Mrs. SHAHEEN thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER
The Acting President pro tempore. The majority leader is recognized.

SCHEDULE
Mr. REID. Madam President, following any leader remarks, I will make a motion to concur in the House message to accompany S. 365, the legislative vehicle for the debt limit compromise. The time until noon will be equally divided and controlled for debate on the legislation. At noon, the Senate will conduct a rollcall vote on the motion to concur in the House message, with a 60-vote threshold.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME
The Acting President pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

AMENDING THE EDUCATION SCIENCES REFORM ACT OF 2002
Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask the Chair to lay before the Senate the House message to accompany S. 365. The Acting President pro tempore. The Chair lays before the Senate the House message to accompany S. 365, the legislative vehicle for the debt limit compromise. The time until noon will be equally divided and controlled for debate on the legislation. At noon, the Senate will conduct a rollcall vote on the motion to concur in the House message, with a 60-vote threshold.

RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME
The Acting President pro tempore. Under the previous order, the leadership time is reserved.

AMENDING THE EDUCATION SCIENCES REFORM ACT OF 2002
Mr. REID. Madam President, I ask the Chair to lay before the Senate the House message to accompany S. 365. The Acting President pro tempore. The Chair lays before the Senate a message from the House, which the clerk will report. The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

Resolved that the bill from the Senate (S. 365) entitled “An Act to make a technical amendment to the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002” do pass, with an amendment.

Mr. REID. Madam President, as provided under the previous order, I now move to concur in the House amendment to S. 365. The Acting President pro tempore. The motion is pending.

Mr. REID. Madam President, Senator MCCONNELL and I have completed our statements.

The Acting President pro tempore. The Senator from Tennessee.

Mr. ALEXANDER. I ask unanimous consent to speak for 10 minutes under the time allocated to the Republican side.

The Acting President pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. ALEXANDER. Madam President, finally, Washington is taking some responsibility for spending money that we don’t have. At a time when the Federal Government is borrowing 40 cents of every dollar it spends, this is a welcome change in behavior. I gladly support it. Make no mistake, this is a change in behavior—from spend, spend, spend, to cut, cut, cut. Let me give you one example. On Christmas Eve 2010 Congress raised the debt ceiling and attached to it $1 trillion in new spending over 10 years in the new health care law. This time, for every dollar we are raising the debt ceiling, we are reducing spending by a dollar, not adding to it. This reduction in spending over 10 years is about $2.4 trillion. Here is another example: According to Senator PORTMAN, who used to be the Nation’s budget director, the CBO would say if Congress did this kind of dollar-for-dollar reduction for spending every time a President asked us to raise the debt ceiling, we would balance the budget in 10 years. Here is another: The Wall Street Journal reported yesterday that because of these spending cuts, the discretionary part of the budget, which is about 39 percent of the entire Federal budget, will grow over the next 10 years at a little less than the rate of inflation. If we could control the rest