

travel. Amtrak's British Thermal Unit, (or, "BTU," standard unit of energy) per passenger mile was 2,650 in 2006. This compares to the 3,264 BTUs for air travel and 3,445 BTUs for highway travel in 2006. New energy efficient equipment is further improving conservation (e.g., in addition to Acela Express trains' regenerative braking system, Amtrak has acquired new more energy-efficient Auto Train vehicle carriers and is evaluating more fuel efficient switching locomotives). Amtrak's BTU per passenger mile improved from 2,800 in 2003 to 2,760 in 2004, 2,709 in 2005, and 2,650 in 2006.

Amtrak is taking steps to further reduce its greenhouse gas emissions. After Amtrak restored electrified service to the 104-mile Philadelphia-Harrisburg line in October 2006, it replaced 9 diesel powered roundtrip trains per weekday with 12 roundtrip trains powered by electricity. Today, most of the electric power Amtrak uses between New York and Washington is generated from non-fossil fuel sources.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. HELLER of Nevada. Madam Speaker, I appreciate the chairman's comments and his commitment to renewable energies.

I just want to mention, living in a district that's 105,000 square miles—and I mention that every time I get a chance to speak—

Mr. OBERSTAR. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. HELLER of Nevada. Absolutely.

Mr. OBERSTAR. My district is 30,000 square miles. I sympathize.

Mr. HELLER of Nevada. It takes me 15 hours to get from one end of my district to the other.

So what I'm looking for, as I mentioned earlier—and I appreciate your commitment to electric cars because we're all there. The fact is I want a car that goes 300 miles and recharges in 5 to 10 minutes because if you live in Elko, Nevada and you have an electric car, it takes you 300 miles roundtrip to get anywhere. And if it takes you 6 hours to plug it in, it's certainly going to cost you more to reserve time in a hotel in order to get back. But again, I want to thank the chairman.

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

Mr. OBERSTAR. 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 instruct.

There was no objection.

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

The motion to instruct was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 6493, by the yeas and nays;

H. Res. 1311, by the yeas and nays;

H. Res. 1202, by the yeas and nays.

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

#### AVIATION SAFETY ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2008

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 6493, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. OBERSTAR) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 6493, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 392, nays 0, not voting 42, as follows:

[Roll No. 512]

YEAS—392

Abercrombie	Childers	Foster
Ackerman	Clarke	Fox
Aderholt	Clay	Frank (MA)
Akin	Cleaver	Franks (AZ)
Alexander	Clyburn	Frelinghuysen
Allen	Coble	Gallegly
Altmire	Cohen	Garrett (NJ)
Andrews	Cole (OK)	Gerlach
Arcuri	Conaway	Giffords
Baca	Conyers	Gilchrest
Bachmann	Cooper	Gillibrand
Bachus	Costa	Gingrey
Baird	Costello	Gohmert
Baldwin	Courtney	Gonzalez
Barrett (SC)	Cramer	Goode
Barrow	Crenshaw	Goodlatte
Bartlett (MD)	Crowley	Gordon
Barton (TX)	Cubin	Granger
Becerra	Culberson	Graves
Berkley	Cummings	Green, Al
Berman	Davis (AL)	Hall (NY)
Berry	Davis (CA)	Hall (TX)
Biggert	Davis (IL)	Hastings (FL)
Bilbray	Davis (KY)	Hastings (WA)
Bilirakis	Davis, David	Hayes
Bishop (NY)	Davis, Lincoln	Heller
Blackburn	Davis, Tom	Hensarling
Blumenauer	Deal (GA)	Herger
Blunt	DeFazio	Herseth Sandlin
Boehner	DeGette	Higgins
Bonner	Delahunt	Hinojosa
Bono Mack	DeLauro	Hirono
Boozman	Dent	Hobson
Boren	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hodes
Boustany	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hoekstra
Boyd (FL)	Dicks	Holden
Boyd (KS)	Dingell	Holt
Brady (PA)	Doggett	Honda
Brady (TX)	Donnelly	Hooley
Braley (IA)	Doyle	Hoyer
Broun (GA)	Drake	Inglis (SC)
Brown (SC)	Dreier	Inslee
Brown, Corrine	Duncan	Israel
Buchanan	Edwards (MD)	Issa
Burgess	Edwards (TX)	Jackson (IL)
Burton (IN)	Ehlers	Jackson-Lee
Butterfield	Ellison	(TX)
Buyer	Ellsworth	Jefferson
Calvert	Emanuel	Johnson (GA)
Camp (MI)	Emerson	Johnson (IL)
Campbell (CA)	Engel	Johnson, E. B.
Cantor	English (PA)	Johnson, Sam
Capito	Eshoo	Jones (NC)
Capps	Etheridge	Jones (OH)
Capuano	Fallin	Jordan
Cardoza	Farr	Kagen
Carnahan	Fattah	Kanjorski
Carney	Feeney	Kaptur
Carson	Ferguson	Keller
Castle	Finer	Kennedy
Castor	Flake	Kildee
Cazayoux	Forbes	Kilpatrick
Chabot	Fortenberry	Kind
Chandler	Fossella	King (IA)
King (NY)		
Kingston		
Kirk		
Klein (FL)		
Kline (MN)		
Knollenberg		
Kucinich		
Kuhl (NY)		
LaHood		
Lamborn		
Larsen (WA)		
Larson (CT)		
Latham		
LaTourette		
Latta		
Lee		
Levin		
Lewis (CA)		
Lewis (GA)		
Lewis (KY)		
Linder		
Lipinski		
LoBiondo		
Loebach		
Lofgren, Zoe		
Lowey		
Lucas		
Lungren, Daniel E.		
Lynch		
Mack		
Mahoney (FL)		
Maloney (NY)		
Manzullo		
Marchant		
Markey		
Marshall		
Matheson		
Matsui		
McCarthy (CA)		
McCarthy (NY)		
McCaul (TX)		
McCollum (MN)		
McCotter		
McCrery		
McDermott		
McGovern		
McHenry		
McHugh		
McIntyre		
McKeon		
McMorris		
Rodgers		
McNerney		
McNulty		
Meek (FL)		
Meeks (NY)		
Melancon		
Mica		
Michaud		
Miller (FL)		
Miller (MI)		
Miller (NC)		
Miller, Gary		
Miller, George		
Mitchell		
Mollohan		
Moore (KS)		
Moore (WI)		
Moran (KS)		
Moran (VA)		
Murphy (CT)		
Murphy, Patrick		
Murphy, Tim		
Murtha		
Musgrave		
Myrick		
Nadler		
Napolitano		
Neal (MA)		
Neugebauer		
Nunes		
Oberstar		
Obey		
Oliver		
Pallone		
Pascarella		
Pastor		
Payne		
Pence		
Perlmutter		
Peterson (MN)		
Petri		
Pickering		
Pitts		
Platts		
Pomeroy		
Porter		
Price (GA)		
Price (NC)		
Pryce (OH)		
Putnam		
Radanovich		
Rahall		
Ramstad		
Rangel		
Regula		
Rehberg		
Reichert		
Reyes		
Reynolds		
Richardson		
Rogers (AL)		
Rogers (KY)		
Rogers (MI)		
Rohrabacher		
Ros-Lehtinen		
Roskam		
Ross		
Rothman		
Roybal-Allard		
Royce		
Ruppersberger		
Ryan (OH)		
Ryan (WI)		
Salazar		
Sali		
Sánchez, Linda T.		
Sarbanes		
Scalise		
Schakowsky		
Schiff		
Schmidt		
Schwartz		
Scott (GA)		
Scott (VA)		
Sensenbrenner		
Serrano		
Shadegg		
Shays		
Shea-Porter		
Sherman		
Shimkus		
Shuster		
Sires		
Skelton		
Slaughter		
Smith (NE)		
Smith (NJ)		
Smith (TX)		
Smith (WA)		
Snyder		
Souder		
Space		
Speier		
Spratt		
Stark		
Stearns		
Stupak		
Sullivan		
Sutton		
Tancredio		
Tanner		
Tauscher		
Taylor		
Terry		
Thompson (CA)		
Thompson (MS)		
Thornberry		
Tiberi		
Tierney		
Towns		
Tsongas		
Turner		
Udall (CO)		
Udall (NM)		
Upton		
Van Hollen		
Velázquez		
Visclosky		
Walberg		
Walden (OR)		
Walsh (NY)		
Walz (MN)		
Wamp		
Wasserman		
Schultz		
Waters		
Watson		
Watt		
Waxman		
Weiner		
Welch (VT)		
Weller		
Wexler		
Whitfield (KY)		
Wilson (NM)		
Wilson (OH)		
Wilson (SC)		
Wittman (VA)		
Wolf		
Woolsey		
Wu		
Yarmuth		

NOT VOTING—42

□ 1859

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

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

# EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE DESIGNATION OF NATIONAL GEAR UP DAY

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. YARMUTH). The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1311, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. HIGGINS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1311.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 385, nays 1, not voting 48, as follows:

[Roll No. 513]

YEAS—385

Abercrombie	Cohen	Gonzalez
Ackerman	Cole (OK)	Goode
Aderholt	Conaway	Goodlatte
Akin	Conyers	Gordon
Alexander	Cooper	Granger
Allen	Costa	Graves
Altmire	Costello	Green, Al
Andrews	Courtney	Hall (NY)
Arcuri	Cramer	Hall (TX)
Baca	Crenshaw	Hastings (FL)
Bachmann	Crowley	Hastings (WA)
Bachus	Cubin	Hayes
Baird	Cummings	Heller
Baldwin	Davis (AL)	Hensarling
Barrett (SC)	Davis (CA)	Herger
Barrow	Davis (IL)	Herseth Sandlin
Bartlett (MD)	Davis (KY)	Higgins
Barton (TX)	Davis, David	Hinojosa
Becerra	Davis, Lincoln	Hirono
Berkley	Davis, Tom	Hobson
Berman	Deal (GA)	Hodes
Berry	DeFazio	Hoekstra
Biggert	DeGette	Holden
Bilbray	DeHunt	Holt
Bilirakis	DeLauro	Honda
Bishop (NY)	Dent	Hooley
Blackburn	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hoyer
Blumenauer	Diaz-Balart, M.	Inglis (SC)
Blunt	Dicks	Inslee
Boehner	Dingell	Israel
Bonner	Doggett	Issa
Bono Mack	Donnelly	Jackson (IL)
Boozman	Doyle	Jackson-Lee
Boren	Drake	(TX)
Boustany	Dreier	Jefferson
Boyd (FL)	Duncan	Johnson (GA)
Boyd (KS)	Edwards (MD)	Johnson (IL)
Brady (PA)	Edwards (TX)	Johnson, E. B.
Brady (TX)	Ehlers	Jones (NC)
Braley (IA)	Ellison	Jones (OH)
Broun (GA)	Ellsworth	Jordan
Brown (SC)	Emanuel	Kagen
Brown, Corrine	Emerson	Kanjorski
Buchanan	Engel	Kaptur
Burgess	English (PA)	Keller
Burton (IN)	Eshoo	Kennedy
Butterfield	Etheridge	Kildee
Buyer	Fallin	Kilpatrick
Calvert	Farr	Kind
Campbell (CA)	Fattah	King (IA)
Cantor	Feeney	King (NY)
Capito	Ferguson	Kingston
Capps	Filner	Kirk
Capuano	Forbes	Klein (FL)
Cardoza	Fortenberry	Kline (MN)
Carnahan	Fossella	Knollenberg
Carney	Foster	Kucinich
Carson	Fox	Kuhl (NY)
Castle	Frank (MA)	Lamborn
Castor	Franks (AZ)	Langevin
Cazayoux	Frelinghuysen	Larsen (WA)
Chabot	Gallegly	Larson (CT)
Chandler	Garrett (NJ)	Latham
Childers	Gerlach	LaTourette
Clarke	Giffords	Latta
Clay	Gilchrest	Lee
Cleaver	Gillibrand	Levin
Clyburn	Gingrey	Lewis (CA)
Coble	Gohmert	Lewis (GA)

Lewis (KY)	Oberstar	Shuster
Linder	Obey	Sires
Lipinski	Olver	Skelton
LoBiondo	Pallone	Slaughter
Loeb	Pascarell	Smith (NE)
Lofgren, Zoe	Pastor	Smith (NJ)
Lowey	Payne	Smith (TX)
Lucas	Pence	Smith (WA)
Lungren, Daniel E.	Perlmutter	Snyder
Lynch	Peterson (MN)	Solis
Mack	Petri	Souder
Mahoney (FL)	Pickering	Space
Maloney (NY)	Pitts	Speier
Manzullo	Platts	Spratt
Marchant	Pomeroy	Stearns
Markey	Porter	Stupak
Marshall	Price (GA)	Sutton
Matheson	Price (NC)	Tanner
Matsui	Pryce (OH)	Tauscher
McCarthy (CA)	Putnam	Taylor
McCarthy (NY)	Radanovich	Terry
McCaul (TX)	Rahall	Thompson (CA)
McCollum (MN)	Ramstad	Thompson (MS)
McCotter	Rangel	Thornberry
McDermott	Regula	Tiberi
McGovern	Rehberg	Tierney
McHenry	Reichert	Towns
McHugh	Reyes	Tsongas
McIntyre	Richardson	Turner
McKeon	Rogers (AL)	Udall (CO)
McMorris	Rogers (KY)	Udall (NM)
Rodgers	Rogers (MI)	Upton
McNerney	Rohrabacher	Van Hollen
McNulty	Ros-Lehtinen	Velázquez
Meek (FL)	Roskam	Visclosky
Meeks (NY)	Ross	Walberg
Melancon	Rothman	Walden (OR)
Mica	Roybal-Allard	Walsh (NY)
Michaud	Royce	Walz (MN)
Miller (FL)	Ruppersberger	Wamp
Miller (MI)	Ryan (OH)	Wasserman
Miller (NC)	Ryan (WI)	Schultz
Miller, Gary	Salazar	Waters
Miller, George	Sali	Watson
Mitchell	Sánchez, Linda T.	Watt
Mollohan	Sarbanes	Waxman
Moore (KS)	Scalise	Weiner
Moore (WI)	Schakowsky	Welch (VT)
Moran (KS)	Schiff	Weldon (FL)
Moran (VA)	Schmidt	Weller
Murphy, Patrick	Schwartz	Westmoreland
Murphy, Tim	Scott (GA)	Wexler
Murtha	Scott (VA)	Whitfield (KY)
Musgrave	Sensenbrenner	Wilson (NM)
Myrick	Serrano	Wilson (OH)
Nadler	Shadegg	Wilson (SC)
Napolitano	Shays	Wittman (VA)
Neal (MA)	Shea-Porter	Wolf
Neugebauer	Sherman	Woolsey
Nunes	Shinkus	Wu
		Yarmuth

NAYS—1

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NOT VOTING—48

Bean	Hare	Reynolds
Bishop (GA)	Harman	Rodriguez
Bishop (UT)	Hill	Rush
Boswell	Hinchey	Sanchez, Loretta
Boucher	Hulshof	Saxton
Brown-Waite,	Hunter	Sessions
Ginny	Johnson, Sam	Sestak
Camp (MI)	LaHood	Shuler
Cannon	Lampson	Simpson
Carter	McCrery	Stark
Cuellar	Murphy (CT)	Sullivan
Culberson	Ortiz	Tancredo
Doolittle	Paul	Tiahrt
Everett	Pearce	Young (AK)
Green, Gene	Peterson (PA)	Young (FL)
Grijalva	Poe	
Gutierrez	Renzi	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1907

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## CONGRESSIONAL BASEBALL GAME

(Mr. BARTON of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. BARTON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, last Thursday evening, at Nationals Stadium, we had the 47th Annual Congressional Baseball Game. The true winners of the game were the Washington Literacy Council and the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Washington, D.C. area.

In terms of the score on the field, in the most thrilling game that I have been associated with in the last 21 years that I have played, coached or managed, in the bottom of the seventh with the bases loaded and one out and the Democrats leading 10-9, CONNIE MACK hit a dart back to the pitcher, Mr. BACA, who threw home for a force out making two outs. And then unfortunately for my friends on the Democratic side, the catcher overthrew the first baseman allowing two runs to score, the winning run by the speedy ADAM PUTNAM of Florida for a thrilling 11-10 victory. Our MVP on the Republican side was KEVIN BRADY of The Woodlands, Texas.

The class of 1996, which includes KEVIN BRADY, MVP; KENNY HULSHOF, who was our first baseman, CHIP PICKERING; the third baseman; JEFF FLAKE, center fielder; VIRGIL GOODE, right fielder; TOM DAVIS, one of our tricapitans; PETE SESSIONS, our third-base coach; and SAM GRAVES who was a pinch runner and hitter, those players in the 12 years that they have played in the game have an 11-1 record, which I think is amazing.

I want to thank Speaker NANCY PELOSI for attending the game, Majority Leader STENY HOYER for attending the game, and I want to thank my good friend, MIKE DOYLE, for his excellent job of managing. It can truly be said that this year, the Democrats had victory in their grasp and took pity on us and allowed us to win one more time.

Mr. DOYLE. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. BARTON of Texas. I will be happy to yield.

Mr. DOYLE. Mr. Speaker, as manager of the Democratic team, we want to congratulate our friends over on the Republican side in what had to be one of the most exciting games, certainly for the fans to watch, a little less exciting from our perspective. I just want to say our guys, the top of the seventh inning, we were down 8-4, and it was our last at-bat. And it would have been easy to fold. But our guys came back, scored six runs to put this game into the bottom of the seventh inning in one of the most exciting games we've seen. I think parity has finally arrived in the House baseball game.

We look forward to playing our friends across the aisle next year.

The big winner, of course, is our charities, the Washington Boys & Girls