

their families, as well as military retirees. It includes a 2.7 percent pay increase for military personnel. This is higher than what the DOD requested, and much-needed increases to end strength numbers.

It blocks a controversial DOD recommendation as well to increase TRICARE fees and deductibles for military retirees and also extends TRICARE eligibility for reservists, two issues that have been very important to my constituents.

I thank the committee leadership for their efforts to accomplish all of these important goals.

Now, I am particularly pleased that H.R. 5122 addresses the current crisis in our submarine industrial base. Mr. Speaker, our Navy right now has no plans to develop a replacement for the *Virginia* class which I believe threatens to cause our design and engineering base to disappear. Now, if we lose design capability, we will do irreparable harm to our shipbuilding industry.

The bill also includes \$400 million to expedite the construction schedule for the *Virginia* class so that we can start building two submarines per year as early as 2009. This is critically important. The submarines current shipbuilding plan would have our submarine fleet drop to dangerously low levels and this bill clearly states that we cannot allow that to happen.

I commend the chairman and ranking member for all those provisions. That is the good news.

The bad news, however, I remain troubled by provisions regarding fee increases for certain prescription drugs under the TRICARE program as well as controversial language regarding religious expression by military chaplains. I hope that we will be able to consider amendments tomorrow to address these topics.

But overall, however, the underlying bill addresses many urgent needs of our military, and I encourage my colleagues to support it.

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman from Rhode Island's bipartisan remarks about the legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. MATSUI. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume to close.

Mr. Speaker, the bipartisan collaboration between Chairman HUNTER and Ranking Member SKELTON has yielded a thoughtful, balanced defense authorization bill that seeks to meet our current and future defense needs. They should be commended for their hard work. However, there are still areas within this bill that can be improved. As we move to floor consideration, we have an opportunity to make this bipartisan bill even better.

Still pending before the Rules Committee are more than 90 amendments covering a host of critical issues. This includes Ranking Member SKELTON's proposal on TRICARE prescription

drug copays and Mr. ISRAEL's correction to the guidelines for military chaplains.

Other amendments not yet allowed on the floor concern our Nation's Iraq policy, abuses of military contracting, and boosts to our critical nonproliferation initiatives.

It is my hope that when the Rules Committee reports out the second and final rule today these amendments will be made in order. Allowing these amendments to be debated on the floor will continue the committee's bipartisan precedent, something this body would benefit from, as well as show the issues addressed in this legislation, so critical to our Nation's well-being, the respect they deserve.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

In closing, I want to take this opportunity to remind our Members that this rule and the underlying legislation is not about us or our interests. It is fundamentally about the long-term interests of our Nation, the security and stability of our military, and the welfare of our deployed servicemen and women.

Mr. Speaker, no generation undertakes a war lightly. Certainly, the World War I and World War II generations and the Cold War generations did not do so, and it is clear that historically there is always dissent. That is good and it is American. However, the previous generations understood that if they were not firm in their commitment, unwavering in their support for the troops and sure in their convictions, America would be the worse for future generations.

Mr. Speaker, we face the very same challenges as these previous generations. Today is the day that we must support our forces to secure the peace for our progeny and to spread freedom around the globe.

Mr. Speaker, we are very fortunate at this particular moment in our history to have men like Chairman HUNTER and Ranking Member IKE SKELTON heading and cooperating so closely on this very important committee, one in which whatever our differences may be, we come together as Americans to support those Americans who defend our freedom and who put themselves in harm's way for our benefit.

Mr. Speaker, I would encourage my colleagues to support the rule and the underlying legislation. It is critical for America, for the cause of freedom, and for the success of the brave men and women who proudly wear the uniform of the United States.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. JINDAL). The question is on the resolution.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 5143, by the yeas and nays;
H. Res. 805, by the yeas and nays;
H. Res. 806, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

H-PRIZE ACT OF 2006

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 5143, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. INGLIS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 5143, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 416, nays 6, answered “present” 1, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 131]

YEAS—416

Abercrombie	Boren	Clyburn
Ackerman	Boswell	Coble
Aderholt	Boucher	Cole (OK)
Akin	Boustany	Conaway
Alexander	Boyd	Conyers
Allen	Bradley (NH)	Cooper
Andrews	Brady (PA)	Costa
Baca	Brady (TX)	Costello
Bachus	Brown (OH)	Cramer
Baird	Brown (SC)	Crenshaw
Baker	Brown, Corrine	Crowley
Baldwin	Brown-Waite,	Cubin
Barrett (SC)	Ginny	Cuellar
Barrow	Burgess	Culberson
Bartlett (MD)	Burton (IN)	Cummings
Barton (TX)	Butterfield	Davis (AL)
Bass	Buyer	Davis (CA)
Bean	Calvert	Davis (FL)
Beauprez	Camp (MI)	Davis (IL)
Becerra	Campbell (CA)	Davis (KY)
Berkley	Cannon	Davis (TN)
Berman	Cantor	Davis, Jo Ann
Berry	Capito	Davis, Tom
Bilirakis	Capps	Deal (GA)
Bishop (GA)	Capuano	DeFazio
Bishop (NY)	Cardin	DeGette
Bishop (UT)	Carnahan	Delahunt
Blackburn	Carson	DeLauro
Blumenauer	Carter	DeLay
Blunt	Case	Dent
Boehlert	Castle	Diaz-Balart, L.
Boehner	Chabot	Diaz-Balart, M.
Bonilla	Chandler	Dicks
Bonner	Chocola	Dingell
Bono	Clay	Doggett
Boozman	Cleaver	Doolittle

Doyle	Kline	Pomeroy
Drake	Knollenberg	Porter
Dreier	Colbe	Price (GA)
Edwards	Kucinich	Price (NC)
Ehlers	Kuhl (NY)	Pryce (OH)
Emanuel	LaHood	Putnam
Emerson	Langevin	Radanovich
Engel	Lantos	Rahall
English (PA)	Larsen (WA)	Ramstad
Eshoo	Larson (CT)	Rangel
Etheridge	Latham	Regula
Everett	LaTourette	Rehberg
Farr	Leach	Reichert
Fattah	Lee	Renzi
Feeney	Levin	Reyes
Ferguson	Lewis (CA)	Reynolds
Filner	Lewis (GA)	Rogers (AL)
Fitzpatrick (PA)	Lewis (KY)	Rogers (KY)
Foley	Linder	Rogers (MI)
Forbes	Lipinski	Rohrabacher
Ford	LoBiondo	Ros-Lehtinen
Fortenberry	Lofgren, Zoe	Ross
Fossella	Lowey	Rothman
Frank (MA)	Lucas	Royal-Allard
Franks (AZ)	Lungren, Daniel	Royce
Frelinghuysen	E.	Ruppersberger
Gallegly	Lynch	Rush
Garrett (NJ)	Mack	Ryan (OH)
Gerlach	Maloney	Ryan (WI)
Gibbons	Marchant	Ryun (KS)
Gilchrest	Markey	Sabo
Gillmor	Marshall	Salazar
Gingrey	Matheson	Sánchez, Linda
Gohmert	Matsui	T.
Goode	McCarthy	Sanchez, Loretta
Goodlatte	McCaull (TX)	Sanders
Gordon	McCollum (MN)	Saxton
Granger	McCotter	Schakowsky
Graves	McCrary	Schiff
Green (WI)	McDermott	Schmidt
Green, Al	McGovern	Schwartz (PA)
Green, Gene	McHenry	Schwarz (MI)
Grijalva	McHugh	Scott (GA)
Gutierrez	McIntyre	Scott (VA)
Gutknecht	McKeon	Sensenbrenner
Hall	McKinney	Serrano
Harman	McMorris	Sessions
Harris	McNulty	Shadegg
Hart	Meek (FL)	Shaw
Hastings (FL)	Meeks (NY)	Shays
Hastings (WA)	Melancon	Sherman
Hayes	Mica	Sherwood
Hayworth	Michaud	Shimkus
Hefley	Millender	Shuster
Hensarling	McDonald	Simmons
Herger	Miller (FL)	Simpson
Herseth	Miller (MI)	Skelton
Higgins	Miller (NC)	Slaughter
Hinchey	Miller, Gary	Smith (NJ)
Hinojosa	Miller, George	Smith (TX)
Hobson	Mollohan	Snyder
Hoekstra	Moore (KS)	Sodrel
Holden	Moore (WI)	Solis
Holt	Moran (KS)	Souder
Honda	Moran (VA)	Spratt
Hooley	Murtha	Stark
Hostettler	Musgrave	Stearns
Hoyer	Myrick	Strickland
Hulshof	Nadler	Stupak
Hunter	Napolitano	Sullivan
Hyde	Neal (MA)	Sweeney
Inglis (SC)	Neugebauer	Tanner
Insee	Ney	Tauscher
Israel	Northup	Taylor (MS)
Issa	Norwood	Taylor (NC)
Istook	Nunes	Terry
Jackson (IL)	Nussle	Thomas
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Oberstar	Thompson (CA)
Jefferson	Obey	Thompson (MS)
Jenkins	Olver	Thornberry
Jindal	Ortiz	Tiaht
Johnson (CT)	Otter	Tiberi
Johnson (IL)	Owens	Tierney
Johnson (E. B.)	Oxley	Towns
Johnson, Sam	Pallone	Turner
Jones (NC)	Pascarella	Udall (CO)
Jones (OH)	Pastor	Udall (NM)
Kanjorski	Payne	Upton
Kaptur	Pearce	Van Hollen
Keller	Pelosi	Velázquez
Kelly	Pence	Visclosky
Kennedy (MN)	Peterson (MN)	Walden (OR)
Kildee	Peterson (PA)	Walsh
Kilpatrick (MI)	Pickering	Wamp
Kind	Pitts	Wasserman
King (IA)	Platts	Schultz
King (NY)	Poe	Waters
Kingston	Pombo	Watson

Waxman	Wexler	Woolsey
Weiner	Whitfield	Wu
Weldon (FL)	Wicker	Wynn
Weldon (PA)	Wilson (NM)	Young (AK)
Weller	Wilson (SC)	Young (FL)
Westmoreland	Wolf	
	NAYS—6	
Duncan	Foxx	Paul
Flake	Manzullo	Tancredo
	ANSWERED “PRESENT”—1	
	Biggert	
	NOT VOTING—9	
Cardoza	Kennedy (RI)	Murphy
Evans	Kirk	Osborne
Gonzalez	Meehan	Smith (WA)
	□ 1335	
Mr. HYDE	changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”	
So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rule was suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.		
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.		
A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.		
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WAIVING POINTS OF ORDER AGAINST CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 4297, TAX INCREASE PREVENTION AND RECONCILIATION ACT OF 2005		
The SPEAKER pro tempore (DANIEL E. LUNGPREN of California). The pending business is the vote on adoption of House Resolution 805 on which the yeas and nays are ordered.		
The Clerk read the title of the resolution.		
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.		
This will be a 5-minute vote.		
The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 228, nays 194, not voting 10, as follows:		
[Roll No. 132]		
YEAS—228		
Aderholt	Carter	Frelinghuysen
Akin	Castle	Gallegly
Alexander	Chabot	Garrett (NJ)
Baker	Chocola	Gerlach
Barrett (SC)	Coble	Gibbons
Barrow	Cole (OK)	Gilchrest
Bartlett (MD)	Conaway	Gilmor
Barton (TX)	Crenshaw	Gingrey
Bass	Cubin	Gohmert
Beauprez	Culberson	Goode
Biggert	Davis (KY)	Goodlatte
Bilirakis	Davis, Jo Ann	Granger
Bishop (UT)	Davis, Tom	Graves
Blackburn	Deal (GA)	Green (WI)
Blunt	DeLay	Gutknecht
Boehlert	Dent	Hall
Boehner	Diaz-Balart, L.	Harris
Bonilla	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hart
Bonner	Doolittle	Hastings (WA)
Bono	Drake	Hayes
Boozman	Dreier	Hayworth
Boustany	Duncan	Hefley
Bradley (NH)	Ehlers	Hensarling
Brady (TX)	Emerson	Herger
Brown (SC)	English (PA)	Hobson
Brown-Waite, Ginny	Everett	Hoekstra
Burgess	Feeney	Hostettler
Burton (IN)	Ferguson	Hulshof
Buyer	Fitzpatrick (PA)	Hunter
Calvert	Flake	Hyde
Camp (MI)	Foley	Inglis (SC)
Campbell (CA)	Forbes	Issa
Cannon	Fortenberry	Istoak
Cantor	Fossella	Jenkins
Capito	Foxx	Jindal
	Franks (AZ)	Johnson (CT)

Johnson (IL)	Myrick	Sensenbrenner
Johnson, Sam	Neugebauer	Sessions
Jones (NC)	Ney	Shadegg
Keller	Northup	Shaw
Kelly	Norwood	Shays
Kennedy (MN)	Nunes	Sherwood
King (IA)	Nussle	Shimkus
King (NY)	Otter	Shuster
Kingston	Oxley	Simmons
Kirk	Paul	Simpson
Kline	Pearce	Smith (NJ)
Knollenberg	Pence	Smith (TX)
Colbe	Peterson (PA)	Sodrel
Kuhl (NY)	Petri	Souder
LaHood	Pickering	Stearns
Latham	Pitts	Sullivan
LaTourette	Platts	Sweeney
Leach	Poe	Tancredo
Lewis (CA)	Pombo	Taylor (NC)
Lewis (KY)	Porter	Terry
Linder	Price (GA)	Thomas
LoBiondo	Pryce (OH)	Thornberry
Lucas	Putnam	Tiahrt
Longren, Daniel E.	Radanovich	Tiberi
Mack	Ramstad	Turner
Manzullo	Regula	Upton
Marchant	Rehberg	Walden (OR)
McCaull (TX)	Reichert	Walsh
McCotter	Renzi	Wamp
McCrery	Reynolds	Weldon (FL)
McHenry	Rogers (AL)	Weldon (PA)
McHugh	Rogers (KY)	Weller
McKeon	Rogers (MI)	Westmoreland
McMorris	Rohrabacher	Whitfield
Mica	Ros-Lehtinen	Wicker
Miller (FL)	Royce	Wilson (NM)
Miller (MI)	Ryan (WI)	Wilson (SC)
Miller, Gary	Ryun (KS)	Wolf
Moran (KS)	Saxton	Young (AK)
Musgrave	Schmidt	Young (FL)
NAYS—194		
Abercrombie	Engel	McDermott
Ackerman	Eshoo	McGovern
Allen	Etheridge	McIntyre
Andrews	Farr	McKinney
Baca	Fattah	McNulty
Baird	Filner	Meek (FL)
Baldwin	Ford	Meeks (NY)
Bean	Frank (MA)	Melancon
Becerra	Gordon	Michaud
Berkley	Green, Al	Millender-McDonald
Berman	Green, Gene	Miller (NC)
Berry	Grijalva	Miller, George
Bishop (GA)	Gutierrez	Mollohan
Bishop (NY)	Harman	Moore (KS)
Blumenauer	Hastings (FL)	Moore (WI)
Boren	Herseth	Moran (VA)
Boswell	Higgins	Murtha
Boucher	Hinchey	Napolitano
Boyd	Hinojosa	Owens
Brady (PA)	Holden	Neal (MA)
Brown (OH)	Holt	Oberstar
Brown, Corrine	Honda	Obey
Butterfield	Hooley	Oliver
Capps	Hoyer	Ortiz
Capuano	Inslee	Pallone
Cardin	Israel	Pascrall
Carnahan	Jackson (IL)	Pastor
Carson	Jackson-Lee	Payne
Case	(TX)	Pelosi
Chandler	Jefferson	Peterson (MN)
Clay	Johnson, E. B.	Pomeroy
Cleaver	Jones (OH)	Price (NC)
Clyburn	Kanjorski	Rahall
Conyers	Kaptur	Rangel
Cooper	Kildee	Reyes
Costa	Kilpatrick (MI)	Rothman
Costello	Kind	Royal-Allard
Cramer	Kucinich	Ruppertsberger
Crowley	Langevin	Rush
Cuellar	Lantos	Ryan (OH)
Cummings	Larsen (WA)	Sabot
Davis (AL)	Larson (CT)	Salazar
Davis (CA)	Lee	Sánchez, Linda T.
Davis (FL)	Levin	Sanchez, Loretta
Davis (IL)	Lewis (GA)	Sanders
Davis (TN)	Lipinski	Schakowsky
DeFazio	Lofgren, Zoe	Schiff
DeGette	Lowey	Schwartz (PA)
Delahunt	Lynch	Scott (GA)
DeLauro	Maloney	Scott (VA)
Dicks	Markey	Serrano
Dingell	Marshall	Sherman
Doggett	Matheson	Skelton
Doyle	Matsui	
Edwards	McCarthy	
Emanuel	McCollum (MN)	