

[Roll No. 152]

AYES—241

Abraham Guthrie Peterson
Aderholt Hardy Pittenger
Allen Harper Pitts
Amash Harris Poe (TX)
Amodeli Hartzler Poliquin
Babin Heck (NV) Pompeo
Barletta Hensarling Posey
Barr Herrera Beutler Price, Tom
Barton Hice, Jody B. Ratcliffe
Benishek Hill Reed
Bilirakis Holding Reichert
Bishop (MI) Hudson Renacci
Bishop (UT) Huelskamp Ribble
Blackburn Huizenga (MI) Rice (SC)
Blum Hultgren Rigell
Bost Hunter Roby
Boustany Hurd (TX) Roe (TN)
Brady (TX) Hurt (VA) Rogers (AL)
Brat Issa Rogers (KY)
Bridenstine Jenkins (KS) Rohrabacher
Brooks (AL) Jenkins (WV) Rokita
Brooks (IN) Johnson (OH) Rooney (FL)
Buchanan Johnson, Sam Ros-Lehtinen
Buck Jolly Roskam
Bucshon Jordan Ross
Burgess Joyce Rothfus
Byrne Katko Rouzer
Calvert Kelly (MS) Royce
Carter (GA) Kelly (PA) Russell
Carter (TX) King (IA) Salmon
Chabot King (NY) Sanford
Chaffetz Kinzinger (IL) Scalise
Clawson (FL) Kline Schweikert
Coffman Knight Scott, Austin
Cole Labrador Sensenbrenner
Collins (GA) LaHood Sessions
Comstock LaMalfa Shimkus
Conaway Lamborn Shuster
Cook Lance Sinema
Costa Latta Sires
Costello (PA) LoBiondo Smith (MO)
Cramer Long Smith (NE)
Crawford Loudermilk Smith (NJ)
Crenshaw Love Smith (TX)
Culberson Lucas Stefanik
Curbelo (FL) Luetkemeyer Stivers
Davis, Rodney Lummis Stutzman
Denham MacArthur Thompson (PA)
Dent Marino Thornberry
DeSantis Massie Tiberi
Diaz-Balart McCarthy Tipton
Dold McCaul Trott
Donovan McClintock Turner
Duffy McHenry Upton
Duncan (TN) McKinley Valadao
Ellmers (NC) McMorris Wagner
Emmer (MN) Rodgers Walberg
Farenthold McSally Walden
Fitzpatrick Meadows Walker
Fleischmann Meehan Walorski
Fleming Messer Walters, Mimi
Flores Mica Weber (TX)
Forbes Miller (FL) Webster (FL)
Fortenberry Miller (MI) Wenstrup
Foxy Moolenaar Westerman
Franks (AZ) Mooney (WV) Westmoreland
Frelinghuysen Mullin Whitfield
Garrett Mulvaney Williams
Gibbs Murphy (PA) Wilson (SC)
Gibson Neugebauer Wittman
Gohmert Newhouse Womack
Goodlatte Noem Woodall
Gosar Nugent Yoder
Gowdy Nunes Yoho
Granger Olson Yoho
Graves (GA) Palazzo Young (AK)
Graves (LA) Palmer Young (IA)
Graves (MO) Paulsen Young (IN)
Griffith Pearce Zeldin
Grothman Perry Zinke
Guinta Peters

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Adams Brady (PA) Chu, Judy
Aguilar Brown (FL) Cicilline
Ashford Brownley (CA) Clark (MA)
Bass Bustos Clarke (NY)
Beatty Butterfield Clay
Becerra Capps Cleaver
Bera Capuano Clyburn
Beyer Cárdenas Cohen
Bishop (GA) Carney Conyers
Blumenauer Carson (IN) Cooper
Bonamici Cartwright Courtney
Boyle, Brendan Castor (FL) Crowley
F. Castro (TX) Cuellar

Cummings Kelly (IL) Polis
Davis (CA) Kennedy Price (NC)
Davis, Danny Kildee Quigley
DeFazio Kilmer Rice (NY)
DeGette Kind Richmond
DeLauro Kirkpatrick Roybal-Allard
DelBene Kuster Ruiz
DeSaulnier Langevin Ruppertsberger
Deutch Larsen (WA) Rush
Dingell Larson (CT) Ryan (OH)
Doggett Lawrence Sánchez, Linda
Doyle, Michael Lee T.
F. Levin Sanchez, Loretta
Reed Lewis Sarbanes
Duckworth Lipinski Schakowsky
Edwards Ellison Schiff
Ellison Lofgren Schrader
Eshoo Lowenthal Scott (VA)
Esty Lowey Scott, David
Farr Lujan Grisham Serrano
Foster (NM) Sewell (AL)
Frankel (FL) Sherman
Fudge Luján, Ben Ray Slaughter
Gabbard (NM) Smith (WA)
Gallego Lynch Speier
Garamendi Maloney, Carolyn Swallow (CA)
Graham Maloney, Sean Takai
Grayson Matsui Takano
Green, Al McCollum Thompson (MS)
Green, Gene McDermott Titus
Grijalva Guterrez Tonko
Rouzer McGovern Torres
Hahn McNerney Tsongas
Hastings Meeks Van Hollen
Heck (WA) Meng Vargas
Higgins Moore Veasey
Himes Moulton Vela
Hinojosa Murphy (FL) Velázquez
Honda Napolitano Visclosky
Hoyer Neal Walz
Huffman Nolan Wasserman
Israel Norcross Waters, Maxine
Jackson Lee O'Rourke Watson Coleman
Jeffries Pallone Welch
Johnson (GA) Pascrell Wilson (FL)
Johnson, E. B. Perlmutter Yarmuth
Kaptur Pingree
Keating Pocan

NOT VOTING—19

Black Fattah Payne
Collins (NY) Fincher Pelosi
Connolly Hanna Rangel
Delaney Jones Simpson
DesJarlais Lieu, Ted Thompson (CA)
Duncan (SC) Marchant
Engel Nadler

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So 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. HANNA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 152 on H.R. 2666, I am not recorded because I was absent for personal reasons. Had I been present, I would have voted "aye."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, on roll call No. 150 for passage of the Yarmuth Amendment No. 2, rollcall No. 151 for passage of the McNerney Amendment No. 3, rollcall No. 152 for final passage of H.R. 2666 which took place Friday, April 15, 2016, I am not recorded because I was unavoidably detained.

Had I been present, I would have voted "nay" on rollcall No. 150, the Yarmuth Amendment No. 2, on rollcall No. 151, the McNerney Amendment No. 3. I would have voted "aye" on rollcall No. 152 for final passage of H.R. 2666.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Speaker, on April 15, 2016, I was absent and was unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted as follows:

Rollcall No. 150—"No."

Rollcall No. 151—"No."

Rollcall No. 152—"No."

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. MCCARTHY) for the purpose of inquiring of the majority leader about the schedule for the week to come.

(Mr. MCCARTHY asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, on Monday, the House will meet at noon for morning hour and 2 p.m. for legislative business. Votes will be postponed until 6:30.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, the House will meet at 10 a.m. for morning hour and at noon for legislative business.

On Thursday, the House will meet at 9 a.m. for legislative business. No votes are expected in the House on Friday.

Mr. Speaker, the House will consider a number of suspensions next week, a complete list of which will be announced by close of business today.

Mr. Speaker, since next Monday is Tax Day, the House will also consider four commonsense bills aimed at protecting all taxpayers.

First will be H.R. 1206, the No Hires for the Delinquent IRS Act, sponsored by Representative DAVID ROUZER, and will ensure that IRS employees—the very people who are responsible for collecting taxes from every American—pay their own taxes.

H.R. 4885, the IRS Oversight While Eliminating Spending Act, sponsored by Representative JASON SMITH, will require fees collected by the IRS to be subject to congressional appropriations so that there is proper oversight into how the taxpayer money is spent.

H.R. 3724, the Ensuring Integrity in the IRS Workforce Act, sponsored by Representative KRISTI NOEM, will prohibit the IRS from rehiring someone who has been fired for cause.

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Finally, Mr. Speaker, H.R. 4890, the IRS Bonuses Tied to Measurable Metrics Act, sponsored by Representative PAT MEEHAN, will ban IRS bonuses until they can demonstrate improved customer service. It just doesn't get any more common sense than that.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank my friend for that information. I want to ask him just one question on one of those commonsense bills that seeks to remove those employees who work for the IRS who collect taxes, that if they are delinquent, they will be removed.

Does that apply to the Congress of the United States as well which levies those taxes, that if we have any Members who are delinquent, that they, too, would be removed?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

The bill solely deals with the IRS, but he can always offer an amendment.

Mr. HOYER. I may do that.

First of all, let me thank the gentleman. We are confronting a crisis, as the gentleman so well knows, in Puerto Rico. On May 1, they will be unable to pay their debts.

I want to thank the majority leader who has been leading to reach a bipartisan solution. Unfortunately, as the majority leader and I both know, there was a failure in committee this week to move the bill forward. But I want to reiterate my appreciation to the gentleman from California, the majority leader, for his efforts to make sure that we do, in fact, address this issue before May 1. I want to thank him for that.

It is critical that we do so, it is critical that we do so in a bipartisan fashion, and it is critical to have a bill that both sides can support. I have told the majority leader, and I reiterate, we hope that on both restructuring and the composition and the authority of a board of review, an oversight board, that we can come to an agreement so that we can have such a vote and have it in the near future.

Secondly, can the majority leader tell me where we are? I know the budget has been reported out of committee. The gentleman talks about Tax Day. Obviously, we are now at the point when a budget was expected to be brought to the floor. Can the majority leader tell me where we stand on the budget process and the budget coming to the floor of the House of Representatives?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I will first touch on Puerto Rico. I thank the gentleman for his work on that. Let me start by saying that any proposal that the House considers cannot be a bailout of Puerto Rico.

I know the committee had a markup and they postponed the vote on it simply because Treasury was still negotiating. We had heard from those on your side of the aisle that they did not want to pursue or continue until Treasury was done negotiating. So we look forward to continue solving this problem in a bipartisan manner.

I also understand the gentleman asking about the budget. I do believe the budget process is an important one, and we are continuing to work through it. It is out of the committee, and I look forward to getting it onto the floor.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman.

Let me mention two other items briefly because I know the gentleman has a time constraint. Zika and Ebola continue to be challenges to the health of Americans and, indeed, the health of the international community as well.

Obviously, we previously committed a significant sum of money to meet the Ebola crisis, which still remains with us. It is not on the front burner as it was for a period of time, but it is, nevertheless, as the gentleman knows, a very significant and serious one.

In addition, of course, we have the crisis that Zika poses to the health and welfare not only of women who either are or may become pregnant, but also to others as well.

Can the gentleman tell me where the funding—as the gentleman knows, the administration transferred some funds out of the money that was dedicated to Ebola. And I want to thank the gentleman for having a hearing, which he invited me. We joined in having that hearing, and we had Secretary Burwell of HHS, Tony Fauci of NIH, and Dr. Frieden of CDC—a very important hearing. They have transferred some money.

Does the gentleman have any information as to when we might move forward, both on backfilling the money that has been taken from Ebola and responding to the administration's request for funding for response to Zika?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. MCCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding. I do think the gentleman's work is bipartisan on our challenge with Zika and as we continue to move forward with it.

First, I am very happy to see that the administration did take our advice last week and began using the unused Ebola funding in our efforts to combat Zika. I know that was more than half a billion dollars. That money is going to go a long way to containing the disease. I had met with the chairman of Appropriations just today. They are continuing to look and monitor. We believe this money will take us throughout the rest of this fiscal year, but we will look and monitor where we need it and what we need to move forward.

As the gentleman knows, every day we continue to learn more about Zika. We are committed on this side, and I know on your side as well, to make sure that we eradicate this problem from ever furthering in America.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman. I look forward to working with him on both—continuing to focus on Ebola, while at the same time we focus on the immediate threat of Zika.

The last comment I would make, Mr. Speaker, is that Members ought to be disabused of the concept—and I have heard it, as well as the gentleman has heard it—that the legislation under consideration for Puerto Rico is a bailout. There is no money going to Puerto Rico. There is no guarantee of any of their indebtedness going from the United States to Puerto Rico.

This is simply whether or not we can construct a mechanism so that they can restructure their debt, which may prolong the period of time in which the debt is paid off. It may reduce by some amount the debt that is repaid. But as the gentleman knows—and he is shaking his head in agreement—we are not contemplating nor are we moving forward on a bailout for Puerto Rico.

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

ADJOURNMENT FROM FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 2016, TO MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday, April 18, 2016, when it shall convene at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia? There was no objection.

RECOGNIZING TOM BOWERS

(Mr. GRIFFITH asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GRIFFITH. Mr. Speaker, I rise in recognition of Tom Bowers. Tom is a Commonwealth attorney for the city of Salem, Virginia, who today, in a formal award ceremony at Federal Bureau of Investigation headquarters, is receiving the Richmond FBI's 2015 Director's Community Leadership Award for his efforts to organize a Heroin Prevention Initiative in the Roanoke, Virginia, area.

Regrettably, the growing epidemic of heroin use is a plague on communities throughout the United States. Addressing this nationwide problem will require expanded coordination and involvement by local, State, and Federal governments, as well as law enforcement agencies and healthcare professionals.

I applaud Commonwealth Attorney Bowers and those working for him on the Heroin Prevention Initiative for their efforts to combat the heroin epidemic by bringing awareness to the pervasiveness of prescription drug and heroin use among youth in our area and helping to alleviate the damage to our community.

Others involved in this important work in this initiative include the Roanoke Area Youth Substance Abuse Coalition, the Prevention Council of Roanoke County, the Virginia State Police, the City of Roanoke Police Department, the Vinton Police Department, and the Roanoke County Police Department.

I also would note, of course, that Tom Bowers represents the city of Salem, and the city of Salem folks are involved as well.

Congratulations to Commonwealth Attorney Bowers on being presented the Richmond FBI's 2015 Director's Community Leadership Award.

VICTIMS OF GUN VIOLENCE

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

Mr. PETERS. Mr. Speaker, Irvington, New Jersey, Christmas Day, December 25, 2013: Pierre Clervoyant, Jr., 34 years old; Woodley Daniel, 32; Mushir Cureton, 27.