

Tierney	Viscolsky	Wexler
Towns	Waters	Woolsey
Turner (TX)	Watson	Wu
Udall (NM)	Watt	
Van Hollen	Weiner	

NOT VOTING—122

Abercrombie	Everett	Ortiz
Aderholt	Fattah	Osborne
Allen	Ferguson	Otter
Baca	Fletcher	Owens
Barton (TX)	Gallegly	Oxley
Berkley	Gephardt	Pascrell
Berman	Gonzalez	Paul
Bilirakis	Gordon	Pence
Bishop (NY)	Granger	Peterson (PA)
Boehlert	Green (TX)	Pitts
Boehner	Gutierrez	Price (NC)
Bonilla	Harman	Quinn
Boucher	Hensarling	Radanovich
Burgess	Hinchee	Ramstad
Burr	Hinojosa	Reynolds
Burton (IN)	Hoekstra	Rodriguez
Buyer	Holden	Ros-Lehtinen
Camp	Issa	Rothman
Capps	Istook	Sabo
Capuano	Janklow	Sandlin
Carter	Jefferson	Saxton
Case	Jenkins	Shuster
Costello	Johnson, Sam	Skelton
Cox	Jones (NC)	Slaughter
Cubin	Kaptur	Smith (MI)
Davis (FL)	Kilpatrick	Smith (TX)
Davis (IL)	Kind	Smith (WA)
Davis (TN)	Lampson	Snyder
Deal (GA)	Linder	Solis
DeFazio	Lipinski	Stenholm
DeGette	McDermott	Stupak
Delahunt	McGovern	Tancredo
DeLay	McHugh	Taylor (NC)
Dingell	McNulty	Thornberry
Dooley (CA)	Meehan	Toomey
Doyle	Mica	Udall (CO)
Dreier	Millender-	Velazquez
Duncan	McDonald	Walsh
Edwards	Miller (MI)	Wamp
Emanuel	Moran (KS)	Waxman
Etheridge	Nethercutt	Wynn

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HASTINGS of Washington) (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1600

Ms. McCARTHY of Missouri and Mr. PAYNE changed their vote from “aye” to “no.”

So the motion to table was agreed to. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. MICA. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and was unable to vote on rollcall No. 397. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye”.

Stated against:

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 397 on the motion to table H. Res. 324, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.”

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, I regret that I had an event in my congressional district. Had I been present, I would have voted “no” on rollcall No. 397.

Mr. EMANUEL. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained on Friday, July 18, 2003, and missed rollcall No. 397. Had I been present, I would have voted “no.”

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. KILPATRICK. I was unable to cast a vote on the following rollcall votes, Nos. 396 and 397. I was forced to return to my congressional district on official business after rollcall

vote No. 395. Had I been in attendance, I would have voted “yes” on rollcall vote No. 396 and “no” on No. 397.

REPORT ON HOUSE RESOLUTION 288, REQUEST FOR DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RECORDS ON USE OF AGENCY RESOURCES RELATING TO MEMBERS OF TEXAS LEGISLATURE

Mr. KIRK, from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 108-220) on the resolution (H. Res. 288) directing the Secretary of Transportation to transmit to the House of Representatives not later than 14 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution all physical and electronic records and documents in his possession related to any use of Federal agency resources in any task or action involving or relating to Members of the Texas Legislature in the period beginning May 11, 2003, and ending May 16, 2003, except information the disclosure of which would harm the national security interest of the United States, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I would be glad to yield for the purpose of inquiring of the majority regarding the schedule for the week to come.

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. HOYER. I yield to the gentleman from Ohio.

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

The House will convene on Monday at 12:30 p.m. for morning hour debates and 2 p.m. for legislative business, and will consider several measures under suspension of the rules. A final list of those measures will be sent to Members’ offices by the end of the day. Any votes called on those measures will be rolled until 6:30 p.m.

On Tuesday, we plan to consider the fiscal year 2004 Foreign Operations Appropriations Act. Next week we also expect to consider H.R. 2210, which is the School Readiness Act; H.R. 2738 and H.R. 2739, which is the U.S.-Chile and the U.S.-Singapore Free Trade Agreement Implementation Acts; the fiscal year 2004 Commerce, Justice, State, Judiciary and Related Agencies Appropriations Act; H.R. 2427, which is the Pharmaceutical Market Access Act; and H.R. 2765, the District of Columbia Appropriations Act.

In addition to these bills, we also may consider the fiscal year 2004 VA-HUD Appropriations Act.

Finally, I would like to note that we are expecting a busy week leading into this August recess. We are likely to work late some nights, including Fri-

day evening, as we work to resolve these important pieces of legislation.

I thank the gentleman for yielding and would be happy to answer any questions.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I understand the School Readiness Act or the Head Start Reauthorization bill will be on the floor. Let me ask if you expect to have an open rule on that bill? Specifically, while you are getting information, we want to be assured hopefully that we will be allowed to offer such amendments as we deem to be appropriate and that we will be allowed to have a substitute for the majority’s bill.

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman would continue to yield, I do not know if a decision has been made on that yet. Apparently, there are over a dozen amendments, and the Committee on Rules has not made a decision yet with regard to the substitute or the rule.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman, and I would urge the gentleman, and I know he may not have control over this, but urge him to urge his leadership, of which he is a member, as well as the Committee on Rules, to give us an open rule so that this bill, which is an extraordinarily important bill to our country, be fully debated and the alternatives that Members would like to offer can be considered. I would hope that he can work in that vein.

The Medicare prescription drug legislation, when does the gentleman expect the conferees will have a substantive meeting to seriously start resolving their differences, and might we see a conference report prior to the August recess?

Mr. PORTMAN. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will continue to yield, our intent was to a conference report before this House before the August recess. It is a very complicated bill, a very important issue, and perhaps the most important one that Congress will tackle this year.

The conferees have met, and the staff is working. It looks as though it would be difficult to have legislation before us before the August recess. We do not want to rush this important bill or set arbitrary deadlines, but the conferees will continue to work and the staff will continue to work hard to reach agreement on as many issues as possible before the August recess.

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, we think taking the time to do this right is better than doing it immediately or quickly. It is, obviously, of great importance to our seniors but as well to our families in America. We appreciate the fact that it is going to be given some time. We hope that there will be full participation in that conference.

On the child tax credit, and there was discussion about this on the floor just a few days ago. We are very concerned about the fact that checks will be going to people on July 25. The individuals who were included in the Senate