Ferguson
 Frelinghuysen
 Greenwood
 Jenkins
 Johnson (CT)
 Latham
 Lewis (KY)
 Lofgren
 Meeks (NY)
 Menendez
 Rogers (MI)
 Solis
 Tauzin
 Wilson (SC)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1315

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

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 149 on H. Res. 402—Laos People's Democratic Republic, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise to offer a personal explanation. Earlier today, I was unavoidably detained on rollcall votes 147, 148, and 149 due to a prior obligation. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on rollcall vote 147, "yea" on rollcall vote 148, and "yea" on rollcall vote 149.

DEPLORING ABUSE OF PERSONS IN UNITED STATES CUSTODY IN IRAQ

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 628, I call up the resolution (H. Res. 627) deploring the abuse of persons in United States custody in Iraq, regardless of the circumstances of their detention, urging the Secretary of the Army to bring to swift justice any member of the Armed Forces who has violated the Uniform Code of Military Justice, expressing the deep appreciation of the Nation to the courageous and honorable members of the Armed Forces who have selflessly served, or are currently serving, in Operation Iraqi Freedom, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The text of H. Res. 627 is as follows:

H. RES. 627

Whereas the American people and the world are dismayed by revelations of abuses inflicted upon detainees at the Abu Ghraib prison in Baghdad;

Whereas the military justice process so far has resulted in charges being brought against six individuals, three of whom have been recommended for trial by court martial;

Whereas the investigation by the United States Central Command has identified problems of leadership, chain of command, and training that contributed to the instances of abuse;

Whereas the Congress was not fully informed of the existence, or the seriousness, of those abuses or of the investigation of

those abuses until after they had been disclosed in the national media;

Whereas such abuses are offensive to the principles and values of the American people and the United States military, are incompatible with the professionalism, dedication, standards and training required of individuals who serve in the United States military, and contradict the policies, orders, and laws of the United States and the United States military and undermine the ability of the United States military to achieve its mission in Iraq;

Whereas the vast majority of members of the Armed Forces have upheld the highest possible standards of professionalism and morality in the face of illegal tactics and terrorist attacks and attempts on their lives;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces have planned and conducted, frequently at great peril and cost, military operations in a manner carefully intended to prevent or minimize injury to Iraqi civilians and property;

Whereas over 138,000 members of the United States Armed Forces serving in Iraq, a total force comprised of active, National Guard, and Reserve personnel, are executing a courageous and determined mission to rebuild and rehabilitate a proud nation after liberating it from the tyranny, oppression, and genocide of Saddam Hussein's evil regime;

Whereas the Department of Defense has awarded members of the Armed Forces serving in Operation Iraqi Freedom at least 3,767 Purple Hearts, as well as thousands of commendations for valor, including at least 4 Distinguished Service Crosses, 127 Silver Stars, and over 16,000 Bronze Stars;

Whereas members of the Armed Forces, United States citizens, over 30 Coalition partners, and patriotic Iraqis are working to finally return the government of Iraq to the Iraqi people after decades of despotism;

Whereas since the deposing of Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi people have enjoyed substantial improvements in essential services, including major water, sewage, power, infrastructure, transportation, telecommunications, and food security projects that already benefit millions more citizens than under the Ba'ath Party regime;

Whereas the quality of life for Iraqis has significantly improved in the areas of food availability, health services, and educational opportunities since the downfall of the Hussein government; and

Whereas security provided by the United States Armed Forces, the Coalition partners of the United States, and the Iraqi people has permitted the adoption by Iraq of a Transitional Administrative Law, with the promise of a sovereign Iraqi Interim Government, national elections, a constitution, and democracy: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives—

(1) deplores and condemns the abuse of persons in United States custody in Iraq, regardless of the circumstances of their detention;

(2) declares that the alleged crimes of a handful of individuals should not detract from the commendable sacrifices of over 300,000 members of the United States Armed Forces who have served, or who are serving, in Operation Iraqi Freedom;

(3) reaffirms and reinforces the American principle that any and all individuals under the custody and care of the United States Armed Forces shall be afforded proper and humane treatment;

(4) urges the Secretary of the Army to conduct a full and thorough investigation into any and all allegations of mistreatment or abuse of detainees in Iraq;

NAYS—1

Paul