

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	Lofgren
Bereuter	Ferguson	Lucas (KY)
Berkley	Filner	Lucas (OK)
Berman	Foley	Lynch
Berry	Ford	Majette
Biggert	Fossella	Manoloney
Bilirakis	Frank (MA)	Manzullo
Bishop (GA)	Frelinghuysen	Markey
Bishop (NY)	Frost	Marshall
Bishop (UT)	Galleghy	Matheson
Blumenauer	Gerlach	Matsui
Blunt	Gibbons	McCarthy (MO)
Boehrlert	Gilchrest	McCarthy (NY)
Boehner	Gillmor	McCollum
Bonilla	Goode	McCotter
Bonner	Goodlatte	McCreery
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	Mendez
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	Hinchesy	Miller, George
Cannon	Hinojosa	Mollohan
Cantor	Hobson	Moore
Capito	Hoefel	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

Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Regula
Rehberg
Renzi
Reyes
Reynolds
Rodriguez
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Ros-Lehtinen
Ross
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Sanchez, Linda
T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sanders
Sandlin
Saxton
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schrock
Scott (GA)
Serrano

Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Sherwood
Shuster
Simmons
Simpson
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Solis
Souder
Spratt
Stenholm
Strickland
Stupak
Sullivan
Sweeney
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Terry
Thomas
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Thornberry
Tiahrt
Tiberi

Tierney
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
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)
Wolf
Woolsey
Wu
Wynn
Young (AK)

NAYS—40

Akin
Barrett (SC)
Bartlett (MD)
Blackburn
Coble
Culberson
Davis, Jo Ann
Deal (GA)
Doolittle
Duncan
Everett
Feeney
Flake
Franks (AZ)

Garrett (NJ)
Gingrey
Hefley
Herger
Hostettler
Johnson, Sam
Jones (NC)
Miller (FL)
Myrick
Norwood
Nussle
Paul
Petri

Platts
Rohrabacher
Royce
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shimkus
Smith (MI)
Stearns
Tancredo
Taylor (MS)
Taylor (NC)
Toomey

NOT VOTING—26

Brady (TX)
Collins
Conyers
Doggett
Doyle
Engel
Forbes
Gephardt
Gonzalez

Greenwood
Holden
Honda
Hulshof
Kilpatrick
Kucinich
Lantos
Lowey
Murtha

Musgrave
Ortiz
Ose
Sabo
Scott (VA)
Stark
Wexler
Young (FL)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1923

Messrs. TANCREDO, NORWOOD and ROHRABACHER, Mrs. MYRICK and Mrs. BLACKBURN changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: “A bill to provide for an assessment of the extent of the invasion of Salt Cedar and Russian Olive on lands in the Western United States and efforts to date to control such invasion on public and private lands, including tribal lands, to establish a demonstration program to address the invasion of Salt Cedar and Russian Olive, and for other purposes.”.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

DOUGLAS COUNTY, OREGON, LAND CONVEYANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 714.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. RENZI) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 714, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 397, nays 0, not voting 36, as follows:

[Roll No. 27]

YEAS—397

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Aderholt
Akin
Alexander
Allen
Andrews
Baca
Bachus
Baird
Baker
Baldwin
Ballance
Ballenger
Barrett (SC)
Bartlett (MD)
Barton (TX)
Bass
Beauprez
Becerra
Bell
Bereuter
Berkley
Berman
Berry
Biggert
Bilirakis
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Bishop (UT)
Blackburn
Blumenauer
Blunt
Boehkert
Boehner
Bonilla
Bonner
Bono
Boozman
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Bradley (NH)
Brady (PA)
Brown (OH)
Brown (SC)
Brown, Corrine
Brown-Waite,
Ginny
Burgess
Burns
Burr
Burton (IN)
Buyer
Calvert
Camp
Cannon
Cantor
Capito
Capuano
Cardin
Cardoza
Carson (IN)
Carson (OK)
Carter
Case
Castle
Chabot
Chandler
Chocola
Clay
Clyburn

Coble
Cole
Conyers
Cooper
Costello
Cramer
Crane
Crenshaw
Crowley
Cubin
Culberson
Cummings
Cunningham
Davis (AL)
Davis (CA)
Davis (FL)
Davis (IL)
Davis (TN)
Davis, Jo Ann
Davis, Tom
Deal (GA)
DeFazio
DeGette
DeLahunt
DeLauro
DeLay
DeMint
Deutsch
Diaz-Balart, L.
Diaz-Balart, M.
Dicks
Dingell
Dooley (CA)
Doolittle
Duncan
Dunn
Edwards
Ehlers
Emanuel
Emerson
Engel
English
Eshoo
Etheridge
Evans
Everett
Farr
Fattah
Feeney
Ferguson
Filner
Flake
Foley
Ford
Fossella
Frank (MA)
Franks (AZ)
Frelinghuysen
Frost
Gallegly
Garrett (NJ)
Gerlach
Gibbons
Gilchrest
Gillmor
Goode
Goodlatte
Gordon
Goss
Granger
Graves
Green (TX)

Green (WI)
Grijalva
Gutierrez
Gutknecht
Hall
Harman
Harris
Hart
Hastings (FL)
Hastings (WA)
Hayes
Hayworth
Hefley
Hensarling
Herger
Hill
Hinchev
Hinojosa
Hobson
Hoefel
Hoekstra
Holt
Hooley (OR)
Hostettler
Houghton
Hoyer
Hunter
Hyde
Insee
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
Kleczka
Kline
Knollenberg
Kolbe
LaHood
Lampson
Langevin
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Latham
LaTourette
Leach
Lee
Levin
Lewis (CA)

Lewis (GA)
Lewis (KY)
Linder
Lipinski
LoBiondo
Lofgren
Lucas (KY)
Lucas (OK)
Lynch
Majette
Maloney
Manzullo
Markey
Marshall
Matheson
Matsui
McCarthy (MO)
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum
McCotter
McCrery
McDermott
McGovern
McHugh
McInnis
McIntyre
McKeon
McNulty
Meehan
Meek (FL)
Meeks (NY)
Menendez
Mica
Michaud
Millender-
McDonald
Miller (FL)
Miller (NC)
Miller, Gary
Miller, George
Mollohan
Moore
Moran (KS)
Murphy
Myrick
Nadler
Napolitano
Neal (MA)
Nethercutt
Neugebauer
Ney
Northup
Norwood
Nunes
Nussle
Oberstar
Obey
Olver
Osborne
Owens
Oxley
Pallone

Pascrell
Pastor
Paul
Payne
Pearce
Pelosi
Pence
Peterson (MN)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Platts
Pomeroy
Porter
Portman
Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Putnam
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Ramstad
Rangel
Regula
Rehberg
Renzi
Reyes
Rodriguez
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Ross
Rothman
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Ryan (WI)
Ryun (KS)
Sanchez, Linda
T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sanders
Sandlin
Saxton
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schrock
Scott (GA)
Serrano

Simpson
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Solis
Souder
Spratt
Stearns
Stenholm
Strickland
Stupak
Sullivan
Sweeney
Tancredo
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
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
Sandlin
Waters
Watson
Watt
Waxman
Weiner
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Whitfield
Wicker
Wilson (NM)
Wilson (SC)
Wolf
Woolsey
Wu
Wynn
Young (AK)

NOT VOTING—36

Brady (TX)
Capps
Collins
Cox
Doggett
Doyle
Dreier
Forbes
Gephardt
Gingrey
Gonzalez
Greenwood

Holden
Honda
Hulshof
Kilpatrick
Kucinich
Lantos
Lowey
Miller (MI)
Moran (VA)
Murtha
Musgrave
Ortiz

Ose
Otter
Peterson (PA)
Pombo
Reynolds
Rogers (MI)
Sabo
Scott (VA)
Stark
Weller
Wexler
Young (FL)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1941

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.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. KILPATRICK. Mr. Speaker, personal responsibilities required my presence in the 13th