

I rise to urge bipartisan support for a bipartisan priority, relief for family farmers. Passing H.R. 2336 will make our Nation's bankruptcy laws for farmers reflective of today's economy and better represent the experiences of our Nation's farmers.

I am proud to represent New York's 19th Congressional District, which stretches nearly 8,000 square miles, is made up of 11 counties, and includes the beautiful Hudson Valley and Catskill Mountains.

New York 19 is the eighth most rural district in the country, and the third most rural represented by a Democrat. It is also home to nearly 5,000 farms and over 8,000 farm operators.

The last USDA Ag Census found that 96 percent of the farms in my district are family owned. These family-owned farms, both in New York 19, and across the country, are facing alarming rates of foreclosure during this down farm economy.

This is the fifth year on record of declining net farm income. Prices are low, inputs are high, and current trade policies make the future for farms unknown. 2018 marked the fourth consecutive year of rising bankruptcy rates as a proportion of the farm population.

This farm economy is exacerbated by an outdated bankruptcy filing cap that leaves farmers without options to restructure or repay their debt. Chapter 12 was created specifically to provide repayment flexibility and reorganizational advantages for family farms during poor economic times.

Unfortunately, this outdated debt cap has rendered chapter 12 an inaccessible tool for thousands of farm families.

Mr. Speaker, the numbers tell the story here. According to the National Farm Bureau, last year just 498 farms filed for chapter 12 bankruptcy. By comparison, 766,000 consumers filed under chapters 7 and 13.

Over the last 10 years, chapter 7 and chapter 13 have seen 10 million total filings, compared to just 5,000 Chapter 12 filings.

Mr. Speaker, we must do more.

The Family Farmer Relief Act solution is simple. My one-sentence bill would adjust the debt cap to align with today's land values and the cost of doing business for today's farmers. Our legislation modifies chapter 12 bankruptcy rules to raise the debt cap for eligibility to \$10 million.

This adjustment will provide farmers additional options to manage the current farm economy and allows farmers to retain assets and remain operational. Allowing farmers increased flexibility is critical to the health and wellness of our family farmers and the Upstate economy at large.

I thank House leadership for bringing this important bill to the floor, and also Subcommittee Chairman CICILLINE for his support and leadership on the Judiciary Committee.

In addition, I want to thank Senator GRASSLEY for his ongoing leadership on this issue in the Senate.

And lastly, I want to thank my bipartisan House coload, Judiciary Subcommittee Ranking Member JIM SENSENBRENNER, House Agriculture Committee Chairman COLLIN PETERSON, and Representatives TJ COX, KELLY ARMSTRONG, and DUSTY JOHNSON.

I look forward to seeing this bill move forward so we can give our farmers and growers the support and flexibility they need in these hard times.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER. Mr. Speaker, I have no further speakers. I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. CICILLINE. Mr. Speaker, H.R. 2336 is a commonsense, bipartisan solution. I applaud the gentleman from New York (Mr. DELGADO) for his leadership on this bill to help our Nation's family-owned farms.

This legislation is supported by the nonpartisan American Bankruptcy Institute, as well the American College of Bankruptcy. It currently has more than 27 bipartisan cosponsors, including our distinguished colleague, the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. SENSENBRENNER).

I encourage my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to pass H.R. 2336.

I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. CICILLINE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2336, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

BIPARTISAN BUDGET ACT OF 2019

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on passage of the bill (H.R. 3877) to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, to establish a congressional budget for fiscal years 2020 and 2021, to temporarily suspend the debt limit, 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 passage of the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 284, nays 149, not voting 0, as follows:

[Roll No. 511]

YEAS—284

Adams	Blunt Rochester	Cartwright
Aderholt	Bonamici	Case
Aguilar	Bost	Casten (IL)
Allred	Boyle, Brendan	Castor (FL)
Axne	F.	Castro (TX)
Babin	Brady	Cheney
Bacon	Brooks (IN)	Chu, Judy
Barragán	Brown (MD)	Cicilline
Bass	Brownley (CA)	Cisneros
Beatty	Bustos	Clark (MA)
Bera	Butterfield	Clarke (NY)
Bergman	Calvert	Clay
Beyer	Carbajal	Cleaver
Bilirakis	Cárdenas	Clyburn
Bishop (GA)	Carson (IN)	Cohen
Bishop (UT)	Carter (TX)	Cole

Collins (GA)	Joyce (OH)	Raskin
Collins (NY)	Kaptur	Reschenthaler
Conaway	Katko	Richmond
Connolly	Keating	Roby
Cook	Kelly (IL)	Rogers (AL)
Correa	Kennedy	Rogers (KY)
Costa	Khanna	Rose (NY)
Courtney	Kildee	Rouda
Cox (CA)	Kilmer	Roybal-Allard
Craig	Kim	Ruiz
Crist	King (NY)	Ruppersberger
Crow	Kinzinger	Rush
Cuellar	Kirkpatrick	Rutherford
Cummings	Krishnamoorthi	Ryan
Davidson (KS)	Kuster (NH)	Sánchez
Davis (CA)	Kustoff (TN)	Sarbanes
Davis, Danny K.	Lamb	Scalise
Davis, Rodney	Langevin	Scanlon
Dean	Larsen (WA)	Schakowsky
DeFazio	Larson (CT)	Schiff
DeGette	Lawrence	Schneider
DeLauro	Lawson (FL)	Schrier
DelBene	Lee (CA)	Scott (VA)
Delgado	Lee (NV)	Scott, David
Demings	Levin (CA)	Serrano
DeSaulnier	Levin (MI)	Sewell (AL)
Deutch	Lewis	Shalala
Diaz-Balart	Lieu, Ted	Sherman
Dingell	Loeb	Sherrill
Doggett	Lofgren	Simpson
Doyle, Michael	Lowenthal	Sires
F.	Lowe	Slotkin
Dunn	Lucas	Smith (NJ)
Engel	Luetkemeyer	Smith (WA)
Escobar	Lujan	Soto
Eshoo	Luria	Speier
Española	Lynch	Stanton
Evans	Malinowski	Staub
Ferguson	Maloney	Stefanik
Finkenauer	Carolyn B.	Stevens
Fitzpatrick	Maloney, Sean	Stewart
Fleischmann	Matsui	Suozzi
Fletcher	McBath	Swalwell (CA)
Fortenberry	McCarthy	Takano
Foster	McCaul	Thompson (CA)
Frankel	McCollum	Thompson (MS)
Fudge	McEachin	Thompson (PA)
Gabbard	McGovern	Thornberry
Gallego	McHenry	Titus
Garamendi	McNerney	Tlaib
Garcia (IL)	Meeks	Tonko
Garcia (TX)	Meng	Torres (CA)
Golden	Meuser	Torres Small
Gomez	Miller	(NM)
Gonzalez (TX)	Moore	Trahan
Gottheimer	Morelle	Trone
Granger	Moulton	Turner
Green, Al (TX)	Mucarsel-Powell	Underwood
Grijalva	Nadler	Upton
Guthrie	Napolitano	Van Drew
Haaland	Neal	Vargas
Hartzler	Neguse	Veasey
Hastings	Norcross	Vela
Hayes	Nunes	Velázquez
Heck	O'Halleran	Visclosky
Higgins (NY)	Ocasio-Cortez	Walden
Hill (AR)	Palazzo	Wasserman
Hill (CA)	Pallone	Schultz
Himes	Panetta	Waters
Horn, Kendra S.	Pappas	Watson Coleman
Horsford	Pascarella	Welch
Houlahan	Payne	Wexton
Hoyer	Pelosi	Wild
Huffman	Pence	Wilson (FL)
Hurd (TX)	Perlmutter	Wilson (SC)
Jackson Lee	Phillips	Womack
Jayapal	Pingree	Woodall
Jeffries	Pocan	Yarmuth
Johnson (GA)	Porter	Young
Johnson (OH)	Price (NC)	
Johnson (TX)	Quigley	

NAYS—149

Bucshon	DesJarlais
Budd	Duffy
Burchett	Duncan
Burgess	Emmer
Byrne	Estes
Carter (GA)	Flores
Chabot	Fox (NC)
Cline	Fulcher
Cloud	Gaetz
Comer	Gallagher
Cooper	Gianforte
Crawford	Gibbs
Crenshaw	Gohmert
Cunningham	Gonzalez (OH)
Curtis	Gooden
Davidson (OH)	Gosar

Graves (GA)	Long	Rouzer	Murphy	Posey	Webster (FL)	Rice (SC)	Shimkus	Trahan
Graves (LA)	Loudermilk	Roy	Norman	Rouzer	Wright	Richmond	Simpson	Trone
Graves (MO)	Marchant	Schrader	Perry	Roy	Yoho	Riggleman	Sires	Turner
Green (TN)	Marshall	Schweikert	Phillips	Weber (TX)		Roby	Slotkin	Underwood
Griffith	Massie	Scott, Austin				Rodgers (WA)	Smith (MO)	Upton
Grothman	Mast	Sensenbrenner				Roe, David P.	Smith (NE)	Van Drew
Guest	McAdams	Shimkus	Abraham	Deutch	King (NY)	Rogers (AL)	Smith (NJ)	Vargas
Hagedorn	McClintock	Smith (MO)	Adams	Kinzinger	Diaz-Balart	Rogers (KY)	Smith (WA)	Veasey
Harder (CA)	McKinley	Smith (NE)	Aderholt	Dingell	Kirkpatrick	Rooney (FL)	Smucker	Vela
Harris	Meadows	Smucker	Agullar	Doggett	Krishnamoorthi	Rose (NY)	Soto	Velázquez
Hern, Kevin	Mitchell	Spanberger	Allen	Doyle, Michael	Kuster (NH)	Rose, John W.	Spanberger	Visclosky
Herrera Beutler	Moolenaar	Spano	Allred	F.	Kustoff (TN)	Rouda	Spano	Wagner
Hice (GA)	Mooney (WV)	Steil	Amodei	Duffy	LaHood	Roybal-Allard	Speier	Walberg
Higgins (LA)	Mullin	Steube	Armstrong	Duncan	Lamb	Ruiz	Stanton	Walden
Holding	Murphy	Stivers	Arrington	Dunn	Lamborn	Ruppersberger	Stauber	Walker
Hollingsworth	Newhouse	Taylor	Axne	Emmer	Langevin	Rush	Stefanik	Walorski
Hudson	Norman	Timmons	Babin	Engel	Larsen (WA)	Rutherford	Steube	Waltz
Huizenga	Olson	Tipton	Bacon	Escobar	Larson (CT)	Ryan	Stevens	Wasserman
Hunter	Omar	Wagner	Baird	Eshoo	Latta	Sánchez	Stewart	Schultz
Johnson (LA)	Palmer	Walberg	Balderson	Espallat	Lawrence	Sarbanes	Stewarts	Waters
Johnson (SD)	Perry	Walker	Banks	Estes	Lawson (FL)	Scalise	Stivers	Watkins
Jordan	Peters	Walorski	Barr	Evans	Lee (CA)	Scanlon	Suozi	Watson Coleman
Joyce (PA)	Peterson	Waltz	Barragán	Ferguson	Lee (NV)	Schakowsky	Swalwell (CA)	Welch
Keller	Pressley	Watkins	Bass	Finkenauer	Levin (CA)	Schiff	Takano	Wenstrup
Kelly (MS)	Ratcliffe	Weber (TX)	Beatty	Fitzpatrick	Levin (MI)	Schneider	Taylor	Westerman
Kelly (PA)	Reed	Webster (FL)	Bera	Fleischmann	Lewis	Schrier	Thompson (CA)	Wexton
Kind	Rice (NY)	Wenstrup	Bergman	Fletcher	Lieu, Ted	Schweikert	Thompson (MS)	Wild
King (IA)	Rice (SC)	Westerman	Beyer	Flores	Lipinski	Scott (VA)	Thornberry	Williams
LaHood	Riggleman	Williams	Bilirakis	Portenberry	Loebach	Scott, Austin	Timmons	Wilson (FL)
LaMalfa	Rodgers (WA)	Wittman	Bishop (GA)	Foster	Loftgren	Scott, David	Tipton	Wilson (SC)
Lamborn	Roe, David P.	Wright	Bishop (UT)	Fox (NC)	Long	Sensenbrenner	Titus	Wittman
Latta	Rooney (FL)	Yoho	Blumenauer	Frankel	Loudermilk	Serrano	Tlaib	Womack
Lesko	Rose, John W.	Zeldin	Blunt Rochester	Fudge	Lowenthal	Sewell (AL)	Tonko	Woodall
Lipinski			Bonamici	Gabbard	Lowey	Shalala	Torres (CA)	Yarmuth
			Bost	Galleo	Lucas	Sherman	Torres Small	Young
			Boyle, Brendan	Garamendi	Luetkemeyer	Sherrill	(NM)	Zeldin
			F.	Garcia (IL)	Luján			
			Brady	Garcia (TX)	Luria			
			Brooks (IN)	Gianforte	Lynch			
			Brown (MD)	Gibbs	Malinowski			
			Brownley (CA)	Golden	Maloney,			
			Buchanan	Gomez	Carolyn B.			
			Bucshon	Gonzalez (OH)	Maloney, Sean			
			Bustos	Gonzalez (TX)	Marchant			
			Butterfield	Gooden	Marshall			
			Byrne	Gottheimer	Mast			
			Calvert	Granger	Matsui			
			Carbajal	Graves (GA)	McBath			
			Carson (IN)	Graves (LA)	McCarthy			
			Carter (GA)	Graves (MO)	McCaul			
			Carter (TX)	Green, Al (TX)	McCollum			
			Cartwright	Grijalva	McEachin			
			Case	McGovern	McHenry			
			Casten (IL)	Guest	McNerney			
			Castor (FL)	Guthrie	Meeks			
			Castro (TX)	Haaland	Meng			
			Chabot	Hagedorn	Meuser			
			Cheney	Harder (CA)	Miller			
			Chu, Judy	Hartzler	Mitchell			
			Cicilline	Hastings	Moolenaar			
			Cisneros	Hayes	Moore			
			Clark (MA)	Heck	Morelle			
			Clarke (NY)	Hern, Kevin	Moulton			
			Clay	Herrera Beutler	Mucarsel-Powell			
			Cleaver	Higgins (LA)	Mullin			
			Cline	Higgins (NY)	Nadler			
			Clyburn	Hill (AR)	Napolitano			
			Cohen	Hill (CA)	Neal			
			Cole	Himes	Neguse			
			Collins (GA)	Holding	Newhouse			
			Collins (NY)	Horn, Kendra S.	Norcross			
			Conaway	Horsford	Nunes			
			Connolly	Houlahan	O'Halleran			
			Cook	Hoyer	Ocasio-Cortez			
			Correa	Huffman	Olson			
			Costa	Hurd (TX)	Omar			
			Courtney	Jackson Lee	Palazzo			
			Cox (CA)	Jayapal	Pallone			
			Craig	Jeffries	Palmer			
			Crawford	Johnson (GA)	Panetta			
			Crenshaw	Johnson (LA)	Pappas			
			Crist	Johnson (OH)	Pascarell			
			Crow	Johnson (SD)	Payne			
			Cuellar	Johnson (TX)	Pence			
			Cummings	Joyce (OH)	Perlmutter			
			Cunningham	Joyce (PA)	Peters			
			Curtis	Kaptur	Peterson			
			Davids (KS)	Katko	Pingree			
			Davis (CA)	Keating	Pocan			
			Davis, Danny K.	Keller	Porter			
			Davis, Rodney	Kelly (IL)	Pressley			
			Dean	Kelly (MS)	Price (NC)			
			DeFazio	Kelly (PA)	Quigley			
			DeGette	Kennedy	Raskin			
			DeLauro	Khanna	Ratcliffe			
			DelBene	Kildee	Reed			
			Delgado	Kilmer	Reschenthaler			
			Demings	Kim	Rice (NY)			
			DeSaulnier	Kind				

NAYS—384

□ 1710

Mr. BRINDISI changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. FERGUSON and BILIRAKIS changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. MASSIE

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, I have an amendment at the desk to change the title of the bill to: “A bill to kick the can down the road, and for other purposes.”

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

The Clerk read as follows:

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to kick the can down the road, and for other purposes.”

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 6 of rule XVI, the amendment is not debatable.

The question is on the amendment.

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

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 47, nays 384, not voting 1, as follows:

[Roll No. 512]

YEAS—47

Amash	DesJarlais	Huizenga
Biggs	Fulcher	Hunter
Brindisi	Gaetz	Jordan
Brooks (AL)	Gallagher	King (IA)
Buck	Gohmert	LaMalfa
Budd	Gosar	Lesko
Burchett	Green (TN)	Massie
Burgess	Griffith	McAdams
Cloud	Harris	McClintock
Comer	Hice (GA)	McKinley
Cooper	Hollingsworth	Meadows
Davidson (OH)	Hudson	Mooney (WV)

NOT VOTING—1

Cárdenas

□ 1726

Messrs. CLINE, MARCHANT, and GRAVES of Missouri changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. MCADAMS changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

VENEZUELA TPS ACT OF 2019

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. CARSON of Indiana). Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of the bill (H.R. 549) to designate Venezuela under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of Venezuela to be eligible for temporary protected status under such section, and for other purposes, will now resume.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. RESCHENTHALER. Mr. Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. RESCHENTHALER. I am in its present form.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Reschenthaler moves to recommit the bill H.R. 549 to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with the following amendment:

Page 1, line 11, before the comma, insert the following: “because of the economic, humanitarian, security, and refugee crisis that is a direct result of years of socialist policies