

and in turn increase productivity. It requires the Drug Czar's office to tell us how to streamline the effort which is so important. We now have 54 agencies and departments involved in drug prevention in our Federal Government. We have got to do better and we can and we are requiring under this legislation that they do that.

The revolving door with violent crime and drugs has got to be stopped. We have got to get prevention into our prisons, into our jails. This legislation does this on a model basis, the first time this Congress has really taken a step in that regard. Finally, it doubles the funding for the Drug Free Communities Act, something this Congress passed. We are now stepping up to the plate and saying again we have got to get parents involved, school administrators involved, we have got to get the business community involved, religious leaders involved, everybody at the community level.

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And we are saying we are not going to solve this problem here in Washington, it is a community problem, it has got to be solved at that level. But I want to thank the gentleman for letting me talk a little about the demand side and say that I am very excited, it is not the end of the road, we have got a lot more to do, but this is a darn good start to reducing the demand for drugs in this country.

Mr. McCOLLUM. Reclaiming my time, I yield briefly to the gentleman from Mississippi.

Mr. TAYLOR of Mississippi. Again, Mr. McCOLLUM, I want to commend you for the parts of the bill that you did pass. I also want to point out that we had an opportunity, since the gentleman from Ohio mentioned demand, to require drug testing for all Federal employees. If I recall, the gentleman from Ohio did not support that.

Mr. MCCOLLUM. Reclaiming my time, I must say that I wanted to see the drug testing, too, but this is a very excellent bill, and we very, very much want to see this bill pass. It will make a big difference in the War on Drugs and make a War on Drugs, and I thank all the supporters.

PAYING FOR IMPROVEMENTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. CUNNINGHAM) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. CUNNINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, the bill before us tonight is vastly different than just even 2 days ago. The dollar fights willed the liberal Democrats to spend \$150 billion more above the balanced budget and increase fees and taxes by \$130 billion, is what this whole fight has been about. The hundred thousand teachers that the Democrats debated in support of last week is a totally different bill today. Why? Why are Republicans now supporting it? Be-

cause it is political thing to do? No. Because the President demanded it? No. But because it is paid for, it is paid for. It is paid for out of the other priorities that the President wanted, not out of increased taxes, not out of the surplus, but it is paid for, and that is all the Republicans ever asked for so we can come to the table and agree on that today.

I would ask that the public take a look at what we have funded. Special education has gone from 6 to 12 percent just in the last 2 years. Impact aid for Native Americans and Federal employees, the President totally zeroed that out, and we put in \$250 billion in impact aid. Head Start we increased, student loans we increased by 50 percent, and not a cost to the Federal Government, but because they were done with private firms. Pell grants for poor children we increased. But the President wanted to increase his priorities \$1.1 billion above the balanced budget, and Republicans said no, we want you to pay for it. In the negotiations he had choices. He could pay for it out of the surplus, but he already said he was going to support Social Security with that. He could increase taxes, which he asked to do, \$130 billion to pay for it, and Republicans said absolutely not, no taxes or fees.

School construction. They could have saved 35 percent by waiving Davis-Bacon just for school construction, billions of dollars. And would they do that and support children? No, they choose to support their union bosses. They could pay for it out of the balanced budget and pay for it, which they refused to do. But tonight the President has agreed to pay for it, and now Republicans support it.

Why else? Because there is local control, not federal control that the Democrats wanted. There are local regulations, not Federal regulations, in the bill. There is no Federal paperwork. It is based on the local level. The elementary schools can hire special education credential teachers, not just regularly credentialed teachers, and that is a big difference. But that is based on the local decisions and their needs, not some bureaucrat here in Washington, D.C. So we support that.

And there is no national testing. It is arrived by both State and local. So this is a win-win. A hundred thousand teachers; who is going to be against improving education? My Democrat liberal colleagues say, well, the Republicans do not want to improve education. That is a joke. They had 40 years of control of this House, we are fifteenth of industrialized nations in math and science, fifteenth, and almost last in literacy, and we are trying to make a change. We are trying to send the dollars down to the local classroom.

I had a hearing when I was chairman of K through 12 education. I had eight different witnesses, some half Democrat, half Republican; did not limit it as a chairman. In those districts every-

one thought they had the greatest program, and I asked them at the end, I said how many of you, any of you, have the other 7? And they said none. And I said that is our entire Republican issue by giving you a block grant and not mandating that you have all 8 programs in your district, but you take the money and make the thing work, the program that works in your district because Wisconsin may be a lot different than New York or San Diego. And I want to tell you Atlanta is a lot different after the Padres beat them this week.

But I want to tell you the whole Republican agenda is local control where parents and teachers, administrators and the community can make those decisions, and to have the bills paid for not out of increasing the balanced budget, but by paying for it, the President has agreed to do that. Totally different than my colleagues debated just a couple of days ago, and now they say Republicans now support our agenda. We always supported 100,000 teachers. It was how you paid for it. The President has agreed to do that with no federal control, local control, and we support it a hundred percent.

COMPROMISES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Indiana (Mr. SOUDER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SOUDER. For those of us who grew up in the late 1960s and early 1970s in the conservative movement, Ronald Reagan was our hero along with Barry Goldwater and William Buckley and a few others, and I actually was one of these conservative right wingers who came to Congress who was inspired originally by Ronald Reagan's speech for Barry Goldwater when I was merely 14 years old and formed one of the earliest high school YAF chapters and Americans for Freedom chapters the country, and, as you look at what we are about to face, this is what Ronald Reagan faced for 8 years.

I am not going to stand up here and say that I like this budget agreement any more than Ronald Reagan, as President, liked the budget agreements he was given in 8 years in Congress. Yet he signed those budget agreements. The first year he got tax cuts, the other years he did not even get tax cuts. He got increased defense spending because he knew Congress wanted to spend more, and did we.

One of the questions conservatives have to ask themselves as they vote on this budget is why are they so much better than Ronald Reagan, who they admire, if they vote "no" on this budget? Compromise is an unfortunate part of the political process. There are going to be many things in this bill that I am appalled by. I cannot believe that Members of Congress continue to take advantage of the legislative process when we are all under tremendous pressure to get special things for their