

I urge the adoption of the rule and of the underlying bill as well.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

A number of people who asked to speak today are on their way here, and we will do that.

I really want to stand up for just a few minutes, pending those several Members coming here, to say to you and to the American people, Mr. Speaker, that this country—America—is a great, great, great country. It is great because of its people. There is a lot that has been said today and on other days about some of our frailties, about some of our warts, about some of the problems that we have.

I think what Mr. CRENSHAW said in his remarks is most appropriate because you have a man who has a number of very important issues that he carries on behalf of his congressional district in Jacksonville, Florida. He spoke about also taking the time to be a voice for millions of people across this country, not just for those whom he saw specifically in Jacksonville.

You heard the gentleman, Mr. MEADOWS, speak very plainly about two Down syndrome young women of our country who are key assets to our country. We weren't asking for anything else today through this ABLE Act that Mr. CRENSHAW has so ably moved forward—it has taken 8 years—than for people to have equity or fairness.

In the larger scheme of things, as a parent of a Down syndrome young man, I looked at where we stood, and said, "Why wouldn't we allow the fairness?"

Really, let's look at it another way. Why would we want to keep these disabled individuals from having fairness? Why do we want to keep them poor and in the same circumstances they are in? Why would we want everyone else to be treated under one set of rules and, because they are disabled, they are treated another way?

These are questions and discussions that have been in my family now for 20 years. I don't know why Alex is my special gift. He is perfect. God made every child perfect in His image. We are the ones who struggle.

Today, we are working together as the House of Representatives for a bill that Mr. CRENSHAW saw a need for, and he had the fortitude and the opportunity today because of JOHN BOEHNER. Yes, CHRIS VAN HOLLEN, a Democrat Member of this body; yes, some United States Senators, including Senator HARKIN of Iowa and, yes, Senator CASEY from Pennsylvania; yes, CATHY MC MORRIS RODGERS, a senior member of our Republican leadership team who, by the way, has a Down syndrome son, Cole—we all worked together. This is a special thing.

I think, today, it ought to be a pat on the back for us, an opportunity for us to say this is important and this is

good. That is what we should remember from today, in that we may not go to sleep knowing our job is done, but that we did something right by coming together as a body.

My dear colleague LOUISE SLAUGHTER, who is from New York, very clearly understood a long time ago, as she put her name on the bill, that this is a good bill. Members of the Rules Committee, who typically don't put their names on bills, put their names on this bill—380 Members of this body. See, there are good things that happen.

I do want to thank my colleague, Ms. SLAUGHTER. I do want to thank people because this is a bipartisan effort. This is a chance for us to work together, and I think we did a good job today.

I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I have no further requests for time.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, in reply to the gentlewoman, I will let her make her closing arguments, and then I will do the same.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, in closing, the Democrats have reservations on these bills, but extending tax credits to ensure continuity in the Tax Code is very important to us, even though we know that large pieces of America have been left out of this bill.

It causes us great sadness, but nonetheless, we recognize the need to get this done. All of us appreciate the opportunity for the brothers and sisters with disabilities to have the stability that they need, and we are certainly in concert with that.

I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

It has been mentioned a couple of times today, but I also want to thank you, Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Georgia, for your distinguished service, not only to the people of Georgia in your district, but also to the people—your friends—who are in this body, who have benefited from your service on the Appropriations Committee and who knew that you took time, just as we are doing here today, to deal with the intricacies of NIH, to deal with the intricacies of cancer, to deal with the intricacies of disabilities, to deal with the intricacies of our working together as a country and as a body and as Americans to make life better for people.

Mr. Speaker, your years of service here—some 20 years of service that you have given—have been of distinguished service. I have known you for a long time and have admired you.

I want to thank the gentleman, JACK KINGSTON, for his great service to America, which is exactly in line with what we are doing today.

Thank you, sir. I appreciate your hard work. Your being in the chair as we do this is not by accident. It is on purpose. With the distinguished opportunity that you have of serving as the Speaker pro tempore today, I appreciate your great service.

Mr. Speaker, we have made the case today of what we are trying to do. We

are on the floor to bring certainty to the Tax Code for one more year. It is not perfect—the gentleman from Vermont noted that—but it is an opportunity as best as we can do in the environment that we are in, and that is what this is about. It is the knowledge that we are going to wake up and do the best that we can for the American people.

Today is about the American people and their Tax Code. Today is about the ABLE Act and about millions of people with disabilities who are attempting as best as they can to make due with what they have but who, tomorrow, can get fairness and equity in that process. It is about an opportunity for families not to question why but to dig in and help.

Today is yet another opportunity when not only the gentlewoman, Ms. SLAUGHTER, and I may work together in our tutelage as chairman and ranking member of the Rules Committee but when we can have a common sense of purpose. This is not perfect, but the world can be better today and tomorrow.

I would ask my fellow Members to understand that we are here asking for everybody to vote "yes" on the rule. They can do what they want to do on the underlying legislation, but today is an opportunity to give thanks for the opportunities that lie ahead of us that are about others instead of ourselves.

Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question on the resolution, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

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

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. 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 question will be postponed.

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 2 o'clock and 40 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:

Adoption of H. Res. 766, by the yeas and nays;

Motion to suspend the rules on H.R. 5769, by the yeas and nays;

Approval of the Journal, 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.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5771, TAX INCREASE PREVENTION ACT OF 2014, AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 647, ACHIEVING A BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE ACT OF 2014

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 766) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5771) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend certain expiring provisions and make technical corrections, and for other purposes, and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 647) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for the tax treatment of ABLE accounts established under State programs for the care of family members with disabilities, 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 the resolution.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 231, nays 192, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 540]

YEAS—231

Amash	Cotton	Griffin (AR)
Amodei	Cramer	Griffith (VA)
Bachmann	Crawford	Grimm
Bachus	Crenshaw	Guthrie
Barber	Culberson	Hanna
Barletta	Daines	Harper
Barr	Davis, Rodney	Harris
Barton	Delaney	Hartzler
Benishiek	Denham	Hastings (WA)
Bentivolio	Dent	Heck (NV)
Bilirakis	DeSantis	Hensarling
Black	DesJarlais	Herrera Beutler
Blackburn	Diaz-Balart	Himes
Boustany	Duffy	Holding
Brady (TX)	Duncan (SC)	Hudson
Brat	Duncan (TN)	Huelskamp
Bridenstine	Ellmers	Huizenga (MI)
Brooks (AL)	Farenthold	Hultgren
Brooks (IN)	Fincher	Hunter
Broun (GA)	Fitzpatrick	Hurt
Buchanan	Fleischmann	Issa
Bucshon	Fleming	Jenkins
Burgess	Flores	Johnson (OH)
Byrne	Forbes	Johnson, Sam
Calvert	Fortenberry	Jolly
Camp	Fox	Jordan
Campbell	Franks (AZ)	Joyce
Capito	Frelinghuysen	Kelly (PA)
Carter	Gardner	King (IA)
Cassidy	Garrett	King (NY)
Chabot	Gerlach	Kingston
Chaffetz	Gibbs	Kinzinger (IL)
Clawson (FL)	Gibson	Kline
Coble	Gohmert	Labrador
Coffman	Goodlatte	LaMalfa
Cole	Gosar	Lamborn
Collins (GA)	Gowdy	Lance
Collins (NY)	Granger	Lankford
Conaway	Graves (GA)	Latham
Cook	Graves (MO)	Latta

Lipinski	Petri	Sinema
LoBiondo	Pittenger	Smith (MO)
Long	Pitts	Smith (NE)
Lucas	Poe (TX)	Smith (NJ)
Luetkemeyer	Pompeo	Smith (TX)
Lummis	Posey	Southerland
Marchant	Reed	Stewart
Marino	Reichert	Stivers
McAllister	Renacci	Stutzman
McCarthy (CA)	Ribble	Terry
McCaul	Rice (SC)	Thompson (PA)
McClintock	Rigell	Thornberry
McHenry	Roby	Tiberi
McIntyre	Roe (TN)	Tipton
McKeon	Rogers (AL)	Turner
McKinley	Rogers (KY)	Upton
McMorris	Rogers (MI)	Valadao
Rodgers	Rohrabacher	Wagner
Meadows	Rokita	Walberg
Meehan	Rooney	Walden
Messer	Ros-Lehtinen	Walorski
Mica	Roskam	Weber (TX)
Miller (FL)	Ross	Webster (FL)
Miller (MI)	Rothfus	Wenstrup
Mullin	Royce	Westmoreland
Mulvaney	Runyan	Whitfield
Murphy (FL)	Ryan (WI)	Williams
Murphy (PA)	Salmon	Wilson (SC)
Neugebauer	Sanford	Wittman
Noem	Scalise	Wolf
Nugent	Schock	Womack
Nunes	Schweikert	Woodall
Nunnelee	Scott, Austin	Yoder
Olson	Sensenbrenner	Yoho
Palazzo	Sessions	Young (AK)
Paulsen	Shinkus	Young (IN)
Pearce	Shuster	
Perry	Simpson	

NAYS—192

Adams	Gabbard	McGovern
Barrow (GA)	Gallego	McNerney
Bass	Garamendi	Meeks
Beatty	Garcia	Meng
Becerra	Grayson	Michaud
Bera (CA)	Green, Al	Miller, George
Bishop (GA)	Green, Gene	Moore
Bishop (NY)	Grijalva	Moran
Blumenauer	Gutiérrez	Nadler
Bonamici	Hahn	Napolitano
Brady (PA)	Hanabusa	Neal
Braley (IA)	Hastings (FL)	Nolan
Brown (FL)	Heck (WA)	Norcross
Brownley (CA)	Higgins	O'Rourke
Bustos	Hinojosa	Owens
Butterfield	Holt	Pallone
Capps	Honda	Pascarell
Cárdenas	Horsford	Pastor (AZ)
Carney	Hoyer	Payne
Carson (IN)	Huffman	Pelosi
Cartwright	Israel	Perlmutter
Castor (FL)	Jackson Lee	Peters (CA)
Castro (TX)	Jeffries	Peters (MI)
Chu	Johnson (GA)	Peterson
Cicilline	Johnson, E. B.	Pingree (ME)
Clark (MA)	Jones	Pocan
Clarke (NY)	Kaptur	Polis
Clay	Keating	Price (NC)
Cleaver	Kelly (IL)	Quigley
Clyburn	Kennedy	Rahall
Cohen	Kildee	Rangel
Connolly	Kilmer	Richmond
Conyers	Kind	Roybal-Allard
Cooper	Kirkpatrick	Ruiz
Costa	Kuster	Ruppersberger
Courtney	Langevin	Rush
Crowley	Larsen (WA)	Ryan (OH)
Cuellar	Larson (CT)	Sánchez, Linda
Cummings	Lee (CA)	T.
Davis (CA)	Levin	Sanchez, Loretta
Davis, Danny	Lewis	Sarbanes
DeFazio	Loeb	Schakowsky
DeGette	Lofgren	Schiff
DeLauro	Lowenthal	Schneider
DeBene	Lowe	Schradner
Deutch	Lujan Grisham	Schwartz
Dingell	(NM)	Scott (VA)
Doggett	Luján, Ben Ray	Scott, David
Edwards	(NM)	Serrano
Ellison	Lynch	Sewell (AL)
Engel	Maffei	Shea-Porter
Enyart	Maloney,	Sherman
Eshoo	Carolyn	Sires
Esty	Maloney, Sean	Slaughter
Farr	Massie	Smith (WA)
Fattah	Matheson	Speier
Foster	Matsui	Stockman
Frankel (FL)	McCollum	Swalwell (CA)
Fudge	McDermott	Takano

Thompson (CA)	Vargas	Wasserman
Thompson (MS)	Veasey	Schultz
Tierney	Vela	Waters
Titus	Velázquez	Waxman
Tonko	Visclosky	Welch
Tsongas	Walz	Wilson (FL)
Van Hollen		Yarmuth

NOT VOTING—11

Aderholt	Duckworth	Miller, Gary
Bishop (UT)	Gingrey (GA)	Negrete McLeod
Capuano	Hall	Price (GA)
Doyle	McCarthy (NY)	

□ 1510

Messrs. SCHNEIDER, DINGELL, STOCKMAN, Ms. DELAURO, and Mr. BISHOP of Georgia changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. MCINTYRE and Ms. SINEMA changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HOWARD COBLE COAST GUARD AND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION ACT OF 2014

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 5769) to authorize appropriations for the Coast Guard for fiscal year 2015, 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 motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr. HUNTER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 413, nays 3, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 541]

YEAS—413

Adams	Bustos	Courtney
Amash	Butterfield	Cramer
Amodei	Byrne	Crawford
Bachmann	Calvert	Crenshaw
Bachus	Camp	Crowley
Barber	Campbell	Cuellar
Barletta	Capito	Culberson
Barr	Cárdenas	Cummings
Barrow (GA)	Carney	Daines
Barton	Carson (IN)	Davis (CA)
Bass	Carter	Davis, Danny
Beatty	Cartwright	DeGette
Becerra	Cassidy	Delaney
Benishiek	Castor (FL)	DeLauro
Bentivolio	Castro (TX)	DeBene
Bera (CA)	Chabot	Denham
Bilirakis	Chaffetz	Dent
Bishop (GA)	Chu	DeSantis
Bishop (NY)	Cicilline	DesJarlais
Black	Clark (MA)	Deutsch
Blackburn	Clarke (NY)	Diaz-Balart
Blumenauer	Clawson (FL)	Dingell
Boustany	Clay	Doggett
Brady (PA)	Cleaver	Duffy
Brady (TX)	Clyburn	Duncan (SC)
Braley (IA)	Coble	Duncan (TN)
Brat	Coffman	Edwards
Bridenstine	Cohen	Ellison
Brooks (AL)	Collins (GA)	Ellmers
Brooks (IN)	Collins (NY)	Engel
Broun (GA)	Conaway	Enyart
Brown (FL)	Connolly	Eshoo
Brownley (CA)	Conyers	Esty
Buchanan	Cook	Farenthold
Bucshon	Cooper	Farr
Burgess	Cotton	Fattah