

think that the Speaker and the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means did not know about this special deal is absurd.

I am about to offer once again a concurrent resolution which would take out that provision. The Speaker of this Chamber has publicly stated that he supports taking it out. I have asked the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARMEY]. I have followed the rules to this Chamber to get unanimous consent.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take up Concurrent Resolution 55, which would take out the tax provision provided for Mr. Murdoch.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Chair's guidelines, the gentleman is not recognized for that purpose. The gentleman's time as expired.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO OFFER RESOLUTION REGARDING CONSTITUTIONALITY OF TARGETED TAX BENEFIT

Mr. DEUTSCH. Mr. Speaker, under the rule IX, I rise to serve notice that I intend to offer the following resolution and read it into the RECORD.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman is recognized.

Mr. DEUTSCH. Resolution: To preserve the constitutional role of the House of Representatives to originate revenue measures.

Whereas, rule IX of the Rules of the House of Representatives provides that questions of privileges shall arise whenever the rights of the House collectively are affected;

Whereas, under the precedents, customs, and traditions of the House, pursuant to rule IX, a question of privilege has arisen in cases involving the constitutional prerogatives of the House;

Whereas section 7 of article 1 of the Constitution require that revenue measures originate in the House of Representatives; and

Whereas the conference report on the bill, H.R. 831, contained a targeted tax benefit which was not contained in the bill as passed by the House of Representatives and which was not contained in the amendment of the Senate; Now, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Comptroller General of the United States shall prepare and transmit, within 7 days after the date of the adoption of this resolution, a report to the House of Representatives containing the opinion of the Comptroller General on whether the addition of a targeted tax benefit by the conferees of the conference report on the bill, H.R. 831 (A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend the deduction for the health insurance costs of self-employed individuals, to repeal the provision permitting nonrecognition of gain on sales and exchanges effectuating policies of the Federal Communications Commission, and for other purposes) violates the requirement of the U.S. Constitution that all revenue

measures originate in the House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman's notice will appear in the RECORD.

TAX CUTS AND DEFICIT REDUCTION FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

(Mr. MARTINI asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. MARTINI. Mr. Speaker, in sitting here this morning and listening to this debate, it reminds me of a debate less than 2 years ago in my home State of New Jersey. At that time, when the then-newly elected Governor Whitman spoke about tax cuts and cutting spending at the same time, then, as now, the same naysayers rose and complained and said it could not be done.

I am pleased to report today, Mr. Speaker, that less than 2 years into her term, she has accomplished two-thirds of her tax cut, with sufficient deficit reduction, and what we have witnessed in New Jersey is an increase in revenues, jobs, and a healthy economy.

I am confident that with the passage of today's bill and rule, we will accomplish the same things here for the Federal Government, and with the linkage and language that exists today in this tax bill, the linkage which assures that we will have sufficient deficit reduction with tax relief, I am even more confident that we can accomplish that goal.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 1215, CONTRACT WITH AMERICA TAX RELIEF ACT OF 1995

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 128, and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 128

Resolved, That at any time after the adoption of this resolution the Speaker may, pursuant to clause 1(b) of rule XXIII, declare the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for consideration of the bill (H.R. 1215) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to strengthen the American family and create jobs. The first reading of the bill shall be dispensed with. All points of order against consideration of the bill are waived. General debate shall be confined to the bill and the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text and shall not exceed four hours, with two hours equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means and two hours equally divided among and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority members of the Committee on the Budget and the Committee on Commerce. After general debate the bill shall be considered for amendment under the five-minute rule. It shall be in order to consider as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule an amendment in the nature of a substitute

consisting of the text of H.R. 1327, modified by the amendment printed in part 1 of the report of the Committee on rules accompanying this resolution. That amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. All points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. No amendment to that amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except the further amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in part 2 of the report, which may be offered only by Representative Gephardt of Missouri or his designee, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to amendment. All points of order against the further amendment in the nature of a substitute are waived. At the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment the Committee shall rise and report the bill to the House with such amendment as may have been adopted. Any Member may demand a separate vote in the House on any amendment adopted in the Committee of the Whole to the bill or to the amendment in the nature of a substitute made in order as original text. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the bill and any amendment thereto to final passage without intervening motion except one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GOODLATTE). The gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON] is recognized for 1 hour.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MOAKLEY], pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

(Mr. SOLOMON asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks, and include extraneous material.)

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, the resolution before us is a rule providing for the consideration of the bill H.R. 1215, which is the Contract With America Tax Relief Act of 1995. The bill is appropriately entitled the Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act of 1995 because it combines the tax relief provisions of H.R. 1215 with various spending reductions from other committees, both to offset the cost of the tax cuts and to begin us on a downward glide path toward a balanced budget. Have we not waited forever for this?

The rule provides for a Democrat substitute printed in part 2 of the Rules Committee report if offered by the gentleman from Missouri [Mr. GEPHARDT], the minority leader.

Finally, the rule provides for 1 motion to recommit with or without instructions.

Mr. Speaker, this rule represents the final major procedural hurdle to fulfilling our Contract With America and, oh, what an exciting, successful run this 100-day contract period has been. Did you ever think it would get here?

The bill this rule makes in order is certainly an appropriate closing to that contract. It addresses both the

need to give tax relief to the American people and debt relief to future generations by locking us into a downward glide path toward a balanced budget by fiscal year 2002.

Mr. Speaker, I do not think I have to prove my credentials as a deficit hawk to anyone in this body. I am the only Member of this House, in the last 20 years, to actually offer a balanced budget with specifics. But, Mr. Speaker, like many of my colleagues, I have expressed concerns about enacting tax cuts without first making the necessary spending cuts to produce a balanced budget. That is very, very important to me. I would not be standing here today in support of this rule and bill if I did not think that this bill as modified by the adoption of the language that we are putting into this rule right now—which we will be voting on in a few minutes—locks us into that commitment. It does that. Make no mistake about it, a vote on this rule is a vote to balance the budget, and you better remember that.

To those on the other side who claim that this is some kind of a fig leaf, I would just urge you to first read the legislation. The Upton-Castle-Martini-Solomon amendment prohibits the tax cuts from taking effect until we first adopt a budget resolution that projects a balanced budget by the year 2002. It then—and this is the critical point—requires that pursuant to that budget resolution a reconciliation bill must be enacted into law that keeps that commitment with real spending cuts. And that is enacted into law. This is not some budget resolution that the Committee on Rules can waive the Budget Act for. If spending cuts are not done, those tax cuts do not become law. It is just as simple and as real as that.

Mr. Speaker, if we deviate, then further policy options for putting us back on track will be a part of the subsequent budget resolution and those in turn will be translated into real spending cuts in the reconciliation bill to follow, on which each and every one of us are going to be forced to vote on, on the floor of this House.

That is no fig leaf. Perhaps we should not have Members, running for higher office, running around here saying it is. Mr. Speaker, anyone who calls this a fig leaf does not know the difference between a fig leaf and a sledgehammer. Well, I do, believe you me. Reconciliation is a sledgehammer. If you have ever been here to vote on one, you ought to know, because you are going to be responsible to the voters back home whichever way you vote. It makes a real impact and it gets real results. You all, that are on this big-spender list I have here, always complain about it.

Mr. Speaker, over 40 amendments were filed with the Committee on Rules. Many of those amendments were good amendments that I could individually support. But we cannot rewrite the Internal Revenue Code on the floor of this House. We did not do it under a Democrat House, and we will not do it under a Republican House. Not only do such amendments affect other provisions in that code in ways we cannot always anticipate, but taken together they can also produce vast new revenue drains on the Treasury that we just cannot afford given our current deficit situation. You all know how serious that is.

I urge Members on both sides of the aisle to remain true to our past, our bipartisan practice of modified closed rules when we are dealing with tax and

reconciliation bills. Put aside your additional individual wish lists. I have done it for now, and I want you to look at the big picture. This rule and this bill takes the fiscally responsible approach of paying for the tax cuts and putting us on that downward glide path toward a balanced budget which is so terribly, terribly important to the future generations of this country.

I urge every Member to vote "yes" on the rule and to vote "yes" on this bill. The American people want it.

Mr. Speaker, I include the following for the RECORD:

CORRECTION OF VOTES IN COMMITTEE REPORT

The Rules Committee's report, House Report 104-100 on H. Res. 128, the rule for the consideration of H.R. 1215, the "Contract With America Tax Relief Act of 1995," contains an erroneously reported rollcall vote due to a typographical error during the printing process. The vote was correctly reported in the original report filed with the Clerk.

Below is a correct version of that vote as contained in the Rules Committee report as filed with the House. The amendment number referred to in the motion is to an amendment filed with the Rules Committee—a summary of which are contained following the listing of votes in the committee report.

RULES COMMITTEE ROLL CALL NO. 122

Date: April 4, 1995.

Measure: Rule for the consideration of H.R. 1215, Contract With America Tax Relief Act.

Motion By: Mr. Moakley.

Summary of Motion: Allow a division of the question and a separate vote on Titles II and V (H.R. 1215), the senior citizen equity provisions.

Results: Rejected, 4 to 9.

Vote by Member: Quillen—Nay; Dreier—Nay; Goss—Nay; Linder—Nay; Pryce—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; McInnis—Nay; Waldholtz—Nay; Moakley—Yea; Beilenson—Yea; Frost—Yea; Hall—Yea; Solomon—Nay.

THE AMENDMENT PROCESS UNDER SPECIAL RULES REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE,¹ 103D CONGRESS VERSUS 104TH CONGRESS
[As of April 4, 1995]

Rule type	103d Congress		104th Congress	
	Number of rules	Percent of total	Number of rules	Percent of total
Open/Modified-open ²	46	44	21	75
Modified Closed ³	49	47	7	25
Closed ⁴	9	9	0	0
Totals:	104	100	28	100

¹ This table applies only to rules which provide for the original consideration of bills, joint resolutions or budget resolutions and which provide for an amendment process. It does not apply to special rules which only waive points of order against appropriations bills which are already privileged and are considered under an open amendment process under House rules.

² An open rule is one under which any Member may offer a germane amendment under the five-minute rule. A modified open rule is one under which any Member may offer a germane amendment under the five-minute rule subject only to an overall time limit on the amendment process and/or a requirement that the amendment be preprinted in the Congressional Record.

³ A modified closed rule is one under which the Rules Committee limits the amendments that may be offered only to those amendments designated in the special rule or the Rules Committee report to accompany it, or which preclude amendments to a particular portion of a bill, even though the rest of the bill may be completely open to amendment.

⁴ A closed rule is one under which no amendments may be offered (other than amendments recommended by the committee in reporting the bill).

SPECIAL RULES REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE, 104TH CONGRESS
[As of April 4, 1995]

H. Res. No. (Date rept.)	Rule type	Bill No.	Subject	Disposition of rule
H. Res. 38 (1/18/95)	0	H.R. 5	Unfunded Mandate Reform	A: 350-71 (1/19/95).
H. Res. 44 (1/24/95)	MC	H. Con. Res. 17	Social Security	A: 255-172 (1/25/95).
		H.J. Res. 1	Balanced Budget Amdt	
H. Res. 51 (1/31/95)	0	H.R. 101	Land Transfer, Taos Pueblo Indians	A: voice vote (2/1/95).
H. Res. 52 (1/31/95)	0	H.R. 400	Land Exchange, Arctic Nat'l. Park and Preserve	A: voice vote (2/1/95).
H. Res. 53 (1/31/95)	0	H.R. 440	Land Conveyance, Butte County, Calif	A: voice vote (2/1/95).
H. Res. 55 (2/1/95)	0	H.R. 2	Line Item Veto	A: voice vote (2/2/95).
H. Res. 60 (2/6/95)	0	H.R. 665	Victim Restitution	A: voice vote (2/7/95).
H. Res. 61 (2/6/95)	0	H.R. 666	Exclusionary Rule Reform	A: voice vote (2/7/95).
H. Res. 63 (2/8/95)	MO	H.R. 667	Violent Criminal Incarceration	A: voice vote (2/9/95).
H. Res. 69 (2/9/95)	0	H.R. 668	Criminal Alien Deportation	A: voice vote (2/10/95).
H. Res. 79 (2/10/95)	MO	H.R. 728	Law Enforcement Block Grants	A: voice vote (2/10/95).
H. Res. 83 (2/13/95)	MO	H.R. 7	National Security Revitalization	PO: 229-100; A: 227-127 (2/15/95).
H. Res. 88 (2/16/95)	MC	H.R. 831	Health Insurance Deductibility	PO: 230-191; A: 229-188 (2/21/95).
H. Res. 91 (2/21/95)	0	H.R. 830	Paperwork Reduction Act	A: voice vote (2/22/95).
H. Res. 92 (2/21/95)	MC	H.R. 889	Defense Supplemental	A: 282-144 (2/22/95).
H. Res. 93 (2/22/95)	MO	H.R. 450	Regulatory Transition Act	A: 252-175 (2/23/95).
H. Res. 96 (2/24/95)	MO	H.R. 1022	Risk Assessment	A: 253-165 (2/27/95).
H. Res. 100 (2/27/95)	0	H.R. 926	Regulatory Reform and Relief Act	A: voice vote (2/28/95).

SPECIAL RULES REPORTED BY THE RULES COMMITTEE, 104TH CONGRESS—Continued

[As of April 4, 1995]

H. Res. No. (Date rept.)	Rule type	Bill No.	Subject	Disposition of rule
H. Res. 101 (2/28/95)	MO	H.R. 925	Private Property Protection Act	A: 271-151 (3/1/95)
H. Res. 104 (3/3/95)	MO	H.R. 988	Attorney Accountability Act	A: voice vote (3/6/95)
H. Res. 103 (3/3/95)	MO	H.R. 1058	Securities Litigation Reform	
H. Res. 105 (3/6/95)	MO			A: 257-155 (3/7/95)
H. Res. 108 (3/6/95)	Debate	H.R. 956	Product Liability Reform	A: voice vote (3/8/95)
H. Res. 109 (3/8/95)	MC			PQ: 234-191 A: 247-181 (3/9/95)
H. Res. 115 (3/14/95)	MO	H.R. 1158	Making Emergency Supp. Approps.	A: 242-190 (3/15/95)
H. Res. 116 (3/15/95)	MC	H.J. Res. 73	Term Limits Const. Amdt	A: voice vote (3/28/95)
H. Res. 117 (3/16/95)	Debate	H.R. 4	Personal Responsibility Act of 1995	A: voice vote (3/21/95)
H. Res. 119 (3/21/95)	MC			A: 217-211 (3/22/95)
H. Res. 125 (4/3/95)	O	H.R. 1271	Family Privacy Protection Act	A: 423-1 (4/4/95)
H. Res. 126 (4/3/95)	O	H.R. 660	Older Persons Housing Act	
H. Res. 128 (4/4/95)	MC	H.R. 1215	Contract With America Tax Relief Act of 1995	

Codes: O-open rule; MO-modified open rule; MC-modified closed rule; C-closed rule; A-adoption vote; PQ-previous question vote. Source: Notices of Action Taken, Committee on Rules, 104th Congress.

NATIONAL TAXPAYERS UNION—BIG SPENDER OF 1993

Alabama: Rep. Tom Bevell, Rep. Robert E. Cramer, Rep. Earl F. Hilliard.

Arizona: Rep. Karan English, Rep. Ed Pastor.

Arkansas: Sen. Dale Bumpers, Sen. David Pryor, Rep. Ray Thornton.

California: Sen. Barbara Boxer, Sen. Dianne Feinstein, Rep. Xavier Becerra, Rep. Howard L. Berman, Rep. George E. Brown, Rep. Ronald V. Dellums, Rep. Julian C. Dixon, Rep. Don Edwards, Rep. Anna G. Eshoo, Rep. Sam Farr, Rep. Vic Fazio, Rep. Bob Filner, Rep. Dan Hamburg, Rep. Jane Harman, Rep. Tom Lantos, Rep. Matthew G. Martinez, Rep. Robert T. Matsui, Rep. George Miller, Rep. Norman Y. Mineta, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard, Rep. Pete Stark, Rep. Esteban E. Torres, Rep. Walter R. Tucker, Rep. Maxine Waters, Rep. Henry A. Waxman, Rep. Lynn Woolsey.

Colorado: Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Rep. David E. Skaggs.

Connecticut: Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, Rep. Rosa DeLauro, Rep. Sam Gejdenson, Rep. Barbara B. Kennelly.

Delaware: Sen. Joseph R. Biden Jr.

Florida: Sen. Bob Graham, Rep. Jim Bacchus, Rep. Corrine Brown, Rep. Peter Deutsch, Rep. Sam M. Gibbons, Rep. Alcee L. Hastings, Rep. Harry A. Johnston, Rep. Carrie P. Meek, Rep. Pete Peterson, Rep. Karen L. Thurmon.

Georgia: Rep. Sanford D. Bishop, Rep. George Darden, Rep. John Lewis, Rep. Cynthia A. McKinney.

Hawaii: Sen. Daniel K. Akaka, Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, Rep. Neil Abercrombie, Rep. Patsy T. Mink.

Illinois: Sen. Carol Moseley-Braun, Sen. Paul Simon, Rep. Cardiss Collins, Rep. Richard J. Durbin, Rep. Lane Evans, Rep. Luis V. Gutierrez, Rep. Mel Reynolds, Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, Rep. Bobby L. Rush, Rep. George E. Sangmeister, Rep. Sidney R. Yates.

Indiana: Rep. Frank McCloskey, Rep. Peter J. Visclosky.

Iowa: Sen. Tom Harkin, Rep. Neal Smith. Kansas: Rep. Dan Glickman.

Kentucky: Sen. Wendell H. Ford, Rep. Romano L. Mazzoli.

Louisiana: Sen. John B. Breaux, Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, Rep. Cleo Fields, Rep. William J. Jefferson.

Maine: Sen. George J. Mitchell, Rep. Thomas H. Andrews.

Maryland: Sen. Barbara A. Mikulski, Sen. Paul S. Sarbanes, Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin, Rep. Steny H. Hoyer, Rep. Kweisi Mfume, Rep. Albert R. Wynn.

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Michigan: Sen. Carl Levin, Sen. Donald W. Riegle Jr., Rep. David E. Bonior, Rep. Bob Carr, Rep. Barbara-Rose Collins, Rep. John Conyers, Rep. John D. Dingell, Rep. William D. Ford, Rep. Dale E. Kildee, Rep. Sander M. Levin.

Minnesota: Sen. Paul Wellstone, Rep. James L. Oberstar, Rep. Martin Olav Sabo, Rep. Bruce F. Vento.

Mississippi: Rep. G.V. Montgomery, Rep. Bennie Thompson, Rep. Jamie L. Whitten.

Missouri: Rep. William L. Clay, Rep. Richard A. Gephardt, Rep. Ike Skelton, Rep. Harold L. Volkmer, Rep. Alan Wheat.

Montana: Sen. Max Baucus, Rep. Pat Williams.

Nevada: Sen. Harry Reid, Rep. James Bilbray.

New Jersey: Rep. Robert Menendez, Rep. Donald M. Payne, Rep. Robert G. Torricelli.

New Mexico: Rep. Bill Richardson.

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North Carolina: Rep. Evan Clayton, Rep. W.G. Hefner, Rep. Stephen L. Neal, Rep. David Price, Rep. Charlie Rose, Rep. Melvin Watt.

Ohio: Sen. John Glenn, Sen. Howard M. Metzenbaum, Rep. Douglas Applegate, Rep. Sherrod Brown, Rep. Tony P. Hall, Rep. Tom Sawyer, Rep. Louis Stokes, Rep. Ted Strickland.

Oklahoma: Rep. Mike Synar.

Oregon: Rep. Elizabeth Furse, Rep. Mike Kopetski, Rep. Ron Wyden.

Pennsylvania: Sen. Harris Wofford, Rep. Lucien E. Blackwell, Rep. Robert A. Borski, Rep. William J. Coyne, Rep. Thomas M. Foglietta, Rep. Paul E. Kanjorski, Rep. John P. Murtha.

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South Dakota: Sen. Tom Daschle.

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Texas: Rep. Jack Brooks, Rep. John Bryant, Rep. Jim Chapman, Rep. Ronald D. Coleman, Rep. E. de la Garza, Rep. Martin Frost, Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, Rep. Gene Green, Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson, Rep. Solomon P. Ortiz, Rep. J.J. Pickle, Rep. Frank Tejeda, Rep. Craig Washington, Rep. Charles Wilson.

Vermont: Sen. Patrick J. Leahy, Rep. Bernard Sanders.

Virginia: Rep. Rick Boucher, Rep. Leslie L. Byrne, Rep. James P. Moran, Rep. Robert C. Scott.

Washington: Sen. Patty Murray, Rep. Norm Dicks, Rep. Mike Kreidler, Rep. Jim McDermott, Rep. Al Swift, Rep. Jolene Unsoeld.

West Virginia: Sen. Robert C. Byrd, Sen. John D. Rockefeller IV, Rep. Alan B. Mollohan, Rep. Nick J. Rahall, Rep. Bob Wise.

Wisconsin: Rep. Gerald D. Kleczka, Rep. David R. Obey.

NATIONAL TAXPAYERS UNION

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Long J (IN)	D	IN	4	D	42	219	100.00	845	2028				2
Cox J (IL)	D	IL	16	D	42	220	100.00	843	2028				2
Stallings R (ID)	D	ID	2	D	41	221	90.53	761	1836				1
Johnston H (FL)	D	FL	14	D	41	222	98.47	826	1997				3
Mazzoli R (KY)	D	KY	3	D	41	223	100.00	838	2028	d			3
Larocco L (ID)	D	ID	1	D	41	224	99.51	831	2018				1
Visclosky P (IN)	D	IN	1	D	41	225	100.00	832	2028			1	2
Lloyd M (TN)	D	TN	3	D	41	226	97.83	810	1984				3
Lancaster H (NC)	D	NC	3	D	41	227	99.90	823	2026				3
Huckaby J (LA)	D	LA	5	D	41	228	86.09	709	1746	1			3
Peterson C (MN)	D	MN	7	D	40	229	99.46	811	2017				2
Andrews M (TX)	D	TX	25	D	40	230	99.95	815	2027				3
Schroeder P (CO)	D	CO	1	D	40	231	99.61	802	2020	d			1
Thomas L (GA)	D	GA	1	D	39	232	83.04	665	1684			1	3
Brewster B (OK)	D	OK	3	D	39	233	99.85	799	2025				3
Cramer B (AL)	D	AL	5	D	39	234	99.56	795	2019				3
Hoagland P (NE)	D	NE	2	D	39	235	99.75	796	2023				2
Beilenson A (CA)	D	CA	23	D	39	236	92.55	737	1877		1		1
Derrick B (SC)	D	SC	3	D	39	237	99.80	790	2024	d			3

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Pickett O (VA)	D	VA	2	D	39	238	99.36	786	2015				3
Spratt J (SC)	D	SC	5	D	39	239	100.00	789	2028		1		3
Early J (MA)	D	MA	3	D	39	241	90.34	707	1832			1	4
McMillen T (MD)	D	MD	4	D	38	242	100.00	778	2028				4
Kennedy J (MA)	D	MA	8	D	38	243	95.27	741	1932				4
Gordon B (TN)	D	TN	6	D	38	244	93.93	725	1905	d			3
Panetta L (CA)	D	CA	16	D	38	245	98.67	756	2001	d	1		1
Browder G (AL)	D	AL	3	D	37	246	99.11	753	2010				3
Bacchus J (FL)	D	FL	11	D	37	247	99.41	750	2016				3
Pease D (OH)	D	OH	13	D	37	247	99.41	750	2016		1		2
Bilbray J (NV)	D	NV	1	D	37	249	98.52	743	1998				1
Bruce T (IL)	D	IL	19	D	37	250	99.56	737	2019				2
Atkins C (MA)	D	MA	5	D	36	251	96.25	711	1952			1	4
Skelton I (MO)	D	MO	4	D	36	252	94.63	692	1919				2
Defazio P (OR)	D	OR	4	D	36	253	97.24	702	1972				1
Sangmeister G (IL)	D	IL	4	D	36	254	98.22	709	1992				2
Johnson T (SD)	D	SD	0	D	36	255	99.70	719	2022				2
Staggers H (WV)	D	WV	2	D	35	256	89.45	643	1814				4
Bryant J (TX)	D	TX	5	D	35	257	95.32	685	1933		1		3
Carr B (MI)	D	MI	6	D	35	258	95.81	688	1943			1	2
Jenkins E (GA)	D	GA	9	D	35	259	95.27	684	1932				3
Darden G (GA)	D	GA	7	D	35	260	98.13	700	1990				3
Vento B (MN)	D	MN	4	D	35	261	99.61	700	2020				2
Espy M (MS)	D	MS	2	D	34	262	96.99	676	1967		1		3
Eckart D (OH)	D	OH	11	D	34	263	96.60	668	1959	d			2
Costello J (IL)	D	IL	21	D	34	264	94.23	650	1911				3
Murphy A (PA)	D	PA	22	F	33	266	93.74	633	1901				4
Hall T (OH)	D	OH	3	F	33	267	99.21	667	2012				2
Andrews R (NJ)	D	NJ	1	F	33	268	97.68	653	1981				4
Hatcher C (GA)	D	GA	2	F	33	269	62.72	419	1272				3
Volkmer H (MO)	D	MO	9	F	33	270	98.96	660	2007				2
Price D (NC)	D	NC	4	F	33	271	99.70	664	2022			1	3
McCloskey F (IN)	D	IN	8	F	33	272	98.67	656	2001				2
Stark P (CA)	D	CA	9	F	33	273	92.26	612	1871				1
Schumer C (NY)	D	NY	10	F	32	274	95.51	627	1937				4
Aucoin L (OR)	D	OR	1	F	32	275	86.19	565	1748			1	1
Peterson P (FL)	D	FL	2	F	32	276	97.14	634	1970				3
Russo M (IL)	D	IL	3	F	32	277	74.36	485	1508	d			2
Applegate (OH)	D	OH	18	F	32	278	98.22	634	1992				2
Synar M (OK)	D	OK	2	F	31	279	98.42	626	1996	d			3
Wilson C (TX)	D	TX	2	F	31	280	95.61	608	1939			1	3
Wyden R (OR)	D	OR	3	F	31	281	99.31	631	2014				1
Pickle J (TX)	D	TX	10	F	31	282	97.78	621	1983				3
Olin J (VA)	D	VA	6	F	31	283	88.56	561	1796				3
Miller G (CA)	D	CA	7	F	31	284	93.64	592	1899	d	1		1
Studds G (MA)	D	MA	10	F	31	285	98.92	622	2006				4
Jones B (GA)	D	GA	4	F	31	286	78.16	491	1585				3
Lipinski W (IL)	D	IL	5	F	31	287	86.93	545	1763				2
Durbin R (IL)	D	IL	20	F	31	288	99.90	626	2026		1	1	2
Oberstar J (MN)	D	MN	8	F	31	289	99.95	626	2027		1		2
McDermott J (WA)	D	WA	7	F	31	290	99.95	621	2027				1
Horn J (MO)	D	MO	2	F	31	291	100.00	621	2028				2
Slaughter L (NY)	D	NY	30	F	31	292	99.16	614	2011		1		4
Conyers J (MI)	D	MI	1	F	30	293	83.43	514	1692				2
Yates S (IL)	D	IL	9	F	30	294	85.31	525	1730			1	2
Kostmayer P (PA)	D	PA	8	F	30	295	99.80	614	2024	d			4
Ford H (TN)	D	TN	9	F	30	296	84.27	518	1709				3
Gejdenson S (CT)	D	CT	2	F	30	297	99.56	611	2019	d			4
Andrews T (ME)	D	ME	1	F	30	298	98.67	603	2001				4
Hayes C (IL)	D	IL	1	F	30	299	98.32	598	1994				2
Williams P (MT)	D	MT	1	F	30	300	92.70	556	1880	d			1
Chapman J (TX)	D	TX	1	F	30	301	98.62	590	2000			1	3
Sawyer T (OH)	D	OH	14	F	29	302	99.90	597	2026				2
Hamilton L (IN)	D	IN	9	F	29	303	100.00	597	2028				2
Levin S (MI)	D	MI	17	F	29	304	99.90	596	2026				2
Leighan E (OH)	D	OH	19	F	29	305	88.66	528	1798				2
Richardson B (NM)	D	NM	3	F	29	306	96.89	576	1965				1
Kennelly B (CT)	D	CT	1	F	29	307	99.65	590	2021	d			4
Frank B (MA)	D	MA	4	F	29	308	99.01	583	2008		1		4
Mfurne K (MD)	D	MD	7	F	29	309	98.62	579	2000				4
Clay W. (MO)	D	MO	1	F	29	310	97.63	573	1980				2
SABO M (MN)	D	MN	5	F	29	311	99.21	581	2012	d	1	1	2
Owens M (NY)	D	NY	12	F	29	312	95.66	555	1940				4
Wise B (WV)	D	WV	3	F	28	313	95.41	551	1935		1		4
Tallon R (SC)	D	SC	6	F	28	314	90.24	521	1830				3
Reed J (RI)	D	RI	2	F	28	315	100.00	576	2028				4
Skaggs D (CO)	D	CO	2	F	28	316	100.00	576	2028			1	1
Kildee D (MI)	D	MI	7	F	28	317	100.00	570	2028		1		2
Laface J (NY)	D	NY	32	F	28	318	96.94	552	1966				4
Yatron G (PA)	D	PA	6	F	28	319	89.55	509	1816				4
Gibbons S (FL)	D	FL	7	F	28	320	96.65	549	1960				3
Washington C (TX)	D	TX	18	F	28	321	97.73	555	1982				3
Dellums R (CA)	D	CA	8	F	28	322	99.31	562	2014				4
Weiss T (NY)	D	NY	17	F	28	323	84.52	478	1714				4
Solarz S (NY)	D	NY	13	F	28	324	81.95	461	1662				4
Olver J (MA)	D	MA	1	F	28	325	99.41	557	2016				4
Wolpe H (MI)	D	MI	3	F	28	326	92.70	517	1880				2
Payne D (NJ)	D	NJ	10	F	27	327	94.77	527	1922				4
Lantos T (CA)	D	CA	11	F	27	328	96.45	532	1956				1
Guarini F (NJ)	D	NJ	14	F	27	329	95.07	524	1928		1		4
Ortiz S (TX)	D	TX	27	F	27	330	94.58	521	1918				3
Nowark H (NY)	D	NY	33	F	27	331	94.97	520	1926				4
Anderson G (CA)	D	CA	32	F	27	332	94.53	512	1917				1
Flake F (NY)	D	NY	6	F	27	333	90.93	491	1844				4
Serrano J (NY)	D	NY	18	F	27	334	97.14	524	1970				4
Swift A (WA)	D	WA	2	F	27	335	98.96	533	2007	d			1
Lehman R (CA)	D	CA	18	F	26	336	87.72	471	1779			1	1
Blackwell L (PA)	D	PA	2	F	26	337	97.24	516	1972				4
Markey E (MA)	D	MA	7	F	26	338	95.32	503	1933				4
Lowey N (NY)	D	NY	20	F	26	339	100.00	526	2028				4
Rangel C (NY)	D	NY	16	F	26	340	98.67	516	2001	d			4
Foglietta T (PA)	D	PA	1	F	26	341	89.50	467	1815				4
Collins B (MI)	D	MI	13	F	26	342	93.00	484	1886				2
Evans L (IL)	D	IL	17	F	26	343	99.95	519	2027				2
Edwards D (CA)	D	CA	10	F	26	344	97.53	505	1978				1
Collins C (IL)	D	IL	7	F	25	345	82.84	425	1680				2
Wheat A (MO)	D	MO	5	F	25	346	99.65	511	2021	d			2
Savage G (IL)	D	IL	2	F	25	347	82.79	423	1679				2

NATIONAL TAXPAYERS UNION—Continued

Table with columns: Name, PA, Sta, Dist, Grade, Percent score, Rank, Percent attend., 381839 All Avg. Support 382510 Support, 830962 0.45922 Eligibility 832963 Eligibility, LDR, Budget, Appropriation, Region. Lists representatives from various states with their respective scores and ranks.

[From the National Taxpayers Union, Washington, DC]

BIGGEST SPENDERS—102D CONGRESS, 1ST SESSION 1991

Alabama: Rep. Tom Bevill, Rep. Glen Browder, Rep. Bud Cramer, Rep. Claude Harris, Sen. Howell Heflin, Sen. Richard C. Shelby.

Arkansas: Rep. Bill Alexander, Rep. Beryl F. Anthony, Jr., Rep. Ray Thornton.

California: Rep. Glenn M. Anderson, Rep. Howard L. Berman, Rep. Barbara Boxer, Rep. George E. Brown, Jr., Rep. Julian C. Dixon, Rep. Calvin Dooley, Rep. Don Edwards, Rep.

Vic Fazio, Rep. Tom Lantos, Rep. Richard H. Lehman, Rep. Mel Levine, Rep. Matthew G. Martinez, Rep. Robert T. Matsui, Rep. Norman Y. Mineta, Rep. Leon E. Panetta, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, Rep. Edward R. Roybal, Rep. Esteban Edward Torres, Rep. Henry A. Waxman.

Colorado: Rep. Ben Nighthorse Campbell, Rep. David E. Skaggs.

Connecticut: Rep. Rosa DeLauro, Sen. Christopher Dodd, Rep. Sam Gejdenson, Rep. Barbara B. Kennelly, Sen. Joseph Lieberman.

Florida: Rep. Jim Bacchus, Rep. Dante B. Fascell, Rep. Sam M. Gibbons, Rep. William

Lehman, Rep. Douglas Peterson, Rep. Lawrence J. Smith.

Georgia: Rep. George Darden, Rep. Charles F. Hatcher, Rep. Ed Jenkins, Rep. Ben Jones, Rep. John Lewis, Rep. J. Roy Rowland, Rep. Lindsay Thomas.

Hawaii: Rep. Neil Abercrombie, Sen. Daniel Akaka, Sen. Daniel Inouye, Rep. Patsy T. Mink.

Idaho: Rep. Larry LaRocco, Rep. Richard H. Stallings.

Illinois: Rep. Frank Annunzio, Rep. John W. Cox, Jr., Rep. Dan Rostenkowski.

Indiana: Rep. Jim Jontz, Rep. Frank McCloskey.

Iowa: Rep. David R. Nagle, Rep. Neal Smith.

Kentucky: Rep. Romano L. Mazzoli, Rep. William H. Natcher, Rep. Carl C. Perkins.

Louisiana: Sen. John Breaux, Rep. William J. Jefferson.

Maryland: Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin, Rep. Steny H. Hoyer, Rep. Tom McMillen, Sen. Paul Sarbanes.

Massachusetts: Rep. Chester G. Atkins, Rep. Barney Frank, Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy II, Rep. Edward J. Markey, Rep. Nicholas Mavroules, Rep. John Joseph Moakley, Rep. Richard E. Neal, Rep. John W. Olver.

Michigan: Rep. David E. Bonior, Rep. Bob Carr, Rep. Barbara-Rose Collins, Rep. John D. Dingell, Rep. Dennis M. Hertel, Rep. Dale E. Kildee, Rep. Sander M. Levin, Rep. Bob Traxler.

Minnesota: Rep. Martin Olav Sabo, Rep. Bruce F. Vento.

Mississippi: Rep. Mike Espy, Rep. Jamie L. Whitten.

Missouri: Rep. Richard A. Gephardt, Rep. Joan Kelly Ham, Rep. Alan Wheat.

Nebraska: Rep. Peter Hoagland.

Nevada: Rep. James H. Bilbray, Sen. Richard H. Bryan, Sen. Harry Reid.

New Jersey: Rep. Bernard J. Dwyer, Rep. Robert A. Roe, Rep. Robert G. Torricelli.

New Mexico: Rep. Bill Richardson, Sen. Jeff Bingaman.

New York: Rep. Gary L. Ackerman, Rep. Sherwood L. Boehlert, Sen. Alfonse D'Amato, Rep. Thomas J. Downey, Rep. Eliot L. Engel, Rep. Benjamin A. Gilman, Rep. George J. Hochbrueckner, Rep. Frank Horton, Rep. John J. LaFalce, Rep. Nita M. Lowey, Rep. Thomas J. Manton, Rep. Matthew F. McHugh, Rep. Michael R. McNulty, Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Rep. Robert J. Mrazek, Rep. Charles B. Rangel, Rep. Charles E. Schumer, Rep. José E. Serrano, Rep. Louise M. Slaughter, Rep. Stephen J. Solarz.

North Carolina: Rep. W.G. (Bill) Hefner, Rep. Walter B. Jones, Rep. H. Martin Lancaster, Rep. David E. Price, Rep. Charlie Rose.

North Dakota: Sen. Quentin Burdick.

Ohio: Rep. Edward F. Feighan, Rep. Tony P. Hall, Rep. Mary Rose Oakar, Rep. Thomas C. Sawyer.

Oklahoma: Sen. David L. Boren, Rep. Bill Brewster.

Oregon: Rep. Les AuCoin, Rep. Mike Kopetski, Sen. Bob Packwood, Rep. Ron Wyden.

Pennsylvania: Rep. Robert A. Borski, Rep. William J. Coyne, Rep. Thomas M. Foglietta, Rep. Joseph M. Gaydos, Sen. Arlen Specter, Sen. Harris Wofford, Rep. Joe Kolter, Rep. Peter H. Kostmayer, Rep. John P. Murtha, Rep. Gus Yatron.

South Carolina: Rep. Butler Derrick, Rep. John M. Spratt, Jr.

Tennessee: Rep. Bob Clement, Rep. Harold E. Ford, Rep. Bart Gordon, Sen. Al Gore, Rep. Marilyn Lloyd.

Texas: Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, Rep. Jack Brooks, Rep. John Bryant, Rep. Albert G. Bustamante, Rep. Jim Chapman, Rep. Ronald D. Coleman, Rep. E de la Garza, Rep. Chet Edwards, Rep. Martin Frost, Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez, Rep. Solomon P. Ortiz, Rep. J.J. Pickle, Rep. Charles Wilson.

Utah: Rep. Wayne Owens.

Virginia: Rep. Rick Boucher, Rep. James P. Moran, Rep. Owen B. Pickett, Sen. Charles Robb, Rep. Norman Sisisky.

Washington: Rep. Norman D. Dicks, Rep. Jim McDermott, Rep. Al Swift, Rep. Jolene Unsoeld.

West Virginia: Rep. Alan B. Mollohan, Rep. Bob Wise.

Wisconsin: Rep. Les Aspin, Rep. Gerald D. Kleczka.

[From the National Taxpayers Union, Washington, DC]

BOMBS OF 1990

The number one congressional song for big spenders in 1990 "Hey, Big Spender."

Alabama: Sen. Howell T. Heflin, Sen. Richard C. Shelby, Rep. Glen Browder, Rep. Tom Bevill, Rep. Ronnie Flippo, Rep. Claude Harris.

Alaska: Sen. Ted Stevens.

Arizona: Sen. Dennis DeConcini, Rep. Morris K. Udall.

Arkansas: Rep. Bill Alexander, Rep. Beryl F. Anthony, Jr.

California: Sen. Alan Cranston, Rep. Douglas H. Bosco, Rep. Robert T. Matsui, Rep. Vic Fazio, Rep. Nancy Pelosi, Rep. Barbara Boxer, Rep. Don Edwards, Rep. Tom Lantos, Rep. Norman Y. Mineta, Rep. Leon E. Panetta, Rep. Richard H. Lehman, Rep. Henry A. Waxman, Rep. Edward R. Roybal, Rep. Howard L. Berman, Rep. Mel Levine, Rep. Julian C. Dixon, Rep. Augustus F. Hawkins, Rep. Matthew G. Martinez, Rep. Mervyn M. Dymally, Rep. Glenn M. Anderson, Rep. Esteban Edward Torres, Rep. George E. Brown, Jr.

Colorado: Rep. David E. Skaggs.

Connecticut: Rep. Barbara B. Kennelly, Rep. Sam Gejdenson.

Florida: Sen. Bob Graham, Rep. Bill Nelson, Rep. Lawrence J. Smith, Rep. William Lehman, Rep. Dante B. Fascell.

Georgia: Sen. Wyche Fowler, Jr., Rep. Lindsay Thomas, Rep. Charles F. Hatcher, Rep. Ben Jones, Rep. John Lewis, Rep. George (Buddy) Darden, Rep. J. Roy Rowland.

Hawaii: Sen. Daniel K. Inouye, Sen. Daniel K. Akaka.

Illinois: Rep. Charles A. Hayes, Rep. William O. Lipinski, Rep. Cardiss Collins, Rep. Dan Rostenkowski, Rep. Sidney R. Yates, Rep. Lane Evans, Rep. Terry L. Bruce, Rep. Richard J. Durbin, Rep. Jerry F. Costello.

Indiana: Rep. Peter J. Visclosky, Rep. Frank McCloskey.

Iowa: Rep. David R. Nagle, Rep. Neal Smith.

Kentucky: Sen. Wendell H. Ford, Rep. William H. Natcher, Rep. Romano L. Mazzoli, Rep. Carl C. Perkins.

Louisiana: Sen. John B. Breaux, Sen. J. Bennett Johnston, Rep. Lindy Boggs.

Maryland: Sen. Barbara A. Mikulski, Sen. Paul S. Sarbanes, Rep. Benjamin L. Cardin, Rep. Tom McMillen, Rep. Steny H. Hoyer.

Massachusetts: Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Rep. Richard E. Neal, Rep. Barney Frank, Rep. Chester G. Atkins, Rep. Nicholas Mavroules, Rep. Edward J. Markey, Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy II, Rep. John Joseph Moakley, Rep. Gerry E. Studds.

Michigan: Rep. John Conyers, Jr., Rep. Howard Wolpe, Rep. Dale E. Kildee, Rep. Bob Traxler, Rep. Robert W. Davis, Rep. David E. Bonior, Rep. George W. Crockett, Jr., Rep. William D. Ford, Rep. John D. Dingell, Rep. Sander M. Levin.

Minnesota: Rep. Bruce F. Vento, Rep. Martin Olav Sabo, Rep. Gerry Sikorski, Rep. James L. Oberstar.

Mississippi: Rep. Jamie L. Whitten, Rep. Mike Espy, Rep. G.V. (Sonny) Montgomery.

Missouri: Rep. William L. (Bill) Clay, Rep. Richard A. Gephardt, Rep. Ike Skelton, Rep. Alan Wheat, Rep. Harold L. Volkmer.

Nebraska: Rep. Peter Hoagland.

Nevada: Rep. James H. Bilbray.

New Jersey: Rep. Bernard J. Dwyer, Rep. Robert A. Roe, Rep. Robert G. Torricelli, Rep. Donald Payne.

New Mexico: Sen. Jeff Bingaman, Rep. Bill Richardson.

New York: Rep. George J. Hochbrueckner, Rep. Robert J. Mrazek, Rep. Floyd H. Flake, Rep. Gary L. Ackerman, Rep. James H. Scheuer, Rep. Thomas J. Manton, Rep.

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Vermont: Sen. Patrick J. Leahy, Rep. James M. Jeffords.

Virginia: Rep. Norman Sisisky, Rep. Lewis F. Payne, Jr., Rep. Rick Boucher.

Washington: Sen. Brock Adams, Rep. Al Swift, Rep. Jolene Unsoeld, Rep. Norman D. Dicks, Rep. Jim McDermott.

West Virginia: Rep. Alan B. Mollohan, Rep. Harley O. Staggers, Jr., Rep. Bob Wise.

Wisconsin: Rep. Les Aspin, Rep. Gerald D. Kleczka, Rep. David Obey.

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—SENATE

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (Figures in millions of dollars)]

Name, party, and state	In-creases	Cuts	Net
1 Johnston, J. (D-LA)	127,123	-31,700	95,422
2 Bryan, R. (D-NV)	132,582	-44,342	88,240
3 Breaux, J. (D-LA)	130,572	-45,993	84,579
4 Daschle, T. (D-SD)	130,763	-46,354	84,409
5 Inouye, D. (D-HI)	130,702	-16,352	84,350
6 Moseley-Braun, C. (D-IL)	134,551	-50,324	84,229
7 Reid, H. (D-NV)	132,610	-48,449	84,161
8 Biden, J. (D-DE)	130,708	-46,815	83,893
9 Rockefeller, J. (D-WV)	130,488	-46,657	83,831
10 Mikulski, B. (D-MD)	128,823	-45,826	82,997
11 Akaka, D. (D-HI)	130,732	-47,884	82,848
12 Boxer, B. (D-CA)	136,389	-53,720	82,669
13 Wellstone, P. (D-MN)	135,793	-54,280	81,513
14 Riegle, D. (D-MI)	128,496	-47,037	81,459
15 Ford, W. (D-KY)	130,732	-49,714	81,018
16 Glenn, J. (D-OH)	127,262	-46,343	80,919
17 Sarbanes, P. (D-MD)	127,332	-47,571	79,761
18 Murray, P. (D-WA)	127,332	-48,003	79,329
19 Dodd, C. (D-CT)	126,256	-47,002	79,254
20 Feinstein, D. (D-CA)	127,521	-50,872	76,649
21 Kennedy, E. (D-MA)	127,256	-51,079	76,177
22 Heflin, H. (D-AL)	133,490	-57,768	75,722
23 Harkin, T. (D-IA)	140,062	-64,432	75,630
24 Campbell, B. (D-CO)	127,361	-51,818	75,543
25 Moynihan, D. (D-NY)	129,613	-54,602	75,011
26 Mitchell, G. (D-ME)	127,308	-52,668	74,640
27 Byrd, R. (D-WV)	128,325	-53,869	74,456
28 Matthews, H. (D-TN)	129,125	-56,887	72,238
29 Sasser, J. (D-TN)	132,719	-60,681	72,038
30 Wofford, H. (D-PA)	132,613	-61,662	70,951
31 Bradley, B. (D-NJ)	129,639	-59,336	70,303
32 Leahy, P. (D-VT)	134,144	-64,377	69,767
33 Bingaman, J. (D-NM)	125,602	-56,267	69,335
34 Bumpers, D. (D-AR)	133,128	-65,901	67,227

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—SENATE—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (Figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name, party, and state; In-creases; Cuts; Net. Lists 100 members of the Senate with their respective spending changes.

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—HOUSE—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name; In-creases; Cuts; Net. Lists 100 members of the House with their respective spending changes.

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—HOUSE—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name; In-creases; Cuts; Net. Lists 100 members of the House with their respective spending changes.

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—HOUSE

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name; In-creases; Cuts; Net. Lists 30 members of the House with their respective spending changes.

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—HOUSE—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name, In-creses, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Delaware to New York with their spending figures.

VOTE TALLY MEMBER REPORT SORTED BY NET SPENDING—HOUSE—Continued—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name, In-creses, Cuts, Net. Continues listing members from Ohio to Wisconsin.

VOTE TALLY STATE DELEGATION REPORT

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name, In-creses, Cuts, Net. Lists state delegations from Alabama to Alaska.

VOTE TALLY STATE DELEGATION REPORT—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with 4 columns: Name, In-creses, Cuts, Net. Lists state delegations from Arizona to Florida.

VOTE TALLY STATE DELEGATION REPORT—Continued

[What Members of Congress voted for in the 103d Congress (figures in millions of dollars)]

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Mack (R-FL) to Young (R-FL).

GEORGIA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Coverdell (R-GA) to Rowland (D-GA).

HAWAII

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Akaka (D-HI) to Mink (D-HI).

IDAHO

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Craig (R-ID) to LaRocco (D-ID).

ILLINOIS

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Moseley-Braun (D-IL) to Yates (D-IL).

INDIANA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Coats (R-IN) to Visclosky (D-IN).

IOWA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Grassley (R-IA) to Smith (D-IA).

KANSAS

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Dole (R-KS) to Roberts (R-KS).

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Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Slattery (D-KS) to Rogers (R-KY).

LOUISIANA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Breaux (D-LA) to Tauzin (D-LA).

MAINE

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Cohen (R-ME) to Snowe (R-ME).

MARYLAND

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Mikulski (D-MD) to Wynn (D-MD).

MASSACHUSETTS

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Kennedy (D-MA) to Torkildsen (R-MA).

MICHIGAN

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Levin (D-MI) to Upton (R-MI).

MINNESOTA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Durenberger (R-MN) to Vento (D-MN).

MISSISSIPPI

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Cochran (R-MS) to Whitten (D-MS).

MISSOURI

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Bond (R-MO) to Hancock (R-MO).

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Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Skelton (D-MO) to Wheat (D-MO).

MONTANA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Baucus (D-MT) to Williams (D-MT).

NEBRASKA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Exon (D-NE) to Hoagland (D-NE).

NEVADA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Bryan (D-NV) to Vucanovich (R-NV).

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Gregg (R-NH) to Zelfiff (R-NH).

NEW JERSEY

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Bradley (D-NJ) to Zimmer (R-NJ).

NEW MEXICO

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Bingaman (D-NM) to Skeen (R-NM).

NEW YORK

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from D'Amato (R-NY) to Walsh (R-NY).

NORTH CAROLINA

Table with columns: Name, In-creases, Cuts, Net. Lists members from Faircloth (R-NC) to Taylor (R-NC).

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Name	In-creases	Cuts	Net
Valentine (D-NC)	111,821	(95,042)	16,779
Watt (D-NC)	131,786	(85,282)	46,504
NORTH DAKOTA			
Conrad (D-ND)	131,665	(70,587)	61,078
Dorgan (D-ND)	132,900	(66,454)	66,446
Pomeroy (D-ND)	133,784	(87,344)	46,440
OHIO			
Glenn (D-OH)	127,262	(46,343)	80,919
Metzenbaum (D-OH)	122,709	(71,661)	51,048
Applegate (D-OH)	129,120	(68,370)	60,750
Boehner (R-OH)	71,804	(66,717)	5,087
Brown (D-OH)	136,089	(95,756)	40,333
Fingerhut (D-OH)	113,373	(88,677)	24,696
Gillmor (R-OH)	113,401	(60,947)	52,454
Hall (D-OH)	135,102	(53,743)	81,359
Hobson (R-OH)	107,143	(101,560)	5,583
Hoke (R-OH)	74,439	(85,429)	(10,990)
Kaptur (D-OH)	135,191	(86,679)	48,512
Kasich (R-OH)	93,919	(89,098)	4,821
Mamm (D-OH)	111,590	(62,197)	49,393
Ooley (R-OH)	86,516	(79,548)	6,968
Portman (R-OH)	70,694	(89,944)	(19,250)
Pryce (R-OH)	107,963	(99,910)	8,053
Regula (R-OH)	115,493	(74,188)	41,305
Sawyer (D-OH)	133,549	(52,280)	81,269
Stokes (D-OH)	131,023	(59,011)	72,012
Strickland (D-OH)	136,034	(85,400)	50,634
Traficant (D-OH)	132,239	(54,813)	77,426
OKLAHOMA			
Boren (D-OK)	126,528	(100,581)	25,947
Nickles (R-OK)	108,958	(142,761)	(33,803)
Brewster (D-OK)	108,809	(59,262)	49,547
Inhofe (R-OK)	64,351	(68,642)	(4,291)
Istook (R-OK)	70,383	(87,137)	(16,754)
McCurdy (D-OR)	129,821	(70,988)	58,833
Synar (D-OK)	129,921	(59,423)	70,498
OREGON			
Hatfield (R-OR)	112,737	(86,919)	25,808
Packwood (R-OR)	110,030	(121,330)	(11,300)
Defazio (D-OR)	112,003	(81,768)	30,235
Furse (D-OR)	134,727	(82,816)	51,911
Kopetski (D-OR)	130,335	(77,141)	53,194
Smith (R-OR)	76,561	(29,600)	46,961
Wyden (D-OR)	126,217	(87,274)	38,943
PENNSYLVANIA			
Specter (R-PA)	124,538	(100,781)	23,757
Wofford (D-PA)	132,613	(61,662)	70,951
Blackwell (D-PA)	133,043	(70,656)	62,387
Borski (D-PA)	135,626	(76,251)	59,375
Clinger (R-PA)	104,552	(71,143)	33,409
Coyne (D-PA)	136,205	(84,074)	52,131
Foglietta (D-PA)	133,448	(73,070)	60,378
Gekas (R-PA)	83,847	(88,304)	(4,457)
Goodling (R-PA)	98,168	(93,254)	4,914
Greenwood (R-PA)	103,726	(107,694)	(3,968)
Holden (D-PA)	136,034	(92,293)	43,741
Kanjorski (D-PA)	136,145	(83,549)	52,596
Klink (D-PA)	136,088	(97,919)	38,169
Margolies-Mezv (D-PA)	117,351	(94,689)	22,662
McDade (R-PA)	109,325	(78,081)	31,444
McHale (D-PA)	135,817	(101,176)	34,641
Murphy (D-PA)	117,285	(96,225)	21,060
Murtha (D-PA)	140,515	(47,492)	93,023
Ridge (R-PA)	108,188	(92,187)	16,001
Santorum (R-PA)	91,135	(94,914)	(3,779)
Shuster (R-PA)	81,291	(84,389)	(3,098)
Walker (R-PA)	60,943	(69,783)	(8,840)
Weldon (R-PA)	91,001	(86,258)	4,743
RHODE ISLAND			
Chafee (D-RI)	122,158	(136,007)	(13,849)
Pell (R-RI)	121,372	(58,847)	62,525
Machtley (R-RI)	117,118	(50,818)	66,300
Reed (D-RI)	133,048	(54,455)	78,593
SOUTH CAROLINA			
Hollings (D-SC)	126,315	(62,298)	64,017
Thurmond (R-SC)	117,863	(120,618)	(2,755)
Clyburn (D-SC)	133,732	(60,148)	73,584
Derrick (D-SC)	129,552	(52,095)	77,457
Inglis (R-SC)	72,616	(89,009)	(16,393)
Ravenel (R-SC)	116,390	(105,123)	11,267
Spence (R-SC)	103,080	(40,981)	62,099
Spratt (D-SC)	133,556	(53,868)	79,688
SOUTH DAKOTA			
Daschle (D-SD)	130,763	(46,354)	84,409
Pressler (R-SD)	119,079	(5,577)	113,502
Johnson (D-SD)	134,057	(82,854)	51,203
TENNESSEE			
Mathews (D-TN)	129,125	(56,887)	72,238
Sasser (D-TN)	132,719	(60,681)	72,038
Clement (D-TN)	131,474	(43,068)	88,406
Cooper (D-TN)	130,486	(83,481)	47,005
Duncan (R-TN)	64,137	(86,559)	(22,422)

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Name	In-creases	Cuts	Net
Ford (D-TN)	112,243	(55,410)	56,833
Gordon (D-TN)	133,005	(74,449)	58,556
Lloyd (D-TN)	128,944	(74,208)	54,736
Quillen (R-TN)	92,083	(83,848)	8,235
Sundquist (R-TN)	96,191	(91,745)	4,446
Tanner (D-TN)	131,670	(85,516)	46,154
TEXAS			
Gramm (R-TX)	116,963	(117,343)	(380)
Hutchison (R-TX)	112,902	(84,690)	28,212
Andress (D-TX)	124,106	(72,551)	51,555
Archer (R-TX)	59,069	(43,841)	15,228
Armey (R-TX)	66,063	(67,890)	(1,827)
Barton (R-TX)	63,541	(95,946)	(32,405)
Bonilla (R-TX)	133,173	(58,641)	74,532
Brooks (D-TX)	133,135	(80,232)	52,903
Bryant (D-TX)	139,177	(51,602)	87,575
Chapman (D-TX)	134,930	(56,112)	78,818
Coleman (D-TX)	86,879	(39,267)	47,612
Combest (R-TX)	132,460	(51,281)	81,179
de la Garza (D-TX)	72,114	(73,433)	(1,319)
DeLay (R-TX)	129,825	(54,946)	74,880
Edwards (D-TX)	65,879	(65,861)	18
Fields (R-TX)	133,070	(71,340)	61,730
Frost (D-TX)	113,248	(70,661)	42,587
Geren (D-TX)	140,382	(49,191)	91,191
Gonzalez (D-TX)	117,418	(79,844)	37,574
Green (D-TX)	103,817	(76,141)	27,676
Hall (D-TX)	135,851	(77,427)	58,424
Johnson, E. (D-TX)	64,697	(71,164)	(6,467)
Johnson, S. (R-TX)	129,656	(58,974)	70,682
Laughlin (D-TX)	132,218	(47,340)	84,878
Ortiz (D-TX)	131,819	(71,968)	59,851
Pickles (D-TX)	136,659	(67,164)	69,495
Sarpaluis (D-TX)	94,953	(79,108)	15,845
Smith (R-TX)	92,638	(92,702)	(64)
Stenholm (D-TX)	141,363	(47,773)	93,590
Tejeda (D-TX)	98,221	(67,452)	30,769
Washington (D-TX)	132,332	(73,141)	59,191
UTAH			
Bennett (R-UT)	118,656	(118,998)	(342)
Hatch (R-UT)	118,376	(119,990)	(1,524)
Hansen (R-UT)	78,105	(100,181)	(22,076)
Orton (D-UT)	98,477	(76,968)	21,509
Shepherd (D-UT)	130,880	(71,552)	59,328
VERMONT			
Jeffords (R-VT)	127,492	(79,181)	48,311
Leahy (D-VT)	134,144	(64,377)	69,767
Sanders (I-VT)	128,991	(79,303)	49,688
VIRGINIA			
Robb (D-VA)	127,304	(84,096)	43,208
Warner (R-VA)	104,160	(121,462)	(17,002)
Bateman (R-VA)	106,621	(73,802)	32,819
Bliley (R-VA)	84,660	(88,240)	(3,580)
Boucher (D-VA)	134,942	(73,222)	61,720
Byrne (D-VA)	131,385	(78,014)	53,371
Goodlatte (R-VA)	74,768	(57,421)	17,347
Moran (D-VA)	134,094	(54,248)	79,846
Payne (D-VA)	126,508	(78,141)	48,367
Pickett (D-VA)	110,525	(63,608)	46,917
Scott (D-VA)	129,072	(62,932)	66,140
Sisisky (D-VA)	117,136	(50,586)	66,550
Wolf (R-VA)	94,060	(90,009)	4,051
WASHINGTON			
Gorton (R-WA)	119,839	(108,973)	10,866
Murray (D-WA)	127,332	(48,003)	79,329
Cantwell (D-WA)	133,291	(66,938)	66,353
Dicks (D-WA)	133,328	(47,767)	85,561
Dunn (R-WA)	82,033	(66,335)	15,698
Foley (D-WA)	75,302	(35,590)	39,712
Inslee (D-WA)	134,108	(106,326)	27,782
Kreidler (D-WA)	135,965	(92,527)	43,438
McDermott (D-WA)	134,667	(80,927)	53,740
Swift (D-WA)	132,523	(48,140)	84,383
Unsoeld (D-WA)	136,071	(85,252)	50,819
WEST VIRGINIA			
Byrd (D-WV)	128,325	(53,869)	74,456
Rockefeller (D-WV)	130,488	(46,657)	83,831
Mollohan (D-WV)	127,593	(48,951)	78,642
Rahall (D-WV)	130,704	(70,898)	59,806
Wise (D-WV)	133,297	(47,577)	85,720
WISCONSIN			
Feingold (D-WI)	126,933	(81,812)	45,121
Kohl (D-WI)	124,700	(103,945)	20,755
Barca (D-WI)	98,012	(105,688)	(7,676)
Barrett (D-WI)	129,832	(92,871)	36,961
Gunderson (R-WI)	97,717	(88,982)	8,735
Klezcka (D-WI)	136,083	(80,769)	55,314
Klug (R-WI)	88,482	(79,847)	8,635
Obey (D-WI)	136,075	(82,955)	53,120
Petri (R-WI)	65,995	(78,148)	(12,153)
Roth (R-WI)	63,570	(83,398)	(19,828)
Sensenbrenner (R-WI)	56,113	(106,430)	(50,317)

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Name	In-creases	Cuts	Net
WYOMING			
Simpson (R-WY)	98,332	(130,480)	(32,148)
Wallop (R-WY)	96,189	(100,419)	(4,230)
Thomas (R-WY)	80,843	(94,142)	(13,299)
<p>Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.</p> <p>Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.</p> <p>(Mr. MOAKLEY asked and was given permission to include extraneous material.)</p> <p>Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, we are finally at the end of the contract.</p> <p>For 100 days America's children, senior citizens, and working families have watched the Republican Congress gut their school lunches, home heating assistance, and student loans. And for what reason? To pay for tax breaks for the very rich. To continue to allow billionaires to renounce their American citizenship to avoid paying taxes.</p> <p>The tax bill we are considering today illustrates very clearly the winners and losers in the Republican contract.</p> <p>This bill takes money from school lunches and hands it over to the very rich in the form of tax breaks—from the mouths of babes to the pockets of billionaires.</p> <p>Some people are very happy with the Republican Congress. Some people got what they wanted. They had their cake and they will eat it too. Those people are special interest lobbyists, corporations, and millionaires.</p> <p>The losers were children who get meals at school, young people who need summer jobs, and families whose homes are heated with the help of the LIHEAP Program.</p> <p>Mr. Speaker, I was sorry to see that Mr. SOLOMON's own committee, which is stacked with nine Republicans to four Democrats, refused to make in order any amendments.</p> <p>Yesterday he called himself the fiercest deficit hawk up here. Still, despite the demand of 102 Members of their own party, despite Mr. SOLOMON's support, the Republican leadership refused to allow amendments to slow down tax cuts in the face of exploding deficits.</p> <p>They imposed a watered down, milquetoast amendment that doesn't even qualify as a speed bump on the deficit highway.</p> <p>I know if Mr. SOLOMON were calling the shots on the Rules Committee he would have made stronger amendments in order. Once we're finished with the contract I hope he gets his way.</p> <p>I urge my colleagues to defeat the previous question so we can come back with an open rule, instead of this gag rule, and help someone other than the special interest lobbyists.</p> <p>Mr. Speaker, I include the following for the RECORD:</p>			

FLOOR PROCEDURE IN THE 104TH CONGRESS

Bill No.	Title	Resolution No.	Process used for floor consideration	Amendments in order
H.R. 1	Compliance	H. Res. 6	Closed	None
H. Res. 6	Opening Day Rules Package	H. Res. 5	Closed; contained a closed rule on H.R. 1 within the closed rule	None
H.R. 5	Unfunded Mandates	H. Res. 38	Restrictive: Motion adopted over Democratic objection in the Committee of the Whole to limit debate on section 4; Pre-printing gets preference.	N/A
H.J. Res. 2	Balanced Budget	H. Res. 44	Restrictive: only certain substitutes	2R: 4D
H. Res. 43	Committee Hearings Scheduling	H. Res. 43 (OJ)	Restrictive: considered in House no amendments	N/A
H.R. 2	Line Item Veto	H. Res. 55	Open: Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 665	Victim Restitution Act of 1995	H. Res. 61	Open: Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 666	Exclusionary Rule Reform Act of 1995	H. Res. 60	Open: Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 667	Violent Criminal Incarceration Act of 1995	H. Res. 63	Restrictive: 10 hr. Time Cap on amendments	N/A
H.R. 668	The Criminal Alien Deportation Improvement Act	H. Res. 69	Open: Pre-printing gets preference; Contains self-executing provision	N/A
H.R. 728	Local Government Law Enforcement Block Grants	H. Res. 79	Restrictive: 10 hr. Time Cap on amendments; Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 7	National Security Revitalization Act	H. Res. 83	Restrictive: 10 hr. Time Cap on amendments; Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 729	Death Penalty/Habeas	N/A	Restrictive: brought up under UC with a 6 hr. time cap on amendments	N/A
S. 2	Senate Compliance	N/A	Closed: Put on suspension calendar over Democratic objection	None
H.R. 831	To Permanently Extend the Health Insurance Deduction for the Self-Employed.	H. Res. 88	Restrictive: makes in order only the Gibbons amendment; waives all points of order; Contains self-executing provision.	1D
H.R. 830	The Paperwork Reduction Act	H. Res. 91	Open	N/A
H.R. 889	Emergency Supplemental/Rescinding Certain Budget Authority	H. Res. 92	Restrictive: makes in order only the Obey substitute	1D
H.R. 450	Regulatory Moratorium	H. Res. 93	Restrictive: 10 hr. Time Cap on amendments; Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 1022	Risk Assessment	H. Res. 96	Restrictive: 10 hr. Time Cap on amendments	N/A
H.R. 926	Regulatory Flexibility	H. Res. 100	Open	N/A
H.R. 925	Private Property Protection Act	H. Res. 101	Restrictive: 12 hr. time cap on amendments; Requires Members to pre-print their amendments in the Record prior to the bill's consideration for amendment, waives germaneness and budget act points of order as well as points of order concerning appropriating on a legislative bill against the committee substitute used as base text.	1D
H.R. 1058	Securities Litigation Reform Act	H. Res. 105	Restrictive: 8 hr. time cap on amendments; Pre-printing gets preference; Makes in order the Wyden amendment and waives germaneness against it.	1D
H.R. 988	The Attorney Accountability Act of 1995	H. Res. 104	Restrictive: 7 hr. time cap on amendments; Pre-printing gets preference	N/A
H.R. 956	Product Liability and Legal Reform Act	H. Res. 109	Restrictive: makes in order only 15 germane amendments and denies 64 germane amendments from being considered.	8D: 7R
H.R. 1158	Making Emergency Supplemental Appropriations and Rescissions	H. Res. 115	Restrictive: Combines emergency H.R. 1158 & nonemergency 1159 and strikes the abortion provision; makes in order only pre-printed amendments that include offsets within the same chapter (deeper cuts in programs already cut); waives points of order against three amendments; waives cl 2 of rule XXI against the bill, cl 2, XXI and cl 7 of rule XVI against the substitute; waives cl 2(e) of rule XXI against the amendments in the Record; 10 hr time cap on amendments. 30 minutes debate on each amendment.	N/A
H.J. Res. 73	Term Limits	H. Res. 116	Restrictive: Makes in order only 4 amendments considered under a "Queen of the Hill" procedure and denies 21 germane amendments from being considered.	1D: 3R
H.R. 4	Welfare Reform	H. Res. 119	Restrictive: Makes in order only 31 perfecting amendments and two substitutes; Denies 130 germane amendments from being considered; The substitutes are to be considered under a "Queen of the Hill" procedure; All points of order are waived against the amendments.	5D: 26R
H.R. 1271	Family Privacy Act	H. Res. 125	Open	N/A
H.R. 660	Housing for Older Persons Act	H. Res. 126	Open	N/A

** 72% restrictive; 28% open. **** Restrictive rules are those which limit the number of amendments which can be offered, and include so called modified open and modified closed rules as well as completely closed rules and rules providing for consideration in the House as opposed to the Committee of the Whole. This definition of restrictive rule is taken from the Republican chart of resolutions reported from the Rules Committee in the 103rd Congress. **** Not included in this chart are three bills which should have been placed on the Suspension Calendar. H.R. 101, H.R. 400, H.R. 440.

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

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I would love to respond to the gentleman but time does not allow right now.

I yield 2 minutes to the very distinguished gentleman from Sanibel, FL [Mr. GOSS], a member of the Committee on Rules.

(Mr. GOSS asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GOSS. I thank the gentleman from Glens Falls, NY [Mr. SOLOMON], the distinguished chairman, for yielding me the generous time.

Mr. Speaker, this is a very important vote that is coming up, for many reasons, just one of which is that passage of this rule is indeed going to complete our perfect record of bringing the Contract With America up for a vote just as we promised. We are keeping our promise.

This rule does allow the minority free rein to offer its alternative tax plan, such as it may be, and this rule ensures that we match the primary goal of cutting spending so we can balance the budget with the important need to reduce taxation, to curtail Uncle Sam's persistent depressing reach into Americans' pockets and wallets. The average tax filer in my State of Florida will save \$1,605 in taxes if this bill becomes law. Other States will fare similarly well. We are delivering the long overdue tax relief that is good for all America, for every American. It will create jobs by providing investment incentives, particularly for small

businesses. And it will give much needed relief to our seniors by eliminating the very unfair 1993 Clinton Social Security tax and rolling back the unfair earnings test limit that saps the energies and earnings of seniors who need to work or want to work.

H.R. 1215 is a down payment on comprehensive tax reform. The first 100 days, we have done a lot. The next 265 days, we can do the rest.

I urge a "yes" vote on this rule, so we can get on with that job and do what we were elected to do last November.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 30 seconds to the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GIBBONS], the ranking member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, we should vote against the previous question, we should vote against the rule and if it passes, we should vote against this bill. It is the wrong time to be cutting taxes. We ought to be cutting the deficit. It is the wrong time, it is the wrong way to be cutting taxes, even if we should be cutting them. This is a terrible gag rule. We are going to do nothing for 3 weeks after Friday. Why can we not spend enough time talking about the impact of this bill instead of gagging us with 1 hour to all the Democrats to talk about the tax matter, a \$700 billion mistake?

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to the gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARCHER], the chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means and one of the most respected Members of this House.

Mr. ARCHER. I thank the gentleman for yielding me the time.

Mr. Speaker, in September of last year, we promised in our Contract With America that we would vote on tax relief for families and on incentives to create new jobs. We also promised to pay for these tax cuts by slowing down the growth of Federal spending, and today we fulfill that pledge. But we do more. This package nets out with a \$30 billion greater reduction in deficit than the President's budget proposal.

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We have heard some Democrats say the taxpayers do not need or deserve tax cuts right now, and I disagree. The American family is overworked and it is overtaxed. So as promised, this bill provides a \$500 per child tax credit, marriage penalty relief, tax credits for adoption of children and for the care of elderly family members.

It also provides tax incentives for long-term care insurance and for tax-free distributions of life insurance for the terminally and chronically ill.

This bill will repeal current laws that penalize seniors. It repeals the punitive 5-percent tax on Social Security benefits imposed by President Clinton in 1993, and it gives senior citizens greater opportunity to continue to work without suffering the loss of their benefits.

Americans do not save enough. High taxes are a big reason why. So we include incentives for savings and investment. We create a new type of individual retirement account, IRA, the American Dream Savings Account, and

we permit homemakers to build their own IRA's.

We provide much-needed capital gains relief to stimulate job-creating investment. Capital gains for individuals will get a 50-percent exclusion along with indexing for inflation. This will reduce the rate for lower income Americans to only 7½ percent.

Corporations will be eligible for a 25-percent alternative capital gains rate. And people who sell their homes at a loss will finally be able to get a tax deduction for that loss.

Businesses will have incentives to invest in new plant and equipment. The punitive and onerous job stifling alternative minimum tax will be repealed and small businesses will be able to double the amount that they can expense and deduct for the purchase of new equipment.

People who work out of their homes will be able to deduct more home office expenses.

The tax burden on family retention of small businesses and farms will be reduced, because the estate tax exclusion will be increased.

Democrats complain that these tax cuts are too big, they are not fair, and they are not targeted, and they are simply wrong.

These tax cuts are not too big. The total cost of all of the cuts is equal to 2 percent of what the Federal Government will spend over the next 5 years. And this will force a further 2-percent shrinking in the size of the Federal Government as we move to a balanced budget.

I think that is what the American people want to hear. These tax cuts are fair. The biggest tax cuts go to families earning \$30,000 to \$75,000. Over the next 5 years, higher income people, that is, the top 1 to 10 percent of the income categories, will actually pay a larger share of Federal taxes than they pay under current law. These taxes go to the right beneficiaries. Seventy-five percent go to families and 25 percent to create jobs.

Of the family benefits, 75 percent of the child credit goes to families with incomes under \$75,000 and 90 percent goes to families with under \$95,000 of annual income.

This rule is the only way that we can comply with our contract pledge, which is to bring before the floor of this House a vote on these provisions. A vote against the rule will be a vote against the contract.

I urge a vote for the rule.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes and 15 seconds to the former chairman of the Committee on the Budget, the gentleman from Minnesota [Mr. SABO].

(Mr. SABO asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SABO. Mr. Speaker, here we go again. Once more we have a major piece of legislation before us, and the Republican majority has structured a

rule to get around all kinds of serious Budget Act problems.

The reason we have a Budget Act is to help us think through legislation before we pass it. Yet this is the eighth time this year we have been asked by the new majority to ignore the Budget Act.

The tax before us is a good example of the unwise legislation the House has recently been passing. The measure actually makes the long-term deficit worse since the cost of these tax cuts grow far more quickly than the spending cuts.

By the year 2000, according to CBO, the deficit under the bill will be \$12 billion higher than it would be if we simply did nothing. Further, it contains some serious provisions that were never passed or considered by the appropriate committees. One of these provisions is a dangerous new taxpayer debt buydown plan. This proposal lets taxpayers designate a portion of their tax liability for debt reduction, thereby taking decisions about Federal spending from the people's elected representatives and handing them over to the wealthy. Essentially it says that the fundamental nature of the Federal Government should be changed from a representative democracy, one person one vote, to a plutocracy, one dollar one vote, a million dollars a million votes.

Mr. Speaker, I cannot think of any more invidious scheme for us to include in a tax package. The plan has never been reviewed by the Committee on the Budget. Rather, it was just dropped into the bill by rule as a part of the Kasich substitute.

Mr. Speaker, may I also remind the House that the Speaker, now Speaker, in August 1993 said that we, if we pass the President's program, we would head into a recession.

Mr. Speaker, the facts are in. Employment is up, unemployment is down, inflation is low, growth was at 4 percent in 1994 productivity is improving, factories are operating at high rates, investment is booming. Mr. Speaker, you were wrong 2 years ago. This is a bad bill.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, how much time is remaining on each side?

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON] has 18 minutes remaining, and the gentleman from Massachusetts [Mr. MOAKLEY] has 24½ minutes remaining.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, this year we have the privilege of having a very outstanding Member, a former judge from Ohio, serve on our Committee on Rules, Ms. DEBORAH PRYCE.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Ohio [Ms. PRYCE].

Ms. PRYCE. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding me this time.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this rule. By adopting this resolution, we will enable the House to complete the contract's promise to strengthen families and grow the na-

tional economy by delivering real tax relief.

Today, the average family spends more on taxes than it spends on food, clothing, and shelter combined. Many families now need a second breadwinner just to support the costs of a bloated Federal Government, not to cover the costs of raising a family.

After years of struggling to move a pro-family, pro-growth tax plan through Congress, we have the opportunity today to tip the tax scales back in favor of mothers, fathers, grandparents, and children.

It reduces the tax burden on families with children, and on two-earner married couples. It creates valuable tax incentives to encourage families to adopt children, and to care for elderly relatives. And, it gives families more reason to save their hard-earned money for the future.

In my own State of Ohio, taxes will be reduced by an average of more than \$1,400 per person. That's \$1,400 more that families can spend as they see fit, on the things they need most, and not as Washington would spend it for them.

More importantly, this legislation is fiscally responsible. As we all know, the best hope for tax fairness for America's families lies in our commitment to reducing the deficit and achieving a balanced Federal budget.

Mr. Speaker, I am disappointed that the House will not have the chance to debate the Ganske amendment, but, as the distinguished chairman of the Rules Committee has pointed out, it has been customary over the years to consider tax measures under more restrictive procedures, and I will support this rule. It is a balanced and responsible rule. By allowing the Gephardt substitute and the customary motion to recommit, the rule provides the House with two clear opportunities to offer alternative tax proposals.

Finally, Mr. Speaker, only long-term expansion of our national economy, and the new jobs it will create, can make the American dream a reality for future generations. That is why it is so important that this Congress not miss this opportunity.

Mr. Speaker, we have had a very productive 93 days so far in the 104th Congress. The majority has kept its promise to the American people, and we have made rebuilding and strengthening America's families a top legislative priority.

I urge our colleagues to adopt this rule so that we can usher in a new era of growth, productivity, and financial security—for our children and future generations of Americans.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from the District of Columbia [Ms. NORTON].

(Ms. NORTON asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

[Ms. NORTON addressed the House. Her remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentlewoman from Illinois [Mrs. COLLINS].

(Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. COLLINS of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman for yielding time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the rule providing for consideration of this bill, for a variety of reasons. As the ranking member on the Government Reform and Oversight Committee, I want to point out one particular problem with the rule. It includes a provision that was never passed by any committee.

This is a provision which hikes the taxes of 2 million middle-class Americans who work for the Federal Government in order to pay for tax cuts for the wealthy. It imposes these new taxes on Federal employees by making changes in the Federal retirement system; changes which were rejected by the committee of jurisdiction—the Government Reform and Oversight Committee.

This rule places before the House legislation which no committee has ever considered. The retirement provisions in this bill were written by the chairman of the Budget Committee. In what is clearly an extraordinary departure from usual procedure, the Rules Committee has chosen to take a course of action which negates the very existence of authorizing committees. This is a very dangerous precedent to set. This is not the same situation as might occur with a reconciliation bill, where the Congress has previously voted for a budget resolution that included reconciliation instructions.

In such a case, the Congress would vote to authorize the Budget Committee to report the necessary legislation, if the authorizing committee had failed to act, and the Congress had voted that budget reductions in a particular area were justified.

This is not the case. This is bad business.

But there has been no such vote, and the Rules Committee is acting without a mandate from the House.

Continuing with the unusual, the rule makes in order a tax increase in a tax cut bill. The bill would increase the amount of payroll withholding for the average Federal employee by an additional 2.5 percent of their income. This would take \$750 more out of an employee's pocket each and every year.

Last week, when I testified before the Rules Committee with a bipartisan panel of Members who made these points, the committee's chairman, Mr. SOLOMON, and one of its most distinguished majority members, Mr. QUILLEN, agreed with us. Chairman SOLOMON said, "This is a case where we are raising taxes on some to pay for tax cuts for others, and that to me is wrong. I don't believe we ought to be doing this in this bill."

When we asked that an amendment be made in order to strike this provision, should it be included in the bill, Mr. QUILLEN asked to be made a cosponsor of any such amendment. Clearly, from their comments and those of other Members, Rules Committee members on both sides of the aisle were deeply trou-

bled by this proposal, yet the rule allows for this proposal to be considered.

For those of my colleagues who are not concerned about imposing a 2.5-percent payroll tax on Federal employees, consider the precedent this sets. I believe that if the Republican leadership can get away with this, next they will try to raise the Social Security tax paid by all other American workers. They promised no new taxes, and yet, with this bill, they have broken that promise.

For these reasons, Mr. Speaker, I strongly urge my colleagues to vote "no" on the rule. Reject this effort to bypass the jurisdiction of authorizing committees. Oppose this effort by the Republican leadership to impose a tax increase on middle-class Americans.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, we continue to reserve our time.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. EVANS].

Mr. EVANS. Mr. Speaker, a few weeks ago, the House acted to reform the welfare system. We also need to ensure that an even larger welfare system—the more than \$200 billion in corporate giveaways—is reformed. Corporate taxpayers must live up to their responsibility as U.S. residents and ensure that they do not dodge their duty to pay their fair share of taxes and their obligation to help reduce the deficit.

I gave my Republican colleagues on the Rules Committee the opportunity to seek a fairer tax system by offering an amendment that curbs tax benefits given exclusively to multinational corporations and foreign investors. This amendment would have closed loopholes in the code that drain billions from our Treasury every year.

Yet, the majority again refuses to stand up to corporate interests so that we can reduce the deficit and put fairness in our tax system.

The Republican gravy train for the wealthy never seems to end. Included in this bill is a repeal of the alternative minimum tax. This tax ensures that profitable corporations do not avoid paying taxes in the United States. Many advocates of a repeal say that instead of an AMT, we need to look at individual parts of the code. But once again, the majority leaves loopholes for multinationals virtually untouched.

I urge my colleagues to oppose the rule.

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Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. HOYER].

Mr. HOYER. Mr. Speaker, the rule before us contains a brutal breach of contract with America's public servants. Markup of similar legislation, as the ranking member, the gentlewoman from Illinois [Mrs. COLLINS], has said, was rejected on March 15 because a majority did not support this provision.

The chairman of this committee who brings this bill to the floor said that 2 million Americans were getting a tax increase so that the wealthiest in America could get a tax decrease, be-

cause retirement benefits are an integral part of the retirement package that we offer to attract and retain top-quality Federal personnel. We should not make hasty, ill-considered, and not supported by a majority of the committee of jurisdiction decisions by the Committee on Rules, by the chairman's own admission, not having jurisdiction over this matter.

The chairman said it is traditional not to have amendments to tax bills. If this is a tax bill and if title IV is a tax bill, it should take three-fifths of this body to increase the taxes on 2 million Americans.

Proponents of this proposal have offered only one justification: We need to pay for the tax cut. There has been some argument about an unfunded liability, but the Congressional Research Service looked at this issue, is the unfunded liability of CRS a problem? And their answer was no, we have a system that is paid for. But everybody agrees that the Federal Employment Retirement System [FERS] is fully paid for, and it is included in this, a brutal breach of contract, my friends, in this, your last item.

Reject this rule. Reject this brutal breach of contract. Reject this ill-considered tax policy.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. BROWDER].

Mr. BROWDER. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate the gentleman yielding time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I am not here to argue about the value of letting the American people keep as much of their money as we can. I support tax cuts.

But the proposed bill gets the process wrong. I offered a straightforward amendment that insured deficit reduction would be the first priority while fulfilling the Contract With America. My amendment would have made us get on track to balance before the tax cuts become effective and would make continued tax cuts dependent upon us staying on track.

The shame is that in making this rule, the majority opted to reject the advice of the American people. I am entering into the RECORD four quotes that show that a vote for this rule is a vote against the best advice provided to the Congress.

I urge Members to support deficit reduction and returning money to the people who earn it by opposing the rule until we get it right.

GOP leadership needs to listen to the public:

Opinion polls show public support for tax cuts is low and falling. Even Frank Luntz, the pollster who testmarketed the "Contract With America," says support has eroded in recent months. "The public currently believes that you cannot balance the budget and get a tax cut," Mr. Luntz says.—The Wall Street Journal, Monday, April 3, 1995

GOP leadership needs to listen to the experts:

Now, with all due respect to both parties, the American people don't want a tax cut.

Every poll indicates they want deficits reduced.—Senator Warren Rudman, CNN Late Edition, Sunday, April 2, 1995

GOP leadership needs to listen to its supporters:

"Our members, if you ask them straight up, come down hard for deficit reduction" ahead of lower taxes, says the head of a national association that is part of the GOP lobbying coalition.—The Wall Street Journal, Friday, March 31, 1995

GOP leadership needs to listen to its pollsters:

Nothing tells America more about your priorities than the sequence of your actions. . . . That's why "banking" the budget savings before cutting taxes is so important. It's aligned with the national mood, which would choose "ensuring no debt for their children" (72%) over "getting a tax cut this year" (24%).—Memorandum from Frank Luntz, January 19, 1995

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself 1½ minutes.

I would point out that the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GIBBONS] appeared before our Committee on Rules. I have great respect for the gentleman, as much as anybody in this body. But I made a note when he said, "I not only support a closed rule, I would support you sending this bill back to the Ways and Means Committee and telling us to get it right. That is our job. I support Chairman ARCHER on a closed rule."

I would just say to my good friend, the gentleman from Alabama [Mr. BROWDER], I really do have to resent his calling this a fig leaf. You know, we really are trying to work together here.

Let me just quote some language in this legislation. It says, "The concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1996, as agreed to, provides that the budget of the United States will be in balance by fiscal year 2002." That is part 1.

Part 2, "The conference report, as agreed to, on the reconciliation bill for that resolution achieves the aggregate amount of deficit reduction to effectuate the reconciliation instructions required for the years covered by that resolution necessary to so balance the budget." That is why people like myself, who have proven that we are deficit hawks year in and year out for the past 16 years, support this rule. Every Member of this body should.

Mr. Speaker, I yield 5 minutes to my good friend, the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. KASICH], and if there ever was a deficit hawk that meets my standards, it is the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. KASICH].

Mr. KASICH. Mr. Speaker, let me just say to my Republican colleagues particularly and to those Democrats who were considering casting a vote for this, this is like the end of a horse race, maybe like the Kentucky Derby, but that would not be appropriate; the last race in the Triple Crown.

What we have done is we have kept our promises. We signed a Contract With America back last fall, and we said that there were a variety of things that we were going to do. We were

going to downsize the operations of this House. We were going to cut committees. We were going to cut committee staff. We were going to cut committee funding. We said we would pass the Shays Act which would say that all laws we apply to the American people ought to be applied to ourselves. We said we would pass the balanced budget amendment. We got it done. We said we were going to pass the line-item veto. We got it done.

And you know what else we said? We said we were going to come to this floor, that we were going to downsize the operation of the Federal Government as we head into the 21st century. Let me tell you, ladies and gentlemen, the American people are with us. The American people resent the fact that more of their money and more of their power and more control has been sent from where they live to this city.

What the Republicans are beginning to do is to listen to the communications of the American people, and the will of the American people is simple. What they want done is they want this Federal Government downsized. They want it reduced in scope. They want it reduced in power, and they want their money given back to them so they can begin to solve problems where they live.

They believe that, as we move into the 21st century, we need a smaller, more limited, more focused Federal Government, and they are demanding that in the course of doing that, in the course of shrinking this big Federal Government and giving them their money and power back, they can solve problems where they live, and at the same time that we are shifting power from Washington to local communities, we are also going to save the country from financial collapse.

I just commend to you the testimony of Alan Greenspan before the House Committee on the Budget when he said that if, in fact, we balance the budget, the kind of prosperity that we would experience in this country cannot even be estimated, that the power and the ingenuity and the creativity of the American people and the absolute wonderful dynamic process of our economy, our free enterprise, entrepreneurial economy that rewards every individual for hard work, will unleash a prosperity that we have not known in this country.

And what we are doing today by passing this rule and bringing this bill up for consideration is we are keeping our word. First and foremost, it is critical that the Republican Party keep its word to the American people. It is the only way to restore credibility, and when we come to the floor today, we are going to downsize this operation of the Federal Government, and we are going to give families, the building block of this Nation, it needs to be reinforced, in some cases it needs to be rebuilt, the American family is going to get some of their money back so that they can decide, individuals can

decide, how to spend money on their children, not leaving it up to bureaucrats to decide.

Second, we have a growth element. We say we want to increase the size of the funnel so that we can pour more prosperity, have more job creation in this country. We are going to help the senior citizens by lifting the earnings limit. Let them work. Do not penalize them for work if they want to work.

We are going to have an IRA program. We are going to say to the people that if you want to save instead of punishing you in this country, we are going to give you an incentive to save.

Let me just say that this is the final leg of the Republican Contract With America. But it is the first downpayment on what we will follow up with in May, and that is to take this provision that gives tax relief and has growth in it, and we are going to marry it up in May with our budget resolution.

You know what we will achieve? What we promised last fall. We are going to balance the budget. We are going to save the future of this country. We are going to give Americans tax relief in the process, and we are going to shift power from this city back to where we live.

That is what the American people want. Those that fight against it are resisting the will of the American people, and you know, the beauty of what we do today, we not only give you tax relief, but we also have more deficit reduction, \$60 billion more in deficit reduction than the entire President's budget.

And you know what, when it comes to deficit reduction and balancing the budget, you ain't seen nothing yet. We will be back in May to complete our job, to keep our word and save America and future generations.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. MORAN].

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, this is not a good tax-cut bill. In fact, there are two tax shelters within it which will make all the other tax shelters even enacted by this body pale by comparison, with regard to the abuse that they will enable people to take advantage of.

But the worst part of this, of what we are to do today, is not even the bill, it is the rule. We are going to consider legislation which was rejected by the committee of jurisdiction, and under the guise of tax fairness, and not breaking contracts, we are going to increase taxes on each Federal employee by an average of \$4,525, to provide a tax cut of about \$1,000 to the average American.

And talk about breaking contracts, when each Federal employee had to decide how to provide for the retirement security of their wives and children, we told them we would never break this retirement contract, and today we are going to break it. We are going to require them to lose retirement benefits,

and to increase their retirement contribution by 313 percent.

This day will go down in infamy if we pass this bill, and particularly if we do not reject this rule.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2½ minutes to the gentleman from Texas [Mr. STENHOLM].

(Mr. STENHOLM asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. STENHOLM. Mr. Speaker, we have come to the end of a long and exhausting 100 days to take up this final piece of the Contract With America, which I have supported 70 to 80 percent thereof.

Unfortunately, though, what we have before us today is not a crown jewel but, rather, fool's gold.

You know, it was about 2 years ago at this time that we were on the floor trying to pass the rule for another high-profile, highly controversial piece of deficit-reduction legislation. As seems to be my destiny, my role leading up to that vote was to provide better assurance of true deficit reduction. We wanted to try to start to get some sort of handle on the entitlement spending which is increasingly driving our deficits.

Let me tell you about the reaction I received for my efforts when we reached the floor from this side of the aisle. I heard about skepticism, cynicism, I was lectured about meaningless guarantees which had no teeth. I was considered gullible for accepting promises of what would happen tomorrow rather than demanding the deal be closed today.

Now we come to today's vote when I hear I do not need to worry about deficit reduction in this bill. I am told the guarantee is already there. I am assured that we can have the promised land, both massive tax cuts and a balanced budget with borrowed money.

Well, the tax cut promises could not be any clearer. But just how does today's deficit-reduction guarantee stack up against the agreement I worked for 2 years ago, the guarantee which was deemed so inadequate, so toothless, so meaningless? Well, we had proposed laying out specific, numeric entitlement targets. If those targets were exceeded, we would have required the House Committee on the Budget to report a budget resolution which brought us back in line with spending cuts.

Now, does today's guarantee have such a requirement? No, it does not. We said that if the budget resolution or budget conference report breached the targets, the bills could not even be considered on the House floor.

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No such prohibition in today's bill. We said, if the Congress decided to increase those targets, in other words, they chose to spend more money, a separate vote had to bring that provision into the political sunshine. No such sunshine in today's bill.

As one who has been criticized for alleged weaknesses in spending discipline proposals, which were 100 times stronger than the rule we have today, would somebody please tell me why I should accept this "trust me" language before us today? I refuse to trust anything other than an honest, enforceable guarantee that these tax cuts will not come at the expense of my children and grandchildren. I refuse to adorn myself with the jewels of political slogans and then hand to my children and grandchildren those worthless minerals passed off as gold.

Tax cuts with borrowed money is no bargain. Vote "no" on this rule and vote "no" on this bill.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Maryland [Mr. CARDIN].

Mr. CARDIN. I thank the gentleman for yielding this time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues to reject this rule.

It does not comply with what the Contract With America said, that we are going to have an open debate on tax issues. There is no opportunity for us to offer an amendment. It breaks the promise that we would have specific spending cuts before us before we would be asked to vote on a tax cut.

What this bill attempts to do is to use a phony mechanism for saying that we have to pass a budget reconciliation before the tax cuts become effective. But after we do that, the tax cuts become permanent.

I hope my colleagues will read the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, because that is what we did in 1985 with the Gramm-Rudman proposal. By the way, that bill required us to have a balanced budget by fiscal year 1991.

The tax cut in this bill is permanent. The spending cuts are 1 year, and they do not even give us anywhere near the amount of money. Let us do deficit reduction first.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Maryland [Mrs. MORELLA].

Mrs. MORELLA. I thank the gentleman from Massachusetts for yielding this time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I rise to state my opposition to the rule for H.R. 1327. This rule does not permit a number of very important amendments which are critical to improving this bill. It does not permit the Roberts-Ganske amendment to direct the child tax credit to middle-income families; it does not permit the Porter amendment to require that our budget be balanced before tax cuts go into effect; and it does not permit an amendment I offered with several of my colleagues to remove the tax hike that this bill imposes upon Federal employees. A tax hike in a so-called tax reduction bill.

Title IV of H.R. 1327 would require Federal employees to pay an additional 2.5 percent toward their retirement system. An average Government worker making \$20,000 a year would have to

pay an extra \$500 per year, and the employee making \$30,000 would have to pay an additional \$750. These are hefty sums for middle-class workers. Whatever happened to our contract with the Federal work force?

Title IV also would change the retirement formula to reflect the highest 5 years of salary as opposed to the present formula based on the highest 3 years. This provision would affect postal workers as well as civil service employees. Changing the retirement formula reduces the lifetime retirement benefits by 4 percent.

The General Accounting Office, just this week, issued a statement in support of the conclusions reached by the Congressional Research Service [CRS] on the status of the civil service retirement system. The report states that:

(1) the system's unfunded liability is not a problem that needs to be fixed to avoid steep increases in outlays from the Treasury or increases in the deficit and (2) the system is not insolvent nor will it become insolvent in the future.

Mr. Speaker, Federal employees have borne the brunt of deficit reduction for more than a decade. Why are we once again taxing an already overburdened work force? Why have we tucked into this tax bill provisions that were never approved by the Government Reform and Oversight Committee?

I oppose the rule, and I ask my colleagues not to support a tax bill that will harm the more than 2 million Federal workers and their families nationwide.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the Republican whip, the gentleman from Texas [Mr. DELAY], one of the outstanding Members of this body.

Mr. Speaker, boy, he has surely earned his medal in the last 100 days, I will tell you.

Mr. DELAY. I thank the gentleman for yielding this time to me.

I hope I do not take the 3 minutes, but I appreciate all work that the chairman of the Committee on Rules has done on this issue. I know it has been very, very hard for all the Members because this is a very big and important bill. Everyone wants a piece of it, but not everyone got what they wanted, and there are some "push me, pull you" going on on the rule. I appreciate that. But you have got to also appreciate the hugeness of this bill and what we are trying to do.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this rule, and in strong support of the Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act.

Last November, the American people spoke loud and clear by voting in the first Republican majority in the House in 40 years.

The message voters sent was simple: Cut our taxes and cut Federal Government spending.

The new Republican majority has heard that message, and today we start to deliver on our promise.

The rule we have before us is a fair one. It gives the Democrat minority a chance to offer an alternative while keeping the integrity of the Republican majority package.

The rule also gives the American people a very clear choice.

You can vote for a Democrat package that contains no tax relief for middle class Americans. Or you can vote for the Republican package that finally begins the process of talking the tax burden of the American people.

I am reminded of the vote we had in 1993, when President Clinton and the leadership in the Congress voted in a tax increase that hit seniors, hit the middle class, and slowed economic growth.

Two hundred forty billion dollars' worth of tax increases. All we are doing is allowing people to keep \$190 billion of those taxes for themselves to spend the way they think it ought to be spent. Not one Republican voted for that tax increase.

So today I urge my colleagues on the other side of the aisle to join with us in righting the wrongs of 1993. Vote to stop taxing our seniors, vote to allow middle-class families to keep more of their money, and vote to create jobs for our workers.

We have been asked how do you balance the budget by cutting taxes? Well, we have shown you that we honor our promises with passing the Contract With America; we will also show you in May when you cut taxes, as President Kennedy and President Reagan did, revenues go up and as we cut spending and the size of this Government, the cost of government goes down and the American people allowed to hold onto their money and spend it the time way they think is important.

So I urge all my colleagues to vote for this rule, vote for job-creating, deficit-cutting, the Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from North Dakota [Mr. POMEROY].

Mr. POMEROY. I thank the gentleman for yielding this time to me.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to the rule before us. The majority leadership is desperate to convince this House and the American public that this is a bill for middle-income Americans. But their very rule snuffs out an amendment offered by Democrats and Republicans alike to ensure that it goes where it ought to. The bill, the amendment I offered is a case in point. It would have established tax fairness in the deductibility of health insurance. Presently corporations can deduct 100 percent, self-employed individuals 30 percent, other individuals paying their own premium, nothing at all. The bill I introduced would have allowed an 80-percent reduction in premiums paid by individuals. This would have made coverage more affordable for their families and would have installed tax fairness. That is why my amendment was supported by the Farm

Bureau, supported by the Farmers Union, supported by the National Association of the Self-employed. And we do not even get a vote. In fact, when the Committee on Rules addressed this issue, at least one said, "We don't want to open up the Tax Code on this issue." Well, they opened up the Tax Code for America's most wealthy; why will they not open up this bill for an amendment to help working Americans?

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Vermont [Mr. SANDERS].

(Mr. SANDERS asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SANDERS. Mr. Speaker, more than half of the tax cuts proposed by the Republicans today for individuals will benefit families earning over \$100,000 a year, and more than a quarter of the tax cuts will go to families earning over \$200,000 a year.

The highest-earning 1 percent of families will get more in tax cuts than the 60 percent of families at the lower end of the income scale.

This is the Robin Hood proposal in reverse. We savagely cut programs for the poor and the vulnerable, and we give huge tax breaks to the rich and the powerful.

Mr. Speaker, this is bad legislation because it does not allow us to debate the tens of billions of dollars in corporate welfare that goes to rich and large corporations. It does not allow us to debate the propriety of millionaires saving huge amounts of money on mortgage interest deductions. This is bad legislation, a bad rule; let us defeat it.

Mr. Speaker, politics and much of what goes on here in Congress is really not very complicated. Everybody here understands that the majority of poor and working people don't vote and, for a variety of reasons, don't have much confidence that what happens here is relevant to their lives.

On the other hand, the wealthy and the powerful do vote, do contribute very heavily to the political parties, do have well-paid lobbyists and lawyers working full time for their interests. And that in a nutshell is why the rich get richer, the middle class is shrinking, and the poor are becoming poorer and are facing a terrible onslaught from the leadership of this House.

Mr. Speaker, during the last several months some of the wealthiest people in America and representatives of the largest corporations came together to contribute \$11 million in one night to the Republican Party. Others came together for a \$50,000-a-plate fund raising dinner with NEWT GINGRICH to raise money for a rightwing television network. Corporation like Amway and Golden Rule Financial have been contributing hundreds of thousands of dollars into Republican party coffers.

And today, Mr. Speaker, is payback time. After cutting back massively on programs for low income people, on programs for children, on programs for the elderly, for students, for the homeless, for people with Aids, today is payback time for the rich and the powerful. Today, they get the return on their campaign contributions to the Republican party.

Mr. Speaker, according to the Treasury Department, more than half of the tax cuts proposed by the Republicans for individuals will benefit families earning over \$100,000 a year, and more than one quarter of the tax cuts will go to families earning over \$200,000 a year. The highest earning 1 percent of families will get more in tax cuts than the 60 percent of families at the lower of the income scale. For the very highest income people, the top 1 percent, the Republican proposal creates an average tax reduction of \$20,362, for the lowest income 20 percent taxes are reduced by all of \$36.00. The Robinhood proposal in reverse. We cut savagely programs needed by the poor and vulnerable in order to give tax breaks to the rich and the powerful.

Mr. Speaker, this is a bad bill because it does not allow us to provide rational alternatives to the tax breaks for the rich scheme that is being presented today. It does not allow us to cut the tens and tens of billions of dollars in corporate welfare that the largest corporations in America receive. It does not allow us to debate the propriety of millionaires saving large sums of money in taxes from the mortgage interest deduction on their palatial mansions. It does not allow us to remove Federal subsidies for such Federal agencies as OPIA, the Overseas Private Investment Association in which tax payers are paying to see their own jobs go to third world countries.

Mr. Speaker, we need open and vigorous debate about how we can move toward a balanced budget in a fair and progressive way—not on the backs of the weak and the vulnerable. We need fair and open debates to begin the process of eliminating the tax loopholes and the subsidies which the wealthy in large corporations receive.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentlewoman from Utah [Mrs. WALDHOLTZ] an outstanding Member and the first Freshman female Republican Member to serve on the Committee on Rules since the First World War.

Mrs. WALDHOLTZ. I thank the gentleman for yielding this time to me.

Mr. Speaker, today we will have the chance to vote on a bill that will help restore tax fairness to families and senior citizens.

For too long, American families and seniors have seen their tax burden rise. Today, the average American family pays more in taxes than it spends on food, clothing and shelter combined. Some senior citizens now face a marginal tax rate of 85 percent—a rate much higher than that of other Americans.

The problem is not that the Government taxes too little; the problem is that it spends too much. The American people are simply overtaxed. The Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act recognizes families for what they are—the basic building block of American society. It will give them the tax relief they so desperately need and deserve, and despite allegations that this bill is for the wealthy, seventy-six percent of the tax cuts go directly to families.

The \$500 per child tax credit will help nearly one-quarter million parents in my State of Utah alone. Listening to the other side of the aisle you would

think that only wealthy people have children. But, 75 percent of the family tax credit goes to people with incomes of less than \$75,000.

Our bill recognizes the invaluable contribution homemakers make to the family by allowing nonworking spouses a full \$2,000 deductible IRA contribution instead of the current \$250, helping homemakers provide for their retirement years and recognizing the value and worth of their work at home.

Our bill also helps senior citizens. Under the Clinton tax bill our seniors were unfairly singled out for higher taxes through an increase on their Social Security. Our bill will repeal that tax increase and restore tax fairness to elderly Americans. In addition, we will help remove the penalty for seniors who choose to work in their sunset years by raising the earnings test limit—rewarding rather than punishing working seniors.

The tax money we collect is not ours, it belongs to the taxpayers. As we cut Government spending and reduce the size of the Government and balance the budget, we need to let people keep more of the money they earn. I encourage my colleagues to support this rule, and this bill.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Texas, [Mr. DOGGETT].

Mr. DOGGETT. I thank the gentleman for yielding this time to me.

Mr. Speaker, it is true the circus is in town, but not really the roar of the lion that we hear today. The significant thing is a certain mooing sound that is under way. You see, I do not believe we will ever get the budget in balance without a true bipartisan effort. I thought we were headed in that direction because I have a letter here that was signed by 105 Republican Members who said that they recognized there was a need for more money for deficit reduction and they could change their tax proposal and apply it to only 85 percent of the families in this country and provide an addition \$12 billion to \$14 billion in deficit reduction.

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That represented a half step, and it is sure a lot better than the lockstep we have seen most of this session of Congress. But somewhere along the way that all changed. We are not going to have a chance to vote on that proposal of 105 Republican Members because somewhere along the way the Speaker said "no," and I do not know what it is that is so persuasive about him, but sometimes I get the feeling that, when these Members are around him, they are so cowed, I can almost hear them moo.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from New Mexico [Mr. RICHARDSON].

(Mr. RICHARDSON asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RICHARDSON. Mr. Speaker, in this tax bill, where are the tax breaks designed to improve the lives of ordi-

nary Americans? This bill has provisions to allow Exxon to write off expenses on capital improvements, but there are no breaks for students that try to improve themselves through higher education. The greatest threats to our Nation's economy are soaring deficits and the erosion of the middle class. Today's tax cut legislation will not remedy any of these problems. Instead it places the burden of future deficits squarely on the backs of working Americans.

Economic indicators tell us that the economy is growing at a strong, steady pace. Do we really need to stimulate it with massive tax cuts for wealthy Americans and big business?

We should take advantage of a healthy economy and follow a prudent course of deficit reduction that will solidify our financial base. Let us send a message to Americans that Congress is making honest spending cuts that pay off our debts. Tying spending cuts to budgetary gimmicks further undermines the credibility of this institution.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 minute to the gentleman from Rhode Island [Mr. KENNEDY].

Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island. Mr. Speaker, I rise against the rule and the Republican tax cut for the wealthy that this rule allows, a Republican tax cut plan where, according to the Citizens for Tax Justice, more than 71 percent of total capital gains tax cut breaks goes to those who make more than \$200,000 a year.

The question is: Who is going to pay? School lunches are getting cut. Elderly are getting tossed out of senior high-rises because they are reducing the amount of subsidies for the elderly to have affordable high-rises. In addition, they have not let the students alone either. They are now going to tack on interest payments for student loans starting the day the student enters the university.

This is not progressive and far from being the middle-class tax cut that the Republicans would have us believe because it is putting the burden on the students, and who gets the break? The people who have the most money.

It figures. It is the Republicans all over again.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from New Jersey [Mr. MARTINI], another outstanding freshman Member who was helpful in writing in the language that is going to bring us to a balanced budget.

Mr. MARTINI. Mr. Speaker, as we have kept our promises these first 100 days, we have made the democratic process work. This week it will continue to work with the passage of this rule and this bill.

Mr. Speaker, as originally written I must confess that I was concerned that the tax package in the Contract With America did not place enough emphasis on deficit reduction. Mindful of that concern, a group of us, including the

gentleman from Delaware [Mr. CAS- TLE], the gentleman from Michigan [Mr. UPTON], the gentleman from New York [Mr. SOLOMON], and a host of others from both sides of the aisle, worked with the Republican leadership and fashioned an agreement on the issue that makes it entirely clear to the public that in passing tax relief we will not abandon our pledge to bring the deficit down to zero.

According to the new provision, the tax cuts in the bill cannot go into effect until a budget is passed, putting us on course to a balanced budget in the year 2002, and each year thereafter Congress will have to revisit our deficit reduction goals to make sure we stay on track.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to say that with the addition of these provisions to this original bill my concerns have been satisfied. A good bill has been made better, and the process is working again. I urge support of this rule and this bill.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GIBBONS], the former chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means.

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, this is a time when we, as Members of Congress, should be deliberative and we should take our time in doing the Nation's business. This is a very, very important piece of economic legislation. It is a very, very important piece of social legislation. The Senate, when it will look at it, will call this a \$700 billion tax cut. That is because they prefer to look at it in its longer term rather than the very short term that we House Members look at it.

This is the wrong time in America's history to be cutting taxes. This is a time in America's history to be cutting the deficit. Why? Because America is at full employment today. Why? Because America is using its maximum factory capacity utilization today. Factory capacity utilization today in America is the highest it has been in 15½ years. The Federal Reserve knows it; that is the reason why they have increased interest rates 7 times in the last 14 months. Every sensible economist knows that this is the wrong time to be cutting taxes. They tell us it is only time, the right time, to cut the fiscal deficit.

This bill, when it comes up, and it is going to come up, they have twisted enough arms to get it up, is an inequitable piece of social justice. Let us take the capital gains issue. It is a huge item in all of this, and who gets it? Only 8 percent of all taxpayers ever take a capital gains, 8 percent. But in this bill one-half of the capital gains will be taken by the upper 1 percent of our income earners every year, and they will take them every year, not just one time in a lifetime like most Americans.

Let us tell the truth about the capital gains thing. Eight percent of Americans ever take a capital gain. Of

that 8 percent, more than half of it goes to those above \$200,000, and I say, "If you look at those people again, they're not just taking one or two capital gains in a lifetime. They take multiple capital gains every year." And what do they do? They are just swapping their equities around between each other. Somebody buys their bad investment if they want to get rid of it. There is no creation of additional capital. It is just a game there.

So it is bad economic justice, it is bad social justice.

Now let us take the family credit. When the Republicans first introduced this bill, they gave a family credit, to low income individuals, those below \$50,000. The gentleman from Texas [Mr. ARMEY] stood on the Capitol steps out there with the bill on September 27, 1994, and shook it into everybody's face, but this bill takes away 13 billion dollars worth of family tax credit from all those families earning less than \$50,000 a year. That is not fair, that is not just, and that is not correct.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. (Mr. GOODLATTE). The time of the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GIBBONS] has expired.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, does the gentleman from Florida want another minute?

Mr. GIBBONS. Yes.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1 additional minute to the gentleman from Florida. I just did not want to slow the gentleman down when he got that steam going.

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate it, and I say, "You know I appreciate you, Mr. SOLOMON, but you gave me an hour to ration between 204 Democrats. I've been swamped for requests for time. They would like to stay here and debate this."

I see the Speaker standing in the back back there chatting with the chairman of the Committee on the Budget, and I say, "We welcome you here, Mr. Speaker. We don't see you as much as we used to, but we're glad to have you here today. Have you gotten off the elephant out there in the circus, or are you coming in here to ride this elephant?"

Mr. Speaker, this is a lousy bill. It is the wrong time to be reducing taxes. We ought to be reducing the deficit now. We should not be cutting taxes the way we are doing it. It is reckless, it is irresponsible, it is bad policy for the American economy, it is bad policy for the American people.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield 1½ minutes to the gentlewoman from New York [Mrs. LOWEY].

(Mrs. LOWEY asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. LOWEY. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to this closed and restrictive rule. I cannot believe that my colleagues in the majority, who claimed that they would open up this House, could come to us with a straight face and gag this Chamber with a rule that restricts us to 5 hours

of debate on a matter of such gravity for the Nation's future—\$630 billion to be exact.

While I dare say that H.R. 1215 is far from the crown jewel that it has been touted to be by some, I will be the first to admit that the bill makes several changes in the Tax Code that I think are long overdue: easing the tax burden on senior citizens, providing tax credits for expenses incurred when adopting a child or caring for an elderly parent or grandparent in your home, and indexing capital gains. I would like to support provisions such as these, but this rule doesn't allow me to do that in a fiscally responsible manner. We are told to take all or nothing, and if that is the case I will have no choice but to vote no.

Mr. Speaker, I will not vote for a bill that will enable some of our wealthiest corporations to avoid taxes altogether while giving just \$90 in tax relief for a family with an income of \$20,000, and then forces massive cuts in programs that would have a devastating impact on hardworking Americans. For the citizens I represent in New York, this bill spells higher transit fares, devastating cuts in Medicare, reduced student loans, hungrier school children, less affordable child care, and fewer police on the beat.

One of the bill's more offensive provisions is the repeal of the corporate alternative minimum tax, which was instituted in 1986 because more than half of the Nation's most profitable corporations had been able to utilize various loopholes in the Tax Code to pay no Federal income taxes, even though they were reporting huge profits. The inequity of this situation was so clear that the Reagan Administration supported establishment of a corporate AMT.

Repeal of the corporate AMT would clearly represent an inequitable shift in the tax burden. Seventy-four percent percent of the corporations who pay the corporate minimum tax have assets greater than \$250 million. Given these facts, it is not surprising that its repeal was not originally part of the Contract With America. Instead, it was added in at the 11th hour, when the American people weren't looking and special interest lobbyists were hard at work.

Let me remind my colleagues that under this rule we will not have the opportunity to vote to restore the corporate AMT; to make the Social Security tax repeal effective immediately, as it should be; to help students pay for college; and to decide if the child tax credit should be available to the families of 35 percent of our Nation's children who need it most but who would not benefit from the credit as it is currently written in this bill.

I urge a no vote on this rule.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from California [Mr. DREIER], a very outstanding veteran member of the Committee on Rules.

(Mr. DREIER asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I rise in very strong support of this fair and balanced modified closed rule.

Now, when the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GIBBONS] came before the Committee on Rules, he requested a closed rule. We are not even going as far as the distinguished ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means would like, but we do have a modified closed rule. It is a measure which is bringing to the floor an opportunity for us to do what the American people have said overwhelmingly that they want. They want us to try and reduce the size and scope of Government and allow them to keep a little bit of what they have earned.

Now, as I have been listening to the rhetoric over the past few minutes about us versus them, class warfare, I am very discouraged. I have enjoyed working for years with the gentleman from Florida [Mr. GIBBONS] on trade issues, but, when I hear him talking about the very few who will utilize the capital gains tax reduction versus those working individuals who do not or would not be able to, I cannot help but think of a column that appeared recently in the New York Post where Thomas Sowell said,

Class-warfare politics is not just fraudulent, it is a cheap play on envy and a very serious disservice to the whole country. Not only does it divide us yet another way, it threatens the very process by which all of us have benefited economically.

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This is a balanced approach. We want to recognize that we are in this together. The American people want us to responsibly deal with deficit reduction.

This bill is a very important step on the road toward a balanced budget. Why? Because every shred of evidence is that with this capital gains tax rate reduction, we are going to see an increase in the flow of revenues to the Federal Treasury. That increase is going to help us responsibly get to a balanced budget.

I urge support of this fair and balanced modified closed rule, and urge my colleagues to join us.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as he may consume to the gentleman from Delaware [Mr. CASTLE] a former Governor of Delaware and one of the outstanding Members of this body, who has participated in writing the balanced budget legislation.

(Mr. CASTLE asked and was given permission to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CASTLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the rule for consideration of H.R. 1215, the Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act of 1995.

The American people deserve to keep more of their hard-earned money. They recognize that the Federal Government is collecting an ever larger share of their earnings and that the money it collects is often not well spent. Americans do not mind paying their fair share of the costs for our Nation's needs—protecting our national security, looking after those who truly

need help. But the programs and operations of the Federal Government have become too big and far too inefficient. Excessive Federal spending has resulted in a national debt of \$4.8 trillion and deficits of almost \$200 billion adding to that debt every year.

Americans want relief from taxes, but what my constituents in Delaware tell me is that reducing the deficit, balancing the budget, and making the Government live within its means is what they want done first, I am happy to say that we now have language in this bill that will ensure that Congress acts to cut the deficit and balance the budget before the tax cuts can become law.

The Rules Committee has added an amendment offered by Mr. UPTON, Mr. MARTINI, and myself which states that the tax provisions in this bill cannot become law until Congress passes a budget resolution and reconciliation legislation that will result in a balanced budget by the year 2002. This provision reflects the will of our constituents: cut taxes, but not at the expense of balancing the budget.

By including this important provision in the bill we are insuring that Congress will have to face the difficult decisions to reduce Government spending. If Congress cannot make those decisions, the tax cuts will not go into effect. It is as simple as that.

The Castle-Upton-Martini amendment also adds two key requirements to force Congress and the President to continue to work toward a balanced budget.

After Congress passes the budget reconciliation legislation that places us on course to a balanced budget, in each subsequent year the budget committees and CBO must report on whether we are still on the path to balance in 2002. If we fall off course, Congress must consider ways to get back on course in that year's budget resolution. In short, Congress must take action if the deficit begins to increase.

Equally as important, this provision will require the President to join in this effort, by requiring him to submit a balanced budget each year. This year, President Clinton has chosen again to propose a budget that would result in annual deficits of \$200 billion for the next 5 years. Under this amendment, if the President chooses not to officially submit a balanced budget, he would have to offer an alternative plan that shows how the budget could be balanced. It forces the President to face the same decisions the Congress must face.

Mr. Speaker, I support tax relief for families, savings incentives for individual Americans, and investment incentives for business. But, I am adamant about the critical need to balance the budget. I support the rule because it clearly links tax cuts to deficit reduction. My colleagues and I will continue this effort on the budget resolution and the budget reconciliation bill to ensure that we stay on course to a balanced budget.

I want to thank FRED UPTON and BILL MARTINI for their efforts on this amendment. I also want to acknowledge Mr. BROWDER and Mr. ORTON for their leadership on the need for deficit reduction. Finally, I appreciate the work of JOHN KASICH and JIM NUSSLE, and the Republican leadership for working with us to make this provision part of the bill. I urge support of the rule and approval of the tax fairness and deficit reduction bill.

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I yield such time as she may consume to the

gentlewoman from Texas [Ms. JACKSON-LEE].

(Ms. JACKSON-LEE asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. JACKSON-LEE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose this rule as a noninclusive rule and hurting the American people.

Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of the Democratic substitute to H.R. 1215. The Democratic substitute benefits primarily low- and middle-income Americans. Whereas, H.R. 1215 benefits primarily wealthy Americans with incomes above \$200,000.

The Democratic substitute sponsored by my colleague, RICHARD GEPHARDT of Missouri, ensures that 100 percent of the benefits of the tax cut will accrue to families with adjusted gross income of less than \$100,000. Moreover, it permits us to invest in human capital by allowing middle-income families to deduct up to \$10,000 in educational expenses per year.

Furthermore, the Gephardt bill encourages Americans to emphasize savings for their retirement years by expanding the number of taxpayers who would be eligible to deduct contributions to individual retirement accounts [IRA]. This is accomplished by raising the adjusted gross income level requirement from \$35,000 to \$50,000 for single taxpayers and \$60,000 to \$75,000 for couples who file joint tax returns.

The Gephardt bill also affirms our commitment to balancing the Federal budget. This bill requires certification by the Office of Management and Budget [OMB] that the Federal budget will be balanced in fiscal year 2002. H.R. 1215 fails to incorporate the requirement that deficit reduction be a priority.

Frankly, the Democratic bill promotes fairness, maintains fiscal responsibility, and strengthens American families. And finally it is a good commonsense tax bill because it invests in our people—college loans for students—part of America's future.

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

Mr. Speaker, in closing I would like to urge Members to defeat the previous question. If the previous question is defeated, I intend to offer an amendment to the rule which will allow Members to vote on several amendments:

The Ganske amendment, which lowers the eligible income level for the child tax credit;

The Kennelly amendment relating to taxable income for the blind;

The Browder amendment tying the tax cuts to deficit reduction;

The Wolf amendment which strikes the tax increase on Federal workers; and

The Nadler-Lowey amendment which restores the pre-1993 lower tax rate for middle-income seniors immediately rather than being phased in as the bill does.

And many others as well.

This will be the only opportunity on this bill to have votes on these issues affecting Federal workers, the blind, the middle class, deficit reduction, and the elderly. I urge Members to vote "no" on the previous question.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself the balance of my time.

Mr. Speaker, I have here the U.S. Tax Code. It is the fear of every American. If we had an open rule today we would open it up, and gosh knows what would happen.

Mr. Speaker, we have heard a lot of complaining about the tax cuts in this bill, but I wonder if the real opposition is to the fact on something we have not heard about much here today. Is there \$100 billion in real spending cuts in this bill? That is what Members are going to be voting for.

You know, I said at the time when we opened this debate that a vote on this rule is going to be a vote for a balanced budget. Let me tell you, a vote against the rule is going to be a vote against a balanced budget.

What the people are really afraid of is the language that appears in this bill, and it says, ". . . the budget of the United States will be in balance by the fiscal year 2002." And the second part of it is something they fear even more. It writes into law "the aggregate amount of deficit reduction to effectuate the reconciliation instructions required for the years covered by that resolution necessary to so balance the budget."

That will become the law if you vote for this rule and the bill it will bring up.

Mr. Speaker, when you look at this chart, you see that President Clinton projected, when he gave us the budget a few months ago, another \$1 trillion, \$996 billion, added to the debt. What is compassionate about that, to load that kind of deficit on the American people and their children and my grandchildren?

We can have a chance to do something about it right now. Vote for the previous question.

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to oppose this rule on the Tax Fairness and Deficit Reduction Act, H.R. 1215.

The Contract With America states that "within the first 100 days of the 104th Congress, we shall bring to the House Floor the following bills, each to be given full and open debate, each to be given a clear and fair vote and each to be immediately available this day for public inspection and scrutiny." With a closed rule on the tax bill, the Republicans have not provided, as they said they would, for a "full and open debate" on this crucial legislation.

I would agree that many Americans need tax relief, and that we must do all that we can to ensure fairness for our seniors and families. That is why I offered two amendments to this legislation which would have furthered these very important goals. But, unfortunately, "full and open debate" on these amendments was denied, and the Members of this House will not have the opportunity to vote on these amendments.

My colleague from New York, NITA LOWEY, and I introduced an amendment which would repeal immediately the increased tax on Social Security benefits rather than repeal it over a 5-year period, as the Republican bill does. While our amendment would have granted seniors

immediate tax relief, and would have been paid for by striking from the bill a repeal of the Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax—making corporations pay their fair share of taxes—it was, nonetheless, rejected by the Rules Committee. When we raised this issue of equity regarding our Nation's seniors we were hushed.

While this bill does much to provide significant and immediate tax relief for wealthy corporations, it delays tax relief and fairness for our Nation's seniors. While the Republicans state that this bill will provide fairness, this, to me, does not seem fair.

Repealing the Social Security tax increase immediately and paying for it by requiring Republicans to retain the Corporate Alternative Minimum Tax is only fair and equitable. The Alternative Minimum Tax was adopted to stop the practice of large corporations using the talents of high-priced tax lawyers to contrive ingenious loopholes that enable them to escape all taxation. To provide these huge tax giveaways to corporations and not provide immediate tax relief and fairness to our Nation's senior would be the height of unfairness and hypocrisy. It would be a moral outrage to allow or Nation's most profitable corporations to cease paying income taxes immediately, while requiring seniors to wait half a decade for tax relief.

Mr. Speaker, after restoring fairness to seniors by repealing the Social Security tax increase immediately, our amendment would have left approximately \$7 billion for deficit reduction—almost half of the amount of appropriations this House rescinded earlier this month for this very purpose.

Our amendment would have significantly reduced the deficit, while restoring tax fairness to our Nation's seniors, but the Republican leadership would not allow this fiscally prudent amendment to be considered on the House floor.

Our amendment would have done the right thing by making profitable corporations pay their fair share and lifting this unjustified increased tax burden off senior citizens immediately.

I asked, again with no success, that the Rules Committee consider another one of my amendments. The amendment would simply index income taxes to reflect regional differences in the cost of living. These differences mean that an income which might make one well off in, say, rural Arkansas, would barely afford a middle-class lifestyle in New York or Dallas. Yet the current Tax Code, by taxing nominal, rather than regionally adjusted, incomes, treats each of these taxpayers as if their incomes were economically equivalent.

We know that this is not the case.

People living in high cost-of-living areas, like New York City, should not be penalized by the tax system. By regionally adjusting income tax brackets, we can make the tax burden on American families more fair and equitable.

Furthermore, I find it ironic that this rule waives the requirement for a three-fifths vote in order to increase taxes. The Republicans passed a rule earlier this Congress which would require that in order to increase taxes the House had to have a three-fifths vote. Now they are waiving this rule for the purposes of passing their tax bill which gives tax breaks to the wealthy. The hypocrisy here again is blatant.

Mr. Speaker, this bill is unfair and I urge my colleagues to oppose this rule.

Ms. DUNN of Washington. Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong support of this rule.

Two years ago, the liberal Democrats voted for the largest tax in history. Today, we right that wrong by allowing the American people to keep more of their hard-earned money.

The Republican Tax Relief and Deficit Reduction Act accomplishes many things for American families. One of the most symbolic and important is the provision that corrects an inequity against the American homemaker.

Mr. Speaker, the current Tax Code treats American homemakers, who are overwhelmingly women, as second class citizens.

In the eyes of the Federal Government, the work of the homemaker is not as valuable as the work of her husband.

For tax purposes, a single-income family can set aside for retirement roughly one-half what a dual-income family can. Our spousal IRA proposal allows the work-at-home spouse to save \$2,000 just like the spouse.

This rule, and the Republican tax relief bill, acknowledge the value and hard work of the millions of homemakers in America.

Support this rule, support homemakers, and support the families of America.

Mr. SOLOMON. Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GOODLATTE). The question is on ordering the previous question.

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

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 230, nays 203, not voting 2, as follows:

[Roll No. 289]
YEAS—230

Allard	Canady	English
Archer	Castle	Ensign
Armey	Chabot	Everett
Bachus	Chambliss	Ewing
Baker (CA)	Chenoweth	Fawell
Baker (LA)	Christensen	Fields (TX)
Ballenger	Chrysler	Flanagan
Barr	Clinger	Foley
Barrett (NE)	Coble	Forbes
Bartlett	Coburn	Fowler
Barton	Collins (GA)	Fox
Bass	Combest	Franks (CT)
Bateman	Cooley	Franks (NJ)
Bereuter	Cox	Frelinghuysen
Bilbray	Crane	Frisa
Bilirakis	Crapo	Funderburk
Bliley	Creameans	Galleghy
Blute	Cubin	Ganske
Boehlert	Cunningham	Gekas
Boehner	Davis	Gilchrest
Bonilla	Deal	Gillmor
Bono	DeLay	Gilman
Brownback	Diaz-Balart	Gingrich
Bryant (TN)	Dickey	Goodlatte
Bunn	Doolittle	Goodling
Bunning	Dornan	Goss
Burr	Dreier	Graham
Burton	Duncan	Greenwood
Buyer	Dunn	Gunderson
Callahan	Ehlers	Gutknecht
Calvert	Ehrlich	Gutcock
Camp	Emerson	Hansen

Hastert	McCollum	Schaefer
Hastings (WA)	McCrery	Schiff
Hayworth	McDade	Seastrand
Hefley	McHugh	Sensenbrenner
Heineman	McInnis	Shadegg
Herger	McIntosh	Shaw
Hilleary	McKeon	Shays
Hobson	Metcalf	Shuster
Hoekstra	Meyers	Skeen
Hoke	Mica	Smith (MI)
Horn	Miller (FL)	Smith (NJ)
Hostettler	Molinari	Smith (TX)
Houghton	Moorhead	Smith (WA)
Hunter	Morella	Solomon
Hutchinson	Myers	Souder
Hyde	Myrick	Spence
Inglis	Nethercutt	Stearns
Istook	Neumann	Stockman
Johnson (CT)	Ney	Stump
Johnson, Sam	Norwood	Talent
Jones	Nussle	Tate
Kasich	Oxley	Taylor (NC)
Kelly	Packard	Thomas
Kim	Paxon	Thornberry
King	Petri	Tiahrt
Kingston	Pombo	Torkildsen
Klug	Porter	Upton
Knollenberg	Portman	Vucanovich
Kolbe	Pryce	Waldholtz
LaHood	Quillen	Walker
Largent	Quinn	Walsh
Latham	Radanovich	Wamp
LaTourette	Ramstad	Watts (OK)
Lazio	Regula	Weldon (FL)
Leach	Riggs	Weldon (PA)
Lewis (CA)	Roberts	Weller
Lewis (KY)	Rogers	White
Lightfoot	Rohrabacher	Whitfield
Linder	Ros-Lehtinen	Wicker
Livingston	Roth	Wolf
LoBiondo	Royce	Young (AK)
Longley	Salmon	Young (FL)
Lucas	Sanford	Zeliff
Manzullo	Saxton	Zimmer
Martini	Scarborough	

NAYS—203

Abercrombie	Evans	Lofgren
Ackerman	Farr	Lowey
Andrews	Fattah	Luther
Baesler	Fazio	Maloney
Baldacci	Fields (LA)	Manton
Barcia	Filner	Markey
Barrett (WI)	Flake	Martinez
Becerra	Foglietta	Mascara
Beilenson	Ford	Matsui
Bentsen	Frank (MA)	McCarthy
Berman	Frost	McDermott
Bevill	Furse	McHale
Bishop	Gejdenson	McKinney
Bonior	Gephardt	McNulty
Borski	Geren	Meehan
Boucher	Gibbons	Meek
Brewster	Gonzalez	Menendez
Browder	Gordon	Mfume
Brown (CA)	Green	Miller (CA)
Brown (FL)	Gutierrez	Mineta
Brown (OH)	Hall (OH)	Minge
Bryant (TX)	Hall (TX)	Mink
Cardin	Hamilton	Moakley
Chapman	Harman	Mollohan
Clay	Hastings (FL)	Montgomery
Clayton	Hayes	Moran
Clement	Hefner	Murtha
Clyburn	Hilliard	Nadler
Coleman	Hinches	Neal
Collins (IL)	Holden	Oberstar
Collins (MI)	Hoyer	Obey
Condit	Jackson-Lee	Olver
Conyers	Jacobs	Ortiz
Costello	Jefferson	Orton
Coyne	Johnson (SD)	Owens
Cramer	Johnson, E. B.	Pallone
Danner	Johnston	Parker
de la Garza	Kanjorski	Pastor
DeFazio	Kaputr	Payne (NJ)
DeLauro	Kennedy (MA)	Payne (VA)
Dellums	Kennedy (RI)	Pelosi
Deutsch	Kennelly	Peterson (FL)
Dicks	Kildee	Peterson (MN)
Dingell	Kleczka	Pickett
Dixon	Klink	Pomeroy
Doggett	LaFalce	Poshard
Dooley	Lantos	Rahall
Doyle	Laughlin	Rangel
Durbin	Levin	Reed
Edwards	Lewis (GA)	Richardson
Engel	Lincoln	Rivers
Eshoo	Lipinski	Roemer

Rose Stenholm Velazquez
 Roukema Stokes Vento
 Roybal-Allard Studts Visclosky
 Rush Stupak Volkmer
 Sabo Tanner Ward
 Sanders Tauzin Waters
 Sawyer Taylor (MS) Watt (NC)
 Schroeder Tejada Waxman
 Schumer Thompson Williams
 Scott Thornton Wilson
 Serrano Thurman Wise
 Sisisky Torres Woolsey
 Skaggs Torricelli Wyden
 Skelton Towns Wynn
 Slaughter Traficant Yates
 Spratt Tucker

NOT VOTING—2

Reynolds Stark

□ 1437

Mr. DAVIS changed his 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 (Mr. GOODLATTE). The question is on the resolution.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. MOAKLEY. Mr. Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 228, noes 204, not voting 3, as follows:

[Roll No. 290]

AYES—228

Allard Diaz-Balart Hunter
 Archer Dickey Hutchinson
 Arney Doolittle Hyde
 Bachus Dornan Inglis
 Baker (CA) Dreier Istook
 Baker (LA) Duncan Johnson (CT)
 Ballenger Dunn Johnson, Sam
 Barr Ehlers Jones
 Barrett (NE) Emerson Kasich
 Bartlett English Kelly
 Barton Ensign Kim
 Bass Everett King
 Bateman Ewing Kingston
 Beville Fawell Klug
 Bilirakis Fields (TX) Knollenberg
 Bliley Flanagan Kolbe
 Blute Foley Largent
 Boehlert Forbes Latham
 Boehner Fowler LaTourette
 Bonilla Fox Laughlin
 Bono Franks (CT) Lazio
 Brownback Franks (NJ) Leach
 Bryant (TN) Frelinghuysen Lewis (CA)
 Bunn Frisa Lewis (KY)
 Bunning Funderburk Lightfoot
 Burr Gallegly Linder
 Burton Gekas Livingston
 Buyer Geren LoBiondo
 Callahan Gilchrest Longley
 Calvert Gillmor Lucas
 Camp Gilman Manzullo
 Canady Gingrich Martini
 Castle Goodlatte McCollum
 Chabot Goodling McCreery
 Chambliss Goss McDade
 Chenoweth Graham McHugh
 Christensen Greenwood McClinnis
 Chrysler Gutknecht McIntosh
 Clinger Hancock McKeon
 Coble Hansen Metcalf
 Coburn Hastert Meyers
 Collins (GA) Hastings (WA) Mica
 Combest Hayes Miller (FL)
 Cooley Hayworth Molinari
 Cox Hefley Moorhead
 Cramer Heineman Myers
 Crane Herger Myrick
 Crapo Hilleary Nethercutt
 Cremeans Hobson Neumann
 Cubin Hoekstra Ney
 Cunningham Hoke Norwood
 Deal Hostettler Nussle
 DeLay Houghton Oxley

Packard Scarborough Taylor (NC)
 Parker Schaefer Thomas
 Paxon Schiff Thornberry
 Petri Seastrand Tiahrt
 Pombo Sensenbrenner Torkildsen
 Porter Shadegg Traficant
 Portman Shaw Upton
 Pryce Shays Vucanovich
 Quillen Shuster Waldholtz
 Quinn Skeen Walker
 Radanovich Smith (MI) Walsh
 Ramstad Smith (NJ) Wamp
 Regula Smith (TX) Watts (OK)
 Riggs Smith (WA) Weldon (FL)
 Roberts Solomon Weldon (PA)
 Rogers Souder Weller
 Rohrabacher Spence White
 Ros-Lehtinen Stearns Whitfield
 Roth Stockman Wicker
 Royce Stump Young (AK)
 Salmon Talent Young (FL)
 Sanford Tate Zeliff
 Saxton Tauzin Zimmer

NOES—204

Abercrombie Gephardt Neal
 Ackerman Gibbons Oberstar
 Andrews Gonzales Obey
 Baesler Gordon Olver
 Baldacci Green Ortiz
 Barcia Gunderson Orton
 Barrett (WI) Gutierrez Owens
 Becerra Hall (OH) Pallone
 Beilenson Hall (TX) Pastor
 Bentsen Hamilton Payne (NJ)
 Bereuter Harman Payne (VA)
 Berman Hastings (FL) Pelosi
 Bilbray Hefner Peterson (FL)
 Bishop Hilliard Peterson (MN)
 Bonior Hinchey Pickett
 Borski Holden Poshard
 Boucher Horn Rahall
 Brewster Hoyer Rangel
 Browder Jackson-Lee Reed
 Brown (CA) Jacobs Richardson
 Brown (FL) Jefferson Rivers
 Brown (OH) Johnson (SD) Roemer
 Bryant (TX) Johnson, E. B. Rose
 Cardin Johnston Roukema
 Chapman Kanjorski Roybal-Allard
 Clay Kaptur Rush
 Clayton Kennedy (MA) Sabo
 Clement Kennedy (RI) Sanders
 Clyburn Knelly Sawyer
 Coleman Kildee Schroeder
 Collins (IL) Kleczka Schumer
 Collins (MI) Klink Scott
 Condit LaFalce Serrano
 Conyers LaHood Sisisky
 Costello Lantos Skaggs
 Coyne Levin Skelton
 Danner Lewis (GA) Slaughter
 Davis Lincoln Spratt
 de la Garza Lipinski Stark
 DeFazio Lofgren Stenholm
 DeLauro Luther Stokes
 Dellums Maloney Studds
 Deutsch Manton Stupak
 Dicks Manton Tanner
 Dingell Markey Taylor (MS)
 Dixon Martinez Tejeda
 Doggett Mascara Thompson
 Dooley Matsui Thornton
 Doyle McCarthy Thurman
 Durbin McDermott Torres
 Edwards McHale Torricelli
 Ehrlich McKinney Towns
 Engel McNulty Tucker
 Eshoo Meehan Velazquez
 Evans Meek Vento
 Farr Menendez Visclosky
 Fattah Mfume Volkmer
 Fazio Miller (CA) Ward
 Fields (LA) Mineta Watt (NC)
 Filner Minge Waxman
 Flake Mink Williams
 Foglietta Moakley Wilson
 Ford Mollohan Wise
 Frank (MA) Montgomery Wolf
 Frost Moran Woolsey
 Furse Morella Wyden
 Ganske Murtha Wynn
 Gejdenson Nadler Yates

NOT VOTING—3

Pomeroy Reynolds Waters

□ 1455

Mr. TAUZIN changed his vote from “no” to “aye.”

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.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. POMEROY. Mr. Chairman, I regret that I was not present for rollcall vote No. 290, the rule to provide for the consideration of H.R. 1215, the Contract With America Tax Relief Act of 1995. I was unavoidably detained in a meeting with Office of Management and Budget Director Alice Rivlin regarding Missouri River flood control. I spoke on the floor of the House twice against the rule and, had I been present, I would have voted “no.”

PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY

Mr. MORAN. I have a parliamentary inquiry, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. GOODLATTE). The gentleman will state his parliamentary inquiry.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, it is my recollection that this body passed legislation earlier this term, in fact, on the first day of this session, that required that any tax increase be passed with a three-fifths vote of this body.

Since there is a tax increase to be leveled on Federal employees, in the case of the Federal Employees Retirement System, a 313 percent increase on their retirement contribution; in the case of the Civil Service Retirement System there was a 35 percent increase in their retirement contribution. This is clearly a tax increase, Mr. Speaker.

Therefore, it seems to me, to be consistent with the legislation this body previously passed, it would require a three-fifths vote. I would reserve my point of order, but I would make that parliamentary inquiry at this time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will take the gentleman's inquiry under advisement and rule on it at the appropriate time.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, I would ask, when would be the appropriate time for a ruling on this parliamentary inquiry?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pending final passage of the legislation.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, when would I be able to get a division of the question on that issue?

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will state that the rule relates to the vote on passage. The question becomes ripe for the House upon passage of the legislation.

Mr. MORAN. Mr. Speaker, the rule said that all points of order are waived, but yet I am making an inquiry as to whether this is consistent with previously passed legislation of this body.

□ 1500

It seems to me this then ought to enable us to call for a division as to the ruling of the Speaker. What I want to understand is when that might occur, when this body might be able to vote on that ruling.