control of the resolution to the opposition' in order to offer an amendment. On March 15, 1909, a member of the majority party offered a rule resolution. The House defeated the previous question and a member of the opposition rose to a parliamentary inquiry, asking who was entitled to recognition. Speaker Joseph G. Cannon (R-Illinois) said: 'The previous question having been refused, the gentleman from New York, Mr. Fitzgerald, who had asked the gentleman to yield to him for an amendment, is entitled to the first recognition.'

Because the vote today may look bad for the Democratic majority they will say "the vote on the previous question is simply a vote on whether to proceed to an immediate vote on adopting the resolution . . . [and] has no substantive legislative or policy implications whatsoever." But that is not what they have always said. Listen to the definition of the previous question used in the Floor Procedures Manual published by the Rules Committee in the 109th Congress, (page 56). Here's how the Rules Committee described the rule using information from Congressional Quarterly's "American Congressional Dictionary": "If the previous question is defeated, control of debate shifts to the leading opposition member (usually the minority Floor Manager) who then manages an hour of debate and may offer a germane amendment to the pending business.

Deschler's Procedure in the U.S. House of Representatives, the subchapter "Amending Special Rules" states: "a refusal to order the previous question on such a rule [a special rule reported from the Committee on Rules] opens the resolution to amendment and further debate." (Chapter 21, section 21.2) Section 21.3 continues: Upon rejection of the motion for the previous question on a resolution reported from the Committee on Rules, control shifts to the Member leading the opposition to the previous question, who may offer a proper amendment or motion and who controls the time for debate thereon

Clearly, the vote on the previous question on a rule does have substantive policy implications. It is one of the only available tools for those who oppose the Democratic majority's agenda and allows those with alternative views the opportunity to offer an alternative plan.

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous

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

Mr. McGOVERN. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the year and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Ms. Wanda Evans, one of his secretaries.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order: Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1212; Adopting the resolution, if ordered; Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1213; Adopting the resolution, if ordered; Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1214; Adopting the resolution, if ordered.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5minute votes.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6049, RENEWABLE EN-ERGY AND JOB CREATION ACT OF 2008

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1212, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 223, nays 190, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 338]

YEAS-223

Courtney Abercrombie Hinojosa Cramer Hirono Allen Crowley Hodes Holden Altmire Cuellar Cummings Arcuri Holt Honda. Baca. Davis (AL) Davis (CA) Baird Hooley Baldwin Davis (IL) Hoyer Barrow Davis, Lincoln Inslee Bean DeFazio Israel Becerra DeGette Jackson (IL) Berkley Delahunt Jackson-Lee Berman DeLauro (TX) Dicks Jefferson Berry Bilirakis Dingell Johnson (GA) Bishop (GA) Doggett Johnson, E. B. Bishop (NY Donnelly Jones (OH) Dovle Blumenauer Kagen Edwards Kanjorski Boren Boswell Ellison Kaptur Ellsworth Boucher Kildee Boyd (FL) Emanuel Kilpatrick Boyda (KS) Engel Kind Brady (PA) Klein (FL) Eshoo Braley (IA) Etheridge Kucinich Butterfield Farr Langevin Fattah Larsen (WA) Capps Capuano Larson (CT) Filner Cardoza Foster Lee Carnahan Frank (MA) Levin Carney Giffords Lewis (GA) Carson Gonzalez Lipinski Cazayoux Gordon Loebsack Chandler Green, Al Lofgren, Zoe Green, Gene Childers Lowey Clarke Grijalva Lynch Gutierrez Hall (NY) Mahoney (FL) Clay Cleaver Maloney (NY) Clyburn Hare Markey Cohen Harman Marshall Hastings (FL) Matheson Convers Herseth Sandlin Cooper Matsui McCarthy (NY) Costa Higgins Costello McCollum (MN) Hinchey

McDermott McGovern McIntyre McNernev McNulty Meek (FL) Meeks (NY) Melancon Michaud Miller (NC) Miller, George Mitchell Mollohan Moore (KS Moore (WI) Moran (VA) Murphy (CT) Murphy, Patrick Murtha Napolitano Neal (MA) Oberstar Obev Ortiz Pallone Pascrell Pastor Payne Perlmutter Peterson (MN) Pomeroy

Price (NC) Rahall Rangel Reves Richardson Rodriguez Ross Rothman Roybal-Allard Ruppersberger Ryan (OH) Salazar Sánchez, Linda Т. Sanchez, Loretta Sarbanes Schakowsky Schiff Schwartz Scott (GA) Scott (VA) Serrano Shea-Porter Sherman Shuler Sires Skelton Smith (WA) Snyder Space Spratt

Stark Stupak Sutton Tanner Tauscher Taylor Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Tierney Towns Tsongas Udall (CO) Udall (NM) Van Hollen Velázquez Visclosky Walz (MN) Wasserman Schultz Waters Watson Watt Waxman Weiner Welch (VT) Wilson (OH) Woolsey Wu Wynn Yarmuth

NAYS-190

Aderholt Gerlach Gilchrest Akin Alexander Gingrey Bachmann Gohmert Bachus Goode Barrett (SC) Goodlatte Bartlett (MD) Granger Barton (TX) Graves Biggert Hall (TX) Bilbray Hastings (WA) Bishop (UT) Hayes Blackburn Heller Hensarling Blunt Herger Bonner Hill Bono Mack Hobson Boozman Hoekstra Boustany Hulshof Brady (TX) Hunter Broun (GA) Inglis (SC) Brown (SC) Tssa. Brown-Waite, Johnson (IL) Ginny Johnson, Sam Buchanan Jones (NC) Jordan Burgess Burton (IN) Keller King (NY) Buver Calvert Kirk Camp (MI) Kline (MN) Campbell (CA) Knollenberg Cannon Kuhl (NY) Cantor LaHood Capito Lamborn Carter Lampson Castle Latham LaTourette Chabot Cole (OK) Latta Conaway Lewis (CA) Culberson Lewis (KY) Davis (KY) Linder Davis, David LoBiondo Davis, Tom Lucas Deal (GA) Lungren, Daniel Dent E. Diaz-Balart, L. Mack Diaz-Balart, M. Manzullo Doolittle Marchant McCarthy (CA) Drake McCaul (TX) Dreier Duncan McCotter Ehlers McCrery Emerson McHenry English (PA) McHugh Everett McKeon Fallin McMorris Feeney Rodgers Mica Ferguson Miller (FL) Flake Forbes Miller (MI) Fossella Miller, Gary Foxx Moran (KS) Franks (AZ) Murphy, Tim Frelinghuvsen Musgrave Gallegly Myrick Garrett (NJ) Neugebauer

Nunes Paul Pearce Pence Peterson (PA) Petri Pickering Pitts Platts Poe Porter Price (GA) Pryce (OH) Putnam Radanovich Ramstad Regula Rehberg Reichert Renzi Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rogers (MI) Rohrabacher Ros-Lehtinen Roskam Royce Ryan (WI) Sali Saxton Scalise Schmidt Shadegg Shays Shimkus Shuster Simpson Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Souder Sullivan Tancredo Terry Thornberry Tiberi Turner Upton Walberg Walden (OR) Walsh (NY) Wamp Weldon (FL) Weller Westmoreland Whitfield (KY) Wilson (NM) Wilson (SC) Wittman (VA)

Wolf

Young (AK)

Young (FL)

Napolitano

Oberstar

Obey

Olver

Ortiz

Pallone

Pastor

Payne

Pascrell

Pomerox

Rahall

Rangel

Reyes

Ross

Rodriguez

Rothman

Salazar

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Schiff

Sarbanes

Schwartz

Serrano

Sestak

Sherman

Shuler

NOT VOTING-21

Andrews Gillibrand Sensenbrenner Brown, Corrine Kennedy Sessions King (IA) Slaughter Castor Coble Kingston Solis Crenshaw Speier Olver Reynolds Cubin Fortenberry Rush Wexler

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ROHRABACHER changed Mr. vote from "yea" to "nay."

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Ms. SPEIER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 338, I was meeting with Emergency Room Physicians from California on H.R. 882, Access to Emergency Medical Services Act. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

Stated against:

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I was detained while attempting to reach the floor to cast my vote on rollcall 338 earlier this afternoon. Had I been able to reach the floor before the vote was closed, I would have voted "no."

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 338, I was attending the graduation ceremony at the United States Coast Guard Academy. Had I been present, I would have voted "nay."

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

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

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 223, nays 194, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 339] YEAS-223

Abercrombie Clyburn Gordon Ackerman Cohen Green, Al Allen Conyers Green, Gene Altmire Cooper Grijalva Arcuri Costa Gutierrez Baca Costello Hall (NY) Baird Courtney Hare Baldwin Harman Cramer Barrow Crowley Hastings (FL) Bean Cuellar Herseth Sandlin Becerra Cummings Higgins Berkley Davis (AL) Hinchey Berman Davis (CA) Hinojosa Davis (IL) Hirono Berry Bishop (GA) Davis, Lincoln Hodes Bishop (NY) DeFazio Holden DeGette Holt Blumenauer Delahunt Boren Honda Boswell DeLauro Hooley Boucher Dicks Hoyer Boyd (FL) Dingell Inslee Boyda (KS) Doggett Israel Brady (PA) Donnelly Jackson (IL) Braley (IA) Doyle Jackson-Lee Butterfield Ellison (TX) Capps Ellsworth Jefferson Capuano Emanuel Johnson (GA) Cardoza Engel Johnson, E. B. Jones (OH) Carnahan Eshoo Carney Etheridge Kagen Kanjorski Carson Farr Cazayoux Fattah Kaptur Chandler Filner Kildee Kilpatrick Childers Foster Frank (MA) Clarke Kind Klein (FL) Giffords Clay Cleaver Gonzalez Kucinich

Langevin Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Lee Levin Lewis (GA) Lipinski Loebsack Lofgren, Zoe Lowey Mahoney (FL) Maloney (NY) Markev Marshall Matheson Matsui McCarthy (NY) McCollum (MN) McDermott McGovern McIntvre McNernev McNulty Meek (FL) Meeks (NY) Melancon Michaud Miller (NC) Miller, George Mitchell Mollohan Moore (KS) Moore (WI) Moran (VA) Murphy (CT) Murphy, Patrick Murtha Nadler

Aderholt

Alexander

Bachmann

Barrett (SC)

Barton (TX)

Bartlett (MD)

Bachus

Biggert

Bilbray

Blunt.

Boehner

Bonner

Bilirakis

Bishop (UT)

Blackburn

Bono Mack

Brady (TX)

Broun (GA)

Brown (SC)

Ginny

Buchanan

Buyer

Calvert

Cannon

Cantor

Capito

Carter

Castle

Chabot

Cubin

Cole (OK)

Conaway

Culberson

Davis (KY)

Davis, David

Diaz-Balart, L.

Diaz-Balart, M

Davis, Tom

Deal (GA)

Doolittle

Drake

Dreier

Duncan

Emerson

Everett

Fallin

Feenev

Ferguson

English (PA)

Ehlers

Dent

Camp (MI)

Campbell (CA)

Burgess Burton (IN)

Brown-Waite,

Boozman

Akin

Lampson

Neal (MA) Smith (WA) Snyder Solis Space Speier Spratt Stark Stupak Perlmutter Sutton Peterson (MN) Tanner Tauscher Price (NC) Taylor Richardson Tierney Towns Tsongas Udall (CO) Rovbal-Allard Udall (NM) Ruppersberger Van Hollen Ryan (OH) Velázquez Visclosky Sánchez, Linda Walz (MN) Wasserman Sanchez, Loretta Schultz Waters Schakowsky Watson Watt Waxman Scott (GA) Scott (VA) Weiner Welch (VT) Wilson (OH) Woolsey Shea-Porter Wu Yarmuth

NAYS-194

Flake McCotter Forbes McCrery Fortenberry McHenry Fossella McHugh Foxx McKeon Franks (AZ) McMorris Frelinghuysen Rodgers Gallegly Mica Garrett (NJ) Miller (FL) Miller (MI) Gerlach Gilchrest Miller, Garv Gingrey Moran (KS) Gohmert Murphy, Tim Goode Musgrave Goodlatte Myrick Granger Neugebauer Graves Nunes Hall (TX) Paul Hastings (WA) Pearce Haves Pence Peterson (PA) Heller Hensarling Petri Pickering Herger Hill Pitts Hobson Platts Hoekstra Poe Hulshof Porter Hunter Price (GA) Inglis (SC) Prvce (OH) Putnam Issa Johnson (IL) Radanovich Johnson, Sam Ramstad Jones (NC) Regula Jordan Rehberg Keller Reichert King (IA) Renzi Reynolds King (NY) Kirk Rogers (AL) Kline (MN) Rogers (KY) Knollenberg Rogers (MI) Kuhl (NY) Rohrabacher LaHood Ros-Lehtinen Lamborn Roskam Latham Royce LaTourette Ryan (WI) Latta Sali Lewis (CA) Saxton Lewis (KY) Scalise Schmidt Linder LoBiondo Sessions Shadegg Lucas Lungren, Daniel Shays Shimkus Mack Shuster Manzullo Simpson Marchant Smith (NE) McCarthy (CA) McCaul (TX) Smith (NJ)

Smith (TX)

Sires Skelton Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS)

Stearns Sullivan Tancredo Terry Thornberry Tiberi Turner

Souder

Upton Walberg Walden (OR) Walsh (NY) Wamp Weldon (FL) Weller Westmoreland

Whitfield (KY) Wilson (NM) Wilson (SC) Wittman (VA) Wolf Young (AK) Young (FL)

NOT VOTING-17

Edwards Andrews Sensenbrenner Boustany Gillibrand Slaughter Brown, Corrine Kennedy Tiahrt Castor Kingston Wexler Lynch Coble Wvnn Crenshaw

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Two minutes remain in this vote.

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So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Mr. COBLE. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 339, I was attending the graduation ceremony at the United States Coast Guard Academy. Had I been present, I would have voted "nav."

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5658, DUNCAN HUNTER NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZA-TION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2009

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on House Resolution 1213, on which the yeas and navs were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolu-

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 235, nays 186, not voting 13, as follows:

[Roll No. 340] YEAS-235 Cazavoux Abercrombie Emanuel Ackerman Chandler Engel Allen Childers Eshoo Etheridge Altmire Clarke Arcuri Clay Farr Baca Cleaver Fattah Baird Clyburn Filner Baldwin Cohen Foster Frank (MA) Barrow Convers Giffords Bean Cooper Becerra Costa Gonzalez Berkley Costello Gordon Green, Al Berman Courtney Berry Cramer Green, Gene Bilirakis Crowley Grijalya. Bishop (GA) Cuellar Gutierrez Bishop (NY) Cummings Hall (NY) Blumenauer Davis (AL) Hare Davis (CA) Harman Boren Boswell Davis (IL) Hastings (FL) Davis, Lincoln Herseth Sandlin Boucher Boyd (FL) DeFazio Higgins Boyda (KS) DeGette Hill Hinchey Delahunt Brady (PA) Braley (IA) DeLauro Hinojosa Butterfield Dicks Hirono Dingell Capps Hodes Capuano Doggett Holden Cardoza Donnelly Holt Honda Carnahan Doyle Edwards Carnev Hooley Carson Ellison Hover Ellsworth Castle Inslee