

Taylor (MS)	Turner	Weldon (PA)
Taylor (NC)	Udall (NM)	Weller
Terry	Upton	Weygand
Thomas	Viscolosky	Whitfield
Thompson (CA)	Vitter	Wicker
Thornberry	Walden	Wilson
Thune	Walsh	Wise
Thurman	Wamp	Wolf
Tiahrt	Watkins	Wu
Toomey	Watts (OK)	Young (FL)
Traficant	Weldon (FL)	

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## GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and that I may include tabular and extraneous material of H.R. 2684.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. HANSEN). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from New York?

There was no objection.

DEPARTMENTS OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 275 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2684.

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## IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2684) making appropriations for the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and for sundry independent agencies, boards, commissions, corporations, and offices for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, with Mr. PEASE (Chairman pro tempore) in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Wednesday, September 8, 1999, the amendment offered by the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. GUTIERREZ) had been disposed of and the bill was open for amendment from page 74, line 17, through page 75, line 18.

Are there further amendments to this portion of the bill?

Mr. SMITH of Michigan. Mr. Chairman, I have an amendment at the desk, and I ask unanimous consent that we be allowed to return to page 64 for consideration of this amendment.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Michigan?

Mr. WALSH. Mr. Chairman, I object. The amendment of the gentleman is out of order. That portion of the bill has already been completed, and by regular order he would not be allowed to reenter the bill.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. Objection is heard.

The Clerk will read.

The Clerk read as follows:

RADIOLOGICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND

The aggregate charges assessed during fiscal year 2000, as authorized by Public Law 105-276, shall not be less than 100 percent of the amounts anticipated by FEMA necessary

for its radiological emergency preparedness program for the next fiscal year. The methodology for assessment and collection of fees shall be fair and equitable; and shall reflect costs of providing such services, including administrative costs of collecting such fees. Fees received pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the Fund as offsetting collections and will become available for authorized purposes on October 1, 2000, and remain available until expended.

## EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM

To carry out an emergency food and shelter program pursuant to title III of Public Law 100-77, as amended, \$110,000,000: *Provided*, That total administrative costs shall not exceed three and one-half percent of the total appropriation.

## FLOOD MAP MODERNIZATION FUND

For necessary expenses pursuant to section 1360 of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, \$5,000,000, and such additional sums as may be provided by State or local governments or other political subdivisions for cost shared mapping activities under section 1360(f)(2), to remain available until expended.

## NATIONAL INSURANCE DEVELOPMENT FUND

Notwithstanding the provisions of 12 U.S.C. 1735d(b) and 12 U.S.C. 1749bbb-13(b)(6), any indebtedness of the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency resulting from the Director borrowing sums under such sections before the date of enactment of this Act to carry out title XII of the National Housing Act shall be canceled, and the Director shall not be obligated to repay such sums or any interest thereon, and no further interest shall accrue on such sums.

## NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE FUND

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For activities under the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, as amended, not to exceed \$24,333,000 for salaries and expenses associated with flood mitigation and flood insurance operations, and not to exceed \$78,710,000 for flood mitigation, including up to \$20,000,000 for expenses under section 1366 of the National Flood Insurance Act, which amount shall be available for transfer to the National Flood Mitigation Fund until September 30, 2001. In fiscal year 2000, no funds in excess of: (1) \$47,000,000 for operating expenses; (2) \$456,427,000 for agents' commissions and taxes; and (3) \$50,000,000 for interest on Treasury borrowings shall be available from the National Flood Insurance Fund without prior notice to the Committees on Appropriations. For fiscal year 2000, flood insurance rates shall not exceed the level authorized by the National Flood Insurance Reform Act of 1994.

## NATIONAL FLOOD MITIGATION FUND

## (INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Notwithstanding sections 1366(b)(3)(B)-(C) and 1366(f) of the National Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended, \$20,000,000 to remain available until September 30, 2001, for activities designed to reduce the risk of flood damage to structures pursuant to such Act, of which \$20,000,000 shall be derived from the National Flood Insurance Fund.

## GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

## CONSUMER INFORMATION CENTER FUND

For necessary expenses of the Consumer Information Center, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, \$2,622,000, to be deposited into the Consumer Information Center Fund: *Provided*, That the appropriations, revenues and collections deposited into the fund shall be available for necessary expenses of Consumer Information Center activities in the aggregate amount of \$7,500,000. Appropriations, revenues, and collections accruing to this fund during fiscal year 2000 in

## NAYS—41

Abercrombie	Hilliard	Oliver
Baldwin	Hinchey	Owens
Becerra	Hoeffel	Payne
Brady (PA)	Jackson (IL)	Rodriguez
Carson	Jones (OH)	Roybal-Allard
Clay	Kilpatrick	Rush
Clyburn	Kucinich	Schakowsky
Conyers	Lee	Scott
Davis (IL)	McKinney	Serrano
Dingell	Meek (FL)	Thompson (MS)
Engel	Meeks (NY)	Velazquez
Fattah	Menendez	Waters
Gutierrez	Mink	Wynn
Hastings (FL)	Napolitano	

## ANSWERED "PRESENT"—72

Ackerman	Hoyer	Pallone
Berman	Jackson-Lee	Pascrell
Bishop	(TX)	Pastor
Blumenauer	Johnson, E. B.	Peterson (MN)
Bonior	Kanjorski	Rahall
Borski	LaFalce	Reyes
Brown (FL)	Lantos	Rivers
Brown (OH)	Lewis (GA)	Sabo
Capuano	Lofgren	Sanchez
Clayton	Markey	Sanders
Coyne	Martinez	Sawyer
Crowley	McCarthy (MO)	Slaughter
DeFazio	McDermott	Snyder
DeGette	McGovern	Stabenow
Delahunt	Meehan	Stark
Deutsch	Millender	Tauscher
Dixon	McDonald	Tierney
Eshoo	Miller, George	Udall (CO)
Farr	Moakley	Vento
Filner	Moran (VA)	Watt (NC)
Ford	Nadler	Waxman
Frank (MA)	Neal	Weiner
Gejdenson	Oberstar	Wexler
Gephardt	Obey	Woolsey
Hooley	Ortiz	

## NOT VOTING—10

Berry	Pryce (OH)	Towns
Hinojosa	Rangel	Young (AK)
Jefferson	Rogan	
Pelosi	Sununu	

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Mr. SIMPSON and Mr. CUMMINGS changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

Messrs. DIXON, ORTIZ and WEINER changed their vote from "nay" to "present."

Mr. FORD changed his vote from "yea" to "present."

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.

Stated against:

Ms. PELOSI. Mr. Chairman, on the last vote, H. Con. Res. 180, I was detained in traffic while returning to the Capitol. Had I been present, I would have voted "no."

## PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. HINOJOSA. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 398, I was unavoidable detained by heavy traffic. Had I been present, I would have voted "Present."