

I urge my colleagues to vote today, to think about 10 million kids right before Christmas and say to the President, We will override your veto.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to postpone.

There was no objection.

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

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

Mr. BARTON of Texas. Madam 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.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to postpone will be followed by a 5-minute vote on suspending the rules on H.R. 3985.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 211, nays 180, not voting 40, as follows:

[Roll No. 1154]

YEAS—211

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| Abercrombie | Donnelly | Lee |
| Ackerman | Doyle | Levin |
| Allen | Edwards | Lewis (GA) |
| Altmire | Ellison | Lipinski |
| Andrews | Ellsworth | Loebsack |
| Arcuri | Emanuel | Lofgren, Zoe |
| Baca | Engel | Lowey |
| Baird | Etheridge | Lynch |
| Baldwin | Fattah | Mahoney (FL) |
| Barrow | Filner | Maloney (NY) |
| Becerra | Frank (MA) | Markey |
| Berkley | Giffords | Marshall |
| Berman | Gillibrand | Matsui |
| Bishop (GA) | Gonzalez | McCarthy (NY) |
| Bishop (NY) | Gordon | McCollum (MN) |
| Blumenauer | Green, Al | McGovern |
| Boren | Green, Gene | McIntyre |
| Boswell | Grijalva | McNerney |
| Boucher | Gutierrez | McNulty |
| Boyd (FL) | Hall (NY) | Meek (FL) |
| Boyd (KS) | Hare | Meeks (NY) |
| Brady (PA) | Harman | Melancon |
| Braley (IA) | Hastings (FL) | Michaud |
| Brown, Corrine | Herseth Sandlin | Miller (NC) |
| Butterfield | Higgins | Mitchell |
| Capps | Hill | Mollohan |
| Capuano | Hinchev | Moore (KS) |
| Cardoza | Hirono | Moore (WI) |
| Carnahan | Hodes | Murphy (CT) |
| Carney | Holden | Murphy, Patrick |
| Castor | Holt | Murtha |
| Chandler | Honda | Nadler |
| Clarke | Hoyer | Napolitano |
| Clay | Inslie | Neal (MA) |
| Cleaver | Israel | Oberstar |
| Clyburn | Jackson (IL) | Obey |
| Cohen | Jackson-Lee | Olver |
| Conyers | (TX) | Ortiz |
| Cooper | Jefferson | Pallone |
| Costa | Johnson (GA) | Pascrell |
| Costello | Johnson, E. B. | Pastor |
| Courtney | Jones (OH) | Payne |
| Cramer | Kagen | Perlmutter |
| Crowley | Kanjorski | Peterson (MN) |
| Cuellar | Kaptur | Pomeroy |
| Cummings | Kennedy | Price (NC) |
| Davis (AL) | Kildee | Rahall |
| Davis (CA) | Kilpatrick | Rangel |
| Davis (IL) | Kind | Reyes |
| Davis, Lincoln | Klein (FL) | Richardson |
| DeFazio | Kucinich | Rodriguez |
| DeGette | Lampson | Ross |
| Delahunt | Langevin | Rothman |
| Dingell | Larsen (WA) | Royal-Allard |
| Doggett | Larson (CT) | Ruppersberger |

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| Rush | Snyder |
| Salazar | Solis |
| Sánchez, Linda T. | Spratt |
| Sarbanes | Stark |
| Schakowsky | Stupak |
| Schiff | Sutton |
| Schwartz | Tanner |
| Scott (GA) | Tauscher |
| Scott (VA) | Taylor |
| Serrano | Thompson (CA) |
| Sestak | Thompson (MS) |
| Shea-Porter | Tierney |
| Sherman | Towns |
| Sires | Tsongas |
| Slaughter | Udall (CO) |
| Smith (WA) | Udall (NM) |
| | Van Hollen |

NAYS—180

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Aderholt | Gallegly |
| Akin | Garrett (NJ) |
| Alexander | Gerlach |
| Bachmann | Gilchrest |
| Bachus | Gingrey |
| Baker | Gohmert |
| Barrett (SC) | Goode |
| Bartlett (MD) | Goodlatte |
| Barton (TX) | Granger |
| Biggart | Graves |
| Bilbray | Hall (TX) |
| Bilirakis | Hastings (WA) |
| Bishop (UT) | Hayes |
| Blackburn | Heller |
| Blunt | Hensarling |
| Bonner | Herger |
| Bono | Hobson |
| Boozman | Hoekstra |
| Boustany | Hulshof |
| Brady (TX) | Inglis (SC) |
| Broun (GA) | Issa |
| Brown (SC) | Johnson (IL) |
| Brown-Waite, | Johnson, Sam |
| Ginny | Jones (NC) |
| Buchanan | Jordan |
| Burgess | Keller |
| Burton (IN) | King (IA) |
| Buyer | King (NY) |
| Calvert | Kingston |
| Camp (MI) | Kline (MN) |
| Campbell (CA) | Knollenberg |
| Cannon | Kuhl (NY) |
| Cantor | LaHood |
| Capito | Lamborn |
| Carter | Latham |
| Castle | LaTourette |
| Chabot | Lewis (KY) |
| Cole (OK) | Linder |
| Conaway | LoBiondo |
| Crenshaw | Lucas |
| Davis (KY) | Lungren, Daniel |
| Davis, David | E. |
| Deal (GA) | Mack |
| Dent | Manullo |
| Diaz-Balart, L. | Marchant |
| Diaz-Balart, M. | McCarthy (CA) |
| Drake | McCaul (TX) |
| Dreier | McCotter |
| Duncan | McHenry |
| Ehlers | McHugh |
| Emerson | McKeon |
| English (PA) | McMorris |
| Everett | Rodgers |
| Fallin | Mica |
| Feeoney | Miller (FL) |
| Flake | Miller (MI) |
| Forbes | Moran (KS) |
| Fortenberry | Murphy, Tim |
| Fox | Musgrave |
| Franks (AZ) | Murry |
| Frelinghuysen | Nunes |
| Bean | Fossella |
| Berry | Hinojosa |
| Boehner | Hoyle |
| Carson | Hunter |
| Coble | Jindal |
| Cubin | Kirk |
| Culberson | Lantos |
| Davis, Tom | Lewis (CA) |
| DeLauro | Matheson |
| Dicks | McCrery |
| Doolittle | McDermott |
| Eshoo | Miller, Gary |
| Farr | Miller, George |
| Ferguson | Moran (VA) |

NOT VOTING—40

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|-------------|---------------|
| Velázquez | Pearce |
| Visclosky | Pence |
| Walz (MN) | Peterson (PA) |
| Wasserman | Petri |
| Schultz | Pickering |
| Waters | Pitts |
| Watson | Platts |
| Watt | Poe |
| Weiner | Porter |
| Welch (VT) | Price (GA) |
| Wexler | Pryce (OH) |
| Wilson (OH) | Putnam |
| Woolsey | Radanovich |
| Wu | Ramstad |
| Yarmuth | Regula |
| | Rehberg |
| | Reichert |
| | Renzi |
| | Rogers (AL) |
| | Rogers (KY) |
| | Rogers (MI) |
| | Rohrabacher |
| | Ros-Lehtinen |
| | Roskam |
| | Royce |
| | Ryan (WI) |
| | Sali |
| | Schmidt |
| | Sensenbrenner |
| | Sessions |
| | Shays |
| | Shimkus |
| | Shuler |
| | Shuster |
| | Simpson |
| | Smith (NE) |
| | Smith (NJ) |
| | Smith (TX) |
| | Souder |
| | Stearns |
| | Sullivan |
| | Terry |
| | Thornberry |
| | Tiahrt |
| | Tiberi |
| | Turner |
| | Upton |
| | Walberg |
| | Walden (OR) |
| | Walsh (NY) |
| | Wamp |
| | Weldon (FL) |
| | Weller |
| | Westmoreland |
| | Whitfield |
| | Bono |
| | Wicker |
| | Wilson (NM) |
| | Wilson (SC) |
| | Wolf |
| | Young (AK) |
| | Young (FL) |

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE
The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

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Mr. EHLERS changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the motion was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

OVER-THE-ROAD BUS TRANSPORTATION ACCESSIBILITY ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3985, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. OBERSTAR) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3985.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 374, nays 0, not voting 57, as follows:

[Roll No. 1155]

YEAS—374

| | | |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Ackerman | Campbell (CA) | Engel |
| Aderholt | Cannon | English (PA) |
| Akin | Cantor | Etheridge |
| Alexander | Capito | Everett |
| Allen | Capuano | Fallin |
| Altmire | Cardoza | Fattah |
| Andrews | Carnahan | Feeney |
| Arcuri | Carney | Filner |
| Baca | Carter | Flake |
| Bachmann | Castle | Forbes |
| Bachus | Castor | Fortenberry |
| Baird | Chabot | Fox |
| Baldwin | Chandler | Frank (MA) |
| Barrett (SC) | Clarke | Franks (AZ) |
| Barrow | Clay | Frelinghuysen |
| Bartlett (MD) | Cleaver | Gallegly |
| Barton (TX) | Clyburn | Garrett (NJ) |
| Bean | Cohen | Gerlach |
| Becerra | Cole (OK) | Giffords |
| Berkley | Conaway | Gilchrest |
| Berman | Conyers | Gillibrand |
| Biggart | Cooper | Gonzalez |
| Bilbray | Costa | Goode |
| Bilirakis | Costello | Goodlatte |
| Bishop (GA) | Courtney | Gordon |
| Bishop (NY) | Cramer | Granger |
| Bishop (UT) | Crenshaw | Graves |
| Blackburn | Crowley | Green, Al |
| Blumenauer | Cuellar | Green, Gene |
| Blunt | Cummings | Grijalva |
| Bonner | Davis (AL) | Gutierrez |
| Bono | Davis (CA) | Hall (NY) |
| Boozman | Davis (IL) | Hall (TX) |
| Boren | Davis (KY) | Hare |
| Boswell | Davis, David | Harman |
| Boucher | DeFazio | Hastings (FL) |
| Boustany | Delahunt | Hastings (WA) |
| Boyd (FL) | Dent | Hayes |
| Boyd (KS) | Diaz-Balart, L. | Heller |
| Brady (PA) | Diaz-Balart, M. | Hensarling |
| Brady (TX) | Dingell | Herger |
| Braley (IA) | Doggett | Herseth Sandlin |
| Broun (GA) | Donnelly | Higgins |
| Brown (SC) | Doyle | Hill |
| Brown, Corrine | Drake | Hinchev |
| Brown-Waite, | Dreier | Hirono |
| Ginny | Duncan | Hobson |
| Buchanan | Edwards | Hodes |
| Burgess | Ehlers | Hoekstra |
| Burton (IN) | Ellison | Holden |
| Butterfield | Ellsworth | Holt |
| Buyer | Emanuel | Honda |
| Camp (MI) | Emerson | Hoyer |

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| Hulshof | Melancon | Schmidt |
| Inglis (SC) | Mica | Schwartz |
| Inlee | Michaud | Scott (GA) |
| Israel | Miller (FL) | Scott (VA) |
| Issa | Miller (MI) | Sensenbrenner |
| Jackson (IL) | Miller (NC) | Serrano |
| Jackson-Lee | Mitchell | Sessions |
| (TX) | Mollohan | Sestak |
| Jefferson | Moore (KS) | Shays |
| Johnson (GA) | Moore (WI) | Shea-Porter |
| Johnson (IL) | Moran (KS) | Sherman |
| Johnson, E. B. | Murphy (CT) | Shimkus |
| Johnson, Sam | Murphy, Patrick | Shuler |
| Jones (NC) | Murphy, Tim | Simpson |
| Jones (OH) | Musgrave | Sires |
| Jordan | Myrick | Slaughter |
| Kagen | Nadler | Smith (NE) |
| Kanjorski | Napolitano | Smith (NJ) |
| Kaptur | Nunes | Smith (TX) |
| Keller | Oberstar | Smith (WA) |
| Kennedy | Obey | Snyder |
| Kildee | Olver | Souder |
| Kilpatrick | Ortiz | Space |
| Kind | Pallone | Spratt |
| King (IA) | Pastor | Stearns |
| King (NY) | Payne | Stupak |
| Kingston | Pearce | Sullivan |
| Klein (FL) | Pence | Sutton |
| Kline (MN) | Perlmutter | Tanner |
| Knollenberg | Peterson (MN) | Tauscher |
| Kucinich | Peterson (PA) | Taylor |
| Kuhl (NY) | Petri | Terry |
| LaHood | Pickering | Thompson (CA) |
| Lamborn | Pitts | Thompson (MS) |
| Lampson | Platts | Thornberry |
| Langevin | Poe | Tiaht |
| Larsen (WA) | Pomeroy | Tiberi |
| Larson (CT) | Porter | Tierney |
| Latham | Price (GA) | Towns |
| Lee | Price (NC) | Tsongas |
| Levin | Pryce (OH) | Turner |
| Lewis (GA) | Putnam | Udall (CO) |
| Lewis (KY) | Radanovich | Udall (NM) |
| Linder | Rahall | Upton |
| Lipinski | Ramstad | Van Hollen |
| LoBiondo | Rangel | Velázquez |
| Loeb sack | Regula | Visclosky |
| Lofgren, Zoe | Rehberg | Walberg |
| Lowey | Reichert | Walden (OR) |
| Lucas | Renzi | Walsh (NY) |
| Lynch | Reyes | Walz (MN) |
| Mack | Richardson | Wamp |
| Mahoney (FL) | Rodriguez | Wasserman |
| Maloney (NY) | Rogers (AL) | Schultz |
| Manzullo | Rogers (KY) | Waters |
| Marchant | Rogers (MI) | Watson |
| Markey | Rohrabacher | Watt |
| Marshall | Ros-Lehtinen | Weiner |
| Matsui | Roskam | Welch (VT) |
| McCarthy (CA) | Ross | Weller |
| McCauley (TX) | Rothman | Westmoreland |
| McCollum (MN) | Roybal-Allard | Whitfield |
| McCotter | Royce | Wicker |
| McGovern | Ruppersberger | Wilson (NM) |
| McHenry | Rush | Wilson (OH) |
| McHugh | Ryan (OH) | Wilson (SC) |
| McIntyre | Ryan (WI) | Wolf |
| McKeon | Salazar | Woolsey |
| McMorris | Sali | Wu |
| Rodgers | Sánchez, Linda | Yarmuth |
| McNerney | T. | Young (AK) |
| McNulty | Sarbanes | Young (FL) |
| Meek (FL) | Schakowsky | Schiff |
| Meeks (NY) | Schiff | |

NOT VOTING—57

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|----------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Abercrombie | Fossella | Murtha |
| Baker | Gingrey | Neal (MA) |
| Berry | Gohmert | Neugebauer |
| Boehner | Hinojosa | Pascarell |
| Calvert | Hookey | Paul |
| Capps | Hunter | Reynolds |
| Carson | Jindal | Sanchez, Loretta |
| Coble | Kirk | Saxton |
| Cubin | Lantos | Shadegg |
| Culberson | LaTourette | Shuster |
| Davis, Lincoln | Lewis (CA) | Skelton |
| Davis, Tom | Lungren, Daniel | Solis |
| Deal (GA) | E. | Stark |
| DeGette | Matheson | Tancredo |
| DeLauro | McCarthy (NY) | Waxman |
| Dicks | McCrery | Weld (FL) |
| Doolittle | McDermott | Wexler |
| Eshoo | Miller, Gary | Wynn |
| Farr | Miller, George | |
| Ferguson | Moran (VA) | |

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Ms. PRYCE of Ohio changed her vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CONGRESSIONAL HUNGER FELLOWS PROGRAM

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 4404(c)(2) of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Act of 2002 (2 U.S.C. 1161), and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair announces the Speaker's appointment of the following member to the Board of Trustees of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Program for a term of 4 years:

Mr. James P. McGovern, Worcester, Massachusetts

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE JOHN A. BOEHNER, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable JOHN A. BOEHNER, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, November 29, 2007.

Hon. NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker, U.S. Capitol,
Washington, DC.

DEAR SPEAKER PELOSI: Pursuant to section 4404(e)(2) of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Act of 2002 (2 U.S.C. 1161) I am pleased to re-appoint the Honorable Jo Ann Emerson of Cape Girardeau, Missouri to the Board of Trustees of the Congressional Hunger Fellows Program.

Mrs. Emerson has expressed interest in serving in this capacity and I am pleased to fulfill her request.

Sincerely,

JOHN A. BOEHNER,
Republican Leader.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 18, 2007, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

THE HOSTAGE OF BAGHDAD

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. POE) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. POE. Madam Speaker, in the deserts of Iraq a war is going on against the enemies of America. In the heat and dust of the summer of 2005, a young American went to fight, not against al Qaeda, but for her own survival. She became the “Hostage of Baghdad,” held against her will by vil-

lains of the desert, thousands of miles away from home in Texas. This is her story.

Madam Speaker, Jamie Leigh Jones was a 20-year-old woman who worked for Halliburton KBR. She was sent to Iraq as part of her employment. She was sent to Baghdad to a place, ironically, called Camp Hope, in the supposed Green Zone that was supposed to be safe.

After being in Iraq only a few days, she said she was held against her will, drugged, gang-raped by Halliburton KBR firefighters, and the people in charge of her held her hostage in a ship cargo container for 24 hours without any food or water. She became an American hostage, held hostage by fellow Americans.

She convinced one of the people guarding her to let her borrow his cell phone. After obtaining the cell phone, Jamie called her dad in Texas and pleaded for help and begged to be rescued. She was scared, she was hurt, she was half a world away from home, and she was alone.

Jamie's dad called me because I represent him in Congress. Her father relayed the tragic assault and crime, and of course needed immediate assistance. My staff and I were able to contact the right people in the United States State Department, and within 48 hours two agents from the embassy in Baghdad found and rescued Jamie, made sure she received appropriate medical attention, and brought her home.

Jamie had been seen by Army doctors in Baghdad and had been given, apparently, good medical care while being treated in Baghdad. A forensic sexual assault examination was performed on her. This examination is commonly called a rape kit. Doctors take forensic samples from a sexual assault victim and then they are preserved as evidence for trial in this rape kit.

But, Madam Speaker, for some unknown reason, the Army doctors turned this rape kit over to Jamie's employer, Halliburton KBR. KBR then lost the rape kit. The rape kit was later found, but it had been tampered with. The photographs are now missing, and the Army doctor's cover sheet with the medical findings are not there. These are critical for prosecution of the rapists.

Madam Speaker, Jamie's brutal injuries were severe. She has had to have reconstructive surgery because of the extent of these injuries by these rapists in Iraq. Once she was home, we pressured the State Department to find out who these villains of Baghdad were; where are they, and why haven't they been prosecuted. After so much time, there is little progress on the investigation. We need to know also if KBR had knowledge of the crime and if they are involved to any extent.

Jamie has decided to go public with her case. This case, like all such cases, remains confidential in our congressional office. Congressional offices do