

This term, Republicans have turned Congress into a rubberstamp for executive action. It is a major abdication of our constitutional responsibilities, and it has done irreparable damage to this institution. It is my sincere hope that 2026 brings new opportunities for bipartisan action on these pressing issues.

The American people deserve better than a President who governs by tweet and a Speaker who has neutered Congress' role in our constitutional order.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote "no" on the previous question and rule, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LANGWORTHY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, the rule before us reflects a clear choice. After years of regulatory overreach, misplaced priorities, and Washington-knows-best policymaking, this House is taking steps to restore balance, accountability, and common sense.

The legislation considered under this rule addresses real problems Americans are facing: higher energy costs, delayed infrastructure, weakened supply chains, threats to grid reliability, and failures that put public safety at risk.

These bills do not eliminate environmental protections or public input. They simply require the Federal Government to act responsibly, plan for real-world consequences, and stop using endless process as an excuse for inaction.

Republicans are focused on getting things built, keeping the lights on for Americans, keeping the heat on, protecting communities, and strengthening America's economic and national security. That is what the American people expect, and that is what this rule and the underlying legislation advances. I strongly support the rule before us today.

The material previously referred to by Ms. SCANLON is as follows:

AN AMENDMENT TO H. RES. 951 OFFERED BY MS. SCANLON OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the end of the resolution, add the following:

SEC. 7. Immediately upon adoption of this resolution, the House shall proceed to the consideration in the House of the bill (H.R. 6074) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the enhancement of the health care premium tax credit. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. The bill shall be considered as read. All points of order against provisions in the bill are waived. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and on any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means or their respective designees; and (2) one motion to recommit.

SEC. 8. Clause 1(c) of rule XIX shall not apply to the consideration of H.R. 6074.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

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

Ms. SCANLON. 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, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 1 o'clock and 7 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1330

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. FONG) at 1 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 951; and

Adoption of House Resolution 951, if ordered.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, the remaining electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4776, STANDARDIZING PERMITTING AND EXPEDITING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1366, MINING REGULATORY CLARITY ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 845, PET AND LIVESTOCK PROTECTION ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3616, RELIABLE POWER ACT; PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3632, POWER PLANT RELIABILITY ACT OF 2025; AND PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4371, KAYLA HAMILTON ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 951) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4776) to amend the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to clarify ambiguous provisions and facilitate a more efficient, effective, and timely environmental review process; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1366) to provide for the location of multiple hardrock mining

mill sites, to establish the Abandoned Hardrock Mine Fund, and for other purposes; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 845) to require the Secretary of the Interior to reissue regulations removing the gray wolf from the list of endangered and threatened wildlife under the Endangered Species Act of 1973; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3616) to require the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission to review regulations that may affect the reliable operation of the bulk-power system; providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3632) to amend the Federal Power Act to adjust the requirements for orders, rules, and regulations relating to furnishing adequate service, to require owners or operators of generating facilities to provide notice of planned retirements of certain electric generating units, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4371) to amend the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 to enhance efforts to combat the trafficking of children, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 215, nays 207, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 337]

YEAS—215

Aderholt	Downing	Hudson
Alford	Dunn (FL)	Huizenga
Allen	Edwards	Hunt
Amodei (NV)	Ellzey	Hurd (CO)
Arrington	Emmer	Issa
Babin	Estes	Jack
Bacon	Evans (CO)	Jackson (TX)
Baird	Ezell	James
Balderson	Fallon	Johnson (LA)
Barr	Fedorchak	Johnson (SD)
Barrett	Feenstra	Jordan
Baumgartner	Fine	Joyce (OH)
Bean (FL)	Finstad	Joyce (PA)
Begich	Fischbach	Kean
Bentz	Fitzgerald	Kelly (MS)
Bergman	Fitzpatrick	Kelly (PA)
Bice	Fleischmann	Kennedy (UT)
Biggs (AZ)	Flood	Kiggans (VA)
Biggs (SC)	Fong	Kiley (CA)
Bilirakis	Fox	Kim
Boebert	Franklin, Scott	Knott
Bost	Fry	Kustoff
Brecheen	Fulcher	LaHood
Bresnahan	Garbarino	LaLota
Buchanan	Gill (TX)	LaMalfa
Burchett	Gimenez	Langworthy
Burlison	Goldman (TX)	Latta
Calvert	Gonzales, Tony	Lawler
Cammack	Gooden	Lee (FL)
Carey	Gosar	Letlow
Carter (GA)	Graves	Loudermilk
Carter (TX)	Greene (GA)	Lucas
Ciscomani	Griffith	Luna
Cline	Grothman	Luttrell
Cloud	Guest	Mace
Clyde	Guthrie	Malliotakis
Cole	Hageman	Maloy
Collins	Hamadeh (AZ)	Mann
Comer	Haridopolos	Masse
Crane	Harrigan	Mast
Crank	Harris (MD)	McCauley
Crawford	Harris (NC)	McClain
Crenshaw	Harshbarger	McClintock
Davidson	Hern (OK)	McCormick
De La Cruz	Higgins (LA)	McDowell
DesJarlais	Hill (AR)	McGuire
Diaz-Balart	Hinson	Messmer
Donalds	Houchin	Meuser

Miller (IL) Rogers (AL) Stutzman
 Miller (OH) Rogers (KY) Taylor
 Miller (WV) Rose Tenney
 Miller-Meeks Rouzer Thompson (PA)
 Mills Roy Tiffany
 Moolenaar Rulli Timmons
 Moore (AL) Rutherford Turner (OH)
 Moore (NC) Scalise Valadao
 Moore (UT) Schmidt Van Drew
 Moore (WV) Schweikert Van Duyn
 Moran Scott, Austin Van Epps
 Nehls Self Van Orden
 Newhouse Shreve Wagner
 Norman Simpson Walberg
 Nunn (IA) Smith (MO) Webster (FL)
 Obernolte Smith (NE) Westerman
 Ogles Smith (NJ) Wied
 Onder Smucker Williams (TX)
 Owens Spartz Wilson (SC)
 Palmer Stauber Wittman
 Patronis Stefanik Womack
 Perry Steil Yakym
 Pfluger Steube Zinke
 Reschenthaler Strong

NAYS—207

Adams Goldman (NY) Omar
 Aguilar Gomez Pallone
 Amo Gonzalez, V. Panetta
 Ansari Goodlander Pappas
 Auchincloss Gottheimer Pelosi
 Balint Gray Perez
 Barragan Green, Al (TX) Peters
 Beatty Grijalva Pettersen
 Bell Harford (CA) Pingree
 Bera Hayes Pocan
 Beyer Himes Pou
 Bishop Horsford Pressley
 Bonamici Houlihan Quigley
 Boyle (PA) Hoyer Ramirez
 Brown Hoyle (OR) Randall
 Brownley Huffman Raskin
 Budzinski Ivey Riley (NY)
 Bynum Jacobs Rivas
 Carbajal Jayapal Ross
 Carson Jeffries Ruiz
 Carter (LA) Johnson (GA) Ryan
 Case Johnson (TX) Salinas
 Casten Kamlager-Dove Sanchez
 Castor (FL) Kaptur Scanlon
 Castro (TX) Keating Schakowsky
 Cherfilus-Kelly (IL) Kelly (IL) Schneider
 McCormick Kennedy (NY) Scholten
 Chu Khanna Schrier
 Cisneros Krishnamoorthi Scott (VA)
 Clark (MA) Landsman Scott, David
 Clarke (NY) Larsen (WA) Sewell
 Cleaver Larson (CT) Sherman
 Clyburn Latimer Simon
 Cohen Lee (NV) Smith (WA)
 Conaway Lee (PA) Sorensen
 Correa Leger Fernandez Soto
 Costa Levin Stansbury
 Craig Liccardo Stanton
 Crockett Lieu Stevens
 Crow Lofgren Strickland
 Cuellar Lynch Subramanyam
 Davids (KS) Magaziner Suozzi
 Davis (IL) Mannion Sykes
 Davis (NC) Matsui Takano
 Dean (PA) McBeth Thanedar
 DeGette McBride Thompson (CA)
 DeLauro McClain Delaney Thompson (MS)
 DelBene McClellan Titus
 Deluzio McCollum Tlaib
 DeSaulnier McDonald Rivet Tokuda
 Dexter McGarvey Tonko
 Dingell McGovern Torres (CA)
 Doggett McIver Torres (NY)
 Elfreth Meeks Trahan
 Escobar Menendez Tran
 Espaillat Meng Underwood
 Evans (PA) Mfume Vargas
 Fields Min Vasquez
 Figures Moore (WI) Veasey
 Fletcher Morelle Velazquez
 Foster Morrison Vindman
 Foushee Moskowitz Walkinshaw
 Frankel, Lois Moulton Wasserman
 Friedman Mrvan Schultz
 Frost Mullin Waters
 Garamendi Neal Watson Coleman
 Garcia (CA) Neguse Whitesides
 Garcia (IL) Norcross Williams (GA)
 Gillen Ocasio-Cortez Wilson (FL)
 Golden (ME) Olszewski

NOT VOTING—11
 Casar Mackenzie Sessions
 Courtney Murphy Swalwell
 Garcia (TX) Nadler Weber (TX)
 Jackson (IL) Salazar

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Mr. WHITESIDES, Ms. PEREZ, Messrs. HOYER and SUOZZI changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

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.

Ms. SCANLON. 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 215, nays 209, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 338]

YEAS—215

Aderholt Fleischmann Luttrell
 Alford Flood Mace
 Allen Fong Malliotakis
 Amodei (NV) Foxx Maloy
 Arrington Franklin, Scott Mann
 Babin Fry Massie
 Bacon Fulcher Mast
 Baird Garbarino McCaul
 Balderson Gill (TX) McClain
 Barr Gimenez McClintock
 Barrett Goldman (TX) McCormick
 Baumgartner Gonzales, Tony McDowell
 Bean (FL) Gooden McGuire
 Begich Gosar Messmer
 Bentz Graves Meuser
 Bergman Greene (GA) Miller (IL)
 Bice Griffith Miller (OH)
 Biggs (AZ) Grothman Miller (WV)
 Biggs (SC) Guest Miller-Meeks
 Bilirakis Guthrie Mills
 Boebert Hageman Moolenaar
 Bost Hamadeh (AZ) Moore (AL)
 Brecheen Haridopolos Moore (NC)
 Bresnahan Harrigan Moore (UT)
 Buchanan Harris (MD) Moore (WV)
 Burchett Harris (NC) Moran
 Burlison Harshbarger Nehls
 Calvert Hern (OK) Newhouse
 Cammack Higgins (LA) Norman
 Carter (GA) Hill (AR) Nunn (IA)
 Carter (TX) Houchin Obernolte
 Ciscomani Hudson Ogles
 Cline Huizenga Owens
 Cloud Hunt Palmer
 Clyde Hurd (CO) Issa
 Cole Issa Patronis
 Collins Jack Perry
 Comer Jackson (TX) Pfluger
 Crane James Reschenthaler
 Crank Johnson (LA) Rogers (AL)
 Crawford Johnson (SD) Rogers (KY)
 Crenshaw Jordan Rose
 Davidson Joyce (OH) Rouzer
 De La Cruz Joynt Roy
 DesJarlais Kean Rulli
 Diaz-Balart Kelly (MS) Rutherford
 Donalds Kelly (PA) Salazar
 Downing Kennedy (UT) Scalise
 Dunn (FL) Kiggans (VA) Schmidt
 Edwards Kiley (CA) Schweikert
 Ellzey Kim Scott, Austin
 Emmer Knott Self
 Estes Kustoff Sessions
 Evans (CO) LaHood Shreve
 Ezell LaLota Simpson
 Fallon LaMalfa Smith (MO)
 Fedorchak Langworthy Smith (NE)
 Feenstra Latta Smucker
 Fine Lawler Spartz
 Finstad Lee (FL) Stauber
 Fischbach Letlow Stefanik
 Fitzgerald Loudermilk Steil
 Fitzpatrick Lucas Steube
 Wilson (FL) Strong

Stutzman Van Drew Wied
 Taylor Van Duyn Williams (TX)
 Tenney Van Epps Wilson (SC)
 Thompson (PA) Van Orden Wittman
 Tiffany Wagner Womack
 Timmons Walberg Yakym
 Turner (OH) Webster (FL) Zinke
 Valadao Westerman

NAYS—209

Adams Gonzalez, V. Pallone
 Aguilar Goodlander Panetta
 Amo Gottheimer Pappas
 Ansari Gray Pelosi
 Auchincloss Green, Al (TX) Perez
 Balint Grijalva Peters
 Barragan Harder (CA) Pettersen
 Beatty Hayes Pingree
 Bell Himes Pocan
 Bera Horsford Pou
 Beyer Houlihan Pressley
 Bishop Hoyer Quigley
 Bonamici Hoyle (OR) Ramirez
 Boyle (PA) Huffman Randall
 Brown Ivey Raskin
 Brownley Jackson (IL) Riley (NY)
 Budzinski Jacobs Rivas
 Bynum Jayapal Ross
 Carbajal Jeffries Ruiz
 Carson Johnson (GA) Ryan
 Carter (LA) Johnson (TX) Salinas
 Case Kamlager-Dove Sanchez
 Casten Kaptur Scanlon
 Castor (FL) Keating Schakowsky
 Castro (TX) Kelly (IL) Schneider
 Cherfilus-Kennedy (NY) Khanna Scholten
 McCormick Krushnamoorthi Schrier
 Chu Landsman Scott (VA)
 Cisneros Landsman Scott, David
 Clark (MA) Larsen (WA) Sewell
 Clarke (NY) Larson (CT) Sherman
 Cleaver Latimer Simon
 Clyburn Lee (NV) Smith (NJ)
 Cohen Lee (PA) Smith (WA)
 Conaway Leger Fernandez Sorensen
 Correa Levin Soto
 Costa Liccardo Stansbury
 Craig Lieu Stanton
 Crockett Lofgren Stevens
 Crow Luna Strickland
 Cuellar Lynch Subramanyam
 Davids (KS) Magaziner Mannion
 Davis (IL) Davis (IL) Mannion
 Davis (NC) Matsui Suozzi
 Dean (PA) McBeth Sykes
 DeGette McBride Takano
 DeLauro McClain Delaney Thanedar
 DelBene McClellan Thompson (CA)
 Deluzio McCollum Thompson (MS)
 DeSaulnier McDonald Rivet Titus
 Dexter McGarvey Tlaib
 Dingell McGovern Tokuda
 Doggett McIver Tonko
 Elfreth Meeks Torres (CA)
 Escobar Menendez Torres (NY)
 Espaillat Meng Trahan
 Evans (PA) Mfume Tran
 Fields Min Underwood
 Figures Moore (WI) Vargas
 Fletcher Morelle Vasquez
 Foster Morrison Veasey
 Foushee Moskowitz Velazquez
 Frankel, Lois Moulton Vindman
 Friedman Mrvan Walkinshaw
 Frost Mullin Wasserman
 Garamendi Neal Schultz
 Garcia (CA) Neguse Waters
 Garcia (IL) Norcross Watson Coleman
 Gillen Ocasio-Cortez Whitesides
 Goldman (NY) Olszewski Williams (GA)
 Gomez Omar Wilson (FL)

NOT VOTING—9

Casar Golden (ME) Nadler
 Courtney Mackenzie Swalwell
 Garcia (TX) Murphy Weber (TX)

□ 1432

So the resolution was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. GARCIA of Texas. Mr. Speaker, due to illness, I was unable to vote today. Had I been able to vote, I would have voted NAY on Roll

Call No. 337, Ordering the Previous Question on H. Res. 951; and NAY on Roll Call No. 338, on H. Res. 951.

KAYLA HAMILTON ACT

Mr. FRY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 951, I call up the bill (H.R. 4371) to amend the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 to enhance efforts to combat the trafficking of children, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. TAYLOR). Pursuant to House Resolution 951, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary, printed in the bill, is adopted and the bill, as amended, is considered read.

The text of the bill, as amended, is as follows:

H.R. 4371

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Kayla Hamilton Act”.

SEC. 2. PLACEMENT DETERMINATIONS FOR UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN.

Section 462(b)(2) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 279(b)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

“(2) PLACEMENT DETERMINATIONS FOR UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN.—The Director of the Office of Refugee Resettlement shall make determinations under paragraph (1)(C) in accordance with section 235(c)(2) of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (8 U.S.C. 1232(c)(2)).”

SEC. 3. ENHANCING EFFORTS TO COMBAT THE TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN.

Section 235(c) of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008 (8 U.S.C. 1232(c)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (2), to read as follows:

“(2) SAFE AND SECURE PLACEMENTS.—

“(A) INITIAL ACTIONS.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services may not make a placement determination under this paragraph for an unaccompanied alien child who is in Federal custody by reason of the immigration status of that child until the Secretary does the following:

“(i) CONSULTATIONS.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall consult with the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Attorney General (including appropriate juvenile justice officials)—

“(I) to ensure that the unaccompanied alien child will appear for all immigration, administrative, and judicial hearings or proceedings in which the child is involved;

“(II) to ensure that the unaccompanied alien child will be protected from smugglers, traffickers, gangs, and others who might seek to victimize or otherwise engage the child in criminal, harmful, or exploitative activity; and

“(III) to determine if the unaccompanied alien child—

“(aa) is a flight risk;

“(bb) is a danger to self, another individual, or the community; or

“(cc) has been arrested for, charged with, or convicted of any criminal offense in the United States or in his or her country of citizenship, nationality, or last habitual residence.

“(ii) SCREENING FOR GANG RELATED ACTIVITY; REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN CRIMINAL RECORDS.—In the case of an unaccompanied alien child 12

years of age or older, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall—

“(I) contact the consulate or embassy of the country of citizenship, nationality, or last habitual residence for the unaccompanied alien child to obtain any relevant arrest records, pending criminal charges, or conviction documents involving such child; and

“(II) conduct an examination of the unaccompanied alien child to determine if such child has any gang-related tattoos and other gang-related markings.

“(B) PLACEMENT GENERALLY.—

“(i) IN GENERAL.—Except as otherwise provided in this paragraph, an unaccompanied alien child who is in the custody of the Department of Health and Human Services shall be promptly placed in the least restrictive setting that is in the best interest of the child.

“(ii) PROHIBITION ON RELEASE ON OWN RECOGNIZANCE.—An unaccompanied alien child may not be released on his or her own recognizance.

“(C) PLACEMENT OF CERTAIN UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN IN SECURE FACILITIES.—In the case of an unaccompanied alien child 12 years of age or older, the unaccompanied alien child shall be placed in a secure facility for the duration of any immigration proceedings (and, if ordered removed, until such unaccompanied alien child is removed) if the unaccompanied alien child—

“(i) is a flight risk; or

“(ii) is a danger to self, other individuals, or the community, including if the unaccompanied alien child—

“(I) has a gang-related tattoo or any other gang-related marking;

“(II) has been convicted of a serious criminal offense (as defined in section 101(h) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(h))) in any State or territory of the United States or in the unaccompanied alien child’s country of citizenship, nationality, or last habitual residence;

“(III) has been convicted of any aggravated felony (as defined in section 101(a)(43) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(43))); or

“(IV) has, for conduct in connection with gang affiliation or gang activity in any State or territory of the United States or in the unaccompanied alien child’s country of citizenship, nationality, or last habitual residence—

“(aa) any arrest record;

“(bb) any pending criminal charge;

“(cc) any other pending proceeding; or

“(dd) any conviction.

“(D) PROHIBITIONS ON PLACEMENT OF UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN WITH CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS.—The Secretary of Health and Human Services shall not place an unaccompanied alien child in the custody of any individual who is one or more of the following:

“(i) SECURE AND STABLE SPONSORS.—An individual who is not a United States citizen or a lawful permanent resident of the United States.

“(ii) INDIVIDUALS WITH CRIMINAL HISTORY.—An individual who has been convicted of, or who resides in a household with an individual who has been convicted of—

“(I) a sex offense (as defined in section 111(5) of the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (34 U.S.C. 20911(5)));

“(II) a crime involving severe forms of trafficking in persons (as defined in section 103(11) of the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 7102(11)));

“(III) a crime of domestic violence (as defined in section 40002(a)(12) of the Violence Against Women Act of 1994 (34 U.S.C. 12291(a)(12)));

“(IV) a crime of child abuse and neglect (as defined in section 3 of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (Public Law 93–247; 42 U.S.C. 5101 note));

“(V) murder, manslaughter, or an attempt to commit murder or manslaughter (as defined in sections 1111, 1112, and 1113 of title 18, United States Code);

“(VI) a crime involving the receipt, distribution, or possession of a visual depiction of a minor engaging in sexually explicit conduct (as described in section 2252 of title 18, United States Code);

“(VII) any crime for which an alien is required to be taken into custody pursuant to section 236(c)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1226(c)(1));

“(VIII) any aggravated felony (as defined in section 101 of the Immigration and Nationality Act);

“(IX) any crime defined as a felony by the relevant jurisdiction (Federal, State, tribal, or local);

“(X) any crime punishable by more than 1 year of imprisonment; or

“(XI) any other criminal offense as designated by the Attorney General, in the Attorney General’s sole and unreviewable discretion.”; and

(2) in paragraph (3)—

(A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “Subject to the requirements of subparagraph (B)” and inserting “Subject to the requirements of subparagraphs (B) and (D)”; and

(B) by inserting at the end the following:

“(D) INFORMATION ABOUT INDIVIDUALS WITH WHOM CHILDREN ARE PLACED.—Before placing a child with any individual, the Secretary of Health and Human Services shall provide to the Secretary of Homeland Security, with regard to the individual with whom the child will be placed and each adult resident of the individual’s household, information on—

“(i) the name of the individual and each adult resident of the individual’s household;

“(ii) the social security number or individual taxpayer identification number of the individual and each adult resident of the individual’s household;

“(iii) the date of birth of the individual and of each adult resident of the individual’s household;

“(iv) the physical location and address of the individual’s residence where the child will be placed;

“(v) the immigration status of the individual and each adult resident of the individual’s household;

“(vi) contact information for the individual and for each adult resident of the individual’s household, including telephone numbers, email addresses, and work telephone numbers (if available); and

“(vii) the results of all background and criminal records checks conducted on the individual and each adult resident of the individual’s household, which shall include at a minimum an investigation of the Dru Sjodin National Sex Offender Public Website, a public records background check, and a national criminal history background check based on fingerprints.”

SEC. 4. CONSTRUCTION; SEVERABILITY.

Any provision of the this Act or an amendment made by this Act held to be invalid or unenforceable by its terms, or as applied to any person or circumstance, shall be construed so as to give it the maximum effect permitted by law, unless such holding shall be utterly invalid or unenforceable, in which event such provision shall be deemed severable from this Act and shall not affect the remainder of this Act, or the application of such provision to other persons not similarly situated or to other, dissimilar circumstances.

SEC. 5. EXEMPTION FROM PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT.

(a) PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT.—Nothing in this Act may be construed to require the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Secretary of Health and Human Services, the Secretary of State, or the Attorney General to comply with the requirements of chapter 35 of title 44, United