

treat as instances of domestic terrorism.

Following this directive, the Department of Justice then changed its policies to direct Federal law enforcement agents to target Americans with criminal investigations for expressing these sanctioned political views or for participating in protests against the Trump administration.

This is the kind of political oppression you would expect to see from authoritarian states like Russia or China, but no, it is here. It is happening at home.

Our Republican colleagues, who are often so quick to complain about censorship or the weaponization of the Federal Government, have remained silent while President Trump has turned the Department of Justice into a tool of political suppression.

Last night, I proposed an amendment to prohibit the use of any Federal taxpayer dollars to investigate or prosecute Americans on the basis of their lawful and constitutionally protected speech.

□ 1250

Mr. Speaker, every single Republican on the Rules Committee voted against my amendment, blocking it from coming to the House floor so our entire body could vote on it.

The First Amendment protects everyone's speech. There are no carve-outs for those we disagree with. Apparently, as we saw in last night's vote, House Republicans do not agree with that fundamental American value.

While Rules Republicans voted down my amendment to protect Americans' right to free speech, they did make in order a questionable amendment from our Rules colleague, Representative ROY, that would defund the D.C. Federal courts and specifically withdraw the salaries for the staff of two Federal judges.

These two judges have been targeted by President Trump and congressional Republicans because they have done their job. They have not bent to the President's will. They have interpreted the law as written. Therefore, House Republicans are taking the extreme position of zeroing out the salaries of their staff. It is a cruel and un-American attack on the judiciary that completely subverts our constitutional order.

Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to close, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, underneath this debate about the appropriations minibus is the difficult reality that House Republicans have abdicated their responsibilities to this Chamber, to the Congress, and to the Constitution. We are not just debating a budget bill. We are debating whether Congress will continue to function not just as a coequal branch of government but as the Arti-

cle I source of the laws that run our country.

Under Republican leadership, we have seen Congress turned into a rubber stamp. Republicans have surrendered to the whims of a President who sees laws as optional and power as personal.

These two appropriations bills, while necessary for the continued operation of essential government functions, are the limit of how far the Republican Party is willing to go in defying the President.

Unfortunately, Republicans are more interested in protecting power than in responsibly governing for the benefit of the American people. Our job isn't to protect the President. Our job is to fund the government responsibly and to serve as a check on executive overreach.

As masked agents roam our streets, terrorizing our communities, as Trump entertains starting another forever war, and as the Epstein files remain covered up, now is the time for Congress to stand up for the American people.

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

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

Mr. Speaker, this majority continues to roll up its sleeves and advance the core priorities of the American people and President Trump. We are absolutely exercising our Article I responsibilities by passing appropriations bills.

With our unifying vision and some elbow grease, we are making significant headway that benefits the American people and our entire Nation. The legislative package contained under this rule is yet another commitment that we are seeing through to completion. Its provisions and intent confirm this through and through.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote "yes" on the previous question, "yes" on the rule, and "yes" on the underlying bill.

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

AN AMENDMENT TO H. RES. 992 OFFERED BY
Ms. SCANLON OF PENNSYLVANIA

At the end of the resolution, add the following:

SEC. 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this resolution, the amendment specified in section 4 shall be in order as though printed as the last amendment of the report of the Committee on Rules accompanying this resolution if offered by Representative Hoyer of Maryland or a designee. That amendment shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent.

SEC. 4. The amendment referred to in section 3 is as follows:

At the end of division A (before the short title), insert the following:

SEC. ____ Any remaining unobligated balances from amounts originally made available under the heading "General Services Administration" in the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations

Act, 2016 (title V of division E of Public Law 114-113), the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2017 (title V of division E of Public Law 115-31), the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2023 (title V of division E of Public Law 117-328), or the Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2024 (title V of division B of Public Law 118-47) for the new Federal Bureau of Investigation consolidated headquarters facility in the National Capital Region that were subsequently transferred pursuant to a notification received by the Committees on Appropriations from the Acting Administrator of the General Services Administration on September 19, 2025, may not be further obligated until the General Services Administration, in consultation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, submits to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate the contracted and completed architectural and engineering plan for the Federal Bureau of Investigation's new headquarters building for review. Any classified portion of the architectural and engineering plan shall be submitted through a classified annex.

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

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

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this question 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 12 o'clock and 54 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

□ 1330

AFTER RECESS

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

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed. Votes will be taken in the following order:

Ordering the previous question on House Resolution 992; and

Adoption of House Resolution 992, if ordered.

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

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 7006, FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT AND NATIONAL SECURITY, DEPARTMENT OF STATE, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2026

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 992) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 7006) making further consolidated appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2026, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 213, nays 209, not voting 9, as follows:

[Roll No. 24]

YEAS—213

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

Strong
 Stutzman
 Taylor
 Tenney
 Thompson (PA)
 Tiffany
 Timmons
 Turner (OH)

Adams
 Aguilar
 Amo
 Ansari
 Auchincloss
 Balint
 Barragán
 Beatty
 Bell
 Bera
 Beyer
 Bishop
 Bonamici
 Boyle (PA)
 Brown
 Brownley
 Budzinski
 Bynum
 Carabajal
 Carson
 Carter (LA)
 Case
 Casten
 Castro (TX)
 Cherfilus-
 McCormick
 Chu
 Cisneros
 Clark (MA)
 Clarke (NY)
 Landsman
 Cleaver
 Clyburn
 Cohen
 Conaway
 Correa
 Costa
 Courtney
 Craig
 Crockett
 Crow
 Cuellar
 Davids (KS)
 Davis (IL)
 Davis (NC)
 Dean (PA)
 DeGette
 DeLauro
 DelBene
 Deluzio
 DeSaulnier
 Dexter
 Dingell
 Doggett
 Elfreth
 Escobar
 Espyllat
 Evans (PA)
 Fields
 Figures
 Fletcher
 Foster
 Fousee
 Frankel, Lois
 Friedman
 Frost
 Garamendi
 Garcia (CA)
 Garcia (IL)
 Garcia (TX)
 Gillen
 Golden (ME)

Casar
 Castor (FL)
 Hunt

Valadao
 Van Drew
 Van Duyne
 Van Epps
 Wagner
 Walberg
 Weber (TX)
 Webster (FL)

NAYS—209

Goldman (NY)
 Gomez
 Gonzalez, V.
 Goodlander
 Gottheimer
 Gray
 Green, Al (TX)
 Grijalva
 Harder (CA)
 Hayes
 Himes
 Horsford
 Houlihan
 Hoyer
 Hoyle (OR)
 Huffman
 Ivey
 Jackson (IL)
 Jacobs
 Jayapal
 Jeffries
 Johnson (GA)
 Johnson (TX)
 Kamalager-Dove
 Kaptur
 Keating
 Kelly (IL)
 Kennedy (NY)
 Khanna
 Krishnamoorthi
 Landsman
 Larsen (WA)
 Larson (CT)
 Latimer
 Lee (NV)
 Lee (PA)
 Leger Fernandez
 Levin
 Liccardo
 Lieu
 Lofgren
 Lynch
 Magaziner
 Mannion
 Matsui
 McBath
 McBride
 McClain Delaney
 McClellan
 McCollum
 McDonald Rivet
 McGarvey
 McGovern
 McIver
 Meeks
 Menendez
 Meng
 Mfume
 Min
 Moore (WI)
 Morelle
 Morrison
 Moskowitz
 Moulton
 Mrvan
 Mullin
 Nadler
 Neal
 Neguse
 Norcross
 Ocasio-Cortez

NOT VOTING—9

□ 1356

Ms. BROWN and Mr. MIN changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

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

Stated for:
 Mr. MOORE of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 24.

Westerman
 Wied
 Williams (TX)
 Wilson (SC)
 Wittman
 Womack
 Yakym
 Zinke

Olszewski
 Omar
 Pallone
 Panetta
 Pappas
 Perez
 Peters
 Pettersen
 Pingree
 Pocan
 Pou
 Pressley
 Quigley
 Ramirez
 Randall
 Raskin
 Riley (NY)
 Rivas
 Ross
 Ruiz
 Ryan
 Salinas
 Sánchez
 Scanlon
 Schakowsky
 Schneider
 Scholten
 Schrier
 Scott (VA)
 Scott, David
 Sewell
 Sherman
 Simon
 Smith (WA)
 Sorensen
 Soto
 Stansbury
 Stanton
 Stevens
 Strickland
 Subramanyam
 Suozzi
 Sykes
 Takano
 Thanedar
 Thompson (CA)
 Thompson (MS)
 Titus
 Tlaib
 Tokuda
 Tonko
 Torres (CA)
 Torres (NY)
 Trahan
 Tran
 Underwood
 Vargas
 Vasquez
 Veasey
 Velázquez
 Windman
 Walkinshaw
 Wasserman
 Schultz
 Waters
 Watson Coleman
 Whiteside
 Williams (GA)
 Wilson (FL)

Pelosi
 Swalwell
 Van Orden

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

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 213, nays 210, not voting 8, as follows:

[Roll No. 25]

YEAS—213

Aderholt Garbarino Miller (IL)
 Alford Gill (TX) Miller (OH)
 Allen Gimenez Miller (WV)
 Amodei (NV) Goldman (TX) Miller-Meeks
 Arrington Gonzales, Tony Mills
 Babin Gooden Moolenaar
 Bacon Moore (AL)
 Baird Graves Moore (NC)
 Balderson Griffith Moore (UT)
 Barr Grothman Moore (WV)
 Barrett Guest Moran
 Baumgartner Guthrie Newhouse
 Bean (FL) Hageman Nunn (IA)
 Begich Hamadeh (AZ) Obernolte
 Bentz Haridopolos Ogles
 Bergman Harrigan Onder
 Bice Harris (MD) Owens
 Biggs (AZ) Harris (NC) Palmer
 Biggs (SC) Harshbarger Patronis
 Boebert Hern (OK) Perry
 Bost Higgins (LA) Pfluger
 Brecheen Hill (AR) Reschenthaler
 Bresnahan Hinson Rogers (AL)
 Buchanan Houchin Rogers (KY)
 Burchett Hudson Rose
 Burlison Huizenga Rouzer
 Calvert Hurd (CO) Roy
 Cammack Issa Rulli
 Carey Jack Rutherford
 Carter (GA) Jackson (TX) Salazar
 Carter (TX) James Scalise
 Ciscomani Johnson (LA) Schmidt
 Cline Johnson (SD) Schweikert
 Cloud Jordan Scott, Austin
 Clyde Joyce (OH) Self
 Cole Joyce (PA) Sessions
 Collins Kean Shreve
 Comer Kelly (MS) Simpson
 Crane Kelly (PA) Smith (MO)
 Crank Kennedy (UT) Smith (NE)
 Crawford Kiggans (VA) Smith (NJ)
 Crenshaw Kiley (CA) Smucker
 Davidson Kim Spartz
 De La Cruz Luna Stauber
 DesJarlais Latta Stefanik
 Diaz-Balart Lawler Steil
 Donalds Lee (FL) Steube
 Downing Edwards Strong
 Dunn (FL) Fong Taylor Stutzman
 Edwards Foyt Tenney
 Ellzey Letlow Thompson (PA)
 Emmer Loudermilk Tiffany
 Estes Lucas Timmons
 Ezell Luna Turner (OH)
 Evans (CO) Luttrell Valadao
 Fallon Mast Van Drew
 Fedorchak McCaul Van Duyne
 Feenstra McClintock Williams (TX)
 Fine McDowell Wilson (SC)
 Finstad McGuire Wittman
 Fischbach McGuire Womack
 Fitzgerald Messmer Yakym
 Fulcher Meuser Zinke

NAYS—210

Adams Barragán Bonamici
 Aguilar Beatty Boyle (PA)
 Amo Bell Brown
 Ansari Bera Brownley
 Auchincloss Beyer Budzinski
 Balint Bishop Bynum