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We also support the committee's decision to defer action on more controversial measures until the GAO conduct-het a comprehensive review of those proposals.

We thank you again for your leadership on this issue and your efforts to protect the rights of injured federal employees.

Sincerely,

Andrew J. Reinhardt. President. JENNIFER L. COMER, Executive Director.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS, Washington, DC, November 22, 2011.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND THE WORK-FORCE.

House of Representatives

 $Washington,\,DC.$ 

DEAR CHAIRMAN KLINE AND RANKING MEM-BER MILLER: I write on behalf of the nearly 300,000 members of the National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) to express our support for the Federal Workers' Compensation Modernization and Improvement Act of 2011 (H.R. 2465) as the House considers this bill in the coming weeks.

This bipartisan legislation makes several sensible benefit improvements to the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA), while maintaining the basic benefits paid to employees who suffer a debilitating injury or illness as a result of their public service. The bill would increase the amount payable for funeral expenses from \$800 to a more reasonable \$6,000. It also increases the maximum compensation to employees for serious disfigurement of the head, neck or face to \$50,000 from a long-outdated \$3,500.

H.R. 2465 is a positive step towards fully addressing the many underlying issues with FECA. We would like to express our appreciation for your concern demonstrated towards federal and postal workers injured on the job in drafting this bill. Our organization urges the House to give speedy and favorable consideration to this bill, and is prepared to work with the committee on further common-sense FECA reforms

Sincerely,

Fredric V. Rolando. President

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Michigan (Mr. WALBERG) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2465, as amended.

The question was taken; and (twothirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 3 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m.

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## AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Chaffetz) at 6 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

### 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

H.R. 3012, de novo:

H.R. 2192, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 1801, by the yeas and navs.

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

## FAIRNESS FOR HIGH-SKILLED IMMIGRANTS ACT OF 2011

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on suspending the rules and passing the bill (H.R. 3012) to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to eliminate the per-country numerical limitation for employment-based immigrants, to increase the per-country numerical limitation for family-sponsored immigrants, and for other purposes, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by gentleman from Utah CHAFFETZ) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and navs.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 389, nays 15, not voting 29, as follows:

## [Roll No. 860]

## YEAS-389

Ackerman	Brady (PA)	Connolly (VA)
Adams	Brady (TX)	Conyers
Aderholt	Braley (IA)	Cooper
Akin	Brooks	Courtney
Alexander	Brown (FL)	Cravaack
Altmire	Buchanan	Crawford
Amash	Bucshon	Crenshaw
Amodei	Buerkle	Critz
Andrews	Butterfield	Crowley
Austria	Calvert	Cuellar
Baca	Camp	Culberson
Bachus	Canseco	Cummings
Baldwin	Capito	Davis (CA)
Barletta	Capps	Davis (IL)
Barrow	Capuano	Davis (KY)
Bartlett	Cardoza	DeFazio
Barton (TX)	Carnahan	DeGette
Bass (CA)	Carney	DeLauro
Bass (NH)	Carson (IN)	Denham
Becerra	Cassidy	Dent
Benishek	Castor (FL)	Dicks
Berg	Chabot	Dingell
Berkley	Chaffetz	Doggett
Berman	Chandler	Dold
Biggert	Chu	Donnelly (IN)
Bilbray	Cicilline	Doyle
Bilirakis	Clarke (MI)	Duffy
Bishop (GA)	Clarke (NY)	Duncan (SC)
Bishop (NY)	Clay	Edwards
Bishop (UT)	Cleaver	Ellison
Black	Clyburn	Ellmers
Blumenauer	Coble	Emerson
Bonner	Coffman (CO)	Engel
Boren	Cohen	Eshoo
Boswell	Cole	Farenthold
Boustany	Conaway	Farr

Filner Fincher Fitzpatrick Flake Fleischmann Fleming Flores Forbes Foxx Frank (MA) Frelinghuysen Fudge Gallegly Garamendi Garrett Gerlach Gibbs Gibson Gingrey (GA) Gohmert. Goodlatte Gosar Gowdy Granger Graves (GA) Graves (MO) Green, Gene Griffin (AR.) Griffith (VA) Grijalva Grimm Guinta Guthrie Hahn Hall Hanabusa Hanna Harper Harris Hartzler Hastings (FL) Hastings (WA) Hayworth Heck Heinrich Hensarling Herger Herrera Beutler Higgins Himes Hinoiosa Hirono Hochul Holden Honda Hoyer Huelskamp Huizenga (MI) Hultgren Hurt Israel Issa Jackson (IL) Jackson Lee (TX) Jenkins Johnson (GA) Johnson (IL) Johnson (OH) Johnson, E. B. Johnson, Sam Jordan Kaptur Keating Kelly Kildee Kind King (NY) Kingston Kinzinger (IL) Kline Kucinich Labrador Lamborn Lance Landry Langevin Lankford Larsen (WA) Larson (CT) Latham LaTourette

Lee (CA) Levin Lewis (CA) Lewis (GA) Lipinski LoBiondo Loebsack Lofgren, Zoe Long Lowey Lucas Luetkemeyer Luián Lummis Lungren, Daniel E. Lynch Maloney Manzullo Marino Markey Matheson Matsui McCarthy (CA) McCarthy (NY) McCaul McClintock McCollum McDermott McGovern McHenry McKeon McKinley McMorris Rodgers McNerney Meehan Meeks Mica Michaud Miller (MI) Miller (NC) Miller, Gary Miller, George Moore Moran Mulvanev Murphy (CT) Murphy (PA) Myrick Nadler Napolitano Neal Neugebauer Nugent Nunes Nunnelee Olson Olver Owens Palazzo Pallone Pascrell Pastor (AZ) Paulsen Payne Pearce Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Peterson Petri Pingree (ME) Pitts Poe (TX) Polis Pompeo Price (GA) Price (NC) Quayle Quigley Rahall Rangel Reed Rehberg Reichert Renacci Reves Ribble Richardson Richmond Rigell Rivera R.obv Young (IN) Roe (TN)

Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rogers (MI) Rohrabacher Rooney Ros-Lehtinen Roskam Ross (AR) Ross (FL) Rothman (NJ) Rovbal-Allard Rovce Runvan Ryan (OH) Ryan (WI) Sánchez, Linda Т. Sanchez, Loretta Sarbanes Scalise Schakowsky Schiff Schmidt Schock Schrader Schwartz Schweikert Scott (SC) Scott (VA) Scott, Austin Scott, David Sensenbrenner Serrano Sessions Sewell Sherman Shimkus Shuler Shuster Simpson Sires Slaughter Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smith (WA) Southerland Speier Stark Stearns Stivers Stutzman Sullivan Terry Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Thompson (PA) Thornberry Tiberi Tierney Tipton Tonko Towns Tsongas Turner (NY) Turner (OH) Upton Van Hollen Velázquez Visclosky Walberg Walden Walsh (IL) Walz (MN) Wasserman Schultz Waters Watt Waxman Welch West Whitfield Wilson (FL) Wilson (SC) Wittman Wolf Womack Woodall Woolsey Yarmuth Yoder Young (AK) Young (FL)

#### NAYS-15

Burgess Hunter McCotter Burton (IN) McIntyre Jones DesJarlais King (IA) Duncan (TN) Kissell Webster Franks (AZ) Marchant Westmoreland

#### NOT VOTING-

Diaz-Balart Bachmann Noem Blackburn Dreier Paul Fortenberry Bono Mack Pence Broun (GA) Giffords Platts Campbell Gonzalez Rokita Gutierrez Cantor Ruppersberger Carter Hinchey Rush Costa Inslee Schilling Costello Mack Sutton Miller (FL) Deutch

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Mr. WESTMORELAND changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."

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.

#### NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERV-DEBTRELIEF EXTENSION ACT OF 2011

SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. WEST). The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2192) to exempt for an additional 4-year period, from the application of the means-test presumption of abuse under chapter 7, qualifying members of reserve components of the Armed Forces and members of the National Guard who, after September 11, 2001, are called to active duty or to perform a homeland defense activity for not less than 90 days, 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

gentleman from Utah CHAFFETZ) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 407, nays 1, not voting 25, as follows:

## [Roll No. 861]

## YEAS-407

Ackerman Bishop (GA) Capuano Adams Bishop (NY) Cardoza Aderholt Bishop (UT) Carnahan Akin Carney Carson (IN) Alexander Blumenauer Altmire Cassidy Bonner Amodei Boren Castor (FL) Andrews Boswell 8 1 Chabot Chaffetz Boustany Austria Brady (PA) Chandler Baca Bachus Brady (TX) Chu Braley (IA) Cicilline Baldwin Barletta Brooks Clarke (MI) Brown (FL) Barrow Clarke (NY) Buchanan Bartlett Clay Barton (TX) Bucshon Cleaver Clyburn Bass (CA) Buerkle Bass (NH Burgess Coble Becerra Coffman (CO) Burton (IN) Benishek Butterfield Cohen Berg Calvert Cole Berkley Camp Conaway Connolly (VA) Canseco Berman Cantor Biggert Convers Cooper Courtney Bilbray Capito Bilirakis Capps

Cravaack Hurt Crawford Israel Crenshaw Issa Critz Jackson (IL) Crowley Jackson Lee Cuellar (TX) Culberson Jenkins. Johnson (GA) Cummings Johnson (IL) Davis (CA) Davis (IL) Johnson (OH) Davis (KY) Johnson, E. B. DeFazio Johnson, Sam DeGette Jones DeLauro Jordan Denham Kaptur Keating Dent Des Jarlais Kellv Kildee Dicks Dingell Kind King (IA) Doggett King (NY) Dold Donnelly (IN) Kingston Kinzinger (IL) Dovle Duffv Kissell Duncan (SC) Kline Duncan (TN) Kucinich Edwards Labrador Ellison Lamborn Ellmers Lance Landry Emerson Engel Langevin Eshoo Lankford Larsen (WA) Farenthold Larson (CT) Farr Latham Fattah Filner LaTourette Fincher Latta Lee (CA) Fitzpatrick Flake Levin Fleischmann Lewis (CA) Fleming Lewis (GA) Flores Lipinski Forbes LoBiondo Loebsack Foxx Frank (MA) Lofgren, Zoe Franks (AZ) Long Lowey Frelinghuvsen Lucas Fudge Gallegly Luetkemever Garamendi Luián Lummis Gardner Garrett Lungren, Daniel Gerlach E. Lynch Gibbs Gibson Maloney Gingrey (GA) Manzullo Gohmert Marchant Goodlatte Marino Gosar Markey Gowdy Matheson Granger Matsui Graves (GA) McCarthy (CA) Graves (MO) McCarthy (NY) Green, Al McCaul Green, Gene McClintock Griffin (AR) McCollum McCotter Griffith (VA) Grijalva McDermott Grimm McGovern McHenry Guinta Guthrie McIntyre Hahn McKeon Hall McKinley Hanabusa McMorris Hanna Rodgers McNernev Harper Meehan Harris Hartzler Meeks Hastings (FL) Mica Hastings (WA) Michaud Hayworth Miller (MI) Heck Miller (NC) Heinrich Miller, Gary Hensarling Miller, George Herger Moore Herrera Beutler Moran Higgins Mulvanev

Owens Palazzo Pallone Pascrell Pastor (AZ) Paulsen Pavne Pearce Pelosi Perlmutter Peters Peterson Petri Pingree (ME) Pitts Platts Poe (TX) Polis Pompeo Posey Price (GA) Price (NC) Quavle Quiglev Rahall Rangel Reed Rehberg Reichert Renacci Reves Ribble Richardson Richmond Rigell Rivera Roby Roe (TN) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Rogers (MI) Rohrabacher Rooney Ros-Lehtinen Roskam Ross (AR) Ross (FL) Rothman (NJ) Roybal-Allard

Royce Runyan Ruppersberger Ryan (OH) Sánchez, Linda Т. Sanchez, Loretta Sarbanes Scalise Schakowsky Schiff Schmidt Schock Schrader Schwartz Schweikert Scott (SC) Scott (VA) Scott, Austin Scott, David Sensenbrenner Serrano Sessions Sewell Sherman Shimkus Shuler Shuster Simpson Sires Slaughter Smith (NE) Smith (NJ) Smith (TX) Smith (WA) Southerland Speier Stark Stearns Stivers Stutzman Sullivan Sutton Terry Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS)

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Murphy (CT)

Murphy (PA)

Napolitano

Neugebauer

Myrick

Nådler

Nugent

Nunnelee

Nunes

Olson

Olver

Neal

Himes

Hirono

Hochul

Holden

Honda

Hoyer

Huelskamp

Hultgren

Hunter

Huizenga (MI)

Holt

Hinojosa

Tierney Tipton Tonko Towns Tsongas Turner (NY) Turner (OH) Upton Van Hollen Velázquez Visclosky Walberg Walden

Walz (MN) Wasserman Schultz Waters Watt Waxman Webster Welch West Westmoreland Whitfield Wilson (FL)

Walsh (IL)

Wilson (SC) Wittman Wolf Womack Woodall Woolsey Yarmuth Yoder Young (AK) Young (FL) Young (IN)

## NAYS-1

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#### NOT VOTING-25

Bachmann Diaz-Balart Miller (FL) Blackburn Dreier Noem Fortenberry Bono Mack Paul Broun (GA) Giffords Pence Campbell Gonzalez Rokita Carter Gutierrez Rush Costa Hinchey Schilling Costello Inslee Deutch Mack

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.

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

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## RISK-BASED SECURITY SCREENING FOR MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the (H.R. 1801) to amend title United States Code, to provide for expedited security screenings for members of the Armed Forces, 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. CRAVAACK) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 404, nays 0, not voting 29, as follows:

### [Roll No. 862] YEAS-404

Ackerman Berman Burton (IN) Adams Butterfield Biggert Aderholt Bilbray Calvert Akin Bilirakis Camp Alexander Bishop (GA) Canseco Altmire Bishop (NY) Cantor Bishop (UT) Amash Capito Amodei Black Capps Andrews Blumenauer Capuano Austria Bonner Carnahan Baca Boren Carney Bachus Boswell Cassidy Castor (FL) Baldwin Boustany Barletta Brady (PA) Chabot Barrow Brady (TX) Chaffetz Bartlett Braley (IA) Chandler Barton (TX) Brooks Chu Brown (FL) Cicilline Bass (NH) Buchanan Clarke (MI) Becerra Clarke (NY) Benishek Bucshon Berg Berkley Buerkle Clay Cleaver Burgess