

A lapse in authorities would also prohibit the FAA from making new obligations from the aviation trust fund to fund the FAA's important safety, operational, and research functions. Enacting a long-term and comprehensive FAA bill is the goal of both the House and the Senate. I remain committed to doing just that so Congress can deliver certainty to the aviation industry and the FAA.

Madam Speaker, I urge support for this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. STANTON. Madam Speaker, I thank Chairman GRAVES and Ranking Member LARSEN for putting this extension on the floor to give us more time to work towards a final FAA reauthorization.

Aviation is a \$32 billion industry in my home State of Arizona, and growing every day. Our airports are economic engines supporting thousands of jobs. A lapse in the FAA's authorization would be devastating, and today's short-term extension is necessary.

But a long-term, 5-year extension—one that updates Federal policies to meet our current challenges—is essential to ensure the U.S. remains the gold standard in aviation safety.

The House did our job—more than 6 months ago.

On the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, we worked in a bipartisan way to craft a strong, forward-looking FAA reauthorization that improves aircraft and runway safety and invests in our aviation infrastructure and workforce—especially our air traffic controllers.

Over the last year, there have been several near-miss incidents at Sky Harbor in Phoenix—one of the busiest airports in the world. I met with air traffic controllers there last week. They're over-worked and understaffed.

And Phoenix-Mesa Gateway, one of the fastest-growing commercial airports in the country, just opened a brand-new \$28 million terminal to keep up with passenger demand. But staffing shortages at their air traffic control tower have forced the airport to reduce operations at the tower by four hours each day.

The House's FAA reauthorization improves recruitment and retention of controllers, and sets up a pilot program to convert towers staffed by private companies, like Gateway, to be staffed by FAA controllers.

The bill we passed also takes meaningful steps—many I was proud to lead on—to improve the flying experience for passengers with disabilities.

My ADAPT Act, WHEELChairs on Airplanes Act, and MOBILE Act were included in the House-passed bill, so that passengers with mobility issues can have proper accommodations . . . from boarding to seating and everything in between.

Now I'm glad to see movement in the Senate on a companion reauthorization bill. I know I speak for many of my colleagues when I say we're eager to send a final FAA reauthorization to the President's desk as soon as possible. Our economy, and the safety of the flying public, depends on that.

In the meantime, I encourage my colleagues to vote yes on a short-term FAA extension through May 10th—hopefully our last.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of this bill, the Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2024.

This bill would temporarily extend specific Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) programs and activities through May 10, 2024.

I have always been a firm believer in the importance of comprehensive transportation and infrastructure funding.

As the proud representative of Texas' 18th District, I understand deeply the immense benefit that having a well-funded airport and airway system can bring to a city's economy.

The George Bush Intercontinental Airport, one of the largest and busiest airports in the world, resides in my district in the greater Houston area.

This airport alone has brought in over \$14.1 billion in revenue to the State of Texas, representing over 20 percent of Texas' total international trade.

At the national scale, a study conducted by Airports Council International found that America's airports account for more than 7 percent of America's GDP.

In addition, this revenue is only expected to grow, with a predicted compound annual growth rate of 8.76 percent from 2022 to 2028.

Reauthorizing funding will allow for the continued maintenance and effective functioning of airports just like IAH across the country.

The American people cannot afford a delay to this funding.

This bill will also allow for resources to be directed properly, ensuring that airports are not forced to redirect resources away from safety due to a lack of funding.

While we wait for our colleagues in the Senate to act on H.R. 3935, the "Securing Growth and Robust Leadership in American Aviation Act," this bill is a necessary extension of existing funding toward the aviation industry.

The bill currently sitting in the Senate would provide a more comprehensive, long-term FAA reauthorization that updates outdated policies regarding aviation safety and efficiency.

In the meantime, however, we must act now to ensure that FAA is getting the funding it needs to continue operations effectively.

I urge my colleagues to vote in support of this bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. GRAVES) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 7454.

The question was taken.

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

Mr. GRAVES of Missouri. Madam Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

#### EXTENSION OF CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS ACT, 2024

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I move to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 7463) making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The text of the bill is as follows:

H.R. 7463

*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 "Extension of Continuing Appropriations and Other Matters Act, 2024".

#### SEC. 2. TABLE OF CONTENTS.

The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short title.
- Sec. 2. Table of contents.
- Sec. 3. References.

#### DIVISION A—EXTENSION OF CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024

##### DIVISION B—OTHER MATTERS

#### SEC. 3. REFERENCES.

Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference to "this Act" contained in any division of this Act shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of that division.

#### DIVISION A—EXTENSION OF CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2024

SEC. 101. The Continuing Appropriations Act, 2024 (division A of Public Law 118-15) is further amended—

(1) by striking the date specified in section 106(3) and inserting "March 22, 2024"; and

(2) by striking the date specified in section 106(4) and inserting "March 8, 2024".

This division may be cited as the "Extension of Continuing Appropriations Act, 2024".

##### DIVISION B—OTHER MATTERS

#### SEC. 101. MODIFICATION TO FAFSA.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 475(g)(1) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1087oo(g)(1)), as amended by the FAFSA Simplification Act (title VII of division FF of Public Law 116-260), is further amended to read as follows:

"(1) IN GENERAL.—The student's available income is equal to—

"(A) the difference between the student's total income (determined in accordance with section 480) and the adjustment to student income (determined in accordance with paragraph (2)); multiplied by

"(B) 50 percent,

except that the amount determined under this paragraph shall not be less than -\$1,500 for award year 2024-2025 and not less than zero for award year 2025-2026 and each award year thereafter."

(b) APPROPRIATION.—Section 401(b)(7)(A) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)(7)(A)), as amended by the FAFSA Simplification Act (title VII of division FF of Public Law 116-260), is further amended to read as follows:

"(A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to any funds appropriated under paragraph (6) and any funds made available for this section under any appropriations Act, there are authorized to be appropriated, and there are appropriated (out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated) to carry out this section—

"(i) \$1,170,000,000 for fiscal year 2024;

"(ii) \$3,170,000,000 for fiscal year 2025;

"(iii) \$2,170,000,000 for fiscal year 2026; and

"(iv) \$1,236,000,000 for fiscal year 2027 and each succeeding fiscal year."

(c) NO EFFECT ON PREVIOUS APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 401(b)(7)(B)(i) of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1070a(b)(7)(B)(i)), as amended by the FAFSA Simplification Act (title VII of division FF of Public Law 116-260) and section 102(b) of the FAFSA Simplification Act Technical Corrections Act (division R of Public Law 117-103), is amended by striking "or 2023" and inserting "2023, or 2024".

(d) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall take effect and

apply as if included in the FAFSA Simplification Act and in accordance with section 701(b) of such Act, as amended by section 102(a) of the FAFSA Simplification Act Technical Corrections Act (division R of Public Law 117-103) (including the authorization provided under section 102(c)(1)(A) of such Act).

#### SEC. 102. BUDGETARY EFFECTS.

(a) **STATUTORY PAYGO SCORECARDS.**—The budgetary effects of this division shall not be entered on either PAYGO scorecard maintained pursuant to section 4(d) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010.

(b) **SENATE PAYGO SCORECARDS.**—The budgetary effects of this division shall not be entered on any PAYGO scorecard maintained for purposes of section 4106 of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress).

(c) **CLASSIFICATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**—Notwithstanding Rule 3 of the Budget Scorekeeping Guidelines set forth in the joint explanatory statement of the committee of conference accompanying Conference Report 105-217 and section 250(c)(8) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, the budgetary effects of this division shall not be estimated—

(1) for purposes of section 251 of such Act;

(2) for purposes of an allocation to the Committee on Appropriations pursuant to section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974; and

(3) for purposes of paragraph (4)(C) of section 3 of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 as being included in an appropriation Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) and the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) each will control 20 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas.

Mr. ROY. Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the motion?

Mr. ROY. Madam Speaker, I am.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair would inquire whether the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO) is opposed to the motion.

Ms. DELAURO. Madam Speaker, no.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. As such, the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ROY) will control 20 minutes in opposition.

The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER).

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the measure under consideration.

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

There was no objection.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, I rise today in support of this short-term continuing resolution. This bill extends government funding until March 8 for four bills and March 22 for the others.

Given the differences between this year's House and Senate bills, we knew finding common ground would not be easy. Nonetheless, we have made progress, and we need a few more weeks to finish drafting the bills. We

also need to give Members adequate time to review them.

In the meantime, we can't afford a harmful government shutdown.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this CR, and I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Madam Speaker, here we are again, kicking the can down the road and for other purposes, buying more time so that we can spend more money that we don't have at a time when we are going to eclipse more interest and more spending on interest than our national defense this year, and by 2026 we are going to be spending \$1 trillion on interest. We are going to continue to spend moneys at the NANCY PELOSI-spending level of an omnibus bill that Republicans roundly oppose.

That is what is happening on the floor of the United States House right now.

We are going to continue funding this government at NANCY PELOSI's omnibus spending level. That is a level that will continue, by the way, to fund all of the priorities we oppose.

We are going to continue to fund the open borders that led to the death of Americans.

We are going to continue to fund the United Nations at \$12.5 billion that is undermining our freedom and working against us to move people illegally into the United States. We are going to fund UNRWA which is funding Hamas, an enemy of Israel.

We are going to fund the IRS that is targeting Americans.

We are going to fund the Department of Justice that is targeting former President Trump.

We are going to do that today here on the floor of the House of Representatives rather than exercising the power of the purse that James Madison articulated in Federalist 58 that this body—this body—is supposed to check an out-of-control executive branch.

That is what is happening today, and we should oppose it.

Madam Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Florida (Mr. GAETZ).

Mr. GAETZ. Madam Speaker, watching House Republicans is like watching a football team whose best plays are the punt and the block.

Now, I have tried to throw a few Hail Marys along the way, and I am glad that we blocked the bad Lankford amnesty bill, but we punted on needed FISA reforms.

We blocked the McConnell supplemental for now, but we punt, yet again, on needed spending cuts.

We blocked additional aid and additional U.S. involvement in the war in Ukraine; and, indeed, we punted KEVIN MCCARTHY who authorized \$115 billion to Ukraine.

Be that as it may, here we gather to punt, yet again.

The last I checked, the Republicans actually have a majority in the House of Representatives, but you wouldn't know it, Madam Speaker, if you looked

at our checkbook. We are all too willing to continue the policy choices of Joe Biden and the spending levels of NANCY PELOSI instead of showing the will and the courage to say that this woke and weaponized government has to be defanged, it has to be attacked, and it has to see reductions in spending.

Many Americans have lived most of their lives not actually paying a price for the national debt. However, because we are \$34 trillion in debt and because we are on our way to \$50 trillion in debt, the Americans who work hard all over this country are seeing higher gas prices, higher grocery prices, and higher interest rates, but all we seem to offer is low energy and low-T in the face of those mounting challenges.

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We ought to be rejecting this CR. We ought to pass single-subject spending bills. We ought to vote for the spending cuts that this country desperately needs.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentlewoman from Connecticut (Ms. DELAURO), the ranking member.

Ms. DELAURO. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of this continuing resolution, which will provide us with the short time that is needed to fully conclude the 2024 appropriations process.

The continuing resolution keeps the government open while the Appropriations Committees in the House and the Senate finalize the 2024 funding bills that are in line with the agreement that has been the law since last June, reaffirmed in the top lines agreed to by Leader SCHUMER and Speaker JOHNSON earlier this year.

While, at the time of passing our last continuing resolution, I had hoped that we would not need this measure, now we owe it to the American people to do our due diligence in reaching the end of this process. I appreciate the respectful bipartisan cooperation that took place to put forward this continuing resolution and move us closer to the finish line.

There is now a shared understanding that the ultimate conclusion to the saga of 2024 funding will be in the appropriations bills that earned the support of Democrats and Republicans in the House and the Senate, bills that will likely need to pass under suspension of the rules, like the bill we are considering today.

In addition to passing the 12 appropriations bills, Congress still must respond to President Biden's request for our urgent national security needs. There is no time to waste. We must quickly provide support for Ukraine in their fight against Russian tyranny. We must provide support for our Indo-Pacific and Middle East allies. Crucially, we cannot wait any longer to provide humanitarian aid for the civilians caught in the crossfire of these conflicts.

Without this swift action, the legacy of this Congress will be the destruction

of Ukraine, the appeasement of a dictator, and the abandonment of starving children and ailing families.

We must come to a bipartisan compromise and show the American people that Congress is still able to address urgent needs and show the world that America is still unwavering as a defender of democracy wherever it is being fought for.

Congress must avoid a shutdown. We must enact full-year spending bills and emergency assistance for our national security and deliver for the American people as soon as possible. To those ends, let this be our last continuing resolution.

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

Mr. Speaker, the gentlewoman, it is important to note, voted against the FRA last year because, specifically noted in the gentlewoman's press release, the side deals that are being put in place in this exercise that we are going to be putting forward next week in appropriations bills, those side deals were not in the law that the gentlewoman just referred to.

To be very clear, everyone is going to go around talking about following the deal that was cut last year under the FRA, that we are spending at a certain level. The fact is another \$70 billion was added in side deals, and that is why the gentlewoman opposed the FRA last year. However, those side deals are a part of this agreement that is plussing up and funding the bureaucracy that is at war with the American people.

That is the truth. That is the truth no matter how much people want to gloss over it on either side of the aisle, particularly this side of the aisle, because this side of the aisle wants to be able to campaign on border security. Do you know what? The border is not secure, and we are going to be passing a continuing resolution that continues to fund a DHS that refuses to secure the border.

These Americans are dead. These Americans are dead because illegal immigrants, illegal aliens, were released into the United States by this administration.

Laken Riley, 1 week ago today, was alive and well, and now she is gone because somebody from Venezuela was released on mass parole in El Paso, went into the United States, went to New York, was released after assaulting somebody, moved to Athens, Georgia, and killed this young woman because of the policies of the radical progressive Democrats that my colleagues on this side of the aisle want to campaign against but refuse to use the power of the purse to stop.

James Madison gave us the power of the purse, and we should darn well use it.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. BIGGS).

Mr. BIGGS. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding.

The gentleman is exactly right. What is the legislative branch's remedy to an

executive branch that refuses to follow the law? It is to remove spending.

I introduced legislation. I introduced legislation that said: We will fund ICE, CBP. We are going to fund TSA. We are going to fund air traffic controllers and our military personnel, and do you know what? We are not going to fund anything else, except for mandatories, until this administration actually enforces the border.

However, we can't do that because there is this fear of a shutdown. Explain that to the American people. Explain that to the American people in my community. Go down there and take a look at the national forest, where there is now a squatters camp set up, filled with people who are flowing across our border.

Our leader said in November that we are not going to do any more short-term CRs—had it with them. This is the third one. Do you know what happens? We just keep spending money, and we keep the policies that are in place.

That means the border remains open. This country remains in danger because of this administration—but not just this administration but because this body does not use what the Founders gave us as the ultimate tool, and that is the purse strings. It is really shameful.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. FLEISCHMANN), the chairman of the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee.

Mr. FLEISCHMANN. Mr. Speaker, I thank Chair GRANGER and her outstanding staff and, really, all the staff on the majority and minority sides and in both Houses.

Mr. Speaker, our Founding Fathers gave us a great constitutional Republic. In that regard, each and every one of the Members of this Chamber stands for reelection every 2 years.

I represent the people of the great State of Tennessee, east Tennessee—wonderful people, God-fearing people. They love this country, our history, and they are just so proud of what we are doing as a nation.

I realize that other people in other parts of our country have a different ethos, have different priorities, but we are where we are. The American people gave us a very slim majority in the House. In the Senate, the other party has a slim majority, and the White House is controlled by the other party.

I want the American people to know, Mr. Speaker, that this negotiation has been difficult, but to close the government down at a time like this would hurt people who should not be hurt.

Let me give one example. I chair, as our distinguished chair has said, the Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies Subcommittee of the Committee on Appropriations. It funds our great national labs, our Office of Science, and so many other great things. However, as a part of that,

through the NNSA, the National Nuclear Security Administration, it funds our Nation's nuclear arsenal.

We are in a very dangerous world right now. Our adversaries are ramping up. I wish we were not on the precipice of another arms race, but I am afraid we are.

We can't close that down. We can't shut that down.

So that I can be abundantly clear, government shutdowns—and I have lived through three—never work. They cause more harm than they do good. They cost more money. They cost the American taxpayer more money because when they revamp and start up again, basically, we lose all those person-hours, and it just causes havoc.

This continuing resolution, to be clear, is a process continuing resolution. It is just to get these six bills to next week when we will actually pass a fiscal budget, which I think is the obligation of the House, the Senate, and the White House to do. We will do that. We will do that with the other bills.

I do respect my friends, who are very passionate today in opposing this, but the reality is the American people want us to do our work. To do our work well, we have to keep the government open.

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

Mr. Speaker, I note that the gentleman, for whom I have a great deal of respect, was just using a lot of the arguments that I have heard over and over again. It is something that we have come to understand in this town as what we call the glossary.

When you run out of the, sort of, what are we actually going to fight over substantively, we should bring out all the terms, right? We talk about, oh, we only have a slim majority.

Well, I will remind my colleagues on this side of the aisle that the Democrats had a slim majority when they jammed through numerous massive bills, whether it is ObamaCare, whether we are talking about the Inflation Reduction Act. Yet, here we sit, and we are walking away from the majority that we were given, to use that majority, to use the power of the purse to stop an executive branch that is out of control.

A continuing resolution will continue to fund Biden's war on our border, and it is not just Biden. It is the radical progressive Democrats as a whole. It is a war on our well-being, a war on our security and safety.

That young lady who was killed in Georgia last week, that is happening over and over again in Texas: a young cheerleader was found in a bathtub, killed by somebody here illegally; a 2-year-old right here in Montgomery County, Maryland, outside of D.C., was killed by someone here illegally and released; a young person was raped last week in Louisiana by somebody here illegally from Honduras and released.

When are we going to stop it? When is this side of the aisle going to use the

power of the purse to stop it? I can promise you the radical progressive Democrats want it. They want open borders.

We are continuing to fund a weaponized IRS, continuing to fund a weaponized Department of Justice, like the DOJ that went after Mark Houck, went after Scott Smith. We are funding an EV, electric vehicle, mandate.

I heard my colleague talk about energy and water. What are we going to do to preserve American energy while the American people suffer? Our colleagues on the other side of the aisle are pursuing unicorn energy policy—EPA rules killing coal and natural gas plants, the World Health Organization, the United Nations, UNRWA, the ATF that is banning pistol braces and our Second Amendment rights, the Department of Education student loan scam that the President of the United States went to the microphone and applauded, ignoring the United States Supreme Court.

What are we going to do? Fund it. We are going to keep funding it.

What about the NIH and the FDA and COVID tyranny? What about the Department of Veterans Affairs, the chief diversity officers, the abortion travel fund, taxpayer-funded sex changes, transgender surgeries?

Your tax dollars are funding all of that, and we are going to continue it with a continuing resolution. To do what? To buy time to cut a deal that will do what? Spend even more money, rack up even more debt, continue these policies at war with the American people.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Colorado (Ms. Boebert).

Ms. BOEBERT. Mr. Speaker, let's call a spade a spade. The uniparty's deal to keep spending taxpayer dollars like drunken sailors is a horrible deal for the American people. It is immoral and unsustainable to continue the reckless spending in Washington, D.C.

This debt is going to our children and our children's children. The American people elected a majority that promised to cut spending, cut this out-of-control spending from Washington, D.C., and put an end to the Biden regime's policies that are destroying America.

This bill does the opposite of what we, the majority, promised the American people. Voting for this bill is voting to fund Joe Biden's wide-open border policies that killed 22-year-old Laken Riley last Thursday. Crime in Venezuela sure is going down, and that is because they are all coming through our wide-open borders—criminal, illegal aliens coming through.

Additionally, voting for this bill is voting to enable the cartel, which has operational control of our southern border, to continue the flow of fentanyl into our communities, which is killing our children and our families, our loved ones. They are a foreign terrorist organization, and they are guilty of narco-

terrorism. We need to execute our military's ability to stop them. Instead, we are funding these policies to continue.

Voting for this bill is voting to continue NANCY PELOSI's spending, taxpayer-funded abortions, and Green New Deal policies.

Everything we campaigned against and we won this majority on, we are now going completely against it.

We need to govern as we campaign and do what we promised the American people that we would do. That is why I have led to impeach Joe Biden for his dereliction of duty to secure the southern border, and now we must use the power of the purse and not fund a government that is allowing this against its people.

Mr. Speaker, I am voting "no" on this continuing resolution, and I urge my colleagues all to do the same.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DESJARLAIS). Members are reminded to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

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Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. JACKSON LEE).

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Mr. Speaker, I thank Chairwoman GRANGER and Ranking Member DELAURO for their leadership.

Mr. Speaker, 331 million Americans are depending on us to save their lives. If we do not vote today, we will cause the loss of life. We did not vote for the supplemental that the President sent over almost a year ago to deal with the southern border, and lives have been lost. As a Texan, I will not accept your challenge that I want people to die, or that this constitutional right of the power of the purse is one that I have used recklessly.

They have used it responsibly, and the budget numbers, whether it is NANCY PELOSI or the negotiators, are responsible for helping the 331 million Americans.

In my State, your State, you will not pay 172,000 Active-Duty soldiers when we don't pass this today. The Small Business Administration will stop handling \$2 billion in loans. There will be no reentry programs for those who are trying to get their life straight. We will eliminate the funding for our public schools at the Department of Education in programs like early education and child nutrition. We will stop 176,000 people from flying and airport travel because you will not be able to fund aspects of Homeland Security. Mr. Speaker, 786,000 people would lose their access to the women and infant program, which I understand is one of those that are being attacked.

You are causing the loss of life, and I will not stand here and accept that challenge. You are my friends and we work together, but your arguments are false. The responsibility of the power of the purse is to be responsible.

Mr. Speaker, 168,000 Federal workers who do vital work will be lost if we do not proceed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. It is important that the food and drug is able to be funded, that housing is able to be funded, and that the Department of Agriculture is able to be funded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The time of the gentlewoman has expired.

Ms. JACKSON LEE. Let me say, Mr. Speaker, as I close, we must be responsible—The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentlewoman is no longer recognized.

Members are reminded to direct their remarks to the Chair.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, respecting my friend from Texas, I would say, where were my Democratic colleagues when we were passing H.R. 2, which would actually do the job of securing the border?

It is hard for me to take seriously the claims of my Democratic colleagues, all radical progressives, that want to actually secure the border and don't have complete ownership of the fact that Laken Riley was killed by a Venezuelan let out by this administration under abuse of parole, which H.R. 2 would fix.

It would have fixed it, and my Democratic colleagues were nowhere to be found.

This body, this side of the aisle, did their job in passing a strong border security measure. We have legislation on the floor that did the job, but we had no support from our Democratic colleagues because it would have worked.

Then my colleagues on the other side of the building, in the Senate, passed legislation that would not do the job and now want to hide behind that. That is the actual truth.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. MASSIE), my good friend.

Mr. MASSIE. Mr. Speaker, I will give the American people an overview of the debate that is happening here today. Why are there three Members of Congress controlling time on the floor? I thought there were only two parties. No. When it comes to spending, there is the "uniparty." There is only one party today, and that is because Republicans and Democrats have united to kick the can down the road. They wanted to control all time for debate today, but my colleague, Mr. ROY from Texas, came down here and used a parliamentary procedure to claim time in opposition for 20 minutes so that people who take their oath to the Constitution most seriously, the people who are most concerned about debt, the people who want to represent the good folks back home, have a voice here today.

And what are we doing here today? We are going to pass a CR. We are going to kick the can down the road. Is that going to solve any problems? No. It creates another crisis next week. That is what they want. They want another crisis. They want to threaten you with the shutdown so they can get

more spending. Is this a clean CR? We are told you can't add anything to it. No. It deals with student aid in this CR.

Are the American people concerned about student aid right now? Is that the most pressing issue to address in this spending bill? We have a crisis at the southern border. We could add one sentence to this bill that would help tremendously. Just say: None of the funds hereby appropriated may be used to disassemble border security erected by the States on our border. Put that one sentence in this continuing resolution. That would help tremendously.

I am worried that we are not going to prevail today, the third group who is debating here against the uniparty. If the other side prevails, what will happen? What will happen today, this evening after this passes? Will we stay here and work hard for another week to get the 12 bills done, the 12 separate appropriation bills? No. Guess what we are going to do this evening? Everybody has already got their plane tickets. They are sending us home early. Congratulations. You moved the crisis down another week. Go home. Have a 4-day weekend.

We are going to let staff and a few Members in the Senate and a few Members in the House write this big bill, and then you can take it or leave it next week. Gone is any semblance of regular order from this process.

What we have is what the swamp always does, and I urge my colleagues to oppose this continuing resolution that does nothing but kick the can down the road.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. GOOD), my friend.

Mr. GOOD of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I stand here today, again, opposing the status quo of more reckless spending in Washington. This House is supposedly run by Republicans, and yet here we are continuing to pass the Pelosi-Biden-Schumer spending levels and the policies connected to them, predictably with a majority of Democrat votes.

As a matter of fact, this morning I had a Democrat Member tell me in a private conversation that he likes it when we are in charge because nothing changes, but we get the blame for it because we have the majority.

Our national debt continues to skyrocket. We are at nearly \$35 trillion. That is a number that is hard to grasp. It is actually more than \$100,000 per citizen and that figure just grows by the day.

Bidenflation is further exacerbating the crisis, and the congressional uniparty is perpetuating it on a daily basis. Thankfully, we may be getting some future relief with the just-announced resignation of the minority leader in the Senate, but some of us here in the House came here to actually represent the American people, to do what we said we would do, and we

did not mean constantly kicking the can down the road, passing more continuing resolutions that hurt the American people.

Many people in this body are scared of a government shutdown, and I will acknowledge that a government shutdown is not the ideal thing, but it is not the worst thing. The worst thing is keeping in place the Biden-Pelosi-Schumer policies that are destroying the country and bankrupting our kids and our grandkids.

Worse yet, they are keeping in place the border invasion, the very invasion that we campaigned against, the very invasion that is the greatest threat to our country.

That is what is going to happen here today. We are going to fund that border invasion for another week as a bridge to another spending bill that will keep all the policies in place and actually increase them over the Pelosi-Schumer levels from back before we had the majority.

We could have passed a full year stopgap spending bill that would have cut \$100 billion. We could have attached it to border security to stand up for the American people. As a bonus, it would eliminate thousands of earmarks for tens of billions of dollars more, but here we are today. True leadership involves making difficult decisions. Cutting spending is difficult. That is why nobody does it here, but when will the debt matter in this Chamber beyond a campaign talking point? I urge a "no" vote.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Alabama (Mr. MOORE), my friend.

Mr. MOORE of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, the only thing this CR does is prolong the out-of-control spending of Biden and Pelosi that fuels our 17.9 percent inflation rate.

This legislation provides no funding for President Trump's border wall. More than 600,000 illegal alien criminals and 300 on the terrorist watch list have entered our open southern border under Biden, and there is no doubt that American families are in danger.

Just this week in Alabama, two illegal aliens were arrested as part of a child trafficking sex ring.

Last week in Georgia, a young girl, with a bright future ahead of her, was murdered by an illegal alien. The list of tragedies is growing, and it is past time to do something about it.

I signed the Immigration Accountability Project pledge to oppose all government funding until the action is taken to secure our southern border. Instead of kicking the can down the road with another CR, the number one priority of this Congress should be funding Trump's wall and defunding this invasion. We must fund President Trump's wall and defund Biden's backdoor contributions to organizations that are sending illegals to a city near you. It should not take more than one

tragedy for our border to become a priority. It is time to finish the Trump wall and protect Americans.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Missouri (Mr. BURLISON).

Mr. BURLISON. Mr. Speaker, I thank my good friend from Texas (Mr. ROY) for yielding.

Mr. Speaker, here we go again.

Today, the House is set to extend the bloated and inflationary spending levels that have left our country \$34 trillion in debt and fuels the government that is at war with the American people.

This is now the fourth time that we have kicked the can down the road since just last September. It is now the fourth time that we have shrugged our shoulders and said: Sorry, America. We just don't have the fight in us this time, but we will try again next time.

We all promised we wouldn't do this crap when we got up here. The American people have demanded responsible spending and border security for years, but we fail them.

When will we heed the calls of our constituents to rein in the wasteful spending, secure the borders, and defeat the bureaucracy targeting them?

The last line of the Declaration of Independence has a bold and courageous statement by the people who signed it. They said: "We mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."

Sadly, we are not serving with people of this same resolve today.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to vote against this CR.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, may I inquire as to the time remaining.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Texas has 1 minute remaining. The gentlewoman from Texas has 11½ minutes remaining.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. ROY. Mr. Speaker, I am prepared to close, and I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, to my colleagues on either side of the aisle, we have a fundamental responsibility under the Constitution of the United States to use the power of the purse to check an executive branch that is not following the law.

It is not enough to impeach, send to the Senate, sit back, grab the popcorn, and watch. We have a duty to actually defund tyranny and lawlessness. That is precisely what the Founders said. It is what the Founders wrote into the Federalist Papers. It is what they contemplated in Article I in the Constitution.

Do not go out and have talking points about dead Americans because of what this administration is doing by

letting people into this country to kill Americans like Laken Riley last week and then write the check that funds their broken policies.

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

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Ms. GRANGER. Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to support this bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 7463.

The question was taken.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed. Votes will be taken in the following order:

Motions to suspend the rules and pass the following bills:

H.R. 7102;

H.R. 7463; and

H.R. 7454.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

#### NATIVE AMERICAN ENTREPRENEURIAL OPPORTUNITY 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. 7102) to establish an Office of Native American Affairs within the Small Business Administration, and for other purposes, 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 Texas (Mr. WILLIAMS) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 402, nays 16, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 57]

YEAS—402

Adams	Arrington	Bean (FL)
Aderholt	Auchincloss	Beatty
Aguilar	Babin	Bentz
Alford	Bacon	Bera
Allen	Baird	Bergman
Allred	Balderson	Beyer
Amo	Balint	Bice
Amodei	Barr	Biggs
Armstrong	Barragán	Bishop (GA)

Blumenauer	Frost	Luetkemeyer
Blunt Rochester	Fry	Luna
Boebert	Fulcher	Luttrell
Bonamici	Gallagher	Lynch
Bost	Gallego	Mace
Boyle (PA)	Garamendi	Magaziner
Brecheen	Garbarino	Malliotakis
Brown	Garcia (IL)	Maloy
Brownley	Garcia (TX)	Mann
Buchanan	Garcia, Mike	Manning
Buck	Garcia, Robert	Massie
Budzinski	Gimenez	Mast
Burchett	Golden (ME)	Matsui
Burgess	Goldman (NY)	McBath
Burlison	Gomez	McCaul
Bush	Gonzales, Tony	McClain
Calvert	Gooden (TX)	McClellan
Cammack	Gottheimer	McClintock
Caraveo	Granger	McCollum
Carbajal	Graves (LA)	McCormick
Cárdenas	Graves (MO)	McGarvey
Carey	Green (TN)	McGovern
Carl	Green, Al (TX)	McHenry
Carson	Greene (GA)	Meeks
Carter (GA)	Grothman	Menendez
Carter (LA)	Guest	Meng
Carter (TX)	Guthrie	Meuser
Cartwright	Hageman	Mfume
Casar	Harder (CA)	Miller (IL)
Case	Harris	Miller (OH)
Casten	Harshbarger	Miller (WV)
Castor (FL)	Hayes	Miller-Meeks
Castro (TX)	Hern	Mills
Chavez-DeRemer	Hill	Molinaro
Cherfilus-	Himes	Moolenaar
McCormick	Hinson	Moore (AL)
Chu	Horsford	Moore (UT)
Ciscomani	Houchin	Moore (WI)
Clark (MA)	Houlihan	Moran
Clarke (NY)	Hoyer	Morelle
Cleaver	Hoyle (OR)	Moskowitz
Cloud	Hudson	Moulton
Clyburn	Huffman	Mrvan
Cohen	Huizenga	Mullin
Cole	Hunt	Murphy
Collins	Issa	Nadler
Connolly	Ivey	Napolitano
Correa	Jackson (IL)	Neal
Costa	Jackson (NC)	Neguse
Courtney	Jackson Lee	Nehls
Craig	Jacobs	Newhouse
Crane	James	Nickel
Crawford	Jayapal	Norcross
Crenshaw	Jeffries	Nunn (IA)
Crockett	Johnson (GA)	Ocasio-Cortez
Crow	Johnson (LA)	Ogles
Cuellar	Johnson (SD)	Omar
Curtis	Jordan	Owens
D'Esposito	Joyce (OH)	Pallone
Daids (KS)	Joyce (PA)	Palmer
Davis (IL)	Kamlager-Dove	Panetta
Davis (NC)	Kaptur	Pappas
De La Cruz	Kean (NJ)	Payne
Dean (PA)	Keating	Pelosi
DeGette	Kelly (IL)	Peltola
DeLauro	Kelly (MS)	Pence
DelBene	Kelly (PA)	Perez
Deluzio	Khanna	Peters
DeSaulnier	Kiggans (VA)	Pettersen
DesJarlais	Kildee	Pfluger
Diaz-Balart	Kiley	Phillips
Dingell	Kilmer	Pingree
Doggett	Kim (CA)	Pocan
Donalds	Kim (NJ)	Porter
Duarte	Krishnamoorthi	Pressley
Dunn (FL)	Kuster	Quigley
Ellzey	Kustoff	Ramirez
Emmer	LaHood	Raskin
Escobar	LaLota	Reschenthaler
Eshoo	LaMalfa	Rogers (AL)
Espallat	Lamborn	Rogers (KY)
Estes	Landsman	Rose
Evans	Langworthy	Rosendale
Ezell	Larsen (WA)	Ross
Fallon	Larson (CT)	Rouzer
Feenstra	Latta	Ruiz
Ferguson	LaTurner	Ruppersberger
Finstad	Lawler	Rutherford
Fischbach	Lee (CA)	Ryan
Fitzgerald	Lee (FL)	Salazar
Fitzpatrick	Lee (NV)	Salinas
Fleischmann	Lee (PA)	Sánchez
Fletcher	Leger Fernandez	Sarbanes
Flood	Lesko	Scalise
Foster	Letlow	Scanlon
Foushee	Levin	Schakowsky
Fox	Lieu	Schiff
Frankel, Lois	Lofgren	Schneider
Franklin, Scott	Lucas	Scholten

Schrier	Stevens	Vargas
Schweikert	Strickland	Vasquez
Scott (VA)	Strong	Veasey
Scott, Austin	Swalwell	Velázquez
Scott, David	Sykes	Wagner
Self	Takano	Walberg
Sessions	Tenney	Waltz
Sewell	Thanedar	Wasserman
Sherman	Thompson (CA)	Schultz
Sherrill	Thompson (MS)	Waters
Simpson	Thompson (PA)	Watson Coleman
Slotkin	Tiffany	Weber (TX)
Smith (MO)	Timmons	Webster (FL)
Smith (NE)	Titus	Wenstrup
Smith (NJ)	Tlaib	Westerman
Smith (WA)	Tokuda	Wexton
Smucker	Tonko	Wild
Sorensen	Torres (CA)	Williams (GA)
Soto	Torres (NY)	Williams (NY)
Spanberger	Trahan	Williams (TX)
Spartz	Trone	Wilson (FL)
Stansbury	Turner	Wilson (SC)
Stanton	Underwood	Wittman
Stauber	Valadao	Womack
Steel	Van Drew	Yakym
Stefanik	Van Deyne	Zinke
Steil	Van Orden	

#### NAYS—16

Banks	Gaetz	Perry
Cline	Good (VA)	Posey
Clyde	Griffith	Roy
Comer	Higgins (LA)	Steube
Davidson	Mooney	
Edwards	Norman	

#### NOT VOTING—14

Bilirakis	Gonzalez,	Loudermilk
Bishop (NC)	Vicente	Obernolte
Bowman	Gosar	Pascarell
Bucshon	Grijalva	Rodgers (WA)
Duncan	Jackson (TX)	Suozi

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Mr. EDWARDS changed his vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Messrs. CLEAVER, PALMER, and RUPPERSBERGER changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

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.

Stated for:

Mr. BOWMAN. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 57.

Mr. LOUDERMILK. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 57.

Mr. PASCARELL. Mr. Speaker, I unintentionally missed one rollcall vote. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on rollcall No. 57, H.R. 7102, the Native American Entrepreneurial Opportunity Act.

Stated against:

Mr. MCCORMICK. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 57, I mistakenly voted “yea” when I intended to vote “nay.”

#### EXTENSION OF CONTINUING APPROPRIATIONS AND OTHER MATTERS ACT, 2024

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. VALADAO). 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. 7463) making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2024, and for other purposes, 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