

supporter of that increased investment, but I also know that millions of those dollars will be wasted unless we also invest in the tools to get these students through college.

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More importantly, our country, our country, our beloved country that we love so much, and love so dearly, and a country that has given us an amazing life-style of modern living is at risk if we don't educate the future workforce. We have got to start with our tiny tots in early education, but that's a more long-term goal. Right now we are having an emergency, an emergency; students are either not graduating from high school or they are graduating with deficiencies.

In order to step up, we need a TRIO program, a modest amount of funding, \$200 million in the scheme of things, nothing like we are spending on all the other crises in this country, that would help these programs serve those students who are on waiting lists.

With that, I would yield to the gentleman from Virginia.

Mr. SCOTT of Virginia. I want to thank the gentlewoman from Wisconsin for her hard work. She has benefited from the TRIO Program, so she knows firsthand as I do, as a counselor in college. I spent 3 years as a counselor in the Upward Bound Program, noticing the profound change from the beginning of the program to the end of the program.

We need to make sure these opportunities and this guidance is made available to all students to make sure they can get into college and then to support services once they get there so that they can graduate. These are important programs.

I thank the gentledady for organizing this Special Order and I thank the gentledady from Texas for joining us.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. If I may say a word of appreciation for you and say a picture is worth a thousand words, these tall bars, if they can be seen, show what happens to Upward Bound participants, Upward Bound Math and Science and Talent Search, much higher than the little low bar here that shows students without assistance.

One last point is that one in nine African American men age 20 to 34 are behind bars. Black men are more likely to be in jail than to have a graduate degree. We can lock up people, but we can also break that chain, take the key and open the doors to opportunity.

The gentledady has told and expressed to us her story. It's a powerful story. I would say that we need to give everyone the same chance that so many of us have had for a great opportunity.

Ms. MOORE of Wisconsin. This has been great, this has been fantastic, and I would say that the importance of this program is its diversity. It is not a program that just benefits one group of people. Thirty-seven percent of TRIO

students are white, 35 percent are African Americans, 19 percent are Hispanics, 4 percent are Native Americans, 22,000 of TRIO's students are disabled students, and 25,000 are our beloved veterans.

This is a program that embraces every American from all backgrounds and makes sure that money is not the reason that you cannot use your brain. Talk about a brain drain, it's a brain drain when the only thing that stands between you and greatness is an education.

Thank you so much and good night.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 10 o'clock and 35 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MAFFEI) at 11 o'clock and 16 minutes p.m.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. YOUNG of Florida (at the request of Mr. BOEHNER) for today until 3:30 p.m. on account of a death in the family.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MCGOVERN) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. MCGOVERN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. EDWARDS of Maryland, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. NADLER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DEFazio, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. POLIS, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. DOGGETT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. HOLT, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GRAYSON, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MORAN of Kansas) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. MURPHY of Pennsylvania, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. McCLINTOCK, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. FOX, for 5 minutes, today and December 16.

(The following Members (at their own request) to revise and extend their re-

marks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. WELCH, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. ROYCE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

SENATE BILL REFERRED

A bill of the Senate of the following title was taken from the Speaker's table and, under the rule, referred as follows:

S. 1755. An act to direct the Department of Homeland Security to undertake a study on emergency communications; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

ENROLLED JOINT RESOLUTION SIGNED

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House, reported and found truly enrolled a joint resolution of the House of the following title, which was thereupon signed by the Speaker:

H.J. Res. 62. Joint resolution appointing the day for the convening of the second session of the One Hundred Eleventh Congress.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on December 14, 2009 she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 4165. To extend through December 31, 2010, the authority of the Secretary of the Army to accept and expend funds contributed by non-Federal public entities to expedite the processing of permits.

H.R. 4217. To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend the funding and expenditure authority of the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to amend title 49, United States Code, to extend authorizations for the airport improvement program, and for other purposes.

H.R. 4218. To amend titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act to prohibit retroactive payments to individuals during periods for which such individuals are prisoners, fugitive felons, or probation or parole violators.

Lorraine C. Miller, Clerk of the House reports that on December 15, 2009 she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bill:

H.R. 3288. Making appropriations for the Departments of Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. MURPHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 17 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, December 16, 2009, at 9 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XXIV, executive communications were taken from