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Boyle (PA)
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Clark (MA)
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Correa
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Courtney
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Crockett
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Davids (KS)
Davis (IL)
Dean (PA)
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Elfreth
Escobar
Españillat
Evans (PA)
Fields
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Fletcher
Foster
Foushee
Frankel, Lois
Friedman
Frost
Garamendi
Garcia (CA)
Garcia (IL)
Garcia (TX)
Goldman (NY)

Gomez
Goodlander
Green, Al (TX)
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Harder (CA)
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Hoyle (OR)
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Jackson (IL)
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Keating
Kelly (IL)
Kennedy (NY)
Khanna
Krishnamoorthi
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Lee (PA)
Leger Fernandez
Levin
Liccardo
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Lofgren
Lynch
Magaziner
Mannion
Massie
Matsui
McBath
McBride
McClain Delaney
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McCollum
McDonald Rivet
McGarvey
McGovern
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Moore (WI)
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Ocasio-Cortez
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Riley (NY)
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Ross
Ruiz
Ryan
Salinas
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Scanlon
Schakowsky
Scholten
Schrier
Scott (VA)
Sewell
Simon
Smith (WA)
Stansbury
Stanton
Stevens
Strickland
Subramanyam
Sykes
Takano
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Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
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Tokuda
Tonko
Torres (NY)
Trahan
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Underwood
Vasquez
Velázquez
Vindman
Walkinshaw
Wasserman
Schultz

NAYS—235

Aderholt
Alford
Allen
Amodei (NV)
Arrington
Babin
Bacon
Baird
Balderson
Barr
Barrett
Baumgartner
Bean (FL)
Begich
Bentz
Bergman
Bice
Biggs (AZ)
Biggs (SC)
Bilirakis
Bost
Brecheen
Bresnahan
Buchanan
Burchett
Burlison
Calvert
Cammack
Carey
Carter (GA)
Carter (TX)
Ciscomani
Cline
Cloud
Clyde

Cole
Collins
Comer
Crane
Crank
Crawford
Crenshaw
Cuellar
Davidson
Davis (NC)
De La Cruz
DesJarlais
Diaz-Balart
Donalds
Downing
Edwards
Ellzey
Estes
Evans (CO)
Ezell
Fallon
Fedorchak
Feenstra
Fine
Finstad
Fischbach
Fitzgerald
Fitzpatrick
Fleischmann
Flood
Fong
Foxy
Franklin, Scott
Fry
Fulcher

Fuller
Gallagher
Garbarino
Gill (TX)
Gillen
Gimenez
Golden (ME)
Goldman (TX)
Gonzalez, V.
Gooden
Gosar
Gottheimer
Graves
Gray
Griffith
Grothman
Guest
Guthrie
Hageman
Hamadeh (AZ)
Haridopolos
Harrigan
Harris (MD)
Harris (NC)
Harshbarger
Hern (OK)
Higgins (LA)
Hill (AR)
Hinson
Houchin
Hoyer
Hudson
Huizenga
Hunt
Hurd (CO)

Issa
Jack
Jackson (TX)
James
Johnson (LA)
Johnson (SD)
Jordan
Joyce (OH)
Joyce (PA)
Kean
Kelly (MS)
Kelly (PA)
Kennedy (UT)
Kiggans (VA)
Kiley (CA)
Kim
Knott
Kustoff
Rivas
LaHood
LaLota
Landsman
Langworthy
Latimer
Latta
Lawler
Lee (FL)
Lee (NV)
Letlow
Loudermilk
Luna
Luttrell
Mace
Mackenzie
Malliotakis
Maloy
Mann
Mast
McCaul
McClain
McClintock
McCormick
McDowell
McGuire
Messmer

Meuser
Miller (IL)
Miller (OH)
Miller (WV)
Miller-Meeks
Mills
Moolenaar
Moore (AL)
Moore (NC)
Moore (UT)
Moore (WV)
Moran
Moskowitz
Murphy
Nehls
Newhouse
Norcross
Norman
Nunn (IA)
Oberholte
Ogles
Onder
Owens
Palmer
Panetta
Patronis
Perez
Perry
Pfluger
Reschenthaler
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rouzer
Roy
Rulli
Rutherford
Salazar
Scalise
Schmidt
Schneider
Schweikert
Scott, Austin
Self
Sessions

Sherman
Shreve
Simpson
Smith (MO)
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smucker
Soto
Spartz
Stauber
Stefanik
Steil
Steube
Strong
Stutzman
Suozzi
Taylor
Tenney
Thompson (PA)
Tiffany
Timmons
Torres (CA)
Turner (OH)
Valadao
Van Drew
Van Dwyne
Van Epps
Van Orden
Vargas
Veasey
Wagner
Walberg
Weber (TX)
Webster (FL)
Westerman
Wied
Williams (TX)
Wilson (SC)
Wittman
Womack
Yakym
Zinke

NOT VOTING—7

DeGette
Dunn (FL)
Emmer

Hayes
Lucas
Rose

Sorensen

□ 1426

Mr. BILIRAKIS and Ms. STEFANIK changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. SMITH of Washington changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the concurrent resolution was not agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated against:

Ms. BOEBERT. Mr. Speaker, on Roll Call No. 232, I mistakenly voted Yea when I intended to vote Nay.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mrs. HAYES. Mr. Speaker, I was unavailable to vote because of a health emergency. Had I been present, I would have voted NAY on Roll Call No. 230, NO on Roll Call No. 231, and YEA on Roll Call No. 232.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER
AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2555

Mr. LANDSMAN. Mr. Speaker, I hereby remove my name as cosponsor of H.R. 2555.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. EZELL). The gentleman's request is granted.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair

declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 2 o'clock and 27 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1600

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. GOLDMAN of Texas) at 4 p.m.

RAISING A QUESTION OF THE
PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to raise a question of the privileges of the House and offer a resolution previously noticed.

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

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 1399

Whereas transparency is essential for accountability in government;

Whereas sexual harassment and unwelcome sexual advances by Members, Delegates, or Resident Commissioners, in violation of clause 9 and clause 18 of rule XXIII of the Rules of the House, affect the safety, dignity, and the integrity of the proceedings of the House of Representatives: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, (1) That with respect to reviews, investigations, or matters which the Committee on Ethics or the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights have reviewed, conducted, or facilitated, the Committee on Ethics and the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights shall, not later than 60 days after the adoption of this resolution, make publicly available—

(A) a single consolidated list that sets forth separately for each Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner—

(i) the name of each Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner who was the subject of any review or investigation involving a violation of clause 9 of Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, as it pertains to acts of sexual harassment, or clause 18 of Rule XXIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, or any case involving sexual harassment or sexual abuse, if it resulted in a payment of taxpayer funds; and

(ii) adjacent to each such name, the total amount of taxpayer funds included in all settlements, payments, reimbursements, awards, or other financial considerations paid in connection with such matters;

(B) the aggregate total amount of taxpayer funds included in all settlements, payments, reimbursements, awards, or other financial considerations paid in connection with such reviews, investigations, or matters involving Members, Delegates, or Resident Commissioners that did not, in any portion of the settlement, involve sexual harassment, sexual abuse, or sexual misconduct;

(C) the aggregate total amount of taxpayer funds included in all settlements, payments, reimbursements, awards, or other financial considerations paid in connection with such reviews, investigations, or matters involving, in part or in full, sexual harassment, sexual abuse, or sexual misconduct by employees of the House of Representatives; and

(D) the aggregate total amount of taxpayer funds included in all settlements, payments, reimbursements, awards, or other financial considerations paid in connection with such reviews, investigations, or matters involving

conduct by employees of the House of Representatives that did not, in any portion of the settlement, involve sexual harassment, sexual abuse, or sexual misconduct.

(2) That for purposes of this resolution, any such settlement, payment, reimbursement, award, or other financial consideration shall be treated as involving sexual harassment, sexual abuse, or sexual misconduct if sexual harassment, sexual abuse, or sexual misconduct was any component of the matter, regardless of whether the matter also involved, was classified as, or was resolved under another claim, violation, or category.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution qualifies.

Pursuant to clause 2 of rule IX, the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. MASSIE) will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. MASSIE).

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

Mr. Speaker, in a representative democracy, as we have here, a Republic, if you will, transparency is essential to the operation of government, particularly transparency in the official behavior of the Members of this body, as well as the officers and employees of this body.

In 1995, due to the Congressional Accountability Act—which, by the way, was a good bill. We always say that Congress should be subject to the same laws as the rest of the country. Well, that is what the 1995 Congressional Accountability Act was about, saying that you can't discriminate or harass your employees just because you are a Member of Congress or an office of the House of Representatives.

In that sense, it was good, but it also set up a fund from which payments could be made to settle claims. Presumably, this is in the best interests of the victims of those claims.

This program went on for many years with a lot of opaqueness, and there wasn't much clarity in terms of what kind of claims were being paid out. Were they being paid out to settle claims against staff? Were they being paid out to settle claims against Members?

Occasionally, there would be reports from the offices that were responsible for administering the law, but there just wasn't enough information in there. That is part of what my privileged resolution here today is about: getting more transparency into what happened in the first 20 years of this program.

In 2018, Congress sought to revise the transparency of this program and also to impose more accountability. I have a concern that the 2018 bill may not have been carefully drafted and may have left some loopholes that are now open.

Even though we get an annual report now that reports which offices in the House have paid out settlements and whether those settlements impose a requirement on the Member in that office to pay back that taxpayer money, what I have discovered is that there have

been no reports that have reported that any Member of Congress has settled a claim against a staffer for which the Member of Congress is responsible for paying back that claim.

When I dig into the results, and also the language of the 2018 amendment to the Congressional Accountability Act, I see that “covered payments” refer to chapter A of title 2, but when you look at the Code: 2 U.S.C. 1415, harassment is qualified to two other sections of code, referring to race, gender, age, and discrimination against veterans, for instance. It is unclear to me if it covers physical or sexual harassment or other forms of sexual misconduct that may be settled through ethics investigations and then through the Office of Congressional Workplace Rights.

I believe it is necessary to have this report that my resolution requests. I believe it is important to the House of Representatives to have transparency so that people know there wasn't a mistake in the 2018 law—or maybe there was an intentional omission in the 2018 law where several claims could escape the new requirement in 2018 that Congressmen pay back certain settlements and that these certain settlements be reported.

It shouldn't require a long debate and a lot of explanation for a resolution that is only two pages. I would urge my colleagues to vote for this in the interest of transparency and openness. We need to know what has been going on here in the House of Representatives in order to convince and assure the people that we are conducting the people's business with the utmost integrity and treating the officers and employees of this institution with the respect that they deserve.

Mr. Speaker, I urge adoption of this resolution, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the resolution.

There was no objection.

The question is on adoption of the resolution.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

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

RECESS

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

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 9 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1715

AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro

tempore (Mr. BOST) at 5 o'clock and 15 minutes p.m.

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS TO PRESERVE AND PUBLICLY RELEASE RECORDS RELATING TO MONETARY SETTLEMENTS INVOLVING ACTS OF SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 1399) directing the Committee on Ethics to preserve and publicly release records relating to monetary settlements involving acts of sexual harassment, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 420, nays 0, answered “present” 1, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 233]
YEAS—420

Adams	Clarke (NY)	Flood
Aderholt	Cleaver	Fong
Aguilar	Cline	Foster
Alford	Cloud	Foushee
Allen	Clyburn	Fox
Amo	Clyde	Frankel, Lois
Amodei (NV)	Cohen	Franklin, Scott
Ansari	Cole	Friedman
Arrington	Collins	Frost
Auchincloss	Comer	Fry
Babin	Conaway	Fulcher
Bacon	Correa	Fuller
Baird	Costa	Gallagher
Balderson	Courtney	Garamendi
Balint	Craig	Garbarino
Barr	Crane	Garcia (CA)
Barragán	Crank	Garcia (IL)
Barrett	Crawford	Garcia (TX)
Baumgartner	Crenshaw	Gill (TX)
Bean (FL)	Crockett	Gillen
Beatty	Crow	Gimenez
Begich	Cuellar	Golden (ME)
Bell	Dauids (KS)	Goldman (NY)
Bentz	Davidson	Goldman (TX)
Bera	Davis (IL)	Gomez
Bergman	Davis (NC)	Gonzalez, V.
Beyer	De La Cruz	Gooden
Bice	Dean (PA)	Goodlander
Biggs (AZ)	DeLauro	Gosar
Biggs (SC)	DelBene	Gottheimer
Billirakis	Deluzio	Graves
Bishop	DeSaulnier	Gray
Boebert	DesJarlais	Green, Al (TX)
Bonamici	Dexter	Griffith
Bost	Diaz-Balart	Grijalva
Boyle (PA)	Dingell	Grothman
Brecheen	Doggett	Guest
Bresnahan	Donalds	Guthrie
Brown	Downing	Hageman
Brownley	Edwards	Hamadeh (AZ)
Buchanan	Elfreth	Harder (CA)
Budzinski	Ellzey	Haridopolos
Bynum	Escobar	Harrigan
Calvert	Españillat	Harris (MD)
Cammack	Estes	Harris (NC)
Carbajal	Evans (CO)	Harshbarger
Carey	Evans (PA)	Hern (OK)
Carson	Ezell	Higgins (LA)
Carter (GA)	Fallon	Hill (AR)
Carter (LA)	Fedorchak	Himes
Carter (TX)	Feenstra	Hinson
Casar	Fields	Horsford
Case	Figures	Houchin
Casten	Fine	Houlahan
Castor (FL)	Finstad	Hoyer
Castro (TX)	Fischbach	Hoyle (OR)
Chu	Fitzgerald	Hudson
Ciscomani	Fitzpatrick	Huffman
Cisneros	Fleischmann	Huizenga
Clark (MA)	Fletcher	Hunt