

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. TRONE) and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. BOST) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from New Jersey.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and to insert extraneous material on H.R. 7153, as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New Jersey?

There was no objection.

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 7153, as amended, the Department of Veterans Affairs Principles of Benefits Automation Act, introduced by Ranking Member BOST.

This bill provides clarification on the sense of Congress on the automation of benefits claims and requires the VA to submit to Congress a plan for modernization of the information technology systems of the Veterans Benefits Administration.

As the VA moves toward greater automation, we must ensure that the VA does automation the right way for all stakeholders, including both veterans and the workforce. It is also important for the VA to identify systems in need of modernization to support successful implementation of bills, such as the PACT Act, and important initiatives such as the Secretary's announcement of several new presumptions.

I will reinforce that. On the topic of automation, it is not the intent of Congress or the VA to use automation on claims to eliminate, reduce, or contract out the duties of the VBA workforce. We intend to conduct close oversight of the use of automation and potential expansion. This bill is part of those efforts.

When implemented in the right way, automation has the potential to reduce the day-to-day burden of employees by diminishing menial tasks and allowing the dedicated VA staff to focus on the kind of work that truly needs a human touch. Such an approach stands to benefit the ultimate consumer of the VA: our veterans.

Madam Speaker, I support this bill and encourage my colleagues to support it as well, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. BOST. Madam Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of my bill, H.R. 7153, the Department of Veterans Affairs Principles of Benefits Automation Act.

The VA is embracing automation more than ever before. The early results are promising. When used properly, automation can improve claims processing for veterans. However, I am concerned that the VA has already started multiple automation projects

without a clear plan or measurable goals. There is no consistent guidance from the VA on when, why, or how automation should be used.

H.R. 7153 will establish the sense of Congress that the VA should increase automation in benefits processing, according to certain principles. Automation should increase the speed, accuracy, and consistency of claims processing. Automation should also enhance employee productivity. Automation should always protect veterans' privacy and preserve their rights to due process.

However, automation should not necessarily eliminate or reduce the VBA workforce. Employees should always make the final decision about approving claims and granting benefits. Let me be clear: The sense of Congress is that automation should enhance and support VBA employees, not replace them. I think these guiding principles will improve the claims process for veterans and beneficiaries.

Finally, my bill will require VA to submit a plan to Congress to modernize its benefits IT system over the next 5 years. This plan is crucial.

The expansion of benefits for toxic-exposed veterans will put an incredible strain on these IT systems. We need to be ready.

Madam Speaker, I ask all of my colleagues to support this legislation, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. TRONE. Madam Speaker, I ask all my colleagues to join me in passing H.R. 7153, as amended, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. TRONE) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 7153, as amended.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds being in the affirmative, the ayes have it.

Mr. BISHOP of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(s) of House Resolution 8, the yeas and nays are ordered.

Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion are postponed.

#### RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess until approximately 6:30 p.m. today.

Accordingly (at 4 o'clock and 25 minutes p.m.), the House stood in recess.

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#### AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Ms. SCHRIER) at 6 o'clock and 31 minutes p.m.

#### 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:

H.R. 6824;

H.R. 6825;

H.R. 5658.

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

#### PRESIDENT'S CUP CYBER SECURITY COMPETITION ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6824) to authorize the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency of the Department of Homeland Security to hold an annual cybersecurity competition relating to offensive and defensive cybersecurity disciplines, and for other purposes, 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 New Jersey (Mr. MALINOWSKI) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 386, nays 31, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 183]

#### YEAS—386

Adams	Cammack	Dean
Aderholt	Carbajal	DeFazio
Aguilar	Cárdenas	DeGette
Allen	Carey	DeLauro
Allred	Carl	DeBene
Amodei	Carson	Delgado
Armstrong	Carter (GA)	Demings
Auchincloss	Carter (LA)	DeSaulnier
Axne	Cartwright	DesJarlais
Bacon	Case	Deutch
Baird	Casten	Diaz-Balart
Balderson	Castor (FL)	Dingell
Banks	Castro (TX)	Doggett
Barr	Cawthorn	Doyle, Michael
Barragán	Chabot	F.
Bass	Cheney	Duncan
Beatty	Cherfilus	Dunn
Bentz	McCormick	Ellzey
Bera	Chu	Escobar
Bergman	Cicilline	Eshoo
Beyer	Clark (MA)	Espallat
Bice (OK)	Clarke (NY)	Estes
Bilirakis	Cleaver	Evans
Bishop (GA)	Cloud	Fallon
Bishop (NC)	Clyburn	Feenstra
Blumenauer	Cohen	Ferguson
Blunt Rochester	Cole	Fischbach
Bonamici	Comer	Fitzgerald
Bost	Connolly	Fitzpatrick
Bourdeaux	Cooper	Fleischmann
Bowman	Correa	Fletcher
Boyle, Brendan	Costa	Foster
F.	Courtney	Fox
Brady	Craig	Frankel, Lois
Brooks	Crawford	Franklin, C.
Brown (MD)	Crenshaw	Scott
Brown (OH)	Crist	Fulcher
Brownley	Crow	Gaetz
Buchanan	Cuellar	Gallagher
Bucshon	Curtis	Gallo
Bush	Davids (KS)	Garamendi
Bustos	Davidson	Garbarino
Butterfield	Davis, Danny K.	Garcia (CA)
Calvert	Davis, Rodney	Garcia (IL)

Garcia (TX)	Lieu	Ruiz
Jimenez	Lofgren	Ruppersberger
Golden	Long	Rush
Gomez	Lowenthal	Rutherford
Gonzales, Tony	Lucas	Ryan
Gonzalez (OH)	Luetkemeyer	Salazar
Gonzalez,	Luria	Sanchez
Vicente	Lynch	Sarbanes
Gooden (TX)	Mace	Scalise
Gottheimer	Malinowski	Schakowsky
Granger	Malliotakis	Schiff
Graves (LA)	Maloney,	Schneider
Graves (MO)	Carolyn B.	Schrier
Green (TN)	Maloney, Sean	Schweikert
Green, Al (TX)	Mann	Scott (VA)
Grijalva	Manning	Scott, Austin
Grothman	Matsui	Scott, David
Guthrie	McBath	Sessions
Harder (CA)	McCarthy	Sewell
Harshbarger	McCaul	Sherman
Hartzler	McClain	Sherrill
Hayes	McCollum	Sires
Hern	McEachin	Slotkin
Herrera Beutler	McGovern	Smith (MO)
Higgins (LA)	McHenry	Smith (NE)
Higgins (NY)	McKinley	Smith (NJ)
Hill	McNerney	Smith (WA)
Himes	Meeks	Smucker
Hinson	Meijer	Soto
Hollingsworth	Meng	Spanberger
Horsford	Meuser	Spartz
Houlahan	Mfume	Speier
Hoyer	Miller (WV)	Stansbury
Hudson	Miller-Meeks	Stanton
Huffman	Moolenaar	Stauber
Huizenga	Mooney	Steel
Issa	Moore (AL)	Stefanik
Jackson Lee	Moore (UT)	Steil
Jacobs (CA)	Moore (WI)	Stevens
Jacobs (NY)	Morelle	Stewart
Jayapal	Moulton	Strozziland
Jeffries	Mrvan	Suozzi
Johnson (GA)	Murphy (FL)	Swalwell
Johnson (LA)	Murphy (NC)	Takano
Johnson (OH)	Nadler	Taylor
Johnson (SD)	Napolitano	Tenney
Johnson (TX)	Neal	Thompson (CA)
Jones	Neguse	Thompson (MS)
Joyce (OH)	Nehls	Thompson (PA)
Joyce (PA)	Newhouse	Tiffany
Kahele	Newman	Timmons
Kaptur	Norcross	Titus
Katko	O'Halleran	Tlaib
Keating	Obornolte	Tonko
Keller	Ocasio-Cortez	Torres (CA)
Kelly (IL)	Omar	Torres (NY)
Kelly (MS)	Owens	Trahan
Kelly (PA)	Palazzo	Trone
Khanna	Pallone	Turner
Kildee	Palmer	Underwood
Kilmer	Panetta	Upton
Kim (CA)	Pappas	Valadao
Kim (NJ)	Pascrell	Van Drew
Kind	Payne	Vargas
Kinzinger	Pence	Veasey
Kirkpatrick	Perlmutter	Velázquez
Krishnamoorthi	Peters	Wagner
Kuster	Pfluger	Walberg
Kustoff	Phillips	Walorski
LaHood	Pingree	Waltz
LaMalfa	Pocan	Wasserman
Lamb	Porter	Schultz
Lamborn	Posey	Waters
Langevin	Pressley	Watson Coleman
Larsen (WA)	Price (NC)	Webster (FL)
Larson (CT)	Quigley	Welch
Latta	Raskin	Wenstrup
LaTurner	Reschenthaler	Westerman
Lawrence	Rice (NY)	Wexton
Lawson (FL)	Rice (SC)	Wild
Lee (CA)	Rodgers (WA)	Williams (GA)
Lee (NV)	Rogers (AL)	Wilson (FL)
Leger Fernandez	Rogers (KY)	Wilson (SC)
Lesko	Rose	Wittman
Letlow	Ross	Womack
Levin (CA)	Rouzer	Yarmuth
Levin (MI)	Roybal-Allard	Zeldin

NAYS—31

Babin	Donalds	Jackson
Biggs	Emmer	Jordan
Boebert	Gohmert	Loudermilk
Buck	Good (VA)	McClintock
Burchett	Gosar	Miller (IL)
Burgess	Greene (GA)	Mullin
Carter (TX)	Harris	Norman
Cline	Herrell	
Clyde	Hice (GA)	

Perry	Roy	Van Duyne
Rosendale	Steube	Weber (TX)

NOT VOTING—11

Arrington	Guest	Schrader
Budd	Massie	Simpson
Gibbs	Mast	Williams (TX)
Griffith	Scanlon	

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Messrs. WEBER of Texas, McCLINTOCK, BURGESS, CARTER of Texas, CLYDE, CLINE, and Ms. HERRELL changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. GAETZ and Ms. WEXTON changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

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.

#### MEMBERS RECORDED PURSUANT TO HOUSE RESOLUTION 8, 117TH CONGRESS

Adams (Ross)	DeSaulnier	Meijer (Katko)
Allred (Wexton)	(Beyer)	Mooney (Miller)
Bass (Takano)	Deutch (Neguse)	(WV)
Beatty (Kaptur)	Dunn (Donalds)	Moulton
Bera (Connolly)	Escobar	(Neguse)
Bice (OK)	(Khanna)	Neal (Beyer)
(Lucas)	Eshoo (Beyer)	Nehls (Babin)
Bilirakis	Evans (Beyer)	Ocasio-Cortez
(Kustoff)	Fallon (Jackson)	(Takano)
Bishop (GA)	Fleischmann	Payne (Pallone)
(Thompson	(Kustoff)	Pocan (Beyer)
MS))	Gohmert (Weber	Porter (Wexton)
Bourdeaux	(TX))	Roybal-Allard
(Wexton)	Gomez (Soto)	(Correa)
Bowman (Garcia	Gosar (Gaetz)	Ruiz (Correa)
TX))	Granger (Tony	Rush (Jeffries)
Boyle, Brendan	Gonzales (TX))	Ryan (Kaptur)
F. (Neguse)	Grijalva (Garcia	Scott, David
Brooks (Moore	(IL))	(Jeffries)
(AL))	Hartzler	Sewell (Cicilline)
Brown (MD)	(DesJarlais)	Sherrill
(Blunt	Hayes (Blunt	(Pallone)
Rochester)	Rochester)	Sires (Pallone)
Brownley	Jackson Lee	Spanberger
(Kuster)	(Cicilline)	(Beyer)
Butterfield	Jayapal	Spartz (Miller-
(Ross)	(Takano)	Meeks)
Cárdenas (Soto)	Johnson (TX)	Staubert
Castro (TX)	(Jeffries)	(Bergman)
(Garcia (TX))	Kahele (Neguse)	Stewart (Owens)
Cawthorn (Moore	Keating	Suozzi (Beyer)
(AL))	(Connolly)	Taylor (Van
Clarke (NY)	Kelly (IL) (Blunt	Duyne)
(Blunt	Rochester)	Torres (NY)
Rochester)	Kelly (PA)	(Neguse)
Costa (Correa)	(Keller)	Trahan (Beyer)
Craig (Pallone)	Kirkpatrick	Veasey (Garcia
Cuellar (Garcia	(Pallone)	(TX))
(TX))	Lamb (Pallone)	Walorski
Curtis (Owens)	Langevin	(Buchson)
Davids (KS)	(Connolly)	Welch (Pallone)
(Jeffries)	Lynch (Connolly)	Wilson (FL)
Davis, Danny K.	McEachin	(Neguse)
(Foster)	(Wexton)	Wilson (SC)
Delgado (Neguse)	McHenry	(Timmons)
	(Wagner)	Yarmuth (Beyer)

#### NONPROFIT SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 2022

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 6825) to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to enhance the funding and administration of the Non-profit Security Grant Program of the Department of Homeland Security, and for other purposes, 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 New Jersey (Mr. MALINOWSKI) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 288, nays 129, not voting 11, as follows:

[Roll No. 184]

YEAS—288

Adams	Eshoo	Lynch
Aguiar	Espallat	Mace
Allred	Evans	Malinowski
Auchincloss	Fitzpatrick	Malliotakis
Axne	Fletcher	Maloney,
Bacon	Foster	Carolyn B.
Barr	Frankel, Lois	Maloney, Sean
Barragán	Gallagher	Manning
Bass	Gallego	Matsui
Beatty	Garamendi	McBath
Bera	Garbarino	McCaul
Bergman	Garcia (CA)	McCollum
Beyer	Garcia (IL)	McEachin
Bice (OK)	Garcia (TX)	McGovern
Bishop (GA)	Gimenez	McHenry
Blumenauer	Golden	McKinley
Blunt Rochester	Gomez	McNerney
Bonamici	Gonzales, Tony	Meeks
Bost	Gonzalez (OH)	Meijer
Bourdeaux	Gonzalez,	Meng
Bowman	Vicente	Mfume
Boyle, Brendan	Gottheimer	Miller-Meeks
F.	Granger	Mooney
Brady	Green, Al (TX)	Moore (UT)
Brown (MD)	Grijalva	Moore (WI)
Brown (OH)	Guthrie	Morelle
Brownley	Harder (CA)	Moulton
Buchanan	Hayes	Mrvan
Bush	Herrera Beutler	Murphy (FL)
Bustos	Higgins (NY)	Nadler
Butterfield	Himes	Napolitano
Calvert	Hinson	Neal
Carbajal	Horsford	Neguse
Cárdenas	Houlahan	Newhouse
Carl	Hoyer	Newman
Carson	Hudson	Norcross
Carter (LA)	Huffman	O'Halleran
Cartwright	Issa	Ocasio-Cortez
Case	Jackson Lee	Omar
Casten	Jacobs (CA)	Owens
Castor (FL)	Jacobs (NY)	Pallone
Castro (TX)	Jayapal	Panetta
Cawthorn	Jeffries	Pappas
Chabot	Johnson (GA)	Pascarell
Cherfilus-	Johnson (OH)	Payne
McCormick	Johnson (TX)	Perlmutter
Chu	Jones	Peters
Cicilline	Joyce (OH)	Phillips
Clark (MA)	Kahele	Pingree
Clarke (NY)	Kaptur	Pocan
Cleaver	Katko	Porter
Clyburn	Keating	Pressley
Cohen	Keller	Price (NC)
Cole	Kelly (IL)	Quigley
Connolly	Kelly (PA)	Raskin
Cooper	Khanna	Reschenthaler
Correa	Kildee	Rice (NY)
Costa	Kilmer	Rogers (AL)
Courtney	Kim (CA)	Rogers (KY)
Craig	Kim (NJ)	Ross
Crist	Kind	Roybal-Allard
Crow	Kinzinger	Ruiz
Cuellar	Kirkpatrick	Ruppersberger
Curtis	Krishnamoorthi	Rush
Davids (KS)	Kuster	Rutherford
Davidson	Lamb	Ryan
Davis, Danny K.	Lamborn	Salazar
Davis, Rodney	Langevin	Sánchez
Dean	Larsen (WA)	Sarbanes
DeFazio	Larson (CT)	Schakowsky
DeGette	Latta	Schiff
DeLauro	Lawrence	Schneider
DelBene	Lawson (FL)	Schrader
Delgado	Lee (CA)	Schrier
Demings	Lee (NV)	Scott (VA)
DeSaulnier	Leger Fernandez	Scott, David
Deutch	Levin (CA)	Sewell
Diaz-Balart	Levin (MI)	Sherman
Dingell	Lieu	Sherrill
Doggett	Lofgren	Sires
Doyle, Michael	Lowenthal	Slotkin
F.	Lucas	Smith (WA)
Escobar	Luria	Soto