

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I rise for the purpose of inquiring of the majority leader the schedule for tomorrow, and I yield to the gentleman from California (Mr. McCARTHY).

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, tomorrow the House will vote on H.R. 1644, our North Korean sanctions bill. I do believe it is important that the House speak with one voice against the recent actions of the Kim regime.

Next, as I said in our colloquy on Friday, additional legislative items are possible. As soon as any items are added to our schedule, I will be sure to notify Members. However, Members should be prepared to be here and voting tomorrow.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I would hope the majority leader might give us some idea. Obviously, everybody in this town and around the country believes the possible legislation that might come forward is a version of, revision of, the American Health Care Act that has been pending for some time not necessarily on the House floor, but in this House.

Can the gentleman tell me whether or not Members ought to prepare for a debate on that bill tomorrow? And if so, does the gentleman know whether there will be a CBO score on the bill that might be brought to the floor, and thirdly, the timing for tomorrow so that Members might plan on what the schedule would be?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. McCARTHY. I thank my friend for yielding. I appreciate his questions.

As has been reported in the press, we have made significant progress on our healthcare bill. When we are ready to bring the bill to the floor, I will make an announcement and relay scheduling information to all Members.

Mr. HOYER. I asked a question, though, you did not address. If, in fact, the healthcare bill were brought to the floor tomorrow, would it have a score from the Congressional Budget Office?

I yield to my friend.

Mr. McCARTHY. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

As the gentleman clearly knows, there is a CBO score out there right now on the bill. As the gentleman knows, we are making progress; and as soon as we designate that, yes, we will move the bill, and I will notify the gentleman.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I presume, therefore, Members ought to be prepared for that bill to come forward, and what we hear, we don't know, is in a revised form.

Mr. Speaker, we hope, if it comes forward in a revised form, that it is ac-

companied with a Congressional Budget Office score so that Members on both sides of the aisle might know the ramifications of the changes in the bill.

Unless the gentleman wants to say anything further, I will yield back, but I hope that we can get as much notice and information as possible, Mr. Leader.

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

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal, which the Chair will put de novo.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. McCARTHY. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 236, noes 178, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 251]

AYES—236

Abraham	Courtney	Harris	Boyle, Brendan	Graves (LA)	Panetta
Aderholt	Cramer	Hartzler	F.	Graves (MO)	Paulsen
Allen	Crawford	Heck	Brady (PA)	Green, Gene	Payne
Amodei	Crist	Hensarling	Brownley (CA)	Gutiérrez	Pearce
Arrington	Cuellar	Higgins (LA)	Buck	Hastings	Pelosi
Bacon	Cummings	Higgins (NY)	Bucshon	Herrera Beutler	Perry
Banks (IN)	Davidson	Hill	Burgess	Hice, Jody B.	Peters
Barletta	Davis (CA)	Himes	Bishop (GA)	Hoyer	Peterson
Barr	Davis, Danny	Hollingsworth	Bishop (MI)	Hudson	Poe (TX)
Barton	DeLauro	Huffman	Blackburn	Huizenga	Price (NC)
Beatty	DelBene	Hultgren	Blum	Hunter	Ratcliffe
Biggs	Demings	Hurd	Bost	Jackson Lee	Reed
Bilirakis	Dent	Issa	Barragán	Jenkins (KS)	Renacci
Bishop (UT)	DeSaulnier	Jeffries	Bass	Jenkins (WV)	Rice (NY)
Black	DesJarlais	Johnson (GA)	Amash	Johnson (OH)	Roe (TN)
Blumenauer	Deutch	Johnson (LA)	Brady (PA)	Jones	Rogers (AL)
Blunt Rochester	Dingell	Johnson, E. B.	Brownley (CA)	Jordan	Rohrabacher
Bonamici	Donovan	Johnson, Sam	Buck	Joyce (OH)	Rokita
Brady (TX)	Duncan (SC)	Kaptur	Bucshon	Keating	Ros-Lehtinen
Brat	Duncan (TN)	Katko	Burgess	Kelly (IL)	Roskam
Bridenstine	Dunn	Connolly	Capuano	Khanha	Rouzer
Brooks (AL)	Ellison	Conyers	Carpajal	Kihuen	Royal-Allard
Brooks (IN)	Engel	Costello (PA)	Cárdenas	Kilmel	Ruiz
Brown (MD)	Eshoo	Comer	Carter (GA)	Lance	Rush
Buchanan	Espallat	Conaway	Castor (FL)	Langevin	Rutherford
Budd	Estes (KS)	Clyburn	Castro (WA)	Larsen (WA)	Ryan (OH)
Bustos	Esty (CT)	Coffman	Connolly	Larson (CT)	Sánchez
Byrne	Evans	Connolly	Cooper	Lawson (FL)	Sewell (AL)
Calvert	Ferguson	Cox	Costa	Lee	Sires
Carson (IN)	Fleischmann	Custer (NH)	DeFazio	Levin	Slaughter
Carter (TX)	Fortenberry	Kaufost (TN)	Davis, Rodney	Lewin	Speier
Cartwright	Foster	Labrador	DeFazio	Lieu, Ted	Stivers
Castro (TX)	Frankel (FL)	LaMalfa	Duffy	LoBiondo	Sarbanes
Chabot	Frelinghuysen	Lamborn	DeSantis	Langevin	Schakowsky
Cheney	Gabbard	Latta	Doyle, Michael	Larsen (WA)	Schrader
Chu, Judy	Gallego	Lawrence	Denham	LoBiondo	Tenney
Cicilline	Gonzalez (TX)	Lewis (MN)	DeSantis	MacArthur	Sanford
Clark (MA)	Goodlatte	Lipinski	Doyle, Michael	Maloney, Sean	Sanford
Clarke (NY)	Gottheimer	Long	F.	Marchant	Sarbanes
Clay	Gowdy	Loudermilk	Duffy	Mast	Tipton
Cleaver	Granger	Love	Franks (AZ)	Matsui	Turner
Cole	Green, Al	Lowenthal	Furey	Meeks	Upton
Collins (NY)	Griffith	Lowey	Furey	McEachin	Valadao
Comstock	Grothman	Lucas	Gao	McGovern	Tsongas
Cook	Guthrie	Luetkemeyer	Gallagher	McKinley	Vargas
Cooper	Hanabusa	Lujan Grisham, M.	Garamendi	McSally	Veasey
Correa	Harper	Luján, Ben Ray	Garrett	Nolan	Vela
			Gibbs	Norcross	Velázquez
			Gosar	O'Halleran	Visclosky
			Graves (GA)	Pallone	Walberg
					Watson Coleman
					Weber (TX)
					Wenstrup
					Woodall
					Yoder
					Young (AK)

NOT VOTING—16

Butterfield	Emmer	Olson
Chaffetz	Gohmert	Poliquin
DeGette	Grijalva	Raskin
Delaney	Holding	Rooney, Francis
Diaz-Balart	Messer	
Doggett	Newhouse	

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Mr. STIVERS changed his vote from “aye” to “no.”

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PROVIDING FOR A CORRECTION IN THE ENROLLMENT OF H.R. 244

Mr. FREILINGHUYSEN. Mr. Speaker, I send to the desk a concurrent resolution and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MITCHELL). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

The text of the concurrent resolution is as follows:

H. CON. RES. 53

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 244, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall make the following corrections:

(1) Amend the long title so as to read: “Making appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, and for other purposes”.

(2) Strike the first section 1 immediately following the enacting clause and all that follows through “Sec. 4. Display of Award”.

(3) In the table of contents for the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017, strike “**Division N—Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans Act of 2017**” and insert the following:

DIVISION N—INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017
DIVISION O—HONORING INVESTMENTS IN RECRUITING AND EMPLOYING AMERICAN MILITARY VETERANS ACT OF 2017

(4) Insert immediately before “It is unlawful for any employer to publicly display a HIRE Vets Medallion Award” the following:

“DIVISION O—HONORING INVESTMENTS IN RECRUITING AND EMPLOYING AMERICAN MILITARY VETERANS ACT OF 2017
“SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

“This division may be cited as the ‘Honoring Investments in Recruiting and Employing American Military Veterans Act of 2017’ or the ‘HIRE Vets Act’.

“SEC. 2. HIRE VETS MEDALLION AWARD PROGRAM.

“(a) PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Labor shall establish, by rule, a HIRE Vets Medallion Program to solicit voluntary information from employers for purposes of recognizing, by means of an award to be designated a ‘HIRE Vets Medallion Award’, verified efforts by such employers—

“(1) to recruit, employ, and retain veterans; and

“(2) to provide community and charitable services supporting the veteran community.

“(b) APPLICATION PROCESS.—Beginning in the calendar year following the calendar

year in which the Secretary establishes the program, the Secretary shall annually—

“(1) solicit and accept voluntary applications from employers in order to consider whether those employers should receive a HIRE Vets Medallion Award;

“(2) review applications received in each calendar year; and

“(3) notify such recipients of their awards; and

“(4) at a time to coincide with the annual commemoration of Veterans Day—

“(A) announce the names of such recipients;

“(B) recognize such recipients through publication in the Federal Register; and

“(C) issue to each such recipient—

“(i) a HIRE Vets Medallion Award of the level determined under section 3; and

“(ii) a certificate stating that such employer is entitled to display such HIRE Vets Medallion Award.

“(C) TIMING.—

“(1) SOLICITATION PERIOD.—The Secretary shall solicit applications not later than January 31st of each calendar year for the Awards to be awarded in November of that calendar year.

“(2) END OF ACCEPTANCE PERIOD.—The Secretary shall stop accepting applications not earlier than April 30th of each calendar year for the Awards to be awarded in November of that calendar year.

“(3) REVIEW PERIOD.—The Secretary shall finish reviewing applications not later than August 31st of each calendar year for the Awards to be awarded in November of that calendar year.

“(4) SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS.—The Secretary shall select the employers to receive HIRE Vets Medallion Awards not later than September 30th of each calendar year for the Awards to be awarded in November of that calendar year.

“(5) NOTICE TO RECIPIENTS.—The Secretary shall notify employers who will receive HIRE Vets Medallion Awards not later than October 11th of each calendar year for the Awards to be awarded in November of that calendar year.

“(d) LIMITATION.—An employer who receives a HIRE Vets Medallion Award for one calendar year is not eligible to receive a HIRE Vets Medallion Award for the subsequent calendar year.

“SEC. 3. SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS.
“(a) APPLICATION REVIEW PROCESS.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall review all applications received in a calendar year to determine whether an employer should receive a HIRE Vets Medallion Award, and, if so, of what level.

“(2) APPLICATION CONTENTS.—The Secretary shall require that all applications provide information on the programs and other efforts of applicant employers during the calendar year prior to that in which the medallion is to be awarded, including the categories and activities governing the level of award for which the applicant is eligible under subsection (b).

“(3) VERIFICATION.—The Secretary shall verify all information provided in the applications, to the extent that such information is relevant in determining whether or not an employer should receive a HIRE Vets Medallion Award or in determining the appropriate level of HIRE Vets Medallion Award for that employer to receive, including by requiring the chief executive officer or the chief human relations officer of the employer to attest under penalty of perjury that the employer has met the criteria described in subsection (b) for a particular level of Award.

“(b) AWARDS.—
“(1) LARGE EMPLOYERS.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall establish 2 levels of HIRE Vets Medallion

Awards to be awarded to employers employing 500 or more employees, to be designated the ‘Gold HIRE Vets Medallion Award’ and the ‘Platinum HIRE Vets Medallion Award’.

“(B) GOLD HIRE VETS MEDALLION AWARD.—No employer shall be eligible to receive a Gold HIRE Vets Medallion Award in a given calendar year unless—

“(i) veterans constitute not less than 7 percent of all employees hired by such employer during the prior calendar year;

“(ii) such employer has retained not less than 75 percent of the veteran employees hired during the calendar year preceding the preceding calendar year for a period of at least 12 months from the date on which the employees were hired;

“(iii) such employer has established an employee veteran organization or resource group to assist new veteran employees with integration, including coaching and mentoring; and

“(iv) such employer has established programs to enhance the leadership skills of veteran employees during their employment.

“(C) PLATINUM HIRE VETS MEDALLION AWARD.—No employer shall be eligible to receive a Platinum HIRE Vets Medallion Award in a given calendar year unless—

“(i) the employer meets all the requirements for eligibility for a Gold HIRE Vets Medallion Award under subparagraph (B);

“(ii) veterans constitute not less than 10 percent of all employees hired by such employer during the prior calendar year;

“(iii) such employer has retained not less than 85 percent of the veteran employees hired during the calendar year preceding the preceding calendar year for a period of at least 12 months from the date on which the employees were hired;

“(iv) such employer employs dedicated human resources professionals to support hiring and retention of veteran employees, including efforts focused on veteran hiring and training;

“(v) such employer provides each of its employees serving on active duty in the United States National Guard or Reserve with compensation sufficient, in combination with the employee’s active duty pay, to achieve a combined level of income commensurate with the employee’s salary prior to undertaking active duty; and

“(vi) such employer has a tuition assistance program to support veteran employees’ attendance in postsecondary education during the term of their employment.

“(D) EXEMPTION FOR SMALLER EMPLOYERS.—An employer shall be deemed to meet the requirements of subparagraph (C)(iv) if such employer—

“(i) employs 5,000 or fewer employees; and

“(ii) employs at least one human resources professional whose regular work duties include those described under subparagraph (C)(iv).

“(E) ADDITIONAL CRITERIA.—The Secretary may provide, by rule, additional criteria with which to determine qualifications for receipt of each level of HIRE Vets Medallion Award.

“(2) SMALL- AND MEDIUM-SIZED EMPLOYERS.—The Secretary shall establish similar awards in order to recognize achievements in supporting veterans by—

“(A) employers with 50 or fewer employees; and

“(B) employers with more than 50 but fewer than 500 employees.

“(C) DESIGN BY SECRETARY.—The Secretary shall establish the shape, form, and design of each HIRE Vets Medallion Award, except that the Award shall be in the form of a certificate and shall state the year for which it was awarded.