

greater portability and choice, broader product options, and improved customer service to residents of the District of Columbia, northern Virginia, and Maryland who work in one area and reside in another.

I urge all of my colleagues to support this bill which will enable GHMSI to face the abundant challenges of the fast-changing health care marketplace and to compete and serve its customers on a fair and equal footing.

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

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I urge the passage of the bill, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore [Mr. SHAYS]. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Virginia [Mr. DAVIS] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 479.

The question was taken.

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this motion will be postponed.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members have 5 legislative days to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 479, the bill just passed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5, rule 1, the Chair will now resume proceedings on approval of the Journal and put the question on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained, and then on the motion to suspend the rules postponed from Tuesday, February 25, 1997.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

Approval of the Journal de novo; H.R. 624, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 497, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 668 by the yeas and nays.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the first such vote in this series.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

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

Mr. DAVIS of Virginia. 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 378, nays 36, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 24]
YEAS—378

- Ackerman
- Aderholt
- Allen
- Andrews
- Archer
- Armey
- Bachus
- Baessler
- Baker
- Baldacci
- Ballenger
- Barcia
- Barr
- Barrett (NE)
- Barrett (WI)
- Bartlett
- Barton
- Bass
- Bateman
- Becerra
- Bentsen
- Bereuter
- Berman
- Berry
- Bilbray
- Bishop
- Blagojevich
- Bliley
- Blumenauer
- Blunt
- Boehlert
- Boehner
- Bonilla
- Bonior
- Bono
- Boswell
- Boucher
- Boyd
- Brady
- Brown (FL)
- Brown (OH)
- Bryant
- Bunning
- Burr
- Burton
- Callahan
- Calvert
- Camp
- Campbell
- Canady
- Cannon
- Capps
- Cardin
- Castle
- Chabot
- Chambliss
- Christensen
- Clayton
- Clement
- Coble
- Coburn
- Collins
- Combest
- Condit
- Conyers
- Cook
- Cooksey
- Costello
- Cox
- Coyne
- Cramer
- Crapo
- Cubin
- Cummings
- Cunningham
- Davis (FL)
- Davis (IL)
- Davis (VA)
- Deal
- DeGette
- Delahunt
- DeLauro
- DeLay
- Dellums
- Deutsch
- Diaz-Balart
- Dickey
- Dicks
- Dingell
- Dixon
- Doggett
- Dooley
- Doyle
- Dreier
- Duncan
- Dunn
- Edwards
- Ehlers
- Ehrlich
- Emerson
- Eshoo
- Etheridge
- Evans
- Everett
- Ewing
- Farr
- Fattah
- Fawell
- Flake
- Foglietta
- Foley
- Forbes
- Ford
- Fowler
- Fox
- Frank (MA)
- Franks (NJ)
- Frelinghuysen
- Frost
- Furse
- Galleghy
- Ganske
- Gejdenson
- Gekas
- Gibbons
- Gilchrest
- Gilman
- Gonzalez
- Goode
- Goodlatte
- Goodling
- Gordon
- Goss
- Graham
- Granger
- Green
- Greenwood
- Hall (OH)
- Hall (TX)
- Hamilton
- Hansen
- Harman
- Hastert
- Hastings (WA)
- Hayworth
- Hefner
- Herger
- Hill
- Hilleary
- Hinchee
- Hinojosa
- Hobson
- Hoekstra
- Holden
- Hooley
- Horn
- Houghton
- Hoyer
- Hulshof
- Hunter
- Hutchinson
- Hyde
- Istook
- Jackson (IL)
- Jackson-Lee
- (TX)
- Jefferson
- Jenkins
- John
- Johnson (CT)
- Johnson (WI)
- Johnson, E. B.
- Johnson, Sam
- Jones
- Kanjorski
- Kasich
- Kelly
- Kennedy (MA)
- Kennedy (RI)
- Kennelly
- Kildee
- Kilpatrick
- Kim
- Kind (WI)
- King (NY)
- Kingston
- Kleczka
- Klink
- Klug
- Knollenberg
- Kolbe
- LaFalce
- LaHood
- Lampson
- Latham
- LaTourette
- Lazio
- Leach
- Levin
- Lewis (CA)
- Lewis (KY)
- Lipinski
- Livingston
- LoBiondo
- Lofgren
- Lowey
- Lucas
- Luther
- Maloney (CT)
- Maloney (NY)
- Manton
- Manzullo
- Markey
- Martinez
- Mascara
- Matsui
- McCarthy (NY)
- McCollum
- McCrary
- McDade
- McDermott
- McGovern
- McHale
- McHugh
- McInnis
- McIntosh
- McIntyre
- McKeon
- McKinney
- McNulty
- Meehan
- Meek
- Metcalf
- Mica
- Miller (FL)
- Minge
- Mink
- Moakley
- Molinaro
- Mollohan
- Moran (KS)
- Moran (VA)
- Murtha
- Myrick
- Nadler
- Neal
- Nethercutt
- Neumann
- Ney
- Northup
- Norwood
- Nussle
- Obey
- Olver
- Ortiz
- Owens
- Oxley
- Packard
- Pallone
- Pappas
- Parker
- Pastor
- Paul
- Paxon
- Payne
- Pease
- Pelosi
- Peterson (MN)
- Peterson (PA)
- Petri
- Pickering
- Pitts
- Pomeroy
- Porter
- Portman
- Poshard
- Price (NC)
- Pryce (OH)
- Quinn
- Radanovich
- Rahall
- Rangel
- Regula
- Riggs
- Riley
- Rivers
- Roemer
- Rogan
- Rogers
- Rohrabacher
- Ros-Lehtinen
- Rothman
- Roukema
- Roybal-Allard
- Royce
- Ryun
- Salmon
- Sanchez
- Sanders
- Sandlin
- Sanford
- Sawyer
- Saxton
- Scarborough
- Schaefer, Dan
- Schaffer, Bob
- Schiff
- Schumer
- Scott
- Sensenbrenner
- Serrano
- Sessions
- Shadegg
- Shaw
- Shays
- Sherman
- Shimkus
- Shuster
- Siskis
- Skaggs
- Skeen
- Skelton
- Slaughter
- Smith (MI)
- Smith (NJ)
- Smith (TX)
- Smith, Adam
- Smith, Linda
- Snowbarger
- Snyder
- Solomon
- Souder
- Spence
- Spratt
- Stabenow
- Stark
- Stenholm
- Stokes
- Strickland
- Stump
- Stupak
- Sununu
- Talent
- Tanner
- Tauscher
- Tauzin
- Taylor (NC)
- Thomas
- Thornberry
- Thune
- Thurman
- Tiahrt
- Tierney
- Torres
- Towns
- Traficant
- Turner
- Upton
- Velázquez
- Vento
- Walsh
- Wamp
- Watkins
- Watt (NC)
- Watts (OK)
- Waxman
- Weldon (FL)
- Weldon (PA)
- Wexler
- Weygand
- Whitfield
- Wicker
- Wise
- Wolf
- Woolsey
- Wynn
- Young (AK)
- Young (FL)

- Murtha
- Myrick
- Nadler
- Neal
- Nethercutt
- Neumann
- Ney
- Northup
- Norwood
- Nussle
- Obey
- Olver
- Ortiz
- Owens
- Oxley
- Packard
- Pallone
- Pappas
- Parker
- Pastor
- Paul
- Paxon
- Payne
- Pease
- Pelosi
- Peterson (MN)
- Peterson (PA)
- Petri
- Pickering
- Pitts
- Pomeroy
- Porter
- Portman
- Poshard
- Price (NC)
- Pryce (OH)
- Quinn
- Radanovich
- Rahall
- Rangel
- Regula
- Riggs
- Riley
- Rivers
- Roemer
- Rogan
- Rogers
- Rohrabacher
- Ros-Lehtinen
- Rothman
- Roukema
- Roybal-Allard
- Royce
- Ryun
- Salmon
- Sanchez
- Sanders
- Sandlin
- Sanford
- Sawyer
- Saxton
- Scarborough
- Schaefer, Dan
- Schaffer, Bob
- Schiff
- Schumer
- Scott
- Sensenbrenner
- Serrano
- Sessions
- Shadegg
- Shaw
- Shays
- Sherman
- Shimkus
- Shuster
- Siskis
- Skaggs
- Skeen
- Skelton
- Slaughter
- Smith (MI)
- Smith (NJ)
- Smith (TX)
- Smith, Adam
- Smith, Linda
- Snowbarger
- Snyder
- Solomon
- Souder
- Spence
- Spratt
- Stabenow
- Stark
- Stenholm
- Stokes
- Strickland
- Stump
- Stupak
- Sununu
- Talent
- Tanner
- Tauscher
- Tauzin
- Taylor (NC)
- Thomas
- Thornberry
- Thune
- Thurman
- Tiahrt
- Tierney
- Torres
- Towns
- Traficant
- Turner
- Upton
- Velázquez
- Vento
- Walsh
- Wamp
- Watkins
- Watt (NC)
- Watts (OK)
- Waxman
- Weldon (FL)
- Weldon (PA)
- Wexler
- Weygand
- Whitfield
- Wicker
- Wise
- Wolf
- Woolsey
- Wynn
- Young (AK)
- Young (FL)

NAYS—36

- Abercrombie
- Borski
- Brown (CA)
- Chenoweth
- Clyburn
- Crane
- DeFazio
- English
- Ensign
- Fazio
- Filner
- Gephardt
- Gillmor
- Gutierrez
- Gutknecht
- Hastings (FL)
- Hefley
- Hilliard
- Kucinich
- Lewis (GA)
- Menendez
- Millender
- McDonald
- Miller (CA)
- Oberstar
- Pascarell
- Pickett
- Pombo
- Ramstad
- Rush
- Sabo
- Stearns
- Thompson
- Visclosky
- Waters
- Weller
- Yates

NOT VOTING—18

- Bilirakis
- Buyer
- Carson
- Clay
- Danner
- Doolittle
- Engel
- Hostettler
- Keyes
- Lantos
- Largent
- Linder
- McCarthy (MO)
- Morella
- Reyes
- Smith (OR)
- Taylor (MS)
- White

Mr. HILLIARD, and Mr. RUSH changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mr. DELAHUNT changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore [Mr. SHAYS]. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5, rule I, the Chair announces that he will reduce to a minimum of 5 minutes the period of time within which a vote by electronic device may be taken on each additional motion to suspend the rules on which the Chair has postponed further proceedings.