

Mr. SPECTER. On the four Republicans who voted against the tax bill?

Mrs. BOXER. No, it is only two, that is what we were told.

Mr. SPECTER. Senators VOINOVICH, COLLINS, SNOWE, and I all voted against the tax bill; it was a 50-49 vote. One Republican was absent, four Republicans voted against it. Forty-five Democrats voted against it, plus four Republicans: VOINOVICH, COLLINS, SNOWE, and SPECTER.

Mrs. BOXER. We have the vote. It shows two voted against.

Mr. SPECTER. You have the first tax bill, the bill out of the Senate, where VOINOVICH and ARLEN SPECTER voted against it. The conference report, which is the tax bill, had four Republicans voting in opposition.

Mrs. BOXER. I was speaking about the vote in the Senate, when the Senate bill came before us. There were two and you were one of the two. I want to make sure the RECORD shows that.

Mr. SPECTER. It is a vote in the Senate on the conference report.

Mrs. BOXER. Fine. Then we could say two voted against it the first time in the Senate and when it came back from the conference, four.

The point I made is very obvious.

Mr. SPECTER. Will the Senator from California agree that some Republicans voted against it?

Mrs. BOXER. I agree that two Republicans out of 55 voted against it in the Senate. I don't know what the point is. I am glad you did, Senator.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. BUNNING). All time has expired.

Mr. SPECTER. Mr. President, I take that as a concession that some Republicans voted against it.

Mrs. BOXER. Well, don't. I don't mean it as a concession.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

Mrs. BOXER. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

Mr. SPECTER. I move to table. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There appears to be a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the motion to table amendment No. 1809.

The yeas and nays have been ordered.

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative assistant called the roll.

Mr. NICKLES. I announce that the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN) is necessarily absent.

The result was announced—yeas 54, nays 45, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 299 Leg.]

YEAS—54

Abraham	Ashcroft	Bond
Allard	Bennett	Brownback

Bunning	Gramm	Murkowski
Burns	Grams	Nickles
Campbell	Grassley	Roberts
Chafee	Gregg	Roth
Cochran	Hagel	Santorum
Collins	Hatch	Sessions
Coverdell	Helms	Shelby
Craig	Hutchinson	Smith (NH)
Crapo	Hutchison	Smith (OR)
DeWine	Inhofe	Specter
Domenici	Jeffords	Stevens
Enzi	Kyl	Thomas
Feingold	Lott	Thompson
Fitzgerald	Lugar	Thurmond
Frist	Mack	Voinovich
Gorton	McConnell	Warner

NAYS—45

Akaka	Edwards	Lieberman
Baucus	Feinstein	Lincoln
Bayh	Graham	Mikulski
Biden	Harkin	Moynihhan
Bingaman	Hollings	Murray
Boxer	Inouye	Reed
Breaux	Johnson	Reid
Bryan	Kennedy	Robb
Byrd	Kerrey	Rockefeller
Cleland	Kerry	Sarbanes
Conrad	Kohl	Schumer
Daschle	Landrieu	Snowe
Dodd	Lautenberg	Torricelli
Dorgan	Leahy	Wellstone
Durbin	Levin	Wyden

NOT VOTING—1

McCain

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. REID. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST—
S. 82

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, we have been working quite some time now to get a final agreement on how to bring up the FAA reauthorization bill. This is important legislation. We have tried to extend the time, and there has been resistance to that. We have tried to direct a conference; there has been resistance to that.

So it is important we have a couple days to have debate relevant amendments and deal with this issue. We are working on both sides of the aisle, and I think we have resolved most of the questions. If there is any one remaining problem, I would like to flesh it out so we can deal with it.

I ask unanimous consent that on Monday, October 4, it be in order for the majority leader to proceed to the consideration of S. 82, the FAA reauthorization bill, that the majority and minority managers of the bill be authorized to modify the committee amendments and, further, that only aviation-related amendments and relevant second-degree amendments be in order to the bill.

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, I will object at this point. I do so only because it is my understanding that the junior Senator from New York, Mr. SCHUMER, is still awaiting an answer from the manager of the bill, Senator MCCAIN. They have been negotiating

now for several days. The Senator from New York indicated he hopes that in a matter of hours he will hear from Senator MCCAIN's office. As soon as he gets that clarification from Senator MCCAIN, I think he will be more than happy to agree to this unanimous consent request. I will certainly notify the majority leader when that happens. Then it would be my expectation we could agree to this unanimous consent request. We have worked through a number of other problems and issues Senators have raised.

I appreciate the cooperation of all Senators, especially those on my side of the aisle who have worked with us to get to this point. This is an important bill. It needs to be done. I hope it will be done next Monday.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Objection is heard.

Mr. LOTT. I thank the Democratic leader for that response.

The manager of the bill and the ranking member, Senator MCCAIN and Senator HOLLINGS, are really anxious to go forward with this. There is an understanding on both sides of the aisle that this is very important legislation we have to complete.

We have worked through problems that Senator ROBB had, Senator ABRAHAM, a number of Senators who have amendments, but they will be able to offer those relevant amendments under this agreement.

I hope later on today we can lock in this agreement and be on this bill then next Monday, and after a reasonable time for debate and amendments, surely we can finish it by the close of business on Tuesday.

Also, Mr. President, there had been an indication that some amendment might be offered on the Labor-HHS-Education appropriations bill on an unrelated matter but one with which, frankly, we are prepared to go forward.

UNANIMOUS-CONSENT REQUEST—
TREATY DOCUMENT NO. 105-28

Mr. LOTT. Mr. President, as in executive session, I ask unanimous consent that at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, October 6, the Foreign Relations Committee be discharged from further consideration of treaty document No. 105-28 and the document be placed on the Executive Calendar, if not previously reported by the committee.

I further ask consent that at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, the Senate begin consideration of treaty document No. 105-28—this is the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty—and the treaty be advanced through the various parliamentary stages up to and including the presentation of the resolution of ratification, and there be one relevant amendment in order to the resolution of ratification to be offered by each leader; in other words, there would be two of those.