

Marchant	Petri	Shimkus
McCarthy (CA)	Pitts	Shuler
McCaul	Poe (TX)	Shuster
McClintock	Posey	Simpson
McHenry	Price (GA)	Smith (NE)
McIntyre	Putnam	Smith (NJ)
McMorris	Radanovich	Smith (TX)
Rodgers	Roe (TN)	Souder
Mica	Rogers (AL)	Stark
Michaud	Rogers (KY)	Stearns
Miller (FL)	Rogers (MI)	Sullivan
Miller, Gary	Rohrabacher	Thompson (PA)
Moran (KS)	Roskam	Thornberry
Murphy, Tim	Royce	Tiaht
Myrick	Ryan (WI)	Wamp
Neugebauer	Scalise	Welch
Nunes	Schmidt	Westmoreland
Olson	Schock	Whitfield
Paul	Sensenbrenner	Wilson (SC)
Pence	Sessions	Wittman
Peterson	Shadegg	Wolf

FILNER) that the House suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 804.

This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 419, nays 1, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 771]

YEAS—419

NOT VOTING—8

Campbell	Johnson, Sam	Slaughter
Carney	Maloney	Tsongas

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 30 seconds left in this vote.

□ 1524

So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2 of House Resolution 808, House Concurrent Resolution 196 is hereby adopted.

The text of the concurrent resolution is as follows:

H. CON RES. 196

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That, in the enrollment of the bill H.R. 2647, the Clerk of the House of Representatives shall make the following corrections in section 2823(b):

(1) Strike “PROPERTY AND LEASE OF NON-EXCESS PROPERTY” and all that follows through “(1) in subsection (e),” and insert “PROPERTY.—Subsection (e) of such section is amended”.

(2) Strike “; and” at the end of paragraph (1) and insert a period.

(3) Strike paragraph (2) and the amendment made by that paragraph.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, 5-minute voting will continue.

There was no objection.

PROVIDING FOR CONCURRENCE BY HOUSE WITH AMENDMENT IN SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1016, VETERANS HEALTH CARE BUDGET REFORM AND TRANSPARENCY ACT OF 2009

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, H. Res. 804, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from California (Mr.

Abercrombie	Costello	Hoekstra
Ackerman	Courtney	Holden
Aderholt	Crenshaw	Holt
Adler (NJ)	Crowley	Honda
Akin	Cuellar	Hoyer
Alexander	Culberson	Hunter
Altmire	Dahlkemper	Inglis
Andrews	Davis (AL)	Insee
Arcuri	Davis (CA)	Israel
Austria	Davis (IL)	Issa
Baca	Davis (KY)	Jackson (IL)
Bachmann	Davis (TN)	Jackson-Lee
Bachus	Deal (GA)	(TX)
Baird	DeFazio	Jenkins
Baldwin	DeGette	Johnson (GA)
Barrett (SC)	DeLauro	Johnson (IL)
Barrow	DeLauro	Johnson, E. B.
Bartlett	Dent	Jones
Barton (TX)	Diaz-Balart, L.	Jordan (OH)
Bean	Diaz-Balart, M.	Kagen
Becerra	Dicks	Kanjorski
Berkley	Dingell	Kaptur
Berman	Doggett	Kennedy
Berry	Donnelly (IN)	Kildee
Biggert	Doyle	Kilpatrick (MI)
Bilbray	Dreier	Kilroy
Bilirakis	Driehaus	Kind
Bishop (GA)	Duncan	King (IA)
Bishop (NY)	Edwards (MD)	King (NY)
Bishop (UT)	Edwards (TX)	Kingston
Blackburn	Ehlers	Kirk
Blumenauer	Ellison	Kirkpatrick (AZ)
Blunt	Ellsworth	Kissell
Bocchieri	Emerson	Klein (FL)
Boehner	Engel	Kline (MN)
Bonner	Eshoo	Kosmas
Bono Mack	Etheridge	Kratovil
Boozman	Fallin	Kucinich
Boren	Farr	Lamborn
Boswell	Fattah	Lance
Boucher	Filner	Langevin
Boustany	Flake	Larsen (WA)
Boyd	Fleming	Larson (CT)
Brady (PA)	Forbes	Latham
Brady (TX)	Fortenberry	LaTourette
Bralley (IA)	Foster	Latta
Bright	Poxx	Lee (CA)
Broun (GA)	Frank (MA)	Lee (NY)
Brown (SC)	Franks (AZ)	Levin
Brown, Corrine	Frelinghuysen	Lewis (CA)
Brown-Waite,	Fudge	Lewis (GA)
Ginny	Gallegly	Lipinski
Buchanan	Garrett (NJ)	LoBiondo
Burgess	Gerlach	Loebsack
Burton (IN)	Giffords	Lofgren, Zoe
Butterfield	Gingrey (GA)	Lowey
Calvert	Gohmert	Lucas
Camp	Gonzalez	Luetkemeyer
Cantor	Goodlatte	Lujan
Cao	Gordon (TN)	Lummis
Capito	Granger	Lungren, Daniel
Capps	Graves	E.
Capuano	Grayson	Lynch
Cardoza	Green, Al	Mack
Carnahan	Green, Gene	Maffei
Carson (IN)	Griffith	Manzullo
Carter	Grijalva	Marchant
Cassidy	Guthrie	Markey (CO)
Castle	Gutierrez	Markey (MA)
Castor (FL)	Hall (NY)	Marshall
Chaffetz	Hall (TX)	Massa
Chandler	Halvorson	Matheson
Childers	Hare	Matsui
Chu	Harman	McCarthy (CA)
Clarke	Harper	McCarthy (NY)
Clay	Hastings (FL)	McCaul
Cleaver	Heinrich	McClintock
Clyburn	Heller	McCollum
Coble	Hensarling	McCotter
Coffman (CO)	Herseht Sandlin	McDermott
Cohen	Higgins	McGovern
Cole	Hill	McHenry
Conaway	Himes	McIntyre
Connolly (VA)	Hinchey	McKeon
Conyers	Hinojosa	McMahon
Cooper	Hirono	McMorris
Costa	Hodes	Rodgers

McNerney	Putnam	Smith (TX)
Meek (FL)	Quigley	Smith (WA)
Meeks (NY)	Radanovich	Snyder
Melancon	Rahall	Souder
Mica	Rangel	Space
Michaud	Rehberg	Speier
Miller (FL)	Reichert	Spratt
Miller (MI)	Reyes	Stark
Miller (NC)	Richardson	Stearns
Miller, Gary	Rodriguez	Stupak
Minnick	Roe (TN)	Sullivan
Mitchell	Rogers (AL)	Sutton
Mollohan	Rogers (KY)	Tanner
Moore (KS)	Rogers (MI)	Taylor
Moore (WI)	Rohrabacher	Teague
Moran (KS)	Rooney	Terry
Moran (VA)	Ros-Lehtinen	Thompson (CA)
Murphy (CT)	Roskam	Thompson (MS)
Murphy (NY)	Ross	Thompson (PA)
Murphy, Patrick	Rothman (NJ)	Thornberry
Murphy, Tim	Roybal-Allard	Tiaht
Murtha	Royce	Tiberi
Myrick	Ruppersberger	Tierney
Nadler (NY)	Rush	Titus
Napolitano	Ryan (OH)	Tonko
Neal (MA)	Ryan (WI)	Towns
Neugebauer	Salazar	Turner
Nunes	Sanchez, Linda	Upton
Nye	T.	Van Hollen
Oberstar	Sanchez, Loretta	Velazquez
Obey	Sarbanes	Visclosky
Olson	Scalise	Walden
Olver	Schauer	Walz
Ortiz	Schiff	Wamp
Pallone	Schmidt	Wasserman
Pascarella	Schock	Schultz
Pastor (AZ)	Schrader	Waters
Paul	Schwartz	Watson
Paulsen	Scott (GA)	Watt
Payne	Scott (VA)	Waxman
Pence	Sensenbrenner	Weiner
Perlmutter	Serrano	Welch
Perriello	Sessions	Westmoreland
Peters	Sestak	Wexler
Peterson	Shadegg	Whitfield
Petri	Shea-Porter	Wilson (OH)
Pingree (ME)	Sherman	Wilson (SC)
Pitts	Shimkus	Wittman
Platts	Shuler	Wolf
Kratovil	Shuster	Wolf
Poe (TX)	Simpson	Woolsey
Polis (CO)	Sires	Wu
Pomeroy	Skelton	Yarmuth
Posey	Smith (NJ)	Young (AK)
Price (GA)	Smith (NE)	Young (FL)
Price (NC)	Smith (NY)	

NAYS—1

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NOT VOTING—12

Campbell	Herger	Miller, George
Carney	Johnson, Sam	Schakowsky
Cummings	Linder	Slaughter
Hastings (WA)	Maloney	Tsongas

□ 1531

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the resolution was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed rollcall vote Nos. 769, 770, and 771. Had I been present, I would have voted “nay” on rollcall vote 769, “aye” on 770 and “yea” on 771.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Ms. TSONGAS. Mr. Speaker, due to my daughter’s wedding I was absent from the House of Representatives on October 7th and October 8th. As a result, I was unable to cast a vote on rollcall votes Nos. 756 to 771.

Had I been present, I would have voted “yea” on the following rollcall

votes: Nos. 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 770, and 771, and "nay" on rollcall vote No. 769.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mrs. Wanda Evans, one of his secretaries.

□ 1530

CERTIFICATION OF APPLICABLE WAIVER WITHIN THE MEANING OF THE CLEAN DIAMOND TRADE ACT—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES (H. DOC. NO. 111-67)

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. POLIS) laid before the House the following message from the President of the United States; which was read and referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed:

To the Congress of the United States:

The Clean Diamond Trade Act (Public Law 108-19) (the "Act") authorizes the President to "prohibit the importation into, or exportation from, the United States of any rough diamond, from whatever source, that has not been controlled through the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme." The Act takes effect on the date that the President certifies to the Congress that (1) an applicable waiver that has been granted by the World Trade Organization (WTO) is in effect, or (2) an applicable decision in a resolution adopted by the United Nations Security Council pursuant to Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations is in effect. The Act remains in effect during those periods in which, as certified by the President to the Congress, such an applicable waiver or decision is in effect.

On July 29, 2003, the President certified that the WTO General Council had adopted a decision granting a waiver pursuant to Article IX of the Marrakesh Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization concerning the Kimberley Process Certification Scheme for rough diamonds. The waiver applies to the United States and other WTO members that requested the waiver and to any WTO member that notifies the WTO of its desire to be covered by the waiver. The waiver was scheduled to have effect from January 1, 2003, through December 31, 2006. On December 19, 2006, the WTO General Council adopted a decision to extend the waiver through December 31, 2012.

I hereby certify that an applicable waiver, within the meaning of the Act, granted by the World Trade Organization has been in effect since January 1, 2003, and will remain in effect through December 31, 2012.

BARACK OBAMA.
THE WHITE HOUSE, October 8, 2009.

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

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

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Maryland, the majority leader, for the purpose of announcing next week's schedule.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

On Monday, the House will not be in session. On Tuesday, the House will meet at 12:30 p.m. for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business with votes postponed until 6:30 p.m. On Wednesday and Thursday, the House will meet at 10 a.m. for legislative business. On Friday, the House will meet at 9 a.m. for legislative business.

We will consider several bills under suspension of the rules. The complete list of suspension bills will be announced by the close of business tomorrow, as is the custom.

In addition, we will consider H.R. 2442, the Bay Area Regional Water Recycling Program Expansion Act of 2009; the conference report on H.R. 2892, the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act of 2010; and quite possibly, assuming the conference is completed, the conference report on H.R. 2996, the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Mr. CANTOR. I thank the gentleman. I would also like to thank the gentleman for his courtesy and his time in meeting with me earlier today in the discussion of health care, and I'm hopeful that that discussion was fruitful and that we could see a dialogue continue towards some type of working relationship in the areas that we can agree on. So I do thank the gentleman.

At this time, Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman some of the things we didn't cover in the meeting, and that is, first off, the timing of any kind of health care bill reaching the floor of this House and whether he could provide any clarity on that.

I yield.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for yielding, and I thank him for coming by my office and spending time in discussion.

As the gentleman knows, health care has been the focus of this Congress for much of our present session; three committees have completed their work, ongoing discussions about how to put the work product of the three individual committees together. The Senate Finance Committee is, we think, going to vote on theirs next week. The Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee has reported out a bill. So we have five committees that have essentially completed their work. There will be, obviously, once the bills are put together and all the suggestions are incorporated, a necessity to get a score from CBO. We expect that to take at least a week, 7 days, maybe more.

In addition to that, the Speaker and I have both indicated that there will be

72 hours' notice of the bill and a manager's amendment. I want to clarify that. If they both come out at the same time, it will be one 72-hour period. If for any reason they come out separately, then we will make sure that the last issued will have 72 hours before we put the bill out on the floor.

In light of that, my expectation is certainly the bill will not be on the floor either the next week or early in the following week. The earliest, in my opinion, the bill could be on the floor would be the latter part of the second week from now.

Mr. CANTOR. I thank the gentleman.

So if I hear correctly, we're talking about the final week of this month at the earliest.

Mr. HOYER. I think that would be the earliest, as a practical matter, that we could put the bill on the floor with the notice that we have indicated we're going to give and, of course, with the CBO score.

Mr. CANTOR. I thank the gentleman for that.

I would ask the gentleman, Mr. Speaker, about some statement that the Speaker made indicating how the reimbursement rates would work and whether there is clarity on that or not yet. I think the Speaker had asked the question rhetorically whether Medicare rates would be the reimbursement rates in the bill, and any kind of enlightenment that he can shed on that, I'd appreciate it.

I yield.

Mr. HOYER. At this point in time, these are still under discussion, and, therefore, I don't have a specific answer for the gentleman. But the Speaker's comments, I think, spoke to the fact that they are still under discussion.

Mr. CANTOR. Mr. Speaker, I would say, again, the gentleman and I had discussed in general the opposition to the public option that we have on this side, and I would just like to ask the gentleman again, given the Speaker's comments about reimbursement rates, Medicare rates, whether the public option is still where the Speaker and he are in terms of what a House bill would look like given where the Senate is.

I yield.

Mr. HOYER. I thank the gentleman for yielding.

In terms of where the Speaker and I are, we have been consistently for, as you know, a public option. The Speaker and I continue to be for a public option, as is the President, and we believe the majority of the House is for that.

I will tell the gentleman that I think that in terms of the reimbursement rates, as I said, that's still under discussion, but I think there is consensus that a public option is something, as the President has indicated, as we have indicated, that will provide a competitive model to both bring prices down and to protect consumers. So I think the answer is that that's certainly still part of our plan.

Mr. CANTOR. I thank the gentleman for that. And again, he and I have discussed the differences that the sides