wriggle room because what we care about is whether kids are learning, not whether they spend 5 minutes or 2 hours doing it. I've talked to folks who use apprenticeships, who use online education, and we should hold them accountable for results where there is taxpayer money at hand, but at the same time we want to make sure that there's a backstop for what I think folks on both side agree exist, which is waste, fraud, and abuse in the system. What my amendment would do is replace the specifics of these regulations with a directive to the Department of Education to come up with an alternative plan that protects taxpayer dollars and students' rights.

This would make sure that we can deal with many of the issues raised by the inspector general, not by providing an overly arching and rigid definition of time that's a necessary part of education but, rather, by requesting and requiring that the Secretary come up with ideas that are consistent with the future of education towards combating waste, fraud, and abuse.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. FOXX. Madam Chair, I rise in opposition to the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The gentlewoman from North Carolina is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. FOXX. Madam Chair, I appreciate the very positive comments that my colleague from Colorado has made about the underlying bill. I hope very much that he will support it. I appreciate, actually, serving with him on the Rules Committee and the often commonsense approaches that he brings to legislation that we're reviewing. However, I have to say reluctantly that I am opposing his amendment.

I don't think, again, that we need to ask the Department of Education to present more plans or more rules and regulations. It is certainly doing a lot to present rules and regulations that are totally unnecessary.

Next year we will have the reauthorization of the higher education bill. As I think most people know, the Speaker has asked all the committees, all the subcommittees to exercise their oversight responsibilities, and we are certainly doing that and will continue to do that. Therefore, I think that the gentleman from Colorado's amendment is unnecessary, and I oppose it.

I reserve the balance of my time.

#### □ 1450

Mr. POLIS. Madam Chair, I think that, again, my amendment would provide sufficient flexibility to accommodate alternative higher-education settings. The reason we're talking about rules and preventing fraud, waste, and abuse is not somehow the government is going someplace that's unwarranted; but these are Federal student loans, these are Federal programs we're talking about. We do not want taxpayers to be ripped off, and we do not want students to be ripped off. I believe that directing the Secretary to come up with

an alternative plan to the one we're stripping out would go a long way toward accomplishing that.

And I agree with the gentlewoman from North Carolina. Fundamentally, many of these issues need to be discussed during the reauthorization of the Higher Education Act; and I hope that she will join me at that point, yes, on freeing up the inputs-based measurements, but equally, if not more important, making sure we hold the recipients of taxpayer-funded programs accountable for the outcomes.

And there is no perfect outcome-based measurement—we know this from K-12 education as well—but even a mediocre one is better than none. And I think it will fall upon this Congress to do that. I think that this bill facilitates that discussion; but should it become law, I would certainly hope that my colleagues on both sides of the aisle can join me in supporting this commonsense directive to ensure that waste, fraud, and abuse do not enter the system along with freeing up innovation and thoughtful new ways to educate kids.

I urge my colleagues to join me on voting "yes" on this amendment, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. FOXX. Madam Chairman, again, I appreciate the sentiments of my colleague from Colorado; but I would say to him that there is absolutely nothing to prevent the Secretary of Education from coming to the Education and Workforce Committee and presenting his ideas on where there is waste, fraud, and abuse. We would be more than happy to do that. Most of what we hear from the administration is spend, spend, spend, not how can we save money, but spend, spend, spend, spend.

All of us want to make sure that every dime of taxpayers' money is well spent, and I can assure you that members of my committee want to see that the money is well spent, and we'll be working on that issue as we have been working on it, as will all the Republican majorities in the House do that.

Madam Chairman, I yield back the balance of my time and urge my colleagues to vote "no" on the amendment.

The Acting CHAIR. The question is on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. POLIS).

The question was taken; and the Acting Chair announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Ms. FOXX. Madam Chairman, I demand a recorded vote.

The Acting CHAIR. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, further proceedings on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Colorado will be postponed.

Ms. FOXX. Madam Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. FOXX) having assumed the chair, Mrs. EMERSON, 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. 2117) to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, had come to no resolution thereon.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 53 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

#### □ 1515

#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Benishek) at 3 o'clock and 15 minutes p.m.

# PROTECTING ACADEMIC FREEDOM IN HIGHER EDUCATION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 563 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. 2117.

#### □ 1516

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. 2117) to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, with Mrs. EMERSON (Acting Chair) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The Acting CHAIR. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, a request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 5 printed in House Report 112–404 by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. Polis) had been postponed.

Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments printed in House Report 112-404 on which further proceedings were postponed, in the following order:

Amendment No. 1 by Mr. GRIJALVA of Arizona.

Amendment No. 4 by Mr. BISHOP of New York.

Amendment No. 5 by Mr. Polis of Colorado.

The Chair will reduce to 2 minutes the minimum time for any electronic vote after the first vote in this series.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 OFFERED BY MR. GRIJALVA

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. GRIJALVA) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

#### 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 170, noes 247, not voting 16, as follows:

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	[Roll No. 75]	
	AYES—170	
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Ackerman Altmire		Olver Pallone
Andrews	Green, Al Green, Gene	Pascrell
Baca	Grijalva	Pastor (AZ)
Baldwin	Gutierrez	Pelosi
Barrow	Hahn	Perlmutter
Bass (CA)	Hanabusa	Peters
Becerra	Hastings (FL)	
Berkley	Heinrich	Peterson
Berman	Higgins	Pingree (ME) Polis
Bishop (GA)	Himes	
Bishop (NY)	Hinchey	Price (NC)
Blumenauer	Hirono	Quigley Rahall
Boswell	Hochul	
Brady (PA)	Holden	Reyes Richardson
Braley (IA)	Holt	Richmond
Brown (FL)	Honda	
Butterfield	Hoyer	Rothman (NJ) Roybal-Allard
Capps	Inslee	Ruppersberger
Capuano	Israel	Rush
Carnahan	Jackson Lee	Ryan (OH)
Carney	(TX)	Sánchez, Linda
Carson (IN)	Johnson (GA)	T.
Castor (FL)	Johnson, E. B.	Sanchez, Loretta
Chandler	Keating	Sarbanes
Chu	Kildee	Schakowsky
Cicilline	Kind	Schiff
Clarke (MI)	Kissell	Schwartz
Clarke (NY)	Kucinich	Scott (VA)
Clyburn Cohen	Largevin	Scott, David
Connolly (VA)	Larsen (WA) Larson (CT)	Serrano
Conyers	Levin	Sewell
Cooper	Lewis (GA)	Sherman
Costa	Lipinski	Shuler
Courtney	Loebsack	Sires
Crowley	Lofgren, Zoe	Slaughter
Cuellar	Lowey	Smith (WA)
Cummings	Luján	Speier
Davis (CA)	Maloney	Stark
DeFazio	Markey	Sutton
DeGette	Matsui	Thompson (CA)
DeLauro	McCarthy (NY)	Thompson (MS)
Deutch	McCollum	Tierney
Dicks	McDermott	Tonko
Dingell	McGovern	Tsongas Van Hollen
Doggett	McIntyre	Van Honen Velázquez
Doyle Edwards	McNerney	Verazquez Visclosky
Ellison	Meeks Michaud	Wasserman
Engel	Miller (NC)	Schultz
Eshoo	Miller, George	Waters
Farr	Moore	Watt
Fattah	Moran	Waxman
Filner	Murphy (CT)	Welch
Frank (MA)	Nadler	Wilson (FL)
Fudge	Napolitano	Woolsey
Garamendi	Neal	Yarmuth

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Adams	Bonner	Chaffetz
Aderholt	Bono Mack	Coble
Alexander	Boren	Coffman (CO)
Amash	Boustany	Cole
Amodei	Brady (TX)	Conaway
Austria	Brooks	Costello
Bachmann	Broun (GA)	Cravaack
Bachus	Buchanan	Crawford
Barletta	Bucshon	Crenshaw
Bartlett	Buerkle	Critz
Barton (TX)	Burgess	Culberson
Bass (NH)	Burton (IN)	Davis (KY)
Benishek	Calvert	Denham
Berg	Camp	Dent
Biggert	Campbell	DesJarlais
Bilbray	Canseco	Diaz-Balart
Bilirakis	Cantor	Dold
Bishop (UT)	Capito	Donnelly (IN)
Black	Carter	Dreier
Blackburn	Cassidy	Duffy
Bonamici	Chabot	Duncan (SC)

Duncan (TN) Lamborn Rivera. Ellmers Roby Roe (TN) Lance Emerson Lankford Farenthold Latham Rogers (AL) LaTourette Fincher Rogers (KY) Fitzpatrick Latta Rogers (MI) Lewis (CA) Flake Rohrabacher Fleischmann LoBiondo Rokita Fleming Long Rooney Ros-Lehtinen Flores Lucas Luetkemeyer Roskam Forbes Fortenberry Lummis Ross (AR) Lungren, Daniel Ross (FL) Foxx Franks (AZ) Royce Frelinghuvsen Mack Runyan Manzullo Ryan (WI) Gallegly Gardner Marchant Scalise Garrett Gerlach Marino Schilling Matheson Schmidt Gibbs McCarthy (CA) Schock Gibson McCaul Schrader Gingrey (GA) McClintock Schweikert Gohmert McCotter Scott (SC) Scott Austin Goodlatte McHenry Gowdy McKeon Sensenbrenner Sessions Granger McKinley Graves (GA) McMorris Shimkus Graves (MO) Rodgers Shuster Simpson Smith (NE) Griffin (AR) Meehan Griffith (VA) Mica Miller (FL) Guinta Smith (NJ) Guthrie Miller (MI) Smith (TX) Hall Miller, Garv Southerland Hanna Mulvaney Stearns Harper Murphy (PA) Stivers Stutzman Harris Myrick Neugebauer Hartzler Sullivan Hastings (WA) Terry Thompson (PA) Noem Havworth Nugent Heck Nunes Thornberry Hensarling Nunnelee Tiberi Olson Tipton Herger Herrera Beutler Owens Towns Turner (NY) Huelskamp Palazzo Huizenga (MI) Turner (OH) Paul Hultgren Paulsen Upton Hunter Pearce Walberg Hurt Pence Walden Petri Walsh (IL) Jenkins Pitts Walz (MN) Johnson (IL) Platts Webster Johnson (OH) Poe (TX) West Westmoreland Johnson, Sam Pompeo Jones Posey Whitfield Price (GA) Jordan Wilson (SC) Wittman Kelly Quayle King (IA) Reed Wolf King (NY) Rehberg Womack Woodall Kingston Reichert Kinzinger (IL) Renacci Yoder Young (FL) Young (IN) Kline Ribble Labrador Rigell NOT VOTING-16

Akin	Grimm	Lynch
Cardoza	Hinojosa	Payne
Clay	Jackson (IL)	Rangel
Cleaver	Kaptur	Young (AK)
Davis (IL)	Landry	
Gosar	Lee (CA)	

#### □ 1543

Mr. STIVERS, Ms. BONAMICI, and Messrs. OWENS and HARRIS changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

Messrs. HINCHEY, CUELLAR, CARSON of Indiana, Ms. EDWARDS, and Mr. KEATING changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. HINOJOSA. Madam Chair, on rollcall No. 75, had I been present, I would have voted "ave."

(By unanimous consent, Mr. LATOURETTE was allowed to speak out of order.)

Mr. LATOURETTE. I thank my colleagues for their attention.

Madam Chair, sadly, in a set of occurrences that is becoming all too frequent in our country, yesterday, at 7:40 a.m., in the town of Chardon, Ohio—for those of you that aren't familiar with our part of the world, about 25 miles east of Cleveland—allegedly, a student brought a gun into the cafeteria of the high school, opened fire and shot five of the students.

As I stand here today, three of those students have succumbed to the injuries received and have passed away. Two continue to be under medical care.

I would indicate that in these tragedies there are also items of heroism. An assistant coach at Chardon High School, Frank Hall, chased the gunman out of the high school at great risk to himself, but perhaps saving further tragedy.

So, Madam Chair, on behalf of all of my colleagues, Republicans and Democrats in the State of Ohio, I would ask the House to observe a moment of silence in honor of the fallen, the staff at the school, their families, and the city of Chardon.

AMENDMENT NO. 4 OFFERED BY MR. BISHOP OF NEW YORK

The Acting CHAIR. Without objection, 2-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. BISHOP) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

### RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The Acting CHAIR. This is a 2-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 160, noes 255, not voting 18, as follows:

# [Roll No. 76]

#### AYES-160

AYES-160			
Ackerman	Connolly (VA)	Gonzalez	
Altmire	Conyers	Green, Al	
Baca	Cooper	Green, Gene	
Baldwin	Costa	Grijalva	
Barton (TX)	Costello	Gutierrez	
Bass (CA)	Courtney	Hahn	
Becerra	Crowley	Hanabusa	
Berkley	Cuellar	Hastings (FL)	
Berman	Cummings	Heinrich	
Bishop (GA)	Davis (CA)	Higgins	
Bishop (NY)	Davis (IL)	Himes	
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Hinchey	
Bonamici	DeGette	Hinojosa	
Boswell	DeLauro	Hirono	
Brady (PA)	Deutch	Honda	
Braley (IA)	Dicks	Hoyer	
Brown (FL)	Dingell	Israel	
Butterfield	Doggett	Jackson Lee	
Capps	Donnelly (IN)	(TX)	
Capuano	Doyle	Johnson (GA)	
Carney	Edwards	Johnson, E. B.	
Carson (IN)	Ellison	Keating	
Castor (FL)	Eshoo	Kildee	
Chu	Farr	Kind	
Cicilline	Fattah	Kucinich	
Clarke (MI)	Filner	Langevin	
Clarke (NY)	Frank (MA)	Larsen (WA)	
Clyburn	Fudge	Larson (CT)	

Garamendi

Levin

Cohen

Walsh (IL)

Walz (MN)

Westmoreland

Webster

Whitfield

Wittman

Womack

Woodall

Young (FL)

Young (IN)

Yoder

Wilson (SC)

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Lewis (GA) Lipinski Lofgren, Zoe Lowey Luián Lynch Malonev Markey Matsui McCarthy (NY) McCollum McDermott McGovern McNerney Meeks Michaud Miller (NC) Miller, George Moore Moran Murphy (CT) Nadler Napolitano Neal Olver Pallone

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Thompson (CA) Thompson (MS) Tiernev Tonko Tsongas Van Hollen Velázquez Visclosky Wasserman Schultz Waters Watt Waxman Welch Wilson (FL) Woolsey Yarmuth

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Gingrey (GA)

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Granger

Grimm

Guinta

Hall

Hanna

Harper

Harris

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Hochul

Holden

Holt

Hartzler

Hayworth

Hensarling

Huelskamp

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King (IA)

King (NY)

Kingston

Labrador

Lamborn

Lankford

LaTourette

Lewis (CA)

LoBiondo

Loebsack

Lummis

Luetkemeyer

Latham

Latta

Long

Fleming

Flores

Forbes

Kissell

Kline

Lance

Kinzinger (IL)

Jenkins

Johnson (IL)

Johnson (OH)

Johnson, Sam

Issa.

Huizenga (MI)

Hastings (WA)

Herrera Beutler

Guthrie

Graves (GA)

Graves (MO)

Griffin (AR)

Griffith (VA)

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Rogers (AL)

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Rogers (MI)

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE ACTING CHAIR

The Acting CHAIR (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

#### $\Box$ 1552

So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

# AMENDMENT NO. 5 OFFERED BY MR. POLIS

The Acting CHAIR. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. Polis) which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The Clerk redesignated the amendment.

#### RECORDED VOTE

The Acting CHAIR. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

CHAIR. This is a The Acting minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 199, noes 217, not voting 17, as follows:

# [Roll No. 77]

#### AYES-199

Ackerman Conyers Gonzalez Altmire Cooper Green, Al Baca Costa Green, Gene Baldwin Costello Grijalva Barrow Courtney Gutierrez Bass (CA) Hahn Critz Crowley Hanabusa Becerra Berkley Cuellar Hanna Hastings (FL) Cummings Berman Heinrich Biggert Davis (CA) Bishop (GA) Davis (IL) Higgins Bishop (NY DeFazio Himes Hinchey Blumenauer DeGette Bonamici DeLauro Hinojosa Boren Dent Hirono Deutch Boswell Hochul Brady (PA) Dicks Holden Dingell Braley (IA) Holt Brown (FL) Honda Doggett Butterfield Dold Hover Donnelly (IN) Capito Inslee Capps Doyle Israel Capuano Edwards Jackson Lee Carney Ellison (TX) Johnson (GA) Carson (IN) Engel Castor (FL) Johnson, E. B. Eshoo Chandler Farr Keating Chu Cicilline Fattah Kildee Filner Kind Clarke (MI) Fitzpatrick Kingston Clarke (NY) Fudge Garamendi Kissell Kucinich Clyburn Coffman (CO) Gardner Lance Langevin Cohen Gerlach Larsen (WA) Connolly (VA) Gibson

Larson (CT) Levin Lewis (GA) Lipinski Loebsack Lofgren, Zoe Lowey Luján Lynch Malonev Markey Matheson Matsui McCarthy (NY) McClintock McDermott McIntyre McNernev Meehan Meeks Michaud Miller (MI) Miller (NC) Miller, George Moran Murphy (CT) Nadler Napolitano Neal Olver Owens

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Adams Frank (MA) Franks (AZ) Aderholt Alexander Frelinghuysen Amash Gallegly Amodei Garrett Andrews Gibbs Austria Gingrey (GA) Bachmann Gohmert Bachus Goodlatte Barletta Gosar Bartlett Gowdy Barton (TX) Granger Graves (GA) Bass (NH) Benishek Graves (MO) Griffin (AR) Berg Bilbray Griffith (VA) Bilirakis Grimm Bishop (UT) Guinta Guthrie Blackburn Hall Harper Bonner Bono Mack Boustany Hartzler Hastings (WA) Brady (TX) Brooks Hayworth Broun (GA) Heck Hensarling Buchanan Bucshon Herger Herrera Beutler Buerkle Burgess Huelskamp Huizenga (MI) Burton (IN) Calvert Hultgren Camp Hunter Campbell Hurt Canseco Issa Jenkins Carter Cassidy Johnson (IL) Chabot Johnson (OH) Chaffetz Johnson, Sam Coble Jones Cole Jordan Conaway Kelly Cravaack King (IA) Crawford King (NY) Crenshaw Kinzinger (IL) Culberson Kline Labrador Davis (KY) Denham Lamborn DesJarlais Lankford Diaz-Balart Latham Dreier LaTourette Duffv Latta Duncan (SC) Lewis (CA) Ellmers LoBiondo Emerson Long Farenthold Lucas Fincher Luetkemeyer Flake Lummis Lungren, Daniel Fleischmann Fleming E. Mack Flores Forbes Manzullo

Fortenberry

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McCarthy (CA) McCaul McCotter McHenry McKeon McKinley McMorris Rodgers Mica Miller (FL) Miller, Garv Mulvanev Murphy (PA) Myrick Neugebauer Noem Nugent Nunes Nunnelee Olson Palazzo Paul Pearce Pence Petri Pitts Platts Poe (TX) Pompeo Posey Price (GA) Quavle Reed Rehberg Renacci Rivera Robv Roe (TN) Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY Rogers (MI) Rohrabacher Rokita Rooney Ros-Lehtinen Roskam Ross (FL) Royce Runyan Ryan (WI) Scalise Schmidt Schock Schweikert Scott (SC) Scott, Austin Sensenbrenner Sessions Shimkus Shuler Shuster Simpson Smith (NE)

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Southerland	Turner (OH)	Wittman
Stivers	Walberg	Wolf
Stutzman	Walden	Womack
Sullivan	Walsh (IL)	Woodall
Terry	Webster	Yoder
Thompson (PA)	West	Young (FL)
Thornberry	Westmoreland	Young (IN)

#### NOT VOTING-17

Akin Duncan (TN) Payne Cantor Jackson (IL) Rangel Cardoza Kaptur Reichert Carnahan Landry Ruppersberger Lee (CA) Clay Young (AK) Cleaver McCollum

#### □ 1557

Messrs. GRIFFIN of Arkansas and CAMP changed their vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. TIPTON changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. AKIN. Madam Chair, on rollcall Nos. 75, 76 and 77, I was delayed and unable to vote. Had I been present I would have voted "no" on all three.

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

The amendment was agreed to.

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

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. CHAFFETZ) having assumed the chair, Mrs. EMERSON, 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. 2117) to prohibit the Department of Education from overreaching into academic affairs and program eligibility under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, and, pursuant to House Resolution 563, reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on the amendment to the amendment reported from the Committee of the Whole?

If not, the question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended.

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

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentlewoman opposed to the bill?

Mrs. CAPPS. Yes, I am opposed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mrs. Capps moves to recommit the bill H.R. 2117 to the Committee on Education and the Workforce with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith, with the following amendment:

At the end of the bill add the following:

(c) PROTECTING STUDENTS FROM HIGHER LOAN COSTS AND A DEVALUED EDUCATIONAL DEGREE.—Nothing in subsection (b) shall limit the authority of the Secretary of Education to promulgate or enforce any regulation or rule under title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965—

(1) for the purpose of reducing the cost of higher education for students; or

(2) during any year in which the interest rate for subsidized Direct Federal Stafford Loans used to purchase credit hours under such title is higher than 3.4 percent.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman from California is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, there are many times when we come to this floor and engage in heated debate, and we've heard some heated debate on this bill. But my final amendment offers us the opportunity to come together and to do something extraordinarily important: to contain the escalating cost of higher education. I want to be clear: passing this amendment will not prevent the passing of the underlying bill. If it's adopted, my amendment will be incorporated into the bill, and the bill will be immediately voted upon. Regardless of how one feels about the bill, we should all agree on a major problem facing students and their families.

#### □ 1600

I'm talking about the skyrocketing cost of higher education putting the American Dream way out of reach for far too many students.

Mr. Speaker, my final amendment is very simple. It says that nothing in this bill should limit the Secretary's ability to reduce the cost of higher education for students.

In 2007, Democrats, working with President Bush, lowered the interest rates on need-based student loans to 3.4 percent at no cost to taxpayers. This change is saving college graduates thousands of dollars in student loan payments. But unless we act soon, the interest rates on these loans will double this summer. That will cost more than 7 million student borrowers at colleges and universities across the country more than \$2,800 in additional interest payments.

Mr. Speaker, students cannot afford graduating from college with mortgage-size debt. Student loan debt now surpasses overall credit card debt. We can do something about this.

We need our graduates to be developing the next clean energy source and discovering the cures for life-threatening diseases. We need them to fill vital jobs in our communities, such as nurses, teachers, firefighters, and police. We don't need them to leave school overwhelmed by student loan payments, and we don't want them avoiding higher education in the first place due to the threat of crushing debt. Instead, we should make sure

they are prepared for good-paying jobs in the global marketplace, and we can do that by making college more affordable.

But, incredibly, this bill limits the Education Secretary's ability to protect students and taxpayers from higher education costs. With more than \$200 billion in aid distributed each year, the Secretary must have the tools to lower costs for students and their families and to protect our Nation's investment in education. We shouldn't be tying the Secretary's hands at a time when we must be utilizing every tool available to keep college costs down. In particular, we should not do this while students face a potential doubling of interest rates on their loans, which will happen this summer if Congress doesn't take action now. The cost of borrowing for a student loan is already too high. Let's not make the problem

Again, my amendment simply states that nothing in the bill shall limit the Secretary's ability to reduce the cost of higher education for students, something we can all agree upon.

So I urge a vote to lower costs for students and hardworking American families, and I'm pleased to yield to my distinguished colleague from California (Mr. George Miller).

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. I thank the gentlewoman for yielding, and I thank her for offering this motion to recommit.

I say to my colleagues here in the House, this is a very simple proposition. If Congress fails to act in July of this year, interest rates on student loans will double. And if those interest rates on student loans double, that means that the average borrower will pay another \$2,800, almost \$3,000, in additional interest.

At a time when families and students will be paying higher interest rates than any time in the recent past, we ought to make sure that the Secretary has the authority to make—that they understand that they get value for what they're buying, that they don't get overcharged, and that they're not the subject of fraud, abuse, and waste in the system when people try to overcharge them for the number of units that they are offering them. We cannot let these students go into areas unprotected when interest rates are about to double.

Congress can solve this problem by retaining the interest rates at three-quarters percent and be done with this issue, and the legislation will go forward. But if we don't protect the students and their families from the increase in interest rates, then the Secretary retains the authority to make sure that they are not subject to waste, fraud, and abuse when they are borrowing money to pay for their education.

I thank the gentlewoman for introducing her legislation.

Mrs. CAPPS. I urge a "yes" vote on the motion to recommit, and I yield back the balance of my time.

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Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman from North Carolina is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. FOXX. Mr. Speaker, we don't need this motion to recommit. My colleagues should all vote against it. We have a situation where our colleagues across the aisle want to take the Secretary of Education and make him a Czar of Education.

We, on our side of the aisle, are very much concerned about the cost of a college education, and we've done a lot to make college accessible and affordable for students in this country. Mr. Speaker, Republicans are very much concerned about the cost of going to college ourselves. We want to reduce the cost of going to college. Our subcommittee has had hearings on this. There are many ways to do this. But having the Federal Government establish price controls is not the way to do

The Federal Government, in fact, has encouraged too much borrowing. Because the Federal Government has been such a big borrower itself, it has established that kind of mentality across the country.

So we'd like to see the level of borrowing reduced. We'd like to see the level of debt and deficit go down so that the economy would rebound, people could get jobs, and those who do have debt would be able to better deal with that debt.

We do not need more government rules and regulations. We don't need the Federal Government picking winners and losers, and we don't need this kind of authority ceded to the Secretary of the Department of Education. The Congress needs to be dealing with these issues. We are dealing with the issues. The underlying bill deals with the issues because we reduced the role of the Federal Government and rules and regulations.

Higher education has policed itself very well over the years. We need to pass the underlying bill and reject the motion to recommit.

With that, 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

Mrs. CAPPS. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the minimum time for any electronic vote on the question of passage.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 176, noes 241, not voting 16, as follows:

#### [Roll No. 78] AYES-176

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Schakowsky

Pastor (AZ)

Perlmutter

Pingree (ME)

Price (NC)

Richardson

Richmond

Ross (AR.)

Rothman (NJ)

Roybal-Allard

Ruppersberger

Sánchez, Linda

Sanchez, Loretta

Ryan (OH)

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Crenshaw

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Emerson

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Farenthold

Fitzpatrick

Fleischmann

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#### NOT VOTING-

Akin Jackson (IL) Payne Cardoza Rangel Lankford Cassidy Smith (NJ) Clay Yarmuth Cleaver McMorris Young (AK) Rodgers

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

#### □ 1624

So the motion to recommit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated against:

Mr. CASSIDY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 78, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present. I would have voted "no."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. question is on the passage of the bill.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

# RECORDED VOTE

Mr. KLINE. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 303, noes 114, not voting 16, as follows:

> [Roll No. 79] AYES-303

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#### NOT VOTING-16

Akin Hunter Murphy (CT) Cardoza Israel Payne Jackson (IL) Clay Rangel Cleaver Landry Young (AK) Lee (CA) Crawford McHenry

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There is 1 minute remaining.

#### $\sqcap$ 1631

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. CRAWFORD. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 79, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present. I would have voted "ave."

Mr. McHENRY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 79. I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

# PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. AKIN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 78 and 79, I was delayed and unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on No. 78, and "aye" on No. 79.

ON RESOLUTION REPORT PRO-VIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1837, SACRAMENTO-SAN JOA-QUIN VALLEY WATER RELI-ABILITY ACT

Mr. BISHOP of Utah, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 112-405) on the resolution (H. Res. 566) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1837) to address certain water-related concerns on the San Joaquin River, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will postpone further proceedings today on the motion to suspend the rules on which a recorded vote or the yeas and nays are ordered, or on which the vote incurs objection under clause 6 of rule XX.

Any record vote on the postponed question will be taken later.

#### PRIVATE PROPERTY RIGHTS PROTECTION ACT OF 2012

Mr. SMITH of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 1433) to protect private property rights, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The text of the bill is as follows:

#### H.R. 1433

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

#### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Private Property Rights Protection Act of 2012".

#### SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON EMINENT DOMAIN ABUSE BY STATES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—No State or political subdivision of a State shall exercise its power of eminent domain, or allow the exercise of such power by any person or entity to which such power has been delegated, over property to be used for economic development or over property that is used for economic development within 7 years after that exercise, if that State or political subdivision receives Federal economic development funds during any fiscal year in which the property is so used or intended to be used.

(b) INELIGIBILITY FOR FEDERAL FUNDS.—A violation of subsection (a) by a State or political subdivision shall render such State or political subdivision ineligible for any Federal economic development funds for a period of 2 fiscal years following a final judgment on the merits by a court of competent jurisdiction that such subsection has been violated, and any Federal agency charged with distributing those funds shall withhold them for such 2-year period, and any such funds distributed to such State or political subdivision shall be returned or reimbursed by such State or political subdivision to the appropriate Federal agency or authority of the Federal Government, or component thereof.

(c) Opportunity To Cure Violation.—A State or political subdivision shall not be ineligible for any Federal economic development funds under subsection (b) if such State or political subdivision returns all real property the taking of which was found by a court of competent jurisdiction to have constituted a violation of subsection (a) and replaces any other property destroyed and repairs any other property damaged as a result of such violation. In addition, the State must pay applicable penalties and interest to reattain eligibility.

# SEC. 3. PROHIBITION ON EMINENT DOMAIN ABUSE BY THE FEDERAL GOVERN-MENT.

The Federal Government or any authority of the Federal Government shall not exercise its power of eminent domain to be used for economic development.

### SEC. 4. PRIVATE RIGHT OF ACTION.

(a) CAUSE OF ACTION.—Any (1) owner of private property whose property is subject to