

even the richest billionaires must comply with. By advancing this legislation, Congress can send a clear message that workers deserve a level playing field. I urge all my colleagues to vote “yes.”

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

The previous question was ordered.

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.

Mr. WALBERG. 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 are postponed.

SECURE AMERICA ACT

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 1345, I call up the bill (S. 2) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to title II of S. Con. Res. 33, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. VAN DUYNE). Pursuant to House Resolution 1345, the bill is considered read.

The text of the bill is as follows:

S. 2

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

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Secure America Act”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Sec. 101. U.S. Customs and Border Protection personnel.

Sec. 102. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Sec. 103. Border security, technology, and screening.

Sec. 104. Additional Department of Homeland Security appropriations.

TITLE II—COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Sec. 201. U.S. Customs and Border Protection.

Sec. 202. U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Sec. 203. Additional Department of Homeland Security appropriations.

TITLE I—COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

SEC. 101. U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION PERSONNEL.

(a) PERSONNEL.—In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$9,550,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2029, to hire, pay, train, and equip Border Patrol agents and Border Patrol support personnel to conduct functions other than immigration enforcement and customs functions.

(b) RESTRICTION.—None of the funds made available by subsection (a) may be used to

recruit, hire, or train personnel for the duties of processing coordinators after October 31, 2028.

SEC. 102. U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT.

In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$7,450,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2029, to hire, pay, train, and equip Homeland Security Investigations agents and support personnel and to provide other necessary expenses for Homeland Security Investigations’ mission support and operations and maintenance, of which \$108,500,000 shall be used to hire, pay, and equip additional child exploitation investigators and forensics analysts at the Victim Identification Laboratory of the Child Exploitation Investigations Unit of Homeland Security Investigations and at the Homeland Security Investigations offices of the Special Agent in Charge to support the identification and rescue of victims of child sexual exploitation and abuse, and to train such personnel and State and local law enforcement regarding identifying victims of child sexual exploitation and abuse within the Homeland Security Investigations Cyber Crimes Center, except that funds provided in this section shall be used for functions other than those related to Homeland Security Investigations’ immigration enforcement and customs enforcement missions.

SEC. 103. BORDER SECURITY, TECHNOLOGY, AND SCREENING.

(a) IN GENERAL.—In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to remain available until September 30, 2029, \$3,450,000,000 for the following:

(1) Procurement and integration of new nonintrusive inspection equipment and associated civil works, including artificial intelligence, machine learning, and other innovative technologies, as well as other mission support, to combat the entry or exit of illicit narcotics at ports of entry and along the southwest, northern, and maritime borders.

(2) Air and Marine operations’ upgrading and procurement of new platforms for rapid air and marine response capabilities.

(3) Upgrades and procurement of border surveillance technologies along the southwest, northern, and maritime borders.

(4) Necessary expenses, including the deployment of technology, relating to the biometric entry and exit system under section 7208 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (8 U.S.C. 1365b).

(5) Enhancing border security by combating drug trafficking, including fentanyl and its precursor chemicals, at the southwest, northern, and maritime borders.

(6) Necessary expenses for U.S. Customs and Border Protection’s mission support and operations and maintenance for functions other than those related to its immigration enforcement and customs missions.

(b) RESTRICTIONS.—None of the funds made available under subsection (a) may be used for the procurement or deployment of surveillance towers along the southwest border and northern border that have not been tested and accepted by U.S. Customs and Border Protection to deliver autonomous capabilities.

(c) DEFINITION OF AUTONOMOUS.—In this section, with respect to capabilities, the term “autonomous” means a system designed to apply artificial intelligence, machine learning, computer vision, or other al-

gorithms to accurately detect, identify, classify, and track items of interest in real time such that the system can make operational adjustments without the active engagement of personnel or continuous human command or control.

SEC. 104. ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS.

In addition to amounts otherwise available, there are appropriated to the Secretary of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$2,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2029, for the purposes provided in this title.

TITLE II—COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

SEC. 201. U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION.

In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Commissioner of U.S. Customs and Border Protection for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$13,020,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2029, for hiring, paying, training, and equipping U.S. Customs and Border Protection agents, and the necessary support staff, and to provide other necessary expenses for U.S. Customs and Border Protection mission support and operations and maintenance, in order to carry out immigration enforcement activities.

SEC. 202. U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT.

In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Director of U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$31,075,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2029, for the following purposes:

(1) HIRING, PAYING, AND TRAINING.—Hiring, paying, training, and equipping U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement personnel and the personnel for all its directorates, including officers, agents, investigators, attorneys and support staff, to carry out immigration enforcement activities.

(2) TRANSPORTATION.—Funding for transportation costs and related costs associated with alien departure or removal operations.

(3) INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.—Funding for information technology maintenance and sustainment to support enforcement and removal operations, including improvements to fee collections and body-worn cameras.

(4) FACILITY MAINTENANCE AND SUSTAINMENT.—Funding for facility maintenance and sustainment to support enforcement and removal operations.

(5) FLEET MAINTENANCE AND SUSTAINMENT.—Funding for fleet maintenance and sustainment to support enforcement and removal operations.

(6) 287(G) AGREEMENTS.—Supporting coordination with state and local authorities by expanding, facilitating, and implementing agreements under section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1357(g)).

(7) OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL LEGAL ADVISOR.—Hiring and paying attorneys and the necessary support staff within the Office of the Principal Legal Advisor to represent the Department in immigration enforcement and removal proceedings.

(8) OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE.—Necessary expenses for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement’s mission support, including awards, and operations and maintenance for its immigration enforcement functions.

(9) OPERATIONS BY U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT TO ARREST RELEASED COVERED UNLAWFUL ALIENS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—Not less than \$350,000,000 for U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for necessary expenses, in accordance

with existing law, of detainer management, detainer issuance, custodial transfer, release monitoring, transportation, and arrests of covered unlawful aliens encountered in jurisdictions that are not qualified cooperating jurisdictions, except that no Indian tribal government shall be treated as a jurisdiction that is not a qualified cooperating jurisdiction for purposes of this subparagraph.

(B) QUALIFIED COOPERATING JURISDICTION DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term “qualified cooperating jurisdiction” means a State or political subdivision of a State that, as of the date of the enactment of this Act—

(i) is party to a written agreement in effect under section 287(g) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1357(g)); or

(ii) has in effect, and has filed with the Secretary in such form and manner as the Secretary may prescribe, a certification that such State or political subdivision is in compliance with section 642 of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1373) and section 434 of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1644).

(C) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated pursuant to this paragraph may be used, except as required by existing law, to release, parole, place on alternatives to detention, transport for purposes of release, or otherwise facilitate the release into the community of any covered unlawful alien encountered.

(D) COVERED UNLAWFUL ALIEN DEFINED.—In this paragraph, the term “covered unlawful alien” means an adult alien who—

(i) is described in section 236(c)(1) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1226(c)(1));

(ii) is inadmissible under section 212(a)(2) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(2));

(iii) is deportable under section 237(a)(2) of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1227(a)(2));

(iv) following an arrest, charge, booking, or conviction for a criminal offense under Federal, State, or local law, other than a minor traffic offense, is the subject of an immigration detainer, notice request, or custody-transfer request issued by the Department of Homeland Security pursuant to section 236, 241(a), or 287 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1226, 1231(a), or 1357); or

(v) has been charged with or convicted of an offense described in section 275 or 276 of such Act (8 U.S.C. 1325 or 1326).

SEC. 203. ADDITIONAL DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS.

In addition to amounts otherwise available, there is appropriated to the Secretary of Homeland Security for fiscal year 2026, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, \$2,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2029, for the purposes provided in this title or in paragraph (3) or (7) of section 100051 of Public Law 119–21.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The bill shall be debatable for 1 hour, equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, or their respective designees.

The gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARRINGTON) and the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. BOYLE) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARRINGTON).

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, if Republicans today were not willing to use budget reconciliation and depart from appropriations in order to pass a funding bill that would restore funding to ICE and CBP, then what would happen is my Democrat colleagues would be able to achieve what many of them have held for a long time as their objective, and have publicly stated was their objective, and that is to defund immigration enforcement, border enforcement, and abolish ICE. That is effectively what would happen if Republicans didn't act using budget reconciliation to fund ICE and CBP.

That would send us back to the Dark Ages, to the 4 years of open borders and the unprecedented lawlessness and chaos and crime with people, crime, gangs, and drugs pouring into our communities, into our States throughout our entire country, jeopardizing the safety of the American people.

It shouldn't be a surprise to anyone at this point in this country that that is the stated or unstated goal of some of my colleagues. Certainly, it is the well-articulated and cited objective of the left.

Quite frankly, a lot of this shutdown and a lot of this obstruction is really the Democratic Party pandering to the left. But what would happen is the same thing that happened for 4 years when we had a Commander in Chief who refused to uphold his sacred oath to enforce the laws. He refused, with Democrat control of Congress and the White House, to enforce the laws and secure our southern border. Basically, he surrendered our sovereignty and safety to the paramilitary terrorist drug cartels on the other side of the border who were glad to make more money off of trafficking people than they did drugs. As a result, we had a complete meltdown in States like Texas who spent billions of dollars and were completely overwhelmed.

It is almost unfathomable today to think about it, Madam Speaker, because we have a daily apprehension number at about 196, but the average illegal crossing or apprehension under the Biden-Harris administration was over 5,000. I assure you, we would repeat that and it would be disastrous if we didn't do the right thing, if we didn't govern our great country, if we didn't open up the people's government and fund the important offices of ICE and CBP.

For 76 days, our Democrat colleagues held hostage the American people's safety and security. They held hostage the hardworking people at the Department of Homeland Security. It wasn't just ICE and CBP. We were completely dark at Homeland Security. We didn't have the safety protocols being admin-

istered by TSA. We didn't have our Coast Guardsmen keeping watch to prevent a terrorist attack at our ports. We didn't have CISA agents preventing an attack on our critical infrastructure, and, of course, we didn't have ICE and CBP functioning to enforce laws and to secure our border.

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That is the dysfunction we have been dealing with, and we just said enough is enough.

We were sent here by the American people who gave President Trump an overwhelming victory. Every swing State, the popular vote, the electoral vote, gave us unified Republican leadership in Congress. The number one reason they did that was to restore the rule of law and to put the American people's safety and security first. That is exactly what we are doing today, in spite of the obstruction.

Listen, your granddad and my granddad taught us the same thing: If somebody tells you what they want to do and who they are, believe them.

For years, we have been hearing this incendiary and dangerous rhetoric that ICE needed to be defunded. Governor Tim Walz said that ICE officers are an actual threat. These are the people risking their lives to defend us and to protect us in our communities. He said that ICE was a threat to the public. Governor Pritzker said ICE was turning the country into Nazi, Germany. CHUCK SCHUMER said ICE doesn't belong in our neighborhoods. Senator JOHN HICKENLOOPER said that ICE was a reign of terror.

All this while the risks have increased because of the shutdown. We have an 8,000-percent increase in threats to the lives of our ICE agents and Border Patrol agents and a 1,300-percent increase in assaults. These are the dangerous games that Democrats are playing: to obstruct the President, so they can go brag as they pander to the left. Again, the reality is: It is a de facto defunding of law enforcement and abolishing of ICE.

We will prevent that today, because I am confident that my friends in the Republican Conference will do the right thing and put the American people and their safety first.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time. Those are my opening remarks.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I will start by reminding the American people that last year Republicans passed reconciliation 1.0, which President Trump and my Republican colleagues proudly boasted at the time was the big, beautiful bill.

Notice, you don't hear much about it anymore. Why? Because the American people figured out what was in it. The bill became one of the most unpopular pieces of legislation to pass Congress in decades, with disapproval more than 2-1 over approval. The reason is simple: because it hurts America's families.

The bill cut healthcare for 15 million Americans and raised healthcare costs for millions more. It made the largest cuts to food assistance in American history. It added trillions of dollars to the national debt and all to help pay for the largest tax breaks for billionaires in our Nation's history.

That is the Republican record. They cut healthcare. They cut food assistance. They raised costs on working families. They exploded the debt, and then they handed the biggest benefits to billionaires.

At the same time, this administration has failed miserably on the economy. We all remember Donald Trump campaigning in my home State, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and across this country, promising the American people he would "lower prices on day one."

Well, here we are, just past day 500, and costs are higher than ever. President Trump's reckless tariff taxes have driven up costs for families and businesses. As if that wasn't bad enough, his choice of war in Iran has helped send gas prices soaring, a more than 50-percent increase in just a matter of months. Families are paying more at the pump, they are paying more at the grocery store, and they are paying more for healthcare.

With that, you would think that, in reconciliation 2.0, the Republican majority might actually want to do something to fix that situation, to fix the mess they created, but no. This bill does not include one dime to help American families pay for the crushing costs that they bear.

On top of all of that, we have the President who is continuing to openly say he wants to give billions of taxpayer money to January 6 insurrectionists. Even though a vast majority of American people oppose that obnoxious notion, there is nothing in this bill to prevent that from happening.

Madam Speaker, the American people deserve better than a bill that does nothing to lower costs, nothing to help families, and nothing to stop Donald Trump from rewarding violent criminals who attacked our Capitol. We deserve better.

Madam Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Chair, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I have the greatest respect for my friend from Pennsylvania, but that is about as good of Washington obfuscation as I have ever heard.

We are talking about funding ICE and CBP. If we don't do it today, ICE and CBP doesn't exist, criminals are running around in our streets, and we don't make good on the promises the American people sent us here to do.

They want to talk about tax policy. By the way, they are the party that didn't lift a finger when the tax cuts were going to expire and cause over a \$1,000 tax hike for every family in this

country. It would have been a 22-percent tax hike—this, on the heels of a cost-of-living crisis that they created by their failed economic policies and their unbridled spending, the likes of which we haven't seen in one half a century.

We can go through tax policy and the consequences of the American people having more money in their pockets because of no tax on tips and overtime, seniors getting a double deduction who are on a fixed income, and people who have suffered from Joe Biden's unaffordability crisis. I am happy to go down the line on that. People have more money in their pockets. The economy is growing. Inflation is down. Interest rates are down. The American people were paying \$1,000 a month more in their mortgage as a result of the failed policies of my Democratic colleagues.

Today, this isn't the debate. The debate is the safety of the American people and resourcing our brave, hard-working law enforcement officers who put their lives on the line to keep us safe.

Madam Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. JORDAN), our Judiciary Committee chairman.

Mr. JORDAN. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Madam Speaker, we have to use reconciliation because Democrats won't pay the guys who enforce the law. We should have had this done 110 days ago when they shut down the Department of Homeland Security. Then they said: Oh, we will fund that, but we are not going to fund ICE and CBP.

This is all part of their scheme, their systematic, multi-step plan. First, they let in 10 million migrants under the Biden administration. Open border—let in 10 million.

Second, they create sanctuary jurisdictions, which makes it difficult to remove those migrants when they commit another crime.

Third, they say we are not going to pay the guys that do the removing. We are not going to fund ICE.

That is their plan. They are systematically executing that plan. Let in 10 million with an open border, create sanctuary jurisdictions—which, by the way, I always remind folks of this: What is sanctuary jurisdiction? Politicians telling local law enforcement: Don't work with law enforcement when it comes to enforcing the law. That is the dumbest thing I have ever heard, but that is going on in almost a third of the country: 18 cities, 11 States, and 3 counties in the District of Columbia.

Third, of course, don't fund ICE. It is not enough to have all the leftwing crazies out on the street doxing them, tracking them, spitting on them, yelling at them, swearing at them, and assaulting them. Now they are saying: We are not going to pay you. That is their plan.

Frankly, you could add a fourth step. We had this hearing in our committee a couple weeks ago. You can add a

fourth step. Some of these prosecutors in these sanctuary jurisdictions, like right over in Virginia in Fairfax County—some of these prosecutors actually take into account the immigration status of someone who has committed a crime when they decide what they are going to charge them with and what kind of plea agreement they are going to have.

Mr. Descano's policy is: If an American citizen commits a crime and an illegal migrant commits the same crime, the illegal migrant gets a better deal. That is just crazy.

Again, they will go to any length to execute this plan. Let in 10 million. Create sanctuary jurisdictions. Don't pay the guys who do the removing, and don't prosecute the people who commit crimes.

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They shut down the government 42 days last fall, 70 days of Homeland Security this spring, and now upwards of 100 days for ICE and CBP.

I thank the great budget chairman for the work his committee has done. This is the right bill to do. It is unfortunate we have to do it this way, but this is the only way to pay the guys who actually enforce the laws that the Congress of the United States passes.

I would urge a "yes" vote.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. SCOTT), the distinguished ranking member of the Committee on Education and Workforce Committee and also a member of the Committee on the Budget.

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. Madam Speaker, once again, while working families struggle with high costs caused by this administration, Republicans' only focus is on spending more money on their lawless immigration enforcement agenda, even as ICE continues to abuse its authority and without any assurance that they will begin obeying the law by obtaining warrants before they go into people's homes, stop deporting citizens, and stop using excessive force.

While Americans face increased costs, the President seems only interested in building his ballroom, rewarding violent insurrectionists, and putting his face on passports and \$250 bills.

This reconciliation bill does nothing to block these initiatives. It also does nothing to reduce gas prices, improve healthcare, preserve the Department of Education, or create jobs.

Let's not forget, this bill also increases the deficit after the first bill last year increased the deficit by trillions of dollars. That is not a surprise because every Democratic administration since Kennedy has left for the Republicans a better deficit than they inherited, and every Republican administration since Nixon has left for the Democrats a worse deficit situation, all without exception.

We need to be focused on a fiscally responsible solution that will actually

do something to bring down costs for American families. This bill doesn't do that.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote "no" on this legislation.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Again, Madam Speaker, you are going to hear gas prices, tax policy, healthcare, ballrooms. You are not going to hear anything about what is happening as a result of my Democrats not supporting us funding ICE and CBP, because defunding ICE and CBP after the 4 years of chaos and lawlessness is just completely indefensible.

Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. CARTER).

Mr. CARTER of Georgia. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

Madam Speaker, I rise today infuriated by my Democratic colleagues who have put the safety and the security of American citizens last.

First, they opened the border to millions of unvetted, illegal immigrants. Now, they have repeatedly refused to fund Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection agents, failing in the number one responsibility of elected officials: keeping our citizens safe.

The consequences have been devastating for families.

For instance, in my district, Linda Davis, a beloved special education teacher at Hesse K-8 School in Savannah, was killed by an illegal immigrant who rammed into her while fleeing law enforcement.

Danny Sharpe, a husband, a father, a son, he was killed by an illegal immigrant who was driving under the influence and without a license in Effingham County.

Then, of course, in the State of Georgia, Laken Riley, a bright nursing student, was murdered while out for what should have been a pleasant jog in Athens.

Linda Davis, Danny Sharpe, Laken Riley, these are real people, real people who should be with us today. Their families have experienced unimaginable pain because of these reckless politics. It is time for Democrats to do the right thing.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from New York (Mr. JEFFRIES), the distinguished Democratic leader of the House.

Mr. JEFFRIES. Madam Speaker, I thank my good friend and colleague Representative BRENDAN BOYLE from the great Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for yielding and for his leadership.

Madam Speaker, I rise today in strong opposition to this Republican scheme to waste \$70 billion in taxpayer money to give a blank check to ICE without any guardrails, any oversight, or any accountability.

Immigration enforcement in this country should be fair, it should be just, and it should be humane. That is not what is going on right now as it relates to Donald Trump's violent mass deportation machine.

Donald Trump promised America that he would target violent felons who are here illegally. Instead, taxpayer dollars are being used by ICE and his violent mass deportation machine to target and brutalize American citizens—in some cases, killing them, as was the case in Minneapolis with Renee Nicole Good and Alex Pretti—or to violently target law-abiding immigrant families, children, and in some cases, veterans who have served this country.

As Democrats, we believe that taxpayer dollars should be used to make life more affordable for the American people as opposed to what the one big, ugly bill represented and continues to represent in this Congress.

Republicans are making a decision to rip away healthcare and nutritional assistance from the American people: the largest cut to Medicaid in American history, alongside the largest cut to nutritional assistance in American history. They are literally stealing food from the mouths of hungry children, veterans, and seniors, in order, through the one big, ugly bill, to give ICE and Donald Trump's violent mass deportation machine a \$140 billion blank check.

As if that wasn't enough—ripping healthcare and nutritional assistance away from vulnerable Americans, hard-working Americans, taxpayers, working-class Americans, middle-class Americans, and those who aspire to be part of the middle class—as if ripping away healthcare and nutritional assistance in the one big, ugly bill wasn't enough, Republicans have now come back for more: to give ICE and Donald Trump's violent mass deportation machine another \$70 billion blank check with no oversight, no accountability, and no guardrails.

We believe immigration enforcement should be fair, just, and humane. But ICE needs to be brought under control, and ICE needs to conduct itself like every other cop, every other police officer, and every other law enforcement agency in this country.

Instead, Republicans have decided to continue to waste taxpayer dollars to jam Donald Trump's extreme, right-wing ideology down the throats of the American people.

As Democrats, we rise in strong opposition to this Republican scheme: waste of taxpayer dollars.

Donald Trump promised that the cost of living, Madam Speaker, would go down on day one. Donald Trump promised to lower costs on day one, but costs in the United States of America haven't gone down. They have gone up. The cost of living is totally out of control. Why? Because of Republican policies:

First, the Trump tariffs raised costs on everyday Americans by thousands of dollars per year.

Second, in the one big, ugly bill, in order to fund the Republican violent mass deportation machine, they ripped away healthcare and nutritional assistance from the American people at a time when health insurance costs are already out of control and grocery prices are through the roof.

Third, Donald Trump and Republicans have gotten this country into a reckless and costly war of choice that has skyrocketed gas prices through the roof, burdening everyday Americans who are already struggling to survive, who certainly can't thrive, are living paycheck to paycheck with high rent, high groceries, high gas prices, and high health insurance costs.

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When I look at the Republican scheme that this budget represents, there is not a single sentence about making life more affordable for the American people.

Republicans want to cut healthcare and nutritional assistance, send us to a reckless and costly war of choice, impose tariffs that are raising prices on everyday Americans by thousands of dollars per year, and then use taxpayer dollars to give a \$70 billion blank check to ICE so that the Republican violent, mass-deportation machine can continue to brutalize or kill American citizens, like Alex Pretti and Renee Nicole Good, or to violently target law-abiding immigrant families.

Democrats here are not simply a "no." We are a "hell no" on this legislation, and we are going to continue to fight to make life better for the American people.

We believe that America is far too expensive. We believe that far too many people are working hard, playing by the rules, can't thrive, and can barely survive. We believe that in this great country, when you are doing the right thing, when you are working hard, you should be able to live an affordable life. That is not happening right now. A comfortable life is not happening right now for far too many people.

You should be able to live a good life with a good-paying job, good housing, good healthcare, good education for your children, and a good retirement, which, by the way, means we will always defend Social Security and Medicare.

As a warning to the American people, the Speaker of the House recently said, in part, as a result of what Republicans have done to skyrocket the debt and the deficit by trillions of dollars in order to give your MAGA donors massive tax breaks that they don't need and do not deserve, the Republicans are coming next for the Social Security and for the Medicare of the American people.

Madam Speaker, the Republican majority has failed. This Congress has failed. Life hasn't gotten better over the last 18 months. Life has gotten worse and more expensive because of

policy choices that the Republicans have made to inflict policy violence and cruelty on the American people.

This toxic piece of legislation is just another example of how Republicans have failed the American people, so we will be voting “no” against this Republican scheme. We will continue to fight to drive down the high cost of living, fight to lower and fix our broken healthcare system, fight to get ICE under control, fight to end Donald Trump’s reckless and costly war of choice, and fight for an America where everyone can afford a high-quality life for themselves and for their families.

That is not the America that we have right now because of Republican policy failures and continued schemes like this Republican budget reconciliation bill to waste another \$70 billion on their extreme immigration policies that have failed America.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Madam Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. SCALISE), the majority leader of the people’s House.

Mr. SCALISE. Madam Speaker, I thank the gentleman, my colleague and friend from Texas, for yielding.

Madam Speaker, I rise in strong support of this bill.

Madam Speaker, we should all be here today to express our strong support for this important piece of legislation to properly and fully fund the Department of Homeland Security, including, yes, the people who actually are tasked with carrying out our immigration laws. That is the job of ICE and CBP. These are the laws that we all pass.

I know our colleagues on the other side of the aisle would love to go back to open borders, but they are not, fortunately, going to go back to open borders because we won’t let them.

Madam Speaker, we worked with President Trump to secure the border. In fact, it was the number one issue in the 2024 election. The American people spoke loud and clear, and, yes, that was on the ballot. Everybody knew where each side was.

You would think, now that that issue is resolved, that we could be here in Congress to work together to properly make sure that we fund the Department of Homeland Security. Sadly, that is not what has happened.

You have seen the Democrats, time and time again, shut this Department down, the Department of Homeland Security, formed out of September 11. You would think some people on the other side of the aisle are acting like it is still September 10, like we don’t have threats on our homeland.

Yet, we have threats coming from more places than ever because the other side let millions of people into our country. Millions of people illegally come into our country, including many violent criminals. They want you to think, Madam Speaker, that it is just everybody coming in to seek the American Dream.

We have a legal method for that to happen. Every country does, by the

way. The United States is the most generous nation in the world in terms of our legal process to come to America—yes, legal. That means you have to follow the rules to be a part of this great American Dream.

If somebody doesn’t want to follow those rules, including the prior President, then what it does is wreak havoc. What kind of havoc? I know the other side just likes to attack law enforcement every single day, the party that tried to defund the police. Yes, they are still at it. This vote today, make no mistake, if you are voting “yes,” you are not only voting to secure America’s border. You are voting to fund law enforcement. If you vote “no,” you are voting to defund the police.

Those are the people, the law enforcement officers, who are risking their lives to keep our communities safe. I think, Madam Speaker, that it is important to ask safe from whom? Let’s walk a little bit down memory lane and talk about some of the American citizens who are no longer with us today because of people who came into this country illegally because of Joe Biden’s open border, because of the policies that the Democratic Party on the other side, Madam Speaker, wants us to go back to.

They want open borders. That is why they are voting “no.” Make no mistake about it, this vote is about opening the border again. This vote is about defunding the police. We cannot let that happen.

Why? Let’s remember Laken Riley. Did some on the other side already forget who Laken Riley is? She was a 22-year-old nursing student who was killed while jogging near the University of Georgia campus in February 2024. The man convicted of her murder was, yes, a man from Venezuela who entered into the United States illegally.

Let’s talk about Sheridan Gorman, Madam Speaker. She was an 18-year-old Loyola University Chicago freshman who was shot and killed in March 2026. The suspect: Jose Medina-Medina, an illegal immigrant from Venezuela.

Stephanie Minter, a Virginia mother, was fatally stabbed at a Fairfax County bus stop in February of this year.

Yes, anybody who votes “no” is voting against the people who are stopping criminal illegals who are murdering American citizens still to this day. Yet, they are going to cast that “no” vote, Madam Speaker.

Stephanie Minter, who was murdered, her suspect, Abdul Jalloh, came here illegally, an immigrant from Sierra Leone with over 30 police arrests, 30 times arrested, over and over again, until finally he murdered somebody.

Look at these sanctuary cities. By the way, go look at who is running these sanctuary cities.

When these Democrats are coming up here, saying that they want to grab more power, asking you to give them power again, look at what they do with

power. They install sanctuary city policies. They let murderers get out of prison over and over again until they murder innocent citizens. You can just go look at the leadership of every Democratic-run city in America right now. Most of the States have major losses of population because of their policies.

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Now, where are they going? Mostly to red States, States that are run by Republicans who want to lower taxes, who want to have commonsense policy, to get away from the crazy policies that we are seeing over and over again in these Democrat-run States.

In fact, the policies are so bad that you can look at the city of Chicago and know you will no longer be able to go to the city of Chicago to see the Chicago Bears play football. Illinois ran the Chicago Bears out of the State of Illinois, out of the city of Chicago over to Indiana because they are so antibusiness. Because they are so antiworker, and because they won’t stand up and protect their own citizens.

Mr. Speaker, you listen to the people that get up here, day in and day out, and attack President Trump over and over again. What they don’t tell you is that because President Trump focused on border security and protecting the American citizens, we now have the lowest murder rate in the United States in over 100 years because President Trump cares about people and their communities.

Look at some of these Democrat-run cities where they let illegals out over and over again. Go back to the suspect who murdered Stephanie Minter in Virginia. He was in prison and let out over 30 times.

Let’s talk about Kayla Hamilton, a 20-year-old Maryland woman strangled to death in 2022 by a known MS-13 gang member from El Salvador.

Rachel Morin, a Maryland mother of five, was murdered while exercising on a hiking trail in 2023. Yes, it was someone who came here illegally, who murdered her, who was finally later convicted of that crime.

Jocelyn Nungaray, a 12-year-old Houston girl, was sexually assaulted and then murdered in June of 2024, Mr. Speaker. Two Venezuelans who entered the United States illegally were charged in that case.

Keep in mind, every one of these I am reading, we are about to have a vote to say: Should we have people working for ICE, working for CBP, protecting us from these violent criminals, who are coming into our country illegally to kill our citizens? And you are going to be able to vote yes or no.

And if you vote no, you are saying you want these people to keep coming in. Mr. Speaker, you are voting to defund the law enforcement officers who are going to stop these criminals from coming into our communities.

It is not like some hypothetical. It has happened over and over and over again. Sadly, there are more.

Luis Jocsan Nanez Lopez, a 15-year-old, was shot and killed while trying to protect his mother from an attempted rape by an illegal in Kentucky. The killer was a Mexican national.

Hallie Helgeson and Brady Heiling, 18- and 19-year-olds, were killed in a car crash by a Honduran national who was driving intoxicated in the wrong direction on a highway. This took place in a sanctuary jurisdiction in Wisconsin. They act like they are doing you a favor by looking the other way and not at the laws, except their own citizens are dying.

Megan Bos was killed by a Mexican in Illinois in 2025. After the killer's court appearance, a sanctuary city judge freed him onto the streets of Chicago. There that is again. Fortunately, it was ICE who rearrested that murderer.

And they want to make ICE out to be the enemy? They are defending the murderers. Over and over again they want to defund law enforcement, to stand up for criminals who are wreaking havoc in our communities all across this country.

Thank God, we have a President in Donald Trump who is willing to stand up for the American people and protect us, to keep us safe in our homeland. That is the whole purpose of the Department of Homeland Security. It is why it needs to be fully funded. We need to pass this bill. It should have been done months ago. And it should not be partisan. Everybody should vote for it.

But when that board lights up, you are going to see who is standing with the American people to keep us safe in our home and who is going to defend the criminals.

Mr. Speaker, I stand with the American people and say, let's keep our communities safe. Let's pass this bill. Let's fund this department.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, we heard a lot of words there. What I didn't hear, though, was even one word, just one, about what this reconciliation bill would do to lower costs for the American people. I didn't hear one word for the 15 million Americans about to be kicked off their healthcare.

I didn't hear one word about those who are paying 50 percent more for gas than what they were paying just a couple months ago because of this President's reckless war of choice. There are no words, no plans, nothing in their bill whatsoever to bring down costs for the American people.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from California (Mr. PANETTA), a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. PANETTA. Mr. Speaker, the Republicans' reconciliation bill gives a blank check again to ICE and Border Patrol. Instead of reining in and reforming these two agencies that brought chaos and controversy to so many communities across our country, this bill instead provides \$70 billion more to ICE and CBP without any

guardrails or safeguards for the American public.

Now, in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, you already injected \$140 billion into these two agencies. Money was used to rush agents through training, push them into the streets, to troll big-box store parking lots and target immigrants well beyond gang members and felons.

They called themselves law enforcement. What we saw from many agents is they were acting like a lawless mob with impunity and with a disregard for our humanity.

Now, I support a secure border. But before I give one more cent to ICE and Border Patrol, all we are asking for are commonsensical reforms, such as taking off the masks, turning on the cameras, identifying themselves, having independent investigations, staying away from polling places, and obtaining a warrant before going into our homes.

Instead, your bill ignores bipartisan reforms, ignores high prices, ignores the war in Iran, and hands over billions more to ICE and CBP without any guidance on how to spend it and without any way to pay for it.

By voting for this reconciliation bill, you are not only giving a blank check to ICE and CBP. You are giving in to Donald Trump, and you are giving up on your responsibility to the stability of our economy, the debt of our country, and the safety of American communities.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SMUCKER), my friend from the Keystone State and vice chairman of the Budget Committee.

Mr. SMUCKER. Mr. Speaker, it is like the Democrats have developed amnesia. They talk about high prices, but inflation went to 9 percent, triple what it is today, during the Biden years. It averaged more than double what it is today.

Speaking about working-class Americans, by voting against the One Big Beautiful Bill Act, they voted for what would have been the largest tax increase on working families in history, had Republicans not voted to pass that bill.

The Democrats then held hostage \$14 million in wages from working Americans by shutting down the government, and it cost the American economy \$11 billion. Despite their efforts, though, to undermine the success of the Working Families Tax Cuts Act, we are still seeing strong job numbers and a resilient economy as a result of Republican policies.

But let's talk about the border for just a second. Maybe it is not amnesia. Maybe they want the thousands of people pouring across the border.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia). The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield an additional 1 minute to the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SMUCKER).

Mr. SMUCKER. Maybe they want the thousands of people, the caravans that came across the border during the Biden years. President Trump was right. It just takes a President to make that change and to secure the border.

The American people deserve a secure border. They want a secure border. They deserve a functioning immigration system, and they deserve a government that is focused on them, not these partisan games.

Today, by passing this bill, we stand ready to finish the job of funding border security, restoring immigration enforcement, and putting the safety and interests of American citizens first.

I urge support for this legislation.

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Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentlewoman from Vermont (Ms. BALINT), a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Ms. BALINT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong opposition to the Republican reconciliation bill.

While American families struggle to afford housing, healthcare, and groceries, Republicans are proposing to spend more than \$150 billion on immigration enforcement, roughly \$59 billion for detention and deportation operations.

Working families right now can't afford a doctor's visit, and Republicans are worried about multiplying our budget for detention facilities—not lowering healthcare costs, not giving relief to families who are struggling with obscenely high insurance premiums, but instead giving even more money to ICE and Border Patrol.

This bill says that while American families pay nearly \$27,000 a year for health insurance costs, Congress should prioritize spending even more on ICE detention beds. Healthcare costs are rising faster than wages for many Americans, and this is what we are focused on? It is incredibly screwed up.

This administration wants you to believe that people who don't look like you or don't sound like you are the source of your financial struggles. Trump and his allies do this so you don't see that their policies benefit billionaires and greedy corporations that have hollowed out the middle class in this country. Don't believe them, not for a minute.

We should be lowering healthcare costs. We should be investing in the working families in our communities across this country.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to direct their comments to the Chair.

The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentlewoman from Vermont.

Ms. BALINT. Mr. Speaker, we should be lowering costs and investing in the

working families and communities across this country, not weaponizing our government to go after the most vulnerable.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from California (Mr. MCCLINTOCK), my friend, who is also a Budget Committee member.

Mr. MCCLINTOCK. Mr. Speaker, for 4 years, Democrats actively encouraged the largest illegal mass migration in history, including the most vicious criminals in the world. For the last year, these same Democrats have done everything they can to obstruct, impede, and even attack Federal officers who are trying to enforce our immigration laws.

Without CBP and ICE enforcing our immigration laws, we have no borders, which means we have no country. That is the effect, if not the design, of the Democrats' refusal to fund these agencies.

This bill breaks the Democrats' stranglehold over ICE and CBP funding. Reconciliation is specifically designed to bring mandatory spending in line with limits set by the budget resolution. Instead, we have no choice but to use it to restore the security of our Nation.

We will have one more shot at reconciliation for the coming fiscal year, and it must be used to fulfill our responsibility to future generations who are already drowning in our debt.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentlewoman from Washington State (Ms. JAYAPAL), a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, gas prices have almost doubled since Trump came in and started his illegal Iran war. Groceries, housing, and healthcare are all unaffordable.

Republicans would have you believe that there is no money to help working families. Trump himself said that he does not "think about Americans' financial situation," and he said that it is "not possible" for the government to fund Medicare, Medicaid, and childcare.

Just last week, Republicans slashed \$141 million for food for pregnant women and children, but now, magically, Republicans have found another \$70 billion for ICE and CBP, even though those agencies still have \$100 billion left from the \$140 billion that Republicans gave them in the big, bad, betrayal bill.

Meanwhile, Trump's masked ICE agents are killing U.S. citizens in broad daylight, kidnapping and disappearing parents in front of their children's schools, and ramming down doors without warrants.

Private, for-profit prison operators are laughing all the way to the bank as they rake in billions in profits by incarcerating over 60,000 immigrants of all immigration statuses every single night, refusing to uphold basic standards or give medical care to people in custody.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentlewoman from Washington.

Ms. JAYAPAL. Mr. Speaker, since Trump came back into office, as ranking member of the Immigration Subcommittee, I get notified every time there is a death in detention, and there have been 50 unprecedented deaths in detention since Trump came into office. This bill has zero guardrails and throws another \$70 billion to ICE and CBP. Vote "no." It is a sham.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. STUTZMAN), my friend and a member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. STUTZMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of the Secure America Act to fund ICE and CBP.

ICE and CBP agents risk their lives daily to keep bad actors out and protect our Nation's citizens. With the strong leadership of Secretary Mullin, CBP reached a milestone by seizing more than 100 million lethal doses of fentanyl along the southwest border since October.

ICE agents also have made progress toward making American cities safe again, with over 1,400 arrests of known or suspected terrorists.

These Federal agents don't just protect our borders. They defend and protect American families across the country, especially as the U.S. hosts the World Cup starting this week.

I stand in strong opposition to the Democrats who wish to put American lives at risk by refusing to fund these two agencies. Start supporting the American citizens and not illegals.

I encourage all my colleagues to support the funding for the vital work of ICE and CBP.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentlewoman from California (Ms. CHU).

Ms. CHU. Mr. Speaker, once again, Republicans are showing the American people exactly where their priorities lie. They claim there is no money for healthcare, no money for affordable housing, no money for childcare, and no money for gas, which costs an arm and a leg.

Yet, today, Republicans are demanding another \$70 billion to supercharge Trump's mass deportation agenda, plus ICE already got \$170 billion from Republicans' big, ugly bill, making them our highest funded law enforcement agency.

The message couldn't be clearer. There is always money to target immigrants but never enough for working families?

Let's be clear what Republicans are asking taxpayers for. These agencies have failed to produce meaningful accountability, transparency, or reform, even after killing two U.S. citizens.

At the same time, detainees are dying in ICE custody at record rates. Last week, I visited Adelanto ICE De-

tection Center in southern California. I spoke directly with detainees, who described inhumane conditions like dirty drinking water, inedible food, and non-existent medical care. Some have even watched their neighbors die. This is what this administration wants another \$70 billion for.

At a time when Americans are desperate for relief, Republicans are choosing to invest billions in a system that fails to uphold basic standards of safety, dignity, and accountability.

I am voting "no."

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GILL), my friend, who is also a proud member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. GILL of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is no surprise that the party of defund the police is the party that also votes to defund Border Patrol for 70 days.

It is no surprise that the party who runs a Senate candidate in Texas who wants a welcome mat on the southern border is the party that will vote to defund ICE.

This is the same party that for 4 years intentionally flooded our country with millions of illegal aliens, and we hear questions like: How does this make life better for the American people?

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Mr. Speaker, I will tell you that deporting criminals, murderers, rapists, and thugs out of our country makes our communities safer. Deporting illegal aliens who are clogging up our schools and our hospitals, on welfare, and using our social services makes life in America better for our people.

Mr. Speaker, I would ask: When will our colleagues on the other side of the aisle finally put the interests of our people, the people we represent, ahead of the interests of illegal aliens? I am waiting.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill because it is a great bill.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from New York (Mr. TONKO), who is a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. TONKO. Mr. Speaker, I have spent my career fighting to improve mental health care in our schools and communities.

I believe that every single child should grow up in an environment built around love, learning, and safety, which is why I am so disgusted by the actions of this administration that are terrorizing an entire generation of children. These are children who are seeing their friends and teachers taken by ICE, children who are being held at gunpoint by masked agents, children who are living in fear that their parents will be picked up by ICE, children who are being detained for months on end, and children who are being used as bait so ICE can detain their family members.

Those experiences do not fade easily. Our government is inflicting trauma on our kids. We should all be ashamed of these actions, yet instead of stopping ICE's reign of terror, Republicans are pushing legislation that provides this out-of-control agency with tens of billions more in funding, billions of taxpayer dollars to terrorize our children and our neighbors instead of supporting our schools, our hospitals, or our communities.

My choice is clear. I urge my colleagues to join me and reject this cruel bill. Our children and their families demand it.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, if anybody is living in fear, it is because of the fear-mongering that we continue to hear from our Democratic colleagues, and it is no wonder. It starts at the top. The nominee, or the anointed Presidential nominee of the Democrats in the last Presidential election, Ms. Kamala Harris, compared ICE to the KKK. We heard references to the Gestapo, and a reign of terror is what we just heard. It is no wonder that there are people in the streets obstructing and putting at risk the lives of our law enforcement officers who are trying to clean up our neighborhoods from the deluge of gangbangers and criminals who have flooded cities and towns all across this great Nation.

It is a travesty to hear such denigrating terms and to see my colleagues in the United States House Chamber vilifying people who wear the uniform on behalf of all of us and our families.

As I said, assaults are up by 1,300 percent, death threats by 8,000 percent. It is a wonder more law enforcement officials and ICE agents haven't been hurt.

Let me tell you, Mr. Speaker, who is going to get hurt: lots of people across this land if ICE and CBP were defunded on account of not having willing Republicans to fund them fully, not just for 1 year but for 3 years, so we never end up here again being held hostage by shutdowns and defunding of our law enforcement.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from the great State of Florida (Ms. LEE).

Ms. LEE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in strong support of the Secure America Act, legislation that will secure our border, provide critical resources to law enforcement, and make our communities safer.

I want to highlight a provision of this bill that I have spent years fighting to advance, along with the Tim Tebow Foundation and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, the bipartisan Renewed Hope Act.

Today, more than 89,000 children depicted in child sex abuse material remain unidentified. That means there are 89,000 children who have not yet been found, not yet rescued, and not yet safe.

The Renewed Hope Act will give Homeland Security Investigations the

analysts, forensic specialists, technology, and training that are needed to identify those children, rescue them, bring them home, and bring their predators to justice.

For every child still waiting to be found, this is renewed hope. Every vote for this bill is a vote to find these children.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues, Republicans and Democrats alike, to do the right thing; Fight for these children and support this legislation.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. DOGGETT), who is a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. DOGGETT. This bill should really be known as the big slush. It is a slush fund to enrich our corrupt President and a slush fund for ICE to continue abusing communities across America.

Grocery prices soar and gas prices surge, and to the Trump regime, it is really just "peanuts," peanuts of the type perhaps that are served on that luxury jet that Kristi Noem purchased and wasted taxpayer funds on so she could ride in style to support her ICE agents terrorizing too many Americans.

After filing a \$10 billion bogus lawsuit against his own administration, Trump incredibly reached a sordid deal with his personal criminal defense attorney, whom he has appointed Acting Attorney General, to stop tax evasion audits of Trump, his family, and all the Trump enterprises, special treatment that has been estimated to save him over \$100 million.

On top of that, he gets to control a taxpayer-funded \$1.8 billion slush fund that can be used to reward the rioters who were here on January 6, who assaulted police, and other Trump pals and criminals. Law-abiding neighbors face ICE cruelty while convicted criminals get a check at our expense.

What we need is a genuine check on the Trump regime, but there is no rule of law and no checks and balances. Trump knows that a compliant Republican Congress will let him get away with anything.

This bill doesn't secure America. It secures Trump's stranglehold on the Republicans.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. RULLI). Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, just to be clear, we are attempting here in a Republican-only exercise to fund ICE and CBP at last year's operating budget plus inflation. That is all we are talking about.

Their position is that they want to zero it out. In fact, they already have. They refuse to fund ICE and CBP. They would effectively abolish it.

This is not a slush fund unless you are calling what is the normal and regular operating budget of our immigration enforcement and Border Patrol of-

ficers a slush fund. It is regular, normal funding, and we are going to do it not for 1 year but for 3 years, so that we don't end up here again.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from the great State of Texas (Mr. GOODEN), who is a member of the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. GOODEN. Mr. Speaker, what we have heard today from Democrats is Trump, Trump, Trump, Trump, Trump. They are obsessed. They won't talk about the bill. They are talking about the President because they are ashamed, and they know they should be, of their record when they were in charge.

When President Biden was President, the border was wide open. Americans were getting killed, and Democrats wouldn't acknowledge it. That is why we have the majority now. That is why President Trump is in the White House. It is because he promised to clean it up, and he has. This bill continues that.

For 76 days, Democrats blocked funding for the entire Department of Homeland Security, and they are continuing to stand against this today. They won't actually come out and say what we know they mean, and that is that they want an open border. Instead, they want to talk about Trump.

The Secure America Act ensures that that border is never open again. By fully funding ICE and CBP through President Trump's term, this bill gives our homeland defenders the resources they need to strengthen deportation operations, dismantle criminal networks, and stop fentanyl before it reaches our communities.

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While my colleagues across the aisle continue suffering from Trump derangement syndrome, I urge passage, and I thank the Republican majority and President Trump for leading on this.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is interesting. I have been participating and listening to this entire debate. Actually, the President's name that has come up the most is President Biden. I think they actually miss him because they would like someone to blame other than the man who is in the White House right now.

The American people make it clear with some of the worst approval ratings on the economy in 20-plus years by a 3-1 margin, that they disapprove of this President's handling of the economy—72 percent disapprove. Again, these are the worst numbers since the Great Recession.

They need someone else to blame because they know just how poorly things are going right now under this President and Republican leadership.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. MCGARVEY), a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. MCGARVEY. Mr. Speaker, we have to stop saying this is about \$70 billion for ICE. This is about \$240 billion for ICE. Republicans gave ICE \$170 billion last July, and in less than 1 year, they want to give them \$70 billion more.

That is more for ICE this year than Russia is spending on its military, and they are currently at war. \$240 billion for honest to God storm troopers, masked, armed agents kidnapping people off the street, murdering U.S. citizens, separating families, and detaining children. We shouldn't give them another dollar.

We cannot give them another \$70 billion, but if you are so willing to spend it, imagine the good we could do with that kind of money.

We could make people's lives better by giving free school breakfast and lunch for every kid in America or free childcare for every American family with a kid under 5. We could bring back the healthcare tax credits that Republicans killed because they were too expensive for 3 more years, but since feeding kids and fixing healthcare apparently aren't your thing, maybe we can agree on veterans.

You guys say you care about our veterans, then let's do something about it. For \$70 billion, we could end veteran homelessness forever, probably seven times over. In fact, I offered an amendment to this bill that does just that. Actually, with \$70 billion, we could end homelessness in America. That is just one example.

There is so much good we could do with this money and just about anything would be better than giving it to ICE. Vote "no."

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it has often been said that budgets are statements of our priorities and our values. Repeatedly, President Biden would propose cuts to the Department of Homeland Security. The last year he was in office, in fact, Homeland Security was cut by 3.5 percent.

Remember, this is all while we had record numbers of illegal immigrants flooding into this country, record numbers of immigrants who were on the terrorist watch list, record numbers of criminals, record numbers of drugs killing Americans at record levels, about a plane load of Americans dying a week.

Meanwhile, my Democrat colleagues found time to give \$800 billion in tax subsidies to green energy corporations. Think about that: Tax cuts for the rich, rich green energy corporations.

Tens of billions of dollars with a cell phone and a pen by Joe Biden, those moneys were given to illegal immigrants for healthcare that hardworking U.S. taxpayers funded.

According to NumbersUSA, we are spending about \$9,000 per illegal immigrant in this country. Mr. Speaker, that is more than we spend on our most vulnerable U.S. citizens for Medicaid.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from South Carolina (Mr. FRY), who is also a member of the House Judiciary Committee.

Mr. FRY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the chairman for yielding time.

Mr. Speaker, the Mexican cartels have never had better lobbyists than the Democrat politicians across the aisle who insisted that nothing was wrong for years.

As our communities were flooded, Democrats told the American people not to believe their own eyes, not to see the rising crime and the melees and the fracturing and the problems in every community across this country.

When the border was overwhelmed, they said it was secure. In fact, they told us that we were imagining a border crisis. When communities demanded action, they offered excuses. When law enforcement came forward and said we need resources, they were lectured by the ivory tower that Democrats sit in about compassion.

Their immigration policy boiled down to three simple words: deny, deflect, and delay. Their strategy was overwhelmingly rejected thankfully at the ballot box in the last Presidential cycle, but they refused to accept it. They refused to accept the reality.

The American people are done being put last at the expense of themselves and put in last place behind illegal immigrants. They are tired of being treated as if nothing is wrong. Something has been fundamentally wrong with our border for a long time. When we want to come and fix it and listen to the people who sent us to Washington to fix the most fundamental thing about a country, it is borders.

We are told all types of unimaginable things. We are here on immigration and a border bill, and we are told we are dealing with the economy on their end.

This is about the border and securing the most fundamentally sacred thing in our country, which is our border. I think this is basic stuff. Fund law enforcement and don't defund them. Let them enforce the law and do their job.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this legislation.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentlewoman from Minnesota (Ms. OMAR), a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Ms. OMAR. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to this reconciliation bill.

Last year, Republicans handed ICE and CBP an \$85 billion slush fund.

Today, they want \$70 billion more with no reforms and no accountability for the crimes they have committed. This is at a time when Americans are barely making ends meet.

Let me tell you what the money could mean for working families. It could provide free childcare for over 1 million children for 2 years. We could expand and extend the ACA premium tax credit for at least a year. We could

cancel the Medicare debt of a third of Americans.

Instead, congressional Republicans want to hand more money to the same rogue agents that have kidnapped and killed Americans across the country.

We know who is really paying for this. When Federal agents flooded Minneapolis, our cities suffered \$200 million in economic damages, at least. Workers stayed home. Small businesses shuttered, and tens of thousands of residents were suddenly thrown into food and housing insecurity.

This is why I will be introducing a bill to redirect ICE's slush fund to the very communities that the agencies have terrorized and harmed. This is who this money should be going to, everyday Americans who are just trying to survive in Trump's disastrous economy.

Mr. Speaker, I won't support another dollar for ICE, and I urge my colleagues to vote against this bill.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is true. We did put tens of billions of dollars in the first reconciliation bill because the Democrats' open-border policies absolutely wreaked havoc on the current system. It overwhelmed us.

My State spent \$14 billion to do the job the Federal Government wouldn't do. We didn't have the infrastructure. We didn't have the boots on the ground. We didn't have the judicial process set up to take on the millions of people, over 10 million people, over 5 million of them released, not apprehended and held accountable, caught and released, so the system was overwhelmed.

We needed to infuse some capital to boost the infrastructure so we could seamlessly work through that. We are talking about regular operating budgets now and not what we had to put in for the system that was overwhelmed by the record numbers of illegal immigrants. We are talking about last year's budget plus inflation.

The bottom line is, my Democrat colleagues stand on the position of defunding immigration enforcement and effectively abolishing ICE.

I think that is an untenable position in this country. Only a few radicals hold that position. Most people know what we are up against and what these hardworking, brave people do for us.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from South Carolina (Mrs. BIGGS), who is on the Homeland Security Committee here in the House.

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Mrs. BIGGS of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the Secure America Act gives Border Patrol and ICE the resources they need to keep doing what is working.

Southwest border apprehensions are down 94 percent compared to the Biden administration. For this fiscal year's totals, CBP encounters are already 13

percent lower than April 2024 alone, and CBP has seized 61 percent more drugs this fiscal year than during the same period last year. That means fewer illegal crossings, more fentanyl stops, and stronger enforcement.

This bill invests in agents, officers, technology, and the tools needed to dismantle cartels, stop human trafficking, and remove criminal illegal aliens from our communities.

President Trump has proven that a secure border is possible. Now, Congress needs to back him up.

South Carolina families deserve safety, sovereignty, and a government that puts America first.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support the Secure America Act.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, may I ask how much time is remaining.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Texas has 1¼ minutes remaining.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Rhode Island (Mr. AMO), a distinguished member of the Budget Committee.

Mr. AMO. Mr. Speaker, when I first heard the bill's name, I thought somebody said: less Secure America Act. After reading it, I realize that is what it is.

Republicans already handed Trump's immigration machine a massive windfall in their big, ugly law as they cut your healthcare. Now, they are back for more. This latest scheme is about pouring \$70 billion into ICE and CBP while leaving untouched Trump's \$1.8 billion slush fund for his political allies and January 6 cop beaters.

It does nothing to lower costs, nothing to stop corruption, and nothing to help working families. Think about that. If you are worried about your grocery costs or your utility bills, Republicans have nothing for you. If you are worried about your healthcare costs, Republicans have nothing for you. If you are worried about affording childcare, Republicans have nothing for you. If you are Donald Trump, looking for billions more to expand ICE and bankroll more abuses of power, Republicans are happy to write the check with your money.

This bill isn't about security. It is about cruelty, corruption, and misplaced priorities. You deserve better than this latest, devious deception. The American people deserve lower costs, safer communities, and a government that works for them, not another blank check for Trump's chaos.

Mr. Speaker, I urge a "no" vote on Republicans' latest betrayal.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. RASKIN), the distinguished ranking member of the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. RASKIN. Mr. Speaker, I can understand why our colleagues talking about deranged Trump syndrome don't

want us talking about the actual President himself. He just said, "I don't think about Americans' financial situation," and, "not even a little bit." Well, no kidding. Our let-them-eat-crypto President, who has pocketed a cool \$5 billion since he was inaugurated, spends a lot of time thinking about his own financial security and the bankrolling of his MAGA foot soldiers, whom he pardoned en masse and released from jail last year.

He wants you to pay for not only a \$1 billion golden ballroom because he bulldozed the White House, but a \$1.776 billion political slush fund, under his exclusive control, to pay out to his favorite convicted criminals, anti-democracy rioters, and cop-beating insurrectionists, 96 of whom have already committed new crimes since he let them out of jail, including child sexual assault, domestic violence, home invasion, and first degree criminal assault. He wants to turn this street-fighting mob into a permanent private militia of MAGA millionaires.

His Acting Attorney General, Todd Blanche, cooked up a collusive plan with the plaintiff President to cancel out all criminal, civil, and tax liability for himself and the rest of the Trump family and their businesses for all time—in all caps, they wrote "forever"—for any crimes they have committed up until this point. Nothing like this has ever happened before in American history.

Now, they want to hand DHS another \$70 billion after the \$170 billion they got last year—
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentleman from Maryland.

Mr. RASKIN.—despite the fact that DHS still has \$100 billion sitting around unspent, and despite the fact they have done nothing, zero, to reform the King Kong police practices that left two American citizens, Renee Good and Alex Pretti, dead, lying in their own blood in the streets of Minneapolis. Vote "no."

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President, and their comments should be directed to the Chair.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, may I inquire as to how much time I have remaining.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Pennsylvania has 7¼ minutes remaining.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is notable that not once has any reference been made by my Democrat colleagues to the victims of crimes perpetrated by criminal aliens on them and the loss, pain, and suffering of their families—not one time.

No, not once, have we heard, Mr. Speaker, any reference with respect,

with honor and dignity, to the law enforcement officers who wear the uniform, who fight the fight to keep us safe, risking their lives to rid this country of the threats to our neighborhoods and our families—not one time. We heard reign of terror. We heard gestapo. We hear all these things. Not one time.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. THOMPSON), the distinguished ranking member of the Homeland Security Committee.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Mr. Speaker, I stand with my Democratic colleagues in strong opposition to this bill.

This bill is yet another attempt by MAGA-controlled Republicans to give billions of dollars to the violent, lawless, and unconstitutional Trump administration.

In last year's big, ugly bill, Republicans starved working families and stripped healthcare from millions of Americans to fund DHS' immigration crackdown without any guardrails.

DHS used these funds to break into homes without warrants, surveil and lock up nonviolent protesters, deport sick children with cancer, and kill two American citizens who were lawfully exercising their First Amendment and Second Amendment rights.

This bill, just like the last one, does not prohibit any agent from wearing a mask. It does not require officers to get judicial warrants. This bill does not prohibit racial profiling or surveilling databases of unlawful protesters. It does not stop raids at daycares, churches, or even hospitals.

This bill does not prevent the Justice Department from creating a slush fund to pay Donald Trump's insurrectionists who assaulted law enforcement.

Instead, this bill gives the Trump regime a blank check to execute more out-of-control, unaccountable crackdowns on migrants and the American citizens supporting them. Americans know the difference.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield an additional 15 seconds to the gentleman from Mississippi.

Mr. THOMPSON of Mississippi. Americans know the difference between a government that works for them and one that works only for Donald Trump. We must oppose this awful bill.

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Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentlewoman from New York (Ms. VELÁZQUEZ), the distinguished ranking member of the Committee on Small Business.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, almost a year ago, we debated a horrific piece of Republican legislation that cut more than a trillion dollars from healthcare and nearly \$200 billion in food assistance for hungry families, all so billionaires could get another tax cut.

That same bill handed over \$170 billion to DHS for immigration enforcement—money used to supercharge ICE and CBP as they terrorized immigrant communities, trampled the Constitution, brutalized and killed American citizens in the streets. Since then, life has only gotten more unaffordable. What is the Republican answer? Their answer is another \$70 billion for immigration enforcement that is already out of control. It is a slap in the face to every American struggling to get by. It is a slap in the face to every small business in this country that is struggling.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote “no.”

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. NEGUSE), the assistant Democratic leader.

Mr. NEGUSE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the ranking member of the Committee on the Budget for his leadership.

I don't serve on the Committee on the Budget, but my understanding of the Committee on the Budget, perhaps a naive understanding, was that the committee would try to build a responsible budget, to live within its means.

I must say, with deep regret, Mr. Speaker, I have respect for my colleague, the chairman of the Committee on the Budget, but every time he comes to the floor, it ends up costing us all more money. This bill is going to increase the deficit by \$70 billion, \$70 billion with a b. That is how much the Republican Committee on the Budget proposes that we spend, that we impair our national deficit.

For all of the Freedom Caucus members, for all of the Republicans who have come to the floor to shed crocodile tears about the fiscal health of our country, understand that in half an hour, you will be voting in favor of a bill that increases the deficit by \$70 billion. Mr. Speaker, we ought to reject it.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, we are talking about last year's budget, plus inflation.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I yield 30 seconds to the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. STANTON), member of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Mr. STANTON. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to this extreme Republican budget bill, an additional \$40 billion to ICE, an agency that has already received an unprecedented amount of taxpayer funds with zero reforms, zero accountability, not a single

dollar in this bill to lower the cost of living, nothing for families drowning under Trump's tariffs, nothing for skyrocketing grocery bills, nothing for the gas prices that have been driven up by a failing war of choice in Iran.

This budget shows the American people where the MAGA Republicans' priorities lie. They will roll over to Trump every single time, while their own citizens struggle to make ends meet.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to close, and I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I will point out, as I said in the beginning, that this bill does absolutely nothing to prevent Donald Trump from handing taxpayer dollars to the violent criminals who attacked police officers here on January 6.

We know that this is not hypothetical. The President has said repeatedly that he wants to compensate January 6 rioters.

Just this past weekend, he refused to rule out payments even for those who assaulted law enforcement officers at the Capitol.

Mr. Speaker, let's remember what these criminals did.

Rioters trapped Officer Daniel Hodges in a doorway and ripped away his gas mask as he was crushed and assaulted.

Officer Michael Fanone was beaten, tased again and again, dragged into the crowd, and suffered a heart attack. Other officers were attacked with flag poles and pepper sprayed.

These rioters were not tourists. They were violent thugs who attempted to overturn an election by force.

Now, let's not forget, this President has already pardoned them. He already gave them a free pass. Now he wants to reward them again with our taxpayer money. What a disgrace.

For this reason, at the appropriate time, I will offer a motion to commit this bill back to committee.

If the House rules permitted, I would have offered the motion with an important amendment to this bill.

My amendment would make clear that not one penny of taxpayer money may be used to create, administer, or pay for any slush fund, settlement payment, or any other payout to January 6 insurrectionists.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to insert into the RECORD the text of this amendment immediately prior to the motion to commit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FLOOD). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I hope my colleagues will join me in voting for the motion to commit, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. ARRINGTON. Mr. Speaker, as the good book says: Where your treasure is, there your heart is also.

Our treasure as Republicans and our hearts, as the American people have reflected in this last and most historic election, is with the law-abiding citizens of this great Nation and the brave men and women who risk their lives to defend it every day.

This is regular budget, normal budgets, and this is the least we can do to support those folks who stand on that thin line to defend our sovereign borders and our safety.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my Democrat colleagues do not defund the ICE and Border Patrol.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. All time for debate has expired.

Pursuant to House Resolution 1345, the previous question is ordered on the bill.

The question is on the third reading of the bill.

The bill was ordered to be read a third time, and was read the third time.

MOTION TO COMMIT

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I have a motion to commit at the desk.

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

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Boyle of Pennsylvania moves to commit the bill S. 2 to the Committee on the Budget.

The material previously referred to by Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania is as follows:

Mr. Boyle of Pennsylvania moves to commit the bill S. 2 to the Committee on the Budget with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with the following amendment:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____ PROHIBITION ON DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FROM USING TAXPAYER FUNDS FOR SETTLEMENT PAYMENTS TO INDIVIDUALS CONVICTED OF ASSAULTING LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS ON JANUARY 6, 2021.

The Department of Justice may not use taxpayer funds to make settlement payments to individuals convicted of assaulting law enforcement officers at or around the United States Capitol on January 6, 2021.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 2(b) of rule XIX, the previous question is ordered on the motion to commit.

The question is on the motion to commit.

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

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, this 15-minute vote on the motion to commit will be followed by 5-minute votes on:

Passage of the bill, if ordered; and Adoption of House Resolution 1140.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 211, nays 215, not voting 4, as follows:

[Roll No. 213]

YEAS—211

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

NAYS—215

Aderholt Bresnahan Diaz-Balart
 Alford Buchanan Donalds
 Allen Burchett Downing
 Amodei (NV) Burlison Dunn (FL)
 Arrington Calvert Edwards
 Babin Cammack Ellzey
 Bacon Carey Emmer
 Baird Carter (GA) Estes
 Balderson Carter (TX) Evans (CO)
 Barr Ciscomani Ezell
 Barrett Cline Fallon
 Baumgartner Cloud Fedorchak
 Bean (FL) Clyde Feenstra
 Begich Cole Fine
 Bentz Collins Finstad
 Bergman Comer Fischbach
 Bice Crane Fitzgerald
 Biggs (AZ) Crank Fitzpatrick
 Biggs (SC) Crawford Fleischmann
 Bilirakis Crenshaw Flood
 Boebert Davidson Fong
 Bost De La Cruz Foss
 Brecheen Desjarlais Franklin, Scott

Fry Langworthy Rose
 Fulcher Latta Rouzer
 Fuller Lawler Roy
 Garbarino Lee (FL) Rulli
 Gill (TX) Letlow Rutherford
 Gimenez Loudermilk Salazar
 Goldman (TX) Lucas Scalise
 Gooden Luna Schmidt
 Gosar Luttrell Schweikert
 Graves Mackenzie Scott, Austin
 Griffith Malliotakis Self
 Grothman Maloy Sessions
 Guest Mann Shreve
 Guthrie Massie Simpson
 Hageman Mast Smith (MO)
 Hamadeh (AZ) McCaul Smith (NE)
 Haridopolos McClain Smith (NJ)
 Harrigan McClintock Smucker
 Harris (MD) McCormick Spartz
 Harris (NC) McDowell Stauber
 Hern (OK) McGuire Stefanik
 Higgins (LA) Messmer Steil
 Hill (AR) Meuser Steube
 Hinson Miller (IL) Strong
 Houchin Miller (OH) Stutzman
 Hudson Miller (WV) Taylor
 Huizenga Miller-Meeks Tenney
 Keating Mills Thompson (PA)
 Hurd (CO) Moore (AL) Tiffany
 Issa Moore (NC) Timmons
 Jack Moore (UT) Turner (OH)
 Jackson (TX) Moore (WV) Valadao
 James Moran Van Drew
 Johnson (LA) Murphy Van Dwyne
 Johnson (SD) Nehls Van Epps
 Jordan Newhouse Van Orden
 Joyce (OH) Nunn (IA) Wagner
 Joyce (PA) Obernolte Walberg
 Kelly (MS) Ogles Weber (TX)
 Kelly (PA) Onder Webster (FL)
 Kennedy (UT) Owens Westerman
 Kiggans (VA) Palmer Wied
 Kiley (CA) Patronis Williams (TX)
 Kim Perry Wilson (SC)
 Knott Pfluger Wittman
 Kustoff Reschenthaler Womack
 LaHood Rogers (AL) Yakym
 LaLota Rogers (KY) Zinke

NOT VOTING—4

Keane McDonald Rivet Norman
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Messrs. MURPHY and McDOWELL changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. SCHNEIDER, OLSZEWSKI, and BEYER changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the motion to commit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. BOYLE of Pennsylvania. 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 214, noes 212, not voting 4, as follows:

[Roll No. 214]

AYES—214

Aderholt Barr Biggs (SC)
 Alford Barret Bilirakis
 Allen Baumgartner Boebert
 Amodei (NV) Bean (FL) Bost
 Arrington Begich Brecheen
 Babin Bentz Bresnahan
 Bacon Bergman Buchanan
 Baird Bice Burchett
 Balderson Biggs (AZ) Burlison

Calvert Hern (OK)
 Cammack Higgins (LA)
 Carey Hill (AR)
 Carter (GA) Hinson
 Carter (TX) Houchin
 Ciscomani Hudson
 Cline Huizenga
 Cloud Hunt
 Clyde Hurd (CO)
 Cole Issa
 Collins Jack
 Comer Jackson (TX)
 Crane James
 Crank Johnson (LA)
 Crawford Johnson (SD)
 Crenshaw Jordan
 Davidson Joyce (OH)
 De La Cruz Joyce (PA)
 Desjarlais Kelly (MS)
 Diaz-Balart Kelly (PA)
 Donalds Kennedy (UT)
 Downing Kiggans (VA)
 Dunn (FL) Kim
 Edwards Knott
 Ellzey Kustoff
 Emmer LaHood
 Estes LaLota
 Evans (CO) Langworthy
 Ezell Latta
 Fallon Lawler
 Fedorchak Lee (FL)
 Feenstra Letlow
 Fine Loudermilk
 Finstad Lucas Spartz
 Fischbach Luna Stauber
 Fitzgerald Luttrell Stefanik
 Fitzpatrick Mackenzie Steil
 Fleischmann Malliotakis Steube
 Flood Maloy Strong
 Fong Mann Stutzman
 Foss Massie Taylor
 Franklin, Scott Mast
 Fry McCaul Thompson (PA)
 Fulcher McClain Tiffany
 Fuller McClintock Timmons
 Garbarino McCormick Turner (OH)
 Gill (TX) McDowell Valadao
 Gimenez McGuire Van Drew
 Goldman (TX) Messmer Van Dwyne
 Gooden Meuser Van Epps
 Gosar Miller (IL) Van Orden
 Graves Miller (OH) Wagner
 Griffith Miller (WV) Walberg
 Grothman Miller-Meeks Weber (TX)
 Guest Mills Webster (FL)
 Guthrie Moolenaar Westerman
 Hageman Moore (AL) Wied
 Hamadeh (AZ) Moore (NC) Williams (TX)
 Haridopolos Moore (UT) Wilson (SC)
 Harrigan Moore (WV) Wittman
 Harris (MD) Moran Womack
 Harris (NC) Murphy Yakym
 Harshbarger Nehls Zinke

NOES—212

Adams Garcia (TX)
 Aguilar Gillen
 Amo Golden (ME)
 Ansari Courtney Goldman (NY)
 Auchincloss Craig Gomez
 Balint Crockett Gonzalez, V.
 Barragan Crow Goodlander
 Beatty Cuellar Gottheimer
 Bell Davis (IL) Gray
 Bera Davis (NC) Green, Al (TX)
 Beyer Dean (PA) Grijalva
 Bishop DeGette Harder (CA)
 Bonamici DeLauro Hayes
 Boyle (PA) DelBene Himes
 Brown Deluzio Horsford
 Brownley DeSaulnier Houlihan
 Budzinski Dexter Hoyer
 Bynum Dingell Hoyle (OR)
 Carbajal Doggett Huffman
 Carson Elfreth Ivey
 Carter (LA) Escobar Jackson (IL)
 Casar Espaillat Jacobs
 Case Evans (PA) Jayapal
 Casten Fields Jeffries
 Castor (FL) Figures Johnson (GA)
 Castro (TX) Fletcher Johnson (TX)
 Chu Foster Kamlager-Dove
 Cisneros Foushee Kaptur
 Clark (MA) Frankel, Lois Keating
 Clarke (NY) Friedman Kelly (IL)
 Cleaver Frost Kennedy (NY)
 Clyburn Garamendi Khanna
 Cohen Garcia (CA) Kiley (CA)
 Conaway Garcia (IL) Krishnamoorthi

Landsman	Nadler	Simon	Correa	Kamlager-Dove	Pocan	Kiggans (VA)	Moore (AL)	Simpson
Larsen (WA)	Neal	Smith (WA)	Costa	Kaptur	Pou	Kiley (CA)	Moore (NC)	Smith (MO)
Larsen (CT)	Neguse	Sorensen	Courtney	Keating	Pressley	Kim	Moore (UT)	Smith (NE)
Latimer	Norcross	Soto	Craig	Kelly (IL)	Quigley	Knott	Moran	Smucker
Lee (NV)	Ocasio-Cortez	Stansbury	Crockett	Kennedy (NY)	Ramirez	Kustoff	Murphy	Spartz
Lee (PA)	Olshewski	Stanton	Crow	Khanna	Randall	LaHood	Nehls	Stauber
Leger Fernandez	Omar	Stevens	Cuellar	Krishnamoorthi	Raskin	Langworthy	Newhouse	Stefanik
Levin	Pallone	Strickland	Dauids (KS)	LaLota	Riley (NY)	Latta	Nunn (IA)	Steil
Liccardo	Panetta	Subramanyam	Davis (IL)	Landsman	Rivas	Lee (FL)	Obernolte	Steube
Lieu	Pappas	Sozzi	Davis (NC)	Larsen (WA)	Ross	Letlow	Ogles	Strong
Lofgren	Pelosi	Sykes	Dean (PA)	Larson (CT)	Ruiz	Loudermilk	Onder	Stutzman
Lynch	Perez	Takano	DeGette	Latimer	Ryan	Lucas	Owens	Taylor
Magaziner	Peters	Thanedar	DeLauro	Lawler	Salinas	Luna	Palmer	Tenney
Mannion	Pettersen	Thompson (CA)	DelBene	Lee (NV)	Sánchez	Luttrell	Patronis	Thompson (PA)
Matsui	Pingree	Thompson (MS)	Deluzio	Lee (PA)	Scanlon	Mackenzie	Perry	Tiffany
McBath	Pocan	Titus	DeSaulnier	Leger Fernandez	Schakowsky	Malliotakis	Pfluger	Timmons
McBride	Pou	Tlaib	Dexter	Levin	Schneider	Maloy	Reschenthaler	Turner (OH)
McClain Delaney	Pressley	Tokuda	Dingell	Liccardo	Scholten	Mann	Rogers (AL)	Valadao
McClellan	Quigley	Tonko	Doggett	Lieu	Schrier	Massie	Rogers (KY)	Van Dyne
McCollum	Ramirez	Torres (CA)	Elfreth	Scott (VA)	Scott (VA)	McCaul	Rose	Van Epps
McGarvey	Randall	Torres (NY)	Escobar	Sewell	Sewell	McClain	Rouzer	Wagner
McGovern	Raskin	Trahan	Españal	Sherman	Sherman	McClintock	Roy	Walberg
McIver	Riley (NY)	Tran	Evans (PA)	Simon	Simon	McCormick	Rulli	Weber (TX)
Meeks	Rivas	Underwood	Fields	Smith (NJ)	Smith (NJ)	McDowell	Rutherford	Webster (FL)
Mejia	Ross	Vargas	Figures	Smith (WA)	Smith (WA)	McGuire	Salazar	Westerman
Menefee	Ruiz	Vasquez	Fitzpatrick	Sorensen	Sorensen	Messmer	Scalise	Wied
Menendez	Ryan	Veasey	Fletcher	McClain Delaney	Soto	Meuser	Schmidt	Williams (TX)
Meng	Salinas	Velázquez	Foster	McClellan	Stansbury	Miller (IL)	Schweikert	Wilson (SC)
Mfume	Sánchez	Vindman	Fooshee	McCollum	Stanton	Miller (WV)	Scott, Austin	Wittman
Min	Scanlon	Walkinshaw	Frankel, Lois	McGarvey	Stevens	Miller-Meeks	Self	Womack
Moore (WI)	Schakowsky	Wasserman	Friedman	McGovern	Strickland	Mills	Sessions	Yakym
Morelle	Schneider	Schultz	Frost	McIver	Subramanyam	Moolenaar	Shreve	Zinke
Morrison	Scholten	Waters	Garamendi	Meeks	Suozzi			
Moskowitz	Schrier	Watson Coleman	Garcia (CA)	Mejia	Sykes			
Moulton	Scott (VA)	Whitesides	Garcia (IL)	Menefee	Takano	Barr	Mace	Moulton
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			Goldman (NY)	Miller (OH)	Titus			
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			Goodlander	Moore (WV)	Tonko			
			Gottheimer	Morelle	Torres (CA)			
			Gray	Morrison	Torres (NY)			
			Green, Al (TX)	Moskowitz	Trahan			
			Grijalva	Mrvan	Tran			
			Harder (CA)	Mullin	Underwood			
			Hayes	Nadler	Van Drew			
			Himes	Neal	Van Orden			
			Horsford	Neguse	Vargas			
			Houllahan	Norcross	Vasquez			
			Hoyer	Ocasio-Cortez	Veasey			
			Hoyle (OR)	Olshewski	Velázquez			
			Huffman	Omar	Vindman			
			Ivey	Pallone	Walkinshaw			
			Jackson (IL)	Panetta	Wasserman			
			Jacobs	Pappas	Schultz			
			Jayapal	Pelosi	Waters			
			Jeffries	Perez	Watson Coleman			
			Johnson (GA)	Peters	Whitesides			
			Johnson (TX)	Pettersen	Williams (GA)			
			Joyce (OH)	Pingree	Wilson (FL)			

NOT VOTING—4

Kean	McDonald Rivet	Norman
Mace		

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining.

□ 1723

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 5408, FASTER LABOR CONTRACTS ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 1140) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5408) to accelerate workplace time-to-contract under the National Labor Relations Act, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 221, nays 201, not voting 8, as follows:

[Roll No. 215]

YEAS—221

Adams	Bishop	Case
Aguilar	Bonamici	Casten
Amo	Boyle (PA)	Castor (FL)
Ansari	Bresnahan	Castro (TX)
Auchincloss	Brown	Chu
Bacon	Brownley	Cisneros
Balint	Budzinski	Clark (MA)
Barragán	Bynum	Clarke (NY)
Beatty	Carbaljal	Cleaver
Bell	Carson	Clyburn
Bera	Carter (LA)	Cohen
Beyer	Casar	Conaway

Aderholt	Comer
Alford	Crane
Allen	Crank
Amodei (NV)	Crawford
Arrington	Crenshaw
Babin	Davidson
Baird	De La Cruz
Balderson	DesJarlais
Barrett	Diaz-Balart
Baumgartner	Donalds
Bean (FL)	Downing
Begich	Dunn (FL)
Bentz	Edwards
Bergman	Ellzey
Bice	Emmer
Biggs (AZ)	Estes
Biggs (SC)	Evans (CO)
Bilirakis	Ezell
Boebert	Fallon
Bost	Fedorchak
Brecheen	Feenstra
Buchanan	Fine
Burchett	Finstad
Burlison	Fischbach
Calvert	Fitzgerald
Castro (FL)	Fleischmann
Carey	Flood
Carter (GA)	Fong
Carter (TX)	Fox
Ciscomani	Fox
Cinque	Franklin, Scott
Cloud	Fry
Clyde	Fulcher
Cole	Fuller
Collins	Garbarino
	Gill (TX)

NAYS—201

Gimenez
Goldman (TX)
Gooden
Gosar
Graves
Griffith
Grothman
Guest
Guthrie
Hageman
Hamadeh (AZ)
Harrigan
Harris (MD)
Harris (NC)
Harshbarger
Hern (OK)
Higgins (LA)
Hill (AR)
Hinson
Houchin
Hudson
Huizenga
Hunt
Hurd (CO)
Issa
Jack
Jackson (TX)
James
Johnson (LA)
Johnson (SD)
Jordan
Joyce (PA)
Kelly (MS)
Kelly (PA)
Kennedy (UT)

NOT VOTING—8

Barr	Mace	Moulton
Haridopolos	Mast	Norman
Kean	McDonald Rivet	

□ 1730

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.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MOORE of North Carolina). Pursuant to House Resolution 1140, the House will proceed to the immediate consideration of H.R. 5408, which the Clerk will report by title.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 1140, the bill is considered read.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 5408

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 “Faster Labor Contracts Act”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) Employees in the United States have a right to organize collectively in order to secure higher wages and other benefits, and regularly exercise that right by voting to be represented by a labor organization in their workplaces.

(2) A successful vote in favor of representation by a labor organization does not immediately lead to an agreement between the parties. Often the negotiation process is difficult and protracted, taking a year or longer.

(3) Research indicates that these contracting delays are increasing over time. A Bloomberg Law study from 2021 found that the average number of days between a vote in favor of representation by a labor organization and a contract entered into between the parties was 465 days.

(4) Delays in the processing of collective bargaining contracts primarily benefit employers opposed to representation by the labor organization. The employers can use those delays to sap labor organization resolve and secure more favorable terms for the employer.