standing against this bill from a pro-life position. They’re good hearts. But they’ve been sold a bill of goods. You don’t have to believe me.

I had an incredible non-reversal rate as a judge and chief justice; as a lawyer very successful. But let me tell you, there are people waiting to get the executive order struck down the moment it is signed. You need to hear from somebody who understands your heart and understands where you’re coming from. The executive order won’t work. Then in the end, your standout will have been for nothing.

Please take another look at it. This is the wrong thing to have your vote swayed by. You can’t say you weren’t warned.

HEALTH CARE REFORM

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

Mr. KAGEN. Mr. Speaker, today in the House of Representatives, we must take a positive step forward and finally guarantee an end to discrimination against all citizens because of the way they were born or what illness they may have.

This bill that we’re about to pass today will save lives and save jobs by putting patients first, strengthening Medicare, and finally guaranteeing access to affordable care for all of us. No longer will a child’s illness cause their family to go broke and lose their home. Senior citizens in all of our communities will see a stronger and better Medicare as we begin to close the prescription drug program doughnut hole. Small business owners, like myself, will soon be able to buy health insurance for all of their employees at the same discounts that big corporations do.

We’re beginning to fix what’s broken in our health care system and improve on what we already have at a price we can all afford to pay because this bill will not be only paid for but will cut our deficit by a trillion dollars over the next 10 years.

WILL WE CHOOSE TYRANNY OR LIBERTY?

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

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, today is a defining moment in this Nation’s history. Will we choose the path of individual liberty or will we choose the path of government tyranny? Will we choose the path to be in control of our own health, or will we choose the way of a European nanny state where government forces health choices upon us? Will we choose to uphold the sacred motto “We the People” or will we return to the chains and slavery of government and choose “We the Subjects”?

Our choice is clear. The American people don’t desire more oppressive, in-

trusive government in charge of their health. The people want to control their own lives.

Thomas Paine in the Revolution said, “These are the times that try men’s souls. Tyranny, like hell, is not easily conquered.” Our Founders made the right difficult choice.

So will we at this time, on this day, this hour, stand for government tyranny or personal liberty? I choose “We the People,” not “We the Subjects.” And that’s just the way it is.

RECOGNITION FOR 1-MINUTE SPEECHES

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to expand the number of 1-minutes to unlimited.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Recognition for 1-minutes is within the discretion of the Chair.

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, I seek unanimous consent to expand the number of 1-minutes to 10.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair is exercising his discretion not to recognize more than five 1-minutes on each side.

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, in the House of Representatives, we must take a positive step forward and finally guarantee an end to discrimination against all citizens because of the way they were born or what illness they may have.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order: motion to suspend the rules on H.R. 4840, by the yeas and nays; motion to suspend the rules on H. Res. 1174, by the yeas and nays; approval of the Journal, by the yeas and nays; motion to suspend the rules on H. Res. 1075, by the yeas and nays.

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

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4840, on which the yeas and nays were ordered. The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentlewoman from California (Ms. SPEIER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4840.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 420, nays 0, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 155]