

Mr. ISAKSON. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 381, nays 32, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 25]

YEAS—381

Abercrombie	Davis (CA)	Hoyer
Ackerman	Davis (FL)	Hunter
Akin	Davis (IL)	Hyde
Alexander	Davis (TN)	Inslee
Allen	Davis, Jo Ann	Isakson
Andrews	Davis, Tom	Israel
Baca	Deal (GA)	Issa
Bachus	DeGette	Istook
Baird	Delahunt	Jackson (IL)
Baker	DeLauro	Jackson-Lee
Ballance	DeLay	(TX)
Ballenger	DeMint	Jefferson
Barrett (SC)	Deutsch	Jenkins
Bartlett (MD)	Diaz-Balart, L.	John
Barton (TX)	Diaz-Balart, M.	Johnson (CT)
Bass	Dicks	Johnson (IL)
Beauprez	Dingell	Johnson, E. B.
Becerra	Doolley (CA)	Johnson, Sam
Bell	Doolittle	Jones (NC)
Bereuter	Doyle	Kanjorski
Berkley	Dreier	Kaptur
Berman	Duncan	Keller
Berry	Dunn	Kelly
Biggart	Edwards	Kennedy (RI)
Bilirakis	Ehlers	Kildee
Bishop (GA)	Emanuel	Kind
Bishop (NY)	Emerson	King (IA)
Bishop (UT)	Eshoo	King (NY)
Blackburn	Etheridge	Kingston
Blumenauer	Evans	Kirk
Blunt	Everett	Klecza
Boehlert	Farr	Kline
Boehner	Fattah	Knollenberg
Bonilla	Feeney	Kolbe
Bonner	Ferguson	LaHood
Bono	Flake	Lampson
Boozman	Foley	Langevin
Boswell	Ford	Larson (CT)
Boucher	Frank (MA)	Latham
Boyd	Franks (AZ)	LaTourette
Bradley (NH)	Frelinghuysen	Leach
Brown (OH)	Frost	Lee
Brown (SC)	Galleghy	Levin
Brown, Corrine	Garrett (NJ)	Lewis (CA)
Brown-Waite,	Gerlach	Lewis (GA)
Ginny	Gibbons	Lewis (KY)
Burgess	Gilchrest	Linder
Burns	Gillmor	Lipinski
Burr	Gingrey	Lofgren
Burton (IN)	Goode	Lucas (KY)
Buyer	Goodlatte	Lucas (OK)
Calvert	Gordon	Lynch
Camp	Goss	Majette
Cannon	Granger	Maloney
Cantor	Graves	Manzullo
Capito	Green (TX)	Markay
Capps	Green (WI)	Marshall
Cardin	Greenwood	Matheson
Cardoza	Grijalva	Matsui
Carson (IN)	Gutierrez	McCarthy (MO)
Carson (OK)	Hall	McCarthy (NY)
Carter	Harman	McCollum
Case	Harris	McCotter
Castle	Hart	McCrery
Chabot	Hastings (FL)	McGovern
Chocola	Hastings (WA)	McHugh
Clay	Hayes	McInnis
Clyburn	Hayworth	McIntyre
Coble	Hensarling	McKeon
Cole	Herger	McNulty
Conyers	Hill	Meehan
Cooper	Hinchey	Meek (FL)
Cox	Hinojosa	Meeks (NY)
Cramer	Hobson	Menendez
Crenshaw	Hoeffel	Mica
Crowley	Hoekstra	Michaud
Cubin	Holden	Millender-
Culberson	Holt	McDonald
Cummings	Hoolley (OR)	Miller (FL)
Cunningham	Hostettler	Miller (MI)
Davis (AL)	Houghton	Miller (NC)

Miller, Gary
Miller, George
Mollohan
Moore
Moran (KS)
Moran (VA)
Murphy
Musgrave
Myrick
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Nethercutt
Neugebauer
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nunes
Nussle
Obey
Osborne
Otter
Owens
Oxley
Pallone
Pascrell
Pastor
Paul
Payne
Pearce
Pelosi
Pence
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Platts
Pombo
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Putnam
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Rangel

Regula
Rehberg
Renzi
Reyes
Reynolds
Rodriguez
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Ross
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ruppersberger
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
Solis
Souder
Spratt
Stearns
Stenholm
Sullivan
Sweeney
Tancredo
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Taylor (NC)
Terry
Thomas
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi
Tierney
Toomey
Towns
Turner (OH)
Turner (TX)
Udall (CO)
Upton
Van Hollen
Velázquez
Vitter
Walden (OR)
Walsh
Wamp
Watson
Watt
Waxman
Weiner
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Young (AK)

NAYS—32

Aderholt
Baldwin
Brady (PA)
Capuano
Costello
Crane
DeFazio
English
Filner
Fossella
Gutknecht

Hefley
Jones (OH)
Kennedy (MN)
Larsen (WA)
LoBiondo
McDermott
Oberstar
Olver
Peterson (MN)
Ramstad
Rush

Strickland
Stupak
Taylor (MS)
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Udall (NM)
Visclosky
Waters
Weller
Wu

NOT VOTING—19

Brady (TX)
Collins
Doggett
Engel
Forbes
Gephardt
Gonzalez

Honda
Hulshof
Kilpatrick
Kucinich
Lantos
Lowe
Murtha

Ortiz
Ose
Stark
Wexler
Young (FL)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

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So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, February 24, 2004.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT,
The Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the original Certificate of Election received from the Honorable Trey Grayson, Secretary of State, Commonwealth of Kentucky, indicating that, on examination of the Official Abstracts of Votes on file in that office for the special election held February 17, 2004, the Honorable A.B. "Ben" Chandler was duly elected Representative in Congress for the Sixth Congressional District, Commonwealth of Kentucky.

With best wishes, I am,
Sincerely,

JEFF TRANDAH, Clerk.

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE BEN CHANDLER, OF KENTUCKY, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. Will the Representative-elect and the members of the Kentucky delegation present themselves in the well.

Mr. CHANDLER appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion, and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter. So help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations. You are now a Member of the 108th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE BEN CHANDLER TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, in the same bipartisan spirit of cooperation that has characterized Kentucky delegations to this great body, it is my privilege tonight, as dean of our delegation, to present to you our newest Member and America's newest Congressman, BEN CHANDLER.

BEN won the special election a week ago tonight to fill the unexpired term of our colleague and now Governor, Ernie Fletcher.

The Chandler name in Kentucky is legendary. BEN's grandfather, the late Albert "Happy" Chandler, was a twice-elected Governor; U.S. Senator; and baseball commissioner, who, by the way, presided over the integration of Major League Baseball.

But young BEN has earned his own stripes. He has just completed two terms as Kentucky attorney general, and before that the elected State auditor, and was nominated by his party for Governor last year.

BEN CHANDLER follows in the seat held by a long list of national leaders, including our own Governor Ernie Fletcher. One of the greatest Speakers of this body held this seat, Henry Clay, twice Speaker, three-time candidate for President, Secretary of State, U.S. Senator, the Great Compromiser of pre-Civil War years; Kentucky's greatest national legislator, that is until recently, of course. In fact, Henry Clay made history very early in his congressional career. He was elected Speaker immediately upon being sworn in as a freshman from this very Kentucky district.

Mr. Speaker, I like BEN CHANDLER, but maybe you and I had better keep an eye on him.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. LUCAS), our colleague from Kentucky's Fourth District.

Mr. LUCAS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. ROGERS). It is indeed a pleasure for me to welcome my colleague BEN CHANDLER here this evening.

BEN, it has been kind of lonely up here from Kentucky for us Democrats, and now we have doubled the amount of Democrats from Kentucky, and that is really great.

In Kentucky we are known for thoroughbred racing, and of course BEN comes from the heart of the thoroughbred country. And the success of thoroughbreds are based on bloodlines. If one has great bloodlines, they are successful in racing. And BEN comes here with great bloodlines.

And I am sure you are really going to be successful, and I am happy to share this moment with you and all your friends and your family, Jennifer and your three kids. It is great for you to be here, BEN. Thank you.

Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky. Mr. Speaker, I am deeply honored to welcome Kentucky's new Member of Congress from the Sixth District, Ben Chandler, and I am proud to present him at this time to the body.

MAIDEN SPEECH OF THE HONORABLE BEN CHANDLER AS NEWEST MEMBER OF 108TH CONGRESS

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

Mr. CHANDLER. Mr. Speaker, Members of this body, I thank you very, very much for this wonderful reception. It is obviously an unusual event because I won a special election. I think that lends itself to a more singular reception. But I do appreciate the attention very much.

This has been a whirlwind for me, and I can assure you that it is a tremendous honor to have the opportunity to serve with everyone here.

I am pleased to be a member of the Democratic Caucus. I am pleased to be a member of the Kentucky delegation.

I am honored to represent my State that I think everyone here from Kentucky knows I am very proud of. I am also very pleased to have my wife Jennifer with me in the crowd and our three children, Lucie, Albert, and Branham, all of whom got to come down here since they are all under the age of 12. It is nice to have them here, too.

Nearly 65 years ago, my grandfather, whom Mr. ROGERS mentioned, entered this grand building much as I have today, thrust into office in the middle of a term. In October of 1939, when he came to this august place, our country stood at the brink of world war. Nazism, fascism, and tyranny threatened to destroy American security and the values that we all hold dear.

Today many of our families face not those same kinds of challenges, but challenges in many ways just as difficult and just as important, a new set of challenges, and I am very honored to have the opportunity to work with every one of you to face those challenges and hopefully to surmount them. I am very much looking forward to that.

I consider it a great privilege to represent not only the Commonwealth of Kentucky but the Sixth Congressional District in our Commonwealth, which includes the central part of our State, central Kentucky, which is the horse-racing capital of the world, the bluegrass region of the Commonwealth of Kentucky. And as was mentioned, it was represented by one of the most illustrious Members of this august body, Henry Clay, among many others, and it is truly an honor to have the opportunity to follow in his footsteps.

I want you to know that I am excited about this. I am really looking forward to being a contributing Member who brings good things to all of the people of this wonderful Nation of which we are a part. Thank you for the honor. Thank you for the privilege. Thank you for having me here today, and I am very much excited about getting to work.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. The Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to Representative CHANDLER, the whole number of the House is adjusted to 434.

SALT CEDAR AND RUSSIAN OLIVE CONTROL DEMONSTRATION ACT

The SPEAKER. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 2707, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Mexico (Mr. PEARCE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2707, 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 367, nays 40, not voting 26, as follows:

[Roll No. 26]

YEAS—367

Abercrombie	Deutsch	Kolbe
Ackerman	Diaz-Balart, L.	LaHood
Aderholt	Diaz-Balart, M.	Lampson
Alexander	Dicks	Langevin
Allen	Dingell	Larsen (WA)
Andrews	Doolley (CA)	Larson (CT)
Baca	Dreier	Latham
Bachus	Dunn	LaTourette
Baird	Edwards	Leach
Baker	Ehlers	Lee
Baldwin	Emanuel	Levin
Ballance	Emerson	Lewis (CA)
Ballenger	English	Lewis (GA)
Barton (TX)	Eshoo	Lewis (KY)
Bass	Etheridge	Linder
Beauprez	Evans	Lipinski
Becerra	Farr	LoBiondo
Bell	Fattah	Loftgren
Bereuter	Ferguson	Lucas (KY)
Berkley	Filner	Lucas (OK)
Berman	Foley	Lynch
Berry	Ford	Majette
Biggert	Fossella	Maloney
Bilirakis	Frank (MA)	Manzullo
Bishop (GA)	Frelinghuysen	Markey
Bishop (NY)	Frost	Marshall
Bishop (UT)	Galleghy	Matheson
Blumenauer	Gerlach	Matsui
Blunt	Gibbons	McCarthy (MO)
Boehlert	Gilchrest	McCarthy (NY)
Boehner	Gillmor	McCollum
Bonilla	Goode	McCotter
Bonner	Goodlatte	McCrery
Bono	Gordon	McDermott
Boozman	Goss	McGovern
Boswell	Granger	McHugh
Boucher	Graves	McInnis
Boyd	Green (TX)	McIntyre
Bradley (NH)	Green (WI)	McKeon
Brady (PA)	Grijalva	McNulty
Brown (OH)	Gutierrez	Meehan
Brown (SC)	Gutknecht	Meek (FL)
Brown, Corrine	Hall	Meeks (NY)
Brown-Waite,	Harman	Menendez
Ginny	Harris	Mica
Burgess	Hart	Michaud
Burns	Hastings (FL)	Millender-
Burr	Hastings (WA)	McDonald
Burton (IN)	Hayworth	Miller (MI)
Buyer	Hensarling	Miller (NC)
Calvert	Hill	Miller, Gary
Camp	Hinchey	Miller, George
Cannon	Hinojosa	Mollohan
Cantor	Hobson	Moore
Capito	Hoeffel	Moran (KS)
Capps	Hoekstra	Moran (VA)
Capuano	Holt	Murphy
Cardin	Hoolley (OR)	Nadler
Cardoza	Houghton	Napolitano
Carson (IN)	Hoyer	Neal (MA)
Carson (OK)	Hunter	Nethercutt
Carter	Hyde	Neugebauer
Case	Inslee	Ney
Castle	Isakson	Northup
Chabot	Israel	Nunes
Chandler	Issa	Oberstar
Chocola	Istook	Obey
Clay	Jackson (IL)	Olver
Clyburn	Jackson-Lee	Osborne
Cole	(TX)	Otter
Cooper	Jefferson	Owens
Costello	Jenkins	Oxley
Cox	John	Pallone
Cramer	Johnson (CT)	Pascrell
Crane	Johnson (IL)	Pastor
Crenshaw	Johnson, E. B.	Payne
Crowley	Jones (OH)	Pearce
Cubin	Kanjorski	Pelosi
Cummings	Kaptur	Pence
Cunningham	Keller	Peterson (MN)
Davis (AL)	Kelly	Peterson (PA)
Davis (CA)	Kennedy (MN)	Pickering
Davis (FL)	Kennedy (RI)	Pitts
Davis (IL)	Kildee	Pommo
Davis (TN)	Kind	Pomeroy
Davis, Tom	King (IA)	Porter
DeFazio	King (NY)	Portman
DeGette	Kingston	Price (NC)
Delahunt	Kirk	Pryce (OH)
DeLauro	Kleczka	Putnam
DeLay	Kline	Quinn
DeMint	Knollenberg	Radanovich