

Because the vote today may look bad for the Democratic majority they will say "the vote on the previous question is simply a vote on whether to proceed to an immediate vote on adopting the resolution . . . [and] has no substantive legislative or policy implications whatsoever." But that is not what they have always said. Listen to the definition of the previous question used in the Floor Procedures Manual published by the Rules Committee in the 109th Congress, (page 56). Here's how the Rules Committee described the rule using information form Congressional Quarterly's "American Congressional Dictionary": "If the previous question is defeated, control of debate shifts to the leading opposition member (usually the minority Floor Manager) who then manages an hour of debate and may offer a germane amendment to the pending business."

Deschler's Procedure in the U.S. House of Representatives, the subchapter titled "Amending Special Rules" states: "a refusal to order the previous question on such a rule [a special rule reported from the Committee on Rules] opens the resolution to amendment and further debate." (Chapter 21, section 21.2) Section 21.3 continues: Upon rejection of the motion for the previous question on a resolution reported from the Committee on Rules, control shifts to the Member leading the opposition to the previous question, who may offer a proper amendment or motion and who controls the time for debate thereon."

Clearly, the vote on the previous question on a rule does have substantive policy implications. It is one of the only available tools for those who oppose the Democratic majority's agenda and allows those with alternative views the opportunity to offer an alternative plan.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time and move the previous question on the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. 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, further proceedings on this question will be postponed.

PROVIDING FOR THE SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT OF THE FIRST SESSION OF THE 110TH CONGRESS

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I offer a privileged concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 271) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the concurrent resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. CON. RES. 271

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring). That when the House adjourns on any legislative day from Tuesday, December 18, 2007, through Saturday, December 22, 2007, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned sine die, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 3 of this concurrent reso-

lution; and when the Senate adjourns on any day from Tuesday, December 18, 2007, through Monday, December 31, 2007, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned sine die, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 3 of this concurrent resolution.

SEC. 2. When the House adjourns on the legislative day of Thursday, January 3, 2008, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it shall stand recessed or adjourned until noon on Tuesday, January 15, 2008, or such other time on that day as may be specified in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 3 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 3. The Speaker of the House and the Majority Leader of the Senate, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the House and the Minority Leader of the Senate, shall notify the Members of the House and the Senate, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the concurrent resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. 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, this 15-minute vote on the concurrent resolution will be followed by 5-minute votes on ordering the previous question on House Resolution 878; adoption of House Resolution 878, if ordered; and motion to suspend the rules on H.R. 4286.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 184, nays 218, not voting 30, as follows:

[Roll No. 1167]

YEAS—184

Abercrombie	Clay	Eshoo
Ackerman	Cleaver	Etheridge
Allen	Clyburn	Farr
Altmire	Cohen	Fattah
Andrews	Conyers	Filner
Arcuri	Costello	Frank (MA)
Baca	Courtney	Gonzalez
Baird	Crowley	Gordon
Baldwin	Cummings	Green, Al
Bean	Davis (AL)	Green, Gene
Becerra	Davis (CA)	Grijalva
Berkley	Davis (IL)	Hall (NY)
Berman	DeFazio	Hare
Bishop (NY)	DeGette	Higgins
Boswell	Delahunt	Hill
Boucher	DeLauro	Hinchesy
Brady (PA)	Dicks	Hinojosa
Braley (IA)	Doggett	Hirono
Brown, Corrine	Donnelly	Hodes
Butterfield	Doyle	Holden
Capps	Edwards	Holt
Capuano	Ellison	Honda
Carnahan	Ellsworth	Hoyer
Castor	Emanuel	Inslee
Clarke	Engel	Israel

Jackson (IL)	Miller (NC)	Serrano
Jackson-Lee	Miller, George	Sestak
(TX)	Mollohan	Shea-Porter
Jefferson	Moore (WI)	Sherman
Johnson (GA)	Moran (VA)	Sires
Johnson (IL)	Murphy (CT)	Skelton
Jones (OH)	Murphy, Patrick	Slaughter
Kagen	Murtha	Smith (WA)
Kaptur	Nadler	Snyder
Kennedy	Napolitano	Solis
Kildee	Neal (MA)	Space
Kilpatrick	Oberstar	Spratt
Kind	Obey	Stark
Klein (FL)	Oliver	Stupak
Kucinich	Pallone	Sutton
Langevin	Pascrell	Tauscher
Lantos	Payne	Thompson (MS)
Larsen (WA)	Perlmutter	Tierney
Larson (CT)	Pomeroy	Townes
Lee	Price (NC)	Tsongas
Levin	Rahall	Udall (CO)
Lipinski	Rangel	Udall (NM)
Loeb sack	Reyes	Van Hollen
Lofgren, Zoe	Richardson	Velázquez
Lowey	Rodriguez	Visclosky
Lynch	Rothman	Walz (MN)
Maloney (NY)	Roybal-Allard	Wasserman
Markey	Ruppersberger	Schultz
Matsui	Rush	Waters
McCarthy (NY)	Ryan (OH)	Watson
McCollum (MN)	Sánchez, Linda	Watt
McDermott	T.	Waxman
McGovern	Sanchez, Loretta	Wilson (OH)
McIntyre	Sarbanes	Wu
McNerney	Schakowsky	Wynn
McNulty	Schwartz	Yarmuth
Meek (FL)	Scott (GA)	
Meeks (NY)	Scott (VA)	

NAYS—218

Aderholt	Dent	Lewis (CA)
Akin	Diaz-Balart, L.	Lewis (GA)
Alexander	Diaz-Balart, M.	Lewis (KY)
Bachmann	Doolittle	Linder
Bachus	Drake	LoBiondo
Baker	Dreier	Lucas
Barrett (SC)	Duncan	Luengren, Daniel
Barrow	Ehlers	E.
Bartlett (MD)	Emerson	Mack
Barton (TX)	English (PA)	Mahoney (FL)
Berry	Everett	Manzullo
Biggart	Fallin	Marchant
Bilbray	Feeney	Marshall
Bilirakis	Ferguson	Matheson
Bishop (GA)	Flake	McCarthy (CA)
Bishop (UT)	Forbes	McCaul (TX)
Blackburn	Fortenberry	McCotter
Boehner	Fossella	McCreery
Bonner	Fox	McHugh
Bono	Franks (AZ)	McKeon
Boozman	Frelinghuysen	McMorris
Boren	Garrett (NJ)	Rodgers
Boustany	Gerlach	Melancon
Boyd (FL)	Giffords	Mica
Boyda (KS)	Gillibrand	Michaud
Brady (TX)	Gingrey	Miller (FL)
Broun (GA)	Gohmert	Miller (MI)
Brown (SC)	Goode	Mitchell
Brown-Waite,	Goodlatte	Moore (KS)
Ginny	Granger	Moran (KS)
Buchanan	Graves	Murphy, Tim
Burgess	Harman	Musgrave
Burton (IN)	Hastings (WA)	Neugebauer
Buyer	Hayes	Nunes
Calvert	Heller	Pearce
Camp (MI)	Hensarling	Pence
Campbell (CA)	Herger	Peterson (MN)
Cannon	Herseth Sandlin	Peterson (PA)
Cantor	Hoekstra	Petri
Capito	Hulshof	Pickering
Cardoza	Inglis (SC)	Pitts
Carney	Issa	Platts
Carter	Johnson, Sam	Poe
Castle	Jones (NC)	Porter
Chabot	Jordan	Price (GA)
Chandler	Keller	Putnam
Coble	King (IA)	Radanovich
Cole (OK)	King (NY)	Ramstad
Conaway	Kingston	Regula
Cooper	Kirk	Rehberg
Costa	Klaine (MN)	Reichert
Cramer	Knollenberg	Renzi
Crenshaw	Kuhl (NY)	Reynolds
Cuellar	LaHood	Rogers (AL)
Culberson	Lamborn	Rogers (KY)
Davis (KY)	Lampson	Rogers (MI)
Davis, David	Latham	Ros-Lehtinen
Davis, Lincoln	LaTourette	Roskam
Deal (GA)	Latta	Ross

Royce	Smith (NJ)	Walden (OR)	Ellsworth	Lewis (GA)	Roybal-Allard	Pitts	Ryan (WI)	Thornberry
Ryan (WI)	Smith (TX)	Walsh (NY)	Emanuel	Lipinski	Ruppersberger	Platts	Sali	Tiahrt
Sail	Souder	Wamp	Engel	Loeb	Rush	Poe	Saxton	Tiberi
Saxton	Stearns	Welch (VT)	Eshoo	Loftgren, Zoe	Ryan (OH)	Porter	Schmidt	Turner
Schiff	Sullivan	Weldon (FL)	Etheridge	Lowey	Sánchez, Linda T.	Price (GA)	Sensenbrenner	Upton
Schmidt	Tancredo	Westmoreland	Farr	Lynch	Sanchez, Loretta	Putnam	Sessions	Walberg
Sensenbrenner	Tanner	Whitfield (KY)	Fattah	Maloney (FL)	Sarbanes	Radanovich	Shadegg	Walden (OR)
Sessions	Taylor	Wicker	Filner	Maloney (NY)	Schakowsky	Ramstad	Shays	Walsh (NY)
Shadegg	Terry	Wilson (NM)	Frank (MA)	Markey	Schiff	Regula	Shimkus	Wamp
Shays	Thornberry	Wilson (SC)	Giffords	Marshall	Schwartz	Rehberg	Shuster	Weldon (FL)
Shimkus	Tiahrt	Wittman (VA)	Gillibrand	Matheson	Scott (GA)	Reichert	Simpson	Westmoreland
Shuler	Tiberi	Wolf	Gonzalez	Matsui	Scott (VA)	Renzi	Smith (NE)	Whitfield (KY)
Shuster	Turner	Young (AK)	Gordon	McCarthy (NY)	Serrano	Reynolds	Smith (NJ)	Wicker
Simpson	Upton	Young (FL)	Green, Al	McCollum (MN)	Sestak	Rogers (AL)	Smith (TX)	Wilson (NM)
Smith (NE)	Walberg		Green, Gene	McDermott	Shea-Porter	Rogers (KY)	Souder	Wilson (SC)

NOT VOTING—30

Blumenauer	Hobson	Pastor
Blunt	Hooley	Paul
Cubin	Hunter	Pryce (OH)
Davis, Tom	Jindal	Rohrabacher
Dingell	Johnson, E. B.	Salazar
Gallely	Kanjorski	Thompson (CA)
Gilchrest	McHenry	Weiner
Gutierrez	Miller, Gary	Weller
Hall (TX)	Myrick	Wexler
Hastings (FL)	Ortiz	Woolsey

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Messrs. PETERSON of Minnesota and WELCH of Vermont changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. KILDEE, Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, and Mr. RUSH changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the concurrent resolution was not agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 2764, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2008 (CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2008)

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. BECERRA). The unfinished business is the vote on ordering the previous question on House Resolution 878, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on ordering the previous question.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 216, nays 186, not voting 30, as follows:

[Roll No. 1168]

YEAS—216

Abercrombie	Boyd (FL)	Costello
Ackerman	Boyda (KS)	Courtney
Allen	Brady (PA)	Cramer
Altmore	Braley (IA)	Crowley
Andrews	Brown, Corrine	Cuellar
Arcuri	Butterfield	Cummings
Baca	Capps	Davis (AL)
Baird	Capuano	Davis (CA)
Baldwin	Cardoza	Davis (IL)
Barrow	Carnahan	Davis, Lincoln
Bean	Carney	DeFazio
Becerra	Castor	DeGette
Berkley	Chandler	Delahunt
Berman	Clarke	DeLauro
Berry	Clay	Dicks
Bishop (GA)	Cleaver	Doggett
Bishop (NY)	Clyburn	Donnelly
Boren	Cohen	Doyle
Boswell	Conyers	Edwards
Boucher	Costa	Ellison

Hare	McNulty	Shuler
Harman	McNulty	Sires
Herseth Sandlin	Meeke (FL)	Skelton
Higgins	Meeke (NY)	Slaughter
Hill	Melancon	Smith (WA)
Hinchea	Michaud	Snyder
Hinojosa	Miller (NC)	Solis
Hirono	Miller, George	Space
Hodes	Mitchell	Spratt
Holden	Mollohan	Stark
Holt	Moore (KS)	Stupak
Honda	Moore (WI)	Sutton
Hoyer	Moran (VA)	Tanner
Inslee	Murphy (CT)	Tauscher
Israel	Murphy, Patrick	Taylor
Jackson (IL)	Murtha	Thompson (MS)
Jackson-Lee (TX)	Nadler	Tierney
Jefferson	Napolitano	Towns
Johnson (GA)	Neal (MA)	Tsongas
Jones (OH)	Oberstar	Udall (CO)
Kagen	Obey	Udall (NM)
Kaptur	Oliver	Van Hollen
Kennedy	Pallone	Velázquez
Kildee	Pascarell	Visclosky
Kilpatrick	Payne	Walz (MN)
Kind	Perlmutter	Wasserman
Klein (FL)	Peterson (MN)	Schultz
Kucinich	Pomeroy	Waters
Lampson	Price (NC)	Watson
Langevin	Rahall	Watt
Lantos	Rangel	Waxman
Larsen (WA)	Reyes	Welch (VT)
Larson (CT)	Richardson	Wilson (OH)
Lee	Rodriguez	Wu
Levin	Ross	Wynn
	Rothman	Yarmuth

NAYS—186

Aderholt	Davis, David	Keller
Akin	Deal (GA)	King (IA)
Alexander	Dent	King (NY)
Bachmann	Diaz-Balart, L.	Kingston
Bachus	Diaz-Balart, M.	Kirk
Baker	Doolittle	Kline (MN)
Barrett (SC)	Drake	Knollenberg
Bartlett (MD)	Dreier	Kuhl (NY)
Barton (TX)	Duncan	LaHood
Biggert	Ehlers	Lamborn
Bilbray	Emerson	Latham
Bilirakis	English (PA)	LaTourette
Bishop (UT)	Everett	Latta
Blackburn	Fallin	Lewis (CA)
Boehner	Feeney	Lewis (KY)
Bonner	Ferguson	Linder
Bono	Flake	LoBiondo
Boozman	Forbes	Lucas
Boustany	Fortenberry	Lungren, Daniel
Brady (TX)	Fossella	E.
Broun (GA)	Fox	Mack
Brown (SC)	Franks (AZ)	Manzullo
Brown-Waite,	Frelinghuysen	Marchant
Ginny	Garrett (NJ)	McCarthy (CA)
Buchanan	Gerlach	McCauley (TX)
Burgess	Gingrey	McCotter
Burton (IN)	Gohmert	McCrery
Buyer	Goode	McHugh
Calvert	Goodlatte	McKeon
Camp (MI)	Granger	McMorris
Campbell (CA)	Graves	Rodgers
Cannon	Hastings (WA)	Mica
Cantor	Hayes	Miller (FL)
Capito	Heller	Miller (MI)
Carter	Hensarling	Moran (KS)
Castle	Herger	Murphy, Tim
Chabot	Hoekstra	Musgrave
Coble	Hulshof	Neugebauer
Cole (OK)	Inglis (SC)	Nunes
Conaway	Issa	Pearce
Cooper	Johnson (IL)	Pence
Crenshaw	Johnson, Sam	Peterson (PA)
Culberson	Jones (NC)	Petri
Davis (KY)	Jordan	Pickering

Royce	Tancredo	Terry
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NOT VOTING—30

Blumenauer	Hobson	Pastor
Blunt	Hooley	Paul
Cubin	Hunter	Pryce (OH)
Davis, Tom	Jindal	Rohrabacher
Dingell	Johnson, E. B.	Salazar
Gallely	Kanjorski	Thompson (CA)
Gilchrest	McHenry	Weiner
Gutierrez	Miller, Gary	Weller
Hall (TX)	Myrick	Wexler
Hastings (FL)	Ortiz	Woolsey

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain on this vote.

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So the previous question was ordered. The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the resolution.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. LINCOLN DIAZ-BALART of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 214, nays 189, not voting 29, as follows:

[Roll No. 1169]

YEAS—214

Abercrombie	Clyburn	Gonzalez
Ackerman	Cohen	Gordon
Allen	Conyers	Green, Al
Altmore	Costa	Green, Gene
Andrews	Costello	Grijalva
Arcuri	Courtney	Hall (NY)
Baca	Cramer	Hare
Baldwin	Crowley	Harman
Barrow	Cuellar	Herseth Sandlin
Bean	Cummings	Higgins
Becerra	Davis (AL)	Hill
Berkley	Davis (CA)	Hinchea
Berman	Davis (IL)	Hinojosa
Berry	Davis, Lincoln	Hirono
Bishop (GA)	DeFazio	Hodes
Bishop (NY)	DeGette	Holden
Boren	Delahunt	Holt
Boswell	DeLauro	Honda
Boucher	Dicks	Hoyer
Boyd (FL)	Doggett	Insee
Boyda (KS)	Donnelly	Israel
Brady (PA)	Doyle	Jackson (IL)
Brady (TX)	Edwards	Jackson-Lee
Braley (IA)	Ellison	(TX)
Brown, Corrine	Ellsworth	Jefferson
Butterfield	Emanuel	Johnson (GA)
Capps	Engel	Jones (OH)
Capuano	Eshoo	Kagen
Cardoza	Etheridge	Kaptur
Carnahan	Farr	Kennedy
Carney	Fattah	Kildee
Castor	Filner	Kilpatrick
Chandler	Frank (MA)	Kind
Clarke	Giffords	Klein (FL)
Clay	Gillibrand	Lampson
Cleaver		