

called alternative therapies. But these therapies do not currently exist and their development would shift scarce research dollars away from embryonic research.

If Senator SANTORUM and President Bush truly believe that it's morally superior to discard single cells in a freezer rather than to use them to help millions of Americans with Parkinson's, Alzheimer's, and diabetes, then they should have the guts to say so without another sham bill for political cover.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to support S. 2754, the Alternative Pluripotent Stem Cell Therapies Enhancement Act. I am under no illusion that this bill will contribute significantly to the advancement of stem cell research.

As a Member of the Science committee, I am committed to the advancement of science. I believe we should explore creative initiatives and pursue sound research. By demonizing science, we only hurt ourselves and make it more likely that our country will fall behind other countries in the critically important fields of science, technology, and innovation.

The type of stem cells that this bill refers to are the most adaptable and unique of all of the stem cell varieties. As opposed to adult stem cells, which are limited to a genre, such as blood cells or bone cells, pluripotent stem cells can be eventually developed into any bodily tissue. But they cannot themselves develop into a human being. The possibilities, and medical miracles, are literally limitless, and only restricted by time and by funding.

The pluripotent stem cells were derived using non-Federal funds from early-stage embryos donated voluntarily by couples undergoing fertility treatment in an in vitro fertilization (IVF) clinic or from non-living fetuses obtained from terminated first trimester pregnancies. Informed consent was obtained from the donors in both cases. Women voluntarily donating fetal tissue for research did so only after making the decision to terminate the pregnancy.

Those who would argue against pluripotent stem cells usually approach the topic through one of the following three questions:

1. Do the pluripotent cells have a moral status on their own? In other words, are they considered entities that must be protected?

2. Is it unethical to derive pluripotent cells from fetal tissue?

3. Is it unethical to create human embryonic blastocysts in order to create these pluripotent cells?

Unfortunately, however, this simple little bill and its companion, which we are also discussing today, do not weigh the consequences of any of these valid policy discussions. Instead, it does little to advance the very serious and promising area of scientific research that is reflected in H.R. 810; this research is supported by a majority of this House, and hopefully will be reaffirmed by this House later this week.

This bill only encourages research that does not discard, destroy, or knowingly harm a human fetus, which is consistent with current scientific research practices anyway. By designating this moral boundary, this bill requires researchers to find a way to make stem cells reap the potential benefits while skirting a politically divisive issue.

I am not opposed to this bill, although it does not further scientific research. I strongly

urge my colleagues to vote in favor of science, scientific research, and the promise of scientific advancement later this week.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. REHBERG). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BARTON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2754.

The question was taken.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. In the opinion of the Chair, two-thirds of those present have voted in the affirmative.

Ms. DEGETTE. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX and the Chair's prior announcement, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on motions to suspend the rules previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

S. 3504, by the yeas and nays.

S. 2754, by the yeas and nays.

H. Res. 498, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

FETUS FARMING PROHIBITION ACT OF 2006

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 3504.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BARTON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 3504, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 425, nays 0, not voting 8, as follows:

[Roll No. 379]

YEAS—425

Abercrombie	Bean	Bonilla
Ackerman	Beauprez	Bonner
Aderholt	Becerra	Bono
Akin	Berkley	Boozman
Alexander	Berman	Boren
Allen	Berry	Boswell
Andrews	Biggert	Boucher
Baca	Bilbray	Boustany
Bachus	Bilirakis	Boyd
Baird	Bishop (GA)	Bradley (NH)
Baker	Bishop (NY)	Brady (PA)
Baldwin	Bishop (UT)	Brady (TX)
Barrett (SC)	Blackburn	Brown (OH)
Barrow	Blumenauer	Brown (SC)
Bartlett (MD)	Blunt	Brown, Corrine
Barton (TX)	Boehler	Brown-Waite
Bass	Boehner	Ginny

Burgess	Goode	Mack
Burton (IN)	Goodlatte	Maloney
Butterfield	Gordon	Manzullo
Buyer	Granger	Marchant
Calvert	Graves	Markey
Camp (MI)	Green (WI)	Marshall
Campbell (CA)	Green, Al	Matheson
Cannon	Green, Gene	Matsui
Cantor	Grijalva	McCarthy
Capito	Gutierrez	McCaul (TX)
Capps	Gutknecht	McCollum (MN)
Capuano	Hall	McCotter
Cardin	Harman	McCreery
Cardoza	Harris	McDermott
Carnahan	Hart	McGovern
Carson	Hastert	McHenry
Case	Hastings (FL)	McHugh
Castle	Hastings (WA)	McIntyre
Chabot	Hayes	McKeon
Chandler	Hayworth	McMorris
Chocola	Hefley	McNulty
Clay	Hensarling	Meehan
Cleaver	Herger	Meek (FL)
Clyburn	Herseth	Meeks (NY)
Coble	Higgins	Melancon
Cole (OK)	Hinchee	Mica
Conaway	Hinojosa	Michaud
Conyers	Hobson	Millender-
Cooper	Hoekstra	McDonald
Costa	Holden	Miller (FL)
Costello	Holt	Miller (MI)
Cramer	Honda	Miller (NC)
Crenshaw	Hooley	Miller, Gary
Crowley	Hostettler	Miller, George
Cubin	Hoyer	Mollohan
Cuellar	Hulshof	Moore (KS)
Culberson	Hunter	Moore (WI)
Cummings	Hyde	Moran (KS)
Davis (AL)	Inglis (SC)	Moran (VA)
Davis (CA)	Inslee	Murphy
Davis (KY)	Israel	Murtha
Davis (TN)	Issa	Musgrave
Davis, Jo Ann	Istook	Myrick
Davis, Tom	Jackson (IL)	Nadler
Deal (GA)	Jackson-Lee	Napolitano
DeFazio	(TX)	Neal (MA)
DeGette	Jefferson	Neugebauer
Delahunt	Jenkins	Ney
DeLauro	Jindal	Norwood
Dent	Johnson (CT)	Nunes
Diaz-Balart, L.	Johnson (IL)	Nussle
Diaz-Balart, M.	Johnson, E. B.	Oberstar
Dicks	Johnson, Sam	Obey
Dingell	Jones (NC)	Olver
Doggett	Jones (OH)	Ortiz
Doolittle	Kanjorski	Osborne
Doyle	Kaptur	Otter
Drake	Keller	Owens
Dreier	Kelly	Oxley
Duncan	Kennedy (MN)	Pallone
Edwards	Kildee	Pascrell
Ehlers	Kilpatrick (MI)	Pastor
Emanuel	Kind	Paul
Emerson	King (IA)	Payne
Engel	King (NY)	Pearce
English (PA)	Kingston	Pelosi
Eshoo	Kirk	Pence
Etheridge	Kline	Peterson (MN)
Everett	Knollenberg	Peterson (PA)
Farr	Kolbe	Petri
Fattah	Kucinich	Pickering
Feeney	Kuhl (NY)	Pitts
Ferguson	LaHood	Platts
Filner	Langevin	Poe
Fitzpatrick (PA)	Lantos	Pombo
Flake	Larsen (WA)	Pomeroy
Foley	Larson (CT)	Porter
Forbes	Latham	Price (GA)
Ford	LaTourette	Price (NC)
Fortenberry	Leach	Pryce (OH)
Fossella	Lee	Putnam
Fox	Levin	Radanovich
Frank (MA)	Lewis (CA)	Rahall
Franks (AZ)	Lewis (GA)	Ramstad
Frelinghuysen	Lewis (KY)	Rangel
Gallely	Linder	Regula
Garrett (NJ)	Lipinski	Rehberg
Gerlach	LoBiondo	Reichert
Gibbons	Lofgren, Zoe	Renzi
Gilchrest	Lowey	Reyes
Gillmor	Lucas	Reynolds
Gingrey	Lungren, Daniel	Rogers (AL)
Gohmert	E.	Rogers (KY)
Gonzalez	Lynch	Rogers (MI)

Rohrabacher	Shuster	Turner	Barrow	Gohmert	Nussle	Case	Johnson (CT)	Rangel
Ros-Lehtinen	Simmons	Udall (CO)	Bartlett (MD)	Goode	Oberstar	Castle	Johnson, E. B.	Royal-Allard
Ross	Simpson	Udall (NM)	Barton (TX)	Goodlatte	Obey	Chandler	Jones (OH)	Ruppersberger
Roybal-Allard	Skelton	Upton	Bass	Gordon	Ortiz	Clay	Kelly	Rush
Royce	Slaughter	Van Hollen	Bean	Granger	Osborne	Cleaver	Kennedy (RI)	Sabo
Ruppersberger	Smith (NJ)	Velázquez	Beauprez	Graves	Otter	Coble	Kilpatrick (MI)	Salazar
Rush	Smith (TX)	Visclosky	Berry	Green (WI)	Oxley	Conyers	Kucinich	Sanchez, Linda
Ryan (OH)	Smith (WA)	Walden (OR)	Biggert	Gutknecht	Pascrell	Cooper	Lantos	T.
Ryan (WI)	Snyder	Walsh	Bilbray	Hall	Pearce	Costa	Larsen (WA)	Sanchez, Loretta
Ryun (KS)	Sodrel	Wamp	Bilirakis	Harris	Pence	Crowley	Larson (CT)	Sanders
Sabo	Solis	Wasserman	Bishop (GA)	Hart	Peterson (MN)	Cummings	Leach	Schakowsky
Salazar	Souder	Schultz	Bishop (UT)	Hastert	Peterson (PA)	Davis (AL)	Davis (AL)	Schiff
Sanchez, Linda	Spratt	Waters	Blackburn	Hastings (WA)	Petri	Davis (CA)	Levin	Schwarz (MI)
T.	Stark	Watson	Blunt	Hayes	Pickering	DeFazio	Lewis (GA)	Scott (VA)
Sanchez, Loretta	Stearns	Watt	Boehner	Hayworth	Pitts	DeGette	Linder	Serrano
Sanders	Strickland	Waxman	Bonilla	Hefley	Platts	DeLauro	Lofgren, Zoe	Shays
Saxton	Stupak	Weiner	Bonner	Hensarling	Poe	Dicks	Lowe	Sherman
Schakowsky	Sullivan	Weldon (FL)	Bono	Herger	Pombo	Dingell	Maloney	Simmons
Schiff	Sweeney	Weldon (PA)	Boozman	Hereth	Pomeroy	Doggett	Markey	Slaughter
Schmidt	Tancredo	Weller	Boren	Hinojosa	Porter	Emanuel	Matsui	Smith (WA)
Schwartz (PA)	Tanner	Westmoreland	Boswell	Hobson	Price (GA)	Engel	McCarthy	Solis
Schwarz (MI)	Tauscher	Wexler	Boucher	Hoekstra	Pryce (OH)	Eshoo	McCollum (MN)	Spratt
Scott (GA)	Taylor (MS)	Whitfield	Boustany	Holden	Putnam	Farr	McDermott	Stark
Scott (VA)	Taylor (NC)	Wicker	Boyd	Holt	Radanovich	Filner	McGovern	Thomas
Sensenbrenner	Terry	Wilson (NM)	Bradley (NH)	Hulshof	Rahall	Flake	McNulty	Tauscher
Serrano	Thomas	Wilson (SC)	Brady (PA)	Hunter	Ramstad	Frank (MA)	Meehan	Thomas
Sessions	Thompson (CA)	Wolf	Brady (TX)	Hyde	Regula	Gilchrest	Meek (FL)	Thompson (CA)
Shadegg	Thompson (MS)	Woolsey	Brown (OH)	Inglis (SC)	Rehberg	Gonzalez	Meeks (NY)	Thompson (MS)
Shaw	Thornberry	Wu	Brown (SC)	Issa	Reichert	Green, Al	Millender-	Tierney
Shays	Tiahrt	Wynn	Brown-Waite,	Istook	Renzi	Green, Gene	McDonald	Towns
Sherman	Tiberi	Young (AK)	Ginny	Jenkins	Reyes	Grijalva	Miller (NC)	Udall (CO)
Sherwood	Tierney	Young (FL)	Burgess	Jindal	Reynolds	Gutierrez	Miller, George	Udall (NM)
Shimkus	Towns		Burton (IN)	Johnson (IL)	Rogers (AL)	Harman	Moore (KS)	Van Hollen
			Buyer	Johnson, Sam	Rogers (KY)	Hastings (FL)	Moore (WI)	Velázquez
			Calvert	Jones (NC)	Rogers (MI)	Higgins	Moran (VA)	Visclosky
			Camp (MI)	Kanjorski	Rohrabacher	Hinchev	Nadler	Wasserman
			Campbell (CA)	Kaptur	Ros-Lehtinen	Honda	Napolitano	Schultz
			Cannon	Keller	Ross	Hooley	Neal (MA)	Waters
			Cantor	Kennedy (MN)	Royce	Hostettler	Olver	Watson
			Capito	Kildee	Ryan (OH)	Hoyer	Owens	Watt
			Carter	Kind	Ryan (WI)	Inslie	Pallone	Waxman
			Chabot	King (IA)	Ryun (KS)	Israel	Pastor	Weiner
			Chocola	King (NY)	Saxton	Paul	Jackson (IL)	Wexler
			Clyburn	Kingston	Schmidt	Jackson-Lee	Payne	Woolsey
			Cole (OK)	Kirk	Schwartz (PA)	(TX)	Pelosi	Wu
			Conaway	Kline	Scott (GA)	Jefferson	Price (NC)	Wynn
			Costello	Knollenberg	Sensenbrenner			
			Cramer	Kolbe	Sessions	Davis (FL)	Evans	Northup
			Crenshaw	Kuhl (NY)	Shadegg	Davis (IL)	McKinney	Rothman
			Cubin	LaHood	Shaw			
			Cuellar	Langevin	Sherwood			
			Culberson	Latham	Shimkus			
			Davis (KY)	LaTourette	Shuster			
			Davis, (TN)	Lewis (CA)	Simpson			
			Davis, Jo Ann	Lewis (KY)	Skelton			
			Davis, Tom	Lipinski	Smith (NJ)			
			Deal (GA)	LoBiondo	Smith (TX)			
			Delahunt	Lucas	Snyder			
			Dent	Lungren, Daniel	Sodrel			
			Diaz-Balart, L.	E.	Souder			
			Diaz-Balart, M.	Lynch	Stearns			
			Doolittle	Mack	Strickland			
			Doyle	Manzullo	Stupak			
			Drake	Marchant	Sullivan			
			Dreier	Marshall	Sweeney			
			Duncan	Matheson	Tancredo			
			Edwards	McCaul (TX)	Tanner			
			Ehlers	McCotter	Taylor (MS)			
			Emerson	McCrery	Taylor (NC)			
			English (PA)	McHenry	Terry			
			Etheridge	McHugh	Thornberry			
			Everett	McIntyre	Tiahrt			
			Fattah	McKeon	Tiberi			
			Feeney	McMorris	Turner			
			Ferguson	Melancon	Upton			
			Fitzpatrick (PA)	Mica	Walden (OR)			
			Foley	Michaud	Walsh			
			Forbes	Miller (FL)	Wamp			
			Ford	Miller (MI)	Weldon (FL)			
			Fortenberry	Miller, Gary	Weldon (PA)			
			Fossella	Mollohan	Weller			
			Fox	Moran (KS)	Westmoreland			
			Franks (AZ)	Murphy	Whitfield			
			Frelinghuysen	Murtha	Wicker			
			Gallegly	Musgrave	Wilson (NM)			
			Garrett (NJ)	Myrick	Wilson (SC)			
			Gerlach	Neugebauer	Wolf			
			Gibbons	Ney	Young (AK)			
			Gillmor	Norwood	Young (FL)			
			Gingrey	Nunes				

NOT VOTING—8

Carter	Evans	Northup
Davis (FL)	Kennedy (RI)	Rothman
Davis (IL)	McKinney	

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised there are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 1835

Mr. TERRY changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds of those voting having responded in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, I was off the Capitol Hill complex when votes were called and was stuck in traffic, which caused me to miss the first vote. Had I been present, I would have voted “yea.”

ALTERNATIVE PLURIPOTENT STEM CELL THERAPIES ENHANCEMENT ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 2754.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas (Mr. BARTON) that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 2754, 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 273, nays 154, not voting 6, as follows:

[Roll No. 380]

YEAS—273

Aderholt	Alexander	Baker
Akin	Bachus	Barrett (SC)

NAYS—154

Abercrombie	Becerra	Butterfield
Ackerman	Berkley	Capps
Allen	Berman	Capuano
Andrews	Bishop (NY)	Cardin
Baca	Blumenauer	Cardoza
Baird	Boehlert	Carnahan
Baldwin	Brown, Corrine	Carson

NOT VOTING—6

Davis (FL)	Evans	Northup
Davis (IL)	McKinney	Rothman

□ 1844

So (two-thirds of those voting having not responded in the affirmative) the motion was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

REMEMBERING HELEN SEWELL

(Mr. HASTERT asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. HASTERT. Ladies and gentlemen, for us on the Republican side of the aisle, it is a sad day today. We have lost Helen Sewell. Helen served in the Republican cloakroom for over 70 years. She was a person who was always happy, always met any special needs that people had.

She starting serving in the House in the cloakroom with her father. She started working when she was in junior high. She was a very sweet lady. She was there all the time. Whether it was late at night, early in the morning, Helen was there with her hot dogs and tuna fish sandwich, and always a little hot sauce or relish if people wanted that. She loved working in the cloakroom and working for the people and serving the people that came to see her almost on a daily basis.

When people like Gerald Ford or George Bush, Sr., or DICK CHENEY would come by, they would always make sure that they took some time and conversed with her and greeted, kibitzed, a bit in the cloakroom.