

legal process of eminent domain is largely a State and local issue which should have no bearing on the Department of Energy's public interest determination—again, this is about the public interest determination—for the export of LNG to non-free trade countries.

By law, the Secretary of Energy plays no part in approving the construction of LNG export facilities or the pipelines connecting the gas to the facility. By law, the Secretary of Energy plays no part in the pipeline or construction of the facilities.

This bill only addresses the Department of Energy's process, and this amendment would expand the role of DOE into an area where the DOE is not currently involved and has no expertise.

The purpose of H.R. 6 is to expedite liquefied natural gas export applications which have been stuck in limbo awaiting a decision for far too long—in some cases, for more than 2 years. This amendment would unfairly put new requirements on these already pending applications, and I believe we should oppose the amendment because it is something, again, that is left to the States and local determination factors. With that, I would ask for a “no” vote.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. DEFAZIO. Well, unfortunately, it isn't left to the States. The gentleman is wrong. The Bush-Cheney energy act preempted the States—preempted the State authority. It gives a faceless, nameless Federal bureaucracy, which on every other day is opposed by the other side of the aisle, the authority to grant eminent domain for a private company, for private profit, for the export of natural gas, which may well drive up the gas prices of the property owners adjacent to or who have been penetrated by that line.

This amendment doesn't delay anything. It doesn't give any significant new authority. It just requires the simple disclosure that if this terminal is built, a new pipeline is going to be required, and that pipeline, under section 3, with the faceless, nameless Federal bureaucrats behind it, is going to be granted eminent domain authority to take people's property. That is the bottom line. You can try and dance around it and say, well, I am against Kelo because that was another kind of development, but no, I am against this amendment because we wouldn't want people to know that they were going to lose their property rights to eminent domain because of faceless, nameless Federal bureaucrats.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Chairman, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GENE GREEN).

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentleman from Colorado for yielding to me again.

That 2005 energy bill may have been called Bush-Cheney, but it came out of our Energy and Commerce Committee, and it had 77 Democratic votes when we passed that bill on the House floor.

Mr. DEFAZIO's amendment, with all due respect, requires an applicant to disclose any intention to use eminent domain on any construction necessary to support the LNG export project. I rise in opposition because it looks like an attempt to unnecessarily complicate LNG exports.

LNG facilities require pipelines. However, pipeline construction and operation is a whole separate issue. Yesterday in the House, we had a pipeline bill. Unfortunately, my colleague submitted LNG amendments to the pipeline bill yesterday. If H.R. 6 were a pipeline bill, then perhaps we could be honest about the debate. The fact of the matter is that we need more pipelines in our country. Right now in North Dakota and south Texas, we are flaring natural gas. But H.R. 6 is not a pipeline bill, and it is not the legislation to address the issue of eminent domain, which is predominantly under State law, and I am proud of our State law in Texas. I ask my colleagues to oppose the amendment.

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Chairman, I would just add again that there is no eminent domain authority for an LNG facility. That is what H.R. 6 is addressing, the export permits for LNG facilities. There is no eminent domain authority for an LNG facility. Mr. Chairman, I urge opposition to the amendment.

I yield back the balance of my time.

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

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

Mr. DEFAZIO. Mr. 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 Oregon will be postponed.

The Chair understands that amendment No. 4 will not be offered.

Mr. GARDNER. Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. JOLLY) having assumed the chair, Mr. POE of Texas, 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. 6) to provide for expedited approval of exportation of natural gas to World Trade Organization countries, and for other purposes, 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 1 o'clock and 55 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SIMPSON) at 3 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 questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 641, and adopting House Resolution 641, if ordered.

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

#### PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4899, LOWERING GASOLINE PRICES TO FUEL AN AMERICA THAT WORKS ACT OF 2014; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4923, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2015; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 641) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4899) to lower gasoline prices for the American family by increasing domestic onshore and offshore energy exploration and production, to streamline and improve onshore and offshore energy permitting and administration, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4923) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes; and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 238, nays 180, not voting 13, as follows:

[Roll No. 355]  
YEAS—238

Aderholt	Boustany	Carter
Amash	Brady (TX)	Cassidy
Amodei	Bridenstine	Chabot
Bachmann	Brooks (AL)	Chaffetz
Bachus	Brooks (IN)	Coble
Barletta	Broun (GA)	Coffman
Barr	Buchanan	Cole
Barrow (GA)	Bucshon	Collins (GA)
Barton	Burgess	Collins (NY)
Benishek	Byrne	Conaway
Bentivolio	Calvert	Cook
Bilirakis	Camp	Costa
Bishop (UT)	Campbell	Cotton
Black	Cantor	Cramer
Blackburn	Capito	Crawford

Crenshaw Jones Roby Lofgren O'Rourke Scott, David  
 Cuellar Jordan Roe (TN) Lowenthal Owens Serrano  
 Culberson Joyce Rogers (AL) Lowey Pallone Sewell (AL)  
 Daines Kelly (PA) Rogers (KY) Lujan Grisham Pascrell Shea-Porter  
 Davis, Rodney King (IA) Rogers (MI) (NM) Pastor (AZ) Sinema  
 Denham King (NY) Rohrabacher Luján, Ben Ray Payne Sires  
 Dent Kingston Rokita Lynch Perlmutter Slaughter  
 DeSantis Kinzinger (IL) Rooney Maffei Peters (CA) Smith (WA)  
 DesJarlais Kline Ros-Lehtinen Maloney, Carolyn Pingree (ME) Speier  
 Diaz-Balart Labrador Roskam Malone, Sean Pocan Swallow (CA)  
 Duffy LaMalfa Ross Scalise McIntyre Ruppersberger Takan  
 Duncan (SC) Lamborn Rothfus Maloney, Sean Price (NC) Thompson (CA)  
 Duncan (TN) Lance Royce Matsui Thompson (MS)  
 Ellmers Latham Runyan McCarthy (NY) Quigley Tierney  
 Farenthold Latta Ryan (WI) McCollum Rahall Titus  
 Fincher LoBiondo Salmon McDermott Roybal-Allard Tonko  
 Fitzpatrick Long Sanford McGovern Ruiz Tsongas  
 Fleischmann Lucas Scalise McIntyre Ruppersberger Van Hollen  
 Fleming Luetkemeyer Schok McNearney Rush Vargas  
 Flores Lummis Schweikert Meeks Ryan (OH) Sánchez, Linda Velázquez  
 Forbes Merchant Scott, Austin Michaud Sanchez, Loretta Walz  
 Fortenberry Marino Sensenbrenner Sessions Moore Sarbanes Wasserman  
 Foxx Massie Sherman Moran Schakowsky Schultz  
 Franks (AZ) Matheson Shuster Murphy (FL) Schiff Waters  
 Frelinghuysen McAllister Simpson Nadler Schneider Waxman  
 Gallego McCarthy (CA) McCarthy Shuster Neal Schrader Welch  
 Gardner McCaul Simpson Smith (MO) Negrete McLeod Schwartz Wilson (FL)  
 Garrett McClintonck McHenry Smith (NE) Nolan Scott (VA) Yarmuth  
 Gerlach McHenry Smith (NJ)  
 Gibbs McKeon Smith (TX)  
 Gibson McKinley Smith (PA)  
 Gohmert McMorris Southerland  
 Goodlatte Rodgers Stewart Lankford Rangel  
 Gosar Meadows Stivers Napolitano Reed  
 Gowdy Meehan Stockman Noem Thompson (PA)  
 Granger Messer Stutzman  
 Graves (GA) Mica Terry  
 Graves (MO) Miller (FL) Thornberry  
 Green, Al Miller (MI) Tiberi  
 Green, Gene Miller, Gary Mullin Tipton  
 Griffin (AR) Mullin, Mulvaney Turner Upton  
 Griffith (VA) Murphy (PA) Valadao  
 Grimm Neugebauer Valdado  
 Guthrie Hall Nugent Veasey  
 Harper Nunes Vela  
 Harris Olson Wagner  
 Hastings (WA) Palazzo Walberg  
 Heck (NV) Paulsen Walden  
 Hensarling Pearce Walorski  
 Herrera Beutler Perry Weber (TX)  
 Hinjosa Peterson Webster (FL)  
 Holding Petri Wenstrup  
 Hudson Pittenger Westmoreland  
 Huelskamp Pitts Whitfield  
 Huizinga (MI) Poe (TX) Williams  
 Hultgren Pompeo Wilson (SC)  
 Hunter Posey Wittman  
 Hurt Price (GA) Wolf  
 Issa Reichert Womack  
 Jackson Lee Renacci Woodall  
 Jenkins Ribble Yoder  
 Johnson (OH) Rice (SC) Yoho  
 Johnson, Sam Richmond Young (AK)  
 Jolly Rigell Young (IN)

## NAYS—180

Barber Conyers Grijalva Gutierrez  
 Bass Cooper Hahn Hanabusa  
 Beatty Courtney Crowley Cummings Hastings (FL)  
 Becerra Cummings Davis (CA)  
 Bera (CA) Davis, Danny Davis, Heidi  
 Bishop (GA) Davis, Davis, Danny Hastings (FL)  
 Bishop (NY) DeFazio Higgins Himes  
 Blumenauer DeGrazio Holt  
 Bonamici DeGette Delaney Honda  
 Brady (PA) Delaney DeLauro Horsford  
 Braley (IA) DelBene Hoyer Huffman  
 Brown (FL) Deutch Dingell Israel  
 Brownley (CA) Doggett Jeffries Johnson (GA)  
 Bustos Capps Doyle Johnson, E. B.  
 Butterfield Capuano Duckworth Edwards Kaptur  
 Cárdenas Carney Edwards Ellison Keating  
 Carson (IN) Engel Enyart Kelly (IL)  
 Cartwright Foster Kennedy  
 Castor (FL) Eshoo Kildey Kind  
 Castro (TX) Esty Farr Kuster  
 Chu Cicilline Fattah Langevin Larsen (WA)  
 Clark (MA) Foster Larsen (CT)  
 Clarke (NY) Frankel (FL) Larson (CT)  
 Clay Fudge Lee (CA)  
 Cleaver Gabbard Levin  
 Clyburn Garamendi Lewis  
 Cohen Garcia Lipinski  
 Connolly Grayson Loebssack

Lofgren Lowenthal Owens Serrano  
 Rogers (AL) Rogers (KY) Lujan Grisham Pascrell Shea-Porter  
 Rogers (MI) (NM) Pastor (AZ) Sinema  
 Luján, Ben Ray Payne Sires  
 Rokita Lynch Perlmutter Slaughter  
 Rooney Maffei Peters (CA) Smith (WA)  
 Ros-Lehtinen Maloney, Carolyn Pingree (ME) Speier  
 Roskam Malone, Sean Pocan Swallow (CA)  
 Lamborn Rothfus Maloney, Sean Price (NC) Thompson (CA)  
 Lance Royce Matsui Thompson (MS)  
 Latham Runyan McCarthy (NY) Quigley Tierney  
 Latta Ryan (WI) McCollum Rahall Titus  
 LoBiondo Salmon McDermott Roybal-Allard Tonko  
 Long Sanford McGovern Ruiz Tsongas  
 Lucas Scalise McIntyre Ruppersberger Van Hollen  
 Luetkemeyer Schok McNearney Rush Vargas  
 Flores Lummis Schweikert Meeks Ryan (OH) Sánchez, Linda Velázquez  
 Forbes Merchant Scott, Austin Michaud Sanchez, Loretta Walz  
 Fortenberry Marino Sessions Moore Sarbanes Wasserman  
 Foxx Massie Sherman Moran Schakowsky Schultz  
 Franks (AZ) Matheson Shuster Murphy (FL) Schiff Waters  
 Frelinghuysen McAllister Simpson Nadler Schneider Waxman  
 Gallego McCarthy Shuster Neal Schrader Welch  
 Gardner McCaul Simpson Smith (MO) Negrete McLeod Schwartz Wilson (FL)  
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 Green, Al Miller (MI) Tiberi  
 Green, Gene Miller, Gary Mullin Tipton  
 Griffin (AR) Mullin, Mulvaney Turner Upton  
 Griffith (VA) Murphy (PA) Valadao  
 Grimm Neugebauer Valdado  
 Guthrie Hall Nugent Veasey  
 Harper Nunes Vela  
 Harris Olson Wagner  
 Hastings (WA) Palazzo Walberg  
 Heck (NV) Paulsen Walden  
 Hensarling Pearce Walorski  
 Herrera Beutler Perry Weber (TX)  
 Hinjosa Peterson Webster (FL)  
 Holding Petri Wenstrup  
 Hudson Pittenger Westmoreland  
 Huelskamp Pitts Whitfield  
 Huizinga (MI) Poe (TX) Williams  
 Hultgren Pompeo Wilson (SC)  
 Hunter Posey Wittman  
 Hurt Price (GA) Wolf  
 Issa Reichert Womack  
 Jackson Lee Renacci Woodall  
 Jenkins Ribble Yoder  
 Johnson (OH) Rice (SC) Yoho  
 Johnson, Sam Richmond Young (AK)  
 Jolly Rigell Young (IN)

## NOT VOTING—13

Gingrey (GA) Lankford Rangel  
 Hanna Napolitano Reed  
 Hartzler Noem Thompson (PA)  
 Kilmer Nunnelee  
 Kirkpatrick Polis

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Messrs. JEFFRIES and CARNEY changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. WEBER of Texas, Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER, Messrs. GALLEGO, COLLINS of New York, PETERSON, CUELLAR, BARROW of Georgia, Ms. JACKSON LEE of Texas, Messrs. AL GREEN of Texas and RICHMOND changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## 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, June 25, 2014.

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

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: I have the honor to transmit herewith a facsimile copy of a letter received from Ms. Maria Matthews, Director of Elections, Office of the Secretary of State of Florida, indicating that, according to the preliminary results of the Special Election held June 24, 2014, the Honorable Curt Clawson was elected Representative to Congress for the Nineteenth Congressional District, State of Florida.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk.*

Enclosure.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
 DIVISION OF ELECTIONS,  
*Tallahassee, Florida, June 25, 2014.*

Hon. KAREN L. HAAS,  
*Clerk, House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MS. HAAS: This is to advise you that the preliminary results reported on the night

of June 24, 2014, for the special election for the Nineteenth Congressional District of Florida, reflected the following preliminary returns (which includes all early voting and Election Day results except write-in ballots, provisional ballots, and the overseas absentee ballots which could be received within 10 days after the election):

Curt Clawson, REP, 66,889, 66.95%.

April Freeman, DEM, 29,294, 29.32%.

Ray Netherwood, LPF, 3,724, 3.73%.

Timothy Rissano, WRI, 0, 0%.

The first set of unofficial results are not due to be reported until noon, June 28, 2014. It is only when the first set of unofficial results are reported that we will know if a recount actually becomes necessary. Florida law requires a recount when a candidate is defeated by 1/2 of a percent or less of the votes cast. To the best of our knowledge, there is no contest to this election; however, a contest may be filed at any time within 10 days after the state's Election Canvassing Commission certifies the election, which is scheduled to occur on July 8, 2014.

As soon as the official results are certified by the state's Election Canvassing Commission, an official certificate of election will be prepared for transmittal as required by law.

Sincerely,

MARIA I. MATTHEWS,  
*Director.*

## SWEARING IN OF THE HONORABLE CURT CLAWSON, OF FLORIDA, AS A MEMBER OF THE HOUSE

Ms. ROS-LEHTINEN. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman from Florida, the Honorable CURT CLAWSON, be permitted to take the oath of office today.

His certificate of election has not arrived, but there is no contest and no question has been raised with regard to his election.

The SPEAKER. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Florida?

There was no objection.

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

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

Mr. CLAWSON 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 CURT CLAWSON TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the gentlewoman from Florida is recognized for 1 minute.

There was no objection.