

an IRS that gives one absolutely no benefit of the doubt, is the same administration that actually claims to be cooperating fully with congressional investigators while putting up a stone wall bigger than the Great Wall of China.

Do my colleagues think the IRS would be satisfied with the sudden "I don't recall" syndrome that happens every time a White House official testifies before Congress? Do my colleagues think the IRS would let them slide with the "no controlling legal authority" defense? Do my colleagues think the IRS would cut them some slack if they got caught red handed and then turned around and said, "The system made me do it, and anyway, everybody cheats"?

I wonder.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Madam Speaker, I offer a privileged motion.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. MORELLA). The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ moves that the House do now adjourn.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to adjourn offered by the gentlewoman from New York [Ms. VELÁZQUEZ].

The question was taken.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Madam Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 132, nays 285, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 465]

YEAS—132

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| Abercrombie | Dingell | Kilpatrick |
| Ackerman | Doggett | Kind (WI) |
| Allen | Engel | LaFalce |
| Andrews | Eshoo | Largent |
| Baldacci | Etheridge | Levin |
| Barrett (WI) | Evans | Lewis (GA) |
| Becerra | Farr | Lipinski |
| Berry | Fattah | Lofgren |
| Bishop | Fazio | Lowey |
| Blagojevich | Filner | Luther |
| Blumenauer | Ford | Maloney (CT) |
| Bonior | Frank (MA) | Maloney (NY) |
| Borski | Furse | Markey |
| Boswell | Gejdenson | Martinez |
| Boyd | Goode | Matsui |
| Brown (CA) | Gutierrez | McCarthy (NY) |
| Brown (FL) | Hall (OH) | McDermott |
| Brown (OH) | Harman | McGovern |
| Capps | Hastings (FL) | McIntyre |
| Clayton | Hefner | McNulty |
| Clyburn | Hilleary | Meehan |
| Coburn | Hinchee | Meek |
| Conyers | Hinojosa | Menendez |
| Coyne | Hoyer | Millender |
| Cramer | Jackson-Lee | McDonald |
| Davis (FL) | (TX) | Miller (CA) |
| Davis (IL) | Jefferson | Mink |
| DeFazio | Johnson (WI) | Moran (VA) |
| DeGette | Kanjorski | Murtha |
| Delahunt | Kaptur | Neal |
| DeLauro | Kennedy (RI) | Olver |
| Deutsch | Kennelly | Ortiz |

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| Owens | Sanders |
| Pascrell | Sawyer |
| Payne | Scott |
| Peterson (MN) | Slaughter |
| Pomeroy | Smith, Adam |
| Price (NC) | Snyder |
| Rangel | Spratt |
| Reyes | Stabenow |
| Rivers | Stark |
| Rodriguez | Stokes |
| Roybal-Allard | Strickland |
| Rush | Stupak |
| Sanchez | Tauscher |

NAYS—285

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| Aderholt | Forbes |
| Archer | Fowler |
| Armey | Fox |
| Bachus | Franks (NJ) |
| Baesler | Frelinghuysen |
| Baker | Frost |
| Ballenger | Galleghy |
| Barcia | Ganske |
| Barr | Gekas |
| Barrett (NE) | Gibbons |
| Bartlett | Gilchrest |
| Barton | Gillmor |
| Bass | Gilman |
| Bateman | Goodlatte |
| Bentsen | Goodling |
| Bereuter | Gordon |
| Berman | Goss |
| Bilbray | Graham |
| Bilirakis | Granger |
| Bliley | Green |
| Blunt | Greenwood |
| Boehkert | Gutknecht |
| Boehner | Hall (TX) |
| Bonilla | Hamilton |
| Bono | Hansen |
| Boucher | Hastert |
| Brady | Hastings (WA) |
| Bryant | Hayworth |
| Bunning | Hefley |
| Burr | Herger |
| Burton | Hill |
| Buyer | Hilliard |
| Callahan | Hobson |
| Calvert | Hoekstra |
| Camp | Holden |
| Campbell | Hooley |
| Canady | Horn |
| Cannon | Hostettler |
| Cardin | Houghton |
| Carson | Hulshof |
| Castle | Hunter |
| Chabot | Hutchinson |
| Chambliss | Hyde |
| Chenoweth | Inglis |
| Christensen | Istook |
| Clay | Jackson (IL) |
| Clement | Jenkins |
| Coble | John |
| Collins | Johnson (CT) |
| Combest | Johnson, E. B. |
| Condit | Johnson, Sam |
| Cook | Jones |
| Cooksey | Kasich |
| Costello | Kelly |
| Cox | Kennedy (MA) |
| Crane | Kildee |
| Crapo | Kim |
| Cubin | King (NY) |
| Cummings | Kingston |
| Cunningham | Klecza |
| Danner | Klug |
| Davis (VA) | Knollenberg |
| Deal | Kolbe |
| DeLay | Kucinich |
| Diaz-Balart | LaHood |
| Dickey | Lantos |
| Dicks | Latham |
| Dixon | LaTourrette |
| Dooley | Lazio |
| Doolittle | Leach |
| Doyle | Lewis (CA) |
| Dreier | Lewis (KY) |
| Duncan | Linder |
| Dunn | LoBiondo |
| Edwards | Lucas |
| Ehlers | Manton |
| Ehrlich | Manzullo |
| Emerson | Mascara |
| English | McCarthy (MO) |
| Ensign | McCollum |
| Everett | McCrery |
| Ewing | McDade |
| Fawell | McHale |
| Foley | McHugh |

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| Thurman | Stenholm |
| Tierney | Thune |
| Torres | Tiahrt |
| Towns | Traficant |
| Velazquez | Turner |
| Vento | Tanner |
| Waters | Tauzin |
| Watts (OK) | Taylor (MS) |
| Waxman | Taylor (NC) |
| Wexler | Thomas |
| Woolsey | Thompson |
| Wynn | Thornberry |

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| Weldon (PA) |
| Weller |
| Weygand |
| White |
| Whitfield |
| Wicker |
| Wise |
| Wolf |
| Yates |
| Young (AK) |
| Young (FL) |

NOT VOTING—16

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| Dellums | Lampson | Rothman |
| Flake | Livingston | Saxton |
| Foglietta | Minge | Schiff |
| Gephardt | Obey | Schumer |
| Gonzalez | Pallone | |
| Klink | Pelosi | |

□ 1053

Messrs. KIM, CUNNINGHAM, NUSSLE, PORTER, DAVIS of Virginia, ROHRBACHER, and Ms. DUNN changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Messrs. MCINTYRE, BOYD, PAYNE of New Jersey, ORTIZ, OLVER, LA-FALCE, and RUSH, and Mrs. LOWEY and Ms. LOFGREN changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the motion to adjourn was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, on roll-call vote No. 465, I was unavoidably detained in New Jersey attending funeral services for Florence Rothman. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NEY). Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 360, nays 56, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 466]

YEAS—360

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| Ackerman | Bilbray | Callahan |
| Aderholt | Bilirakis | Calvert |
| Allen | Bishop | Camp |
| Andrews | Blagojevich | Campbell |
| Archer | Bliley | Canady |
| Bachus | Blumenauer | Cannon |
| Baesler | Blunt | Capps |
| Baker | Boehkert | Cardin |
| Baldacci | Boehner | Carson |
| Ballenger | Bonilla | Castle |
| Barcia | Bono | Chabot |
| Barr | Boswell | Chambliss |
| Barrett (NE) | Boucher | Chenoweth |
| Barrett (WI) | Boyd | Christensen |
| Bartlett | Brady | Clement |
| Barton | Brown (FL) | Clyburn |
| Bass | Brown (OH) | Coble |
| Bateman | Bryant | Collins |
| Bentsen | Bunning | Combest |
| Bereuter | Burr | Condit |
| Berman | Burton | Conyers |
| Berry | Buyer | Cook |

Cooksey Johnson, Sam
Cox Jones
Coyne Kanjorski
Cramer Kaptur
Crane Kasich
Crapo Kelly
Cubin Kennedy (MA)
Cummings Kennedy (RI)
Cunningham Kennelly
Danner Kildee
Davis (FL) Kim
Davis (IL) Kind (WI)
Davis (VA) King (NY)
Deal Kingston
DeGette Kleezka
Delahunt Klink
DeLay Klug
Deutsch Knollenberg
Diaz-Balart Kolbe
Dickey LaFalce
Dingell LaHood
Dixon Lantos
Dooley Largent
Doolittle Latham
Doyle LaTourrette
Dreier Lazio
Duncan Leach
Dunn Levin
Edwards Lewis (CA)
Ehlers Lewis (KY)
Ehrlich Linder
Emerson Lipinski
Engel Livingston
Eshoo Lofgren
Etheridge Lucas
Evans Luther
Everett Maloney (CT)
Ewing Maloney (NY)
Farr Manton
Fattah Manzullo
Fazio Martinez
Foglietta Mascara
Foley Matsui
Forbes McCarthy (MO)
Ford McCarthy (NY)
Fowler McCollum
Frank (MA) McCrery
Franks (NJ) McDade
Frelinghuysen McHale
Frost McHugh
Furse McInnis
Gallegly McIntosh
Ganske McIntyre
Gekas McKeon
Gilchrest McKinney
Gillmor Meehan
Gilman Meek
Goode Metcalf
Goodlatte Mica
Goodling Millender-
Gordon McDonald
Goss Miller (FL)
Graham Minge
Granger Mink
Green Moakley
Greenwood Mollohan
Gutierrez Moran (VA)
Hall (OH) Morella
Hall (TX) Murtha
Hamilton Myrick
Hansen Nadler
Harman Neal
Hastings (FL) Nethercutt
Hastings (WA) Neumann
Hayworth Ney
Hefner Northup
Herger Norwood
Hinojosa Obey
Hobson Olver
Hoekstra Ortiz
Holden Owens
Horn Oxley
Hostettler Packard
Houghton Pappas
Hoyer Parker
Hunter Pascrell
Hutchinson Pastor
Hyde Paul
Inglis Paxon
Istook Payne
Jackson (IL) Pease
Jackson-Lee Peterson (MN)
(TX) Peterson (PA)
Jefferson Petri
Jenkins Pickering
John Pitts
Johnson (CT) Pomeroy
Johnson (WI) Porter
Johnson, E. B. Portman

Price (NC)
Pryce (OH)
Quinn
Radanovich
Rahall
Rangel
Redmond
Regula
Reyes
Riggs
Riley
Rivers
Rodriguez
Roemer
Rogan
Rogers
Rohrabacher
Ros-Lehtinen
Roukema
Roybal-Allard
Royce
Ryun
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sanford
Sawyer
Scarborough
Schaefer, Dan
Scott
Sensenbrenner
Serrano
Shadegg
Shaw
Shays
Sherman
Shimkus
Shuster
Sisisky
Skaggs
Skeen
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (MI)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (OR)
Smith (TX)
Smith, Adam
Smith, Linda
Snowbarger
Snyder
Solomon
Souder
Spence
Spratt
Stabenow
Stearns
Stenholm
Stokes
Strickland
Stump
Sununu
Talent
Tanner
Tauscher
Tauzin
Taylor (NC)
Thomas
Thornberry
Thune
Thurman
Tiahrt
Tierney
Torres
Towns
Traficant
Turner
Upton
Walsh
Wamp
Watkins
Watt (NC)
Watts (OK)
Waxman
Weldon (FL)
Weldon (PA)
Wexler
Weygand
White
Whitfield
Wicker
Wise
Wolf
Woolsey
Wynn
Yates
Young (AK)
Young (FL)

NAYS—56

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| Abercrombie | Hill | Pombo |
| Becerra | Hilleary | Poshard |
| Bonior | Hinchee | Ramstad |
| Borski | Hooley | Rush |
| Brown (CA) | Hulshof | Sabo |
| Clay | Kilpatrick | Salmon |
| Costello | Kucinich | Schaffer, Bob |
| DeFazio | Lewis (GA) | Schumer |
| DeLauro | LoBiondo | Sessions |
| Doggett | Lowe | Stark |
| English | Markey | Stupak |
| Ensign | McDermott | Taylor (MS) |
| Fawell | McGovern | Thompson |
| Filner | McNulty | Velazquez |
| Fox | Menendez | Vento |
| Gejdenson | Miller (CA) | Viscosky |
| Gibbons | Moran (KS) | Waters |
| Gutknecht | Nussle | Weller |
| Hefley | Oberstar | |

NOT VOTING—17

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| Army | Gephardt | Pelosi |
| Clayton | Gonzalez | Pickett |
| Coburn | Hastert | Rothman |
| Dellums | Hilliard | Saxton |
| Dicks | Lampson | Schiff |
| Flake | Pallone | |

□ 1111

Mr. THOMAS changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. ROTHMAN, Mr. Speaker, on roll-call vote No. 466, I was unavoidably detained in New Jersey attending funeral services for Florence Rothman. Had I been present, I would have voted "yes."

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2203, ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1998

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 254 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 254

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2203) making appropriations for energy and water development for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.

□ 1115

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NEY). The gentlewoman from Ohio [Ms. PRYCE] is recognized for 1 hour.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, Mr. Speaker, for purposes of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MOAKLEY], the distinguished ranking member of the Committee on Rules, pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only and should be limited to debate on the issue at hand.

Mr. Speaker, House Resolution 254 provides for the routine consideration

of the fiscal year 1998 energy and water development appropriations bill. The resolution waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report should be considered as read.

Let me begin my congratulating the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE] and the gentleman from California [Mr. FAZIO] for ably guiding the energy and water appropriations bill through conference. The product of their hard work is a fiscally responsible conference report that spends \$1.9 billion less than the President requested, once again demonstrating to the taxpayers that this Congress is serious about cutting waste and prioritizing our spending.

Mr. Speaker, I believe this bill does an excellent job of accurately assessing our Nation's energy and water needs, adjusting the administration's request for water resources infrastructure. For example, the conference report provides funding for important flood control activities of the Army Corps of Engineers, a need that was definitely brought to light by the devastating floods that ravaged the South and Midwest last winter and throughout this past spring.

I would like to commend the gentleman from Pennsylvania [Mr. MCDADE] and the subcommittee for their continued support of the West Columbus flood wall project. In 1913, 1937, and 1959, melting snow and heavy rains caused the Scioto River to overflow its banks. The resulting catastrophic flood caused the loss of many lives, destroyed homes and businesses, and damaged millions of dollars' worth of residential and commercial property. Ensuring a continued Federal commitment to this project is essential to providing the West Columbus community peace of mind and a real measure of protection from the looming threat of destructive floods. There are examples all across our Nation of exactly the same situation found in this conference report.

I would also note that the conference report continues our commitment to downsizing and streamlining the Federal Government by imposing a number of management reforms on the Department of Energy, all designed to keep the Department focused, efficient, and accountable to the taxpayers. There are more than a few of my colleagues who view the Department of Energy as the epitome of wasteful bureaucracy that has outgrown its original limited purpose. How the Department responds to the reforms implemented by this bill will send an important message to Congress about what the future of this agency should be.

In the meantime, the conference report will provide the necessary DOE funds for basic scientific research, accelerated cleanup of contaminated DOE sites, maintenance of our Nation's nuclear weapons stockpile, and a continuation of solar renewable energy programs.