

[Roll No. 598]

AYES—295

Ackerman Fallin Mica
 Aderholt Farr Michaud
 Akin Fattah Miller (FL)
 Alexander Feeney Miller (MI)
 Allen Ferguson Miller, Gary
 Altmore Flake Mitchell
 Andrews Fortenberry Moore (KS)
 Baca Fossella Moran (KS)
 Bachmann Foxx Murphy, Patrick
 Bachus Franks (AZ) Murphy, Tim
 Baird Frelinghuysen Musgrave
 Baker Gallegly Myrick
 Barrett (SC) Garrett (NJ) Neugebauer
 Bartlett (MD) Gerlach Nunes
 Barton (TX) Gilchrest Oberstar
 Berkley Gillibrand Obey
 Biggest Gillmor Paul
 Bilbray Gingrey Payne
 Bilirakis Gohmert Pearce
 Bishop (NY) Goode Pence
 Bishop (UT) Goodlatte Perlmutter
 Blackburn Gordon Peterson (MN)
 Blunt Granger Peterson (PA)
 Boehner Graves Petri
 Bonner Hall (NY) Pickering
 Bono Hall (TX) Pitts
 Boozman Hare Platts
 Bordallo Hastings (WA) Poe
 Boren Hayes Pomeroy
 Boucher Heller Porter
 Boustany Hensarling Price (GA)
 Boyd (FL) Herger Pryce (OH)
 Boyd (KS) Herseth Sandlin Putnam
 Brady (PA) Higgins Radanovich
 Brady (TX) Hill Rahall
 Braley (IA) Hobson Ramstad
 Brown (SC) Hoekstra Regula
 Brown, Corrine Holden Rehberg
 Brown-Waite, Ginny Hooley Reichert
 Buchanan Hoyer Renzi
 Burgess Hulshof Reyes
 Burton (IN) Hunter Reynolds
 Butterfield Issa Rogers (AL)
 Calvert Jackson-Lee Rogers (KY)
 Camp (MI) (TX) Rogers (MI)
 Campbell (CA) Jindal Rohrbacher
 Cannon Johnson (IL) Ros-Lehtinen
 Cantor Johnson, Sam Roskam
 Capito Jones (NC) Ross
 Capuano Jordan Ruppertsberger
 Cardoza Kanjorski Ryan (OH)
 Carnahan Kaptur Ryan (WI)
 Carney Keller Sali
 Carter Kildee Saxton
 Castle Kind Schakowsky
 Chabot King (IA) Schmidt
 Chandler King (NY) Schwartz
 Coble Kingston Scott (GA)
 Cohen Kirk Sensenbrenner
 Cole (OK) Klein (FL) Sestak
 Conaway Kline (MN) Shadegg
 Cooper Knollenberg Shays
 Costa Kuhl (NY) Shimkus
 Costello Lamborn Shuler
 Courtney Larson (CT) Shuster
 Cramer Latham Simpson
 Crenshaw LaTourette Skelton
 Cubin Lee Smith (NE)
 Cuellar Levin Smith (NJ)
 Culberson Lewis (CA) Smith (TX)
 Cummings Lewis (KY) Smith (WA)
 Davis, David Linder Snyder
 Davis, Lincoln Lipinski Souder
 Davis, Tom LoBiondo Space
 Deal (GA) Lucas Spratt
 DeFazio Lungren, Daniel Stark
 Dent E. Stearns
 Diaz-Balart, L. Lynch Stupak
 Diaz-Balart, M. Mack Sullivan
 Dicks Mahoney (FL) Tancredo
 Doggett Manzullo Tanner
 Donnelly Marchant Tauscher
 Doolittle Matheson Taylor
 Doyle McCarthy (CA) Terry
 Drake McCarthy (NY) Thornberry
 Dreier McCaul (TX) Tiahrt
 Duncan McCotter Tiberi
 Edwards McCrery Turner
 Ehlers McHenry Upton
 Ellsworth McHugh Visclosky
 Emerson McIntyre Walberg
 English (PA) McKeon Walden (OR)
 Eshoo McMorris Walsh (NY)
 Etheridge Rodgers Walz (MN)
 Everett Melancon Wamp

Weldon (FL) Wicker
 Weller Westmoreland
 Whitfield NOES—127

Wilson (NM) Wilson (OH)
 Wilson (SC) Wilson (AK)
 Wilson (FL)
 Holt Honda
 Baldwin Barrow
 Bean Israel
 Becerra Jackson (IL)
 Berman Jefferson
 Berry Johnson (GA)
 Bishop (GA) Johnson, E. B.
 Blumenauer Jones (OH)
 Boswell Kagen
 Capps Kennedy
 Carson Kilpatrick
 Castor Kucinich
 Christensen Lampson
 Clarke Langevin
 Clay Lantos
 Cleaver Larsen (WA)
 Clyburn Lewis (GA)
 Crowley Loebssack
 Davis (AL) Lofgren, Zoe
 Davis (CA) Lowey
 Davis (IL) Maloney (NY)
 DeGette Markey
 Delahunt Marshall
 Platts Matsui
 DeLauro McCollum (MN)
 Dingell McDerrott
 Ellison Emanuel
 Engel Price (VA)
 Putnam Faleomavaega
 Filner Meek (FL)
 Higgins Frank (MA)
 Hill Rahall
 Hobson Ramstad
 Hoekstra Regula
 Holden Rehberg
 Hooley Reichert
 Hoyer Renzi
 Hulshof Reyes
 Hunter Reynolds
 Issa Rogers (KY)
 Jackson-Lee Rogers (MI)
 Jindal Rohrbacher
 Johnson (IL) Roskam
 Johnson, Sam Ross
 Jones (NC) Royce
 Jordan Ruppertsberger
 Kanjorski Ryan (OH)
 Kaptur Ryan (WI)
 Keller Sali
 Kildee Saxton
 Kind Schakowsky
 King (IA) Schmidt
 King (NY) Schwartz
 Kingston Scott (GA)
 Kirk Sensenbrenner
 Klein (FL) Sestak
 Kline (MN) Shadegg
 Knollenberg Shays
 Kuhl (NY) Shimkus
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 Larson (CT) Shuster
 Latham Simpson
 LaTourette Skelton
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 Lipinski Souder
 LoBiondo Space
 Lucas Spratt
 Lungren, Daniel Stark
 Lynch Stupak
 Mack Sullivan
 Mahoney (FL) Tancredo
 Manzullo Tanner
 Marchant Tauscher
 Matheson Taylor
 McCarthy (CA) Terry
 McCarthy (NY) Thornberry
 McCaul (TX) Tiahrt
 McCotter Tiberi
 McCrery Turner
 McHenry Upton
 McHugh Visclosky
 McIntyre Walberg
 McKeon Walden (OR)
 McMorris Walsh (NY)
 Rodgers Walz (MN)
 Melancon Wamp

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Young (AK)
 Young (FL)
 Wilson (SC)

On rollcall No. 593—"no"—Flake Amendment to H.R. 2643.
 On rollcall No. 594—"no"—Flake Amendment to H.R. 2643.
 On rollcall No. 595—"no"—Campbell Amendment to H.R. 2643.
 On rollcall No. 596—"no"—Emanuel Amendment to H.R. 2643.
 On rollcall No. 597—"no"—Campbell Amendment to H.R. 2643.
 On rollcall No. 598—"aye"—Wicker Amendment to H.R. 2643.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. PENCE

The CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. PENCE) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes 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 CHAIRMAN. This will be a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 309, noes 115, answered "present" 1, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 599]
 AYES—309

Aderholt Chabot Frelinghuysen
 Akin Chandler Gallegly
 Alexander Christensen Garrett (NJ)
 Altmore Coble Gerlach
 Andrews Cole (OK) Giffords
 Baca Conaway Gilchrest
 Bachmann Cooper Gillibrand
 Bachus Costa Gillmor
 Baker Costello Gingrey
 Barrett (SC) Courtney Gohmert
 Barrow Cramer Goode
 Bartlett (MD) Crenshaw Goodlatte
 Barton (TX) Crowley Gordon
 Bean Cubin Granger
 Berman Cuellar Graves
 Biggest Culberson Green, Gene
 Bilbray Cummings Hall (TX)
 Bilirakis Davis (AL) Hare
 Bishop (NY) Davis (KY) Hastings (FL)
 Bishop (UT) Davis, David Hastings (WA)
 Blackburn Davis, Lincoln Hayes
 Blunt Davis, Tom Heller
 Boehner Deal (GA) Hensarling
 Bonner DeGette Herger
 Bono Delahunt Herseth Sandlin
 Boozman Dent Hill
 Bordallo Diaz-Balart, L. Hobson
 Boren Diaz-Balart, M. Hoekstra
 Boucher Dicks Holden
 Boustany Donnelly Hooley
 Boyd (FL) Doolittle Hulshof
 Brady (TX) Drake Hunter
 Brown (SC) Dreier Inglis (SC)
 Brown, Corrine Duncan Inslee
 Brown-Waite, Ginny Edwards Israel
 Cubin Ehlers Issa
 Buchanan Ellsworth Jackson-Lee
 Burgess Emanuel (TX)
 Burton (IN) Emerson Jindal
 Buyer Engel Johnson (IL)
 Calvert English (PA) Johnson, Sam
 Camp (MI) Etheridge Jones (NC)
 Campbell (CA) Everett Jordan
 Cannon Faleomavaega Kagen
 Cantor Fallin Keller
 Capito Feeney Kildeee
 Cardoza Ferguson Kind
 Carnahan Flake King (IA)
 Carson Fortenberry King (NY)
 Carter Fossella Kingston
 Castle Foxx Kirk
 Everett Melancon Franks (AZ) Kline (MN)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The CHAIRMAN (during the vote). Members are advised they have 30 seconds to record their vote.

□ 1814

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. DAVIS of Kentucky. Mr. Chairman, for part of Thursday, June 28, 2007, I was absent from the House for a family medical emergency.

Had I been present I would have voted:

On rollcall No. 584—"no"—Cardoza Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 585—"no"—DeFazio Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 586—"no"—Price (GA) Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 587—"no"—Davis (VA) Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 588—"aye"—Garrett Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 589—"aye"—Souder Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 590—"no"—Flake Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 591—"no"—Flake Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 592—"no"—Flake Amendment to H.R. 2643.

On rollcall No. 593—"no"—Flake Amendment to H.R. 2643.

NOT VOTING—13

Abercrombie	Hastert	Sessions
Davis, Jo Ann	Hinojosa	Waxman
Edwards	LaHood	Wu
Forbes	McNulty	
Fortuño	Ortiz	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The CHAIRMAN (during the vote). Members are advised they have 1 minute to record their vote.

□ 1834

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

(By unanimous consent, Mr. MARKEY was allowed to speak out of order.)

WISHING FAREWELL TO THE HON. MARTIN MEEHAN

Mr. MARKEY. Mr. Chairman, I rise so that we can note this important moment, and that moment is that, although it is with great sadness for this Chamber and the members of the Massachusetts delegation, but I think great joy for his family, the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MEEHAN) is about to cast his final vote as a Member of this Chamber, and I would like to give the gentleman the proper farewell that he deserves because he has served well and long in this institution.

I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. MEEHAN. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentleman and I thank the dean of our delegation and all of my colleagues from Massachusetts and all of my colleagues in this House.

I have a plane to catch, so I will be brief.

I want to thank my wife, Ellen, and my wonderful family for all that they have had to tolerate over the years. I want to thank the people of the Fifth Congressional District of Massachusetts for the confidence that they have demonstrated in me in giving me this great honor to serve in this great institution.

I want to thank former staff members of mine, some of whom are here, for their dedication, their energy, their hard work day in and day out.

I want to thank my colleagues, Democrats and Republicans, that I have worked with. I have tried to work in a bipartisan way most of the time. I leave this House; it was the most difficult decision professionally that I have ever had to make because I love this House, I love the institution, I love the friendships and colleagues that I have been so honored to work with over the years.

But I also believe in the University of Massachusetts at Lowell. That is where I graduated. I walked in the door, one of seven children in a large family in Lowell, Massachusetts, and wouldn't have had the opportunity to go to college or to achieve things I wanted to achieve in my life without that institution. So as difficult as it is, I have a passion for the institution. I am going to leave.

So thank you very much for wonderful friendships. I will be back from

time to time. Be careful you don't eliminate too many earmarks while you are at it here.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN
The CHAIRMAN. Without objection, 2-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. STEARNS

The CHAIRMAN. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. STEARNS) 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 CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The CHAIRMAN. This will be a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 165, noes 257, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 604]

AYES—165

Aderholt	Gallegly	Moran (KS)	Ackerman	Giffords	Neal (MA)
Akin	Garrett (NJ)	Musgrave	Allen	Gilchrest	Norton
Alexander	Gingrey	Myrick	Andrews	Gillibrand	Oberstar
Altman	Gohmert	Neugebauer	Arcuri	Gillmor	Obey
Bachmann	Goode	Nunes	Baca	Gonzalez	Olver
Bachus	Goodlatte	Paul	Baird	Granger	Pallone
Baker	Gordon	Pence	Baldwin	Green, Al	Pascarella
Barrett (SC)	Graves	Peterson (PA)	Bean	Green, Gene	Pastor
Barrow	Hall (TX)	Petri	Becerra	Grijalva	Payne
Bartlett (MD)	Hastings (WA)	Pickering	Berkley	Hall (NY)	Pearce
Barton (TX)	Hayes	Pitts	Berman	Hare	Perlmutter
Biggert	Heller	Platts	Berry	Harman	Peterson (MN)
Bilbray	Hensarling	Poe	Bishop (GA)	Hastings (FL)	Pomeroy
Bilirakis	Herger	Price (GA)	Bishop (NY)	Herseth Sandlin	Porter
Bishop (UT)	Hobson	Pryce (OH)	Blumenauer	Higgins	Price (NC)
Blackburn	Hoekstra	Putnam	Bono	Hill	Rahall
Blunt	Hulshof	Radanovich	Bordallo	Hinchey	Rangel
Boehner	Hunter	Ramstad	Boren	Hirono	Regula
Bonner	Inglis (SC)	Rehberg	Boswell	Hodes	Reichert
Boozman	Issa	Reynolds	Boucher	Holden	Renzi
Boustany	Jindal	Rogers (AL)	Boyd (FL)	Holt	Reyes
Brown (SC)	Johnson (IL)	Rogers (KY)	Boysd (KS)	Honda	Rodriguez
Brown-Waite,	Johnson, Sam	Rogers (MI)	Braley (IA)	Hooley	Ros-Lehtinen
Ginny	Jones (NC)	Rohrabacher	Brown, Corrine	Hooyer	Rothman
Buchanan	Jordan	Roskam	Cannon	Inslee	Royal-Allard
Burgess	Keller	Ross	Capuano	Carnahan	Ruppertsberger
Burton (IN)	King (IA)	Royce	Cardoza	Carson	Rush
Buyer	King (NY)	Sali	Carter	Castor	Ryan (OH)
Calvert	Kingston	Saxton	Chandler	Chambers	Ryan (WI)
Camp (MI)	Kline (MN)	Schmidt	Christensen	Christiansen	Salazar
Campbell (CA)	Knollenberg	Sensenbrenner	Clarke	Kildree	Sánchez, Linda T.
Cantor	Kuhl (NY)	Shimkus	Clay	Kilpatrick	Sánchez, Loretta
Capito	Lamborn	Shuler	Cleaver	Kind	Schakowsky
Carney	Lampson	Shuster	Clyburn	Kirk	Schiff
Chabot	Latham	Simpson	Cohen	Kucinich	Schwartz
Coble	LaTourette	Smith (NE)	Conyers	Connelly	Scott (GA)
Conaway	Lewis (KY)	Smith (TX)	Cooper	Cook	Scott (VA)
Crenshaw	Linder	Souder	Costello	Costa	Serrano
Cubin	LoBiondo	Stearns	Courtney	Costello	Sestak
Culberson	Lucas	Sullivan	Cramer	Costa	Shadegg
Davis (KY)	Mack	Tancredo	Crowley	Costello	Shays
Davis, David	Manzullo	Taylor	Davis, Tom	Costello	Shea-Porter
Deal (GA)	Marchant	Terry	DeFazio	Costello	Sires
Donnelly	Marshall	Tiaht	DeGette	Costello	Skelton
Doolittle	McCarthy (CA)	Tiberi	DeLauro	Costello	Slaughter
Drake	McCaull (TX)	Turner	Dent	Costello	Smith (NJ)
Dreier	McCotter	Upton	Davis, Lincoln	Costello	Smith (WA)
Duncan	McHenry	Walberg	Davis, Tom	Costello	Snyder
Emerson	McHugh	Wamp	DeFazio	Costello	Space
Everett	McKeon	Westmoreland	DeGette	Costello	Solis
Fallin	McMorris	Whitfield	DeLauro	Costello	Space
Feeley	Rodgers	Wicker	Davis, Tom	Costello	Solis
Fortenberry	Mica	Wilson (SC)	DeFazio	Costello	Space
Fossella	Miller (FL)	Young (AK)	DeGette	Costello	Solis
Foxx	Miller (MI)	Young (FL)	DeLauro	Costello	Space
Franks (AZ)	Miller, Gary	Young (FL)	Davis, Tom	Costello	Solis

NOES—257

Ackerman	Giffords	Neal (MA)
Allen	Gilchrest	Norton
Andrews	Gillibrand	Oberstar
Arcuri	Gillmor	Obey
Baca	Gonzalez	Olver
Baird	Granger	Pallone
Baldwin	Green, Al	Pascarella
Bean	Green, Gene	Pastor
Becerra	Grijalva	Payne
Berkley	Hall (NY)	Pearce
Berman	Hare	Perlmutter
Berry	Harman	Peterson (MN)
Bishop (GA)	Hastings (FL)	Pomeroy
Bishop (NY)	Herseth Sandlin	Porter
Blumenauer	Higgins	Price (NC)
Bono	Hill	Rahall
Bordallo	Hinchey	Rangel
Boren	Hirono	Regula
Boswell	Hodes	Reichert
Boucher	Holden	Renzi
Boyd (FL)	Holt	Reyes
Boysd (KS)	Honda	Rodriguez
Braley (IA)	Hooley	Ros-Lehtinen
Brown, Corrine	Hooyer	Rothman
Cannon	Inslee	Royal-Allard
Capuano	Carnahan	Ruppertsberger
Cardoza	Carson	Rush
Carter	Castor	Ryan (OH)
Chandler	Chambers	Ryan (WI)
Christensen	Christiansen	Salazar
Clarke	Kildree	Sánchez, Linda T.
Clay	Kilpatrick	Sánchez, Loretta
Cleaver	Kind	Schakowsky
Clyburn	Kirk	Schiff
Cohen	Klein (FL)	Schwartz
Conyers	Kucinich	Space
Cooper	Connelly	Solis
Costello	Cook	Snyder
Courtney	Costello	Space
Cramer	Costello	Solis
Crowley	Costello	Space
Dalhant	Markey	Snyder
DeLauro	Matheson	Space
Dent	Matsui	Snyder
Davis, Lincoln	McCarthy (NY)	Space
Davis, Tom	McCollum (MN)	Space
DeFazio	Mahoney (FL)	Space
DeGette	Maloney (NY)	Space
DeLauro	Matheson	Space
Dent	Matsui	Space
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DeGette	Velázquez	Space
DeLauro	McDermott	Space
Dent	McGovern	Space
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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The CHAIRMAN (during the vote). Members are advised there is 1 minute remaining in this vote.

□ 1841

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The CHAIRMAN. The Clerk will read. The Clerk read as follows:

This Act may be cited as the "Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2008".

Mr. BRALEY of Iowa. Mr. Chairman, I rise today to voice my concerns about the way taxpayer funds have recently been spent at the General Services Administration (GSA). Today, the House is expected to pass H.R. 2829, a bill which makes appropriations for financial services and general government for Fiscal Year 2008, and which provides funding for the GSA.

If any agency should be trusted to spend American taxpayers' money responsibly, it is the GSA, the federal government's premier acquisition agency. Unfortunately, reports that current GSA Administrator Lurita Doan used federal government property and resources to engage in partisan campaign activities with political appointees of the GSA provide evidence that the head of this agency has placed the interests of the Republican party over the interests of the American public.

On January 26, 2007 Ms. Doan attended a meeting at GSA at which J. Scott Jennings, the Special Assistant to the President and the Deputy Director of Political Affairs at the White House, gave a 28-page PowerPoint presentation which reviewed the 2006 election results and outlined the Republican party's top targets in upcoming elections. According to several witnesses who attended the meeting, after this presentation Ms. Doan asked the more than 30 political appointees in attendance how they could use GSA resources to help Republican candidates win future elections. This presentation and Ms. Doan's comments are not only blatant violations of the Hatch Act, which restricts the political activities of Executive Branch employees, but are also a gross abuse of taxpayers' money and trust.

Ms. Doan has appeared twice before the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and claims that she cannot remember Mr. Jennings' presentation, or the comments she made. Despite the fact that the Office of Special Counsel found that Ms. Doan "violated the Hatch Act's prohibition against using [her] official authority or influence for the purpose of interfering with or affecting the result of an election when [she] solicited over thirty subordinate employees to engage in political activity," she also claims that she cannot answer questions about the legality or appropriateness of the briefing. In light of Ms. Doan's lack of contrition and apparent confusion about what constitutes an appropriate use of taxpayer dollars, it is understandable that many of us in the Congress would be concerned about the way the funds we are appropriating today to GSA will be used.

While I support the passage of this bill, I believe that we must continue to work to ensure that appropriated GSA funds are spent on legal and legitimate purposes—like managing federal buildings, buying government equipment and supplies, and working with other

agencies to purchase goods and services for the government. I hope and trust that the funds we are appropriating to GSA today will be spent legally and responsibly, and I look forward to continuing our Congressional oversight of the GSA.

Mr. ORTIZ. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of H.R. 2829, the Financial Services—General Government Appropriations bill. This bill enhances key American priorities, while providing less overall than the President requested for agencies in this bill.

We are committed to making our tax system fairer for millions of Americans—and to enhance enforcement to make sure everyone pays what they owe, not just those who play by the rules, while improving taxpayers' services. This bill will spur job creation and make the economy work for everyone—by restoring the President's cuts in small business loans, rejecting his efforts to slash capital and financial services available to underserved communities (CDFI), and by strengthening consumer protections.

We are also working to make sure that every vote counts in our elections, and to strengthen law enforcement, both against terrorism and in the war on drugs. This bill meets two key commitments of this Congress: it has complete transparency on its earmarks, and it also cuts the amount for earmarks in the bill in half.

Our bill lowers the cost of Small Business 7(a) loans and rejects the President's proposal to stop this program that helps small businesses start-up and grow. The 7(a) loan program accounts for roughly 30 percent of all long-term small business borrowing in America, and is the only source of affordable, long-term financing for many of our Nation's small businesses, including many in South Texas.

I'm pleased that the bill includes greater access to capital for economic development in disadvantaged and rural communities. We reject the President's proposal to cut by 50 percent the availability of credit, capital and financial services to underserved communities through the Community Development Financial Institutions Fund. Instead, our bill provides \$46 million more than last year to support economic development and financial services in disadvantaged and rural communities through housing loans, micro-business loans, community development banks and credit unions.

The report lists the recipient and the sponsor for each earmark contained in the bill. Of the 165 earmarks in the bill, 148 were requested by lawmakers and 17 by President Bush. Furthermore, each sponsor has filed a certification that the sponsor and the sponsor's spouse have no financial interest in the earmark, which is publicly available.

I am pleased the committee included funding for the University of Texas at Brownsville's International Trade Center. Brownsville has always been the front door to international trade given its proximity to Mexico and the land and sea ports in the city. This funding will be used to establish an International Trade Center at the UTB International Technology Education and Commerce Campus (ITECC) which will house all of the services required to conduct international trade including: international law, accounting, banking, insurance, logistics services, export-import marketing services, U.S. customs, government trade services and industry showrooms for specific target sectors such as medical, communications, and computer technology.

By concentrating all of the components for trade in one location the ITC will generate significantly higher levels of international trade and associated jobs in Brownsville, making this an excellent investment in South Texas and the Nation.

Mr. SERRANO. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise and report the bill back to the House with sundry amendments, with the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mrs. TAUSCHER) having assumed the chair, Mr. HASTINGS of Florida, 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. 2829) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes, he reported the bill back to the House with sundry amendments, with the recommendation that the amendments be agreed to and that the bill, as amended, do pass.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under House Resolution 517, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment reported from the Committee of the Whole? If not, the Chair will put them en gros.

The amendments were 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. LEWIS OF CALIFORNIA

Mr. LEWIS of California. Madam Speaker, I offer a motion to recommit.

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

Mr. LEWIS of California. In its present form, I am.

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

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Lewis of California moves to recommit the bill H.R. 2829 to the Committee on Appropriations with instructions to report the same back promptly to the House with an amendment designating funding for the Internal Revenue Service under such bill as available only for administering, implementing, and enforcing existing Federal taxes and tariffs as enacted on the date of the enactment of such bill.

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

Mr. LEWIS of California. Madam Speaker, the purpose of this motion to recommit is simple. It recommits the bill back to committee to make clear that the funding provided to the IRS in this bill is only available to administer, implement, and enforce existing tax laws.

The majority party's budget plan includes implementing the biggest tax

increase in history, and this motion would prevent that from taking place.

While the economy is not functioning perfectly, the indicators show that the economy is strong. GDP in 2006 was 3.4 percent above 2005.

□ 1845

Capital investment increased by 6.8 percent in 2006. Unemployment is at 4.6 percent. Tax receipts increased by 11.8 percent in fiscal year 2006, on top of fiscal year 2005's increase of 14.6 percent. So while Congress and the administration have lowered taxes, the economy has grown and the tax revenues have increased. Implementing new tax increases, as the majority party's budget proposes, will have a chilling effect on our economy and the American family as more of their hard-earned money comes to Washington.

While the deficit, which is estimated to be \$244 billion in fiscal year 2007, is very troubling, tax collections are at an all-time high. Instead of increasing taxes to address the deficit and possibly reversing economic growth and further burdening the American family, I believe we must put more focus on controlling spending, both mandatory spending, and discretionary programs as well.

This motion will prohibit the IRS from implementing new taxes, protecting the American family and our economy.

I urge a "yes" vote on the motion to recommit.

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

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

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

Mr. SERRANO. I realize that with a house full of colleagues, I should make a profound and eloquent statement, but here it goes.

Madam Speaker, I would like to point out to the Members of the House that adoption of the motion to recommit offered by the gentleman from California will kill the bill. The motion instructs the committee to report the bill back promptly rather than forthwith.

Madam Speaker, section 1002(b) of the House manual states, "Unlike the case of the motion to recommit with instructions to report back forthwith, the adoption of which occasions an immediate report on the floor, the adoption of a motion to recommit with instructions to report back promptly sends the bill to committee, whose eventual report, if any, would not be immediately before the House."

Madam Speaker, a vote for this motion to recommit kills the bill. A vote against the motion will allow the bill to go forward to final passage.

I urge prompt defeat of the motion to recommit.

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 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.

Mr. LEWIS of California. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were 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—yeas 199, nays 222, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 605]

YEAS—199

Aderholt	Frelinghuysen	Neugebauer	Bishop (GA)	Higgins	Obey
Akin	Gallegly	Nunes	Bishop (NY)	Hill	Olver
Alexander	Garrett (NJ)	Paul	Blumenauer	Hinchey	Pallone
Bachmann	Gerlach	Pearce	Boren	Hirono	Pascarella
Bachus	Gilchrest	Pence	Boswell	Hodes	Pastor
Baker	Gilimor	Peterson (PA)	Boucher	Holden	Payne
Barrett (SC)	Gingrey	Petri	Boyd (FL)	Holt	Perlmutter
Barrow	Gohmert	Pickering	Boysda (KS)	Honda	Peterson (MN)
Bartlett (MD)	Goode	Pitts	Brady (PA)	Hooley	Pomeroy
Barton (TX)	Goodlatte	Platts	Braley (IA)	Hoyer	Price (NC)
Bean	Granger	Porter	Brown, Corrine	Inslee	Rahall
Biggert	Graves	Price (GA)	Butterfield	Israel	Rangel
Bilbray	Hall (TX)	Pryce (OH)	Capps	Jackson (IL)	Reyes
Bilirakis	Hastings (WA)	Putnam	Capuano	Jackson-Lee	Rodriguez
Bishop (UT)	Hayes	Radanovich	Cardoza	(TX)	Ross
Blackburn	Heller	Ramstad	Carnahan	Jefferson	Rothman
Blunt	Hensarling	Regula	Carney	Johnson (GA)	Royal-Allard
Boehner	Herger	Rehberg	Carson	Johnson, E. B.	Ruppersberger
Bonner	Hobson	Reichert	Castor	Jones (OH)	Rush
Bono	Hoekstra	Renzi	Chandler	Kagan	Ryan (OH)
Boozman	Hulshof	Reynolds	Clarke	Kanjorski	Salazar
Boustany	Hunter	Rogers (AL)	Clay	Kaptur	Sánchez, Linda T.
Brady (TX)	Inglis (SC)	Rogers (KY)	Cleaver	Kennedy	Sánchez, Loretta Schakowsky
Brown (SC)	Issa	Rogers (MI)	Clyburn	Kildee	Schiff
Brown-Waite,	Jindal	Rohrabacher	Conyers	Kilpatrick	Schwartz
Ginny	Johnson (IL)	Ros-Lehtinen	Cooper	Klein (FL)	Scott (GA)
Buchanan	Johnson, Sam	Roskam	Costa	Kucinich	Scott (VA)
Burgess	Jones (NC)	Royce	Costello	Langevin	Serrano
Burton (IN)	Jordan	Ryan (WI)	Courtney	Lantos	Sestak
Buyer	Keller	Saxton	Cramer	Larsen (WA)	Shea-Porter
Calvert	King (IA)	Schmidt	Crowley	Larson (CT)	Sherman
Camp (MI)	King (NY)	Sensenbrenner	DeFazio	Lee	Skelton
Campbell (CA)	Kingston	Shadegg	DeGette	Cummings	Slaughter
Cannon	Kirk	Shays	DeLauro	Davis (AL)	Smith (WA)
Cantor	Kline (MN)	Shimkus	Dicks	Davis (CA)	Snyder
Capito	Knollenberg	Shuster	Dingell	Davis (IL)	Solis
Carter	Kuhl (NY)	Simpson	Doggett	Davis, Lincoln	Space
Castle	Lamborn	Smith (NE)	DeLauro	DeFazio	Spratt
Chabot	Lampson	Smith (NJ)	Dicks	Dingell	Stark
Coble	Latham	Smith (TX)	Doyle	Edwards	Stupak
Cole (OK)	LaTourette	Smith (WI)	Edwards	Ellison	Tauscher
Conaway	Lewis (CA)	Smith (VA)	McCarthy (NY)	McDermott	Taylor
Crenshaw	Lewis (KY)	Smith (CT)	McCormick (MN)	McGovern	Tierney
Cubin	Linder	Souder	McIntyre	McIntyre	Towns
Culberson	LoBiondo	Stearns	McNerney	Udall (CO)	Udall (NM)
Davis (KY)	Lucas	Sullivan	Meehan	Udall (NM)	Van Hollen
Davis, David	Lungren, Daniel	Tancredo	Etheridge	Meek (FL)	Velázquez
Davis, Tom	E.	Terry	Farr	Meeks (NY)	Wasserman
Deal (GA)	Mack	Thornberry	Fattah	Melancon	Schultz
Dent	Manzullo	Tiaht	Filner	Michaud	Walz (MN)
Diaz-Balart, L.	Marchant	Tiberi	Frank (MA)	Miller (NC)	Waterson
Diaz-Balart, M.	McCarthy (CA)	Turner	Giffords	Miller, George	Watson
Doolittle	McCaul (TX)	Upton	Gillibrand	Mitchell	Waters
Drake	McCotter	Walberg	Gonzalez	Mollohan	Waxman
Dreier	McCrery	Walden (OR)	Gordon	Moore (KS)	Weiner
Duncan	McHenry	Walsh (NY)	Green, Al	Moore (WI)	Welch (VT)
Ehlers	McHugh	Wamp	Green, Gene	Moran (VA)	Wexler
Emerson	McKeon	Weldon (FL)	Grijalva	Murphy (CT)	Wilson (OH)
English (PA)	McMorris	Weller	Gutierrez	Murphy, Patrick	Woolsey
Everett	Rodgers	Westmoreland	Hall (NY)	Murtha	Wu
Fallin	Mica	Whitfield	Hare	Nadler	Neal (MA)
Feeley	Miller (FL)	Wicker	Harman	Napolitano	Wynn
Ferguson	Miller (MI)	Wilson (NM)	Hastings (FL)	Herseth Sandlin	Yarmuth
Flake	Miller, Gary	Wilson (SC)			
Fortenberry	Moran (KS)	Wolf			
Fossella	Murphy, Tim	Young (AK)			
Foxx	Musgrave	Young (FL)			
Franks (AZ)	Myrick				

NAYS—222

Ackerman	Arcuri	Becerra	Abercrombie	Hinojosa	Poe
Allen	Baca	Berkley	Davis, Jo Ann	LaHood	Sarbanes
Altmine	Baird	Berman	Forbes	McNulty	Sessions
Andrews	Baldwin	Berry	Hastert	Ortiz	

NOT VOTING—11

Mr. BOEHNER	changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."
So the motion to recommit was rejected.	

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

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

Under clause 10 of rule XX, the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 240, nays 179, not voting 13, as follows:

□ 1905

[Roll No. 606]

YEAS—240

Ackerman	Grijalva	Obey
Allen	Gutierrez	Olver
Andrews	Hall (NY)	Pallone
Arcuri	Hare	Pascarella
Baca	Harman	Pastor
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Payne
Baldwin	Hayes	Perlmutter
Barrow	Herseth Sandlin	Peterson (MN)
Bean	Higgins	Pomeroy
Becerra	Hill	Price (NC)
Berkley	Hinchey	Pryce (OH)
Berman	Hirono	Rahall
Berry	Hobson	Rangel
Bishop (GA)	Hodes	Regula
Bishop (NY)	Holden	Rehberg
Blumenauer	Holt	Reichert
Boren	Honda	Renzi
Boswell	Hooley	Reyes
Boucher	Hoyer	Rodriguez
Boyd (FL)	Inslee	Ross
Boysd (KS)	Israel	Rothman
Brady (PA)	Jackson (IL)	Roybal-Allard
Braley (IA)	Jackson-Lee	Ruppersberger
Brown, Corrine	(TX)	Rush
Butterfield	Jefferson	Ryan (OH)
Capps	Johnson (GA)	Salazar
Capuano	Johnson, E. B.	Sánchez, Linda
Cardoza	Jones (OH)	T.
Carnahan	Kagen	Sanchez, Loretta
Carney	Kanjorski	Schakowsky
Carson	Kaptur	Schiff
Castor	Kennedy	Schwartz
Chandler	Kildee	Scott (GA)
Clarke	Kilpatrick	Scott (VA)
Clay	Kind	Serrano
Cleaver	Kirk	Sestak
Clyburn	Klein (FL)	Shays
Cohen	Kucinich	Shea-Porter
Conyers	Langevin	Sherman
Cooper	Lantos	Shuler
Costa	Larsen (WA)	Sires
Courtney	Larson (CT)	Skelton
Cramer	Latham	Slaughter
Crowley	Lee	Smith (NJ)
Cuellar	Levin	Smith (WA)
Cummings	Lewis (GA)	Snyder
Davis (AL)	Lipinski	Solis
Davis (CA)	Loebssack	Space
Davis (IL)	Lofgren, Zoe	Spratt
Davis, Lincoln	Lowey	Stark
Davis, Tom	Lynch	Stupak
DeFazio	Mahoney (FL)	Sutton
DeGette	Maloney (NY)	Tanner
Delahunt	Markey	Tauscher
DeLauro	Marshall	Taylor
Dicks	Matheson	Thompson (CA)
Dingell	Matsui	Thompson (MS)
Doggett	McCarthy (NY)	Tierney
Donnelly	McCollum (MN)	Towns
Doolittle	McDermott	Udall (CO)
Doyle	McGovern	Udall (NM)
Edwards	McIntyre	Van Hollen
Ellison	McNerney	Velázquez
Ellsworth	Meehan	Visclosky
Emanuel	Meek (FL)	Walsh (NY)
Emerson	Meeks (NY)	Walz (MN)
Engel	Melancon	Wasserman
English (PA)	Michaud	Schultz
Eshoo	Miller (NC)	Waters
Etheridge	Miller, George	Watson
Farr	Mollohan	Watt
Fattah	Moore (KS)	Waxman
Filner	Moore (WI)	Weiner
Frank (MA)	Moran (VA)	Welch (VT)
Giffords	Murphy (CT)	Wexler
Gilchrest	Murphy, Patrick	Wilson (OH)
Gillibrand	Murtha	Wolf
Gonzalez	Nadler	Woolsey
Gordon	Napolitano	Wu
Green, Al	Neal (MA)	Wynn
Green, Gene	Oberstar	Yarmuth

NAYS—179

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

Cole (OK)	Johnson, Sam	Pitts
Conaway	Jones (NC)	Platts
Costello	Jordan	Porter
Crenshaw	Keller	Price (GA)
Cubin	King (IA)	Putnam
Culberson	King (NY)	Radaovich
Davis (KY)	Kingston	Ramstad
Davis, David	Kline (MN)	Reynolds
Deal (GA)	Knollenberg	Rogers (AL)
Dent	Kuhl (NY)	Rogers (KY)
Diaz-Balart, L.	Lamborn	Rogers (MI)
Diaz-Balart, M.	Lampson	Rohrabacher
Drake	LaTourette	Ros-Lehtinen
Dreier	Lewis (CA)	Roskam
Duncan	Lewis (KY)	Royce
Ehlers	Linder	Ryan (WI)
Everett	LoBiondo	Sali
Fallin	Lucas	Saxton
Feehey	Lungren, Daniel E.	Schmidt
Ferguson	Mack	Sensenbrenner
Flake	Manzullo	Shadegg
Fortenberry	McCarthy (CA)	Shimkus
Fossella	McCaul (TX)	Shuster
Foxx	McCotter	Simpson
Franks (AZ)	McCryer	Smith (NE)
Frelinghuysen	McHenry	Smith (TX)
Gallegly	McHugh	Souder
Garrett (NJ)	McKeon	Stearns
Gerlach	McMorris	Sullivan
Gillmor	Rodgers	Tancredo
Gingrey	Mica	Terry
Gohmert	Miller (FL)	Thornberry
Goode	Miller (MI)	Tiahrt
Goodlatte	Miller, Gary	Tiberi
Granger	Mitchell	Turner
Graves	Moran (KS)	Upton
Hall (TX)	Murphy, Tim	Walberg
Hastings (WA)	Musgrave	Walden (OR)
Heller	Myrick	Wamp
Hensarling	Neugebauer	Weldon (FL)
Herger	Nunes	Weller
Hoekstra	Paul	Westmoreland
Hulshof	Pearce	Wicker
Hunter	Pence	Wilson (NM)
Inglis (SC)	Peterson (PA)	Wilson (SC)
Issa	Petri	Young (AK)
Jindal	Pickering	Young (FL)
Johnson (IL)		

NOT VOTING—13

So the bill was passed.
The result of the vote was announced
as above recorded.
A motion to reconsider was laid on
the table.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER
AS COSPONSOR OF H. RES. 106

Mr. WICKER. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H. Res. 106.

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

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER
AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2740

Mr. KIND. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Texas (Mr. REYES) be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 2740.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BOYDA of Kansas). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Wisconsin?

There was no objection.

PERMISSION FOR COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE TO HAVE UNTIL MIDNIGHT, MONDAY, JULY 9, 2007, TO FILE REPORT ON H.R. 2900, FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2007

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Energy and Commerce have until midnight on July 9, 2007, to file a report to accompany H.R. 2900.

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

There was no objection.

CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT TO
MONDAY, JULY 2, 2007

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today on a motion offered pursuant to this order, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, July 2, 2007, unless it sooner has received a message from the Senate transmitting its concurrence in House Concurrent Resolution 179, in which case the House shall stand adjourned pursuant to that concurrent resolution.

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

There was no objection.

DISPENSING WITH CALENDAR
WEDNESDAY BUSINESS ON
WEDNESDAY, JULY 11, 2007

Mr. PALLONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule be dispensed with on Wednesday, July 11, 2007.

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

There was no objection.

IN MEMORY OF HANNAH
CONGDON, BAILEY GOODMAN,
MEREDITH McCLURE, SARA
MONNAT AND KATHERINE SHIR-
LEY

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

Mr. KUHL of New York. Madam Speaker, we have been doing some serious work here. While the Members are departing for a district work period, I want to inform the rest of the House that 2 nights ago, a horrible accident happened in my district, in Canandaigua, New York, that took the lives of five young women from Fairport who were on their way to spend time on Keuka Lake, which is where I live.

All five of these young women were cheerleaders at Fairport High School and had just graduated from high school a week ago. They were all looking forward to a bright, fun summer together on the lake with friends, four of