

more. Why? Because bankruptcy judges are needed more than ever.

The bankruptcy filings have increased during the worst economic downturn the Nation has experienced since the Great Depression because long-term high unemployment rates and reduced incomes have sent more people into the bankruptcy court, because of the continuing mortgage foreclosure crisis which has affected so many people, and the increasingly onerous credit card obligations, and the sky-high student loans that are being collected on, and the uninsured medical debt.

□ 1530

Last year 1.6 million bankruptcy cases were filed, representing a more than 8 percent increase over the prior years. Two of the Nation's largest automobile manufacturers in Detroit, General Motors and Chrysler, filed for bankruptcy relief under chapter 11. These two cases alone involved billions of dollars, tens of thousands of workers, thousands of auto dealers, and thousands of creditors located in all parts of our Nation. Just last month, American Airlines filed for chapter 11 bankruptcy relief, and the national bookstore chain Borders filed last month.

A third factor must be kept in mind: that while we maintain the status quo, more needs to be done. Bankruptcy courts have been performing admirably but under critical strain. So while the bankruptcy courts' workload increases, judicial resources are, in fact, diminishing. And that's why we're authorizing new judicial membership in the bankruptcy courts in the coming year, if everything works out as we anticipate.

Right now, though, we merely ask the House of Representatives to support the bill that I and Chairman SMITH have cosponsored which would maintain the new judges that are on the bench but will not add any more.

I urge your support for the additional judgeships.

I reserve the balance of my time.

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

Mr. CONYERS. I yield such time as he may consume to the distinguished gentleman from Georgia, Mr. HANK JOHNSON, a member of the committee.

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia. I thank the ranking member.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 1021, the Temporary Bankruptcy Judgeships Extension Act of 2011, sponsored by my good friend Representative SMITH of Texas, who is also the chair of the Judiciary Committee, which I am pleased to serve on.

I would point out how ironic it is because we are now in the 336th day of this reign of the Tea Party Republican Party, which is unalterably linked with the notorious Grover Norquist and his tax pledge, his pledge to not raise taxes. We're getting ready, Mr. Speaker, to get to the end of this year, and

we still have 160 million Americans at risk of suffering a tax increase, \$1,000 a person on average. I don't know how many millions of dollars that would take out of consumers' pockets. And I don't hear Grover Norquist or the Tea Party Republicans crying about that. If it's the middle class, the working people tax increase, it's okay. If it is the top 1 percent making over a million bucks a year, then "you can't touch this." Well, I think the American people know that it's "hammer time" out here. It's time for there to be justice and fairness for all under the law. And it's ironic we need these bankruptcy court judges' tenures to be extended, as this Act would allow, because there's going to be more bankruptcies filed.

Just \$1,000 can push a person over the edge in terms of their solvency. People are now just living paycheck to paycheck, hand-to-mouth, trying to determine whether or not we're going to pay the light bill or whether or not we're going to get the medication that we need in order to be healthy. People are deciding whether or not to pay the gas bill or whether or not they're going to be able to eat more than ramen noodles every night for the month. So \$1,000 means a lot. It may not mean a lot to a millionaire, one of those top 1 percent that my Tea Party Republican friends so heartily support, but it will hurt the little man and woman and their families, especially at Christmas time.

At a time when the corporate chieftains are getting their bonuses, multi-million-dollar bonuses based on increased profits, we're still left on December 6 with people being worried about whether or not they're going to suffer a tax increase on January 1. So let's not impose an average \$1,000—actually, \$1,500; let's not impose the threat of a \$1,500 tax increase on the middle class and working people by failing to do what we should have done much earlier. There's no reason why we have not done this, why we have not expanded the payroll tax cut that was enacted last year. Let's keep that \$1,500 in the pockets of the average middle class family. Let's try to keep down the need for people to go into bankruptcy court. Let's at some point let it expire, the number of bankruptcy court judges temporarily serving.

Mr. CONYERS. I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. SMITH) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1021, as amended.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order: ordering the previous question on House Resolution 479; adopting House Resolution 479, if ordered; and suspending the rules and passing H.R. 2471.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 10, REGULATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE IN NEED OF SCRUTINY ACT OF 2011, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on the resolution (H. Res. 479) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 10) to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law, and for other purposes, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 236, nays 184, not voting 13, as follows:

[Roll No. 889]
YEAS—236

Adams	Coffman (CO)	Gosar
Aderholt	Cole	Gowdy
Amash	Conaway	Granger
Amodei	Cravaack	Graves (GA)
Austria	Crawford	Graves (MO)
Bachus	Crenshaw	Griffin (AR)
Barletta	Culberson	Griffith (VA)
Bartlett	Davis (KY)	Grimm
Barton (TX)	Denham	Guinta
Bass (NH)	Dent	Guthrie
Benishkek	DesJarlais	Hall
Berg	Diaz-Balart	Hanna
Biggert	Dold	Harper
Bilbray	Dreier	Harris
Bilirakis	Duffy	Hartzler
Bishop (UT)	Duncan (SC)	Hastings (WA)
Black	Duncan (TN)	Hayworth
Blackburn	Ellmers	Heck
Bonner	Emerson	Hensarling
Bono Mack	Farenthold	Herger
Boustany	Fincher	Herrera Beutler
Brady (TX)	Fitzpatrick	Huelskamp
Brooks	Flake	Hultgren (MI)
Broun (GA)	Fleischmann	Hultgren
Buchanan	Fleming	Hunter
Bucshon	Flores	Hurt
Buerkle	Forbes	Issa
Burgess	Fortenberry	Jenkins
Burton (IN)	Fox	Johnson (IL)
Calvert	Franks (AZ)	Johnson (OH)
Camp	Frelinghuysen	Johnson, Sam
Campbell	Galleghy	Jones
Canseco	Gardner	Jordan
Cantor	Garrett	Kelly
Capito	Gerlach	King (IA)
Carter	Gibbs	King (NY)
Cassidy	Gibson	Kingston
Chabot	Gingrey (GA)	Kinzinger (IL)
Chaffetz	Gohmert	Kline
Coble	Goodlatte	Labrador

Lamborn
Lance
Landry
Lankford
Latham
LaTourette
Latta
Lewis (CA)
LoBiondo
Long
Lucas
Luettkemeyer
Lummis
Lungren, Daniel E.
Mack
Manzullo
Marchant
McCarthy (CA)
McCaul
McClintock
McCotter
McHenry
McKeon
McKinley
McMorris
Rodgers
Meehan
Mica
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Miller, Gary
Mulvaney
Murphy (PA)
Neugebauer
Noem
Nugent
Nunes
Nunnelee
Olson

NAYS—184

Ackerman
Altmire
Andrews
Baca
Baldwin
Barrow
Bass (CA)
Becerra
Berkley
Berman
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Blumenauer
Boren
Boswell
Brady (PA)
Braley (IA)
Brown (FL)
Butterfield
Capps
Capuano
Carnahan
Carney
Carson (IN)
Chandler
Chu
Cicilline
Clarke (MI)
Clarke (NY)
Clay
Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Connolly (VA)
Conyers
Cooper
Costa
Costello
Courtney
Critz
Crowley
Cuellar
Cummings
Davis (CA)
Davis (IL)
DeFazio
DeGette
DeLauro
Deutch
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Donnelly (IN)
Doyle
Edwards
Ellison
Engel

Palazzo
Paul
Paulsen
Pearce
Pence
Petri
Pitts
Platts
Poe (TX)
Pompeo
Posey
Price (GA)
Quayle
Reed
Rehberg
Reichert
Renacci
Ribble
Rigell
Rivera
Robby
Roe (TN)
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher
Rokita
Rooney
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Ross (FL)
Royce
Runyan
Ryan (WI)
Schalise
Schilling
Schmidt
Schock
Schweikert
Scott (SC)

Scott, Austin
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shimkus
Shuler
Shuster
Simpson
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Southerland
Stearns
Stivers
Stutzman
Sullivan
Terry
Thompson (PA)
Thornberry
Tiberi
Tipton
Turner (NY)
Turner (OH)
Upton
Walberg
Walden
Walsh (IL)
Webster
West
Westmoreland
Whitfield
Wilson (SC)
Wittman
Wolf
Womack
Woodall
Yoder
Young (AK)
Young (IN)

Tonko
Towns
Tsongas
Van Hollen
Velazquez
Visclosky

NOT VOTING—13

Akin
Alexander
Bachmann
Cardoza
Castor (FL)

Walz (MN)
Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Watt
Waxman

Welch
Wilson (FL)
Woolsey
Yarmuth

Giffords
Hinchev
Inslee
Lowey
Marino

Paul
Paulsen
Pearce
Pence
Peterson
Petri
Pitts
Platts
Poe (TX)
Pompeo
Posey
Price (GA)
Quayle
Reed
Rehberg
Reichert
Renacci
Ribble
Rigell
Rivera
Robby
Roe (TN)
Rogers (AL)
Rogers (KY)
Rogers (MI)
Rohrabacher

Rokita
Rooney
Ros-Lehtinen
Roskam
Ross (FL)
Royce
Runyan
Ryan (WI)
Schalise
Schilling
Schmidt
Schock
Schweikert
Scott (SC)
Scott, Austin
Sensenbrenner
Sessions
Shimkus
Shuler
Shuster
Simpson
Smith (NE)
Smith (NJ)
Smith (TX)
Southerland
Stearns

Stivers
Stutzman
Sullivan
Terry
Thompson (PA)
Thornberry
Tiberi
Tipton
Turner (NY)
Turner (OH)
Upton
Walberg
Walden
Walsh (IL)
Webster
West
Westmoreland
Whitfield
Wilson (SC)
Wittman
Wolf
Womack
Woodall
Yoder
Young (AK)
Young (IN)

□ 1607

Mr. COURTNEY and Ms. LORETTA SANCHEZ of California changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Ms. BUERKLE changed her vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

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

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

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 235, nays 180, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 890]

YEAS—235

Adams
Aderholt
Amash
Amodei
Austria
Bachus
Barletta
Bartlett
Barton (TX)
Bass (NH)
Benishek
Berg
Biggart
Bilbray
Bilirakis
Bishop (UT)
Black
Blackburn
Bonner
Bono Mack
Boren
Boustany
Brady (TX)
Brooks
Broun (GA)
Buchanan
Bucshon
Buerkle
Burgess
Burton (IN)
Calvert
Camp
Campbell
Canseco
Cantor
Capito
Carter
Cassidy
Chabot
Chaffetz
Coble
Coffman (CO)
Conaway
Crawford
Crenshaw
Culberson
Davis (KY)
Denham
Dent
DesJarlais
Diaz-Balart
Dold
Dreier

Duffy
Duncan (SC)
Duncan (TN)
Ellmers
Emerson
Farenthold
Fincher
Fitzpatrick
Flake
Fleischmann
Fleming
Flores
Forbes
Fortenberry
Foxy
Frelinghuysen
Gallegly
Gardner
Garrett
Gratch
Gibbs
Gibson
Gingrey (GA)
Gohmert
Goollatte
Gosar
Gowdy
Granger
Graves (GA)
Graves (MO)
Griffin (AR)
Griffith (VA)
Grimm
Guinta
Guthrie
Hall
Hanna
Harper
Harris
Hartzler
Hastings (WA)
Hayworth
Heck
Hensarling
Herger
Herrera Beutler
Huelskamp
Huitzenga (MI)
Hultgren
Hunter
Hurt
Issa
Jenkins

Johnson (IL)
Johnson (OH)
Johnson, Sam
Jones
Jordan
Kelly
King (NY)
Kingston
Kinzinger (IL)
Kline
Labrador
Lamborn
Lance
Landry
Lankford
Latham
LaTourette
Latta
LoBiondo
Long
Lucas
Luettkemeyer
Lummis
Lungren, Daniel E.
Mack
Manzullo
Marchant
Matheson
McCarthy (CA)
McCaul
McClintock
McCotter
McHenry
McIntyre
McKeon
McKinley
McMorris
Rodgers
Meehan
Mica
Miller (FL)
Miller (MI)
Miller, Gary
Mulvaney
Murphy (PA)
Neugebauer
Noem
Nugent
Nunes
Cardoza
Olson
Palazzo

Ackerman
Altmire
Andrews
Baca
Baldwin
Barrow
Bass (CA)
Becerra
Berkley
Berman
Bishop (GA)
Bishop (NY)
Blumenauer
Boswell
Brady (PA)
Braley (IA)
Brown (FL)
Butterfield
Capps
Capuano
Carnahan
Carney
Carson (IN)
Chandler
Chu
Cicilline
Clarke (MI)
Clarke (NY)
Clay
Cleaver
Clyburn
Cohen
Connolly (VA)
Conyers
Cooper
Costa
Costello
Courtney
Critz
Crowley
Cuellar
Cummings
Davis (CA)
Davis (IL)
DeFazio
DeGette
DeLauro
Deutch
Dicks
Dingell
Doggett
Donnelly (IN)
Doyle
Edwards
Ellison
Engel
Eshoo
Farr
Fattah
Filner
Frank (MA)

NAYS—180

Fudge
Gonzalez
Green, Al
Green, Gene
Grijalva
Gutierrez
Hahn
Hanabusa
Hastings (FL)
Heinrich
Higgins
Himes
Hinojosa
Hirono
Hochul
Hochul
Holden
Holt
Honda
Hoyer
Israel
Jackson (IL)
Jackson Lee
(TX)
Johnson (GA)
Johnson, E. B.
Kaptur
Keating
Kildee
Kind
Kissell
Kucinich
Langevin
Larsen (WA)
Larson (CT)
Lee (CA)
Levin
Lewis (GA)
Lipinski
Loeb sack
Lofgren, Zoe
Lowey
Lujan
Lynch
Maloney
Markey
Matsui
McCarthy (NY)
McCollum
McDermott
McGovern
McNerney
McIntyre
Doyle
Edwards
Ellison
Miller, George
Moore
Moran
Murphy (CT)
Napolitano
Neal
Oliver

Owens
Pallone
Pascarell
Pastor (AZ)
Payne
Pelosi
Perlmutter
Peters
Pingree (ME)
Polis
Price (NC)
Quigley
Rahall
Rangel
Reyes
Richardson
Richmond
Ross (AR)
Rothman (NJ)
Royal-Allard
Ruppersberger
Rush
Ryan (OH)
Sanchez, Linda T.
Sanchez, Loretta
Sarbanes
Schakowsky
Schiff
Schradler
Schwartz
Scott (VA)
Scott, David
Serrano
Sewell
Sherman
Sires
Slaughter
Smith (WA)
Speier
Stark
Sutton
Thompson (CA)
Thompson (MS)
Tierney
Tonko
Towns
Tsongas
Van Hollen
Velazquez
Visclosky
Walz (MN)
Wasserman
Schultz
Waters
Watt
Waxman
Welch
Wilson (FL)
Woolsey
Yarmuth

NOT VOTING—18

Akin
Alexander
Bachmann
Cardoza
Castor (FL)
Cole

Cravaack
Franks (AZ)
Garamendi
Myrick
Hinchev
Inslee

King (IA)
Lewis (CA)
Marino
Myrick
Nadler
Young (FL)

□ 1613

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.

ONLINE CONSENT FOR SHARING VIDEO SERVICE USE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2471) to amend section 2710 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify that a videotape service provider may obtain a consumer's informed, written consent on an ongoing basis and that consent may be obtained through the Internet, as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.
The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOODLATTE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This will be a 5-minute vote.
The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 303, nays 116, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 891]

YEAS—303

Adams	Connolly (VA)	Green, Gene
Aderholt	Conyers	Griffin (AR)
Altmire	Cooper	Griffith (VA)
Amash	Costa	Grimm
Amodei	Courtney	Guinta
Andrews	Crawaack	Guthrie
Austria	Crawford	Hall
Bachus	Crenshaw	Hanna
Barletta	Critz	Harper
Barrow	Cuellar	Harris
Bartlett	Davis (CA)	Hartzler
Bass (NH)	Davis (KY)	Hastings (WA)
Benishek	Denham	Hayworth
Berg	Dent	Heck
Berkley	DesJarlais	Heinrich
Berman	Deutch	Hensarling
Biggert	Diaz-Balart	Heger
Bilbray	Doggett	Higgins
Bilirakis	Dold	Hochul
Bishop (UT)	Donnelly (IN)	Holden
Black	Doyle	Honda
Blackburn	Dreier	Hoyer
Blumenauer	Duffy	Huelskamp
Bonner	Duncan (SC)	Huizenga (MI)
Bono Mack	Duncan (TN)	Hultgren
Boren	Ellmers	Hunter
Boswell	Emerson	Hurt
Boustany	Eshoo	Israel
Brady (PA)	Farr	Issa
Brady (TX)	Filner	Jenkins
Braley (IA)	Fincher	Johnson (OH)
Brooks	Fitzpatrick	Johnson, Sam
Broun (GA)	Flake	Jordan
Buchanan	Fleischmann	Kelly
Buchson	Fleming	King (IA)
Buerkle	Flores	King (NY)
Burgess	Forbes	Kingston
Burton (IN)	Fortenberry	Kinzinger (IL)
Calvert	Fox	Kline
Camp	Franks (AZ)	Labrador
Campbell	Frelinghuysen	Lamborn
Canseco	Galleghy	Lance
Cantor	Gardner	Landry
Capito	Garrett	Langevin
Capps	Gerlach	Lankford
Carney	Gibbs	Larsen (WA)
Carter	Gibson	Latham
Cassidy	Gingrey (GA)	LaTourette
Chabot	Gonzalez	Latta
Chaffetz	Goodlatte	Lewis (CA)
Chu	Gosar	Lipinski
Coble	Govdy	LoBiondo
Coffman (CO)	Granger	Lofgren, Zoe
Cole	Graves (GA)	Long
Conaway	Graves (MO)	Lucas

Luetkemeyer	Pence
Lujan	Perlmutter
Lummis	Peters
Lungren, Daniel E.	Petri
Lynch	Pitts
Mack	Platts
Manzullo	Poe (TX)
Marchant	Polis
Matheson	Pompeo
Matsui	Posey
McCarthy (CA)	Price (GA)
McCarthy (NY)	Quayle
McCaul	Quigley
McClintock	Rahall
McCollum	Reed
McCotter	Rehberg
McHenry	Reichert
McIntyre	Renacci
McKeon	Ribble
McKinley	Rigell
McMorris	Rivera
Rodgers	Roby
McNerney	Roe (TN)
Meehan	Rogers (AL)
Mica	Rogers (KY)
Michaud	Rogers (MI)
Miller (FL)	Rohrabacher
Miller (MI)	Rokita
Miller, Gary	Rooney
Mulvaney	Ros-Lehtinen
Murphy (CT)	Roskam
Murphy (PA)	Ross (AR)
Neugebauer	Ross (FL)
Noem	Rothman (NJ)
Nugent	Royce
Nunes	Runyan
Nunnelee	Ruppersberger
Olson	Ryan (WI)
Owens	Sánchez, Linda T.
Palazzo	Sanchez, Loretta
Pallone	Sarbanes
Pascarella	Scalise
Paul	Schilling
Paulsen	Schmidt
Pearce	Schock
Pelosi	Schrader

NAYS—116

Ackerman	Gutierrez
Baca	Hahn
Baldwin	Hanabusa
Barton (TX)	Hastings (FL)
Bass (CA)	Herrera Beutler
Becerra	Himes
Bishop (GA)	Hinojosa
Bishop (NY)	Hirono
Brown (FL)	Holt
Butterfield	Jackson (IL)
Capuano	Jackson Lee
Carnahan	(TX)
Carson (IN)	Johnson (GA)
Chandler	Johnson (IL)
Cicilline	Johnson, E. B.
Clarke (MI)	Jones
Clarke (NY)	Kaptur
Clay	Keating
Cleaver	Kildee
Clyburn	Kind
Cohen	Kissell
Costello	Kucinich
Crowley	Larson (CT)
Culberson	Lee (CA)
Cummings	Levin
Davis (IL)	Lewis (GA)
DeFazio	Loeb
DeGette	Loeb
DeLauro	Lowey
Dingell	Maloney
Edwards	Markey
Ellison	McDermott
Engel	McGovern
Farenthold	Meeke
Fattah	Miller (NC)
Frank (MA)	Miller, George
Fudge	Moore
Garamendi	Moran
Green, Al	Napolitano
Grijalva	Neal
	Oliver

NOT VOTING—14

Akin	Dicks	Marino
Alexander	Giffords	Myrick
Bachmann	Gohmert	Nadler
Cardoza	Hinche	Young (FL)
Castor (FL)	Inslee	

□ 1621

Mr. RUSH changed his vote from "yea" to "nay."
So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. AKIN. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 889, 890 and 891, I was delayed and unable to vote. Had I been present I would have voted "yea" on all three.

□ 1620

GIVING CONGRESSIONAL CONSENT TO MISSOURI AND ILLINOIS BI-STATE DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Mr. GOHMERT. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution (S.J. Res. 22) to grant the consent of Congress to an amendment to the compact between the States of Missouri and Illinois providing that bonds issued by the Bi-State Development Agency may mature in not to exceed 40 years, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the joint resolution.

The text of the joint resolution is as follows:

S.J. RES. 22

Whereas to grant the consent of Congress to an amendment to the compact between the States of Missouri and Illinois providing that bonds issued by the Bi-State Development Agency may mature in not to exceed 40 years;

Whereas the Congress in consenting to the compact between Missouri and Illinois creating the Bi-State Development Agency and the Bi-State Metropolitan District provided that no power shall be exercised by the Bi-State Agency until such power has been conferred upon the Bi-State Agency by the legislatures of the States to the compact and approved by an Act of Congress;

Whereas such States previously enacted legislation providing that the Bi-State Agency had the power to issue notes, bonds, or other instruments in writing provided they shall mature in not to exceed 30 years, and Congress consented to such power; and

Whereas such States have now enacted legislation amending this power: Now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. CONSENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The consent of Congress is given to the amendment of the powers conferred on the Bi-State Development Agency by Senate Bill 758, Laws of Missouri 2010 and Public Act 96-1520 (Senate Bill 3342), Laws of Illinois 2010.

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment to the powers conferred by the Acts consented to in subsection (a) shall take effect on December 17, 2010.

SEC. 2. APPLICATION OF ACT OF AUGUST 31, 1950.

The provisions of the Act of August 31, 1950 (64 Stat. 568) shall apply to the amendment approved under this joint resolution to the same extent as if such amendment was conferred under the provisions of the compact consented to in such Act.

SEC. 3. RIGHT TO ALTER, AMEND, OR REPEAL.

The right to alter, amend, or repeal this joint resolution is expressly reserved.