

After a 2-year investigation and thousands of man-hours on the part of Investigators Hash and Killmon, 14 drug- and violence-related arrests have been made and a cop killer now sits behind bars.

It is a privilege for me to honor the accomplishments of these outstanding members of my hometown police force on the House floor today. Because of their dedicated service of these two top cops and thousands of police officers throughout our Nation, our streets are safer for our families. For that we are all eternally grateful.

#### EXTENDING THE MEDICARE PART D DEADLINE

(Mr. BISHOP of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BISHOP of New York. Mr. Speaker, with only 5 days before the deadline to sign up for the Medicare drug benefit, only 9 percent of eligible New Yorkers have voluntarily signed up for it.

Why such low enrollment? Could it be that seniors have to choose among 47 plans that keep changing? It is a daunting task to tackle a moving target.

Could it be that a third of the calls answered by Medicare operators result in inaccurate information or none at all? Could there be a more clear-cut case for extending the sign-up deadline?

Clearly, the President disagrees. To him, the "D" in part D stands for "deadline." But he is not a senior or a disabled American who needs and deserves more time and for whom "D" stands for disaster.

After holding dozens of town hall meetings over the past 6 months, I join with my colleagues today in calling upon the Republicans to extend the deadline, penalty free, through the end of the year.

For nine of 10 eligible New Yorkers who haven't chosen a plan yet, but must pick from among 47 plans, another 6 months will go a long way toward helping them choose a plan that is right for them.

#### REPUBLICANS CREATE OPPORTUNITIES

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, since 2003, the Bush tax cuts have helped all Americans by creating over 5.2 million jobs, reducing the unemployment rate to the lowest average in three decades, and growing the economy at a record pace. Thanks to the Home Builders Association, there is record homeownership.

Although Democrats have seen American families benefit from lower taxes, they continue to obstruct opportunities. Yesterday, House Democrats stuck to their tax-and-spend strategy.

When the House considered the tax reductions yesterday, 185 Democrats voted against this critical legislation. By voting against this bill, they clearly signaled their support for raising taxes on American families, American small businesses, and American investors.

Fortunately, House Republicans voted for this legislation so that Americans, not the Federal Government, have control over their hard-earned incomes. By passing this bill, we have helped create and ensure that our economy continues to grow, creating opportunities.

In conclusion, God bless our troops, and we will never forget September 11.

#### VIETNAM HUMAN RIGHTS DAY

(Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to highlight the ongoing struggle for freedom and democracy in Vietnam. As we observe Vietnam Human Rights Day, it is clear that the struggle is far from over.

The most basic freedoms we enjoy, the freedom of speech, the freedom of the press, the freedom of assembly, the freedom of religion, these are not available in Vietnam.

Last month, 116 Vietnamese citizens signed an "Appeal For Freedom of Political Association," and 118 citizens signed a Manifesto on Democracy and Freedom For Vietnam.

But the government crackdown began almost immediately with raids, detainments, harassment, and abuse. Those who signed these documents placed themselves and their families and their friends at a great risk for a greater good.

What a compelling reminder that while the freedoms we enjoy are not universal, the thirst for freedom most certainly is.

I urge my colleagues to speak out on behalf of these brave men and women who continue to fight for the very basic human liberty through peaceful and nonviolent methods.

#### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. SNYDER. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. SNYDER).

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

Mr. SNYDER. 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 31, nays 366, not voting 35, as follows:

[Roll No. 137]

#### YEAS—31

Allen	Jackson-Lee	Sánchez, Linda
Baird	(TX)	T.
Brown, Corrine	Johnson, E. B.	Sanchez, Loretta
Capuano	Lowey	Schakowsky
Clay	McDermott	Stark
Crowley	Miller, George	Taylor (MS)
Doggett	Nadler	Towns
Filner	Napolitano	Wasserman
Frank (MA)	Neal (MA)	Schultz
Grijalva	Obey	Waters
Hastings (FL)	Otter	Waxman
Honda		

#### NAYS—366

Abercrombie	Davis (AL)	Hostettler
Ackerman	Davis (CA)	Hoyer
Aderholt	Davis (FL)	Hulshof
Akin	Davis (IL)	Hunter
Alexander	Davis (KY)	Inglis (SC)
Baca	Davis (TN)	Inslee
Bachus	Davis, Jo Ann	Israel
Baker	Davis, Tom	Issa
Baldwin	Deal (GA)	Istook
Barrett (SC)	DeFazio	Jackson (IL)
Barrow	DeGette	Jenkins
Bartlett (MD)	DeLauro	Jindal
Barton (TX)	DeLay	Johnson (CT)
Bass	Dent	Johnson, Sam
Bean	Diaz-Balart, L.	Jones (NC)
Beauprez	Diaz-Balart, M.	Jones (OH)
Becerra	Dicks	Kanjorski
Berkley	Doolittle	Kaptur
Berman	Doyle	Keller
Berry	Dreier	Kelly
Biggert	Duncan	Kennedy (MN)
Billirakis	Edwards	Kildee
Bishop (GA)	Ehlers	Kilpatrick (MI)
Bishop (NY)	Emanuel	Kind
Bishop (UT)	Emerson	King (IA)
Blackburn	Engel	King (NY)
Blumenauer	Eshoo	Kingston
Blunt	Etheridge	Kirk
Boehlert	Everett	Kline
Boehner	Farr	Knollenberg
Bonilla	Fattah	Kolbe
Bonner	Feeney	Kucinich
Bono	Ferguson	Kuhl (NY)
Boozman	Fitzpatrick (PA)	LaHood
Boren	Flake	Langevin
Boswell	Foley	Lantos
Boucher	Forbes	Larsen (WA)
Boustany	Fortenberry	Larson (CT)
Boyd	Fossella	Latham
Bradley (NH)	Fox	LaTourette
Brady (PA)	Franks (AZ)	Leach
Brady (TX)	Frelinghuysen	Lee
Brown (OH)	Galleghy	Levin
Brown (SC)	Garrett (NJ)	Lewis (CA)
Brown-Waite,	Gerlach	Lewis (GA)
Ginny	Gibbons	Lewis (KY)
Burgess	Gilchrest	Linder
Butterfield	Gillmor	LoBiondo
Buyer	Gingrey	Lofgren, Zoe
Calvert	Gohmert	Lucas
Camp (MI)	Gonzalez	Lungren, Daniel
Campbell (CA)	Goode	E.
Cannon	Goodlatte	Lynch
Cantor	Gordon	Maloney
Capito	Granger	Manzullo
Capps	Graves	Marchant
Cardin	Green (WI)	Markey
Carnahan	Green, Al	Marshall
Carson	Green, Gene	Matheson
Carter	Gutierrez	Matsui
Case	Gutknecht	McCarthy
Castle	Hall	McCaul (TX)
Chabot	Harman	McCollum (MN)
Chandler	Harris	McCotter
Chocola	Hart	McCrery
Cleaver	Hastings (WA)	McGovern
Clyburn	Hayes	McHenry
Coble	Hayworth	McHugh
Cole (OK)	Hefley	McKeon
Conaway	Hensarling	McKinney
Cooper	Herger	McMorris
Costa	Herseth	McNulty
Costello	Higgins	Meehan
Cramer	Hinojosa	Meeks (NY)
Crenshaw	Hobson	Melancon
Cuellar	Hoekstra	Mica
Culberson	Holt	Michaud
Cummings	Hooley	

Millender-	Rahall	Smith (WA)
McDonald	Ramstad	Snyder
Miller (FL)	Rangel	Sodrel
Miller (MI)	Regula	Solis
Miller (NC)	Rehberg	Spratt
Miller, Gary	Reichert	Stearns
Mollohan	Renzi	Strickland
Moore (KS)	Reyes	Stupak
Moore (WI)	Reynolds	Sullivan
Moran (KS)	Rogers (AL)	Sweeney
Murtha	Rogers (KY)	Tancredo
Musgrave	Rogers (MI)	Tanner
Myrick	Rohrabacher	Tauscher
Neugebauer	Ros-Lehtinen	Taylor (NC)
Ney	Ross	Terry
Northup	Rothman	Thomas
Norwood	Roybal-Allard	Thompson (CA)
Nunes	Royce	Thompson (MS)
Nussle	Ruppersberger	Thornberry
Oberstar	Ryan (OH)	Tiahrt
Olver	Ryan (WI)	Tiberi
Ortiz	Ryun (KS)	Tierney
Osborne	Sabo	Turner
Owens	Salazar	Udall (CO)
Pallone	Sanders	Udall (NM)
Pascarella	Schiff	Upton
Pastor	Schmidt	Van Hollen
Paul	Schwartz (PA)	Visclosky
Payne	Schwarz (MI)	Walden (OR)
Pearce	Scott (GA)	Walsh
Pelosi	Scott (VA)	Wamp
Pence	Sensenbrenner	Watson
Peterson (MN)	Serrano	Watt
Peterson (PA)	Sessions	Weiner
Petri	Shadegg	Weldon (FL)
Pickering	Shaw	Weldon (PA)
Pitts	Shays	Weller
Platts	Sherman	Westmoreland
Poe	Sherwood	Whitfield
Pombo	Shimkus	Wicker
Pomeroy	Shuster	Wilson (NM)
Porter	Simmons	Wilson (SC)
Price (GA)	Simpson	Wu
Price (NC)	Skelton	Young (FL)
Pryce (OH)	Slaughter	
Putnam	Smith (NJ)	

## NOT VOTING—35

Andrews	Holden	Radanovich
Burton (IN)	Hyde	Rush
Cardoza	Jefferson	Saxton
Conyers	Johnson (IL)	Smith (TX)
Cubin	Kennedy (RI)	Souder
Delahunt	Lipinski	Velázquez
Dingell	Mack	Wexler
Drake	McIntyre	Wolf
English (PA)	Meek (FL)	Woolsey
Evans	Moran (VA)	Wynn
Ford	Murphy	Young (AK)
Hinchey	Oxley	

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Messrs. SULLIVAN, KELLER, MELANCON, KUCINICH, RUPPERSBERGER, BUTTERFIELD, POE, GINGREY and Ms. CARSON of Indiana changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. HONDA and Mr. CROWLEY changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 137 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

Mr. MURPHY. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained prior to rollcall 137 this morning and was not able to vote. Had I been present, let the RECORD reflect that I would have voted "no" on rollcall 137.

#### PROVIDING FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5122, NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on

Rules, I call up House Resolution 811 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

## H. RES. 811

*Resolved*, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XVIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 5122) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2007 for military activities of the Department of Defense, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2007, and for other purposes.

SEC. 2. (a) Notwithstanding clause 11 of rule XVIII, no further amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution.

(b) Each amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules shall be considered only in the order printed in the report (except as specified in section 4 of this resolution), may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment (except that the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of further debate on any pending amendment), and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

(c) All points of order against amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules or amendments en bloc described in section 3 of this resolution are waived.

SEC. 3. It shall be in order at any time for the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services or his designee to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution not earlier disposed of. Amendments en bloc offered pursuant to this section shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their designees, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The original proponent of an amendment included in such amendments en bloc may insert a statement in the Congressional Record immediately before the disposition of the amendments en bloc.

SEC. 4. The Chairman of the Committee of the Whole may recognize for consideration of any amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution out of the order printed, but not sooner than 30 minutes after the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services or a designee announces from the floor a request to that effect.

SEC. 5. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendments as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and amendments thereto to final

passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. COLE) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. SLAUGHTER), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

## GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have five legislative days to revise and extend their remarks, and to insert tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Oklahoma?

There was no objection.

Mr. COLE of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, on Wednesday, the Rules Committee met and reported a second rule for consideration of the House Report for H.R. 5122, the Fiscal Year 2007 National Defense Authorization Act.

Mr. Speaker, this rule is a structured rule and provides for further consideration of the bill, H.R. 5122. It makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution and amendments en bloc described in section 3 of the resolution.

The rule provides that amendments printed in the report shall be considered only in the order printed in the report, except as specified in section 4 of the resolution, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, and shall be considered as read.

It provides that each amendment printed in the report shall be debatable for the time specified in the report, equally divided and controlled by a proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, except that the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services each may offer one pro forma amendment for the purpose of further debate on any pending amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Speaker, the rule waives all points of order against amendments printed in the report and those amendments en bloc as described in section 3 of the resolution. Additionally, it authorizes the chairman of the Committee on Armed Services, or his designee, to offer amendments en bloc consisting of amendments printed in the Rules Committee report not earlier disposed of, which shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 20 minutes, equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Armed Services or their designees, and shall not be subject to amendment or demand for division of the question in the House or the Committee of the Whole.