

Memorial Day is the day for Americans to officially honor the heroes who have fallen in service to our country, and a day to pray for and remember the brave souls who have given the ultimate sacrifice. We are the beneficiaries of those who serve and who have served to preserve the peace and freedom we enjoy.

As a nation, we honor the bravery of those who have fought and died for our country and recognize the tremendous sacrifices they and their families have made. But to truly honor these heroes it is our duty as a grateful nation to not just spend the day remembering their service, but to provide the promised support and benefits to the soldiers and veterans who served with and followed them. These bills help provide that support.

H.R. 67, the Veterans Outreach Improvement Act, creates a grant program to allow the VA to partner with State and county veteran organizations to reach out to veterans and their families to ensure they are aware of their eligibility for benefits.

This bipartisan bill also increases accountability in spending taxpayer dollars by requiring reports on how the grants in this program have been used to improve outreach. I am proud to be a cosponsor of this bill and am pleased it has passed the House.

H.R. 612 is an extremely important piece of legislation. This bill will extend access to VA Healthcare for Iraq and Afghanistan veterans from two years to five years. This is vital to the health of our veterans returning from Iraq because of the nature of Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder.

In some cases, TBI and PTSD symptoms do not emerge until several years after the injury occurred. With the current freeze on Category 8 veteran enrollment in VA healthcare, this means that some OIF/OEF will realize they suffered a brain injury while deployed but be locked out of the system.

They might not have health insurance to cover their treatment, and will not have crucial medical documents that will help them receive disability benefits.

By expanding their eligibility for 3 additional years, Congress is acting to limit the damage done by the President's Category 8 veterans enrollment freeze. I was proud to also cosponsor this legislation.

Another extremely important bill to our Iraq and Afghanistan veterans is H.R. 2199, the Traumatic Brain Injury Health Enhancement and Long Term Support Act.

TBI is the signature injury of the war in Iraq and this bill vastly improves the VA's ability to provide care for brain injury.

This bill requires the VA to establish a program to screen veterans for TBI and establish a program of long term care for acute TBI victims.

Currently, of the nearly 1,300 VA health care facilities in the United States, only 4 have specialized TBI programs. This bill allows the VA to partner with private facilities to provide treatment the VA cannot immediately provide.

It also establishes centers of research and a national database so we can better understand the causes and symptoms of TBI. Hopefully, this will allow us to better treat victims in the future. This bill contains provisions of H.R. 1944, a bill I originally cosponsored.

H.R. 1470 expands chiropractic care to all VA facilities throughout the country by 2011. During a subcommittee hearing on returning

Iraq and Afghanistan veterans, several OIF veterans suggested that back injuries will be a long term problem for this generation of veterans. This bill will help the VA better prepare for this new wave of patients.

I am proud that these bills passed the House today and that I could support their passage.

Congress has a responsibility to live up to our promises to our veterans. Today was another down payment on fulfilling these promises.

Through my role on the Veterans Affairs Committee, I pledge to continue to push for legislation that will improve services for our veterans and treat them with the respect they have worked so hard to earn.

Mr. SPACE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 612, the Returning Servicemember VA Healthcare Insurance Act.

This bill extends the eligibility period for receipt of VA hospital care, medical services, and nursing home care for veterans who served in combat during—or after—the Persian Gulf War.

Currently, the eligibility period for these VA services is two years. This bill lengthens that two year time frame to five years from a veteran's date of discharge or release from service.

As we learn more and more about what are increasingly being referred to as the signature wounds of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom—Traumatic Brain Injury and Post Traumatic Stress Disorder—I believe that this extension of VA care is essential to this Congress' mission to provide comprehensive care to our nation's heroes.

Often, a servicemember's battle scars run deeper than what is visible to an outsider. While many bodily injuries sustained are apparent to the naked eye, TBI, PTSD, and other conditions are not easily observed. Diagnosis of these conditions may require lengthy, detailed evaluations by specialists over the course of time. Furthermore, some psychological disorders take months or even years to develop following a servicemember's release from duty. Some chronic physical conditions also take time to peak and subsequently diagnose.

By extending eligibility to VA care to five years, we are helping to ensure that fewer physical and mental wounds go undiagnosed and untreated. We are helping to ensure that the care that veterans seek out and receive is more complete by enabling the VA to address more of servicemembers' health needs. Most importantly, we are offering another way to better care for our nation's wounded warriors who have sacrificed the best years of their lives.

I urge my colleagues to support H.R. 612 because it is an improvement upon the current system.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. FILNER. I would ask, Mr. Speaker, unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 612, as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PERLMUTTER). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to unanimously support this

bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. FILNER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 612, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. FILNER. 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, and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

#### CARL SANDBURG HOME NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE BOUNDARY REVISION ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 429 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration of the bill, H.R. 1100.

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#### IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1100) to revise the boundary of the Carl Sandburg Home National Historic Site in the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes, with Mr. ROSS (Acting Chairman) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, a request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 3 printed in House Report 110-165 by the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) had been postponed.

Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendment No. 1 by Mr. BISHOP of Utah.

Amendment No. 3 by Mr. HELLER of Nevada.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for the second vote in this series.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 1 OFFERED BY MR. BISHOP OF UTAH

The CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Utah (Mr. BISHOP) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the yeas prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

#### RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 185, noes 243, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 406]

AYES—185

|                 |                 |               |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Aderholt        | Foxx            | Paul          |
| Akin            | Franks (AZ)     | Pearce        |
| Alexander       | Gallely         | Pence         |
| Bachmann        | Garrett (NJ)    | Peterson (PA) |
| Bachus          | Gillmor         | Petri         |
| Baker           | Gingrey         | Pickering     |
| Barrett (SC)    | Gohmert         | Pitts         |
| Bartlett (MD)   | Goode           | Poe           |
| Barton (TX)     | Goodlatte       | Porter        |
| Bilbray         | Granger         | Price (GA)    |
| Bilirakis       | Graves          | Pryce (OH)    |
| Bishop (UT)     | Hall (TX)       | Putnam        |
| Blackburn       | Hastert         | Radanovich    |
| Boehner         | Hastings (WA)   | Ramstad       |
| Bonner          | Hayes           | Regula        |
| Bono            | Heller          | Rehberg       |
| Boozman         | Hensarling      | Reichert      |
| Boustany        | Herger          | Renzi         |
| Brady (TX)      | Hobson          | Reynolds      |
| Brown (SC)      | Hoekstra        | Rogers (AL)   |
| Brown-Waite,    | Issa            | Rogers (KY)   |
| Ginny           | Jindal          | Rogers (MI)   |
| Buchanan        | Johnson (IL)    | Rohrabacher   |
| Burgess         | Johnson, Sam    | Ros-Lehtinen  |
| Burton (IN)     | Jones (NC)      | Roskam        |
| Buyer           | Jordan          | Royce         |
| Calvert         | Keller          | Ryan (WI)     |
| Camp (MI)       | King (IA)       | Sali          |
| Campbell (CA)   | King (NY)       | Saxton        |
| Cannon          | Kingston        | Schmidt       |
| Cantor          | Kline (MN)      | Sensenbrenner |
| Capito          | Knollenberg     | Sensenbrenner |
| Carter          | Kuhl (NY)       | Sessions      |
| Chabot          | Lamborn         | Shadegg       |
| Coble           | Latham          | Shimkus       |
| Cole (OK)       | LaTourette      | Shuster       |
| Conaway         | Lewis (CA)      | Smith (NE)    |
| Crenshaw        | Lewis (KY)      | Smith (NJ)    |
| Cubin           | Linder          | Smith (TX)    |
| Culberson       | LoBiondo        | Souder        |
| Davis (KY)      | Lucas           | Stearns       |
| Davis, David    | Lungren, Daniel | Sullivan      |
| Davis, Tom      | E.              | Tancredo      |
| Deal (GA)       | Mack            | Terry         |
| Dent            | Manzullo        | Thornberry    |
| Diaz-Balart, L. | Marchant        | Tiahrt        |
| Diaz-Balart, M. | McCarthy (CA)   | Tiberi        |
| Doolittle       | McCauley (TX)   | Turner        |
| Drake           | McCotter        | Upton         |
| Dreier          | McCrery         | Walberg       |
| Duncan          | McHenry         | Walden (OR)   |
| Ehlers          | McHugh          | Walsh (NY)    |
| Emerson         | McKeon          | Wamp          |
| English (PA)    | Mica            | Weldon (FL)   |
| Everett         | Miller (FL)     | Weller        |
| Fallin          | Miller (MI)     | Westmoreland  |
| Feeney          | Miller, Gary    | Whitfield     |
| Ferguson        | Moran (KS)      | Wicker        |
| Flake           | Murphy, Tim     | Wilson (NM)   |
| Forbes          | Musgrave        | Wilson (SC)   |
| Fortenberry     | Myrick          | Wolf          |
| Fortuño         | Neugebauer      | Young (AK)    |
| Fossella        | Nunes           | Young (FL)    |

NOES—243

|             |                |                |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| Abercrombie | Brown, Corrine | Davis (AL)     |
| Ackerman    | Butterfield    | Davis (CA)     |
| Allen       | Capps          | Davis (IL)     |
| Altmire     | Capuano        | Davis, Lincoln |
| Andrews     | Cardoza        | DeFazio        |
| Arcuri      | Carnahan       | Delahunt       |
| Baca        | Carney         | DeLauro        |
| Baird       | Carson         | Dicks          |
| Baldwin     | Castle         | Dingell        |
| Barrow      | Castor         | Doggett        |
| Bean        | Chandler       | Donnelly       |
| Becerra     | Christensen    | Doyle          |
| Berkley     | Clarke         | Edwards        |
| Berman      | Clay           | Ellison        |
| Berry       | Cleaver        | Ellsworth      |
| Biggart     | Clyburn        | Emanuel        |
| Bishop (GA) | Cohen          | Engel          |
| Bishop (NY) | Conyers        | Eshoo          |
| Blumenauer  | Cooper         | Etheridge      |
| Boren       | Costa          | Faleomavaega   |
| Boswell     | Costello       | Farr           |
| Boucher     | Courtney       | Fattah         |
| Boyd (FL)   | Cramer         | Filner         |
| Boyd (KS)   | Crowley        | Frank (MA)     |
| Brady (PA)  | Cuellar        | Frelinghuysen  |
| Braley (IA) | Cummings       | Gerlach        |

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| Giffords        | Lowey           | Ryan (OH)        |
| Gilchrest       | Lynch           | Salazar          |
| Gillibrand      | Mahoney (FL)    | Sánchez, Linda   |
| Gonzalez        | Maloney (NY)    | T.               |
| Gordon          | Markey          | Sanchez, Loretta |
| Green, Al       | Marshall        | Sarbanes         |
| Green, Gene     | Matheson        | Schakowsky       |
| Grijalva        | Matsui          | Schiff           |
| Gutierrez       | McCarthy (NY)   | Schwartz         |
| Hall (NY)       | McCollum (MN)   | Scott (GA)       |
| Hare            | McDermott       | Scott (VA)       |
| Harman          | McGovern        | Serrano          |
| Hastings (FL)   | McIntyre        | Sestak           |
| Herseht Sandlin | McNerney        | Shea-Porter      |
| Higgins         | McNulty         | Sherman          |
| Hill            | Meehan          | Shuler           |
| Hinchev         | Meek (FL)       | Simpson          |
| Hinojosa        | Meeks (NY)      | Sires            |
| Hirono          | Melancon        | Skelton          |
| Hodes           | Michaud         | Slaughter        |
| Holden          | Miller (NC)     | Smith (WA)       |
| Holt            | Miller, George  | Snyder           |
| Honda           | Mitchell        | Solis            |
| Hooley          | Mollohan        | Space            |
| Hoyer           | Moore (KS)      | Spratt           |
| Inglis (SC)     | Moore (WI)      | Stark            |
| Inslee          | Moran (VA)      | Stupak           |
| Israel          | Murphy (CT)     | Sutton           |
| Jackson (IL)    | Murphy, Patrick | Tanner           |
| Jackson-Lee     | Murtha          | Tauscher         |
| (TX)            | Nadler          | Taylor           |
| Jefferson       | Napolitano      | Thompson (CA)    |
| Johnson (GA)    | Neal (MA)       | Thompson (MS)    |
| Johnson, E. B.  | Norton          | Tierney          |
| Kagen           | Oberstar        | Towns            |
| Kanjorski       | Obey            | Turner           |
| Kaptur          | Olver           | Udall (CO)       |
| Kennedy         | Ortiz           | Udall (NM)       |
| Kildee          | Pallone         | Van Hollen       |
| Kilpatrick      | Pascrell        | Velázquez        |
| Kind            | Pastor          | Visclosky        |
| Kirk            | Payne           | Walz (MN)        |
| Klein (FL)      | Perlmutter      | Wasserman        |
| Kucinich        | Peterson (MN)   | Schultz          |
| LaHood          | Platts          | Waters           |
| Lampson         | Pomeroy         | Watson           |
| Langevin        | Price (NC)      | Watt             |
| Lantos          | Rahall          | Waxman           |
| Larsen (WA)     | Rangel          | Weiner           |
| Larson (CT)     | Reyes           | Welch (VT)       |
| Lee             | Rodriguez       | Wexler           |
| Levin           | Ross            | Wilson (OH)      |
| Lewis (GA)      | Rothman         | Woolsey          |
| Lipinski        | Roybal-Allard   | Wu               |
| Loebach         | Ruppersberger   | Wynn             |
| Lofgren, Zoe    | Rush            | Yarmuth          |

NOT VOTING—9

|               |            |          |
|---------------|------------|----------|
| Blunt         | Hulshof    | McMorris |
| Bordallo      | Hunter     | Rodgers  |
| Davis, Jo Ann | Jones (OH) | Shays    |
| DeGette       |            |          |

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Messrs. LEWIS of Georgia, DAVIS of Alabama, MARSHALL and TIERNEY changed their vote from “aye” to “no.”

Mr. KUHLE of New York changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. TURNER. Mr. Chairman, on rollcall No. 406, the Bishop of Utah amendment to H.R. 1100, amendment No. 1, I was mistakenly recorded as “no,” intending to vote “aye.”

AMENDMENT NO. 3 OFFERED BY MR. HELLER OF NEVADA

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Nevada (Mr. HELLER) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 183, noes 243, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 407]

AYES—183

|                 |                 |               |
|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| Aderholt        | Fossella        | Nunes         |
| Akin            | Foxx            | Paul          |
| Alexander       | Franks (AZ)     | Pearce        |
| Bachmann        | Gallely         | Pence         |
| Bachus          | Garrett (NJ)    | Peterson (PA) |
| Baker           | Gillmor         | Petri         |
| Barrett (SC)    | Gingrey         | Pickering     |
| Bartlett (MD)   | Gohmert         | Pitts         |
| Barton (TX)     | Goode           | Poe           |
| Bilbray         | Goodlatte       | Porter        |
| Bilirakis       | Granger         | Price (GA)    |
| Bishop (UT)     | Graves          | Pryce (OH)    |
| Blackburn       | Hall (TX)       | Putnam        |
| Boehner         | Hastert         | Radanovich    |
| Bonner          | Hastings (WA)   | Ramstad       |
| Bono            | Hayes           | Regula        |
| Boozman         | Heller          | Rehberg       |
| Boustany        | Hensarling      | Reichert      |
| Brady (TX)      | Herger          | Renzi         |
| Brown (SC)      | Hobson          | Reynolds      |
| Brown-Waite,    | Hoekstra        | Rogers (AL)   |
| Ginny           | Issa            | Rogers (KY)   |
| Buchanan        | Jindal          | Rogers (MI)   |
| Burgess         | Johnson (IL)    | Rohrabacher   |
| Burton (IN)     | Johnson, Sam    | Ros-Lehtinen  |
| Buyer           | Jordan          | Roskam        |
| Calvert         | Keller          | Royce         |
| Camp (MI)       | King (IA)       | Ryan (WI)     |
| Campbell (CA)   | King (NY)       | Sali          |
| Cannon          | Kingston        | Saxton        |
| Cantor          | Kline (MN)      | Schmidt       |
| Capito          | Knollenberg     | Sensenbrenner |
| Carter          | Kuhl (NY)       | Sessions      |
| Chabot          | Lamborn         | Shadegg       |
| Coble           | Latham          | Shimkus       |
| Cole (OK)       | LaTourette      | Shuster       |
| Conaway         | Lewis (CA)      | Smith (NE)    |
| Crenshaw        | Lewis (KY)      | Smith (NJ)    |
| Cubin           | Linder          | Smith (TX)    |
| Culberson       | LoBiondo        | Stearns       |
| Davis (KY)      | Lucas           | Sullivan      |
| Davis, David    | Lungren, Daniel | Tancredo      |
| Davis, Tom      | E.              | Terry         |
| Deal (GA)       | Mack            | Thornberry    |
| Dent            | Manzullo        | Tiahrt        |
| Diaz-Balart, L. | Marchant        | Tiberi        |
| Diaz-Balart, M. | McCarthy (CA)   | Turner        |
| Doolittle       | McCauley (TX)   | Upton         |
| Drake           | McCotter        | Walberg       |
| Dreier          | McCrery         | Walden (OR)   |
| Duncan          | McHenry         | Wamp          |
| Ehlers          | McHugh          | Weldon (FL)   |
| Emerson         | McKeon          | Weller        |
| English (PA)    | Mica            | Westmoreland  |
| Everett         | Miller (FL)     | Whitfield     |
| Fallin          | Miller (MI)     | Wicker        |
| Feeney          | Miller, Gary    | Wilson (NM)   |
| Ferguson        | Moran (KS)      | Wilson (SC)   |
| Flake           | Murphy, Tim     | Wolf          |
| Forbes          | Musgrave        | Young (AK)    |
| Fortenberry     | Myrick          | Young (FL)    |
| Fortuño         | Neugebauer      |               |

NOES—243

|             |                |                |
|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| Abercrombie | Boswell        | Cleaver        |
| Ackerman    | Boucher        | Clyburn        |
| Allen       | Boyd (FL)      | Cohen          |
| Altmire     | Boyda (KS)     | Conyers        |
| Andrews     | Brady (PA)     | Cooper         |
| Arcuri      | Braley (IA)    | Costa          |
| Baca        | Brown, Corrine | Costello       |
| Baird       | Butterfield    | Courtney       |
| Baldwin     | Capps          | Cramer         |
| Barrow      | Capuano        | Crowley        |
| Bean        | Cardoza        | Cuellar        |
| Becerra     | Carnahan       | Cummings       |
| Berkley     | Carney         | Davis (AL)     |
| Berman      | Carson         | Davis (CA)     |
| Berry       | Castle         | Davis (IL)     |
| Biggart     | Castor         | Davis, Lincoln |
| Bishop (GA) | Chandler       | DeFazio        |
| Bishop (NY) | Christensen    | Delahunt       |
| Blumenauer  | Clarke         | DeLauro        |
| Boren       | Clay           | Dicks          |

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| Dingell        | Lampson         | Ross             |
| Doggett        | Langevin        | Rothman          |
| Donnelly       | Lantos          | Roybal-Allard    |
| Doyle          | Larsen (WA)     | Ruppersberger    |
| Edwards        | Larson (CT)     | Rush             |
| Ellison        | Lee             | Ryan (OH)        |
| Ellsworth      | Levin           | Salazar          |
| Emanuel        | Lewis (GA)      | Sánchez, Linda   |
| Engel          | Lipinski        | T.               |
| Eshoo          | Loebach         | Sanchez, Loretta |
| Etheridge      | Lofgren, Zoe    | Sarbanes         |
| Faleomavaega   | Lowey           | Schakowsky       |
| Farr           | Lynch           | Schiff           |
| Fattah         | Mahoney (FL)    | Schwartz         |
| Filner         | Maloney (NY)    | Scott (GA)       |
| Frank (MA)     | Markey          | Scott (VA)       |
| Frelinghuysen  | Marshall        | Serrano          |
| Gerlach        | Matheson        | Sestak           |
| Giffords       | Matsui          | Shea-Porter      |
| Gilchrest      | McCarthy (NY)   | Sherman          |
| Gillibrand     | McCollum (MN)   | Shuler           |
| Gonzalez       | McDermott       | Simpson          |
| Gordon         | McGovern        | Sires            |
| Green, Al      | McIntyre        | Skelton          |
| Green, Gene    | McNerney        | Slaughter        |
| Grijalva       | McNulty         | Smith (WA)       |
| Gutierrez      | Meehan          | Snyder           |
| Hare           | Meek (FL)       | Solis            |
| Harman         | Meeks (NY)      | Souder           |
| Hastings (FL)  | Melancon        | Space            |
| Hereth Sandlin | Michaud         | Spratt           |
| Hill           | Miller (NC)     | Stark            |
| Hinchey        | Miller, George  | Stupak           |
| Hinojosa       | Mitchell        | Sutton           |
| Hirono         | Mollohan        | Tanner           |
| Hodes          | Moore (KS)      | Tauscher         |
| Holden         | Moore (WI)      | Taylor           |
| Holt           | Moran (VA)      | Thompson (CA)    |
| Honda          | Murphy (CT)     | Thompson (MS)    |
| Hooley         | Murphy, Patrick | Tierney          |
| Hoyer          | Murtha          | Towns            |
| Inglis (SC)    | Nadler          | Udall (CO)       |
| Insee          | Napolitano      | Udall (NM)       |
| Israel         | Neal (MA)       | Van Hollen       |
| Jackson (IL)   | Norton          | Velázquez        |
| Jackson-Lee    | Oberstar        | Visclosky        |
| (TX)           | Obey            | Walsh (NY)       |
| Jefferson      | Olver           | Walz (MN)        |
| Johnson (GA)   | Ortiz           | Wasserman        |
| Johnson, E. B. | Pallone         | Schultz          |
| Jones (NC)     | Pascrell        | Waters           |
| Kagen          | Pastor          | Watson           |
| Kanjorski      | Payne           | Watt             |
| Kaptur         | Perlmutter      | Waxman           |
| Kennedy        | Peterson (MN)   | Weiner           |
| Kildee         | Platts          | Welch (VT)       |
| Kilpatrick     | Pomeroy         | Wexler           |
| Kind           | Price (NC)      | Wilson (OH)      |
| Kirk           | Rahall          | Woolsey          |
| Klein (FL)     | Rangel          | Wu               |
| Kucinich       | Reyes           | Wynn             |
| LaHood         | Rodriguez       | Yarmuth          |

## NOT VOTING—11

|               |           |            |
|---------------|-----------|------------|
| Blunt         | Hall (NY) | Jones (OH) |
| Bordallo      | Higgins   | McMorris   |
| Davis, Jo Ann | Hulshof   | Rodgers    |
| DeGette       | Hunter    | Shays      |

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIRMAN

The Acting CHAIRMAN (during the vote). Members are advised there are less than 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

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So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. HALL of New York. Mr. Chairman, on rollcall No. 407, the Heller of Nevada amendment, had I been present, I would have voted "no."

The Acting CHAIRMAN. The question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute was agreed to.

The Acting CHAIRMAN. Under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CAPUANO) having assumed the chair,

Mr. ROSS, Acting Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 1100) to revise the boundary of the Carl Sandburg Home Historic Site in the State of North Carolina, and for other purposes, pursuant to House Resolution 429, he reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

The question is on the amendment.

The amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, and was read the third time.

## MOTION TO RECOMMIT OFFERED BY MR. PEARCE

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I offer a motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. PEARCE. In its present form.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Pearce moves to recommit the bill H.R. 1100 to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House promptly with an amendment to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from using eminent domain to acquire land, water, or interests in land or water under section 3 of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New Mexico is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, we are moving to recommit this bill in order to provide an amendment that would prohibit the Secretary of Interior from using eminent domain to acquire land, water, or interest in land or water under section 3 of the bill.

Now, most of you, like me, received probably the hardest phone calls from both Democrats and Republicans alike when our Supreme Court made the Kelo decision which said that local entities could, in fact, use eminent domain to acquire property from private individuals.

□ 1615

This motion to recommit is extremely simple. We do not want the Park Service to use eminent domain to take over property.

I sat as the chairman of the National Park Subcommittee in the Resources Committee for all of the last year and part of the year before that, and I will tell you that the most disturbing things that happened in committee were that we heard testimony from people around the Appalachian Trail where the willing seller that is referenced in the bill, the underlying bill today, the willing seller legislation was in fact used to threaten, to intimidate, to cause people to become "willing sellers" against their will.

Right now, I am working on the Continental Divide Trail, which goes north to south from the Mexico border to the Canadian border. Since 1978, it did not have one mile that had actually come from private landowners in New Mexico.

I believe in the park system and I believe in the trail system of the United States Government, but I do not believe that the government should or could be able to intimidate, to harass, to cause people to become willing sellers. And that is my fear in this legislation, that it does not go far enough and is not explicit enough.

I have expressly worked to get all of the landowners through the Second District of New Mexico, including 22 miles on the Acoma Indian Reservation, where they did not want any Federal presence, no people coming across their land, and now they are excited about the prospect.

So I support the concept of preservation, and I support the concept of our national parks, but I will fight to the last breath to protect the private property rights of the people in this country, because it is a constitutional right. The right to private property is the basis of our economic and, therefore, all other freedoms.

So, Mr. Speaker, we simply say that in this bill "the willing seller" is not hard enough; that we want assurance that eminent domain will not be used to acquire land, water, or interests in land or water under section 3 of the bill.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, first of all, this legislation, H.R. 1100, went through full committee hearing, it went through subcommittee hearing, was referred to this floor by voice vote, and this whole discussion we have had on the bill today and the debate was under an open rule. So I fail to understand why we need a motion to recommit. I believe it is a red herring. It is a non-issue.

I remind Members that in the legislation itself under section 3, acquisition authority, let me quote: "The Secretary may acquire from willing sellers," willing sellers, "by donation, purchase with donated or appropriated funds, or exchange of land."

Willing sellers. The concept of willing seller means that you cannot use eminent domain. I think the legislation before us is good legislation. The motivation for its defeat is something that we have not been able to get to the root of that reason. But the legislation has merited support from the full committee, the subcommittee, and through the discussions today.

I would continue to urge that we defeat the motion to recommit and pass the underlying legislation.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to my colleague, the author of the legislation,

the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. SHULER).

Mr. SHULER. Mr. Speaker, I just would like to say that in 1968, Stewart Udall, Secretary of Interior from 1961 to 1968, put forth this great historic site in Flat Rock, North Carolina. We continue to see a tremendous amount of bipartisan support in my community, an all-Republican county commission, might I add, along with both Republican Senators, ELIZABETH DOLE and RICHARD BURR, both with overwhelming support, with companion legislation in the Senate.

We continue to find that we are playing politics here with the will of the people of my community. They have asked for this. The administration put forth in 2003 their management plan for this to adapt all 115 acres.

It is a very good bill. I oppose this motion to recommit, and I ask all my colleagues to vote “yes” on final passage.

Mr. GRIJALVA. Mr. Speaker, this motion is an attempt to kill the legislation. The use of the word “promptly” in the motion to recommit effectively kills the bill. The issue of this motion to recommit is redundant, not necessary, and I would urge its defeat and urge passage of the legislation.

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

There was no objection.

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

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

#### RECORDED VOTE

Mr. PEARCE. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for any electronic vote on the question of passage.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 192, noes 228, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 408]

#### AYES—192

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| Aderholt      | Burton (IN)     | Dreier        |
| Akin          | Buyer           | Duncan        |
| Alexander     | Calvert         | Ehlers        |
| Bachmann      | Camp (MI)       | Emerson       |
| Bachus        | Campbell (CA)   | English (PA)  |
| Baker         | Cannon          | Everett       |
| Barrett (SC)  | Cantor          | Fallin        |
| Bartlett (MD) | Capito          | Feeney        |
| Barton (TX)   | Carter          | Ferguson      |
| Biggart       | Castle          | Flake         |
| Bilbray       | Chabot          | Forbes        |
| Bilirakis     | Coble           | Fortenberry   |
| Bishop (UT)   | Cole (OK)       | Fossella      |
| Blackburn     | Conaway         | Fox           |
| Blunt         | Crenshaw        | Franks (AZ)   |
| Boehner       | Cubin           | Frelinghuysen |
| Bonner        | Culberson       | Galeggly      |
| Bono          | Davis (KY)      | Garrett (NJ)  |
| Boozman       | Davis, David    | Gerlach       |
| Boustany      | Davis, Tom      | Gingrey       |
| Brady (TX)    | Deal (GA)       | Gohmert       |
| Brown (SC)    | Dent            | Goode         |
| Brown-Waite,  | Diaz-Balart, L. | Goodlatte     |
| Ginny         | Diaz-Balart, M. | Granger       |
| Buchanan      | Doolittle       | Graves        |
| Burgess       | Drake           | Hall (TX)     |

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| Hastert         | McHenry       | Royce         |
| Hastings (WA)   | McHugh        | Ryan (WI)     |
| Hayes           | McKeon        | Sali          |
| Heller          | Mica          | Saxton        |
| Hensarling      | Miller (FL)   | Schmidt       |
| Herger          | Miller (MI)   | Sensenbrenner |
| Hobson          | Miller, Gary  | Sessions      |
| Hoekstra        | Moran (KS)    | Shadegg       |
| Issa            | Murphy, Tim   | Shimkus       |
| Jindal          | Musgrave      | Shuster       |
| Johnson (IL)    | Myrick        | Simpson       |
| Johnson, Sam    | Neugebauer    | Smith (NE)    |
| Jordan          | Nunes         | Smith (NJ)    |
| Keller          | Paul          | Smith (TX)    |
| King (IA)       | Pearce        | Souder        |
| King (NY)       | Pence         | Stearns       |
| Kingston        | Peterson (PA) | Sullivan      |
| Kirk            | Petri         | Tancredo      |
| Kline (MN)      | Pickering     | Terry         |
| Knollenberg     | Pitts         | Thornberry    |
| Kuhl (NY)       | Platts        | Tiahrt        |
| LaHood          | Poe           | Tiberi        |
| Lamborn         | Porter        | Turner        |
| Latham          | Price (GA)    | Upton         |
| LaTourette      | Pryce (OH)    | Walberg       |
| Lewis (CA)      | Putnam        | Walden (OR)   |
| Lewis (KY)      | Radanovich    | Walsh (NY)    |
| Linder          | Ramstad       | Wamp          |
| LoBiondo        | Regula        | Weldon (FL)   |
| Lucas           | Rehberg       | Weller        |
| Lungren, Daniel | Reichert      | Westmoreland  |
| E.              | Renzi         | Whitfield     |
| Mack            | Reynolds      | Wicker        |
| Manzullo        | Rogers (AL)   | Wilson (NM)   |
| Marchant        | Rogers (KY)   | Wilson (SC)   |
| McCarthy (CA)   | Rogers (MI)   | Wolf          |
| McCaul (TX)     | Rohrabacher   | Young (AK)    |
| McCotter        | Ros-Lehtinen  | Young (FL)    |
| McCrery         | Roskam        |               |

#### NOES—228

|                |                |                 |
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| Abercrombie    | Donnelly       | Langevin        |
| Ackerman       | Doyle          | Lantos          |
| Allen          | Edwards        | Larsen (WA)     |
| Altmire        | Ellison        | Larson (CT)     |
| Andrews        | Ellsworth      | Lee             |
| Arcuri         | Emanuel        | Levin           |
| Baca           | Engel          | Lewis (GA)      |
| Baird          | Eshoo          | Lipinski        |
| Baldwin        | Etheridge      | Loeb            |
| Barrow         | Farr           | Lofgren, Zoe    |
| Bean           | Fattah         | Lowey           |
| Becerra        | Filner         | Lynch           |
| Berman         | Frank (MA)     | Mahoney (FL)    |
| Berry          | Giffords       | Maloney (NY)    |
| Bishop (GA)    | Gilchrest      | Markey          |
| Bishop (NY)    | Gillibrand     | Marshall        |
| Blumenauer     | Gonzalez       | Matheson        |
| Boren          | Gordon         | Matsui          |
| Boswell        | Green, Al      | McCarthy (NY)   |
| Boucher        | Green, Gene    | McCollum (MN)   |
| Boyd (FL)      | Grijalva       | McDermott       |
| Boyda (KS)     | Gutierrez      | McGovern        |
| Brady (PA)     | Hall (NY)      | McIntyre        |
| Braley (IA)    | Hare           | McNerney        |
| Brown, Corrine | Harman         | McNulty         |
| Butterfield    | Hastings (FL)  | Meehan          |
| Capps          | Hereth Sandlin | Meek (FL)       |
| Capuano        | Higgins        | Meeks (NY)      |
| Cardoza        | Hill           | Melancon        |
| Carnahan       | Hinche         | Michaud         |
| Carney         | Hinojosa       | Miller (NC)     |
| Carson         | Hirono         | Miller, George  |
| Castor         | Hodes          | Mitchell        |
| Chandler       | Holden         | Mollohan        |
| Clarke         | Holt           | Moore (KS)      |
| Clay           | Honda          | Moore (WI)      |
| Cleaver        | Hooley         | Moran (VA)      |
| Clyburn        | Hoyer          | Murphy (CT)     |
| Cohen          | Inglis (SC)    | Murphy, Patrick |
| Conyers        | Inslee         | Murtha          |
| Cooper         | Israel         | Nadler          |
| Costa          | Jackson (IL)   | Napolitano      |
| Costello       | Jackson-Lee    | Neal (MA)       |
| Courtney       | (TX)           | Obey            |
| Cramer         | Jefferson      | Oliver          |
| Crowley        | Johnson (GA)   | Ortiz           |
| Cuellar        | Johnson, E. B. | Pallone         |
| Cummings       | Jones (NC)     | Pascarelli      |
| Davis (AL)     | Kagen          | Pastor          |
| Davis (CA)     | Kanjorski      | Payne           |
| Davis (CA)     | Kaptur         | Perlmutter      |
| Davis (IL)     | Kennedy        | Peterson (MN)   |
| Davis, Lincoln | Kildee         | Pomeroy         |
| DeFazio        | Kilpatrick     | Price (NC)      |
| Delahunt       | Kind           | Rahall          |
| DeLauro        | Klein (FL)     | Rangel          |
| Dicks          | Kucinich       | Reyes           |
| Dingell        | Lampson        | Rodriguez       |

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| Ross             | Shuler        | Udall (NM)  |
| Rothman          | Sires         | Van Hollen  |
| Roybal-Allard    | Skelton       | Velázquez   |
| Ruppersberger    | Slaughter     | Visclosky   |
| Rush             | Smith (WA)    | Walz (MN)   |
| Ryan (OH)        | Snyder        | Wasserman   |
| Salazar          | Solis         | Schultz     |
| Sánchez, Linda   | Space         | Waters      |
| T.               | Spratt        | Watson      |
| Sanchez, Loretta | Stark         | Watt        |
| Sarbanes         | Sutton        | Waxman      |
| Schakowsky       | Tanner        | Weiner      |
| Schiff           | Tauscher      | Welch (VT)  |
| Schwartz         | Taylor        | Wexler      |
| Scott (GA)       | Thompson (CA) | Wilson (OH) |
| Scott (VA)       | Thompson (MS) | Woolsey     |
| Serrano          | Tierney       | Wu          |
| Shea-Porter      | Towns         | Wynn        |
| Sherman          | Udall (CO)    | Yarmuth     |

#### NOT VOTING—12

|               |            |        |
|---------------|------------|--------|
| Berkley       | Hunter     | Sestak |
| Davis, Jo Ann | Jones (OH) | Shays  |
| DeGette       | McMorris   | Stupak |
| Gillmor       | Rodgers    |        |
| Hulshof       | Oberstar   |        |

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1638

Mr. KINGSTON changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the motion to recommit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. SESTAK. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 408, had I been present, I would have voted “no.”

Ms. BERKLEY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 408, I was unavoidably detained in a meeting of the Ways and Means Trade Subcommittee with the Chinese trade delegation. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.”

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

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

#### RECORDED VOTE

Mr. SHULER. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 268, noes 150, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 409]

#### AYES—268

|             |                |                |
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| Abercrombie | Boyd (FL)      | Costello       |
| Ackerman    | Boyda (KS)     | Courtney       |
| Allen       | Brady (PA)     | Cramer         |
| Altmire     | Brady (TX)     | Crowley        |
| Andrews     | Braley (IA)    | Cuellar        |
| Arcuri      | Brown, Corrine | Cummings       |
| Baca        | Butterfield    | Davis (AL)     |
| Baird       | Capito         | Davis (CA)     |
| Baldwin     | Capps          | Davis (IL)     |
| Barrow      | Capuano        | Davis, David   |
| Bean        | Cardoza        | Davis, Lincoln |
| Becerra     | Carnahan       | DeFazio        |
| Berkley     | Carney         | Delahunt       |
| Berman      | Carson         | DeLauro        |
| Berry       | Castle         | Dent           |
| Biggart     | Castor         | Dicks          |
| Bilbray     | Chandler       | Dingell        |
| Bishop (GA) | Clarke         | Doggett        |
| Bishop (NY) | Clay           | Donnelly       |
| Blumenauer  | Cleaver        | Doyle          |
| Bono        | Clyburn        | Duncan         |
| Boren       | Cohen          | Edwards        |
| Boswell     | Conyers        | Ehlers         |
| Boucher     | Costa          | Ellison        |

Ellsworth  
Emanuel  
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English (PA)  
Eshoo  
Etheridge  
Farr  
Fattah  
Ferguson  
Filner  
Fortenberry  
Frank (MA)  
Frelinghuysen  
Gerlach  
Giffords  
Gilchrest  
Gillibrand  
Gillmor  
Gonzalez  
Gordon  
Green, Al  
Green, Gene  
Grijalva  
Gutierrez  
Hall (NY)  
Hare  
Harman  
Hastings (FL)  
Hayes  
Herseht Sandlin  
Higgins  
Hill  
Hinchey  
Hinojosa  
Hirono  
Hodes  
Holden  
Holt  
Honda  
Hooley  
Hoyer  
Inglis (SC)  
Inslie  
Israel  
Jackson (IL)  
Jackson-Lee  
(TX)  
Jefferson  
Johnson (GA)  
Johnson (IL)  
Johnson, E. B.  
Jones (NC)  
Kagen  
Kanjorski  
Kennedy  
Kildee  
Kilpatrick  
Kind  
Kirk  
Klein (FL)  
Knollenberg  
Kucinich  
LaHood  
Lampson  
Langevin  
Lantos

Larsen (WA)  
Larson (CT)  
LaTourette  
Lee  
Levin  
Lewis (GA)  
Lewis (KY)  
Lipinski  
LoBiondo  
Loeback  
Lofgren, Zoe  
Lowey  
Lucas  
Lynch  
Mahoney (FL)  
Maloney (NY)  
Markey  
Marshall  
Matheson  
Matsui  
McCarthy (NY)  
McCollum (MN)  
McDermott  
McIntyre  
McNerney  
McNulty  
Meehan  
Meek (FL)  
Meeks (NY)  
Melancon  
Michaud  
Miller (NC)  
Miller, George  
Mitchell  
Mollohan  
Moore (KS)  
Moore (WI)  
Moran (KS)  
Moran (VA)  
Murphy, Patrick  
Murtha  
Nadler  
Napolitano  
Neal (MA)  
Obey  
Oliver  
Ortiz  
Pallone  
Pascarell  
Pastor  
Payne  
Perlmutter  
Peterson (MN)  
Platts  
Pomeroy  
Porter  
Price (NC)  
Rahall  
Rangel  
Reyes  
Rodriguez  
Rogers (KY)  
Rogers (MI)  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Ross  
Rothman  
Roybal-Allard

Ruppersberger  
Rush  
Ryan (OH)  
Salazar  
Sánchez, Linda  
T.  
Sanchez, Loretta  
Sarbanes  
Saxton  
Schakowsky  
Schiff  
Schwartz  
Scott (GA)  
Scott (VA)  
Serrano  
Sestak  
Shea-Porter  
Sherman  
Shimkus  
Shuler  
Simpson  
Sires  
Skelton  
Slaughter  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (WA)  
Snyder  
Solis  
Souder  
Space  
Spratt  
Stark  
Stupak  
Sutton  
Tanner  
Tauscher  
Taylor  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Tierney  
Towns  
Turner  
Udall (CO)  
Udall (NM)  
Van Hollen  
Velázquez  
Visclosky  
Walsh (NY)  
Walz (MN)  
Wamp  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters  
Watson  
Watt  
Waxman  
Weiner  
Welch (VT)  
Wexler  
Wilson (OH)  
Wolf  
Woolsey  
Wu  
Wynn  
Yarmuth

McHenry  
McHugh  
McKeon  
Mica  
Miller (FL)  
Miller (MI)  
Miller, Gary  
Murphy, Tim  
Musgrave  
Myrick  
Neugebauer  
Nunes  
Paul  
Pearce  
Pence  
Peterson (PA)  
Petri  
Pickering  
Pitts  
Poe  
Price (GA)

Pryce (OH)  
Putnam  
Radanovich  
Ramstad  
Regula  
Rehberg  
Reichert  
Renzi  
Reynolds  
Rogers (AL)  
Rohrabacher  
Roskam  
Royce  
Ryan (WI)  
Sali  
Schmidt  
Sensenbrenner  
Sessions  
Shadegg  
Shuster  
Smith (NE)

Smith (TX)  
Stearns  
Sullivan  
Tancredo  
Terry  
Thornberry  
Tiahrt  
Tiberi  
Upton  
Walberg  
Walden (OR)  
Weldon (FL)  
Weller  
Westmoreland  
Whitfield  
Wicker  
Wilson (NM)  
Wilson (SC)  
Young (AK)  
Young (FL)

## NOT VOTING—14

Cannon  
Cooper  
Davis, Jo Ann  
DeGette  
Dreier

Hulshof  
Hunter  
Jones (OH)  
Kaptur  
McGovern

McMorris  
Rodgers  
Murphy (CT)  
Oberstar  
Shaays

## ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

□ 1646

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 409 I was unavoidably detained during a hearing of the Committee on Rules. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.”

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER  
AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2060

Mr. INSLEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove from H.R. 2060 the name of NATHAN DEAL as a cosponsor. His name was inadvertently added as a cosponsor to the bill I had sponsored.

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

There was no objection.

CHIROPRACTIC CARE AVAILABLE  
TO ALL VETERANS ACT

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1470) to amend the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs Enhancement Act of 2001 to require the provision of chiropractic care and services to veterans at all Department of Veterans Affairs medical centers.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 1470

*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 “Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act”.

## SEC. 2. PROGRAM FOR PROVISION OF CHIROPRACTIC CARE AND SERVICES TO VETERANS.

Section 204(c) of the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care Programs En-

hancement Act of 2001 (38 U.S.C. 1710 note) is amended—

(1) by inserting “(1)” before “The program”; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

“(2) The program shall be carried out at not fewer than 75 medical centers by not later than December 31, 2009, and at all medical centers by not later than December 31, 2011.”.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from California (Mr. FILNER) and the gentleman from Kansas (Mr. MORAN) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from California.

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

We are continuing with a packet of seven bills from the Veterans' Affairs Committee that is really a thank-you in prelude to Memorial Day, a thank-you to our Nation's veterans. Memorial Day is a tribute to those who gave the ultimate sacrifice.

What we are saying is we're honoring them and all our veterans who are living with us in the United States. And as I said earlier, no matter where we are on the current debate on the war in Iraq, we are united in saying that every young woman, every young man who returns from that battle gets all the care, the attention, the love, the honor, the dignity that a grateful Nation can bestow. And that's what we are saying in these bills today.

We have already passed a bill which extends from 2 years to 5 years the ability of any returning servicemember in combat to access the VA health care system. Two years was not sufficient for those who might have brain injuries, who might have PTSD, posttraumatic stress disorder. These are, in many cases, hidden diseases. You don't know that you have it. A doctor may not diagnose it at first, and so as time goes by, you may feel the need to access the VA health care system. So we have extended that from 2 years to 5 years.

In addition, we have passed a new outreach program to meet especially the needs of rural veterans, and we will continue this package in the hour ahead.

Veterans returning home from the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan should be able to depend on medical services that they want being available in the system of health care that was built to take care of them and their unique needs.

For those returning veterans seeking care in a VA health care system, we know that the most common health problems are under the category of musculoskeletal ailments, principally joint and back disorders. We hear a lot about brain injury and PTSD, and those we have to give a lot of resources to, but 42 percent of veterans coming to the health care system have been presented to the VA with the needs of joint and back disorders.

This bill, the Chiropractic Care Available to All Veterans Act, requires

## NOES—150

Aderholt  
Akin  
Alexander  
Bachmann  
Bachus  
Baker  
Barrett (SC)  
Bartlett (MD)  
Barton (TX)  
Bilirakis  
Bishop (UT)  
Blackburn  
Blunt  
Boehner  
Bonner  
Boozman  
Boustany  
Brown (SC)  
Brown-Waite,  
Ginny  
Buchanan  
Burgess  
Burton (IN)  
Buyer  
Calvert  
Camp (MI)  
Campbell (CA)  
Cantor  
Carter  
Chabot

Coble  
Cole (OK)  
Conaway  
Crenshaw  
Cubin  
Culberson  
Davis (KY)  
Davis, Tom  
Deal (GA)  
Diaz-Balart, L.  
Diaz-Balart, M.  
Doolittle  
Drake  
Everett  
Fallin  
Feeney  
Flake  
Forbes  
Fossella  
Foxy  
Franks (AZ)  
Gallegly  
Garrett (NJ)  
Gingrey  
Gohmert  
Goode  
Goodlatte  
Granger  
Graves  
Hall (TX)

Hastert  
Hastings (WA)  
Heller  
Hensarling  
Herger  
Hobson  
Hoekstra  
Issa  
Jindal  
Johnson, Sam  
Jordan  
Keller  
King (IA)  
King (NY)  
Kingston  
Kline (MN)  
Kuhl (NY)  
Lamborn  
Latham  
Lewis (CA)  
Linder  
Lungren, Daniel  
E.  
Mack  
Manzullo  
Marchant  
McCarthy (CA)  
McCauley (TX)  
McCotter  
McCrery