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Maloy	Peltola	Stansbury
Manning	Perez	Stanton
Mast	Peters	Steel
Matsui	Petterson	Stefanik
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McCollum	Pressley	Sykes
McGarvey	Quigley	Takano
McGovern	Ramirez	Thanedar
McHenry	Raskin	Thompson (CA)
Meeks	Reschenthaler	Thompson (PA)
Menendez	Rodgers (WA)	Titus
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Meuser	Ross	Tokuda
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Miller (OH)	Ruiz	Torres (CA)
Miller (WV)	Rulli	Torres (NY)
Miller-Meeks	Ruppersberger	Trahan
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Moore (UT)	Ryan	Turner
Moore (WI)	Salinas	Underwood
Moran	Sánchez	Valadao
Morelle	Sarbanes	Van Drew
Moskowitz	Scalise	Vargas
Moulton	Scanlon	Veasey
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Mullin	Schneider	Wagner
Murphy	Scholten	Wasserman
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Neguse	Scott, David	Webster (FL)
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Nickel	Sewell	Wild
Norcross	Sherman	Williams (GA)
Nunn (IA)	Sherrill	Williams (NY)
Oberholte	Simpson	Wilson (FL)
Ocasio-Cortez	Slotkin	Wilson (SC)
Omar	Smith (MO)	Wittman
Owens	Smith (NE)	Womack
Pallone	Smith (WA)	Zinke
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Arrington	Fry	Miller (IL)
Babin	Fulcher	Mills
Balderson	Gaetz	Moolenaar
Banks	Good (VA)	Mooney
Biggs	Gooden (TX)	Moore (AL)
Bishop (NC)	Gosar	Nehls
Boebert	Green (TN)	Norman
Brecheen	Greene (GA)	Ogles
Burchett	Grothman	Palmer
Burlison	Hageman	Perry
Cammack	Harris	Pfluger
Carter (TX)	Harshbarger	Posey
Cline	Hern	Rose
Cloud	Higgins (LA)	Rosendale
Clyde	Hudson	Roy
Collins	Huizenga	Scott, Austin
Crane	Hunt	Self
Crawford	Jackson (TX)	Smucker
Davidson	Jordan	Stauber
Donalds	Joyce (PA)	Steube
Duncan	Kelly (MS)	Strong
Edwards	LaMalfa	Tenney
Estes	Latta	Timmons
Ezell	Lesko	Van Dwyne
Fallon	Luttrell	Walberg
Finstad	Mann	Waltz
Fischbach	Massie	Weber (TX)
Fitzgerald	McClain	Westerman
Franklin, Scott	McCormick	Yakym

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Armstrong	Gallego	Salazar
Baird	Granger	Schiff
Blumenauer	Grijalva	Smith (NJ)
Bost	Jackson (NC)	Spartz
Buchanan	Kustoff	Swalwell
Bush	Lamborn	Thompson (MS)
Curtis	Lieu	Tiffany
Dingell	Lucas	Van Orden
Dunn (FL)	Luetkemeyer	Vasquez
Ellzey	Luna	Wexton
Espallat	Pence	Williams (TX)
Evans	Rogers (AL)	

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Mr. AUSTIN SCOTT of Georgia changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.” So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. SCHIFF. Mr. Speaker, due to unforeseen events, I was unfortunately unable to cast my vote for legislation considered on the House floor today. Had I been able to be present, I would have voted according to the following: NAY on Roll Call No. 418—H.R. 8314, No Foreign Election Interference Act and YEA on Roll Call No. 419—S. 2861, Billie Jean King Congressional Gold Medal Act.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. NEWHOUSE). The Chair will remind all persons in the gallery that they are here as guests of the House and that any manifestation of approval or disapproval of proceedings is in violation of the rules of the House.

REMOVAL OF NAME OF MEMBER AS COSPONSOR OF H.R. 9255

Mr. D'ESPOSITO. Mr. Speaker, I hereby remove my name as cosponsor of H.R. 9255.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman's request is granted.

MOMENT OF SILENCE TO HONOR THE LIFE OF CORPORAL MAHER HUSSEINI

(Mr. CRENSHAW asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CRENSHAW. Mr. Speaker, my colleagues and I are here tonight to honor the life of Harris County Precinct 4 Constable, Corporal Maher Hussein, who was senselessly murdered on September 3.

Maheer was an American by choice, immigrating here 30 years ago. He was my constituent. He lived the American Dream, starting a business and raising a family.

He also sought to serve the community he called home: Harris County and the city of Houston.

For 3 years, he was a proud and dedicated member of the thin blue line. He committed himself to training others who wanted to serve their country and community as a law enforcement officer.

Corporal Hussein leaves behind a wife, Jamila; and two sons, Amin and Jamil. His loss leaves an irreparable hole in their lives and the lives of all those impacted.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Texas (Mr. GREEN).

Mr. GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

I speak with a heavy heart because on occasions such as this, we are all reminded of the realistic possibility of losing a loved one without notice. It was without notice that a wife has lost her husband, that children have lost

their father, and America has lost a hero.

While Members of Congress do not always agree, today we stand shoulder to shoulder in our desire to see tragedies such as this cease within our Nation.

We want the family of this hero to know that we are forever grateful to them for sharing him with us. They are not only in our thoughts and prayers, they are also in our hearts.

Mr. CRENSHAW. Mr. Speaker, as Houstonians, Texans, and Americans, we want to thank him for his service and sacrifice, and, most of all, we thank his family.

At this time, Mr. Speaker, I ask the House to observe a moment of silence to honor Corporal Maher Hussein.

DENNIS JOHN BENIGNO TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY PROGRAM REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2024

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 7208) to reauthorize the Traumatic Brain Injury program, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 7208

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Dennis John Benigno Traumatic Brain Injury Program Reauthorization Act of 2024”.

SEC. 2. THE BILL PASCRELL, JR., NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY SURVEILLANCE AND REGISTRIES.

Section 393C of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280b-1d) is amended—

(1) by amending the section header to read as follows: “THE BILL PASCRELL, JR., NATIONAL PROGRAM FOR TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY SURVEILLANCE AND REGISTRIES”; and

(2) by striking subsection (b).

SEC. 3. PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF INJURIES.

Section 394A(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 280b-3(b)) is amended by striking “fiscal years 2020 through 2024” and inserting “fiscal years 2025 through 2029”.

SEC. 4. STATE GRANTS FOR PROJECTS REGARDING TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY.

Section 1252 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300d-52) is amended—

(1) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “that is not less than \$1 for each \$2 of Federal funds provided under the grant.” and inserting the following: “that is—

“(A) for fiscal years 2020 through 2024, not less than \$1 for each \$2 of Federal funds provided under the grant; and

“(B) for fiscal year 2025 and each succeeding fiscal year, not less than \$0.50 for each \$2 of Federal funds provided under the grant.”;

(2) by striking subsection (e);

(3) by redesignating subsections (f) through (i) as subsections (e) through (h), respectively;

(4) by amending subsection (g)(2), as so redesignated, to read as follows:

“(2)(A) The term ‘traumatic brain injury’ means an acquired injury to the brain.

“(B) Such term—

“(i) does not include brain dysfunction caused by congenital or degenerative disorders, nor birth trauma; and

“(ii) may include—

“(I) brain injuries caused by anoxia due to trauma; and

“(II) damage to the brain from an internal or external source that results in toxicity, surgery, or vascular disorders not associated with aging.

“(C) The Secretary may revise the definition of such term as the Secretary determines necessary, after consultation with States and other appropriate public or non-profit private entities.”; and

(5) in subsection (i), as so redesignated, by striking “fiscal years 2020 through 2024” and inserting “fiscal years 2025 through 2029”.

SEC. 5. STATE GRANTS FOR PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SERVICES.

Section 1253(l) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300d-53(l)) is amended by striking “fiscal years 2020 through 2024” and inserting “fiscal years 2025 through 2029”.

SEC. 6. REPORT ON DESIGNATING BRAIN INJURY AS A CHRONIC CONDITION.

The Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, shall—

(1) examine the evidence base for designating brain injury as a chronic condition that can impact individuals with brain injury across the lifespan; and

(2) not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act—

(A) submit to the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate a report detailing the findings, conclusions, and recommendations of the examination described in paragraph (1); and

(B) make publicly available on the website of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention the report described in subparagraph (A).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from Iowa (Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS) and the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. PALLONE) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Iowa.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and insert extraneous material in the RECORD on the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentlewoman from Iowa?

There was no objection.

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 7208, the Dennis John Benigno Traumatic Brain Injury Program Reauthorization Act of 2024 led by Congressman Bill Pascrell.

This bill will continue important resources for TBI prevention, help improve access to TBI rehabilitation, and support TBI patient advocacy systems.

From 2020 to 2021, there were over 200,000 TBI-related hospitalizations and almost 70,000 deaths. People 75 and older had the highest rates of TBI-related hospitalizations and deaths.

Recent data suggests that over 1.5 million Americans survive a traumatic brain injury each year. TBIs can im-

pact a person's life in many ways, putting patients at increased risk for depression, falls, and permanent cognitive decline.

This legislation would continue resources to help support States and other entities to ensure providers and patients are educated on the incidence of TBIs and improve methods to treat and prevent such incidents.

Mr. Speaker, I encourage my colleagues to support the bill, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 7208, the Dennis John Benigno Traumatic Brain Injury Program Reauthorization Act.

This bill was long championed by the late New Jersey Congressman Bill Pascrell. It reauthorizes a critical grant program to States through the Administration for Community Living, as well as data collection, surveillance, and analysis through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Before I talk about the importance of the bill, I want to take a moment to talk about our dear friend and colleague, Representative Bill Pascrell, Jr., who served here in this House for 27 years. He truly was the first son of Paterson and left an indelible mark on north Jersey throughout his public service career as a mayor, a public schoolteacher, an assemblyman, and a Congressman.

Simply put, he never, ever backed down from doing what was right and was always fighting for the little guy. So it is fitting today that we are considering legislation that he was extremely passionate about and embodied his tenacious spirit in supporting policies that made an impact in all of our communities.

First enacted in 1996 thanks to the tireless advocacy of Representative Pascrell, this law was the only Federal program which specifically addressed TBI prevention, research, and service delivery through grants to States.

Today, I am proud that this legislation will bear the names of two fierce advocates in the TBI community.

In his first term in Congress, Representative Pascrell founded the Congressional Traumatic Brain Injury Task Force after meeting with Dennis John Benigno.

Dennis John was a 15-year-old boy who was critically injured in 1984 after being struck by a car and suffered a severe brain injury that left him completely disabled. Before then, many in Congress had little firsthand knowledge about TBI or its forever long-term care impact on patients and families. This passion to share Dennis John's story and highlight the need of TBI research and support across the country became the successful law before us today.

This legislation will not only honor the legacy and courage of the Benigno family but also rename the national program to bear its biggest congress-

sional champion's name, the Representative Bill Pascrell, Jr. National Program for Traumatic Brain Injury Surveillance and Injury.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, there were more than 214,000 TBI-related hospitalizations in 2020 and more than 69,000 TBI-related deaths in 2021. These estimates do not include the many TBIs that are only treated in the emergency department, urgent care, primary care, or those who simply go untreated.

I urge my colleagues to continue the support for this program and the research, treatment, and data surveillance counted on by the 5.3 million people living with lifelong disabilities due to a TBI.

I thank Chair RODGERS and Subcommittee Chair GUTHRIE for their collaboration to advance this important bipartisan bill and to forever honor the legacy of its greatest champions.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues' support on a bipartisan basis, and I reserve the balance of my time.

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Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, in closing, I urge my colleagues to support this in the name of both Mr. Benigno and our colleague, Bill Pascrell, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, in closing, I encourage a “yes” vote on this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MOLINARO). The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Iowa (Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 7208, 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.

MEDICAID PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT ACT

Mrs. MILLER-MEEKS. Mr. Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 8111) to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to ensure the reliability of address information provided under the Medicaid program, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 8111

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Medicaid Program Improvement Act”.

SEC. 2. ENSURING THE RELIABILITY OF ADDRESS INFORMATION PROVIDED UNDER THE MEDICAID PROGRAM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1902(a) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (86), by striking “and” at the end;