

NOT VOTING—8

Ms. BERKLEY and Messrs. ROTHMAN, KUCINICH and CROWLEY changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. HUNTER changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the previous question was ordered.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. KUHL of New York). The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. DREIER).

The amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution, as amended.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 223, noes 199, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 86]

AYES—223

Aderholt	Bass	Boehner	Brown (OH)
Akin	Beauprez	Bonilla	Butterfield
Alexander	Biggert	Bonner	Capps
Bachus	Bilirakis	Bono	Capuano
Baker	Bishop (UT)	Boozman	Cardin
Barrett (SC)	Blackburn	Boustany	Cardoza
Bartlett (MD)	Blunt	Bradley (NH)	Carnahan
Barton (TX)	Boehlert	Brady (TX)	Carson

Hensarling	Peterson (PA)	Johnson, E. B.	Millender	Sanchez, Loretta
Herger	Petri	Jones (OH)	McDonald	Sanders
Hobson	Pickering	Kanjorski	Miller (NC)	Schiff
Hulshof	Platts	Kaptur	Miller, George	Schwartz (PA)
Hunter	Poe	Kennedy (RI)	Mollohan	Scott (GA)
Hyde	Pombo	Kildee	Moore (KS)	Scott (VA)
Inglis (SC)	Porter	Kilpatrick (MI)	Moore (WI)	Serrano
Issa	Price (GA)	Kind	Moran (VA)	Sherman
Istook	Pryce (OH)	Kucinich	Murtha	Skelton
Jenkins	Putnam	Langevin	Nadler	Slaughter
Jindal	Radanovich	Lantos	Napolitano	Smith (WA)
Johnson (CT)	Ramstad	Larsen (WA)	Neal (MA)	Snyder
Johnson (IL)	Regula	Larson (CT)	Oberstar	Solis
Johnson, Sam	Rehberg	Lee	Obey	Spratt
Jones (NC)	Reichert	Levin	Olver	Stark
Keller	Renzi	Lewis (GA)	Ortiz	Strickland
Kelly	Reynolds	Lipinski	Owens	Stupak
Kennedy (MN)	Rogers (AL)	Lofgren, Zoe	Pallone	Tauscher
King (IA)	Rogers (KY)	Lowey	Pascarella	Taylor (MS)
King (NY)	Rogers (MI)	Lynch	Pastor	Thompson (CA)
Kingston	Rohrabacher	Maloney	Payne	Thompson (MS)
Kirk	Royce	Markey	Pelosi	Tierney
Kline	Ryan (WI)	Marshall	Peterson (MN)	Towns
Knollenberg	Ryun (KS)	Matheson	Pomeroy	Udall (CO)
Kolbe	Saxton	Matsui	Price (NC)	Udall (NM)
Kuhl (NY)	Schmidt	McCarthy	Rahall	Van Hollen
LaHood	Schwarz (MI)	McCullum (MN)	Rangel	Velázquez
Latham	Sensenbrenner	McDermott	Reyes	Visclosky
LeTourette	Sessions	McGovern	Ross	Wasserman
Leach	Shadegg	Shaw	Rothman	Schultz
Lewis (CA)	Shay	McIntyre	Royal-Allard	Waters
Lewis (KY)	Shays	McKinney	Ruppersberger	Watt
Linder	Sherwood	McNulty	Rush	Waxman
LoBiondo	Shimkus	Meehan	Ryan (OH)	Weiner
Lucas	Shuster	Meek (FL)	Sabo	Wexler
Lungren, Daniel	Simmons	Meeks (NY)	Salazar	Woolsey
E.	Simpson	Melancon	Sánchez, Linda	Wu
Mack	Smith (NJ)	Michaud	T.	Wynn
Manzullo	Smith (TX)			
Marchant	Sodrel			
McCaull (TX)	Souder	DeLay	Hoekstra	Tanner
McCotter	Stearns	Diaz-Balart, L.	Pitts	Watson
McCryer	Sullivan	Diaz-Balart, M.	Ros-Lehtinen	
McHenry	Sweeney	Evans	Schakowsky	
McHugh	Tancredo			
McKeon	Taylor (NC)			
McMorris	Terry			
Mica	Thomas			
Miller (FL)	Thornberry			
Miller (MI)	Tiahrt			
Miller, Gary	Tiberi			
Moran (KS)	Turner			
Murphy	Upton			
Musgrave	Walden (OR)			
Myrick	Walsh			
Neugebauer	Wamp			
Ney	Weldon (FL)			
Northup	Weldon (PA)			
Norwood	Weller			
Nunes	Westmoreland			
Nussle	Whitfield			
Osborne	Wicker			
Otter	Wilson (NM)			
Oyley	Wilson (SC)			
NOT VOTING—10				
□ 1635				
So the 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.				
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PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE—PRIVATE LEGAL RESOLUTION REQUIRING ETHICS INVESTIGATION OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS INVOLVED IN JACK ABRAMOFF SCANDAL				
Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, pursuant				

NOES—199

PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE—PRIVILEGED RESOLUTION REQUIRING ETHICS INVESTIGATION OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS INVOLVED IN JACK ABRAMOFF SCANDAL

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to rule IX, I rise in regard to a question of the privileges of the House, and I offer a privileged resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

Whereas, on March 31, 2006, Tony Rudy, a former top Republican Leadership staff per-

son, pleaded guilty to charges that he conspired with Republican lobbyist Jack Abramoff to bribe public officials, including accepting money, meals, trips, and tickets to sporting events from Mr. Abramoff in exchange for official acts that included influencing legislation to aid Mr. Abramoff's clients;

Whereas The Washington Post has stated that Mr. Rudy's plea bargain is an admission of a "far-reaching criminal enterprise operating out of" the Republican Leader's office, "an enterprise that helped sway legislation, influence public policy, and enrich its main players." (The Washington Post, April 1, 2006)

Whereas the press has reported that "court papers point out official actions that were taken in (the Republican Leader's) office that benefited Abramoff, his clients or (the

former Republican Leader's Chief of Staff Ed) Buckham." (Roll Call, April 3, 2006);

Whereas, according to Mr. Rudy's plea agreement, his crimes involving illegal favors and lobbying activity lasted from 1997 through 2004;

Whereas on March 31, 2006, Assistant U.S. Attorney General Alice S. Fisher stated, "The American public loses when officials and lobbyists conspire to buy and sell influence in such a corrupt and brazen manner. By his admission in open court today, Mr. Rudy paints a picture of Washington which the American public and law enforcement will simply not tolerate."

Whereas Mr. Rudy is the second former high-ranking Republican Leadership staff person, in addition to Michael Scanlon, to admit wrongdoing in the corruption investigation centered on Mr. Abramoff;

Whereas, on March 29, 2006, Mr. Abramoff was sentenced to five years and ten months in prison after pleading guilty to conspiracy and wire fraud;

Whereas it is the purview of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to investigate allegations that relate to the official conduct of a Member or a staff person, the abuse of a Member's official position, and violations of the Rules of the House, and to take disciplinary action in cases of wrongdoing;

Whereas, the fact that cases are being investigated by the U.S. Justice Department does not preclude the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct from determining investigative steps that must be taken;

Whereas, in the first session of the 109th Congress, for the first time in the history of the House of Representatives, the rules of procedure of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct were changed on a partisan basis, the Chairman of the Committee and two of his Republican Colleagues were dismissed from the Committee, the newly appointed Chairman of the Committee improperly and unilaterally fired non-partisan staff, and the Chairman attempted to appoint supervisory staff without a vote of the Committee in direct contravention of the intent of the bi-partisan procedures adopted in 1997;

Whereas, because of these actions, the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct conducted no investigative activities in the first session of the 109th Congress;

Resolved, That the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct shall immediately initiate an investigation of the misconduct by Members of Congress and their staff implicated in the scandals associated with Mr. Jack Abramoff's criminal activity.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution qualifies as a question of the privileges of the House.

MOTION TO TABLE OFFERED BY MR. BOEHNER

Mr. BOEHNER. Mr. Speaker, I move to table the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to table.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 218, noes 198, answered "present" 5, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 87]
AYES—218

Aderholt	Gibbons	Norwood	Filner	Lynch	Ruppersberger
Akin	Gilchrest	Nunes	Ford	Maloney	Rush
Alexander	Gillmor	Osborne	Frank (MA)	Markey	Ryan (OH)
Bachus	Gingrey	Otter	Gerlach	Marshall	Sabo
Baker	Gohmert	Oxley	Gonzalez	Matheson	Salazar
Barrett (SC)	Goode	Pearce	Gordon	Matsui	Sánchez, Linda
Bartlett (MD)	Goodlatte	Pence	Green (WI)	McCarthy	T.
Barton (TX)	Granger	Peterson (PA)	Green, Al	McCormick (MN)	Sanchez, Loretta
Bass	Graves	Petri	Grijalva	McDermott	Sanders
Beauprez	Gutknecht	Pickering	Gutierrez	McGovern	Schiff
Biggert	Hall	Pitts	Harman	McIntyre	Schwartz (PA)
Bilirakis	Harris	Poe	Hastings (FL)	McKinney	Scott (GA)
Bishop (UT)	Hart	Pombo	Herseth	McNulty	Scott (VA)
Blackburn	Hastings (WA)	Porter	Higgins	Meehan	Serrano
Blunt	Hayes	Price (GA)	Hinchey	Meek (FL)	Shays
Boehlert	Hayworth	Pryce (OH)	Hinojosa	Meeks (NY)	Sherman
Boehner	Heffley	Putnam	Holden	Melancon	Skelton
Bonilla	Hensarling	Radanovich	Holt	Michaud	Slaughter
Bonner	Herger	Ramstad	Honda	Millender-	Smith (WA)
Bono	Hobson	Regula	Hooley	McDonald	Snyder
Boozman	Hostettler	Rehberg	Hoyer	Miller (NC)	Solis
Boustany	Hulshof	Reichert	Insee	Miller, George	Spratt
Bradley (NH)	Hunter	Renzi	Israel	Moore (KS)	Stark
Brady (TX)	Hyde	Reynolds	Jackson (IL)	Moore (WI)	Strickland
Brown (SC)	Inglis (SC)	Rogers (AL)	Jackson-Lee	Moran (VA)	Tauscher
Brown-Waite, Ginny	Issa	Rogers (KY)	(TX)	Murtha	Taylor (MS)
Burgess	Istook	Rogers (MI)	Jefferson	Nadler	Thompson (CA)
Burton (IN)	Jenkins	Rohrabacher	Johnson, E. B.	Napolitano	Thompson (MS)
Buyer	Jindal	Rohrabacher	Jones (NC)	Neal (MA)	Tierney
Calvert	Johnson (CT)	Royce	Jones (OH)	Oberstar	Towns
Camp (MI)	Johnson (IL)	Ryan (WI)	Kanjorski	Obey	Udall (CO)
Campbell (CA)	Johnson, Sam	Ryun (KS)	Kaptur	Olver	Udall (NM)
Cannon	Keller	Saxton	Kilpatrick (MI)	Pallone	Van Hollen
Cantor	Kelly	Schmidt	Kind	Pascarella	Velázquez
Capito	Kennedy (MN)	Schwarz (MI)	Kucinich	Pastor	Visclosky
Carter	King (IA)	Sensenbrenner	Langevin	Payne	Wasserman
Castle	King (NY)	Sessions	Lantos	Pelosi	Schultz
Chabot	Kingston	Shadegg	Larsen (WA)	Peterson (MN)	Waters
Chocola	Kirk	Shaw	Larson (CT)	Platts	Watt
Coble	Kline	Sherwood	Leach	Pomeroy	Wexler
Cole (OK)	Knollenberg	Shimkus	Lee	Price (NC)	Woolsey
Conaway	Kolbe	Shuster	Levin	Rahall	Weiner
Crenshaw	Kuhl (NY)	Simmons	Lewis (GA)	Rangel	Wexler
Cubin	LaHood	Simpson	Lipinski	Reyes	Woolsey
Culberson	Latham	Smith (NJ)	Lofgren, Zoe	Ross	Wu
Davis (KY)	LaTourette	Smith (TX)	Lowey	Rothman	Wynn
Davis, Jo Ann	Lewis (CA)	Sodrel			
Davis, Tom	Lewis (KY)	Souder			
Deal (GA)	Linder	Stearns			
Dent	LoBiondo	Sullivan			
Diaz-Balart, L.	Lucas	Sweeney			
Diaz-Balart, M.	Lungren, Daniel E.	Tancredo			
Doolittle	Mack	Taylor (NC)			
Drake	Manzullo	Terry			
Dreier	Marchant	Thomas			
Duncan	McCaul (TX)	Thornberry			
Ehlers	McCotter	Tiahrt			
Emerson	McCrery	Tiberi			
English (PA)	McHenry	Turner			
Everett	McHugh	Upton			
Feeley	McKeon	Walden (OR)			
Ferguson	McMorris	Walsh			
Fitzpatrick (PA)	Mica	Wamp			
Flake	Miller (FL)	Weldon (FL)			
Foley	Miller (MI)	Weldon (PA)			
Forbes	Miller, Gary	Weller			
Fortenberry	Moran (KS)	Westmoreland			
Fossella	Murphy	Wicker			
Foxx	Musgrave	Wilson (NM)			
Franks (AZ)	Myrick	Wilson (SC)			
Frelinghuysen	Neugebauer	Wolf			
Gallegly	Ney	Young (AK)			
Garrett (NJ)	Northup	Young (FL)			
		NOES—198			
Abercrombie	Brown (OH)	Cummings			
Ackerman	Brown, Corrine	Davis (AL)			
Andrews	Capps	Davis (CA)			
Baca	Capuano	Davis (FL)			
Baird	Cardin	Davis (IL)			
Baldwin	Cardoza	Davis (TN)			
Barrow	Carnahan	DeFazio			
Bean	Carson	DeGette			
Becerra	Case	Delahunt			
Berkley	Chandler	DeLauro			
Berman	Clay	Dicks			
Berry	Cleaver	Dingell			
Bishop (GA)	Clyburn	Doggett			
Bishop (NY)	Conyers	Edwards			
Blumenauer	Cooper	Emanuel			
Boren	Costa	Engel			
Boswell	Costello	Eshoo			
Boucher	Cramer	Etheridge			
Boyd	Crowley	Farr			
Brady (PA)	Cuellar	Fattah			

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—5

Doyle Mollohan Roybal-Allard
Green, Gene Paul

NOT VOTING—11

Allen Hoekstra Tanner
Butterfield Nussle Watson
DeLay Ros-Lehtinen Whitfield
Evans Schakowsky

□ 1656

Mr. GORDON changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

So the motion to table was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

527 REFORM ACT OF 2005

Mr. EHLERS. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 755, I call up the bill (H.R. 513) to amend the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 to clarify when organizations described in section 527 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 must register as political committees, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Pursuant to House Resolution 755, the bill is considered read.

The text of H.R. 513 is as follows:

H.R. 513

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "527 Reform Act of 2005".