

I want to commend Mr. HINOJOSA, who is the chairman of our subcommittee, and urge that this legislation be passed.

First of all, Mr. Speaker, I want to commend the leadership in both the House and the Senate for this outstanding legislation. This bill recognizes the fact that without investment, there is no return. And it is indeed a strong investment in the future of America. It expands access and makes higher education more accessible for all. It increases the Pell grant maximum to \$4,800 next year and to \$5,400 by 2012. It cuts interest rates, provides up-front tuition for students who agree to teach in high-need public schools, provides loan forgiveness for some public employees and, Mr. Speaker, I am especially pleased that it recognizes the unique needs of primarily minority serving institutions like Hispanic-serving Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Native American, Pacific American, Asian American and Predominately Black Institutions in which I took a particular interest. Importantly, it includes \$510 million for these minority-serving institutions and \$30 million for PBIs specifically.

Again, Mr. Speaker, I want to commend the leadership in both the House for this great work and especially subcommittee Chairman HINOJOSA for his strong positions on the needs of minority students and primarily minority serving institutions.

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Mr. Speaker, we reiterate that the process by which this conference report was composed was not fair. And it, in effect, violated the promises made by the other side of the aisle very recently, very recently made and reiterated. The process was profoundly unfair. I stressed that in my previous remarks, and I reiterate it now.

In addition, we've heard from the distinguished ranking member with regard to grave concerns by many of those who have been working on this issue, such as Mr. MCKEON, for many years.

So for those reasons, Mr. Speaker, we oppose this rule and would urge a "no" vote on the rule.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Ms. SUTTON. Mr. Speaker, the Congress has an obligation to address the needs of the American people, and to work with them to address the pressing problems that they face.

Today, we take a great step towards regaining the faith of the American people as we pass the College Cost Reduction Act to provide hundreds of thousands of American families with the opportunity to create a better life for their children. I am proud to be a part of that effort.

The College Cost Reduction Act is a fiscally responsible bill which makes the single largest investment in college aid since the GI Bill, which, as we all know, provided our Greatest Generation with the opportunity to create the Nation we know today.

This legislation invests over \$20 billion in student aid, and does so with no additional cost to the taxpayers.

Before I close, Mr. Speaker, I want to again applaud the extraordinary lead-

ership of Chairman GEORGE MILLER in making college affordability a top priority.

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Under his guidance, all of the members of the Education and Labor Committee have crafted a good bill that works for our families and our country.

Mr. Speaker, I urge all of my colleagues to vote for this investment in our children, in our economy and in our future, to keep faith with the American people, and to send a clear message that the American Dream is not a relic of the past, but a cornerstone of our future.

I urge a "yes" vote on the previous question and on 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. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will now put each question on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today, in the following order:

Adoption of H. Res. 636, by the yeas and nays;

Adoption of H. Res. 637, by the yeas and nays.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for the second electronic vote in this series.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H. Res. 636, PATENT REFORM ACT OF 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on adoption of House Resolution 636, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 222, nays 181, not voting 29, as follows:

[Roll No. 860]

YEAS—222

Abercrombie	Baldwin	Bishop (NY)
Ackerman	Barrow	Blumenauer
Allen	Bean	Boren
Altmire	Becerra	Boswell
Andrews	Berkley	Boucher
Arcuri	Berman	Boyd (KS)
Baca	Berry	Brady (PA)
Baird	Bishop (GA)	Braley (IA)

Brown, Corrine	Honda	Perlmutter
Butterfield	Hoyer	Peterson (MN)
Cannon	Inslee	Pomeroy
Capps	Israel	Price (NC)
Capuano	Issa	Rahall
Cardoza	Jackson (IL)	Rangel
Carnahan	Jackson-Lee	Reyes
Carney	(TX)	Richardson
Castor	Jefferson	Rodriguez
Chandler	Johnson (GA)	Ross
Clarke	Johnson, E. B.	Rothman
Clay	Kagen	Roybal-Allard
Cleaver	Kanjorski	Ruppersberger
Clyburn	Kennedy	Rush
Coble	Kildee	Ryan (OH)
Cohen	Kilpatrick	Salazar
Conyers	Kind	Sánchez, Linda
Cooper	Klein (FL)	T.
Costa	Kucinich	Sarbanes
Courtney	Langevin	Schakowsky
Cramer	Lantos	Schiff
Crowley	Larsen (WA)	Schwartz
Cuellar	Larson (CT)	Scott (GA)
Cummings	Lee	Scott (VA)
Davis (AL)	Levin	Serrano
Davis (CA)	Lewis (GA)	Shea-Porter
Davis (IL)	Lipinski	Sherman
Davis, Lincoln	Loebsock	Shuler
Davis, Tom	Lofgren, Zoe	Simpson
DeFazio	Lowey	Sires
DeGette	Lynch	Skelton
Delahunt	Mahoney (FL)	Slaughter
DeLauro	Maloney (NY)	Smith (TX)
Dicks	Markey	Smith (WA)
Dingell	Marshall	Snyder
Doggett	Matheson	Solis
Donnelly	Matsui	Space
Doyle	McCarthy (NY)	Spratt
Edwards	McCollum (MN)	Stark
Ellison	McDermott	Stupak
Emanuel	McGovern	Sutton
Engel	McIntyre	Tanner
Eshoo	McNerney	Tauscher
Etheridge	McNulty	Taylor
Farr	Meek (FL)	Thompson (CA)
Fattah	Meeks (NY)	Thompson (MS)
Filner	Melancon	Tierney
Frank (MA)	Miller (NC)	Towns
Galleghy	Miller, George	Udall (CO)
Giffords	Mitchell	Udall (NM)
Gillibrand	Mollohan	Van Hollen
Gonzalez	Moore (KS)	Velázquez
Gordon	Moore (WI)	Vislosky
Green, Al	Moran (VA)	Walz (MN)
Green, Gene	Murphy (CT)	Wasserman
Grijalva	Murphy, Patrick	Schultz
Gutierrez	Murtha	Waters
Hall (NY)	Nadler	Watt
Hare	Napolitano	Waxman
Harman	Neal (MA)	Weiner
Hastings (FL)	Oberstar	Welch (VT)
Herseth Sandlin	Obey	Wexler
Higgins	Olver	Wilson (OH)
Hinojosa	Ortiz	Woolsey
Hirono	Pascrell	Wu
Hodes	Pastor	Wynn
Holt	Payne	Yarmuth

NAYS—181

Aderholt	Campbell (CA)	Fossella
Akin	Cantor	Fox
Alexander	Capito	Franks (AZ)
Bachmann	Castle	Frelinghuysen
Bachus	Chabot	Garrett (NJ)
Baker	Cole (OK)	Gerlach
Barrett (SC)	Conaway	Gingrey
Bartlett (MD)	Costello	Gohmert
Barton (TX)	Crenshaw	Goode
Biggert	Culberson	Goodlatte
Bilbray	Davis (KY)	Granger
Bilirakis	Davis, David	Graves
Blackburn	Deal (GA)	Hall (TX)
Blunt	Dent	Hastings (WA)
Boehner	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hayes
Bonner	Diaz-Balart, M.	Heller
Bono	Doolittle	Hensarling
Boozman	Drake	Herger
Boustany	Dreier	Hill
Brady (TX)	Duncan	Hinchee
Broun (GA)	Ehlers	Hobson
Brown (SC)	Emerson	Hoekstra
Brown-Waite,	English (PA)	Hulshof
Ginny	Everett	Hunter
Buchanan	Fallin	Inglis (SC)
Burgess	Feeney	Johnson (IL)
Burton (IN)	Ferguson	Jones (NC)
Buyer	Flake	Jordan
Calvert	Forbes	Kaptur
Camp (MI)	Fortenberry	Keller

King (IA)	Miller (FL)	Sali	Clyburn	Kagen	Rangel	Lamborn	Neugebauer	Sessions
King (NY)	Miller (MI)	Saxton	Cohen	Kanjorski	Reyes	Latham	Nunes	Shadegg
Kingston	Miller, Gary	Schmidt	Conyers	Kennedy	Richardson	LaTourette	Pence	Shays
Kirk	Moran (KS)	Sensenbrenner	Cooper	Kildee	Rodriguez	Lewis (CA)	Peterson (PA)	Shuster
Kline (MN)	Murphy, Tim	Sessions	Costa	Kilpatrick	Ross	Lewis (KY)	Petri	Simpson
Knollenberg	Musgrave	Sestak	Costello	Kind	Rothman	Linder	Pitts	Smith (NE)
Kuhl (NY)	Neugebauer	Shadegg	Courtney	Klein (FL)	Roybal-Allard	LoBiondo	Platts	Smith (NJ)
LaHood	Nunes	Shays	Cramer	Kucinich	Ruppersberger	Lucas	Poe	Smith (TX)
Lamborn	Pence	Shuster	Crowley	Lampson	Rush	Lungren, Daniel	Porter	Souder
Lampson	Peterson (PA)	Smith (NE)	Cuellar	Langevin	Ryan (OH)	E.	Price (GA)	Stearns
Latham	Petri	Smith (NJ)	Cummings	Lantos	Salazar	Mack	Pryce (OH)	Sullivan
LaTourette	Pitts	Souder	Davis (AL)	Larsen (WA)	Sánchez, Linda	Manzullo	Putnam	Terry
Lewis (CA)	Platts	Stearns	Davis (CA)	Larson (CT)	T.	Marchant	Radanovich	Thornberry
Lewis (KY)	Poe	Sullivan	Davis (IL)	Lee	Sarbanes	McCarthy (CA)	Ramstad	Tiahrt
Linder	Porter	Terry	DeFazio	Levin	Schakowsky	McCaul (TX)	Regula	Tiberi
LoBiondo	Price (GA)	Thornberry	DeGette	Lewis (GA)	Schiff	McCotter	Rehberg	Turner
Lucas	Pryce (OH)	Tiahrt	DeLauro	Lipinski	Schwartz	McCrery	Renzi	Upton
Lungren, Daniel	Putnam	Tiberi	Dicks	Loeb sack	Scott (GA)	McHenry	Reynolds	Walberg
E.	Radanovich	Turner	Dingell	Lofgren, Zoe	Scott (VA)	McHugh	Rogers (AL)	Walden (OR)
Mack	Ramstad	Upton	Doggett	Lowey	Serrano	McKeon	Rogers (KY)	Wamp
Manzullo	Regula	Walberg	Donnelly	Lynch	Sestak	McMorris	Rogers (MI)	Weldon (FL)
Marchant	Rehberg	Walden (OR)	Doyle	Mahoney (FL)	Shea-Porter	Rodgers	Rohrabacher	Westmoreland
McCarthy (CA)	Renzi	Wamp	Edwards	Maloney (NY)	Sherman	Mica	Ros-Lehtinen	Whitfield
McCaul (TX)	Reynolds	Weldon (FL)	Ellison	Markey	Shuler	Miller (FL)	Roskam	Wicker
McCotter	Rogers (AL)	Westmoreland	Emanuel	Marshall	Sires	Miller (MI)	Ryan (WI)	Wilson (NM)
McCrery	Rogers (KY)	Whitfield	Engel	Matheson	Skelton	Miller, Gary	Sali	Wilson (SC)
McHenry	Rogers (MI)	Wickert	Eshoo	Matsui	Slaughter	Moran (KS)	Saxton	Wolf
McHugh	Rohrabacher	Wilson (NM)	Etheridge	McCarthy (NY)	Smith (WA)	Murphy, Tim	Schmidt	Young (FL)
McKeon	Ros-Lehtinen	Wilson (SC)	Farr	McCollum (MN)	Snyder	Musgrave	Sensenbrenner	
Mica	Roskam	Wolf	Fattah	McDermott	Solis			
Michaud	Ryan (WI)	Young (FL)	Filner	McGovern	Space			

NOT VOTING—29

Bishop (UT)	Hoooley	Pickering
Boyd (FL)	Jindal	Reichert
Carson	Johnson, Sam	Royce
Carter	Jones (OH)	Sanchez, Loretta
Cubin	McMorris	Shimkus
Davis, Jo Ann	Rodgers	Tancred
Ellsworth	Myrick	Walsh (NY)
Gilchrest	Pallone	Watson
Hastert	Paul	Weller
Holden	Pearce	Young (AK)

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Messrs. DEAL of Georgia, BAKER, MCCARTHY of California, CALVERT and CAMPBELL of California changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. KILDEE, GALLEGLY and TAYLOR 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.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2669, COLLEGE COST REDUCTION AND ACCESS ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on adoption of House Resolution 637, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

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

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 220, nays 185, not voting 27, as follows:

[Roll No. 861]

YEAS—220

Abercrombie	Berkley	Brown, Corrine
Ackerman	Berman	Butterfield
Allen	Berry	Capps
Altmire	Bishop (GA)	Capuano
Andrews	Bishop (NY)	Cardoza
Arcuri	Blumenauer	Carnahan
Baca	Boren	Carney
Baird	Boswell	Castor
Baldwin	Boucher	Chandler
Barrow	Boyd (KS)	Clarke
Bean	Brady (PA)	Clay
Becerra	Braley (IA)	Cleaver

NAYS—185

Aderholt	Capito	Garrett (NJ)
Akin	Castle	Gerlach
Alexander	Chabot	Gilchrest
Bachmann	Coble	Gingrey
Bachus	Cole (OK)	Gohmert
Baker	Conaway	Goode
Barrett (SC)	Crenshaw	Goodlatte
Bartlett (MD)	Culberson	Granger
Barton (TX)	Davis (KY)	Graves
Biggett	Davis, David	Hall (TX)
Bilbray	Davis, Tom	Hastings (WA)
Bilirakis	Deal (GA)	Hayes
Bishop (UT)	Dent	Heller
Blackburn	Diaz-Balart, L.	Hensarling
Blunt	Diaz-Balart, M.	Hergert
Boehner	Doolittle	Hobson
Bonner	Drake	Hoekstra
Bono	Dreier	Hulshof
Boozman	Duncan	Hunter
Boustany	Ehlers	Inglis (SC)
Brady (TX)	Emerson	Issa
Broun (GA)	English (PA)	Johnson (IL)
Brown (SC)	Everett	Jones (NC)
Brown-Waite,	Fallin	Jordan
Ginny	Feeney	Kaptur
Buchanan	Ferguson	Keller
Burgess	Flake	King (IA)
Burton (IN)	Forbes	King (NY)
Buyer	Fortenberry	Kingston
Calvert	Fossella	Kirk
Camp (MI)	Fox	Kline (MN)
Campbell (CA)	Franks (AZ)	Knollenberg
Cannon	Frelinghuysen	Kuhl (NY)
Cantor	Gallely	LaHood

NOT VOTING—27

Boyd (FL)	Hoooley	Reichert
Carson	Jindal	Royce
Carter	Johnson, Sam	Sanchez, Loretta
Cubin	Jones (OH)	Shimkus
Davis, Jo Ann	Myrick	Tancred
Davis, Lincoln	Pallone	Walsh (NY)
Ellsworth	Paul	Watson
Hastert	Pearce	Weller
Holden	Pickering	Young (AK)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

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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.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Curtis, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2669) “An Act to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 601 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2008.”

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 2669, COLLEGE COST REDUCTION AND ACCESS ACT

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Madam Speaker, pursuant to House Resolution 637, I call up the conference report on the bill (H.R. 2669) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 601 of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2008.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Ms. SOLIS). Pursuant to House Resolution 637, the conference report is considered read.

(For conference report and statement, see proceedings of the House of September 6, 2007 at page H10168.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE