

of covered executive branch official under the act. Section 3 of the bill adds a clarification of the exception to a lobbying contact so that any communication compelled by a Federal contract, grant, loan, permit, or license would not be considered a lobbying contact.

Moreover, at the request of the administration, section 3 of the bill also makes plain that groups of governments acting together as international organizations, such as the World Bank, will not be required to register under the Lobbying Disclosure Act.

In addition, section 4 of the bill clarifies how estimates based on the tax reporting system can and should be used in relation to reporting lobbying expenses. This section also provides that registrants engage in executive branch lobbying and who make a section 15 election under the Act must use the Tax Code uniformly for all their executive branch lobbying registration and reporting under the act.

Finally, section 5 of S. 758 clarifies the original intent of the act by providing that anyone engaged in even a de minimis level of lobbying activities on behalf of a foreign commercial entity can register under the Lobbying Disclosure Act rather than under the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938.

This change reaffirms the congressional intent of requiring disclosure of foreign nongovernment representations under the Lobbying Disclosure Act and disclosure of foreign governmental representations under the Foreign Agents Registration Act.

I want to thank the ranking member on the Subcommittee on the Constitution for his cooperation in moving forward this legislation which has already been passed by the Senate. I believe that this legislation is something that will simply help make a good and important law function with the maximum efficiency.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time

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

Mr. Speaker, as a result of a recent study on the lobbying disclosure reports, we now know that special interest groups are spending approximately \$100 million a month to lobby the Federal Government. Before the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995, there were no requirements in place that would have made this information available.

Mr. Speaker, there is nothing inherently wrong with those who petition their government. In fact, we ought to be encouraging more participation in the democratic process. But the public is entitled to have an idea of how much money is being spent by groups as they advance their particular interests.

Mr. Speaker, the Lobbying Disclosure Act was the first legislation to reform lobbying activities in any substantial way since the Federal Regulation of Lobbying Act of 1946.

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Under the Lobbying Disclosure Act, individuals and organizations who

lobby the Federal Government are no longer exempt from reporting and disclosure requirements. Professional lobbyists are now required to disclose who pays them, how much to lobby the Federal Government, that is Congress and the executive branch, and on what issues. The LDA has been very successful in providing understandable requirements for lobbyists, as well as providing important information to the public about lobbying activities.

S. 758 addresses several technical issues which have been raised during the implementation of the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995. The original House version, H.R. 3435, which was co-sponsored by my colleagues on the Committee on the Judiciary, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. CANADY) and the gentleman from Massachusetts (Mr. FRANK), and I would like to at this point congratulate both of them for working in a bipartisan manner to fashion legislation that everyone could agree on.

Mr. Speaker, that bill passed the Committee on the Judiciary by a unanimous rollcall vote of 25 to 0 and then passed the House without opposition.

In the Senate, two provisions were removed from the legislation. Both sides have agreed, however, that the removal of these two provisions, which were removed at the urging of several Senators, was not enough to warrant reconsideration of the legislation.

One provision which was removed from the original version would have simplified the manner in which U.S. multinational companies disclosed information about their subsidiaries or other related entities with a significant direct interest in the outcome of the company's lobbying activities.

The second provision would have limited the recordkeeping of registrants under Section 5 of the act by eliminating the requirement that the report contain a list of lobbyists for each general issue area and, instead, required the registrant to provide a list of all employees who acted as a lobbyist for the organization in one section.

This change would have eliminated the need for organizations with a wide range of general issue areas and a large number of registered lobbyists to undertake the time-consuming task of discerning which lobbyists worked on which issues.

In summary, Mr. Speaker, this bill passed the Senate by unanimous consent; and I urge my colleagues to vote for the bill.

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

Mr. CANADY of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MCINNIS). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Florida (Mr. CANADY) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 758.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Debate has concluded on all motions to suspend the rules. Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5 of rule I, the Chair will now put the question on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed on Tuesday, March 17, 1998, in the order in which that motion was entertained.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

House Concurrent Resolution 152, by the yeas and the nays; and House Concurrent Resolution 235, by the yeas and the nays.

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

EXPRESSING SENSE OF CONGRESS REGARDING NORTHERN IRELAND

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 152, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 152, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 407, nays 2, answered "present" 1, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 56]
YEAS—407

Abercrombie	Boswell	Conyers
Ackerman	Boucher	Cook
Aderholt	Boyd	Cooksey
Allen	Brady	Costello
Andrews	Brown (CA)	Cox
Archer	Brown (FL)	Coyne
Bachus	Brown (OH)	Cramer
Baesler	Bryant	Crapo
Baker	Bunning	Cubin
Baldacci	Burr	Cummings
Ballenger	Burton	Cunningham
Barcia	Buyer	Danner
Barrett (NE)	Callahan	Davis (FL)
Barrett (WI)	Calvert	Davis (VA)
Bartlett	Camp	Deal
Barton	Campbell	DeFazio
Bass	Canady	DeGette
Bateman	Cannon	Delahunt
Becerra	Capps	DeLauro
Bentsen	Cardin	DeLay
Bereuter	Carson	Deutsch
Berman	Castle	Diaz-Balart
Berry	Chabot	Dickey
Bilbray	Chambliss	Dicks
Bilirakis	Chenoweth	Dingell
Bishop	Christensen	Dixon
Blagojevich	Clay	Doggett
Bliley	Clayton	Dooley
Blumenauer	Clement	Doyle
Blunt	Clyburn	Dreier
Boehlert	Coble	Duncan
Boehner	Coburn	Dunn
Bonilla	Collins	Edwards
Bonior	Combest	Ehlers
Borski	Condit	Ehrlich

Emerson LaFalce Redmond Wise Wynn Young (FL) Burton Hall (OH) Meehan
 Engel LaHood Regula Wolf Yates Young (FL) Buyer Hall (TX) Meek (FL)
 English Lampson Reyes Woolsey Young (AK) Callahan Hamilton Meeks (NY)
 Ensign Lantos Riggs Camp Calvert Hansen Menendez
 Eshoo Largent Riley Houghton Paul Hastings (FL) Metcalf
 Etheridge Latham Rivers Rodriguez Millender-
 Evans LaTourette Roemer ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1 McDonald
 Everett Lazio Rogan Barr NOT VOTING—21
 Farr Leach Rogers Rohrabacher
 Fattah Levin Ros-Lehtinen
 Fawell Lewis (CA) Rothman
 Fazio Lewis (GA) Roukema
 Filner Lewis (KY) Roybal-Allard
 Foley Linder Royce
 Forbes Livingston Royce
 Ford LoBiondo Royce
 Fossella Lofgren Ryun
 Fowler Lowey Sabo
 Fox Lucas Salmon
 Frank (MA) Luther Sanchez
 Franks (NJ) Maloney (CT) Sanders
 Frelinghuysen Maloney (NY) Sandlin
 Frost Manton Sanford
 Furse Manzullo Sawyer
 Gallegly Markey Saxton
 Ganske Mascara Scarborough
 Gejdenson Matsui Schaefer, Dan
 Gekas McCarthy (MO) Schaffer, Bob
 Gibbons McCarthy (NY) Schumer
 Gilchrest McCollum Scott
 Gillmor McCrery Sensenbrenner
 Gilman McDermott Serrano
 Goode McGovern Sessions
 Goodlatte McHale Shadegg
 Goodling McHugh Shaw
 Gordon McLinnis Shays
 Goss McIntyre Sherman
 Graham McKeon Shimkus
 Granger McKinney Shuster
 Green McNulty Sisisky
 Greenwood Meehan Skaggs
 Gutknecht Meek (FL) Skeen
 Hall (OH) Meeks (NY) Skelton
 Hall (TX) Menendez Slaughter
 Hamilton Metcalf Smith (MI)
 Hansen Mica Smith (NJ)
 Harman Millender- McDonald Smith (OR)
 Hastert Miller (CA) Smith (TX)
 Hastings (FL) Miller (FL) Smith, Adam
 Hayworth Minge Snowbarger
 Hefley Mink Snyder
 Hergert Mink Solomon
 Hill Moakley Souder
 Hilleary Mollohan Moran (VA)
 Hilliard Moran (KS) Spratt
 Hinchey Moran (VA) Stabenow
 Hinojosa Morella Stark
 Hobson Murtha Stearns
 Hoekstra Myrick Stenholm
 Holden Nadler Stokes
 Hooley Neal Strickland
 Horn Nethercutt Stump
 Hostettler Neumann Sununu
 Hoyer Ney Talent
 Hulshof Northup Tanner
 Hunter Norwood Tauscher
 Hutchinson Nussle Tauzin
 Hyde Oberstar Taylor (MS)
 Istook Obey Taylor (NC)
 Jackson (IL) Olver Thomas
 Jackson-Lee Ortiz Thompson
 (TX) Owens Thornberry
 Jefferson Oxley Thune
 Jenkins Packard Thurman
 John Pallone Tiahrt
 Johnson (CT) Pappas Tierney
 Johnson (WI) Pascrell Torres
 Johnson, E. B. Pastor Towns
 Johnson, Sam Paxon Payne
 Jones Jones Payne
 Kanjorski Pease Pelosi
 Kaptur Kasich Peterson (MN)
 Kelly Kelly Peterson (PA)
 Kennedy (MA) Petri
 Kennedy (RI) Pickering
 Kennelly Pickett
 Kildee Pitts
 Kilpatrick Pombo
 Kim Pomeroy
 Kind (WI) Porter
 King (NY) Portman
 Kingston Price (NC)
 Kleczka Pryce (OH)
 Klink Quinn
 Klug Radanovich
 Knollenberg Rahall
 Kolbe Ramstad
 Kucinich Rangel

Army Gutierrez McIntosh
 Crane Hastings (WA) Parker
 Davis (IL) Hefner Poshard
 Doolittle Inglis Schiff
 Ewing Lipinski Stupak
 Gephardt Martinez Turner
 Gonzalez McDade Waters

Castile Hill
 Chabot Hilleary
 Chambliss Hilliard
 Chenoweth Hinchey
 Christensen Hinojosa
 Clay Hoekstra
 Clayton Holden
 Clement Hoolley
 Clyburn Horn
 Coble Hostettler
 Coburn Houghton
 Collins Hoyer
 Combest Hulshof
 Condit Hunter
 Conyers Hutchinson
 Cook Hyde
 Cooksey Istook
 Costello Jackson (IL)
 Cox Jackson-Lee
 Coyne (TX)
 Cramer Jefferson
 Crapo Jenkins
 Cubin John
 Cummings Johnson (CT)
 Cunningham Johnson (WI)
 Danner Johnson, E. B.
 Davis (FL) Johnson, Sam
 Davis (VA) Jones
 Deal Kanjorski
 DeFazio Kaptur
 DeGette Kasich
 Delahunt Kelly
 DeLauro Kennedy (MA)
 DeLay Kennedy (RI)
 Deutsch Kennelly
 Diaz-Balart Kildee
 Dicks Kilpatrick
 Dingell Kim
 Dixon Kind (WI)
 Doggett King (NY)
 Dooley Kingston
 Doyle Kleczka
 Dreier Klink
 Duncan Klug
 Dunn Knollenberg
 Edwards Kolbe
 Ehlers Kucinich
 Ehrlich LaFalce
 Emerson LaHood
 Engel Lampson
 English Lantos
 Ensign Largent
 Eshoo Latham
 Etheridge LaTourette
 Evans Lazio
 Everett Leach
 Ewing Levin
 Farr Lewis (CA)
 Fattah Lewis (GA)
 Fazio Lewis (KY)
 Filner Linder
 Foley Livingston
 Forbes LoBiondo
 Ford Lofgren
 Fossella Lowey
 Fowler Lucas
 Fox Luther
 Frank (MA) Maloney (CT)
 Franks (NJ) Maloney (NY)
 Frelinghuysen Manton
 Frost Manzullo
 Furse Markey
 Gallegly Mascara
 Ganske Matsui
 Gejdenson McCarthy (MO)
 Gibbons McCarthy (NY)
 Gilchrest McCollum
 Gillmor McCrery
 Gilman McDermott
 Goode McGovern
 Goodlatte McHale
 Goodling McHugh
 Gordon McLinnis
 Goss McIntosh
 Granger McIntyre
 Green McKeon
 Greenwood McKinney
 Gutknecht McNulty

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So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. MCINNIS). Pursuant to the provisions of clause 5 of 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 the additional motion to suspend the rules on which the Chair has postponed further proceedings.

CALLING FOR AN END TO VIOLENT REPRESSION OF LEGITIMATE RIGHTS OF PEOPLE OF KOSOVA

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the question of suspending the rules and agreeing to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 235, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the concurrent resolution, House Concurrent Resolution 235, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 406, nays 1, answered "present" 1, not voting 23, as follows:

[Roll No. 57] YEAS—406

Abercrombie Bartlett Boehlert
 Ackerman Barton Boehner
 Aderholt Bass Bonilla
 Allen Bateman Bonior
 Andrews Becerra Borski
 Archer Bentsen Boswell
 Arney Bereuter Boucher
 Bachus Bertram Boyd
 Baesler Berry Brady
 Baker Billirakis Brown (CA)
 Baldacci Bishop Brown (FL)
 Ballenger Blagojevich Brown (OH)
 Blahia Bryant
 Barrett (NE) Blumenauer Bunning
 Barrett (WI) Blunt Burr

McIntosh
 Park
 Schiff
 Stupak
 Turner
 Waters
 Hill
 Hilleary
 Hilliard
 Hinchey
 Hinojosa
 Hoekstra
 Holden
 Hoolley
 Horn
 Hostettler
 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
 Kaptur
 Kasich
 Kelly
 Kennedy (MA)
 Kennedy (RI)
 Kennelly
 Kildee
 Kilpatrick
 Kim
 Kind (WI)
 King (NY)
 Kingston
 Kleczka
 Klink
 Klug
 Knollenberg
 Kolbe
 Kucinich