

common ground to make a positive difference in the lives of Americans, particularly our veterans, and this bipartisan effort reflects that.

I am very proud to be here with Congressman DAVIS, with Congressman LEVIN, to be doing this.

With that, I simply ask all Members to support it, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. RYAN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 22.

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. RYAN of Wisconsin. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 412, nays 0, not voting 3, as follows:

[Roll No. 7]

YEAS—412

Abraham	Cleaver	Frankel (FL)	Johnson, Sam	Mullin	Schrader
Adams	Clyburn	Franks (AZ)	Jolly	Mulvaney	Schweikert
Aderholt	Coffman	Frelinghuysen	Jones	Murphy (FL)	Scott (VA)
Aguilar	Cohen	Fudge	Jordan	Murphy (PA)	Scott, Austin
Allen	Cole	Gabbard	Joyce	Napolitano	Scott, David
Amash	Collins (GA)	Gallego	Kaptur	Neal	Sensenbrenner
Amodei	Collins (NY)	Garamendi	Katko	Neugebauer	Serrano
Ashford	Comstock	Garrett	Keating	Newhouse	Sessions
Babin	Conaway	Gibbs	Kelly (IL)	Noem	Sewell (AL)
Barletta	Connolly	Gibson	Kelly (PA)	Norcross	Sherman
Barr	Conyers	Gohmert	Kennedy	Nugent	Shimkus
Barton	Cook	Goodlatte	Kildee	Nunes	Shuster
Bass	Cooper	Gosar	Kilmer	O'Rourke	Simpson
Beatty	Costello (PA)	Gowdy	Kind	Olson	Sinema
Becerra	Courtney	Graham	Kuster	Pearce	Sires
Benishek	Cramer	Granger	Labrador	Pelosi	Speier
Bera	Crawford	Graves (GA)	Lamalfa	Perlmutter	Stefanik
Beyer	Crenshaw	Graves (LA)	Lamborn	Pallone	Stewart
Bilirakis	Cuellar	Graves (MO)	Lance	Palmieri	Stivers
Bishop (GA)	Culberson	Grayson	Langevin	Peterson	Stutzman
Bishop (MI)	Cummings	Green, Al	Larsen (WA)	Pingree	Swalwell (CA)
Bishop (UT)	Curbelo (FL)	Green, Gene	Latta	Pittenger	Takai
Black	Davis (CA)	Griffith	Lawrence	Pocan	Takano
Blackburn	Davis, Danny	Grijalva	Lee	Poe (TX)	Thompson (CA)
Blum	Davis, Rodney	Grothman	Levin	Poliquin	Thompson (MS)
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Guinta	Lieu (CA)	Polis	Thompson (PA)
Bonamici	DeGette	Guthrie	Lipinski	Pompeo	Thornberry
Bost	Delaney	Gutiérrez	LoBiondo	Price (GA)	Tiberi
Boustany	DeLauro	Hahn	Loesback	Price (NC)	Tipton
Boyle (PA)	DelBene	Hanna	Lofgren	Quigley	Titus
Brady (PA)	Denham	Hardy	Long	Ratcliffe	Trott
Brady (TX)	Dent	Harper	Loudermilk	Reed	Tsangas
Brat	DeSantis	Harris	Love	Reichert	Turner
Bridenstine	DeSaulnier	Hartzler	Lowenthal	Renacci	Upton
Brooks (AL)	DesJarlais	Hastings	Lucas	Ribble	Valadao
Brooks (IN)	Deutch	Heck (NV)	Luetkemeyer	Rice (NY)	Van Hollen
Brown (FL)	Diaz-Balart	Heck (WA)	Lujan Grisham	Rice (SC)	Vargas
Brownley (CA)	Dingell	Hensarling	(NM)	Richmond	Veasey
Buchanan	Doggett	Herrera Beutler	Luján, Ben Ray	Rigell	Vela
Buck	Dold	Hice (GA)	Lummis	Roby	Visclosky
Bucshon	Doyle (PA)	Hill	McCarthy	Roe (TN)	Wagner
Burgess	Duckworth	Himes	McCauley	Rogers (AL)	Walberg
Bustos	Duffy	Hinojosa	MacArthur	Rogers (KY)	Walden
Butterfield	Duncan (SC)	Honda	Marchant	Rohrabacher	Walker
Byrne	Duncan (TN)	Hoyer	Garrett	Rokita	Walorski
Calvert	Edwards	Hudson	Granger	Marino	Walters, Mimi
Capps	Ellison	Huelskamp	Massie	Rooney (FL)	Walz
Capuano	Ellmers	Huffman	Matsui	Ros-Lehtinen	Wasserman
Cárdenas	Emmer	Huijzen	McCarthy	Roskam	Schultz
Carney	Eshoo	Hultgren	McDermott	Ross	Rothfus
Carson (IN)	Esty	Hunter	McDowell	Rouzer	Watson Coleman
Carter (GA)	Farenthold	Hurd (TX)	McGovern	Royal-Ballard	Weber (TX)
Cartwright	Farr	Hurt (VA)	McHenry	Royce	Webster (FL)
Castor (FL)	Fattah	Israel	Meehan	Ruiz	Welch
Castro (TX)	Fincher	Issa	Messner	Ruppersberger	Westerman
Chabot	Fitzpatrick	Jackson Lee	Mora	Rush	Westmoreland
Chaffetz	Fleischmann	Jeffries	McNerney	Russell	Whitfield
Chu (CA)	Fleming	Jenkins (KS)	McNally	Ryan (OH)	Williams
Cicilline	Flores	Jenkins (WV)	Miller (FL)	McSally	Wilson (FL)
Clark (MA)	Forbes	Johnson (GA)	Miller (MI)	Meadows	Wilson (SC)
Clarke (NY)	Fortenberry	Johnson (OH)	Moolenaar	Salmon	Wittman
Clawson (FL)	Foster	Johnson, E. B.	Mooney (WV)	Sánchez, Linda	Womack
Clay	Foxx		Schakowsky	Loretta	Woodall

NOT VOTING—3

Mrs. CAPPS changed her 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.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Mr. Speaker, on January 6, 2015—I was not present for roll-call votes 6 and 7. If I had been present for these votes, I would have voted: “nay” on roll-

call vote 6, “aye” on rollcall vote 7, the Hire More Heroes Act, as I had done previously in the 113th Congress when it passed the House (rollcall vote 115) on March 11, 2014.

REGARDING CONSENT TO ASSEMBLE OUTSIDE THE SEAT OF GOVERNMENT

Mr. SESSIONS. Madam Speaker, I offer a privileged concurrent resolution and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 1

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That pursuant to clause 4, section 5, article I of the Constitution, during the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress the Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, may notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to assemble at a place outside the District of Columbia if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The concurrent resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AUTHORIZING SPEAKER, MAJORITY LEADER, AND MINORITY LEADER TO ACCEPT RESIGNATIONS AND MAKE APPOINTMENTS DURING THE 114TH CONGRESS

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that during the 114th Congress, the Speaker, majority leader, and minority leader be authorized to accept resignations and to make appointments authorized by law or by the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

GRANTING MEMBERS PERMISSION TO EXTEND REMARKS AND INCLUDE EXTRANEous MATERIAL IN THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD DURING THE 114TH CONGRESS

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that during the 114th Congress all Members be permitted to extend their remarks and to include extraneous material within the permitted limit in that section of the RECORD entitled “Extensions of Remarks.”

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

MAKING IN ORDER MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that during the first session of the 114th Congress:

(1) On legislative days of Monday or Tuesday when the House convenes pursuant to House Resolution 9, the House

shall convene 2 hours earlier than the time otherwise established by the resolution for the purpose of conducting morning-hour debate;

(2) on legislative days of Wednesday or Thursday when the House convenes pursuant to House Resolution 9, the House shall convene 2 hours earlier than the time otherwise established by the resolution for the purpose of conducting morning-hour debate;

(3) when the House convenes pursuant to an order other than House Resolution 9, the House shall convene for the purpose of conducting morning-hour debate only as prescribed by such order;

(4) the time for morning-hour debate shall be allocated equally between the parties and may not continue beyond 10 minutes before the hour appointed for the resumption of the session of the House; and

(5) the form of proceeding for morning-hour debate shall be as follows:

(a) the prayer by the Chaplain, the approval of the Journal and the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag shall be postponed until resumption of the session of the House;

(b) initial and subsequent recognitions for debate shall alternate between the parties;

(c) recognition shall be conferred by the Speaker only pursuant to lists submitted by the majority leader and by the minority leader;

(d) no Member may address the House for longer than 5 minutes, except the majority leader, the minority leader, or the minority whip;

(e) no legislative business shall be in order except the filing of privileged reports; and

(f) following morning-hour debate, the Chair shall declare a recess pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I until the time appointed for the resumption of the session of the House; and

(6) the Speaker may dispense with morning-hour debate upon receipt of a notification described in clause 12(c) of rule I, or upon a change in reconvening pursuant to clause 12(e) of rule I, and notify Members accordingly.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE PRESIDENT

Mr. McCARTHY. Madam Speaker, your committee appointed on the part of the House to join a like committee on the part of the Senate to notify the President of the United States that a quorum of each House has been assembled and is ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make has performed that duty.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair customarily takes this occasion

at the outset of a Congress to announce her policies with respect to particular aspects of the legislative process. The Chair will insert in the RECORD announcements concerning:

first, privileges of the floor;

second, introduction of bills and resolutions;

third, unanimous-consent requests for the consideration of legislation;

fourth, recognition for 1-minute speeches;

fifth, recognition for Special Order speeches;

sixth, decorum in debate;

seventh, conduct of votes by electronic device;

eighth, use of handouts on the House floor;

ninth, use of electronic equipment on the House floor; and

tenth, use of the Chamber.

These announcements, where appropriate, will reiterate the origins of the stated policies. The Chair intends to continue in the 114th Congress the policies reflected in these statements. The policy announced in the 102nd Congress with respect to jurisdictional concepts related to clause 5(a) of rule XXI—tax and tariff measures—will continue to govern but need not be reiterated, as it is adequately documented as precedent in the House Rules and Manual.

Without objection, the announcements will be printed in the RECORD.

1. Privileges of the Floor

The Chair will make the following announcements regarding floor privileges, which will apply during the 114th Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER WITH RESPECT TO STAFF

Rule IV strictly limits those persons to whom the privileges of the floor during sessions of the House are extended, and that rule prohibits the Chair from entertaining requests for suspension or waiver of that rule. As reiterated by the Chair on January 21, 1986, January 3, 1985, January 25, 1983, and August 22, 1974, and as stated in Chapter 10, section 2, of House Practice, the rule strictly limits the number of committee staff on the floor at one time during the consideration of measures reported from their committees. This permission does not extend to Members' personal staff except when a Member's amendment is actually pending during the five-minute rule. It also does not extend to personal staff of Members who are sponsors of pending bills or who are engaging in special orders. The Chair requests the cooperation of all Members and committee staff to assure that only the proper number of staff are on the floor, and then only during the consideration of measures within the jurisdiction of their committees. The Chair is making this statement and reiterating this policy because of Members' past insistence upon strict enforcement of the rule. The Chair requests each committee chair, and each ranking minority member, to submit to the Speaker a list of those staff who are allowed on the floor during the consideration of a measure reported by their committee. The Sergeant-at-Arms, who has been directed to assure proper enforcement of rule IV, will keep the list. Each staff person should exchange his or her ID for a "committee staff" badge, which is to be worn while on the floor. The Chair has consulted with the Minority Leader and will continue to consult with her.

Furthermore, as the Chair announced on January 7, 2003, in accordance with the change in the 108th Congress of clause 2(a) of rule IV regarding leadership staff floor access, only designated staff approved by the Speaker shall be granted the privilege of the floor. The Speaker intends that his approval be narrowly granted on a bipartisan basis to staff from the majority and minority side and only to those staff essential to floor activities.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER WITH RESPECT TO FORMER MEMBERS

The Speaker's policy announced on February 1, 2006, will continue to apply in the 114th Congress.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER, FEBRUARY 1, 2006

The SPEAKER. The House has adopted a revision to the rule regarding the admission to the floor and the rooms leading thereto. Clause 4 of rule IV provides that a former Member, Delegate or Resident Commissioner or a former Parliamentarian of the House, or a former elected officer of the House or a former minority employee nominated as an elected officer of the House shall not be entitled to the privilege of admission to the Hall of the House and the rooms extending thereto if he or she is a registered lobbyist or an agent of a foreign principal; has any direct personal pecuniary interest in any legislative measure pending before the House, or reported by a committee; or is in the employ of or represents any party or organization for the purpose of influencing, directly or indirectly, the passage, defeat, or amendment of any legislative proposal.

This restriction extends not only to the House floor but adjacent rooms, the cloakrooms and the Speaker's lobby.

Clause 4 of rule IV also allows the Speaker to exempt ceremonial and educational functions from the restrictions of this clause. These restrictions shall not apply to attendance at joint meetings or joint sessions, Former Members' Day proceedings, educational tours, and other occasions as the Speaker may designate.

Members who have reason to know that a person is on the floor inconsistent with clause 4 of rule IV should notify the Sergeant-at-Arms promptly.

2. Introduction of Bills and Resolutions

The policy that the Chair announced on January 3, 1983, with respect to the introduction and reference of bills and resolutions will continue to apply in the 114th Congress. The Chair has advised all officers and employees of the House who are involved in the processing of bills that every bill, resolution, memorial, petition or other material that is placed in the hopper must bear the signature of a Member. Where a bill or resolution is jointly sponsored, the signature must be that of the Member first named thereon. The bill clerk is instructed to return to the Member any bill which appears in the hopper without an original signature. This procedure was inaugurated in the 92d Congress. It has worked well, and the Chair thinks that it is essential to continue this practice to insure the integrity of the process by which legislation is introduced in the House.

3. Unanimous-Consent Requests for the Consideration of Legislation

The policy the Chair announced on January 6, 1999, with respect to recognition for unanimous-consent requests for the consideration of certain legislative measures will continue to apply in the 114th Congress. The Speaker will continue to follow the guidelines recorded in section 956 of the House Rules and Manual conferring recognition for unanimous-consent requests for the consideration of bills, resolutions, and other measures only when assured that the majority