

Would the Members of the House and Senate who are eligible for, but not yet in receipt of, a retirement pension believe they would not be harmed if their anticipated retirement benefit was reduced or eliminated because they had not yet applied to receive it? There would be shrieks and howls about such an injustice. We would be told the Members had "earned" their pension. Veterans also have earned the benefits which they are entitled to receive.

Let me also make it clear that I strongly support passage of H.R. 2400. We clearly need to have a modern, efficient and reliable transportation infrastructure. This has always been important and is certainly no less important today with the increasing globalization of the economy and economic competition. We can do this, however, while continuing to honor our commitments to veterans.

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I urge strong support of the rule.

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 357, nays 61, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 90]

YEAS—357

Abercrombie	Capps	Eshoo
Ackerman	Carson	Evans
Aderholt	Chabot	Everett
Allen	Chambliss	Ewing
Andrews	Chenoweth	Farr
Archer	Clay	Fattah
Armey	Clement	Fawell
Bachus	Clyburn	Filner
Baesler	Coble	Foley
Baker	Coburn	Forbes
Baldacci	Collins	Fossella
Ballenger	Combest	Fowler
Barcia	Condit	Fox
Barr	Cook	Frank (MA)
Bartlett	Cooksey	Franks (NJ)
Barton	Costello	Frelinghuysen
Bass	Coyne	Frost
Bateman	Crane	Furse
Bereuter	Crapo	Galleghy
Berman	Cubin	Ganske
Berry	Cummings	Gejdenson
Bilbray	Cunningham	Gekas
Bilirakis	Danner	Gibbons
Bishop	Davis (IL)	Gillmor
Blagojevich	Davis (VA)	Gilman
Bliley	Deal	Goode
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Goodlatte
Blunt	DeGette	Goodling
Boehlert	Delahunt	Gordon
Boehner	DeLauro	Goss
Bonilla	DeLay	Granger
Bonior	Diaz-Balart	Green
Borski	Dickey	Greenwood
Boswell	Dicks	Gutierrez
Boucher	Dingell	Gutknecht
Boyd	Dixon	Hall (OH)
Brady	Doggett	Hall (TX)
Brown (CA)	Doolittle	Hamilton
Brown (FL)	Doyle	Hansen
Bryant	Dreier	Hastert
Bunning	Duncan	Hastings (WA)
Burr	Dunn	Hayworth
Burton	Ehlers	Hefley
Buyer	Ehrlich	Hefner
Callahan	Emerson	Hergert
Calvert	Engel	Hill
Camp	English	Hilleary
Campbell	Ensign	Hilliard

Hinchey	McInnis	Sandlin
Hinojosa	McIntosh	Sawyer
Hobson	McIntyre	Saxton
Hoekstra	McKeon	Scarborough
Holden	McKinney	Schaefer, Dan
Hoolley	McNulty	Schaffer, Bob
Horn	Meehan	Scott
Hostettler	Meeks (NY)	Sensenbrenner
Houghton	Menendez	Serrano
Hulshof	Metcalf	Sessions
Hunter	Mica	Shaw
Hutchinson	Millender-	Sherman
Hyde	McDonald	Shimkus
Istook	Miller (CA)	Shuster
Jackson (IL)	Mink	Sisisky
Jackson-Lee	Moakley	Skeen
(TX)	Mollohan	Skelton
Jenkins	Moran (KS)	Slaughter
John	Murtha	Smith (MI)
Johnson (CT)	Nadler	Smith (NJ)
Johnson (WI)	Neal	Smith (OR)
Johnson, E.B.	Nethercutt	Smith (TX)
Johnson, Sam	Neumann	Smith, Linda
Jones	Ney	Snowbarger
Kanjorski	Northup	Snyder
Kaptur	Norwood	Solomon
Kasich	Nussle	Souder
Kelly	Oberstar	Spence
Kennedy (RI)	Olver	Stabenow
Kennelly	Ortiz	Stark
Kildee	Owens	Stearns
Kilpatrick	Oxley	Stokes
Kim	Packard	Strickland
King (NY)	Pallone	Stump
Kingston	Pappas	Stupak
Kleczka	Parker	Sununu
Klink	Pascrell	Talent
Knollenberg	Pastor	Tauscher
Kolbe	Paul	Tauzin
Kucinich	Paxon	Taylor (MS)
LaHood	Pease	Taylor (NC)
Lampson	Peterson (MN)	Thomas
Lantos	Peterson (PA)	Thompson
Largent	Petri	Thornberry
Latham	Pickering	Thune
LaTourette	Pickett	Thurman
Lazio	Pitts	Tiahrt
Leach	Pombo	Tierney
Levin	Portman	Towns
Lewis (CA)	Poshard	Trafficant
Lewis (KY)	Pryce (OH)	Turner
Linder	Quinn	Upton
Lipinski	Radanovich	Velazquez
Livingston	Rahall	Vento
LoBiondo	Ramstad	Visclosky
Lofgren	Redmond	Wash
Lucas	Regula	Wamp
Maloney (CT)	Reyes	Watkins
Manton	Riley	Watts (OK)
Manzullo	Rivers	Waxman
Markey	Rodriguez	Weldon (FL)
Martinez	Roemer	Weldon (PA)
Mascara	Rogan	Weller
Matsui	Rogers	Weygand
McCarthy (MO)	Rohrabacher	White
McCarthy (NY)	Ros-Lehtinen	Whitfield
McCollum	Rothman	Wicker
McCrery	Roukema	Wise
McDade	Rush	Woolsey
McGovern	Ryun	Wynn
McHale	Sanchez	Young (AK)
McHugh	Sanders	

NAYS—61

Barrett (NE)	Harman	Price (NC)
Barrett (WI)	Hastings (FL)	Roybal-Allard
Becerra	Hoyer	Sabo
Bentsen	Inglis	Salmon
Brown (OH)	Kind (WI)	Sanford
Canady	LaFalce	Schumer
Cardin	Lewis (GA)	Shadegg
Castle	Lowe	Shays
Christensen	Luther	Skaggs
Clayton	Maloney (NY)	Smith, Adam
Conyers	McDermott	Spratt
Cramer	Meek (FL)	Stenholm
Davis (FL)	Miller (FL)	Tanner
Deutsch	Minge	Torres
Dooley	Moran (VA)	Watt (NC)
Edwards	Morella	Wexler
Etheridge	Myrick	Wolf
Fazio	Obey	Yates
Ford	Pelosi	Young (FL)
Gephardt	Pomeroy	
Graham	Porter	

NOT VOTING—12

Cannon	Gilchrest	Jefferson
Cox	Gonzalez	Kennedy (MA)

Klug	Rangel	Royce
Payne	Riggs	Waters

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Messrs. HASTINGS of Florida, CRAMER, WATT of North Carolina, SCHUMER, Mrs. MEEK of Florida, and Messrs. INGLIS of South Carolina, SALMON, TORRES, GRAHAM, and SANFORD changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. RODRIGUEZ and Mrs. THURMAN changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

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

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 2183

Mr. DICKEY. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that my name be removed as a cosponsor of H.R. 2183.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the gentleman from Arkansas?

There was no objection.

CONDITIONAL RECESS OR ADJOURNMENT OF THE SENATE AND CONDITIONAL ADJOURNMENT OF THE HOUSE FOR THE EASTER RECESS

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I offered a privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 257) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

H. CON. RES. 257

*Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring).* That when the House adjourns on the legislative day of Wednesday, April 1, 1998, it stand adjourned until 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 1998, or until noon on the second day after Members are notified to reassemble pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the Senate recesses or adjourns at the close of business on Thursday, April 2, 1998, Friday, April 3, 1998, Saturday, April 4, 1998, or Sunday, April 5, 1998, pursuant to a motion made by the Majority Leader, or his designee, in accordance with this concurrent resolution, it stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Monday, April 20, 1998, or such time on that day as may be specified by the Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until noon on the second day after members are notified to reassemble pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble whenever, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HEFLEY). The concurrent resolution is not debatable.

The question is on the concurrent resolution.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 223, nays 187, answered “present” 1, not voting 19, as follows:

[Roll No. 91]  
YEAS—223

Aderholt	Gibbons	Packard
Archer	Gillmor	Pappas
Army	Gilman	Parker
Bachus	Goodlatte	Paul
Baker	Goodling	Paxon
Ballenger	Goss	Pease
Barr	Graham	Peterson (PA)
Barrett (NE)	Granger	Pickering
Bartlett	Gutknecht	Pickett
Barton	Hansen	Pitts
Bass	Hastert	Pombo
Bateman	Hastings (WA)	Porter
Bereuter	Hayworth	Portman
Bilbray	Hefley	Pryce (OH)
Bilirakis	Hergert	Quinn
Bliley	Hill	Radanovich
Blunt	Hilleary	Ramstad
Boehlert	Hobson	Redmond
Boehner	Hoekstra	Regula
Bonilla	Holden	Riley
Boswell	Horn	Rogers
Boucher	Hostettler	Rohrabacher
Brady	Houghton	Ros-Lehtinen
Bryant	Hulshof	Roukema
Bunning	Hunter	Ryun
Burr	Hutchinson	Salmon
Burton	Hyde	Sanford
Buyer	Inglis	Saxton
Callahan	Istook	Scarborough
Calvert	Jenkins	Schaefer, Dan
Camp	Johnson (CT)	Sensenbrenner
Campbell	Johnson, Sam	Sessions
Canady	Jones	Shadegg
Carson	Kasich	Shaw
Castle	Kelly	Shays
Chabot	Kim	Shimkus
Chambliss	King (NY)	Shuster
Chenoweth	Kingston	Skeen
Christensen	Knollenberg	Smith (MI)
Coble	Kolbe	Smith (NJ)
Collins	LaHood	Smith (OR)
Combest	Largent	Smith (TX)
Cook	Latham	Smith, Linda
Cooksey	LaTourrette	Snowbarger
Crane	Lazio	Solomon
Crapo	Leach	Souder
Cubin	Lewis (CA)	Spence
Cunningham	Lewis (KY)	Stearns
Davis (VA)	Lipinski	Stump
Deal	Livingston	Sununu
DeLay	LoBiondo	Talent
Diaz-Balart	Lucas	Tauzin
Dickey	Manzullo	Taylor (NC)
Doolittle	Mascara	Thomas
Doyle	McCollum	Thornberry
Dreier	McCrery	Thune
Duncan	McDade	Tiahrt
Dunn	McHugh	Trafficant
Ehlers	McInnis	Upton
Ehrlich	McIntosh	Walsh
Emerson	McKeon	Wamp
English	Metcalfe	Watkins
Ensign	Mica	Watts (OK)
Everett	Miller (FL)	Weldon (FL)
Ewing	Moran (KS)	Weldon (PA)
Foley	Morella	Weller
Forbes	Murtha	White
Fossella	Myrick	Whitfield
Fowler	Nethercutt	Wicker
Fox	Neumann	Wolf
Franks (NJ)	Ney	Yates
Frelinghuysen	Northup	Young (AK)
Galleghy	Norwood	Young (FL)
Ganske	Nussle	
Gekas	Oxley	

NAYS—187

Abercrombie	Berry	Cardin
Ackerman	Bishop	Clay
Allen	Blagojevich	Clayton
Baesler	Blumenauer	Clement
Baldacci	Bonior	Clyburn
Barcia	Boyd	Condit
Barrett (WI)	Brown (CA)	Conyers
Becerra	Brown (FL)	Costello
Bentsen	Brown (OH)	Coyne
Berman	Capps	Cramer

Cummings	Kildee	Poshard
Danner	Kilpatrick	Price (NC)
Davis (FL)	Kind (WI)	Rahall
Davis (IL)	Kleczka	Reyes
DeFazio	Klink	Rivers
DeGette	Kucinich	Rodriguez
DeLahunt	LaFalce	Roemer
DeLauro	Lampson	Rogan
Deutsch	Lantos	Rothman
Dicks	Levin	Roybal-Allard
Dingell	Lewis (GA)	Rush
Dixon	Lofgren	Sabo
Doggett	Lowey	Sanchez
Dooley	Luther	Sanders
Edwards	Maloney (CT)	Sandlin
Engel	Maloney (NY)	Sawyer
Eshoo	Manton	Schaffer, Bob
Etheridge	Markey	Schumer
Evans	Martinez	Scott
Farr	Matsui	Serrano
Fattah	McCarthy (MO)	Sherman
Fazio	McCarthy (NY)	Sisisky
Filner	McDermott	Skaggs
Ford	McGovern	Skelton
Frank (MA)	McHale	Slaughter
Frost	McIntyre	Smith, Adam
Furse	McKinney	Snyder
Gejdenson	McNulty	Spratt
Gephardt	Meehan	Stabenow
Gordon	Meeke (FL)	Stark
Green	Meeks (NY)	Stenholm
Gutierrez	Menendez	Stokes
Hall (OH)	Millender	Strickland
Hall (TX)	McDonald	Stupak
Hamilton	Miller (CA)	Tanner
Harman	Minge	Tauscher
Hastings (FL)	Mink	Taylor (MS)
Hefner	Moakley	Thompson
Hilliard	Mollohan	Thurman
Hinchee	Moran (VA)	Tierney
Hinojosa	Nadler	Torres
Hooley	Neal	Towns
Hoyer	Oberstar	Turner
Jackson (IL)	Obey	Velazquez
Jackson-Lee	Olver	Vento
(TX)	Ortiz	Visclosky
John	Owens	Watt (NC)
Johnson (WI)	Pallone	Waxman
Johnson, E. B.	Pascrell	Wexler
Kanjorski	Pastor	Weygand
Kaptur	Pelosi	Wise
Kennedy (RI)	Peterson (MN)	Woolsey
Kennelly	Pomeroy	Wynn

ANSWERED “PRESENT”—1

Coburn

NOT VOTING—19

Andrews	Goode	Petri
Borski	Greenwood	Rangel
Cannon	Jefferson	Riggs
Cox	Kennedy (MA)	Royce
Fawell	Klug	Waters
Gilchrest	Linder	
Gonzalez	Payne	

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So the concurrent resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 1173

Mr. KILDEE. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the name of the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. HILLEARY) be removed as cosponsor of H.R. 1173.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HEFLEY). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan? There was no objection.

CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP ACCESS ACT

Mr. LEACH. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill

(H.R. 1151) to amend the Federal Credit Union Act to clarify existing law and ratify the longstanding policy of the National Credit Union Administration Board with regard to field of membership of Federal credit unions, as amended.

The Clerk read as follows:

H.R. 1151

*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 “Credit Union Membership Access Act”.

SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

The Congress finds the following:

(1) The American credit union movement began as a cooperative effort to serve the productive and provident credit needs of individuals of modest means.

(2) Credit unions continue to fulfill this public purpose, and current members and membership groups should not face divestiture from the financial services institution of their choice as a result of recent court action.

(3) To promote thrift and credit extension, a meaningful affinity and bond among members, manifested by a commonality of routine interaction, shared and related work experiences, interests, or activities, or the maintenance of an otherwise well-understood sense of cohesion or identity is essential to the fulfillment of credit unions’ public mission.

(4) Credit unions, unlike many other participants in the financial services market, are exempt from Federal and most State taxes because they are member-owned, democratically operated, not-for-profit organizations generally managed by volunteer boards of directors and because they have the specified mission of meeting the credit and savings needs of consumers, especially persons of modest means.

(5) Improved credit union safety and soundness provisions will enhance the public benefit that citizens receive from these cooperative financial services institutions.

TITLE I—CREDIT UNION MEMBERSHIP

SEC. 101. FIELDS OF MEMBERSHIP.

Section 109 of the Federal Credit Union Act (12 U.S.C. 1759) is amended—

(1) in the 1st sentence—

(A) by striking “Federal credit union membership shall consist of” and inserting “(a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), Federal credit union membership shall consist of”; and

(B) by striking “, except that” and all that follows through the period at the end of such sentence and inserting a period; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subsections:

“(b) MEMBERSHIP FIELD.—Subject to the other provisions of this section, the membership of any Federal credit union shall be limited to the membership described in 1 of the following categories:

“(1) SINGLE COMMON-BOND CREDIT UNION.—1 group which has a common bond of occupation or association.

“(2) MULTIPLE COMMON-BOND CREDIT UNION.—More than 1 group—

“(A) each of which has (within such group) a common bond of occupation or association; and

“(B) the number of members of each of which (at the time the group is first included within the field of membership of a credit union described in this paragraph) does not exceed any numerical limitation applicable under subsection (d).