

Medicare currently costs seven and a half times what this Congress said it would cost when they invented it.

Seventy-six percent of seniors in America today already have prescription drug coverage and according to the CBO under some versions of this legislation more than a third of those Americans who enjoy coverage from a private employer from whom they have retired could lose that coverage.

If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do? Let us not in this Congress today sow the seeds to destroy the foundation of a free market system by creating a universal drug benefit in Medicare. The answer is the reforms the President called for giving Americans the same choices that the Members of Congress have. It is not to create a massive new Federal entitlement.

REPUBLICAN MEDICARE BILL

(Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California. Madam Speaker, I heard a strange rumor last night that the Republican Party was going to change its mascot from the elephant to the night owl. This would be fitting since most legislation these days is being discussed by Republicans in the dark of night behind closed doors without giving Democrats a fair chance to debate it here on the House floor.

Today we are going to vote on legislation that will provide the most significant reform in Medicare since its creation in 1965. This legislation will impact millions of seniors across the Nation, yet many of the Representatives in Congress will not have seen this legislation until today. Would someone sign their name on a long-term mortgage for their home if they had never stepped inside that house?

Moreover, many well thought out amendments today will not be debated. For example, my simple, cost effective proposal for a Medicare prescription drug benefit, they did not allow us to bring it to the floor to discuss it. The night owls have yet again ruined a perfect opportunity on what should really be bipartisan legislation. Ain't that a hoot.

HONORING SERGEANT JACOB BUTLER

(Mr. RYUN of Kansas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RYUN of Kansas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today on behalf of a true patriot. It will soon be July 4, a date etched in America's heart. A day that serves as a time of reflection and celebration in the memory of sacrifices made; sacrifices made throughout history that granted us the freedoms that we enjoy today.

As our Nation celebrates our independence, it seems appropriate to pay

tribute to an Army sergeant that meant a great deal to Kansas and our country. Sergeant Jacob Butler, from Wellsville, Kansas, joined the Army as a private at the young age of 19. He later rose to the rank of sergeant and accepted the demanding task of a scout. Unfortunately, Jacob Butler was killed April 1 when a rocket propelled grenade hit his vehicle in Iraq. It was an honor to attend Jacob's memorial service and funeral with his parents, Jim and Cindy, his friends, his family, and his fellow soldiers. The ceremony reminded me once again that great sacrifices for the causes of freedom did not end on July 4, 1776. Sacrifices continue today.

Jacob is no longer only a blessing to his friends and family, he is now a blessing to an entire Nation. On behalf of the people of Kansas and this grateful Nation, I ask that we remember Sergeant Jacob Butler as a son, a friend, a soldier, and a patriot.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2004

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PENCE). Pursuant to House Resolution 295 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2417.

□ 1020

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2417) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes, with Mrs. BIGGERT (Chairman pro tempore) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill. The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Wednesday, June 25, 2003, a request for a recorded vote on amendment No. 6 printed in House report 108-176 by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LEE) had been postponed.

SEQUENTIAL VOTES POSTPONED IN COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 6 of rule XVIII, proceedings will now resume on those amendments on which further proceedings were postponed in the following order:

Amendment No. 4 offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS); amendment No. 5 offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. KUCINICH); amendment No. 6 by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LEE).

The first electronic vote, if ordered, will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

AMENDMENT NO. 4 OFFERED BY HASTINGS OF FLORIDA

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. HASTINGS) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the ayes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Amendment No. 4 offered by Mr. HASTINGS of Florida:

At the end of subtitle D of title III, insert the following new section:

SEC. 337. IMPROVEMENT OF RECRUITMENT, HIRING AND RETENTION OF ETHNIC AND CULTURAL MINORITIES IN THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY.

(a) PILOT PROJECT TO IMPROVE DIVERSITY THROUGHOUT THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY USING INNOVATIVE METHODOLOGIES FOR THE RECRUITMENT, HIRING AND RETENTION OF ETHNIC AND CULTURAL MINORITIES AND WOMEN WITH THE DIVERSITY OF SKILLS, LANGUAGES AND EXPERTISE REFLECTIVE OF THE CURRENT MISSION.—The Director of Central Intelligence shall carry out a pilot project under this section to test and evaluate alternative, innovative methods to recruit and hire for the intelligence community women and minorities with diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds, skills, language proficiency, and expertise.

(b) METHODS.—In carrying out the pilot project, the Director shall employ methods such as advertising in foreign language newspapers in the United States, site visits to institutions with a high percentage of students who study English as a second language, and other methods that are not used by the Director under the DCI Diversity Strategic Plan to increase diversity of officers and employees in the intelligence community.

(c) DURATION OF PROJECT.—The Director shall carry out the project under this section for a 3-year period.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date the Director implements the pilot project under this section, the Director shall submit to Congress a report on the project. The report shall include—

(1) an assessment of the effectiveness of the project; and

(2) recommendations on the continuation of the project as well as for improving the effectiveness of the project in meeting the goals of increasing the recruiting and hiring of women and minorities within the intelligence community.

(e) DIVERSITY PLAN.—(1) Not later than February 15, 2004, the Director of Central Intelligence shall submit to Congress a report which describes the plan of the Director, entitled the "DCI Diversity Strategic Plan", and any subsequent revision to that plan, to increase diversity of officers and employees in the intelligence community, including the short- and long-term goals of the plan. The report shall also provide a detailed description of the progress that has been made by each element of the intelligence community in implementing the plan.

(2) In implementing the plan, the Director shall incorporate innovative methods for the recruitment and hiring of women and minorities that the Director has determined to be effective from the pilot project carried out under this section.

(f) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term "intelligence community" has the meaning given that term in section 3(4) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 401(4)).

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 418, noes 0, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 318]

AYES—418

Abercrombie	Deal (GA)	Issa
Ackerman	DeFazio	Istook
Aderholt	DeGette	Jackson (IL)
Akin	Delahunt	Jackson-Lee
Alexander	DeLauro	(TX)
Allen	DeLay	Janklow
Andrews	DeMint	Jenkins
Baca	Deutsch	John
Bachus	Diaz-Balart, L.	Johnson (CT)
Baird	Diaz-Balart, M.	Johnson (IL)
Baker	Dicks	Johnson, E. B.
Baldwin	Dingell	Johnson, Sam
Ballance	Doggett	Jones (NC)
Ballenger	Dooley (CA)	Jones (OH)
Barrett (SC)	Doolittle	Kanjorski
Bartlett (MD)	Doyle	Keller
Barton (TX)	Dreier	Kelly
Bass	Duncan	Kennedy (MN)
Beauprez	Dunn	Kennedy (RI)
Becerra	Edwards	Kildee
Bell	Ehlers	Kilpatrick
Bereuter	Emanuel	Kind
Berkley	Emerson	King (IA)
Berman	English	King (NY)
Berry	Eshoo	Kingston
Biggert	Etheridge	Kirk
Bilirakis	Evans	Kline
Bishop (GA)	Everett	Knollenberg
Bishop (NY)	Farr	Kolbe
Bishop (UT)	Feeney	Kucinich
Blackburn	Ferguson	LaHood
Blumenauer	Filner	Lampson
Blunt	Flake	Langevin
Boehlert	Fletcher	Lantos
Boehner	Foley	Larsen (WA)
Bonilla	Forbes	Larson (CT)
Bonner	Ford	Latham
Bono	Fossella	LaTourrette
Boozman	Frank (MA)	Leach
Boswell	Franks (AZ)	Lee
Boucher	Frelinghuysen	Levin
Boyd	Frost	Lewis (CA)
Bradley (NH)	Gallegly	Lewis (GA)
Brady (PA)	Garrett (NJ)	Lewis (KY)
Brady (TX)	Gerlach	Linder
Brown (OH)	Gibbons	Lipinski
Brown (SC)	Gilchrest	LoBiondo
Brown, Corrine	Gillmor	Lofgren
Burgess	Gingrey	Lowe
Burns	Gonzalez	Lucas (KY)
Burr	Goode	Lucas (OK)
Burton (IN)	Goodlatte	Lynch
Buyer	Gordon	Majette
Calvert	Goss	Maloney
Camp	Granger	Manzullo
Cannon	Graves	Markey
Cantor	Green (TX)	Marshall
Capito	Green (WI)	Matheson
Capps	Greenwood	Matsui
Capuano	Grijalva	McCarthy (MO)
Cardin	Gutierrez	McCarthy (NY)
Cardoza	Gutknecht	McCollum
Carson (IN)	Hall	McCotter
Carson (OK)	Harman	McCreery
Carter	Harris	McDermott
Case	Hart	McGovern
Castle	Hastings (FL)	McHugh
Chabot	Hastings (WA)	McInnis
Chocola	Hayes	McIntyre
Clay	Hayworth	McKeon
Clyburn	Hefley	McNulty
Coble	Hensarling	Meehan
Cole	Herger	Meek (FL)
Collins	Hill	Meeks (NY)
Cooper	Hinchee	Menendez
Costello	Hinojosa	Mica
Cox	Hobson	Michaud
Cramer	Hoefel	Millender-
Crane	Hoekstra	McDonald
Crenshaw	Holden	Miller (FL)
Crowley	Holt	Miller (MI)
Culberson	Honda	Miller (NC)
Cummings	Hooley (OR)	Miller, Gary
Cunningham	Hostettler	Miller, George
Davis (AL)	Houghton	Mollohan
Davis (CA)	Hoyer	Moore
Davis (FL)	Hunter	Moran (KS)
Davis (IL)	Hyde	Moran (VA)
Davis (TN)	Inslie	Murphy
Davis, Jo Ann	Isakson	Murtha
Davis, Tom	Israel	Musgrave

Myrick	Rodriguez	Strickland
Nadler	Rogers (AL)	Stupak
Napolitano	Rogers (KY)	Sullivan
Neal (MA)	Rogers (MI)	Sweeney
Nethercutt	Rohrabacher	Tancredo
Neugebauer	Ros-Lehtinen	Tanner
Ney	Ross	Tauscher
Northup	Rothman	Tauzin
Norwood	Roybal-Allard	Taylor (MS)
Nunes	Royce	Taylor (NC)
Nussle	Ruppersberger	Rush
Oberstar	Rush	Terry
Obey	Ryan (OH)	Thomas
Olver	Ryan (WI)	Thompson (CA)
Ortiz	Ryun (KS)	Thompson (MS)
Osborne	Sabo	Thornberry
Ose	Sanchez, Linda	Tiahrt
Otter	T.	Tiberi
Owens	Sanchez, Loretta	Tierney
Oxley	Sanders	Toomey
Pallone	Sandlin	Towns
Pascarell	Saxton	Turner (OH)
Pastor	Schakowsky	Turner (TX)
Paul	Schiff	Udall (CO)
Payne	Schrock	Udall (NM)
Pearce	Scott (GA)	Upton
Pelosi	Scott (VA)	Van Hollen
Pence	Scott	Velazquez
Peterson (MN)	Sensenbrenner	Velazquez
Peterson (PA)	Serrano	Visclosky
Petri	Shadegg	Vitter
Pickering	Shaw	Walden (OR)
Pitts	Shays	Walsh
Platts	Sherman	Wamp
Pombo	Sherwood	Waters
Pomroy	Shimkus	Watson
Porter	Shuster	Watt
Portman	Simmons	Waxman
Price (NC)	Simpson	Weiner
Pryce (OH)	Skelton	Weldon (FL)
Putnam	Slaughter	Weller
Quinn	Smith (MI)	Wexler
Radanovich	Smith (NJ)	Whitfield
Rahall	Smith (TX)	Wicker
Ramstad	Snyder	Wilson (NM)
Regula	Solis	Wilson (SC)
Rehberg	Souder	Wolf
Renzi	Spratt	Woolsey
Reyes	Stark	Wu
Reynolds	Stearns	Young (FL)
	Stenholm	

NOT VOTING—16

Brown-Waite,	Gephardt	Sessions
Ginny	Hulshof	Smith (WA)
Conyers	Jefferson	Weldon (PA)
Cubin	Kaptur	Wynn
Engel	Klecza	Young (AK)
Fattah	Rangel	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT) (during the vote). Members are reminded there are 2 minutes remaining on this vote.

□ 1042

Messrs. TANCREDO, SIMPSON, CANTOR, GARY G. MILLER of California, and FLAKE changed their vote from "no" to "aye."

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 5 OFFERED BY MR. KUCINICH

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on Amendment No. 5 offered by the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. KUCINICH) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Amendment No. 5 offered by Mr. KUCINICH:
At the end of title III, add the following new section:

SEC. 345. REPORT ON COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT ON WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION IN IRAQ.

(a) AUDIT.—The Inspector General of the Central Intelligence Agency shall conduct an audit of all telephone and electronic communications between the Central Intelligence Agency and the Office of the Vice President that relate to weapons of mass destruction obtained or developed by Iraq preceding Operation Iraqi Freedom on or after September 11, 2001.

(b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Inspector General shall submit to Congress a report on the audit conducted under sub-section (a). The report shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 76, noes 347, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 319]

AYES—76

Allen	Jackson-Lee	Rahall
Baldwin	(TX)	Rush
Becerra	Johnson, E. B.	Ryan (OH)
Berkley	Jones (OH)	Sanders
Blumenauer	Klecza	Schakowsky
Brown (OH)	Kucinich	Scott (VA)
Brown, Corrine	Lee	Serrano
Capps	Lewis (GA)	Slaughter
Capuano	Lofgren	Solis
Carson (IN)	Maloney	Stark
Clay	Markey	Strickland
Clyburn	McDermott	Thompson (MS)
Davis (IL)	McGovern	Tierney
DeFazio	Meehan	Towns
Delahunt	Meeks (NY)	Udall (CO)
Dingell	Miller, George	Udall (NM)
Doggett	Moran (VA)	Van Hollen
Farr	Nadler	Velazquez
Filner	Napolitano	Waters
Frank (MA)	Neal (MA)	Watson
Grijalva	Oberstar	Watt
Gutierrez	Olver	Waxman
Hinchee	Owens	Weiner
Honda	Pastor	Wexler
Inslie	Paul	Woolsey
Jackson (IL)	Payne	

NOES—347

Abercrombie	Bono	Cox
Ackerman	Boozman	Cramer
Aderholt	Boswell	Crane
Akin	Boucher	Crenshaw
Alexander	Boyd	Crowley
Andrews	Bradley (NH)	Culberson
Baca	Brady (PA)	Cummings
Bachus	Brady (TX)	Cunningham
Baird	Brown (SC)	Davis (AL)
Baker	Burgess	Davis (CA)
Ballance	Burns	Davis (FL)
Ballenger	Burr	Davis (TN)
Barrett (SC)	Burton (IN)	Davis, Jo Ann
Bartlett (MD)	Buyer	Davis, Tom
Barton (TX)	Calvert	Deal (GA)
Bass	Camp	DeGette
Beauprez	Cannon	DeLauro
Bell	Cantor	DeLay
Bereuter	Capito	DeMint
Berman	Cardin	Deutsch
Berry	Cardoza	Diaz-Balart, L.
Biggert	Carson (OK)	Diaz-Balart, M.
Bilirakis	Carter	Dicks
Bishop (GA)	Case	Dooley (CA)
Bishop (NY)	Castle	Doolittle
Bishop (UT)	Chabot	Doyle
Blackburn	Chocola	Dreier
Blunt	Coble	Duncan
Boehlert	Cole	Dunn
Boehner	Collins	Edwards
Bonilla	Cooper	Ehlers
Bonner	Costello	Emanuel

Emerson	Kline	Quinn
Engel	Knollenberg	Radanovich
English	Kolbe	Ramstad
Eshoo	LaHood	Regula
Etheridge	Lampson	Rehberg
Evans	Langevin	Renzi
Everett	Lantos	Reyes
Fattah	Larsen (WA)	Reynolds
Feeney	Larson (CT)	Rodriguez
Ferguson	Latham	Rogers (AL)
Flake	LaTourette	Rogers (KY)
Fletcher	Leach	Rogers (MI)
Foley	Levin	Rohrabacher
Forbes	Lewis (CA)	Ros-Lehtinen
Ford	Lewis (KY)	Ross
Fossella	Linder	Rothman
Franks (AZ)	Lipinski	Royal-Ballard
Frelinghuysen	LoBiondo	Royce
Frost	Lowey	Ruppersberger
Galleghy	Lucas (KY)	Ryan (WI)
Garrett (NJ)	Lucas (OK)	Ryun (KS)
Gerlach	Lynch	Sabo
Gibbons	Majette	Sanchez, Linda
Gilchrest	Manzullo	T.
Gillmor	Marshall	Sanchez, Loretta
Gingrey	Matheson	Sandlin
Gonzalez	Matsui	Saxton
Goode	McCarthy (MO)	Schiff
Goodlatte	McCarthy (NY)	Schrock
Gordon	McCollum	Scott (GA)
Goss	McCotter	Sensenbrenner
Granger	McCreary	Shadegg
Graves	McHugh	Shaw
Green (TX)	McInnis	Shays
Green (WI)	McIntyre	Sherman
Greenwood	McKeon	Sherwood
Gutknecht	McNulty	Shimkus
Hall	Meek (FL)	Shuster
Harman	Menendez	Simmons
Harris	Mica	Simpson
Hart	Michaud	Skelton
Hastings (FL)	Millender-	Smith (MI)
Hastings (WA)	McDonald	Smith (NJ)
Hayes	Miller (FL)	Smith (TX)
Hayworth	Miller (MI)	Snyder
Hefley	Miller (NC)	Souder
Hensarling	Miller, Gary	Spratt
Herger	Mollohan	Stearns
Hill	Moore	Stenholm
Hinojosa	Moran (KS)	Stupak
Hobson	Murphy	Sullivan
Hoefl	Murtha	Sweeney
Hoekstra	Musgrave	Tancredo
Holden	Myrick	Tanner
Holt	Nethercutt	Tauscher
Hoolley (OR)	Neugebauer	Tauzin
Hostettler	Ney	Taylor (MS)
Houghton	Northup	Taylor (NC)
Hoyer	Norwood	Terry
Hulshof	Nunes	Thomas
Hunter	Nussle	Thompson (CA)
Hyde	Obey	Thornberry
Isakson	Ortiz	Tiahrt
Israel	Osborne	Tiberi
Issa	Ose	Toomey
Istook	Otter	Turner (OH)
Janklow	Oxley	Turner (TX)
Jenkins	Pallone	Upton
John	Pascrell	Visclosky
Johnson (CT)	Pearce	Vitter
Johnson (IL)	Pelosi	Walden (OR)
Johnson, Sam	Pence	Walsh
Jones (NC)	Peterson (MN)	Wamp
Kanjorski	Peterson (PA)	Weldon (FL)
Keller	Petri	Weldon (PA)
Kelly	Pickering	Weller
Kennedy (MN)	Pitts	Whitfield
Kennedy (RI)	Platts	Wicker
Kildee	Pombo	Wilson (NM)
Kilpatrick	Pomeroy	Wilson (SC)
Kind	Porter	Wolf
King (IA)	Portman	Wu
King (NY)	Price (NC)	Young (FL)
Kingston	Pryce (OH)	
Kirk	Putnam	

NOT VOTING—11

Brown-Waite,	Gephardt	Sessions
Ginny	Jefferson	Smith (WA)
Conyers	Kaptur	Wynn
Cubin	Rangel	Young (AK)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT) (during the vote). Members are reminded that there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1051

Ms. DELAURO and Mr. REYNOLDS changed their vote from "aye" to "no." So the amendment was rejected. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

AMENDMENT NO. 6 OFFERED BY MS. LEE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. The unfinished business is the demand for a recorded vote on amendment No. 6 offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. LEE) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will redesignate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Amendment No. 6 offered by Ms. LEE:

At the end of title III, add the following new section:

SEC. 345. REPORT ON INTELLIGENCE SHARING WITH UNITED NATIONS WEAPONS INSPECTORS SEARCHING FOR WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION IN IRAQ.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct a study to determine the extent to which intelligence developed by the Department of Defense and by the intelligence community with respect to weapons of mass destruction obtained or developed by Iraq preceding Operation Iraqi Freedom was made available to the United Nations weapons inspectors and the quantity and quality of the information that was provided (if any).

(b) SPECIFIC MATTER STUDIED.—The study shall provide for an analysis of the sufficiency of the intelligence provided by the Director of Central Intelligence to those weapons inspectors, and whether the information was provided in a timely manner and in a sufficient quantity and quality to enable the inspectors to locate, visit, and conduct investigations on all high and medium value suspected sites of weapons of mass destruction.

(c) ACCESS TO INFORMATION.—(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the Comptroller General may secure directly from any agency or department of the United States information necessary to carry out the study under subsection (a).

(2) The appropriate Federal agencies or departments shall cooperate with the Comptroller General in expeditiously providing appropriate security clearance to individuals carrying out the study to the extent possible pursuant to existing procedures and requirements, except that no person shall be provided with access to classified information under this section without the appropriate security clearances.

(d) REPORT.—Not later than 12 months after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General shall submit to Congress a report on the study conducted under subsection (a). The report shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 185, noes 239, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 320]

AYES—185

Abercrombie	Gutiérrez	Obey
Ackerman	Harman	Olver
Allen	Hastings (FL)	Ortiz
Andrews	Hill	Owens
Baca	Hinchev	Pallone
Baird	Hinojosa	Pascrell
Baldwin	Hoefl	Pastor
Ballance	Holt	Paul
Becerra	Honda	Payne
Bell	Hoolley (OR)	Pelosi
Berkley	Hoyer	Pomeroy
Berman	Inslee	Price (NC)
Berry	Israel	Rahall
Bishop (GA)	Jackson (IL)	Reyes
Bishop (NY)	Jackson-Lee	Rodriguez
Blumenauer	(TX)	Ross
Boswell	Jefferson	Rothman
Boucher	Johnson, E. B.	Royal-Ballard
Boyd	Jones (OH)	Rush
Brady (PA)	Kanjorski	Ryan (OH)
Brown (OH)	Kaptur	Sabo
Brown, Corrine	Kennedy (RI)	Sanchez, Linda
Capps	Kildee	T.
Capuano	Kilpatrick	Sanchez, Loretta
Cardin	Kind	Sanders
Carson (IN)	Kleczka	Sandlin
Carson (OK)	Kucinich	Schakowsky
Case	Lampson	Schiff
Clay	Langevin	Scott (GA)
Clyburn	Larsen (WA)	Scott (VA)
Costello	Larson (CT)	Serrano
Crowley	Lee	Sherman
Cummings	Levin	Skelton
Davis (AL)	Lewis (GA)	Slaughter
Davis (CA)	Lipinski	Snyder
Davis (FL)	Lofgren	Solis
Davis (IL)	Lowey	Spratt
Davis (TN)	Majette	Stark
DeFazio	Maloney	Stenholm
DeGette	Markey	Strickland
Delahunt	Matheson	Stupak
DeLauro	Matsui	Tanner
Deutsch	McCarthy (MO)	Tauscher
Dicks	McCarthy (NY)	Taylor (MS)
Dingell	McCollum	Thompson (CA)
Doggett	McDermott	Thompson (MS)
Dooley (CA)	McGovern	Tierney
Doyle	McIntyre	Towns
Edwards	Meehan	Turner (TX)
Emanuel	Meek (FL)	Udall (CO)
Engel	Meeks (NY)	Udall (NM)
Eshoo	Menendez	Van Hollen
Etheridge	Michaud	Velazquez
Evans	Millender-	Visclosky
Farr	McDonald	Waters
Fattah	Miller (NC)	Watson
Filner	Miller, George	Watt
Ford	Moore	Waxman
Frank (MA)	Moran (VA)	Weiner
Frost	Nadler	Wexler
Gonzalez	Napolitano	Woolsey
Green (TX)	Neal (MA)	Wu
Grijalva	Oberstar	

NOES—239

Aderholt	Calvert	Ehlers
Akin	Camp	Emerson
Alexander	Cannon	English
Bachus	Cantor	Everett
Baker	Capito	Feeney
Ballenger	Cardoza	Ferguson
Barrett (SC)	Carter	Flake
Bartlett (MD)	Castle	Fletcher
Barton (TX)	Chabot	Foley
Bass	Chocola	Forbes
Beauprez	Coble	Fossella
Bereuter	Cole	Franks (AZ)
Biggart	Collins	Frelinghuysen
Billakis	Cooper	Galleghy
Bishop (UT)	Cox	Garrett (NJ)
Blackburn	Cramer	Gerlach
Blunt	Crane	Gibbons
Boehlert	Crenshaw	Gilchrest
Boehner	Culberson	Gillmor
Bonilla	Cunningham	Gingrey
Bonner	Davis, Jo Ann	Goode
Bono	Davis, Tom	Goodlatte
Boozman	Deal (GA)	Gordon
Bradley (NH)	DeLay	Goss
Brady (TX)	DeMint	Granger
Brown (SC)	Diaz-Balart, L.	Graves
Burgess	Diaz-Balart, M.	Green (WI)
Burns	Doolittle	Greenwood
Burr	Dreier	Gutknecht
Burton (IN)	Duncan	Hall
Buyer	Dunn	Harris

Hart	McCrery	Rohrabacher
Hastings (WA)	McHugh	Ros-Lehtinen
Hayes	McInnis	Royce
Hayworth	McKeon	Ruppersberger
Hefley	McNulty	Ryan (WI)
Hensarling	Mica	Ryun (KS)
Herger	Miller (FL)	Saxton
Hobson	Miller (MI)	Schrock
Hoekstra	Miller, Gary	Sensenbrenner
Holden	Mollohan	Shadegg
Hostettler	Moran (KS)	Shaw
Houghton	Murphy	Shays
Hulshof	Murtha	Sherwood
Hunter	Musgrave	Shimkus
Hyde	Myrick	Shuster
Isakson	Nethercutt	Simmons
Issa	Neugebauer	Simpson
Istook	Ney	Smith (MI)
Janklow	Northup	Smith (NJ)
Jenkins	Norwood	Smith (TX)
John	Nunes	Souder
Johnson (CT)	Nussle	Stearns
Johnson (IL)	Osborne	Sullivan
Johnson, Sam	Ose	Sweeney
Jones (NC)	Otter	Tancredo
Keller	Oxley	Tauzin
Kelly	Pearce	Taylor (NC)
Kennedy (MN)	Pence	Terry
King (IA)	Peterson (MN)	Thomas
King (NY)	Peterson (PA)	Thornberry
Kingston	Petri	Tiahrt
Kirk	Pickering	Tiberi
Kline	Pitts	Toomey
Knollenberg	Platts	Turner (OH)
Kolbe	Pombo	Upton
LaHood	Porter	Vitter
Lantos	Portman	Walden (OR)
Latham	Pryce (OH)	Walsh
LaTourette	Putnam	Wamp
Leach	Quinn	Weldon (FL)
Lewis (CA)	Radanovich	Weldon (PA)
Lewis (KY)	Ramstad	Weller
Linder	Regula	Whitfield
LoBiondo	Rehberg	Wicker
Lucas (KY)	Renzi	Wilson (NM)
Lucas (OK)	Reynolds	Wilson (SC)
Manzullo	Rogers (AL)	Wolf
Marshall	Rogers (KY)	Young (FL)
McCotter	Rogers (MI)	

NOT VOTING—10

Brown-Waite,	Gephardt	Smith (WA)
Ginny	Lynch	Wynn
Conyers	Rangel	Young (AK)
Cubin	Sessions	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore (during the vote). Members are reminded that there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1059

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

□ 1100

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). The question is on the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended.

The committee amendment in the nature of a substitute, as amended, was agreed to.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. Under the rule, the Committee rises.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. SHIMKUS) having assumed the chair, Mrs. BIGGERT, Chairman pro tempore of the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2417) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2004 for intelligence and intelligence-related activities of the United States Government, the Community Management Account, and the Central Intel-

ligence Agency Retirement and Disability System, and for other purposes, pursuant to House Resolution 295, she reported the bill back to the House with an amendment adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the rule, the previous question is ordered.

Is a separate vote demanded on any amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute adopted by the Committee of the Whole? If not, the question is on the amendment.

The amendment was agreed to.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the engrossment and third reading of the bill.

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

(By unanimous consent, Mrs. HARMAN was allowed to speak out of order.)

THANKING MEMBERS AND STAFF

Ms. HARMAN. Mr. Speaker, now that we have completed debate on our intelligence authorization bill for 2004, I just wanted to thank our chairman who is graceful, collaborative and bipartisan and the members and staff on the majority side and to thank the strong team we have on the Democratic side and especially our staff. By name: Christine Healey, John Keefe, Marcel Lettre, Wyndee Parker, Beth Larson, Kirk McConnell, Bob Emmett and Ilene Romack; and also David Flanders of my personal staff for all the effort they put into yesterday's very thorough and, I thought, outstanding debate.

(By unanimous consent, Mr. GOSS was allowed to speak out of order.)

THANKING MEMBERS AND STAFF

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I too would like to congratulate my ranking member and the members of the staff on both sides of the aisle. Normally I would name all those staff. This year I am just going to point to one individual who really was the architect of the bill for the majority, put it together, did the hard work as he always does. He does the budget number and he understands the programs. His name is Mike Meermans. In addition to the spectacular work he did for us in a bipartisan and a thoroughly professional way, Mr. Meermans and his family had a sudden and significant illness in the family. We wish his family well and we wish his son Godspeed, full and complete recovery.

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.

Mr. GOSS. 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 will be postponed.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 2417.

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

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. LINDER. Madam Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 297 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 297

Resolved, That during the remainder of the One Hundred Eighth Congress, the Speaker may entertain motions that the House suspend the rules on Wednesdays as though under clause 1 of rule XV.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. BIGGERT). The gentleman from Georgia (Mr. LINDER) is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. LINDER. Madam Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MCGOVERN), 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.

Madam Speaker, H. Res. 297 is a simple, straightforward measure that authorizes the Speaker to entertain motions to suspend the rules on Wednesdays for the remainder of the 108th Congress. I strongly supported this proposal and urge all of my colleagues in the House to join with me in approving this measure.

This past Monday, the Rules Subcommittee on Technology and the House, which I chair, held a hearing to consider this very proposal. The chairman of the Committee on Rules testified on this proposal, and the subcommittee gathered testimony from the minority whip, the gentleman from Maryland (Mr. HOYER), and the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. FRANK) as well.

During the debate on H. Res. 297, I urge my colleagues to keep their remarks to the underlying measure, rather than use this modest proposal as an excuse to debate other matters. Extending the Speaker's ability to entertain motions to suspend the rules on Wednesdays provides the House leadership with another tool that can be used to easily move noncontroversial legislation through the Chamber.

By way of background, when the House convened on January 7, 2003, we adopted H. Res. 5, the House rules for the 108th Congress. Specifically, clause 1 of rule XV provides that it is in order for the House to entertain a motion to suspend the rules on Mondays, Tuesdays, and in the last 6 days of session