

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.

SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF A NATIONAL CHILD AWARENESS MONTH

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1296, as amended, 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 Illinois (Mr. DAVIS) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 1296, as amended.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 404, nays 0, not voting 30, as follows:

[Roll No. 533]
YEAS—404

Abercrombie	Carter	Filner
Ackerman	Castle	Flake
Aderholt	Castor	Forbes
Alexander	Cazayoux	Fortenberry
Allen	Chabot	Fossella
Altmire	Chandler	Foster
Andrews	Childers	Fox
Arcuri	Clarke	Frank (MA)
Baca	Clay	Franks (AZ)
Bachmann	Cleaver	Frelinghuysen
Bachus	Clyburn	Gallely
Baird	Coble	Garrett (NJ)
Baldwin	Cohen	Gerlach
Barrett (SC)	Cole (OK)	Giffords
Barrow	Conaway	Gilchrest
Bartlett (MD)	Cooper	Gillibrand
Barton (TX)	Costa	Gingrey
Bean	Courtney	Gohmert
Becerra	Cramer	Gonzalez
Berkley	Crenshaw	Goode
Berman	Crowley	Goodlatte
Berry	Cuellar	Gordon
Biggert	Culberson	Granger
Bilbray	Cummings	Green, Al
Billirakis	Davis (AL)	Green, Gene
Bishop (GA)	Davis (CA)	Grijalva
Bishop (NY)	Davis (IL)	Gutierrez
Blackburn	Davis (KY)	Hall (NY)
Blumenauer	Davis, David	Hall (TX)
Blunt	Davis, Lincoln	Hare
Boehner	Davis, Tom	Harman
Bonner	Deal (GA)	Hastings (FL)
Bono Mack	DeGette	Hastings (WA)
Boozman	Delahunt	Hayes
Boren	DeLauro	Heller
Boucher	Dent	Hensarling
Boustany	Diaz-Balart, L.	Herger
Boyd (FL)	Diaz-Balart, M.	Herseth Sandlin
Boyda (KS)	Dingell	Higgins
Brady (PA)	Doggett	Hill
Braley (IA)	Donnelly	Hinche
Broun (GA)	Doolittle	Hirono
Brown (SC)	Doyle	Hodes
Brown, Corrine	Drake	Hoekstra
Buchanan	Dreier	Holden
Burgess	Duncan	Holt
Burton (IN)	Edwards (MD)	Honda
Butterfield	Edwards (TX)	Hooley
Buyer	Ehlers	Hoyer
Calvert	Ellison	Hunter
Camp (MI)	Ellsworth	Inglis (SC)
Campbell (CA)	Emanuel	Inslee
Cantor	Emerson	Israel
Capito	Engel	Issa
Capps	English (PA)	Jackson (IL)
Capuano	Eshoo	Jackson-Lee
Cardoza	Etheridge	(TX)
Carnahan	Farr	Jefferson
Carney	Fattah	Johnson (GA)
Carson	Ferguson	Johnson (IL)

Johnson, E. B.	Miller, Gary	Serrano
Johnson, Sam	Mitchell	Sessions
Jones (NC)	Mollohan	Sestak
Jones (OH)	Moore (KS)	Shadegg
Jordan	Moore (WI)	Shays
Kagen	Moran (KS)	Shea-Porter
Kanjorski	Moran (VA)	Sherman
Kaptur	Murphy (CT)	Shimkus
Keller	Murphy, Patrick	Shuler
Kennedy	Murphy, Tim	Shuster
Kildee	Murtha	Simpson
Kilpatrick	Musgrave	Sires
Kind	Myrick	Skelton
King (IA)	Nadler	Slaughter
King (NY)	Napolitano	Smith (NE)
Kingston	Neal (MA)	Smith (NJ)
Kirk	Neugebauer	Smith (TX)
Klein (FL)	Nunes	Smith (WA)
Kline (MN)	Oberstar	Snyder
Knollenberg	Obey	Solis
Kucinich	Oliver	Souder
Kuhl (NY)	Pallone	Space
Lamborn	Pastor	Speier
Lampson	Paul	Spratt
Langevin	Payne	Stark
Larsen (WA)	Pearce	Stearns
Larson (CT)	Pence	Stupak
Latham	Perlmutter	Sullivan
Latta	Peterson (MN)	Sutton
Lee	Peterson (PA)	Tancredo
Levin	Petri	Tanner
Lewis (CA)	Pickering	Tauscher
Lewis (GA)	Pitts	Taylor
Lewis (KY)	Platts	Terry
Linder	Poe	Thompson (CA)
Lipinski	Pomeroy	Thompson (MS)
LoBiondo	Porter	Thornberry
Loebach	Price (GA)	Tiahrt
Lofgren, Zoe	Price (NC)	Tiberi
Lowe	Putnam	Tierney
Lucas	Radanovich	Tsongas
Lungren, Daniel	Rahall	Turner
E.	Ramstad	Udall (CO)
Lynch	Rangel	Udall (NM)
Mack	Regula	Upton
Mahoney (FL)	Rehberg	Van Hollen
Maloney (NY)	Reichert	Velázquez
Manzullo	Renzi	Visclosky
Marchant	Reyes	Walberg
Markey	Reynolds	Walden (OR)
Marshall	Richardson	Walsh (NY)
Matheson	Rodriguez	Walz (MN)
Matsui	Rogers (AL)	Wamp
McCarthy (CA)	Rogers (KY)	Wasserman
McCarthy (NY)	Rogers (MI)	Schultz
McCaul (TX)	Rohrabacher	Waters
McCollum (MN)	Ros-Lehtinen	Watson
McCotter	Roskam	Watt
McCrery	Ross	Waxman
Gordon	Rothman	Weiner
McGovern	Roybal-Allard	Welch (VT)
McHenry	Royce	Weldon (FL)
McHugh	Ruppersberger	Weller
McIntyre	Ryan (OH)	Westmoreland
McIntyre	Sali	Whitfield (KY)
McKeon	Sánchez, Linda	Wilson (NM)
McMorris	T.	Wilson (OH)
Rodgers	Sanchez, Loretta	Wilson (SC)
McNerney	Sarbanes	Wittman (VA)
McNulty	Scalise	Wolf
Meek (FL)	Schakowsky	Woolsey
Meeks (NY)	Schiff	Wu
Melancon	Schmidt	Yarmuth
Mica	Schwartz	Young (AK)
Michaud	Scott (GA)	Young (FL)
Miller (FL)	Scott (VA)	
Miller (MI)	Sensenbrenner	
Miller (NC)		

NOT VOTING—30

Akin	Dicks	Ortiz
Bishop (UT)	Everett	Pascarell
Boswell	Fallin	Pryce (OH)
Brady (TX)	Feeney	Rush
Brown-Waite,	Graves	Ryan (WI)
Ginny	Hinojosa	Salazar
Cannon	Hobson	Saxton
Conyers	Hulshof	Towns
Costello	LaHood	Wexler
Cubin	LaTourette	
DeFazio	Miller, George	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

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

□ 1858

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

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. PASCARELL. Madam Speaker, today, July 24th, I had an unexpected emergency that required me to return to my Congressional District and I regretfully missed the last two rollcall votes of the day. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote No. 532 on agreeing to the resolution H. Res. 1368—Relating to the House procedures contained in section 803 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003. Had I been present I would have also voted "yea" on rollcall vote No. 533 On Motion to Suspend the Rules and Agree, as Amended to H. Res. 1296—National Child Awareness Month.

APPOINTMENT OF HON. STENY H. HOYER AND HON. CHRIS VAN HOLLEN TO ACT AS SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE TO SIGN ENROLLED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS THROUGH JULY 28, 2008

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ELLSWORTH) laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
July 24, 2008.

I hereby appoint the Honorable STENY H. HOYER and the Honorable CHRIS VAN HOLLEN to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through July 28, 2008.

NANCY PELOSI,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the appointment is approved.

There was no objection.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 4789

Mr. WAMP. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to remove my name as a cosponsor of H.R. 4789.

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

There was no objection.

APPOINTMENT OF INDIVIDUALS TO GOVERNING BOARD OF THE OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ETHICS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. ELLSWORTH). Pursuant to section 1(b) of House Resolution 895, 110th Congress, and the order of the House of January 4, 2007, the Chair announces the appointment of the following individuals to serve as the Governing Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics: Nominated by the Speaker with

the concurrence of the Minority Leader:

Mr. David Skaggs, Colorado, Chairman

Mrs. Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, California, subject to section 1(b)(6)(B)

Ms. Karan English, Arizona, subject to section 1(b)(6)(B)

Mr. Abner Mikva, Illinois, Alternate Nominated by the Minority Leader with the concurrence of the Speaker:

Mr. Porter J. Goss, Florida, Cochairman

Mr. James M. Eagen, III, Colorado, subject to section 1(b)(6)(B)

Ms. Allison R. Hayward, Virginia, subject to section 1(b)(6)(B)

Mr. Bill Frenzel, Virginia, Alternate

□ 1900

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. BLUNT. Mr. Speaker, I yield to my friend from Maryland, the majority leader, to tell us about next week's schedule.

Mr. HOYER. I thank my friend, the Republican whip.

On Monday, the House will meet in pro forma session at 11 a.m. On Tuesday, the House will meet at 10:30 a.m. for morning hour and 12 p.m. for legislative business with votes postponed until 6:30 p.m. On Wednesday and Thursday, the House will meet at 10 a.m. for legislative business. On Friday, the House will meet at 9 a.m. for legislative business.

We will consider several bills under suspension of the rules. The complete list of suspension bills will be announced by the close of business tomorrow, as is the custom.

I tell the Members that we will also consider the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs fiscal 2009 appropriations bill; H.R. 1338 the Paycheck Fairness Act; additional energy legislation; and any conference report available, possibly including the Higher Education conference report, the Amtrak conference report and the Consumer Product Safety Commission conference report.

Mr. BLUNT. I thank my friend for the information.

On the first bill under a rule, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs appropriations bill, will that be an open rule?

Mr. HOYER. We expect it to be an open rule, but we do expect to ask that amendments be prefiled so that Members will have notice of amendments.

Mr. BLUNT. I thank my friend for that.

In the past, we've had in previous Congresses an open rule on these appropriations bills. I don't recall a pre-filing requirement, though I'm sure we will talk about that in the Rules Committee. In appropriations, whatever the amendment is has to be paid for out of the bill so it has always been felt that

that provides its own level of constraint. We would certainly argue for that kind of open rule.

I would yield.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Our thought is that both sides should have notice of what amendments are going to be considered, that all Members have notice of what is going to be considered. Obviously, there is no constraint on what amendment somebody might want to offer, but we believe that it would be helpful if Members had notice of what the substance of the amendments are so they can, if they want to support it, support it on the floor, if they want to oppose it, have the opportunity to come here and do so. But I think it will be our intention to ask that there be a notice requirement without restriction on the amendments that are asked but simply to give notice as to what the amendments are going to be.

Mr. BLUNT. I thank you for that information.

This will be the first appropriations bill on the floor this year. Do you anticipate other bills in September?

I would yield.

Mr. HOYER. Thank you for yielding.

I would certainly anticipate more appropriations legislation coming to the floor in September, yes.

Mr. BLUNT. On that topic of September, since at the end of next week we wouldn't have a chance to talk about the upcoming schedule, does the gentleman have a sense of some of the priority legislation that we might consider in September?

Mr. HOYER. We have a number of pieces of legislation that are obviously pending. First of all, we are very hopeful that we will pass the extenders legislation which we sent to the Senate some, actually months ago, a couple of months ago, I think, which, as you know, ensures tax credits for alternative energy. Wind is particularly important. Boone Pickens was here, as you know, on the Hill talking to both Democrats and Republicans, the importance of that. Others have talked about that as well. As you know, they're trying to dispose of some of the "Coburn holds" as we call them. Some of those may be back. Obviously we will have to consider a funding resolution for government after we leave. My expectation is that will be a point of business. We're also talking about obviously, as you have read in the paper, and as I think, I'm not sure you and I have talked about a jobs bill and some continuing economic assistance to make sure our economy hopefully grows and does not certainly fall any deeper into recession. Those are some of the pieces of legislation.

I have mentioned some of the things that we hope to get from conference next week, mental health parity being one of those, higher education, the consumer products safety. Hopefully many of those may be dealt with next week. But if they were not, it is my expecta-

tion we would do those in September as well.

So those are some of the major things that I foresee for September. What we will have done next week obviously won't be on September, but if we haven't done them we will try to get them done in September.

Mr. BLUNT. On the extenders package, I'm hopeful we see that bill back here because it is one of the things we could do that would have energy impact. And I hope we could even consider whatever is the maximum time that we would be able to do there is what we should do.

On energy generally, yesterday, Mr. BOEHNER from Ohio and I, Mr. CANTOR, Mr. PUTNAM and others introduced a bill, the American Energy Act. It's a bill that is broad based and designed to promote American energy, conservation and invest in the future. Is there any opportunity for that act or other acts that we've had discharge petitions on, other bills, coming to the floor? And if not, what kind of energy legislation do you anticipate?

Mr. HOYER. As you know, we have considered a number of pieces of legislation which we were hopeful would move us in the direction of, A, producing more domestic energy through encouraging further drilling in those leaseholds already available, approximately 88 million acres that are currently available. We considered the Consumer Energy Supply Act today. Unfortunately, that didn't get sufficient votes. It got a lot of votes. It got a significant majority of the House. It did not get the two-thirds so we could move it to the Senate. We considered the DRILL Act which also received a majority of the votes which provided for both the 10.4 million acres in Alaska and the National Petroleum Reserve to be encouraged to be moved forward as quickly as possible to drill in that area, produce oil and petroleum in that area, which also encouraged, as you recall, the building of additional pipelines, both for natural gas and for petroleum products.

Next week, we will be considering—many people are very concerned about the fact that the price spikes which don't seem to go down consistent with the price of oil by the barrel, which has reduced significantly, but the gasoline price hasn't reduced. There is significant concern about the impact of speculation. We are going to consider that bill, I think, next week, as I indicated.

You say you have introduced this bill. I'm sure it will go to the committee. I haven't seen the bill. I will certainly talk to the various chairmen. I don't know how many committees will have jurisdiction over the bill. You say it's a comprehensive bill, maybe multijurisdictional, but I will certainly talk to the Chairs about the substance of the bill.

Let me say, the American public is obviously very concerned. Our position is we ought to drill. We ought to drill where we've given leases that exist.