

# CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 4348, MOVING AHEAD FOR PROGRESS IN THE 21ST CENTURY ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on adoption of the conference report on the bill (H.R. 4348) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and for other purposes, 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 conference report.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 373, nays 52, not voting 7, as follows:

[Roll No. 451]

YEAS—373

Ackerman	Coble	Green, Gene
Aderholt	Coffman (CO)	Griffin (AR)
Alexander	Cohen	Griffith (VA)
Altmire	Cole	Grijalva
Amodel	Connolly (VA)	Grimm
Andrews	Conyers	Guinta
Austria	Cooper	Guthrie
Baca	Costa	Gutierrez
Bachus	Costello	Hahn
Baldwin	Courtney	Hall
Barber	Cravaack	Hanabusa
Barletta	Crawford	Hanna
Barrow	Crenshaw	Harper
Bartlett	Critz	Hartzler
Barton (TX)	Crowley	Hastings (FL)
Bass (CA)	Cuellar	Hastings (WA)
Bass (NH)	Culberson	Hayworth
Becerra	Cummings	Heck
Benishek	Davis (CA)	Heinrich
Berg	Davis (IL)	Hensarling
Berkley	Davis (KY)	Herger
Berman	DeFazio	Herrera Beutler
Biggert	DeGette	Higgins
Bilbray	DeLauro	Himes
Bilirakis	Denham	Hinchey
Bishop (GA)	Dent	Hinojosa
Bishop (NY)	DesJarlais	Hirono
Bishop (UT)	Deutch	Hochul
Blackburn	Diaz-Balart	Holden
Blumenauer	Dicks	Holt
Bonamici	Dingell	Honda
Bonner	Doggett	Hoyer
Bono Mack	Dold	Hultgren
Boren	Donnelly (IN)	Hunter
Boswell	Doyle	Israel
Boustany	Dreier	Issa
Brady (PA)	Duffy	Jackson Lee
Brady (TX)	Duncan (TN)	(TX)
Braley (IA)	Edwards	Johnson (GA)
Brown (FL)	Ellison	Johnson (IL)
Buchanan	Ellmers	Johnson (OH)
Bucshon	Emerson	Johnson, Sam
Buerkle	Engel	Jones
Burton (IN)	Eshoo	Kaptur
Butterfield	Farenthold	Keating
Calvert	Farr	Kelly
Camp	Fattah	Kildee
Canseco	Fincher	Kind
Cantor	Fitzpatrick	King (IA)
Capito	Fleischmann	King (NY)
Capps	Fleming	Kingston
Capuano	Flores	Kinzinger (IL)
Cardoza	Forbes	Kissell
Carnahan	Fortenberry	Kline
Carney	Frank (MA)	Kucinich
Carson (IN)	Frelinghuysen	Lance
Carter	Fudge	Landry
Cassidy	Gallegly	Langevin
Castor (FL)	Garamendi	Lankford
Chaffetz	Gardner	Larsen (WA)
Chandler	Gerlach	Larson (CT)
Chu	Gibbs	Latham
Cicilline	Gibson	LaTourette
Clarke (MI)	Gonzalez	Latta
Clarke (NY)	Granger	Lee (CA)
Clay	Graves (MO)	Levin
Cleaver	Green, Al	Lewis (GA)

Lipinski	Pearce	Scott, David
LoBiondo	Pelosi	Serrano
Loebuck	Pence	Sessions
Lofgren, Zoe	Perlmutter	Sewell
Long	Peters	Sherman
Lowe	Peterson	Shimkus
Lucas	Petri	Shuler
Luetkemeyer	Pingree (ME)	Shuster
Lujan	Pitts	Simpson
Lungren, Daniel E.	Platts	Sires
Lynch	Poe (TX)	Slaughter
Maloney	Polis	Smith (NE)
Manzullo	Price (GA)	Smith (NJ)
Marchant	Price (NC)	Smith (TX)
Marino	Quigley	Smith (WA)
Markey	Rahall	Southerland
Matheson	Rangel	Speier
Matsui	Reed	Stark
McCarthy (CA)	Rehberg	Stearns
McCarthy (NY)	Reichert	Stivers
McCaul	Renacci	Stutzman
McCollum	Reyes	Sullivan
McCotter	Ribble	Sutton
McDermott	Richardson	Terry
McGovern	Richmond	Thompson (CA)
McIntyre	Rigell	Thompson (MS)
McKeon	Rivera	Thompson (PA)
McKinley	Roby	Tiberi
McMorris	Roe (TN)	Tierney
Rodgers	Rogers (AL)	Tipton
McNerney	Rogers (KY)	Tonko
Meehan	Rogers (MI)	Towns
Meeks	Rohrabacher	Tsongas
Mica	Rokita	Turner (NY)
Michaud	Rooney	Turner (OH)
Miller (FL)	Ros-Lehtinen	Upton
Miller (MI)	Roskam	Van Hollen
Miller (NC)	Ross (AR)	Velázquez
Miller, Gary	Rothman (NJ)	Visclosky
Miller, George	Roybal-Allard	Walden
Moore	Royce	Walz (MN)
Moran	Runyan	Wasserman
Murphy (CT)	Ruppersberger	Schultz
Murphy (PA)	Rush	Waters
Myrick	Ryan (OH)	Watt
Nadler	Ryan (WI)	Waxman
Napolitano	Sánchez, Linda T.	Webster
Neal	Sanchez, Loretta	Welch
Noem	Sarbanes	West
Nunes	Scalise	Whitfield
Nunnelee	Schakowsky	Wilson (FL)
Olver	Schiff	Wittman
Owens	Schilling	Wolf
Palazzo	Schmidt	Womack
Pallone	Schock	Woolsey
Pascarella	Schrader	Yarmuth
Pastor (AZ)	Schwartz	Young (AK)
Paulsen	Scott (VA)	Young (FL)
		Young (IN)

NAYS—52

Adams	Gosar	Paul
Amash	Gowdy	Pompeo
Bachmann	Graves (GA)	Posey
Black	Harris	Quayle
Brooks	Huelskamp	Ross (FL)
Broun (GA)	Huizenga (MI)	Schweikert
Burgess	Hurt	Scott (SC)
Campbell	Jenkins	Scott, Austin
Chabot	Jordan	Sensenbrenner
Conaway	Labrador	Thornberry
Duncan (SC)	Lummis	Walberg
Flake	Mack	Walsh (IL)
Foxx	McClintock	Westmoreland
Franks (AZ)	McHenry	Wilson (SC)
Garrett	Mulvaney	Woodall
Gingrey (GA)	Neugebauer	Yoder
Gohmert	Nugent	
Goodlatte	Olson	

NOT VOTING—7

Akin	Jackson (IL)	Lewis (CA)
Clyburn	Johnson, E. B.	
Filner	Lamborn	

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Ms. JENKINS changed her vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. ROHRABACHER changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. FILNER. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall 451, I was away from the Capitol due to prior commitments to my constituents. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”

## STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATES

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, today, the House passed a bipartisan 1-year extension of the current interest rate for Federally subsidized student loans. This is a good thing for students across the country. But as we celebrate this accomplishment, let's keep our eye on the larger picture. We wouldn't be worried about these interest rates if not for the fact that the economy is so weak and the cost of education is so high. According to the Department of Education, the savings will be \$7 a month for the average Stafford loan borrower. While that might not seem like a lot, each dollar counts for a college graduate still searching for a good-paying job.

We can have a larger effect for students by working to repeal Federal unfunded mandates that drive up the cost of college tuition and by working to put the wheels back on the economy. As a member of the Subcommittee for Higher Education and Workforce Training, I'm committed to making that happen. Let's work together to ensure that students can achieve a quality education at a reasonable cost and get great jobs when they graduate. There's no better social program than a good-paying job.

## LET'S CONTINUE THE GREAT WORK

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

Mr. COURTNEY. Mr. Speaker, with a few minutes to spare, we just voted to make sure that the interest rate for the Stafford student loan program was going to stay at 3.4 and avoid the doubling of rates, which would have happened Saturday night if we had not acted. This is an issue which took months to get to. President Obama challenged Congress back at the State of the Union in January, telling us that we must act. It took months to get any response. And I want to congratulate the 130,000 college students all across America who submitted a petition to the Speaker's office saying it was time to get moving.

We started the countdown clock on that day at Day 110, and now we are officially defusing the time bomb that would have exploded with a higher interest rate if we had not acted. We have a lot more work to do with the high cost of college and student loan debt, which now exceeds credit card debt and consumer loan debt. But having said that, we saw today an honest

compromise; people coming together to make sure that that lower rate was going to be extended. Let's use that example to move forward and solve this problem for middle class families all across America.

Again, to those students who worked so hard to have their voices heard, congratulations. Let's roll up our sleeves and continue the great work.

#### IN SUPPORT OF THE RESTORE ACT

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

Mr. PALAZZO. Mr. Speaker, today is a good day for the people of Mississippi's Fourth Congressional District and it's a good day for all the people of the Gulf State. Because today, with passage of the RESTORE Act, we give these States the tools they need to continue vital economic and environmental recovery.

Less than a year ago, a small group of gulf coast legislators came together with big support from their communities and a mission to make the gulf coast whole. This was no small effort, but it is the least we can do to show our support once more to all those affected by the single largest man-made disaster in our history. I am proud to have been a part of this landmark legislation. I want to thank all those who worked so hard with us to make this happen, from my gulf coast colleagues and House leadership to local leaders, business, and conservation groups. There were so many who said this could not be done in an election year with so much competing for time on the legislative calendar. But we know how important it was to pass this bill. We did not give up because we knew that restoring and replenishing the gulf coast is more than just a responsible decision: It is the right thing to do.

#### LET'S NOT DECEIVE OURSELVES ON WHAT THE MUSLIM BROTHERHOOD SEEKS

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

Mr. DOLD. Mr. Speaker, as people in the United States evaluate what happened this past weekend in the Presidential election in Egypt, I have a simple message: we shouldn't deceive ourselves.

At a time when we are focused on stopping Iran's nuclear weapons program and on isolating the Iranian regime, the incoming Egyptian President vows to expand ties with Iran. At a time when families in southern Israel constantly live in fear of Qassam rocket attacks from Hamas-controlled Gaza, the incoming Egyptian President vows to expand ties with Hamas. As for relations with Israel, we should not

paper over the most obvious reason for alarm. While the incoming President has recently pledged to honor the Camp David Accords, it is our responsibility to ensure that the U.S. goodwill is not taken advantage of and painfully looked upon as naive.

We must understand that the Muslim Brotherhood has a very clear history of opposing the peace treaty. Six weeks ago, incoming President Mohammed Morsi stated: "Jihad is our path, and death for the sake of Allah is our most lofty aspiration."

While we welcome the democratic process, Mr. Speaker, this result is nothing to cheer. We must not be in denial of what the Muslim Brotherhood really wants.

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#### TRIBUTE TO WENDY WAYNE

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

Mr. MCCARTHY of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor longtime Bakersfield icon, Wendy Wayne, who passed away on June 17 after a 4-year struggle with cancer. Wendy was the type of person who would go out of the way for those in need, personally taking action to make sure that those in need were helped. She was instrumental in leading the Community Connection for Child Care in Bakersfield, and later the First 5 Kern organization which served the youth of our community.

One of my fondest memories is from just 2 years ago when Wendy joined me in this House. She was my guest for the State of the Union. Sometimes we had philosophical differences, but it never changed our friendship.

Wendy will forever be known as the Mother Teresa of Bakersfield. She will be missed, but her deeds and her life will not be forgotten.

#### HONORING KYLE R. SCHNEIDER

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

Ms. BUERKLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Corporal Kyle R. Schneider. Kyle R. Schneider was born on January 8, 1988, to Richard and Lorie Schneider. He was raised in the Baldwinsville, New York, area with his brother, Kevin. Kyle was a graduate of Baker High School in Baldwinsville and attended Onondaga Community College for 1 year in the criminal justice program. While at Baker High School, he played baseball, football, and ran track. He loved the outdoors and was an avid hunter and fisherman.

In March 2008, Kyle joined the United States Marine Corps and in January of 2011 was assigned to the 3rd Platoon and deployed to Afghanistan in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. In defense of our Nation, Kyle was killed in the Helmand province, Afghanistan, on

June 30, 2011, by an improvised explosive device. Kyle Schneider was 23 years old.

As we commemorate the first anniversary of his death, let us honor the service and sacrifice of Corporal Kyle R. Schneider. He is an American hero. He was a proud and valiant marine. He was also a son, a brother, a grandson, a fiancée, friend, and comrade. Kyle is greatly missed, and no words will diminish the grief of those who knew and loved him. In his death, Kyle R. Schneider has earned the thanks of a grateful Nation.

#### STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATES

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

Mr. CLARKE of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, today this House voted to extend the cap on student loan interest rates, or at least certain student loans, for an additional year. That's fine, but it's only a Band-Aid. Over 1 million Americans, and this is just one box of many that contains petition signatures, say that they want more relief. They want their student loan debt cut, reduced, and excessive debt forgiven.

So let's listen to more than 1 million Americans who want the student loan debt forgiven in this country so we can give people hope and create jobs.

#### TEMPORARY SURFACE TRANSPORTATION EXTENSION ACT OF 2012

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure; Ways and Means; Natural Resources; Energy and Commerce; Science, Space, and Technology; and Education and the Workforce be discharged from further consideration of the bill (H.R. 6064) to provide an extension of Federal-aid highway, highway safety, motor carrier safety, transit, and other programs funded out of the Highway Trust Fund pending enactment of a multiyear law reauthorizing such programs, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FLEISCHMANN). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 6064

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS; SPECIAL RULE FOR EXECUTION OF AMENDMENTS IN MAP-21; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the "Temporary Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2012".

(b) RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS.—The Secretary of Transportation shall reduce the amount apportioned or allocated for a program, project, or activity under this Act in