The IRS estimates it takes over 37 hours to complete the 1040 short form, the most basic income tax form we have. Why does it take this long? Because our Tax Code today runs over 67,000 pages.

This is a disgraceful state of affairs. We need a simpler and fairer Tax Code that rewards, not punishes, hard work and success. Small business creates 70 percent of all new jobs in America. Small business can lead us out of this economic recession and back into recovery if Congress gives them a chance.
Let's start by overhauling our broken tax system.

## HONORING CHRISTOPHER CAINE

(Mr. WELCH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WELCH. Madam Speaker, today I would like to honor Christopher Caine's 25 years of service to one of Vermont's most important and valued businesses, IBM.

The largest private employer in Vermont, IBM has long served as a bedrock in Essex Junction in the greater Burlington community. It has proven itself to be a strong corporate citizen and has shown the world that Vermonters can compete for quality high-tech jobs.

For the past 25 years, Christopher Caine has made a major contribution to that success in such positions as public policy director and, most recently, as vice president of governmental affairs.
Like thousands of Vermonters who earn their livelihoods at IBM, Christopher has worked diligently to ensure the success of this great American company, and, in so doing, he has contributed to a key part of Vermont's economy.

Upon his retirement this year from IBM, I want to salute Christopher for his contribution to IBM and to the State of Vermont.

CERTIFY YUCCA MOUNTAIN AS PERMANENT NUCLEAR WASTE DEPOSITORY
(Mr. PAULSEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. PAULSEN. Madam Speaker, nuclear power is an environmentally friendly way to meet our energy needs. Fortunately, we have a safe and ready option for permanent storage for the waste generated by this clean power at Yucca Mountain in Nevada.

But despite the fact that energy ratepayers in my State have contributed over $\$ 375$ million to the Nuclear Waste Fund, the Federal Government has refused to keep its end of the bargain and store the nuclear waste.

Nationwide, this fund has now collected over $\$ 350$ billion in fees and interest since its inception. Minnesotans
and all Americans should not have to pay for government inaction.

I have introduced legislation that would require the President to certify Yucca Mountain as a permanent nuclear waste depository; and if it's not certified, the bill would return billions of dollars from the Nuclear Waste Fund to ratepayers across the country.

Madam Speaker, let's quickly pass the Rebating America's Deposits Act.

## DO BETTER TO GIVE VETERANS SUPPORT

(Mrs. DAHLKEMPER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. DAHLKEMPER. Madam Speaker, we owe our Nation's brave men and women in uniform a debt of gratitude. However, after speaking with so many families, it's obvious that we must do better to give veterans the support that they have earned. None of our troops should end up on the streets after serving their country, and all of our troops should have access to treatment for conditions such as posttraumatic stress syndrome.

This is why I rise today to announce my strong support for the Veterans Bill of Rights. This new bill of rights pledges three things.

One, we will increase the Veterans Administration's direct support for homeless veterans. No veteran should ever go hungry.

Two, we will make counseling services for PTSD available in every veterans center in America.

And, most importantly, three, we in Congress will make veterans a number one priority in all public policy decisions. We owe this to them and much, much more.

I urge my colleagues to join me in support of Veterans Bill of Rights.

## ENERGY

(Ms. FOXX asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX. Madam Speaker, during the campaign, President Obama pledged 95 percent of taxpayers would not see their taxes increased one single dime. Unfortunately, the President has broken this promise.

The President's budget included a cap-and-trade policy, otherwise known as cap-and-tax, that will hit every home utility bill and inflict more pain at the pump. Every American will be impacted by this dangerous policy. American households, on average, can expect to pay an additional $\$ 3,100$ a year in energy costs.

The American people still live with the memory of $\$ 4$ a gallon for gas and the hardship it inflicted on their family budgets. Even our Democrat colleagues say this.

Mr. Butterfield from North Carolina is quoted today in Roll Call as saying, "The cost of everything is going to go up."

The cost of everything is going to go up. This is the wrong direction for this country.

## VISIT LAS VEGAS

(Ms. BERKLEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)
Ms. BERKLEY. Madam Speaker, this week is National Tourism Week. Tourism is the sixth biggest industry in America.

As the congresswoman from the entertainment and tourism capital of the world, fabulous Las Vegas, I want to encourage all of my fellow citizens to enjoy the remarkable diversity of options the tourism industry provides.

Come to Las Vegas. Enjoy our great hotels, fabulous shows, superb restaurants, water sports, Grand Canyon tours, great shopping, and our other wholesome family entertainment. Memorial Day weekend is right around the corner. Make your reservations now.

I promise you will have slots of fun.

## SALUTE TO ROBBIE BEANE

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

Mr. FLEMING. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to salute a sheriff's department veteran from Beauregard Parish in my Louisiana district who was recently killed in the line of duty.
Detective Robbie Beane had dedicated 14 years of his life protecting and serving the good people of Beauregard Parish. On May 5, he died in an accident while on duty with three of his fellow officers.

During his 14 years as a member of the Beauregard Parish Sheriff's Department, Robbie Beane worked his way up to detective and had become a volunteer member of the SWAT team and the SWAT diving team.

Detective Beane was an active member of his church and volunteered in civic organizations. He was slated to be the next president of the Deridder Lion's Club.

Detective Beane is the first member of the Beauregard Sheriff's Department to be killed in the line of duty.

He leaves behind his wife, Nikki, and their daughter, Joslynn. This is a tragic loss, and I want to express my sincere condolences to his family and thank Robbie Beane for his service to our State.

21ST CENTURY GREEN HIGH-PERFORMING PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ACT
The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Kratovil). Pursuant to House Resolution 427 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2187.
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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 the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2187) to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to State educational agencies for the modernization, renovation, or repair of public school facilities, and for other purposes, with Mrs. Tauscher (Acting Chair) in the chair.
The Clerk read the title of the bill.
The Acting CHAIR. When the Committee of the Whole House rose on Wednesday, May 13, 2009, amendment No. 5 printed in House Report 111-106, offered by the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. Ellsworth), had been disposed of.
anNouncement by the acting chair
The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments printed in House Report 111-106 on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:
Amendment No. 7 by Ms. Giffords of Arizona.
Amendment No. 10 by Mr. Bright of Alabama.
Amendment No. 11 by Mr. Griffith of Alabama.
The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.
AMENDMENT NO. 7 OFFERED BY MS. GIFFORDS
The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentlewoman from Arizona (Ms. GifFORDS) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.
The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.
The text of the amendment is as follows:
Amendment No. 7 offered by Ms. Giffords:
In the table of contents in section 1(b) of the bill, add at the end the following:
Sec. 314. Education regarding projects.
At the end of the bill, add the following:
SEC. 314. EDUCATION REGARDING PROJECTS
A local educational agency receiving funds under this Act may encourage schools at which projects are undertaken with such funds to educate students about the project, including, as appropriate, the functioning of the project and its environmental, energy, sustainability, and other benefits.

RECORDED VOTE
The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.
A recorded vote was ordered.
The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-ayes 334 , noes 97 , not voting 8, as follows:
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| Alexander | Baldwin | Biggert |
| Altmire | Barrow | Bilirakis |
| Andrews | Bartlett | Bishop (GA) |
| Arcuri | Bean | Bishop (NY) |
| Austria | Becerra | Blumenauer |

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Boyd
Brady (PA)
Braley (IA)
Bright
Brown (SC) Brown, Corrine Brown-Waite, Ginny
Buchanan Butterfield
Calvert
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Capito
Capps
Capuano
Cardoza
Carnahan
Carney
Carson (IN)
Castle
Castor (FL)
Chandler
Childers Christensen Clarke
Clay
Cleaver
Clyburn
Coble
Connolly (VA)
Conyers
Cooper
Costa
Costello
Courtney
Crowley
Cuellar
Cuellar
Culberson
Cummings
Dahlkemper
Davis (AL)
Davis (CA)
Davis (IL)
Davis (KY)
Davis (TN)
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
Dent
Diaz-Balart, L. Diaz-Balart, M.
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Donnelly (IN)
Doyle
Dreier
Driehaus
Edwards (MD)
Edwards (TX)
Ehlers
Ellison
Ellsworth
Emerson
Eshoo
Etheridge
Faleomavaega
Farr
Fattah
Filner
Fleming
Forbes
Fortenberry
Foster
Frank (MA) Frelinghuysen Fudge
Gallegly
Gerlach
Giffords
Gonzalez
Goodlatte
Gordon (TN)
Grayson
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Griffith
Grijalva
Guthrie
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| Hare | Murphy, Tim |
| Harman | Murtha |
| Hastings (FL) | Myrick |
| Heinrich | Nadler (NY) |
| Herseth Sandlin | Napolitano |
| Higgins | Neal (MA) |
| Hill | Norton |
| Himes | Nye |
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| Hinojosa | Obey |
| Hirono | Olson |
| Hodes | Olver |
| Holden | Ortiz |
| Holt | Pallone |
| Honda | Pascrell |
| Hoyer | Pastor (AZ) |
| Inglis | Paulsen |
| Inslee | Payne |
| Israel | Perlmutter |
| Jackson (IL) | Perriello |
| Jackson-Lee | Peters |
| (TX) | Peterson |
| Johnson (GA) | Pierluisi |
| Johnson (IL) | Pingree (ME) |
| Johnson, E. B. | Pitts |
| Jones | Platts |
| Kagen | Polis (CO) |
| Kanjorski | Pomeroy |
| Kaptur | Price (NC) |
| Kennedy | Putnam |
| Kildee | Quigley |
| Kilpatrick (MI) | Rahall |
| Kilroy | Rangel |
| Kind | Rehberg |
| King (NY) | Reichert |
| Kirk | Reyes |
| Kirkpatrick (AZ) | Richardson |
| Kissell | Rodriguez |
| Klein (FL) | Roe (TN) |
| Kline (MN) | Rogers (AL) |
| Kosmas | Rogers (KY) |
| Kratovil | Ros-Lehtinen |
| Kucinich | Ross |
| Lance | Rothman (NJ) |
| Langevin | Roybal-Allard |
| Larsen (WA) | Ruppersberger |
| Larson (CT) | Rush |
| Latham | Ryan ( OH ) |
| LaTourette | Sablan |
| Lee (CA) | Salazar |
| Lee (NY) | Sanchez, Loretta |
| Levin | Sarbanes |
| Lewis (CA) | Schakowsky |
| Lewis (GA) | Schauer |
| Lipinski | Schiff |
| LoBiondo | Schmidt |
| Loebsack | Schrader |
| Lofgren, Zoe | Schwartz |
| Lowey | Scott (GA) |
| Luján | Scott (VA) |
| Lummis | Serrano |
| Lynch | Sestak |
| Maffei | Shea-Porter |
| Maloney | Sherman |
| Manzullo | Shuler |
| Markey (CO) | Sires |
| Markey (MA) | Skelton |
| Marshall | Slaughter |
| Massa | Smith (NE) |
| Matheson | Smith (NJ) |
| Matsui | Smith (TX) |
| McCarthy (NY) | Smith (WA) |
| McCaul | Snyder |
| McCollum | Space |
| McDermott | Speier |
| McGovern | Spratt |
| McHenry | Stupak |
| McHugh | Sutton |
| McIntyre | Tauscher |
| McKeon | Taylor |
| McMahon | Teague |
| McNerney | Terry |
| Meek (FL) | Thompson (CA) |
| Meeks (NY) | Thompson (MS) |
| Melancon | Tiberi |
| Michaud | Titus |
| Miller (MI) | Tonko |
| Miller (NC) | Towns |
| Miller, Gary | Tsongas |
| Miller, George | Turner |
| Minnick | Upton |
| Mitchell | Van Hollen |
| Mollohan | Velázquez |
| Moore (KS) | Visclosky |
| Moore (WI) <br> Moran (VA) | Walz Wamp |


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| Watt | Wolf |  |
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| NOES-97 |  |  |
| Aderholt | Gohmert | Neugebauer |
| Akin | Granger | Nunes |
| Bachmann | Graves | Paul |
| Barrett (SC) | Harper | Pence |
| Barton (TX) | Hastings (WA) | Petri |
| Bilbray | Heller | Poe (TX) |
| Blackburn | Hensarling | Posey |
| Blunt | Herger | Price (GA) |
| Boehner | Hoekstra | Rogers (MI) |
| Bonner | Hunter | Rohrabacher |
| Boozman | Issa | Rooney |
| Brady (TX) | Jenkins | Roskam |
| Broun (GA) | Johnson, Sam | Royce |
| Burgess | Jordan (OH) | Ryan (WI) |
| Burton (IN) | King (IA) | Scalise |
| Buyer | Kingston | Schock |
| Camp | Lamborn | Sensenbrenner |
| Campbell | Latta | Sessions |
| Cantor | Linder | Shadegg |
| Carter | Lucas | Shimkus |
| Cassidy | Luetkemeyer | Shuster |
| Chaffetz | Lungren, Daniel | Simpson |
| Coffman (CO) | E. | Souder |
| Cole | Mack | Stearns |
| Conaway | Marchant | Sullivan |
| Deal (GA) | McCarthy (CA) | Thompson (PA) |
| Duncan | McClintock | Thornberry |
| Fallin | McCotter | Tiahrt |
| Flake | McMorris | Tierney |
| Foxx | Rodgers | Walden |
| Franks (AZ) | Mica | Westmoreland |
| Garrett (NJ) | Miller (FL) | Whitfield |
| Gingrey (GA) | Moran (KS) | Wilson (SC) |
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| Bishop (UT) | Radanovich | Stark |
| Bordallo | Sánchez, Linda | Tanner |
| Engel | T. | Welch |
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Messrs. JORDAN of Ohio, CARTER, McCARTHY of California, FLAKE, COLE, LUCAS, BONNER, WALDEN, BURGESS, BARRETT of South Carolina, ROSKAM, WHITFIELD, GRAVES, Ms. GRANGER, Mrs. McMORRIS RODGERS changed their vote from "aye" to "no."
Mr. JONES changed his vote from "no" to "aye."
So the amendment was agreed to.
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.
amendment no. 10 offered by Mr. bright
The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. BRIGHT) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.
The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.
The text of the amendment is as follows:
Amendment No. 10 offered by Mr. Bright:
In section 102(a), add at the end the following:
(3) DISTRESSED AREAS AND NATURAL DISAS-TERS.-From the amount appropriated to carry out this title for each fiscal year pursuant to section 311(a), the Secretary shall reserve 5 percent of such amount for grants
(a) local educational agencies serving geographic areas with significant economic distress, to be used consistent with the purpose described in section 101 and the allowable uses of funds described in section 103; and
(B) local educational agencies serving geographic areas recovering from a natural disaster, to be used consistent with the purpose
described in section 201 and the allowable uses of funds described in section 203

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.
A recorded vote was ordered.
The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5minute vote.
The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-ayes 433 , noes 0 , not voting 6 , as follows:

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Altmire
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Bachus
Baird
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Barrett (SC
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Barton (TX)
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Berkley
Berman
Berry
Biggert
Bilirakis
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Bishop (UT)
Blackburn
Blumenauer
Blunt
Boccieri
Boehner
Bonner
Bonner
Bono Mack
Boozman
Boren
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Brady (PA)
Brady (TX)
Braley
Bright
Broun (GA)
Brown (SC)
Brown, Corrine
Brown-Waite,
Ginny
Buchanan
Burgess
Burton (IN)
Butterfield
Buyer
Calvert
Camp
Campbell $\quad$ Frelinghuysen
Cao
Capito
Capps
Cardoza
Carnaha
Carney
Carter
Cassidy
Castor (FL)
Chaffetz
Childers
Christensen
Clarke
Clay
Cleaver
Clyburn
Coble
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AYES-433
Coffman (CO)
Cohen
Cole
Conaway
Connolly (VA)
Conyers
Cooper

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| Harman | McHenry |
| Harper | McHugh |
| Hastings (FL) | McIntyre |
| Hastings (WA) | McKeon |
| Heinrich | McMahon |
| Heller | McMorris |
| Hensarling | Rodgers |
| Herger | McNerney |
| Herseth Sandlin | Meek (FL) |
| Higgins | Meeks (NY) |
| Hill | Melancon |
| Himes | Mica |
| Hinchey | Michaud |
| Hinojosa | Miller (FL) |
| Hirono | Miller (MI) |
| Hodes | Miller (NC) |
| Hoekstra | Miller, Gary |
| Holden | Miller, George |
| Holt | Minnick |
| Honda | Mitchell |
| Hoyer | Mollohan |
| Hunter | Moore (KS) |
| Inglis | Moore (WI) |
| Inslee | Moran (KS) |
| Israel | Moran (VA) |
| Issa | Murphy (CT) |
| Jackson (IL) | Murphy (NY) |
| Jackson-Lee (TX) | Murphy, Patrick Murphy, Tim |
| Jenkins | Murtha |
| Johnson (GA) | Myrick |
| Johnson (IL) | Nadler (NY) |
| Johnson, E. B. | Napolitano |
| Johnson, Sam | Neal (MA) |
| Jones | Neugebauer |
| Jordan (OH) | Norton |
| Kagen | Nunes |
| Kanjorski | Nye |
| Kaptur | Oberstar |
| Kennedy | Obey |
| Kildee | Olson |
| Kilpatrick (MI) | Olver |
| Kilroy | Ortiz |
| Kind | Pallone |
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| Kingston |  |
| Kirk |  |
| Kirkpatrick (AZ) |  |
| Kissell | Radanovich |

In section 103(12), strike "through (11)" and insert "through (12)".

In section 103, redesignate paragraphs (11) and (12) as paragraphs (12) and (13), respectively.

In section 103, insert after paragraph (10) the following:
(11) measures designed to reduce or eliminate human exposure to airborne particles such as dust, sand, and pollens;

In section $310(\mathrm{a})(5)(\mathrm{D})$ of the bill, after "quality," insert "student and staff health (including with reference to reducing the incidence and effects of asthma and other respiratory illnesses),'.

## RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.
The Acting CHAIR. This will be a 5minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-ayes 433, noes 0 , not voting 6 , as follows:
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AYES-433

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| Ackerman | Carney | Forbes |
| Aderholt | Carson (IN) | Fortenberry |
| Adler (NJ) | Carter | Foster |
| Akin | Cassidy | Foxx |
| Alexander | Castle | Frank (MA) |
| Altmire | Castor (FL) | Franks (AZ) |
| Andrews | Chaffetz | Frelinghuysen |
| Arcuri | Chandler | Fudge |
| Austria | Childers | Gallegly |
| Baca | Christensen | Garrett (NJ) |
| Bachmann | Clarke | Gerlach |
| Bachus | Clay | Giffords |
| Baird | Cleaver | Gingrey (GA) |
| Baldwin | Clyburn | Gohmert |
| Barrett (SC) | Coble | Gonzalez |
| Barrow | Coffman (CO) | Goodlatte |
| Bartlett | Cohen | Gordon (TN) |
| Barton (TX) | Cole | Granger |
| Bean | Conaway | Graves |
| Becerra | Connolly (VA) | Grayson |
| Berkley | Conyers | Green, Al |
| Berman | Cooper | Green, Gene |
| Berry | Costa | Griffith |
| Biggert | Costello | Grijalva |
| Bilbray | Courtney | Guthrie |
| Bilirakis | Crenshaw | Gutierrez |
| Bishop (GA) | Crowley | Hall (NY) |
| Bishop (NY) | Cuellar | Hall (TX) |
| Bishop (UT) | Culberson | Halvorson |
| Blackburn | Cummings | Hare |
| Blumenauer | Dahlkemper | Harman |
| Blunt | Davis (AL) | Harper |
| Boccieri | Davis (CA) | Hastings (FL) |
| Boehner | Davis (IL) | Hastings (WA) |
| Bonner | Davis (KY) | Heinrich |
| Bono Mack | Davis (TN) | Heller |
| Boozman | Deal (GA) | Hensarling |
| Bordallo | DeFazio | Herger |
| Boren | DeGette | Herseth Sandlin |
| Boswell | Delahunt | Higgins |
| Boucher | DeLauro | Hill |
| Boustany | Dent | Himes |
| Boyd | Diaz-Balart, L. | Hinchey |
| Brady (PA) | Diaz-Balart, M. | Hinojosa |
| Brady (TX) | Dicks | Hirono |
| Braley (IA) | Dingell | Hodes |
| Bright | Doggett | Hoekstra |
| Broun (GA) | Donnelly (IN) | Holden |
| Brown (SC) | Doyle | Holt |
| Brown, Corrine | Dreier | Honda |
| Brown-Waite, | Driehaus | Hoyer |
| Ginny | Duncan | Hunter |
| Buchanan | Edwards (MD) | Inglis |
| Burgess | Edwards (TX) | Inslee |
| Burton (IN) | Ehlers | Israel |
| Butterfield | Ellison | Issa |
| Buyer | Ellsworth | Jackson (IL) |
| Calvert | Emerson | Jackson-Lee |
| Camp | Engel | (TX) |
| Campbell | Eshoo | Jenkins |
| Cantor | Etheridge | Johnson (GA) |
| Cao | Fallin | Johnson (IL) |
| Capito | Farr | Johnson, E. B. |
| Capps | Fattah | Johnson, Sam |
| Capuano | Filner | Jones |
| Cardoza | Flake | Jordan (OH) |


| Kagen | Miller (NC) | Schakowsky |
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| Kanjorski | Miller, Gary | Schauer |
| Kaptur | Miller, George | Schiff |
| Kennedy | Minnick | Schmidt |
| Kildee | Mitchell | Schock |
| Kilpatrick (MI) | Mollohan | Schrader |
| Kilroy | Moore (KS) | Schwartz |
| Kind | Moore (WI) | Scott (GA) |
| King (IA) | Moran (KS) | Scott (VA) |
| King (NY) | Moran (VA) | Sensenbrenner |
| Kingston | Murphy (CT) | Serrano |
| Kirk | Murphy (NY) | Sessions |
| Kirkpatrick (AZ) | Murphy, Patrick | Sestak |
| Kissell | Murphy, Tim | Shadegg |
| Klein (FL) | Murtha | Shea-Porter |
| Kline (MN) | Myrick | Sherman |
| Kosmas | Nadler (NY) | Shimkus |
| Kratovil | Napolitano | Shuler |
| Kucinich | Neal (MA) | Shuster |
| Lamborn | Neugebauer | Simpson |
| Lance | Norton | Sires |
| Langevin | Nunes | Skelton |
| Larsen (WA) | Nye | Slaughter |
| Larson (CT) | Oberstar | Smith (NE) |
| Latham | Obey | Smith (NJ) |
| LaTourette | Olson | Smith (TX) |
| Latta | Olver | Smith (WA) |
| Lee (CA) | Ortiz | Snyder |
| Lee (NY) | Pallone | Souder |
| Levin | Pascrell | Space |
| Lewis (CA) | Pastor (AZ) | Speier |
| Lewis (GA) | Paul | Spratt |
| Linder | Paulsen | Stearns |
| Lipinski | Payne | Stupak |
| LoBiondo | Pence | Sullivan |
| Loebsack | Perlmutter | Sutton |
| Lofgren, Zoe | Perriello | Tauscher |
| Lowey | Peters | Taylor |
| Lucas | Peterson | Teague |
| Luetkemeyer | Petri | Terry |
| Luján | Pierluisi | Thompson (CA) |
| Lummis | Pingree (ME) | Thompson (MS) |
| Lungren, Daniel | Pitts | Thompson (PA) |
| E. | Platts | Thornberry |
| Lynch | Poe (TX) | Tiahrt |
| Mack | Polis (CO) | Tiberi |
| Maffei | Pomeroy | Tierney |
| Maloney | Posey | Titus |
| Manzullo | Price (GA) | Tonko |
| Marchant | Price (NC) | Towns |
| Markey (CO) | Quigley | Tsongas |
| Markey (MA) | Rahall | Turner |
| Marshall | Rangel | Upton |
| Massa | Rehberg | Van Hollen |
| Matheson | Reichert | Velázquez |
| Matsui | Reyes | Visclosky |
| McCarthy (CA) | Richardson | Walden |
| McCarthy (NY) | Rodriguez | Walz |
| McCaul | Roe (TN) | Wamp |
| McClintock | Rogers (AL) | Wasserman |
| McCollum | Rogers (KY) | Schultz |
| McCotter | Rogers (MI) | Waters |
| McDermott | Rohrabacher | Watson |
| McGovern | Rooney | Watt |
| McHenry | Ros-Lehtinen | Waxman |
| McHugh | Roskam | Weiner |
| McIntyre | Ross | Welch |
| McKeon | Rothman (NJ) | Westmoreland |
| McMahon | Roybal-Allard | Wexler |
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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR
The Acting CHAIR. There are 2 min utes remaining on this vote.

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So the amendment was agreed to.
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.
Stated for:
Mr. PUTNAM. Madam Chair, on rollcall No. 257 I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended.

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

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

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. Baldwin) having assumed the chair, Mrs. Tauscher, Acting Chair 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. 2187) to direct the Secretary of Education to make grants to State educational agencies for the modernization, renovation, or repair of public school facilities, and for other purposes, pursuant to House Resolution 427, she 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.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment to the amendment reported from the Committee of the Whole? If not, 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
Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I offer a motion to recommit.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. I am.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:
Mr. Thompson of Pennsylvania moves to recommit the bill, H.R. 2187, to the Committee on Education and Labor with instructions to report the bill back to the House forthwith with the following amendment:
In section 311, add at the end the following: (c) Limitation.-
(1) In General.-Notwithstanding subsections (a) and (b) and any other provision of this Act, for any fiscal year for which funds are authorized to be appropriated under this Act that immediately follows a fiscal year in which the Federal Government has a deficit in excess of $\$ 500,000,000,000$, the amount authorized to be appropriated under this Act shall be $\$ 0$.
(2) Definition.-For the purpose of this subsection, the term "deficit" means a fiscal year during which outlays of the Federal Government exceed receipts of the Federal Government.

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Thank you, Madam Speaker.

We all know our Nation is drowning in a sea of red ink, but earlier this week we learned that the sea is even
deeper than we knew. On Monday we learned that this year's deficit is now projected to be $\$ 1.84$ trillion, about $\$ 90$ billion higher than we were told in February. And what's the majority's answer to record-setting deficit spending? Of course it's more spending.
The bill we're debating today would add an estimated $\$ 40$ billion in new spending. And despite the majority's hollow promises of fiscal responsibility, there's nothing in the legislation to offset this hefty price tag with spending reductions elsewhere. This is just more of the same borrow and spend, spend and borrow policy that we've seen under this majority and this administration.
This motion to recommit is a small but meaningful step to reverse that trend. It allows this bill to take effect exactly as the majority has drafted it as long as the Federal deficit is below $\$ 500$ billion. We're not cutting the bill. We're not damaging the schools. We're not doing any of the other things that the majority would surely accuse us of. We're keeping this bill exactly as it is now. The only difference is that when our Nation's deficit exceeds $\$ 500$ billion, we will not authorize the funding for this particular new program.
Half a trillion dollars is an awfully high bar. In fact, the entire time George W. Bush was President-in fact, the entire history of our great Nation, our deficit has never exceeded $\$ 500$ billion, that is until this year in which we're facing a deficit of $\$ 1.84$ trillion
I urge Members to vote yes on this motion to recommit and send a signal to the American people that we're serious about taming the deficit.
Maybe one day the Federal Government will be able to afford $\$ 40$ billion to tell schools how to maintain their facilities, but that day is not today.
This motion to recommit ensures that this new program will wait until we can afford it, until the American people can afford it.
Before I close, I'd like to point out that the Obama administration may feel the same way. The administration did not issue a statement of administration policy on H.R. 2187. That's a deliberate decision not to endorse the bill, and that is conspicuous. I can't help but wonder if President Obama agrees that now is simply the wrong time to swipe a $\$ 40$ billion charge on the government charge card and send the bill to our children and our grandchildren.
I urge a "yes" vote on the motion to recommit.
I yield back the balance of my time.
Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition to the motion to recommit.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is recognized for 5 minutes.
Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Madam Speaker and Members of the House, this legislation last year had bipartisan support as it passed this House overwhelmingly. Why did it have that support? Because this legislation
enabled the Federal Government to partner with local school districts who were looking to repair and to restore and renovate their schools to make them more energy efficient so that those local school districts could save on the average $\$ 100,000$ in energy bills by making these changes.
We know that the economy has made it more difficult for those local school districts to be able to repair and renovate and restore those schools that are in such bad need of that kind of work. So we offer the hand of the Federal Government as a partner with those districts based upon those local priorities, some of which have been waiting for several years. That partnership is critical to the survivability of these districts in meeting their energy needs as we go forward.
So what do we have here? We have an attempt to kill this amendment based upon a deficit from a party that gave us and left office with $\$ 1$ trillion in deficits, when they entered office with $\$ 5$ trillion in surplus.
They want to tell us how to manage the books and not take care of local schools, not have school construction, not have local jobs in our community because they ran up the deficit. The all-time world champions of deficits now want to suggest to you that you should put your schools at the end of the line of the deficit that they created.
Yes, we have a budget. We have a budget that takes down the deficit, that takes down the deficit to what it was in the Reagan years. You know, we've been through this before. We went through this where the Republicans run up the deficit on the theory that they starve the beast, and then none of the things that we believe in can go into effect.
We're not going to let this happen on this bill. It's most important that we understand that, that this is about this party trying to stop what is an agenda that has bipartisan support in the House, in the Senate, at the local levels to try to improve the learning opportunities for so many of our students.
I would like to yield to the gentleman from New Jersey.
Mr. ANDREWS. Ladies and gentlemen, this amendment is 8 years too late. If the minority wants to be sure there's a trigger before you can do something, where was the trigger before they enacted the reckless tax cuts for the wealthiest people in this country? Where was the trigger before they enacted the disastrous Medicare part D program and plunged us further in deficit? And where was the trigger before they poured over $\$ 1$ trillion into a mismanaged war in Iraq? This amendment is 8 years too late. Vote it down.
Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. This decision is simple. The American public made a decision. They want us to go in a new direction. They want us to improve our education systems, our health care systems, and our energy systems.

The party on the other side is not interested in that. They don't have those solutions on the table. They haven't presented those solutions on the table. But what they want to do is infringe on the ability of this President and this country to move forward in a new direction. We cannot let that happen. They didn't do it.

This is a party that is now holding weekend talk sessions about how they lost their way. Yeah, they lost their way on fiscal irresponsibility for 8 years, and now they want the school children of this Nation to pay the bills.

I ask for a "no" vote on the motion to recommit.

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.

## RECORDED Vote

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

## A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were-ayes 182, noes 247 , not voting 4, as follows:

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Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas, Ms. SPEIER, Messrs. DeFAZIO and RANGEL, and Ms. MARKEY of Colorado changed their vote from "aye" to "no."
So the amendment was rejected.
The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:
Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. Mr. Speaker, I regret missing rollcall vote No. 260 today on the dilatory motion offered by the Minority to change the title of H.R. 2187. I was necessarily detained in important meetings and receiving briefings on the FY 2009 supplemental to prepare for the very serious vote on that legislation scheduled for later today.

Simply looking at the motion offered by the Minority, it is clear at face value that it was not a serious legislative effort to improve the Green Schools bill's focus on helping rebuild our nation's schools but was instead a dilatory tactic and a childish effort meant simply to embarrass and delay. We are not children and this is not a game. If I had been present, I would have voted "no."

## AUTHORIZING THE CLERK TO

 MAKE CORRECTIONS IN ENGROSSMENT OF H.R. 2187, 21ST CENTURY GREEN HIGH-PERFORMING PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES ACTMr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Clerk be authorized to make technical corrections in the engrossment of H.R. 2187, to include corrections in spelling, punctuation, section numbering and cross-referencing, and the insertion of appropriate headings.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. Holden). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?
There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2346, SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2009
Mr. PERLMUTTER. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 434 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

## H. Res. 434

Resolved, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House the bill (H.R. 2346) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2009, and for other purposes. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution shall be considered as adopted. The bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. All
points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended, are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill, as amended, to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations; and (2) one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Colorado is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. PERLMUTTER. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. For purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from California (Mr. DrEIER). All time yielded is for debate only.

GENERAL LEAVE
Mr. PERLMUTTER. I also ask unanimous consent that all Members be given 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on House Resolution 434.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Colorado?
There was no objection.
Mr. PERLMUTTER. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 434 provides for consideration of H.R. 2346, the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2009. No Member of Congress takes today's vote lightly. In my two terms in Congress, I've had many late nights thinking about our troops who protect all us around the globe-ones who I have met, ones from my district, and others-thinking about how to bring them home safely and responsibly.
Today, we vote to fund them and their efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan. It is not a perfect bill, and it is not the silver bullet which will end the wars within the next year. But it is a responsible plan to support our servicemen and -women and assist them as much as possible.

Mr. Speaker, we cannot fully understand the next steps in Iraq and Afghanistan without looking at the steps our Nation has taken to get here.

In 2001, following the September 11 attacks, Congress authorized President Bush to take action against Afghanistan for harboring and enabling al Qaeda to attack us. We were greeted as liberators for the most part and even had Osama bin Laden cornered in the mountains of Tora Bora.

But in 2002 and 2003, President Bush and others changed the country's focus from the biggest threat to American security to a country which actually posed little threat-that being Iraq.

Ever since that moment, we have been playing catchup in both countries, trying to defeat insurgencies while promoting democracy and economic development, which are precarious at best. Even experts concede achieving these missions simultaneously is difficult.
Last November, Barack Obama and John McCain outlined two very different visions of our future involvement in Iraq and Afghanistan. In Iraq, President Obama's plan involved expeditiously transitioning authority to

