

Titus	Wamp	Whitfield
Tonko	Wasserman	Wilson (SC)
Towns	Schultz	Wittman
Tsongas	Waters	Wolf
Turner	Watson	Woolsey
Upton	Watt	Wu
Van Hollen	Waxman	Yarmuth
Velázquez	Weiner	Young (AK)
Visclosky	Welch	Young (FL)
Walden	Westmoreland	
Walz	Wexler	

NOT VOTING—17

Becerra	Gordon (TN)	Ruppersberger
Berman	Johnson, Sam	Sanchez, Linda
Bilbray	Kirk	T.
Bishop (UT)	Mollohan	Sanchez, Loretta
Broun (GA)	Myrick	Sullivan
Davis (IL)	Ros-Lehtinen	Wilson (OH)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members have 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1559

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT TO REPORT TO THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON THE ACTIONS THE COMMITTEE HAS TAKEN CONCERNING ANY MISCONDUCT OF MEMBERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE HOUSE IN CONNECTION WITH ACTIVITIES OF THE PMA GROUP

Mr. HOYER. Madam Speaker, I rise to a question of the privileges of the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 500

Whereas there have been allegations in the media concerning the improper involvement of Members of the House of Representatives in certain activities of the PMA Group; and

Whereas according to these media accounts and the statements of those involved, the Department of Justice is conducting an investigation into such activities of the PMA Group: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That not later than 45 days after the adoption of this resolution, the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct shall report to the House of Representatives on the actions the Committee has taken, if any, concerning any misconduct of Members and employees of the House in connection with such activities of the PMA Group.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The resolution qualifies.

MOTION OFFERED BY MR. MCGOVERN

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, I have a motion at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. MCGOVERN moves that the resolution be referred to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Massachusetts is recognized on his motion.

Mr. MCGOVERN. Madam Speaker, this measure merits review in the Com-

mittee on Standards of Official Conduct.

I yield back the balance of my time, and I move the previous question on the motion.

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRIES

Mr. FLAKE. Madam Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. FLAKE. I just saw the resolution. I don't know if it actually just punts the ball until the appropriations cycle is done or if it actually requires that the committee investigate.

Can the committee wait for 45 days and then announce that it is not investigating the PMA scandal, and then we're at the same place we are now?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair cannot interpret the pending resolution. It is available at the desk for review.

Mr. FLAKE. Further parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his further parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. FLAKE. This resolution, as I understand it, does not require the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to do anything but report whether or not an investigation is occurring.

Does this motion require any action on the part of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending motion is to refer the resolution to committee.

Mr. FLAKE. So no action is required.

Mr. BOEHNER. Madam Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. BOEHNER. Madam Speaker, does this motion do anything other than refer this worthless piece of paper to the Ethics Committee?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The proposal is to refer the resolution to committee.

Mr. BOEHNER. Further parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his further parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. BOEHNER. Does it require the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to do anything?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The proposal before the body is to refer the resolution to committee.

Mr. BOEHNER. Parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his further parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. BOEHNER. If the House were to adopt this motion, this resolution, would it require the committee to do anything?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The measure would be referred to committee for its consideration.

Mr. BOEHNER. Further parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his further parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. BOEHNER. If the House were to adopt this motion to refer this to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, under the previous announcement from the Chair, the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct would be required to do nothing.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The committee would have referral of the resolution.

Mr. BOEHNER. And nothing else?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The committee would have referral of the resolution.

Mr. FLAKE. Madam Speaker, I have a parliamentary inquiry.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. FLAKE. Does the resolution require that the committee report back in 45 days or 45 legislative days?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair cannot interpret the resolution. It is available for inspection.

Mr. FLAKE. Madam Speaker, the reason I ask is because within 45 days, the appropriations cycle will likely be completed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is not stating a parliamentary inquiry.

Without objection, the previous question is ordered.

Mr. PRICE of Georgia. I object.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Objection is heard.

The question is on ordering the previous question.

The previous question was ordered.

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

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

Mr. BOEHNER. Madam 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 270, nays 134, answered "present" 17, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 300]

YEAS—270

Abercrombie	Braley (IA)	Cummings
Ackerman	Brown, Corrine	Dahlkemper
Adler (NJ)	Buyer	Davis (AL)
Altmire	Capps	Davis (CA)
Andrews	Capuano	Davis (TN)
Arcuri	Cardoza	DeFazio
Baca	Carnahan	DeGette
Baird	Carney	Delahunt
Baldwin	Carson (IN)	DeLauro
Barrow	Cassidy	Dicks
Bean	Castle	Dingell
Berkley	Childers	Doggett
Berman	Clarke	Donnelly (IN)
Berry	Clay	Doyle
Biggart	Cleaver	Driehaus
Bishop (GA)	Clyburn	Edwards (MD)
Bishop (NY)	Cohen	Edwards (TX)
Blumenauer	Connolly (VA)	Ehlers
Blunt	Conyers	Ellison
Bocchieri	Cooper	Ellsworth
Boren	Costa	Emerson
Boswell	Costello	Engel
Boucher	Courtney	Eshoo
Boyd	Crowley	Etheridge
Brady (PA)	Cuellar	Farr