

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

Abercrombie	Donnelly	Lee
Ackerman	Doyle	Levin
Allen	Edwards	Lewis (GA)
Altmire	Ellison	Lipinski
Andrews	Ellsworth	Loeb
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	Hereth Sandlin	Miller (NC)
Butterfield	Higgins	Mitchell
Capps	Hill	Mollohan
Capuano	Hinche	Moore (KS)
Cardoza	Hirono	Moore (WI)
Carnahan	Hodes	Murphy (CT)
Carney	Holden	Murphy, Patrick
Castor	Holt	Murtha
Chandler	Honda	Nadler
Clarke	Hoyer	Napolitano
Clay	Inslee	Neal (MA)
Cleaver	Israel	Oberstar
Clyburn	Jackson (IL)	Obey
Cohen	Jackson-Lee	Oliver
Conyers	(TX)	Ortiz
Cooper	Jefferson	Pallone
Costa	Johnson (GA)	Pascarella
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)	Roybal-Allard
Doggett	Larson (CT)	Ruppersberger

Rush
Salazar
Sánchez, Linda T.
Sarbanes
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schwartz
Scott (GA)
Scott (VA)
Serrano
Sestak
Shea-Porter
Sherman
Sires
Slaughter
Smith (WA)

Snyder
Solis
Spratt
Stark
Stupak
Sutton
Tanner
Tauscher
Taylor
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Tierney
Towns
Tsongas
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
Van Hollen

Velázquez
Visclosky
Walz (MN)
Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Watson
Watt
Weiner
Welch (VT)
Wexler
Wilson (OH)
Woolsey
Wu
Yarmuth

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.

NAYS—180

Aderholt
Akin
Alexander
Bachmann
Bachus
Baker
Barrett (SC)
Bartlett (MD)
Barton (TX)
Biggart
Bilbray
Bilirakis
Bishop (UT)
Blackburn
Blunt
Bonner
Bono
Boozman
Boustany
Brady (TX)
Broun (GA)
Brown (SC)
Brown-Waite,
Ginny

Gallegly
Garrett (NJ)
Gerlach
Gilchrest
Gingrey
Gohmert
Goode
Goodlatte
Granger
Graves
Hall (TX)
Hastings (WA)
Hayes
Heller
Hensarling
Herger
Hobson
Hoekstra
Hulshof
Inglis (SC)
Issa
Johnson (IL)
Johnson, Sam
Jones (NC)
Jordan
Keller
King (IA)
King (NY)
Kingston
Kline (MN)
Knollenberg
Kuhl (NY)
LaHood
Lamborn
Latham
LaTourette
Lewis (KY)
Linder
LoBiondo
Lucas
Lungren, Daniel
E.
Mack
Manzullo
Marchant
McCarthy (CA)
Drake
McCaul (TX)
McCotter
McHenry
McHugh
McKeon
McMorris
Rodgers
Mica
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Moran (KS)
Murphy, Tim
Muggrave
Myrick
Nunes

Pearce
Pence
Peterson (PA)
Petri
Pickering
Pitts
Platts
Poe
Porter
Price (GA)
Pryce (OH)
Putnam
Radanovich
Ramstad
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)

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	Hereth Sandlin
Broun (GA)	Donnelly	Higgins
Brown (SC)	Doyle	Hill
Brown, Corrine	Drake	Hinche
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

NOT VOTING—40

Bean
Berry
Boehner
Carson
Coble
Cubin
Culberson
Davis, Tom
DeLauro
Dicks
Doolittle
Eshoo
Farr
Ferguson

Fossella
Hinojosa
Boehner
Hunter
Jindal
Kirk
Lantos
Lewis (CA)
Matheson
McCrery
McDermott
Miller, Gary
Miller, George
Moran (VA)

Neugebauer
Paul
Reynolds
Ryan (OH)
Sanchez, Loretta
Saxton
Shadegg
Skelton
Space
Tancredo
Waxman
Wynn

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	Tiahrt
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
Loebach	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

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	Tancred
DeLauro	McCarthy (NY)	Waxman
Dicks	McCrery	Weldon (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