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Jackson (IL)
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(TX)
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Kanjorski
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Kilpatrick
Kind (WI)
Klecicka
Klink
Kucinich
LaFalce
Lampson
Lantos
Larson
Lee
Levin

NOT VOTING—10

Burton
Cook
Hinojosa
Hyde

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Mrs. CHENOWETH-HAGE, Mrs. CUBIN, and Messrs. WHITFIELD, HOEKSTRA, MATSUI and PETERSON of Pennsylvania changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the question of consideration was decided in the affirmative.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. BURTON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 343 and 344, I was unavoidably detained and therefore unable to be present on the House floor during that time. Had I been present, I would have voted “no” on rollcall vote 343 and “aye” on rollcall vote 344.

MOTION TO RECONSIDER THE VOTE: OFFERED BY MR. FRANK OF MASSACHUSETTS

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I move to reconsider the vote.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). Did the gentleman from Massachusetts vote on the prevailing side?

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Yes, I did, Mr. Speaker.

MOTION TO TABLE OFFERED BY MR. GOSS

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, I move to lay on the table the motion to reconsider.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to table offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. GOSS).

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 219, noes 200, not voting 15, as follows:

[Roll No. 345]

AYES—219

Aderholt
Archer
Armey
Bachus
Baker
Ballenger
Barr
Barrett (NE)
Bartlett
Barton
Bass
Bateman
Bereuter
Biggett
Billbray
Bilirakis
Bileyley
Blunt
Boehlert
Boehner
Bonilla
Bono
Brady (TX)
Bryant
Burr
Burton
Buyer
Callahan
Calvert
Camp
Campbell
Canady
Castle
Chabot
Chambliss
Chenoweth-Hage
Coble
Coburn
Collins
Combest
Cooksey
Cox
Crane
Cubin
Cunningham
Davis (VA)
Deal
DeMint
Diaz-Balart
Dickey
Dicks
Doolittle
Dreier
Duncan
Dunn
Ehlers
Ehrlich
Emerson
English
Everett
Ewing
Fletcher
Foley
Fossella
Fowler
Franks (NJ)
Frelinghuysen
Gallegly
Ganske
Gekas
Gibbons
Gilchrist
Gillmor

NOES—200

Abercrombie
Ackerman
Allen
Andrews
Baca
Baird
Baldacci
Baldwin
Barcia
Barrett (WI)
Becerra
Bentsen
Berkley
Berman
Berry
Bishop
Blagojevich
Blumenauer
Bonior
Borski
Boswell
Boucher
Boyd
Brady (PA)

Brown (FL)
Brown (OH)
Capps
Capuano
Cardin
Carson
Clay
Clayton
Clement
Clyburn
Condit
Conyers
Costello
Coyne
Cramer
Crowley
Cummings
Danner
Davis (FL)
Davis (IL)
DeFazio
DeGette
Delahunt
DeLauro
Deutsch
Dingell
Dixon
Doggett
Dooley
Doyle
Edwards
Engel
Eshoo
Etheridge
Evans
Farr
Fattah
Filner
Forbes
Ford
Frank (MA)
Frost
Gejdenson
Gephardt
Gilman
Gonzalez
Gordon
Green (TX)
Gutiérrez
Hall (OH)
Hastings (FL)
Hill (IN)
Hilliard
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Inslee
Jackson (IL)
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Kanjorski
Kaptur
Kennedy
Kildee
Kilpatrick
Kind (WI)
Klecicka
Klink
Kucinich
LaFalce
Lampson
Lantos
Larson
Lee
Levin
Pastor
Payne
Pelosi
Phelps
Pickett
Pomeroy
Price (NC)
Price (OH)
Rahall
Rangel
Rangel
Roybal-Allard
Rush
Sabó
Sanchez
Sanders
Sandlin
Sawyer
Schakowsky
Serrano
Sherman
Shows
Skelton
Slaughter
Smith (WA)
Smith (WA)
Snyder
Spratt
Stabenow
Stark
Stenholm
Stupak
Tanner
Tauscher
Taylor (MS)
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Thurman
Tierney
Towns
Turner
Udall (CO)
Udall (NM)
Velazquez
Visclosky
Waters
Watt (NC)
Waxman
Weiner
Wexler
Weygand
Wise
Woolsey
Wu
Wynn

NOT VOTING—15

Cannon
Cook
DeLay
Hansen
Hinojosa
Hyde
Markey
McIntosh
Olver
Porter
Radanovich
Scott
Strickland
Tauzin
Vento

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Messrs. STENHOLM, SNYDER, PRICE of North Carolina and Ms. MCKINNEY changed their vote from “aye” to “no.”

Mr. DEAL of Georgia changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

So the motion to table the motion to reconsider was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 174, noes 242, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 346]

AYES—174

Ackerman	Gonzalez	Nadler
Allen	Gordon	Napolitano
Andrews	Gutierrez	Neal
Baca	Hall (OH)	Oberstar
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Obey
Baldacci	Hill (IN)	Olver
Baldwin	Hilliard	Ortiz
Barrett (WI)	Hinchev	Owens
Becerra	Hoeffel	Pallone
Bentsen	Holden	Pascrell
Berkley	Holt	Pastor
Berman	Hoolley	Payne
Berry	Hoyer	Pelosi
Bishop	Inslee	Phelps
Blagojevich	Jackson-Lee	Pickett
Bonior	(TX)	Pomeroy
Borski	Jefferson	Price (NC)
Boucher	Johnson, E. B.	Rangel
Boyd	Jones (OH)	Reyes
Brady (PA)	Kanjorski	Rivers
Brown (FL)	Kaptur	Rodriguez
Capps	Kennedy	Rothman
Capuano	Kildee	Roybal-Allard
Cardin	Kilpatrick	Rush
Carson	LaFalce	Sabo
Clay	Lampson	Sanchez
Clayton	Lantos	Sanders
Clement	Larson	Sandlin
Clyburn	Lee	Sawyer
Condit	Levin	Schakowsky
Coyne	Lewis (GA)	Sherman
Cramer	Lipinski	Shows
Crowley	Lofgren	Skelton
Cummings	Lowey	Slaughter
Danner	Lucas (KY)	Smith (WA)
Davis (FL)	Luther	Spratt
Davis (IL)	Maloney (NY)	Stabenow
DeFazio	Mascara	Stark
DeGette	Matsui	Stenholm
DeLauro	McCarthy (MO)	Stupak
Deutsch	McCarthy (NY)	Tanner
Dicks	McDermott	Tauscher
Dixon	McGovern	Taylor (MS)
Doggett	McIntyre	Thompson (CA)
Dooley	McKinney	Thompson (MS)
Doyle	McNulty	Thurman
Edwards	Meehan	Tierney
Engel	Meek (FL)	Turner
Eshoo	Meeks (NY)	Udall (CO)
Etheridge	Menendez	Velazquez
Farr	Millender-	Viscosky
Fattah	McDonald	Waters
Filner	Miller, George	Waxman
Forbes	Minge	Weiner
Ford	Mink	Wexler
Frank (MA)	Moakley	Weygand
Frost	Moore	Woolsey
Gejdenson	Moran (VA)	Wynn
Gephardt	Murtha	

NOES—242

Abercrombie	Burton	Duncan
Aderholt	Buyer	Dunn
Archer	Callahan	Ehlers
Army	Calvert	Ehrlich
Bachus	Camp	English
Baker	Campbell	Evans
Ballenger	Canady	Everett
Barcia	Cannon	Ewing
Barr	Castle	Fletcher
Barrett (NE)	Chabot	Foley
Bartlett	Chambliss	Fossella
Barton	Chenoweth-Hage	Fowler
Bass	Coble	Franks (NJ)
Bateman	Coburn	Frelinghuysen
Bereuter	Collins	Galleghy
Biggart	Combest	Ganske
Bilbray	Cooksey	Gekas
Bilirakis	Costello	Gibbons
Bliley	Cox	Gilchrest
Blumenauer	Crane	Gillmor
Blunt	Cubin	Gilman
Boehlert	Cunningham	Goode
Boehner	Davis (VA)	Goodlatte
Bonilla	Deal	Goodling
Bono	DeLay	Goss
Boswell	DeMint	Graham
Brady (TX)	Diaz-Balart	Granger
Brown (OH)	Dickey	Green (TX)
Bryant	Doolittle	Green (WI)
Burr	Dreier	Greenwood

Gutknecht	McInnis	Shadegg
Hall (TX)	McKeon	Shaw
Hansen	Metcafe	Shays
Hastings (WA)	Mica	Sherwood
Hayes	Miller (FL)	Shimkus
Hayworth	Miller, Gary	Shuster
Hefley	Mollohan	Simpson
Herger	Moran (KS)	Sisisky
Hill (MT)	Morella	Skeen
Hilleary	Myrick	Smith (MI)
Hobson	Nethercutt	Smith (NJ)
Hoekstra	Ney	Smith (TX)
Horn	Northup	Snyder
Hostettler	Norwood	Souder
Houghton	Nussle	Spence
Hulshof	Ose	Stearns
Hunter	Oxley	Stump
Isakson	Packard	Sununu
Isatook	Paul	Sweeney
Jackson (IL)	Pease	Talent
Jenkins	Peterson (MN)	Tancredo
John	Peterson (PA)	Tauzin
Johnson (CT)	Petri	Taylor (NC)
Johnson, Sam	Pickering	Terry
Kasich	Pitts	Thomas
Kelly	Pombo	Thornberry
Kind (WI)	Portman	Thune
King (NY)	Pryce (OH)	Tiahrt
Kingston	Quinn	Toomey
Klecza	Radanovich	Towns
Klink	Roham	Traficant
Knollenberg	Ramstad	Udall (NM)
Kolbe	Regula	Upton
Kucinich	Reynolds	Vitter
Kuykendall	Riley	Walden
LaHood	Roemer	Walsh
Largent	Rogan	Wamp
Latham	Rogers	Watkins
LaTourette	Rohrabacher	Watt (NC)
Leach	Ros-Lehtinen	Watts (OK)
Lewis (CA)	Roukema	Weldon (FL)
Lewis (KY)	Royce	Weldon (PA)
Linder	Ryan (WI)	Weller
LoBiondo	Ryun (KS)	Whitfield
Lucas (OK)	Salmon	Wilson
Maloney (CT)	Sanford	Wise
Manzullo	Saxton	Wolf
Martinez	Scarborough	Wu
McCollum	Sensenbrenner	Young (AK)
McCrery	Serrano	Young (FL)
McHugh	Sessions	

NOT VOTING—18

Conyers	Hutchinson	Porter
Cook	Hyde	Schaffer
Delahunt	Jones (NC)	Scott
Dingell	Lazio	Strickland
Emerson	Markey	Vento
Hinojosa	McIntosh	Wicker

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Mr. SNYDER changed his vote from "aye" to "no."

Mr. WEXLER changed his vote from "no" to "aye."

So the motion was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. LATOURETTE). The Chair would make the general pronouncement to remind all Members to be properly attired when they appear in the Chamber.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 4680, MEDICARE RX 2000 ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. GOSS) for 1 hour.

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield, in the spirit of comity and bipartisanship, which is customary in this Chamber, the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. MOAKLEY),

my friend; 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 on this matter only.

Mr. Speaker, this is an appropriate structured rule that ensures a rigorous debate on how best to provide our Nation's seniors with prescription drug coverage, a matter of great concern to them. The rule provides 2 hours of general debate divided equally between the minority and the majority of two committees of jurisdictions, the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Commerce.

The rule provides that the amendment recommended by the Committee on Ways and Means now printed in the bill, modified by the one printed in the Committee on Rules report, shall be considered as adopted.

The rule also provides that, at any time on or before this Friday, it shall be in order for the House to entertain motions to suspend the rules with respect to two bills only. Mr. Speaker, I will repeat, it shall be in order for the House to entertain motions to suspend the rules with respect to two bills only, H.R. 3240 and H. Res. 535.

Finally, the rule provides a motion to recommit with or without instructions. This is a minority right that has become standard in every bill under the Republican majority.

Today is another historic day for our Nation's seniors. Three years ago, the Medicare program was speeding toward bankruptcy, many will recall. While the partisans and the naysayers said it could not be done to fix it, a Republican-led Congress appropriately stepped in and saved Medicare through sound structural reform of that program. Had we not acted responsibly, then our seniors would not even have access to hospitals or doctors let alone the services necessary to modernize the program. We met that challenge head on. We met it successfully.

Today we take the logical next step to provide every senior with the opportunity of a safe and secure prescription drug benefit. This is very good news. As in 1995 and in 1997, we will hear a lot of partisan vitriol and rhetoric today, probably see even a little more theater of the type we have already seen this morning, what The Washington Post has labeled as "Mediscare." We will hear poll-tested attack words like "vouchers" and "privatize" and maybe even words like "risky scheme."

To be sure, this is an election year and nothing plays better than some good old-fashioned scare tactics aimed at the most vulnerable among us, our Nation's seniors, who we are here to serve, not walk out on.

While we should expect such attacks, we cannot let them go unanswered. The bipartisan plan crafted by the gentleman from California (Mr. THOMAS) and the gentleman from Minnesota (Mr. PETERSON) will provide a sound drug benefit while also recognizes the weakness of the current Medicare bureaucracy. It is a new universal benefit