legislation entitled the ''Maritime Administration Authorization Act for Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999,'' pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1110; jointly, to the Committees on National Security and Transportation and Infrastructure.

¶29.4 MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Sherman Williams, one of his secretaries.

¶29.5 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. McDevitt, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed without amendment a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 412. An Act to approve a settlement agreement between the Bureau of Reclamation and the Oroville-Tonasket Irrigation District.

¶29.6 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN MOTIONS TO SUSPEND THE RULES

Mr. DREIER, by direction of the Committee on Rules, called up the following resolution (H. Res. 107):

Resolved, That it shall be in order at any time on Wednesday, April 9, 1997, or on Thursday, April 10, 1997, for the Speaker to entertain motions that the House suspend the rules. The Speaker or his designee shall consult with the minority leader or his designee on the designation of any matter for consideration pursuant to this resolution.

When said resolution was considered,

¶29.7 WORDS TAKEN DOWN

Mr. MILLER of California during debate, addressed the House and, during the course of his remarks,

Mr. DELAY demanded that certain words be taken down.

The Clerk read the words taken down as follows:

If you give $10,000, you can have a meeting. You know what you get, ladies and gentlemen? You get seats in the gallery. You the public get seats in the gallery. You know what big donors get? They get access to leadership power and decisions. That is under the existing system, and that is why we are saying it has to be reformed. Two years ago we watched as top lobbyists sat in the majority whip's office and drafted legislation to the Clean Water Act.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, held the words taken down not to be unparliamentary, and said:

''In the opinion of the Chair, there was no direct reference to a Member specifically performing a quid pro quo. Therefore, the Chair will rule that the words are not unparliamentary.''.

Accordingly,

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, recognized Mr. MILLER of California to proceed in order.

After debate,

Mr. DREIER moved the previous question on the resolution to its adoption or rejection.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House now order the previous question?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, announced that the yeas had it.

Ms. SLAUGHTER objected to the vote on the ground that a quorum was not present and not voting.

A quorum not being present,

The roll was called under clause 4, rule XV, and the call was taken by electronic device.

When there appeared { Yeas ..... 213 / Nays ..... 196 }

¶29.8 [Roll No. 74]

YEAS—213

Aderholt	Gillmor	Oxley
Archer	Gilman	Packard
Armey	Goodlatte	Pappas
Bachus	Goodling	Parker
Baker	Goss	Paul
Barrett (NE)	Graham	Paxon
Bartlett	Greenwood	Pease
Bass	Gutknecht	Peterson (PA)
Bateman	Hansen	Petri
Bereuter	Hastert	Pickering
Bilbray	Hastings (WA)	Pitts
Bilirakis	Hayworth	Pombo
Bliley	Hefley	Portman
Blunt	Herger	Pryce (OH)
Boehlert	Hill	Quinn
Boehner	Hilleary	Radanovich
Bonilla	Hobson	Ramstad
Bono	Hoekstra	Regula
Brady	Horn	Riggs
Bryant	Hostettler	Riley
Bunning	Houghton	Rogan
Burr	Hulshof	Rogers
Burton	Hunter	Rohrabacher
Buyer	Hutchinson	Ros-Lehtinen
Callahan	Hyde	Roukema
Calvert	Inglis	Royce
Camp	Jenkins	Salmon
Campbell	Johnson (CT)	Sanford
Canady	Johnson, Sam	Saxton
Cannon	Jones	Scarborough
Castle	Kasich	Schaefer, Dan
Chabot	Kelly	Schaffer, Bob
Chenoweth	Kim	Sensenbrenner
Christensen	King (NY)	Sessions
Coble	Kingston	Shadegg
Coburn	Klug	Shaw
Collins	Knollenberg	Shays
Combest	Kolbe	Shimkus
Cook	LaHood	Shuster
Cooksey	Largent	Skeen
Cox	Latham	Smith (MI)
Crane	LaTourette	Smith (NJ)
Crapo	Lazio	Smith (OR)
Cubin	Leach	Smith (TX)
Cunningham	Lewis (CA)	Smith, Linda
Davis (VA)	Lewis (KY)	Snowbarger
Deal	Linder	Solomon
DeLay	Livingston	Souder
Diaz-Balart	LoBiondo	Spence
Dickey	Lucas	Stearns
Dreier	Manzullo	Stump
Duncan	McCollum	Sununu
Dunn	McCrery	Talent
Ehlers	McDade	Tauzin
Ehrlich	McHugh	Taylor (NC)
Emerson	McInnis	Thomas
English	McIntosh	Thornberry
Ensign	McKeon	Thune
Everett	Metcalf	Tiahrt
Ewing	Mica	Upton
Foley	Miller (FL)	Walsh
Forbes	Molinari	Wamp
Fowler	Moran (KS)	Watkins
Fox	Morella	Weldon (FL)
Franks (NJ)	Myrick	Weldon (PA)
Frelinghuysen	Nethercutt	Weller
Gallegly	Neumann	White
Ganske	Ney	Whitfield
Gekas	Northup	Wicker
Gibbons	Norwood	Wolf
Gilchrest	Nussle	Young (FL)

NAYS—196

Abercrombie	Bonior	Clyburn
Ackerman	Borski	Condit
Allen	Boswell	Conyers
Baesler	Boucher	Costello
Baldacci	Brown (CA)	Coyne
Barcia	Brown (FL)	Cramer
Barrett (WI)	Brown (OH)	Cummings
Bentsen	Capps	Danner
Berman	Cardin	Davis (FL)
Berry	Clay	Davis (IL)
Blagojevich	Clayton	DeFazio
Blumenauer	Clement	DeGette
Delahunt	Kildee	Pomeroy
DeLauro	Kilpatrick	Poshard
Dellums	Kind (WI)	Price (NC)
Deutsch	Kleczka	Rahall
Dicks	Klink	Rangel
Dingell	Kucinich	Reyes
Dixon	LaFalce	Rivers
Doggett	Lampson	Roemer
Dooley	Lantos	Rothman
Doyle	Levin	Roybal-Allard
Edwards	Lewis (GA)	Rush
Engel	Lipinski	Sabo
Eshoo	Lofgren	Sanchez
Etheridge	Lowey	Sanders
Evans	Luther	Sandlin
Farr	Maloney (CT)	Sawyer
Fattah	Maloney (NY)	Schumer
Fazio	Manton	Scott
Flake	Markey	Serrano
Foglietta	Martinez	Sherman
Ford	Mascara	Sisisky
Frank (MA)	Matsui	Skaggs
Frost	McCarthy (MO)	Skelton
Furse	McDermott	Slaughter
Gejdenson	McGovern	Smith, Adam
Gephardt	McHale	Snyder
Gonzalez	McIntyre	Spratt
Goode	McKinney	Stabenow
Gordon	McNulty	Stenholm
Green	Meehan	Stokes
Gutierrez	Meek	Strickland
Hall (OH)	Menendez	Stupak
Hall (TX)	Millender-McDonald	Tanner
Hamilton	Miller (CA)	Tauscher
Harman	Minge	Taylor (MS)
Hastings (FL)	Mink	Thompson
Hilliard	Moakley	Thurman
Hinchey	Mollohan	Tierney
Hinojosa	Moran (VA)	Torres
Holden	Murtha	Towns
Hooley	Nadler	Traficant
Hoyer	Neal	Turner
Jackson (IL)	Oberstar	Velazquez
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Obey	Vento
Jefferson	Olver	Visclosky
John	Ortiz	Waters
Johnson (WI)	Owens	Watt (NC)
Johnson, E. B.	Pallone	Waxman
Kanjorski	Pascrell	Wexler
Kaptur	Pastor	Weygand
Kennedy (MA)	Payne	Wise
Kennedy (RI)	Pelosi	Woolsey
Kennelly	Pickett	Wynn
		Yates

NOT VOTING—23

Andrews	Chambliss	Peterson (MN)
Ballenger	Doolittle	Porter
Barr	Fawell	Ryun
Barton	Filner	Schiff
Becerra	Granger	Stark
Bishop	Hefner	Watts (OK)
Boyd	Istook	Young (AK)
Carson	McCarthy (NY)	

So the previous question on the resolution was ordered.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House agree to said resolution?

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, announced that the yeas had it.

So the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

¶29.9 VETERANS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Mr. MICA moved to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 240) to amend title 5, United States Code, to provide that consideration may not be denied to preference eligibles applying for certain positions in the competitive service, and for other purposes; as amended.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. GUTKNECHT, recognized Mr. MICA and Mr. HOLDEN, each for 20 minutes.

After debate,

The question being put, viva voce,