

sex trafficking funding for victims and children.

Also not allowed, Madam Speaker, was my amendment that bans the horrors of sex-selection abortions that have killed millions of girls around the world and right here in the United States. It is an unthinkable tragedy that little girls are targeted for death even before they are born solely because of their sex, and I am grieved that Democrats would not allow a vote on this basis to protect unborn girls.

These two amendments are at the very core of what it means to protect women and girls, and I am outraged that Democrats have chosen to move forward in a partisan manner without these critical provisions.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support my amendment, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I claim the time in opposition to this amendment.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I rise in reluctant opposition to this amendment.

While I believe it is well-intentioned, and we all want to prevent the misuse of Federal funds, I am concerned about the effect that it may have on small service providers that provide crucial services to victims and survivors.

It is also unnecessary since the underlying bill maintains existing accountability measures, which have proven to work very well.

This amendment imposes a mandatory bar on receiving grant funds up to 5 years if the grant recipient is found to have fraudulently misused such grant funds. Smaller providers, many of whom are run on a voluntary basis, are more likely to make financial errors because they lack the accounting, financial, and compliance expertise that larger organizations have.

Many of these small providers are culturally specific, rural, and Tribal programs that play a crucial role in their communities. Banning such groups from receiving funding for 5 years in these circumstances could have an unnecessarily punitive effect and could be detrimental to the victims and survivors who rely on them.

For many small service providers who rely on Federal funds to support their operations, such a severe penalty, or even the threat of one, could make a difference between continuing to serve victims and survivors in need and shutting their doors forever.

Accountability is vital in all forms, and I appreciate the spirit behind this amendment; but, for these providers, I fear it could end up doing more harm than good. It is because of these concerns that this amendment is opposed by the National Network to End Domestic Violence, among other organizations, and I must reluctantly oppose the amendment as well.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

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Mrs. WAGNER. Madam Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

In closing, this amendment will improve the underlying bill.

I urge my colleagues to vote “yes” on this amendment, and join me, along with the Department of Justice and the inspector general, to make sure that we are preventing fraud and abuse in these grant programs and making sure that every dollar marked for helping victims and preventing violence against women actually goes to help the most vulnerable.

Nevertheless, Madam Speaker, the underlying bill neglects to give trafficking victims and children the resources they need and was purposefully stripped from this partisan piece of legislation.

Madam Speaker, I oppose H.R. 1620, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. NADLER. Madam Speaker, I yield the balance of my time to the gentleman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON LEE).

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, may I inquire as to the amount of time remaining?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from New York has 3¼ minutes remaining.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, let me acknowledge the leadership of the gentleman who has offered this amendment and the opportunities that we have had to work together. I look forward to working with her going forward.

I have also worked with, over the years—really starting from the time that I stood alongside of then-Senator Joe Biden as this bill was presented for reauthorization. It went all the way through my time on the Judiciary Committee and the writing of this bill in 2018, when, unfortunately, there was no effort by the Judiciary Committee to put this bill forward for a hearing, there was no effort by the Senate Republicans, and no effort by the Republican President in 2018 to do anything about the scourge of violence against women and men and many groups.

I have worked with the 200-plus organizations that are involved in the coalition that stand against sexual assault and rape and stalking and domestic violence. They are in many different categories and sizes, but they are vital in their service.

I am concerned that this amendment would undermine those smaller organizations, who are unique in their service that they provide. They are in places where large organizations may not be. They are working with indigenous populations, Native Americans, immigrant women, LGBTQ. They are saving lives.

People of color, Hispanic, African American, we have a very sizeable portion of them and in this legislation, we are reaching out to people who cannot respond and help themselves; housing provisions, in case you have to flee, expediting your ability to get housing.

Then I am as concerned about sex trafficking as my good friend is. I have worked on this legislation. As a former member of the Houston Area Women’s Center, I am also well aware of the crisis as it relates to the need for this bill. But in the manager’s amendment, we do have language that says that we should have a placeholder for sex trafficking victims who experience sexual violence and assault; that the Federal recognition of their recovery is important.

Throughout this bill, there are provisions that will help individuals who are sex-trafficked. We have that in the bill in relationship to the particular actions that are generated if you are sexually assaulted while you are sex-trafficked.

So we know that this bill is sensitive. There is more that can be done. We look forward to a freestanding bill that deals in specifics, as we have done in the past.

I held the first hearing in my congressional district on human trafficking. I have worked with advocates and continue to work with them, and so I take issue that this bill is not sensitive to sex-trafficked individuals, and I look forward to working with the gentleman as we look forward to expanded resources and expanded response to those who have been sex-trafficked and human-trafficked, because that scourge continues.

This legislation responds to those like that woman in my district who lost her life in the days after Christmas and had her son shot at by her husband. We pay tribute to her. I ask my colleagues to vote against this amendment.

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

SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 233, the previous question is ordered on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mrs. WAGNER).

The question is on the amendment.

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

Mrs. WAGNER. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(s) of House Resolution 8, the yeas and nays are ordered.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question are postponed.

Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of H.R. 1620 is postponed.

REMOVING THE DEADLINE FOR THE RATIFICATION OF THE EQUAL RIGHTS AMENDMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on passage of the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 17) removing the deadline for the ratification of the equal rights amendment, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the joint resolution.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 222, nays 204, not voting 4, as follows:

[Roll No. 82]
YEAS—222

Adams	Gomez	O'Halleran
Aguilar	Gonzalez,	Ocasio-Cortez
Allred	Vicente	Omar
Auchincloss	Gottheimer	Pallone
Axne	Green, Al (TX)	Panetta
Barragán	Grijalva	Pappas
Bass	Harder (CA)	Pascarell
Beatty	Hastings	Payne
Bera	Hayes	Pelosi
Beyer	Higgins (NY)	Perlmutter
Bishop (GA)	Himes	Peters
Blumenauer	Horsford	Phillips
Blunt Rochester	Houlahan	Pingree
Bonomici	Hoyer	Pocan
Bourdeaux	Huffman	Porter
Bowman	Jackson Lee	Pressley
Boyle, Brendan	Jacobs (CA)	Price (NC)
F.	Jayapal	Quigley
Brown	Jeffries	Raskin
Brownley	Johnson (GA)	Reed
Bush	Johnson (TX)	Rice (NY)
Bustos	Jones	Ross
Butterfield	Kahele	Roybal-Allard
Carbajal	Kaptur	Ruiz
Cárdenas	Keating	Ruppersberger
Carson	Kelly (IL)	Rush
Cartwright	Khanna	Ryan
Case	Kildee	Sánchez
Casten	Kimmer	Sarbanes
Castor (FL)	Kim (NJ)	Scanlon
Castro (TX)	Kind	Schakowsky
Chu	Kirkpatrick	Schiff
Cicilline	Krishnamoorthi	Schneider
Clark (MA)	Kuster	Schrader
Clarke (NY)	Lamb	Schrier
Cleaver	Langevin	Scott (VA)
Clyburn	Larsen (WA)	Scott, David
Cohen	Larson (CT)	Sewell
Connolly	Lawrence	Sherman
Cooper	Lawson (FL)	Sherrill
Correa	Lee (CA)	Sires
Costa	Lee (NV)	Slotkin
Courtney	Leger Fernandez	Smith (WA)
Craig	Levin (CA)	Soto
Crist	Levin (MI)	Spanberger
Crow	Lieu	Speier
Cuellar	Lofgren	Stanton
Curtis	Lowenthal	Stevens
Davids (KS)	Luria	Strickland
Davis, Danny K.	Lynch	Suoizzi
Dean	Malinowski	Swalwell
DeFazio	Malliotakis	Thompson (CA)
DeGette	Maloney,	Thompson (MS)
DeLauro	Carolyn B.	Titus
DelBene	Maloney, Sean	Tlaib
Delgado	Manning	Tonko
Demings	Matsui	Torres (CA)
DeSaulnier	McBath	Torres (NY)
Deutch	McCollum	Trahan
Dingell	McEachin	Trone
Doggett	McGovern	Underwood
Doyle, Michael	McNerney	Vargas
F.	Meeks	Veasey
Escobar	Meng	Vela
Eshoo	Mfume	Velázquez
Españillat	Moore (WI)	Wasserman
Evans	Morelle	Schultz
Fitzpatrick	Moulton	Waters
Fletcher	Mrvan	Watson Coleman
Foster	Murphy (FL)	Welch
Frankel, Lois	Nadler	Wexton
Galleo	Napolitano	Wild
Garamendi	Neal	Williams (GA)
Garcia (IL)	Neguse	Wilson (FL)
Garcia (TX)	Newman	Yarmuth
Golden	Norcross	

NAYS—204

Aderholt	Balderson	Bishop (NC)
Allen	Banks	Boebert
Amodei	Barr	Bost
Armstrong	Bentz	Brooks
Arrington	Bergman	Buchanan
Babin	Bice (OK)	Buck
Bacon	Biggs	Bucshon
Baird	Bilirakis	Budd

Burchett	Hartzler	Obernolte
Burgess	Hern	Owens
Calvert	Herrell	Palazzo
Cammack	Herrera Beutler	Palmer
Carl	Hice (GA)	Pence
Carter (GA)	Higgins (LA)	Perry
Carter (TX)	Hill	Pfluger
Cawthorn	Hinson	Posey
Chabot	Hollingsworth	Reschenthaler
Cheney	Hudson	Rice (SC)
Cline	Huizenga	Rodgers (WA)
Cloud	Issa	Rogers (AL)
Clyde	Jackson	Rogers (KY)
Cole	Jacobs (NY)	Rose
Comer	Johnson (LA)	Rosendale
Crawford	Johnson (OH)	Rouzer
Crenshaw	Johnson (SD)	Roy
Davidson	Jordan	Rutherford
Davis, Rodney	Joyce (OH)	Salazar
DesJarlais	Joyce (PA)	Salize
Diáz-Balart	Katko	Scalise
Donalds	Keller	Schweikert
Duncan	Kelly (MS)	Scott, Austin
Dunn	Kelly (PA)	Sessions
Emmer	Kim (CA)	Simpson
Estes	Kustoff	Smith (MO)
Fallon	LaHood	Smith (NE)
Feenstra	LaMalfa	Smith (NJ)
Ferguson	Lamborn	Smucker
Fischbach	Latta	Spartz
Fitzgerald	LaTurner	Staubert
Fleischmann	Lesko	Staubert
Fortenberry	Long	Steel
Reed	Loudermilk	Stefanik
Fox	Lucas	Steil
Franklin, C.	Luetkemeyer	Steube
Scott	Mace	Stewart
Fulcher	Mann	Stivers
Gaetz	Massie	Taylor
Callaghan	Mast	Tenney
Garbarino	McCarthy	Thompson (PA)
Garcia (CA)	McCaul	Tiffany
Gibbs	McClain	Timmons
Gilmeñez	McClintock	Turner
Gohmert	McHenry	Upton
Gonzales, Tony	McKinley	Valadao
Gonzalez (OH)	Meijer	Van Drew
Good (VA)	Meuser	Van Dуйne
Gooden (TX)	Miller (IL)	Wagner
Gosar	Miller (WV)	Walberg
Granger	Miller-Meeks	Walorski
Graves (LA)	Moolenaar	Walt
Graves (MO)	Mooney	Weber (TX)
Green (TN)	Moore (AL)	Webster (FL)
Greene (GA)	Moore (UT)	Wenstrup
Griffith	Mullin	Westerman
Grothman	Murphy (NC)	Williams (TX)
Guest	Nehls	Wittman
Guthrie	Newhouse	Womack
Hagedorn	Norman	Young
Harris	Nunes	Zeldin
Harshbarger		

NOT VOTING—4

Brady
Kinzinger

Takano
Wilson (SC)

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Messrs. BAIRD, GROTHMAN, and BOST changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the joint resolution was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. TAKANO. Madam Speaker, I was unable to cast my vote on passage of H.J. Res. 17—Removing the Deadline for the Ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 82.

MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Allred (Davids (KS))	Buchanan (Gimenez)	DeSaulnier (Matsui)
Axne (Stevens)	Bush (Clark (MA))	DesJarlais (Fleischmann)
Barragán (Beyer)	Cárdenas (Gomez)	Garamendi (Sherman)
Bishop (GA) (Butterfield)	Cleaver (Davids (KS))	Garbarino (Joyce (OH))

Grijalva (Garcia (IL))	Lieu (Beyer)	Roybal-Allard (Aguilar)
Hastings (Beyer)	Lowenthal (Beyer)	Rush
(Wasserman Schultz)	McEachin (Wexton)	(Underwood)
Johnson (TX) (Jeffries)	Meng (Clark (MA))	Schneider (Sherrill)
Kahele (Mrvan)	Moore (WI) (Beyer)	Sires (Pallone)
Kim (NJ) (Davids (KS))	Moulton (Underwood)	Slotkin (Stevens)
Kirkpatrick (Stanton)	Napolitano (Correa)	Timmons (Steube)
Kuster (Clark (MA))	Payne (Wasserman Schultz)	Waltz (Cammack)
Lamborn (Walberg)	Peters (Kildee)	Watson Coleman (Pallone)
Langevin (Lynch)	Pingree (Cicilline)	Wilson (FL) (Hayes)
Lawson (FL) (Evans)	Porter (Wexton)	Young (Joyce (OH))

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2021

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. WEXTON). Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of the bill (H.R. 1620) to reauthorize the Violence Against Women Act of 1994, and for other purposes, will now resume.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

AMENDMENTS EN BLOC OFFERED BY MR. NADLER OF NEW YORK

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on the adoption of amendments en bloc, printed in part B of House Report 117-12, on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendments en bloc.

The Clerk redesignated the amendments en bloc.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the amendments en bloc offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. NADLER).

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 228, nays 197, not voting 4, as follows:

[Roll No. 83]
YEAS—228

Adams	Clarke (NY)	Fletcher
Aguilar	Cleaver	Foster
Allred	Clyburn	Frankel, Lois
Auchincloss	Cohen	Galleo
Axne	Connolly	Garamendi
Barragán	Cooper	Garcia (IL)
Bass	Correa	Garcia (TX)
Beatty	Costa	Golden
Bera	Courtney	Gomez
Beyer	Craig	Gottheimer
Bishop (GA)	Crist	Green, Al (TX)
Blumenauer	Crow	Griffith
Blunt Rochester	Cuellar	Grijalva
Bonomici	Davids (KS)	Harder (CA)
Bourdeaux	Davis, Danny K.	Hastings
Bowman	Davis, Rodney	Hayes
Boyle, Brendan	Dean	Higgins (NY)
F.	DeFazio	Himes
Brown	DeGette	Horsford
Brownley	DeLauro	Houlahan
Bush	DelBene	Hoyer
Bustos	Delgado	Huffman
Butterfield	Demings	Jackson Lee
Carbajal	DeSaulnier	Jacobs (CA)
Cárdenas	Deutch	Jayapal
Carson	Dingell	Jeffries
Cartwright	Doggett	Johnson (GA)
Case	Doyle, Michael	Johnson (TX)
Casten	F.	Jones
Castor (FL)	Escobar	Joyce (OH)
Castro (TX)	Eshoo	Kahele
Chu	Españillat	Kaptur
Cicilline	Evans	Katko
Clark (MA)	Fitzpatrick	Keating