

and see them quickly and efficiently and the most up-to-date reporting.

And with that, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. ESTY. Madam Speaker, again, this is one of those ultrarare instances where we have bipartisan support, where we can save money, improve efficiency, and have greater transparency and accessibility to taxpayers.

I wanted to flag just a couple of other items that illustrate this point.

We are going to be taking up the surface transportation bill, a very important bill coming up later this year. Well, some of the reports related to that bill have to do with the infrastructure investment need. That report has always come at the wrong time. It has come after we have already looked at the highway transportation bill. So this bill, among other things, aligns the reports to be available and ready for Congress, ready for stakeholders, ready for the public to evaluate at the time we are considering important legislation on behalf of the American people.

So, again, this is an important initiative. I would urge not only support for what we have done under Chairman SHUSTER's excellent leadership, but for other committees in Congress to join us in reviewing what the GAO has provided at our request, to review those lists of agency reports and to find other ways that we can save money, expedite delivery of important information, both to Congress to facilitate our oversight as well as to make it available to the public so they can oversee what we are doing and ensure that we are spending taxpayer dollars in the most effective way possible.

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Again, I want to thank the chairman for his leadership on this and many other initiatives. It is a wonderful committee. We have important work to do, and this will help us get that work done.

Madam Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentlelady from Connecticut for her kind words and for all of her hard work on the committee. We have been working very hard in a bipartisan manner. There aren't many things in this Congress that really bring people together; but when it comes to transportation and infrastructure, that is certainly one of them. We will continue to work together.

Again, this bill is a good-government bill. I urge all of my colleagues to vote "yes" on H.R. 3628, which again eliminates and consolidates 27 congressionally mandated reports. It is good government, saves money, and increases transparency.

With that, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SHUSTER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 3628.

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. SHUSTER. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

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. 724, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 3527, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 3628, 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.

CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 724) to amend the Clean Air Act to remove the requirement for dealer certification of new light-duty motor vehicles, 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 Ohio (Mr. LATTA) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 405, nays 0, not voting 26, as follows:

[Roll No. 2]

YEAS—405

Aderholt
Amash
Andrews
Bachmann
Bachus
Barber
Barletta
Barr
Barrow (GA)
Bass
Beatty
Becerra
Benishok
Bentivolio
Bera (CA)
Billirakis
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Bishop (UT)
Black
Blackburn
Blumenauer
Bonamici
Boustany
Brady (PA)
Brady (TX)
Braley (IA)
Bridenstine
Brooks (AL)
Brooks (IN)
Broun (GA)
Brown (FL)
Brownley (CA)
Buchanan

Burgess
Bustos
Butterfield
Calvert
Camp
Campbell
Cantor
Capito
Capps
Capuano
Cárdenas
Carney
Carson (IN)
Carter
Cartwright
Cassidy
Castor (FL)
Castro (TX)
Chabot
Chaffetz
Chu
Cicilline
Clark (MA)
Clarke (NY)
Clay
Clyburn
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Coffman
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Cole
Collins (GA)
Collins (NY)
Conaway
Connolly

Conyers
Cook
Cooper
Costa
Cotton
Courtney
Cramer
Crawford
Crenshaw
Cuellar
Culberson
Cummings
Daines
Davis (CA)
Davis, Danny
Davis, Rodney
DeFazio
DeGette
Delaney
DeLauro
DelBene
Denham
Dent
DeSantis
DesJarlais
Deutch
Diaz-Balart
Dingell
Doggett
Doyle
Collins (GA)
Collins (NY)
Conaway
Connolly

Edwards
Ellison
Ellmers
Engel
Enyart
Eshoo
Esty
Farenthold
Fattah
Fincher
Fitzpatrick
Fleischmann
Fleming
Flores
Forbes
Fortenberry
Foster
Foxy
Franks (AZ)
Frelinghuysen
Fudge
Galleo
Garamendi
Garcia
Gardner
Garrett
Gerlach
Gibbs
Gibson
Gingrey (GA)
Gohmert
Goodlatte
Gosar
Gowdy
Granger
Graves (GA)
Graves (MO)
Grayson
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Griffin (AR)
Griffith (VA)
Grijalva
Grimm
Gutiérrez
Hahn
Hall
Hanabusa
Hanna
Harper
Harris
Hartzler
Hastings (FL)
Hastings (WA)
Heck (WA)
Hensarling
Herrera Beutler
Higgins
Himes
Hinojosa
Holding
Holt
Honda
Horsford
Hoyer
Hudson
Huelskamp
Huffman
Huizenga (MI)
Hunter
Hurt
Israel
Issa
Jackson Lee
Jeffries
Jenkins
Johnson (GA)
Johnson (OH)
Johnson, E. B.
Johnson, Sam
Jordan
Joyce
Kaptur
Keating
Kelly (IL)
Kelly (PA)
Kennedy
Kildee
Kilmer
Kind
King (IA)
King (NY)
Kingston
Kinzinger (IL)
Kirkpatrick
Kline
Kuster
Labrador
LaMalfa

Lamborn
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Larson (CT)
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Latta
Lee (CA)
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Lewis
Lipinski
LoBiondo
Loebsock
Lofgren
Long
Lowenthal
Lowe
Lucas
Luetkemeyer
Lujan Grisham
(NM)
Luján, Ben Ray
(NM)
Lummis
Lynch
Maffei
Maloney
Maloney, Sean
Marchant
Marino
Massie
Matheson
Matsui
McAllister
McCarthy (CA)
McCaul
McClintock
McCollum
McDermott
McGovern
McHenry
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinley
McMorris
Rodgers
McNerney
Meadows
Meehan
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Mica
Michaud
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Miller, George
Moore
Moran
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Mulvaney
Murphy (FL)
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Nadler
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Neal
Negrete McLeod
Neugebauer
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Owens
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Pascarelli
Pastor (AZ)
Paulsen
Payne
Pearce
Pelosi
Perlmutter
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Peters (CA)
Peters (MI)
Peterson
Petri
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Pitts
Pocan
Poe (TX)
Polis
Pompeo
Posey
Price (GA)
Price (NC)

Quigley
Radel
Rahall
Rangel
Reed
Reichert
Renacci
Rice (SC)
Richmond
Rigell
Roby
Roe (TN)
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Rooney
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Ross
Rothfus
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ruiz
Runyan
Ryan (OH)
Ryan (WI)
Salmon
Sanchez, Loretta
Sanford
Sarbanes
Scalise
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schneider
Schock
Schradler
Schweikert
Scott (VA)
Scott, Austin
Scott, David
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Sessions
Sewell (AL)
Shea-Porter
Sherman
Shimkus
Shuster
Simpson
Sinema
Sires
Slaughter
Smith (MO)
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Smith (WA)
Southerland
Speier
Stewart
Stivers
Stockman
Stutzman
Swalwell (CA)
Takano
Terry
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Thompson (PA)
Thornberry
Tiberi
Tierney
Tipton
Titus
Tonko
Tsongas
Turner
Upton
Valadao
Van Hollen
Vargas
Veasey
Vela
Visclosky
Wagner
Walden
Walorski
Walz
Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Waxman
Weber (TX)
Webster (FL)
Welch
Wenstrup
Westmoreland
Whitfield

Williams
Wilson (SC)
Wittman
Wolf

Womack
Woodall
Yarmuth
Yoder

Yoho
Young (AK)
Young (IN)

Montgomery on this 27th day of December,
in the year of our Lord 2013.

ROBERT BENTLEY,
Governor.
JIM BENNETT,
Secretary of State.

[State Seal Affixed]

NOT VOTING—26

Amodi	Heck (NV)	Rokita
Barton	Hultgren	Ruppersberger
Bucshon	Jones	Rush
Cleaver	Langevin	Sánchez, Linda
Crowley	Larsen (WA)	T.
Farr	McCarthy (NY)	Schwartz
Frankel (FL)	Meeks	Velázquez
Gabbard	Miller, Gary	Walberg
Guthrie	Ribble	Wilson (FL)

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Messrs. LATHAM and CUELLAR changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

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.

Stated for:

Mr. LANGEVIN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall vote No. 2, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.”

Mr. WALBERG. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 2, on Wednesday, January 8, I was unavoidably detained and missed a rollcall vote. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall 2, in support of a bill I cosponsored, H.R. 724, to amend the Clean Air Act to remove the requirement for dealer certification of new light-duty motor vehicles.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER laid before the House the following communication from the Clerk of the House of Representatives:

OFFICE OF THE CLERK,
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
Washington, DC, January 6, 2014.

Hon. JOHN BOEHNER,
Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a copy of the Certificate of Election received from the Honorable Robert Bentley, Governor of Alabama and the Honorable Jim Bennett, Secretary of State of Alabama, indicating that, at the Special Election held on December 17, 2013, the Honorable Bradley Byrne was duly elected Representative in Congress for the First Congressional District, State of Alabama.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,
Clerk.

Enclosure.

STATE OF ALABAMA
CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION TO FILL THE
UNEXPIRED TERM

To the Clerk of the House of Representatives of the United States:

This is to certify that on the 17th day of December, 2013, the following individual was duly chosen by the qualified electors of the First Congressional district of the State of Alabama as member of the House of Representatives of the United States to represent said State and district for the unexpired term: Bradley Byrne.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Alabama to be affixed by the Secretary of State, at the Capitol, in the city of

SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE BRADLEY BYRNE, OF ALABAMA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

The SPEAKER. Will the Representative-elect and the members of the Alabama delegation present themselves in the well.

All Members will rise and the Representative-elect will please raise his right hand.

Mr. BYRNE appeared at the bar of the House and took the oath of office, as follows:

Do you solemnly swear that you will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that you will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that you take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that you will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which you are about to enter, so help you God.

The SPEAKER. Congratulations, you are now a Member of the 113th Congress.

WELCOMING THE HONORABLE BRADLEY BYRNE TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

Mr. BACHUS. Mr. Speaker, we welcome BRADLEY BYRNE as the newest member of the Alabama delegation. We also welcome his wife, Rebecca, who is in the balcony with his four children: Patrick, Colin, Kathleen, and Laura.

BRADLEY asked me—and I think all of the Members will identify with him—do you ever get over the thrill of walking in this Chamber?

And the answer is, No, you never do.

Let me say this: we like BRADLEY, the delegation, and I think you know how important that is. He has a wonderful wife. We are very excited about his being here. He brings a wealth of understanding. He comes from an area with natural resources—very important in Armed Services. He served as chancellor of our 2-year college system. He can bring some insight to educational reform.

He succeeds one of our closest friends—of all of us on both sides—Jo Bonner. Although we miss Jo, we welcome BRADLEY. That makes up for some of the loss of Jo, and I think you are going to get to where you know and appreciate this gentleman who has joined us today.

At this time, I yield to the gentleman from Alabama (Ms. SEWELL).

Ms. SEWELL of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join my Alabama colleagues in welcoming newly elected Representative BRADLEY BYRNE to the 113th Congress.

As a lawyer, as a former Alabama State Senator, and as a former chancellor of Alabama's 2-year college system, BRADLEY has a proven record as a principled servant leader.

I know BRADLEY as a man of strong character, who has dedicated his public life to strengthening his community and improving our State. I believe BRADLEY will ably follow in the tradition of his predecessors Sonny Calhoun and Jo Bonner in proudly representing Alabama's First Congressional District.

I look forward to working with you, BRADLEY, especially on our shared constituents in Clarke County.

Recently, a local reporter asked the delegation to give BRADLEY some advice.

The best advice that I could give you as you embark upon this special journey is to always put your constituents first. The oath you took today is a very sacred one. You join a body that has an awesome responsibility, and that responsibility is neither Republican nor Democrat. The issues that we talk about are for all Americans. I look forward to working with you, and I know that given your record of hard work and your willingness to work across the aisle that you will be an amazing addition to the Alabama delegation, and I welcome you.

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, it is my great privilege to represent the good and hardworking people of southwest Alabama.

To my family—my wife of 33 years, Rebecca, and my children Patrick, Kathleen, Laura, and Colin—I thank you for your love and your support.

To the people of the First District of Alabama, I promise that I will work hard every day to serve you and build upon the trust that you have placed in me to represent you in our Nation's Capital.

To the Members of this House, I am ready to roll up my shirt sleeves and work with you as a problem-solver, not a problem-maker; as a workhorse, not a show horse.

This is a great country, Mr. Speaker; but over the past several years, we have failed to live up to that greatness. I come to this House ready to work together with each of you, to find solutions that will make this country truly great again.

I ask God's blessings and wisdom as I embark on this new endeavor in this House for the people of my district.

Thank you again, Mr. Speaker, for the opportunity to make these brief remarks. Now it is time for me to get to work.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER

The SPEAKER. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Alabama, the whole number of the House is 433.