

106, answered "present" 1, not voting 17, as follows:

[Roll No. 428]

YEAS—309

Abercrombie	Galleghy	Millender-
Aderholt	Ganske	McDonald
Andrews	Gekas	Miller (FL)
Archer	Gephardt	Miller, Gary
Army	Gibbons	Miller, George
Bachus	Gilchrest	Mink
Baker	Gillmor	Mollohan
Ballenger	Gilman	Moore
Barcia	Goode	Moran (KS)
Barr	Goodlatte	Moran (VA)
Barrett (NE)	Goodling	Morella
Bartlett	Gordon	Murtha
Barton	Goss	Myrick
Bateman	Graham	Nethercutt
Becerra	Granger	Ney
Bentsen	Green (TX)	Northup
Berman	Green (WI)	Norwood
Berry	Greenwood	Nussle
Biggert	Gutierrez	Obey
Bilbray	Gutknecht	Ortiz
Bilirakis	Hall (OH)	Ose
Bishop	Hall (TX)	Owens
Blagojevich	Hansen	Oxley
Bliley	Hastings (FL)	Packard
Blunt	Hastings (WA)	Pastor
Boehlert	Hayes	Pease
Boehner	Hayworth	Peterson (PA)
Bono	Hefley	Petri
Boswell	Herger	Pickering
Boyd	Hill (IN)	Pickett
Brady (TX)	Hill (MT)	Pitts
Brown (FL)	Hinojosa	Porter
Bryant	Hobson	Portman
Burr	Hoekstra	Price (NC)
Burton	Horn	Pryce (OH)
Callahan	Hostettler	Quinn
Calvert	Houghton	Radanovich
Camp	Hulshof	Rahall
Campbell	Hutchinson	Ramstad
Canady	Hyde	Rangel
Cannon	Isakson	Regula
Capps	Istook	Reyes
Castle	Jackson-Lee	Reynolds
Chabot	(TX)	Riley
Chambliss	Jenkins	Rodriguez
Coble	John	Rogan
Coburn	Johnson (CT)	Rogers
Collins	Johnson, Sam	Rohrabacher
Combest	Jones (NC)	Ros-Lehtinen
Condit	Jones (OH)	Roukema
Cook	Kaptur	Roybal-Allard
Cooksey	Kasich	Royce
Cox	Kelly	Ryun (KS)
Coyne	Kildee	Salmon
Cramer	Kilpatrick	Sanchez
Crane	King (NY)	Sandlin
Cubin	Kingston	Sawyer
Cummings	Knollenberg	Saxton
Cunningham	Kolbe	Schaffer
Danner	Kucinich	Scott
Davis (FL)	Kuykendall	Sensenbrenner
Davis (VA)	LaFalce	Serrano
Deal	LaHood	Sessions
DeLay	Lampson	Shadegg
DeMint	Lantos	Shaw
Deutsch	Largent	Sherman
Diaz-Balart	Latham	Sherwood
Dickey	LaTourette	Shimkus
Dicks	Lazio	Shows
Dixon	Levin	Shuster
Dooley	Lewis (CA)	Simpson
Doolittle	Lewis (KY)	Sisisky
Doyle	Linder	Skeen
Dreier	Lipinski	Skelton
Duncan	LoBiondo	Smith (MI)
Dunn	Lofgren	Smith (NJ)
Edwards	Lucas (KY)	Smith (TX)
Ehlers	Lucas (OK)	Smith (WA)
Ehrlich	Maloney (NY)	Souder
Emerson	Manzullo	Spence
English	Martinez	Spratt
Eshoo	Mascara	Stabenow
Etheridge	McCollum	Stenholm
Everett	McCrery	Strickland
Ewing	McHugh	Stump
Farr	McInnis	Sununu
Foley	McIntosh	Sweeney
Forbes	McIntyre	Talent
Fossella	McKeon	Tancredo
Frank (MA)	McNulty	Tanner
Franks (NJ)	Meek (FL)	Tauscher
Frelinghuysen	Metcalf	Tauzin
Frost	Mica	Taylor (MS)

Taylor (NC)	Visclosky	Wexler
Terry	Vitter	Whitfield
Thomas	Walden	Wicker
Thompson (CA)	Walsh	Wilson
Thune	Watkins	Wise
Thurman	Watt (NC)	Wolf
Tiahrt	Watts (OK)	Woolsey
Toomey	Waxman	Wynn
Trafficant	Weldon (FL)	Young (AK)
Turner	Weldon (PA)	Young (FL)
Upton	Weller	

NAYS—106

Ackerman	Gonzalez	Oberstar
Allen	Hilleary	Olver
Baird	Hilliard	Pallone
Baldacci	Hinchev	Pascarell
Baldwin	Hoefel	Payne
Barrett (WI)	Holden	Pelosi
Bereuter	Holt	Peterson (MN)
Berkley	Hooley	Phelps
Blumenauer	Hoyer	Pombo
Bonilla	Inslee	Pomeroy
Bonior	Jackson (IL)	Rivers
Borski	Kanjorski	Roemer
Boucher	Kennedy	Rothman
Brady (PA)	Kind (WI)	Ryan (WI)
Brown (OH)	Klecza	Sabo
Capuano	Klink	Sanders
Cardin	Larson	Sanford
Carson	Lee	Schakowsky
Chenoweth	Lewis (GA)	Shays
Clyburn	Lowey	Slaughter
Conyers	Luther	Snyder
Costello	Maloney (CT)	Stark
Crowley	Markey	Stearns
Davis (IL)	Matsui	Stupak
DeFazio	McCarthy (MO)	Thornberry
DeGette	McCarthy (NY)	Tierney
Delahunt	McDermott	Towns
DeLauro	McGovern	Udall (CO)
Doggett	Meehan	Udall (NM)
Engel	Meeke (NY)	Vento
Evans	Menendez	Waters
Fattah	Minge	Weiner
Filner	Moakley	Weygand
Fletcher	Nadler	Wu
Ford	Napolitano	
Gejdenson	Neal	

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—1

Johnson, E. B.

NOT VOTING—17

Bass	Fowler	Rush
Buyer	Hunter	Scarborough
Clay	Jefferson	Thompson (MS)
Clayton	Leach	Velazquez
Clement	McKinney	Wamp
Dingell	Paul	

□ 1844

Messrs. HINCHEY, BROWN of Ohio, NADLER, WEINER, PETERSON of Minnesota, and Mrs. LOWEY changed their vote from "yea" to "nay."

Mrs. NORTHUP and Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SAINT HELENA ISLAND NATIONAL SCENIC AREA ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the bill, H.R. 468, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. SHERWOOD) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 468, as amended, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 410, nays 2, not voting 21, as follows:

[Roll No. 429]

YEAS—410

Abercrombie	DeMint	Jenkins
Ackerman	Deutsch	John
Aderholt	Diaz-Balart	Johnson (CT)
Allen	Dickey	Johnson, E. B.
Andrews	Dicks	Johnson, Sam
Archer	Dixon	Jones (NC)
Army	Doggett	Jones (OH)
Bachus	Dooley	Kanjorski
Baird	Doolittle	Kaptur
Baker	Doyle	Kasich
Baldacci	Dreier	Kelly
Baldwin	Duncan	Kennedy
Ballenger	Dunn	Kildee
Barcia	Edwards	Kind (WI)
Barr	Ehlers	King (NY)
Barrett (NE)	Ehrlich	Kingston
Barrett (WI)	Emerson	Klecza
Bartlett	Engel	Klink
Barton	English	Knollenberg
Bateman	Eshoo	Kolbe
Becerra	Etheridge	Kucinich
Bentsen	Evans	Kuykendall
Bereuter	Everett	LaFalce
Berkley	Ewing	LaHood
Berman	Farr	Lampson
Berry	Fattah	Lantos
Biggert	Filner	Largent
Bilbray	Fletcher	Larson
Bilirakis	Foley	Latham
Bishop	Forbes	LaTourette
Blagojevich	Ford	Lazio
Bliley	Fossella	Leach
Blumenauer	Frank (MA)	Lee
Blunt	Franks (NJ)	Levin
Boehlert	Frelinghuysen	Lewis (CA)
Boehner	Frost	Lewis (GA)
Bonilla	Galleghy	Lewis (KY)
Bonior	Ganske	Linder
Bono	Gejdenson	Lipinski
Borski	Gekas	LoBiondo
Boswell	Gephardt	Lofgren
Boucher	Gibbons	Lowey
Boyd	Gilchrest	Lucas (KY)
Brady (PA)	Gillmor	Lucas (OK)
Brady (TX)	Gilman	Luther
Brown (FL)	Gonzalez	Maloney (CT)
Brown (OH)	Goode	Maloney (NY)
Bryant	Goodlatte	Manzullo
Burr	Goodling	Markey
Burton	Gordon	Martinez
Calvert	Goss	Mascara
Camp	Graham	Matsui
Campbell	Granger	McCarthy (MO)
Canady	Green (TX)	McCarthy (NY)
Cannon	Green (WI)	McCollum
Capps	Greenwood	McCrery
Capuano	Gutierrez	McDermott
Cardin	Gutknecht	McGovern
Carson	Hall (OH)	McHugh
Castle	Hall (TX)	McInnis
Chabot	Hansen	McIntosh
Chambliss	Hastings (FL)	McIntyre
Clyburn	Hastings (WA)	McKeon
Coble	Hayes	McNulty
Coburn	Hayworth	Meek (FL)
Collins	Hefley	Meeks (NY)
Combest	Herger	Menendez
Condit	Hill (IN)	Metcalf
Cook	Hill (MT)	Mica
Cooksey	Hilleary	Millender-
Costello	Hilliard	McDonald
Cramer	Hinchev	Miller (FL)
Crane	Hinojosa	Miller, Gary
Coyne	Hobson	Miller, George
Coyne	Hoefel	Minge
Cramer	Hoekstra	Mink
Crane	Holden	Moakley
Crowley	Holt	Mollohan
Cubin	Hooley	Moore
Cummings	Horn	Moran (KS)
Cunningham	Houghton	Moran (VA)
Danner	Hoyer	Morella
Davis (FL)	Hulshof	Murtha
Davis (IL)	Hutchinson	Myrick
Davis (VA)	Hyde	Nadler
Deal	Inslee	Napolitano
DeFazio	Isakson	Neal
DeGette	Istook	Nethercutt
Delahunt	Jackson (IL)	Ney
DeLauro	Jackson-Lee	Northup
DeLay	(TX)	

Norwood	Ryan (WI)	Tauscher
Nussle	Ryun (KS)	Tauzin
Oberstar	Sabo	Taylor (MS)
Obey	Salmon	Taylor (NC)
Olver	Sanchez	Terry
Ortiz	Sanders	Thomas
Ose	Sandlin	Thompson (CA)
Owens	Sawyer	Thornberry
Oxley	Saxton	Thune
Packard	Schaffer	Thurman
Pallone	Schakowsky	Tiahrt
Pascrell	Scott	Tierney
Pastor	Sensenbrenner	Toomey
Payne	Serrano	Towns
Pease	Sessions	Trafficant
Pelosi	Shadegg	Turner
Peterson (MN)	Shaw	Udall (CO)
Peterson (PA)	Shays	Udall (NM)
Petri	Sherman	Upton
Phelps	Sherwood	Vento
Pickering	Shimkus	Visclosky
Pitts	Shows	Vitter
Pombo	Shuster	Walden
Pomeroy	Simpson	Walsh
Porter	Skeen	Waters
Price (NC)	Skelton	Watkins
Pryce (OH)	Slaughter	Watt (NC)
Quinn	Smith (MI)	Watts (OK)
Radanovich	Smith (NJ)	Waxman
Rahall	Smith (TX)	Weiner
Ramstad	Smith (WA)	Weldon (FL)
Rangel	Snyder	Weldon (PA)
Regula	Souder	Weller
Reyes	Spence	Wexler
Reynolds	Spratt	Weygand
Riley	Stabenow	Whitfield
Rivers	Stark	Wicker
Rodriguez	Stearns	Wilson
Roemer	Stenholm	Wise
Rogan	Strickland	Wolf
Rogers	Stump	Woolsey
Rohrabacher	Stupak	Wu
Ros-Lehtinen	Sununu	Wynn
Rothman	Sweeney	Young (AK)
Roukema	Talent	Young (FL)
Roybal-Allard	Tancredo	
Royce	Tanner	

NAYS—2

Hostettler Sanford

NOT VOTING—21

Bass	Fowler	Portman
Buyer	Hunter	Rush
Chenoweth	Jefferson	Scarborough
Clay	Kilpatrick	Sisisky
Clayton	McKinney	Thompson (MS)
Clement	Paul	Velazquez
Dingell	Pickett	Wamp

□ 1851

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof), the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 6, 1999, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

STEWART B. MCKINNEY HOMELESS EDUCATION ASSISTANCE IMPROVEMENTS ACT OF 1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Illinois (Mrs. BIGGERT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mrs. BIGGERT. Mr. Speaker, being without a home should not mean being without an education. Yet, that is what homelessness has meant for far too many of our children and youth today;

red tape, lack of information, and bureaucratic delays that result in their missing school and missing the chance at a better life.

That is why I rise today to introduce the McKinney Homeless Education Assistance Improvements Act of 1999. This legislation reflects the best ideas of some of the most dedicated people throughout Illinois and nationwide: homeless advocates, educators and experts at the U.S. Department of Education.

When we say the word "student," what kind of individual do we envision? More than likely, the images of a youngster sitting at a desk, taking an exam, or sitting at the kitchen table doing his homework. What we do not imagine is a student who is homeless, living in a shelter or living in a car. Yet, an estimated 1 million children and youth will experience homelessness this year, a situation that has a devastating impact on their educational advancement.

Congress recognized the importance of school to homeless children by establishing in 1987 the Stewart B. McKinney Education of Homeless Children and Youth Program. This program is designed to ensure that homeless children have the opportunity to enroll in and attend and succeed in school, and it has made a positive difference. Yet, today, more than 10 years after the passage of that important program, inadequacies in the Federal law inadvertently are acting as barriers to the education of homeless children.

There is no better time for Congress to renew our commitment to homeless children. As the 106th Congress pushes to reauthorize our federal K through 12 education programs, we must act to ensure that all homeless children remain in school so that they acquire the skills needed to escape poverty and lead productive lives.

This legislation will incorporate into federal law provisions and practices that remove the educational barriers faced by homeless youth. Several of these provisions are derived from the Illinois Education for Homeless Children State Act, which many consider to be a model for the rest of the Nation. This bill will ensure that a homeless child is immediately enrolled in school. Our bill helps to ensure that red tape does not make children miss school.

The bill also allows homeless children to remain enrolled in the school they originally attended or to enroll in the one that is currently nearest to them. Homeless families move frequently because of limits on length of shelter stays, extended searches for affordable housing or employment, or to escape an abusive situation. It allows the States to select a liaison to provide resource information and resolve disputes relating to homelessness. Because many schools do not currently have a point of contact for homeless students, these children frequently go unseen and unserved.

Finally, this bill strengthens the quality of local programs by making subgrants more competitive and by enhancing State and local coordination. This bill also strengthens the quality and collection of data on homeless students at the Federal level. This is particularly crucial as the lack of a uniform method of data collecting has resulted in unreliable national data and a likely underreporting of the numbers of homeless students.

Mr. Speaker, Congress must take advantage of this window of opportunity to renew its commitment to helping provide homeless children with a quality education. I am a strong supporter of local control of education and believe the McKinney Homeless Education Improvements Act of 1999 meets this principle while making the best use of limited federal resources.

Regrettably, homelessness is and will likely be for the immediate future a part of our society. However, being homeless should not limit a child's opportunity to learn.

In closing, let me take a moment to thank Illinois State Representative Cowlshaw, as well as Sister Rose Marie Lorentzen and Diane Nilan and the Hesed House in Aurora, Illinois for bringing this issue to my attention and for their tireless work on behalf of the homeless. I also want to thank Barbara Duffield with the National Coalition for the Homeless for her help in putting together this bill; and the gentleman from California (Mr. OSE), the gentlewoman from New York, (Ms. SLAUGHTER), and the gentlewoman from Illinois (Ms. SCHAKOWSKY), my friends and colleagues, for being original cosponsors.

Mr. Speaker, I urge my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to support this bill.

Mr. Speaker, I insert the following letters for printing in the RECORD.

MARYLAND STATE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,
Baltimore, MD, August 20, 1999.

Hon. JUDY BIGGERT,
U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR REPRESENTATIVE BIGGERT: I am writing to support your efforts to strengthen the McKinney Education for Homeless Children and Youth Act by amending it to include provisions from the Illinois State Education for Homeless Children Act.

In particular, the Illinois provisions relating to the immediate enrollment of homeless children and youth, clarification of responsibilities for transportation, and the application of the Act to cover the entire duration homelessness, would be of great benefit to homeless children in Maryland. These issues still challenge our public schools as they try to meet the educational needs of homeless children and youth. A stronger federal law based on the Illinois law would assist the efforts of schools, service providers, and families in Maryland to ensure homeless children and youth's access to and success in school.

In Maryland, The State Board of Education will publish on August 27, 1999 in the Maryland's Register, a set of regulations to cover programs for Homeless children. These regulations provide a standard that all school systems in Maryland must follow.