Senate Majority Leader McConnell said the right thing to do is to bring it back; let's see if we can repackage it. Let's see if we can take a little bit of time, measure three times, saw again, see if we can get it right. That is what we are trying to do.

Trade Promotion Authority that the gentleman has been speaking of is already the law of the land. The question is will this last piece be a part of it.

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

Ms. SLAUGHTER. I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, what we have heard this morning must certainly cause great confusion in the minds of America. Let me restate what has happened here.

The Congress has passed fast-track authority, TPA, for 6 years. It goes beyond this President's term and covers 4 years of another. Why that happened, I am not really clear, but it certainly is something we have given away our right to negotiate trade agreements, which, by the way, the Constitution gives us the ability to do.

Second, there will be no input. The Congress of the United States will not be writing that trade bill. That is purely in the hands of the Trade Representative and the Executive Department of the United States.

Our next role, and the only one we have, is to vote up or down on whatever they present us. What a sad day it is.

And I want to agree with Mr. LYNCH. The very fact of passing this bill is an admission and knowing that we are going to lose jobs.

My part of the district in western New York is just now starting to regain its footing after NAFTA. You have heard me say it a million times. Eastman Kodak, one of the iconic companies in the country—in the world, actually—went from 62,000 employees down to foreign bankruptcy. What we have got, also NAFTA has put us, the losses there, as the fifth city that is under the poverty line in the United States.

For heaven's sake, it breaks my heart to think that my constituents are going to have to be facing this again, because people who have voted for all this don't seem to understand what it is that they have done.

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

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time. I appreciate my colleagues, the gentleman from Massachusetts, the gentlewoman from New York, for their engagement today.

Mr. Speaker, confirmed again, the number one car, the car of the year in Korea in 2013: Toyota Camry, made in Georgetown, Kentucky. I have had 10 people text me trying to give me more information about what a great opportunity this is for American workers.

Mr. Speaker, that is what this bill is about. It is about the jobs opportunity and a fair proposal, not just by the administration, not just by the House and

the Senate but, really, a Republican bill for jobs. This is a jobs bill, a jobs bill that will allow the American worker to have new boundaries, new opportunities to go out in.

And let me tell you, Mr. Speaker, I don't travel very much. But I will tell you that I know from the stories that come back, people want American-made products. They want American-made, everything from jeans all the way to high-tech products. They want American products because of the reliability of the American workers, because of the stability of America, and we have got a great opportunity with this final piece, part of this trade agreement to move it forward.

I think 5 years from now we are going to look back and say, Wow, what did we do great? And you can mark it just like they do this year, 2 years ago, looking back to the Toyota Camry, number one in the Korean market.

Mr. Speaker, today's rule provides for, I think, just an up-or-down vote—it is really simple—to Senate amendment H.R. 1295, the Trade Preferences Extension Act. By passing this rule today, we can move on. The House will have an opportunity to consider the bill, and it will head to the President's desk, this package of bills to the President.

I urge adoption of the rule and look forward to the debate that will follow on the real substance of the bill.

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

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.

Mr. SESSIONS. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and navs.

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.

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# RAISING A QUESTION OF THE PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I have a privileged resolution at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. Res.

Whereas on December 20, 1860, South Carolina became the first State to secede from the Union;

Whereas on January 9, 1861, Mississippi seceded from the Union, stating in its "Declaration of Immediate Causes" that "[o]ur position is thoroughly identified with the institution of slavery – the greatest material interest of the world.";

Whereas on February 9, 1861, the Confederate States of America was formed with a group of 11 States as a purported sovereign nation and with Jefferson Davis of Mississippi as its president;

Whereas on March 11, 1861, the Confederate States of America adopted its own constitution:

Whereas on April 12, 1861, the Confederate States of America fired shots upon Fort Sumter in Charleston, South Carolina, effectively beginning the Civil War:

Whereas the United States did not recognize the Confederate States of America as a sovereign nation, but rather as a rebel insurrection, and took to military battle to bring the rogue states back into the Union;

Whereas on April 9, 1865, General Robert E. Lee surrendered to General Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House in Virginia, effectively, ending the Civil War and preserving the Union;

Whereas during the Civil War, the Confederate States of America used the Navy Jack, Battle Flag, and other imagery as a symbols of the Confederate armed forces;

Whereas since the end of the Civil War, the Navy Jack, Confederate battle flag, and other imagery of the Confederacy have been appropriated by groups as a symbols of hate, terror, intolerance, and as supportive of the institution of slavery;

Whereas groups such as the Ku Klux Klan and other white supremacist groups utilize Confederate imagery to frighten, terrorize, and cause harm to groups of people toward whom they have hateful intent, including African Americans, Hispanic Americans, and Jewish Americans;

Whereas many State and Federal political leaders, including United States Senators Thad Cochran and Roger Wicker, along with Mississippi House Speaker Philip Gunn and other State leaders, have spoken out and advocated for the removal of the imagery of the Confederacy on Mississippi's state flag;

Whereas many Members of Congress, including Speaker John Boehner, support the removal of the Confederate flag from the grounds of South Carolina's capitol;

Whereas Speaker John Boehner released a statement on the issue saying, "I commend Governor Nikki Haley and other South Carolina leaders in their effort to remove the Confederate flag from Statehouse grounds. In his second inaugural address 150 years ago, and a month before his assassination, President Abraham Lincoln ended his speech with these powerful words, which are as meaningful today as when they were spoken on the East Front of the Capitol on March 4, 1865: 'With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations.";

Whereas the House of Representatives has several State flags with imagery of the Confederacy throughout its main structures and House office buildings;

Whereas it is an uncontroverted fact that symbols of the Confederacy offend and insult many members of the general public who use the hallways of Congress each day:

Whereas Congress has never permanently recognized in its hallways the symbols of sovereign nations with whom it has gone to war or rogue entities such as the Confederate States of America:

Whereas continuing to display a symbol of hatred, oppression, and insurrection that nearly tore our Union apart and that is known to offend many groups throughout the country would irreparably damage the reputation of this august institution and offend the very dignity of the House of Representatives; and

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Whereas this impairment of the dignity of the House and its Members constitutes a violation under rule IX of the Rules of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred Fourteenth Congress: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall remove any State flag containing any portion of the Confederate battle flag, other than a flag displayed by the office of a Member of the House, from any area within the House wing of the Capitol or any House office building, and shall donate any such flag to the Library of Congress.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution presents a question of privilege.

#### MOTION TO REFER

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I have a motion at the desk.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. McCarthy moves that the resolution be referred to the Committee on House Administration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from California is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for bringing this resolution to the attention of the House.

As I have said many times before, I am a big believer in the committee process to discuss all issues that come before the floor, especially one of this importance. I think this resolution should be referred to the Committee on House Administration to give other Members an opportunity to weigh in.

I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. THOMPSON) for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman yielding the time.

Mr. Speaker, to someone who has lived his entire life in the State of Mississippi and has had to endure a symbol that represented bigotry, hatred, and everything this country is not, I am convinced that an effort to remove this flag from the hallowed Halls of the House of Representatives is the right thing to do.

We all know the history of the South. We know the secessionists' motivations behind the Civil War, and my ancestors were those individuals who were held in bondage against their will.

We are a Nation of laws. We should not identify with symbols of hatred and bigotry. That flag, those symbols should be put in a museum. They should not be flown under any circumstance where there is freedom and dignity in this great institution of ours

I know it is a hard choice for Members to do, but I saw what happened in Charleston, South Carolina, last Wednesday. The whole world saw it, and they did not like it. This is one step toward getting us healed as a Nation.

I take it personally. I have had churches burned in my district. I have

had men and women killed for trying to do the right thing; yet, when I see people trying to defend that way of life which that flag represents, this is not who we are as an institution.

Because of that, I offer the privileged resolution. I understand where we are with it, but I have issues with it.

I appreciate the gentleman yielding the 2 minutes.

I urge my colleagues to oppose the referral of this resolution to committee.

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Michigan (Mrs. MILLER), the distinguished chair of the Committee on House Administration.

Mrs. MILLER of Michigan. Mr. Speaker, I certainly thank the majority leader for yielding the time.

I would just say, Mr. Speaker, to my colleague from Mississippi, I certainly was moved personally just listening to him speak now; and I listened to him last night when he offered his privileged motion.

I would say that the Committee on House Administration is looking forward to hearing more from Representative Thompson, as well as all of the congressional delegation from the great State of Mississippi, on this resolution. As well, our committee, of course, would want to have an opportunity to hear from all of the elected representatives at the State level of the great State of Mississippi.

We want to say that we sincerely appreciate Representative THOMPSON for offering his privileged resolution and to assure the gentleman from Mississippi, Mr. Speaker, that our committee will give this measure every serious consideration and every thoughtful consideration.

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the motion to refer.

The previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to refer.

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

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. 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, this 15-minute vote on the motion to refer will be followed by 5-minute votes on adoption of House Resolution 338 and the motion to suspend the rules on H.R. 1615

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 240, nays 184, not voting 9, as follows:

#### [Roll No. 385] YEAS—240

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Mses. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas and Delbene, Messrs. HAS-CLAWSON TINGS. of Florida. SERRANO, and JOHNSON of Georgia changed their vote from "vea" "nay."

Messrs. FLORES and BURGESS changed their vote from "nay" "yea."

So the motion to refer was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Mr. HURT of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I was not present for rollcall vote No. 385 on H. Res. 341. Had I been present, I would have voted "vea."

Stated against:

Ms. CLARKE of New York. Mr. Speaker, earlier today, I was unavoidably detained in a meeting with constituents and missed recorded vote No. 385. Had I been present, on rollcall No. 385, On the Motion to Refer the Thompson (MS) Resolution to the Committee on House Administration, I would have voted

Mrs. NAPOLITANO. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, June 25th, 2015, I was absent during rollcall vote No. 385. Had I been present, I would have voted "no" on the Motion to Refer the Thompson (MS) Resolution to the Committee on House Administration.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO THE HOUSE AMENDMENT TO THE SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1295, TRADE PREFERENCES EX-TENSION ACT OF 2015

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 338) providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1295) to extend the African Growth and Opportunity Act, the Generalized System of Preferences, the preferential duty treatment program for Haiti, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolu-

SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 251, nays 176, not voting 6, as follows:

#### [Roll No. 386]

#### YEAS-251

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## NOT VOTING-6

Clyburn Napolitano Sanford Young (AK) Kelly (MS) Payne

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.