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 WorkFORCE,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

Dear Chairman Kline and Ranking Member 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the maximum compensation to employees for serious disfigurement of the head, neck or face to $\$ 50,000$ from a long-outdated $\$ 3,500$.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 com-mon-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.

## 1830 <br> 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 order:
H.R. 3012, de novo;
H.R. 2192, by the yeas and nays;
H.R. 1801, 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.

## 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 the gentleman from Utah (Mr. 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 nays.
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] |  |
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| YEAS—389 |  |
| Brady (PA) | Connolly (VA) |
| Brady (TX) | Conyers |
| Braley (IA) | Cooper |
| Brooks | Courtney |
| Brown (FL) | Cravaack |
| Buchanan | Crawford |
| Bucshon | Crenshaw |
| Buerkle | Critz |
| Butterfield | Crowley |
| Calvert | Cuellar |
| Camp | Culberson |
| Canseco | Cummings |
| Capito | Davis (CA) |
| Capps | Davis (IL) |
| Capuano | Davis (KY) |
| Cardoza | DeFazio |
| Carnahan | DeGette |
| Carney | DeLauro |
| Carson (IN) | Denham |
| Cassidy | Dent |
| Castor (FL) | Dicks |
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| Chaffetz | Doggett |
| Chandler | Dold |
| Chu | Donnelly (IN) |
| Cicilline | Doyle |
| Clarke (MI) | Duffy |
| Clarke (NY) | Duncan (SC) |
| Clay | Edwards |
| Cleaver | Ellison |
| Clyburn | Ellmers |
| Coble | Emerson |
| Coffman (CO) | Engel |
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| Fincher | Levin | Rogers (MI) |
| Fitzpatrick | Lewis (CA) | Rohrabacher |
| Flake | Lewis (GA) | Rooney |
| Fleischmann | Lipinski | Ros-Lehtinen |
| Fleming | LoBiondo | Roskam |
| Flores | Loebsack | Ross (AR) |
| Forbes | Lofgren, Zoe | Ross (FL) |
| Foxx | Long | Rothman (NJ) |
| Frank (MA) | Lowey | Roybal-Allard |
| Frelinghuysen | Lucas | Royce |
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| Garamendi | Lummis | Ryan (WI) |
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| Gibbs | Maloney | Sarbanes |
| Gibson | Manzullo | Scalise |
| Gingrey (GA) | Marino | Schakowsky |
| Gohmert | Markey | Schiff |
| Goodlatte | Matheson | Schmidt |
| Gosar | Matsui | Schock |
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| Granger | McCarthy (NY) | Schwartz |
| Graves (GA) | McCaul | Schweikert |
| Graves (MO) | McClintock | Scott (SC) |
| Green, Al | McCollum | Scott (VA) |
| Green, Gene | McDermott | Scott, Austin |
| Griffin (AR) | McGovern | Scott, David |
| Griffith (VA) | McHenry | Sensenbrenner |
| Grijalva | McKeon | Serrano |
| Grimm | McKinley | Sessions |
| Guinta | McMorris | Sewell |
| Guthrie | Rodgers | Sherman |
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| Hall | Meehan | Shuler |
| Hanabusa | Meeks | Shuster |
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| Hastings (WA) | Miller, George | Smith (NJ) |
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| Heck | Moran | Smith (WA) |
| Heinrich | Mulvaney | Southerland |
| Hensarling | Murphy (CT) | Speier |
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| Hinojosa | Neal | Sullivan |
| Hirono | Neugebauer | Terry |
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| Holden | Nunes | Thompson (MS) |
| Holt | Nunnelee | Thompson (PA) |
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| Huelskamp | Owens | Tierney |
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| Johnson (IL) | Peterson | Walberg |
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| Johnson, Sam | Pitts | Walz (MN) |
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| Kaptur | Polis | Schultz |
| Keating | Pompeo | Waters |
| Kelly | Price (GA) | Watt |
| Kildee | Price (NC) | Waxman |
| Kind | Quayle | Welch |
| King (NY) | Quigley | West |
| Kingston | Rahall | Whitfield |
| Kinzinger (IL) | Rangel | Wilson (FL) |
| Kline | Reed | Wilson (SC) |
| Kucinich | Rehberg | Wittman |
| Labrador | Reichert | Wolf |
| Lamborn | Renacci | Womack |
| Lance | Reyes | Woodall |
| Landry | Ribble | Woolsey |
| Langevin | Richardson | Yarmuth |
| Lankford | Richmond | Yoder |
| Larsen (WA) | Rigell | Young (AK) |
| Larson (CT) | Rivera | Young (FL) |
| Latham | Roby Roe (TN) | Young (FL) |


| NAYS-15 |  |  |
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| Burgess | Hunter | McCotter |
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| DesJarlais | King (IA) | Posey |
| Duncan (TN) | Kissell | Webster |
| Franks (AZ) | Marchant | Westmoreland |
| NOT VOTING-29 |  |  |
| Bachmann | Diaz-Balart | Noem |
| Blackburn | Dreier | Paul |
| Bono Mack | Fortenberry | Pence |
| Broun (GA) | Giffords | Platts |
| Campbell | Gonzalez | Rokita |
| Cantor | Gutierrez | Ruppersberger |
| Carter | Hinchey | Rush |
| Costa | Inslee | Schilling |
| Costello | Mack | Sutton |
| Deutch | Miller (FL) |  |
| $\square 1856$ |  |  | 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 RESERVIST DEBT RELIEF EXTENSION ACT OF 2011

The 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 the gentleman from Utah (Mr. 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:

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Eshoo
Farenthold
Farr
Fattah
Filner
Fincher
Fitzpatrick
Flake
Fleischmann
Fleming
Flores
Forbes
Foxx
Frank (MA)
Franks (AZ)
Fudge
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Graves (GA)
Graves (MO)
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Griffin (AR)
Grijalva
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Guinta
Guthrie
Hahn
Hall
Hanabusa
Hanna
Harper
Harris
Hartzler
Hastings (FL)
Hastings (WA)
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Hensarling
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Herrera Beutler
Higgins
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Hinojosa
Hirono
Hochul
Holden
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Honda
Hoyer
Huelskamp
Huizenga (MI)
Hultgren
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Tipton
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Towns
Tsongas
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Turner (OH)
Upton
Van Hollen
Velázquez
Visclosky
Walberg
Walden

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| Wasserman | Wolf |
| $\quad$ Schultz | Womack |
| Waters | Woodall |
| Watt | Woolsey |
| Waxman | Yarmuth |
| Webster | Yoder |
| Welch | Young (AK) |
| West | Young (FL) |
| Westmoreland | Young (IN) |
| Whitfield |  |
| Wilson (FL) |  |

NAYS—1
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NOT VOTING-25

| Bachmann | Diaz-Balart | Miller (FL) |
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| Blackburn | Dreier | Noem |
| Bono Mack | Fortenberry | 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.

## 1904

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 bill (H.R. 1801) to amend title 49, 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]

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| Amash | Bishop (NY) | Cantor |
| Amodei | Bishop (UT) | Capito |
| Andrews | Black | Capps |
| Austria | Blumenauer | Capuano |
| Baca | Bonner | Carnahan |
| Bachus | Boren | Carney |
| Baldwin | Boswell | Cassidy |
| Barletta | Boustany | Castor (FL) |
| Barrow | Brady (PA) | Chabot |
| Bartlett | Brady (TX) | Chaffetz |
| Barton (TX) | Braley (IA) | Chandler |
| Bass (NH) | Brooks | Chu |
| Becerra | Brown (FL) | Cicilline |
| Benishek | Buchanan | Clarke (MI) |
| Berg | Buerkle | Clarke (NY) |
| Berkley | Burgess | Clay |

