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So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### PROMOTING JOB CREATION AND REDUCING SMALL BUSINESS BURDENS ACT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 1(c) of rule XIX, further consideration of the bill (H.R. 37) to make technical corrections to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, to enhance the ability of small and emerging growth companies to access capital through public and private markets, to reduce regulatory burdens, and for other purposes, will now resume.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

##### MOTION TO RECOMMIT

Mr. MOULTON. Madam Speaker, I have a motion to recommit at the desk.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is the gentleman opposed to the bill?

Mr. MOULTON. I am opposed in its current form.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Clerk will report the motion to recommit.

The Clerk read as follows:

Mr. Moulton moves to recommit the bill H.R. 37 to the Committee on Financial Services with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith, with the following amendment:

Page 3, before line 1, insert the following:  
**SEC. 3. BAD ACTOR DISQUALIFICATIONS.**

(a) IN GENERAL.—A person may not make use of the regulatory exemptions under this Act if such person—

(1) has been convicted of providing assistance, either directly or indirectly, to a terrorist organization or a state sponsor of terrorism;

(2) has been made subject to any judicial or administrative decree or order arising out of a governmental action that determined that the person provided assistance, either directly or indirectly, to a terrorist organization or a state sponsor of terrorism; or

(3) is affiliated with another person who has been convicted of providing assistance described under paragraph (1) or who has been the subject of a decree or order described under paragraph (2).

(b) REGULATORY EXEMPTIONS UNDER THIS ACT DEFINED.—For purposes of this section, the term “regulatory exemptions under this Act” means the following:

(1) The exemptions provided under section 4(s)(e)(4) of the Commodity Exchange Act and section 15F(e)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by title I.

(2) The exceptions for affiliates provided under section 2(h)(7)(D)(i) of the Commodity Exchange Act and section 3C(g)(4)(A) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by title II.

(3) The registration threshold for savings and loan holding companies provided under section 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the exemption from filing for savings and loan holding companies provided for under section 15(d) of such Act, as added by title III.

(4) The registration exemption for mergers and acquisition brokers provided under sec-

tion 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as added by title IV.

(5) The exemption from XBRL requirements provided under title VII.

(6) The conformance period for certain collateralized loan obligations provided under section 13(c)(2)(B) of the Bank Holding Company Act of 1956, as added by title VIII.

(7) The increase in the dollar amount from \$5,000,000 to \$10,000,000 under section 230.701(e) of title 17, Code of Federal Regulations, required by title XI.

Page 30, line 2, insert after the period the following:

In issuing such rule, the Commission shall not eliminate any requirement to disclose—

(1) a conviction, including a conviction of providing assistance, either directly or indirectly, to terrorist organizations or state sponsors of terrorism; or

(2) a judicial or administrative decree or order arising out of a governmental action, including a decree or order that determined that the person provided assistance, either directly or indirectly, to terrorist organizations or state sponsors of terrorism.

Mr. HENSARLING (during the reading). Madam Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to dispense with the reading.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Texas?

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the rule, the gentleman from Massachusetts is recognized for 5 minutes in support of his motion.

Mr. MOULTON. Madam Speaker, this is the final amendment to the bill, which will not kill the bill or send it back to committee. If adopted, the bill will immediately proceed to final passage as amended.

From Paris to Boston, New York to London, we have seen in recent weeks and years that the threat of terrorism in our world remains constant. All Americans must remain vigilant, and this Congress must do everything in its power to prevent another terrorist attack.

History shows that leveraging America's economic strength is one of our Nation's best tools to combat the scourge of terrorism. We have forced rogue regimes like Iran to the negotiating table with strong economic sanctions. We have punished bad actors in Russia and North Korea by cutting off their access to global financial markets. And we ought to ensure that no one convicted of aiding and abetting terrorists, or state sponsors of terror, can take advantage of our financial system.

That is what my amendment does. It simply makes clear that no one who has been convicted of providing assistance, either directly or indirectly, to a terrorist organization or a state sponsor of terrorism can make use of the exemptions in the underlying bill.

The bill before us today is complex. It is a complex piece of legislation that includes measures that previously passed this House with large bipartisan support as well as other more controversial provisions.

The American people did not send us to Congress to find areas where we dis-

agree. Our constituents sent us to Congress to get things done for all Americans. We could have moved forward today with a legislative package that includes commonsense reforms that protect consumers and create the conditions for economic growth. Reasonable people may disagree on the merits of this bill, but we should all be able to agree that those who support terrorists and state sponsors of terrorism should never use our financial system to their benefit. My amendment prevents this from happening.

I urge a “yes” vote on the motion to recommit, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, I rise in opposition to the motion to recommit.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from Texas is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. HENSARLING. Madam Speaker, I listened carefully to the motion to recommit. I suppose I have some good news for the gentleman who offered it, and that is there are numerous bad actor provisions already within our Federal securities law. So, with the possible exception of the unconstitutional power grab of our President in granting amnesty and possibly allowing new bad actors to enter our country, I think that the motion to recommit is probably largely irrelevant.

Let's get down to the substance of the matter, and that is, Madam Speaker, here is an idea that is worthy of the American people. That idea is: Why don't we work on a bipartisan basis to promote job creation and reduce small business burdens?

That is exactly what H.R. 37 does. We all know it is a rollup of 11 simple, modest bills, all of which have passed this body with huge, huge bipartisan support. H.R. 634 passed 411-12; H.R. 5471 passed by voice vote; H.R. 801 passed 417-4; H.R. 2274, 422-0, Madam Speaker.

So this passed in the last Congress. Unfortunately, Senator REID didn't take it up. Maybe one of the reasons that his party lost the last election is because of the obstruction that the former Senate majority leader imposed on the American people.

Last week, it came within a dozen votes of passing. It would have passed, Madam Speaker, but so many of my friends on the other side of the aisle apparently were for it before they were against it, and they changed their vote. So why the change of heart? Madam Speaker, there was a change of heart because the left hand doesn't know what the far left hand is doing.

Three of these bills represent very modest clarifications or modifications of the 2,000-page Dodd-Frank Act. And to the ultraleft, the ultraliberal friends, Dodd-Frank is no longer policy. It is no longer philosophy. It is an article of religious faith. It is sacred text. It was chiseled in stone. It came down from Mount Sinai.

Meanwhile, the community banks and the Main Street businesses that

are trying to put America back to work are suffering under the sheer weight, load, volume, complexity, and cost of the regulatory burden that has been imposed by our friends on the left.

The left aims their rhetoric at Wall Street, but they vote against Main Street. The hardworking American families and those who want to work become collateral damage. Main Street doesn't want to occupy Wall Street; they just want to quit bailing it out. And that is what we need to do, Madam Speaker.

So it is time to get America back to work. It is time to work on a bipartisan basis. It is time to grow this economy from Main Street up, not Washington down. Reject the MTR. Vote in favor of promoting job creation and reducing small business burdens.

I yield back the balance of my time.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the motion to recommit.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion to recommit.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. MOULTON. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XX, this 5-minute vote on the motion to recommit will be followed by a 5-minute vote on passage of the bill, if ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 183, noes 242, not voting 8, as follows:

[Roll No. 36]

AYES—183

Adams	Crowley	Hinojosa
Aguiar	Cuellar	Honda
Ashford	Cummings	Hoyer
Bass	Davis (CA)	Israel
Beatty	Davis, Danny	Jackson Lee
Becerra	DeFazio	Jeffries
Bera	DeGette	Johnson (GA)
Beyer	Delaney	Johnson, E. B.
Bishop (GA)	DeLauro	Jones
Blumenauer	DelBene	Kaptur
Bonamici	DeSaulnier	Keating
Boyle (PA)	Deutch	Kelly (IL)
Brady (PA)	Dingell	Kennedy
Brown (FL)	Doggett	Kildee
Brownley (CA)	Doyle (PA)	Kilmer
Bustos	Edwards	Kind
Butterfield	Ellison	Kirkpatrick
Capps	Engel	Kuster
Capuano	Eshoo	Langevin
Cárdenas	Esty	Larsen (WA)
Carney	Farr	Larson (CT)
Carson (IN)	Fattah	Lawrence
Cartwright	Foster	Lee
Castor (FL)	Frankel (FL)	Levin
Castro (TX)	Fudge	Lewis
Chu (CA)	Gabbard	Lieu (CA)
Cicilline	Galleo	Lipinski
Clark (MA)	Graham	Lofgren
Clarke (NY)	Grayson	Fleming
Clay	Green, Al	Lowe
Cleaver	Green, Gene	Lujan Grisham
Clyburn	Grijalva	(NM)
Cohen	Gutiérrez	Luján, Ben Ray
Connolly	Hahn	(NM)
Conyers	Hastings	Lynch
Cooper	Heck (WA)	Maloney,
Costa	Higgins	Carolyn
Courtney	Himes	Maloney, Sean

Matsui	Price (NC)	Speier	Turner	Weber (TX)	Womack
McCollum	Quigley	Swalwell (CA)	Upton	Webster (FL)	Woodall
McDermott	Rangel	Takai	Valadao	Wenstrup	Yoder
McGovern	Rice (NY)	Takano	Wagner	Westerman	Yoho
McNerney	Richmond	Thompson (CA)	Walberg	Westmoreland	Young (AK)
Meeks	Roybal-Allard	Thompson (MS)	Walden	Whitfield	Young (IA)
Meng	Ruiz	Titus	Walker	Williams	Young (IN)
Moore	Ruppersberger	Tonko	Walorski	Wilson (SC)	Zeldin
Moulton	Rush	Torres	Walters, Mimi	Wittman	Zinke
Murphy (FL)	Sánchez, Linda T.	TSongas			
Nadler	Sanchez, Loretta	Van Hollen			
Napolitano	Sarbanes	Vargas	Bishop (UT)	Huffman	Peterson
Neal	Schakowsky	Veasey	Duckworth	Loeb sack	Ryan (OH)
Nolan	Schiff	Vela	Garamendi	Nunnelee	
Norcross	Schradler	Velázquez			
O'Rourke	Scott (VA)	Visclosky			
Pallone	Scott, David	Walz			
Pascrell	Serrano	Wasserman			
Payne	Sewell (AL)	Schultz			
Pelosi	Sherman	Waters, Maxine			
Perlmutter	Sinema	Watson Coleman			
Peters	Sires	Welch			
Pingree	Slaughter	Wilson (FL)			
Pocan	Smith (WA)	Yarmuth			
Polis					

NOES—242

Abraham	Gohmert	Mica
Aderholt	Goodlatte	Miller (FL)
Allen	Gosar	Miller (MI)
Amash	Gowdy	Moolenaar
Amodei	Granger	Mooney (WV)
Babin	Graves (GA)	Mullin
Barletta	Graves (LA)	Mulvaney
Barr	Graves (MO)	Murphy (PA)
Barton	Griffith	Neugebauer
Benishek	Grothman	Newhouse
Bilirakis	Guinta	Noem
Bishop (MI)	Guthrie	Nugent
Black	Hanna	Nunes
Blackburn	Hardy	Olson
Blum	Harper	Palazzo
Bost	Harris	Palmer
Boustany	Hartzler	Paulsen
Brady (TX)	Heck (NV)	Pearce
Brat	Hensarling	Perry
Bridenstine	Herrera Beutler	Pittenger
Brooks (AL)	Hice (GA)	Pitts
Brooks (IN)	Hill	Poe (TX)
Buchanan	Holding	Poliquin
Buck	Hudson	Pompeo
Bucshon	Huelskamp	Posey
Burgess	Huizenga (MI)	Price (GA)
Byrne	Hultgren	Ratcliffe
Calvert	Hunter	Reed
Carter (GA)	Hurd (TX)	Reichert
Carter (TX)	Hurt (VA)	Renacci
Chabot	Issa	Ribble
Chaffetz	Jenkins (KS)	Rice (SC)
Clawson (FL)	Jenkins (WV)	Rigell
Coffman	Johnson (OH)	Roby
Cole	Johnson, Sam	Roe (TN)
Collins (GA)	Jolly	Rogers (AL)
Collins (NY)	Jordan	Rogers (KY)
Comstock	Joyce	Rohrabacher
Conaway	Katko	Rokita
Cook	Kelly (PA)	Rooney (FL)
Costello (PA)	King (IA)	Ros-Lehtinen
Cramer	King (NY)	Roskam
Crawford	Kinzinger (IL)	Ross
Crenshaw	Kline	Rothfus
Culberson	Knight	Rouzer
Curbelo (FL)	Labrador	Royce
Davis, Rodney	LaMalfa	Russell
Lamborn	Lance	Ryan (WI)
Lance	Latta	Salmon
Latta	LoBiondo	Sanford
LoBiondo	Long	Scalise
Long	Loudermilk	Schock
Loudermilk	Love	Schweikert
Lucas	Lucas	Scott, Austin
Lummis	Luetkemeyer	Sensenbrenner
Lummis	Lummis	Sessions
MacArthur	MacArthur	Shimkus
Maloney, Sean	Marino	Shuster
Marchant	Marino	Simpson
Marino	Massie	Smith (MO)
Massie	McCarthy	Smith (NE)
McCarthy	McCaul	Smith (NJ)
McClintock	McClintock	Smith (TX)
McHenry	McClintock	Stefanik
McKinley	McHenry	Stewart
McMorris	McKinley	Stivers
McMorris	McMorris	Stutzman
Rodgers	McMorris	Thompson (PA)
Rodgers	McMorris	Thornberry
McSally	McSally	Tiberi
Meadows	Meadows	Tipton
Meehan	Meehan	Trott
Messer	Messer	

Turner	Weber (TX)	Womack
Upton	Webster (FL)	Woodall
Valadao	Wenstrup	Yoder
Wagner	Westerman	Yoho
Walberg	Westmoreland	Young (AK)
Walden	Whitfield	Young (IA)
Walker	Williams	Young (IN)
Walorski	Wilson (SC)	Zeldin
Walters, Mimi	Wittman	Zinke

NOT VOTING—8

Bishop (UT)	Huffman	Peterson
Duckworth	Loeb sack	Ryan (OH)
Garamendi	Nunnelee	

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So the motion to recommit was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the passage of the bill.

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

RECORDED VOTE

Ms. MAXINE WATERS of California. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 271, noes 154, not voting 8, as follows:

[Roll No. 37]

AYES—271

Abraham	Davis, Rodney	Huelskamp
Aderholt	Delaney	Huizenga (MI)
Allen	Denham	Hultgren
Amash	Dent	Hunter
Amodei	DeSantis	Hurd (TX)
Ashford	DesJarlais	Hurt (VA)
Babin	Diaz-Balart	Issa
Barletta	Dold	Jenkins (KS)
Barr	Duffy	Jenkins (WV)
Barton	Duncan (SC)	Johnson (OH)
Benishek	Duncan (TN)	Johnson, Sam
Bera	Ellmers	Jolly
Beyer	Emmer	Jordan
Bilirakis	Farenthold	Joyce
Bishop (GA)	Fincher	Katko
Bishop (MI)	Fitzpatrick	Kelly (PA)
Bishop (UT)	Fleischmann	Kilmer
Black	Fleming	Kind
Blackburn	Flores	King (IA)
Blum	Forbes	King (NY)
Bost	Fortenberry	Kinzinger (IL)
Boustany	Foster	Kline
Brady (TX)	Fox	Knight
Brat	Franks (AZ)	Labrador
Bridenstine	Frelinghuysen	LaMalfa
Brooks (AL)	Garrett	Lamborn
Brooks (IN)	Gibbs	Lance
Brownley (CA)	Gibson	Larsen (WA)
Buchanan	Gohmert	Latta
Buck	Goodlatte	Lipinski
Bucshon	Gosar	LoBiondo
Burgess	Gowdy	Long
Bustos	Graham	Loudermilk
Byrne	Granger	Love
Calvert	Graves (GA)	Lucas
Carney	Graves (LA)	Luetkemeyer
Carter (GA)	Graves (MO)	Lummis
Carter (TX)	Griffith	MacArthur
Chabot	Grothman	Maloney, Sean
Chaffetz	Guinta	Marchant
Clawson (FL)	Guthrie	Marino
Coffman	Hanna	Massie
Cole	Hardy	McCarthy
Collins (GA)	Harper	McCaul
Collins (NY)	Harris	McClintock
Comstock	Hartzler	McHenry
Conaway	Heck (NV)	McKinley
Connolly	Hensarling	McMorris
Cook	Herrera Beutler	Rodgers
Costello (PA)	Hice (GA)	McSally
Cramer	Higgins	Meadows
Crawford	Hill	Meehan
Crenshaw	Himes	Messer
Cuellar	Holding	Mica
Culberson	Hudson	Miller (FL)

Miller (MI)  
Moolenaar  
Mooney (WV)  
Mullin  
Mulvaney  
Murphy (FL)  
Murphy (PA)  
Neugebauer  
Newhouse  
Noem  
Nugent  
Nunes  
Olson  
Palazzo  
Palmer  
Paulsen  
Pearce  
Perry  
Peters  
Pittenger  
Pitts  
Poe (TX)  
Poliquin  
Polis  
Pompeo  
Posey  
Price (GA)  
Quigley  
Ratcliffe  
Reed  
Reichert  
Renacci  
Ribble  
Rice (SC)  
Rigell  
Robby

Roe (TN)  
Rogers (AL)  
Rogers (KY)  
Rohrabacher  
Rokita  
Rooney (FL)  
Ros-Lehtinen  
Roskam  
Ross  
Rothfus  
Rouzer  
Royce  
Ruiz  
Russell  
Ryan (WI)  
Salmon  
Sanford  
Scalise  
Schock  
Schrader  
Schweikert  
Scott, Austin  
Scott, David  
Sensenbrenner  
Sessions  
Sewell (AL)  
Shinkus  
Shuster  
Simpson  
Sinema  
Sires  
Smith (MO)  
Smith (NE)  
Smith (NJ)  
Smith (TX)  
Stefanik

Stewart  
Stivers  
Stutzman  
Thompson (PA)  
Thornberry  
Tiberi  
Tipton  
Trott  
Turner  
Upton  
Valadao  
Wagner  
Walberg  
Walden  
Walker  
Walorski  
Walters, Mimi  
Weber (TX)  
Webster (FL)  
Wenstrup  
Westerman  
Westmoreland  
Whitfield  
Williams  
Wilson (SC)  
Wittman  
Womack  
Woodall  
Yoder  
Yoho  
Young (AK)  
Young (IA)  
Young (IN)  
Zeldin  
Zinke

NOES—154

Adams  
Aguilar  
Bass  
Beatty  
Becerra  
Blumenauer  
Bonamici  
Boyle (PA)  
Brady (PA)  
Brown (FL)  
Butterfield  
Capps  
Capuano  
Cárdenas  
Carson (IN)  
Cartwright  
Castor (FL)  
Castro (TX)  
Chu (CA)  
Cicilline  
Clark (MA)  
Clarke (NY)  
Clay  
Cleaver  
Clyburn  
Cohen  
Conyers  
Cooper  
Costa  
Courtney  
Crowley  
Cummings  
Davis (CA)  
Davis, Danny  
DeFazio  
DeGette  
DeLauro  
DelBene  
DeSaulnier  
Deutch  
Dingell  
Doggett  
Doyle (PA)  
Edwards  
Ellison  
Engel  
Eshoo  
Esty  
Farr  
Fattah  
Frankel (FL)  
Fudge  
Gabbard

Gallego  
Grayson  
Green, Al  
Green, Gene  
Grijalva  
Gutiérrez  
Hahn  
Hastings  
Heck (WA)  
Hinojosa  
Honda  
Hoyer  
Israel  
Jackson Lee  
Jeffries  
Johnson (GA)  
Johnson, E. B.  
Jones  
Kaptur  
Keating  
Kelly (IL)  
Kennedy  
Kildee  
Kirkpatrick  
Kuster  
Langevin  
Larson (CT)  
Lawrence  
Lee  
Levin  
Lewis  
Lieu (CA)  
Lofgren  
Lowenthal  
Lowe  
Lujan Grisham (NM)  
Luján, Ben Ray (NM)  
Lynch  
Maloney  
Carolyn  
Matsui  
McCollum  
McDermott  
McGovern  
McNerney  
Meeks  
Meng  
Moore  
Moulton  
Nadler  
Napolitano

Neal  
Nolan  
Norcross  
O'Rourke  
Pallone  
Pascarell  
Payne  
Pelosi  
Perlmutter  
Pingree  
Pocan  
Price (NC)  
Rangel  
Rice (NY)  
Richmond  
Roybal-Allard  
Ruppersberger  
Rush  
Sánchez, Linda  
T.  
Sanchez, Loretta  
Sarbanes  
Schakowsky  
Schiff  
Scott (VA)  
Serrano  
Sherman  
Slaughter  
Smith (WA)  
Speier  
Swalwell (CA)  
Takai  
Takano  
Thompson (CA)  
Thompson (MS)  
Titus  
Tonko  
Torres  
Tsongas  
Van Hollen  
Vargas  
Veasey  
Vela  
Velázquez  
Visclosky  
Walz  
Wasserman  
Schultz  
Waters, Maxine  
Watson Coleman  
Welch  
Wilson (FL)  
Yarmuth

NOT VOTING—8

Curbelo (FL)  
Duckworth  
Garamendi

Huffman  
Loebsock  
Nunnelee

Peterson  
Ryan (OH)

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So the 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. CURBELO of Florida. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 37, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

make the determinations required under Rule VIII.

Sincerely,

CONNIE HAIR,

Chief of Staff for the Hon. Louie Gohmert.

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ADJOURNMENT TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2015

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. on Friday, January 16, 2015, and, further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January 20, 2015, when it shall convene at noon for morning-hour debate and 2 p.m. for legislative business.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Tennessee?

There was no objection.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

(Mrs. BLACK asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Mrs. BLACK. Mr. Speaker, last year, I promised my constituents that, in the new year, we would bring the fight on illegal immigration and act to restore the separation of powers that was upended by President Obama's lawless overreach, and I meant it. That is why I proudly voted for the Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act and the attached amendments.

This bill is simple. It fully funds—yes, it fully funds—the DHS while ensuring that no dollars are made available for the President's executive amnesty.

I am especially pleased that this measure contained key provisions of my bill, the Immigration Compliance Enforcement Act, which will defund the Obama administration's "public advocate" to lobby on behalf of illegal immigrants.

Mr. Speaker, we still have three coequal branches of government, and when the President oversteps his bounds, we are compelled to respond.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will remind Members to refrain from engaging in personalities toward the President.

TRADE

(Mrs. DINGELL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. DINGELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise this afternoon regarding Fast Track authorization.

There are many reasons to oppose Fast Track, but the first and foremost is that Fast Track is an abdication of Congress' fundamental responsibilities.

The Constitution authorizes the Congress, not the executive branch, to regulate commerce between nations. This

COMMUNICATION FROM THE HONORABLE MICHAEL P. MILLS, UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. EMMER) laid before the House the following communication from the Honorable Michael P. Mills, United States District Court, Northern District of Mississippi:

U.S. DISTRICT COURT, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI, Oxford, MS, January 13, 2015.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER, The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: On January 7, 2015, you designated me to administer the oath of office to Representative-elect Alan Nunnelee of the First District of the State of Mississippi under House Resolution 20, One Hundred Fourteenth Congress.

Under such designation, I have the honor to report that on January 12, 2015 at Tupelo, Mississippi, I administered the oath of office to Mr. Nunnelee. Mr. Nunnelee took the oath prescribed by 5 U.S.C. 3331. I have sent two copies of the oath, signed by Mr. Nunnelee, to the Clerk of the House.

With kindest personal regards, I remain Sincerely yours,

MICHAEL P. MILLS.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 5(d) of rule XX, the Chair announces to the House that, in light of the administration of the oath to the gentleman from Mississippi (Mr. NUNNELEE), the whole number of the House is now 434.

COMMUNICATION FROM CHIEF OF STAFF, THE HONORABLE LOUIE GOHMERT, MEMBER OF CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from Connie Hair, Chief of Staff, the Honorable LOUIE GOHMERT, Member of Congress:

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Washington, DC, January 12, 2015.

Hon. JOHN A. BOEHNER, The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: This is to notify you formally, pursuant to Rule VIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, that I have received a grand jury subpoena, issued by the United States District Court for the Northern District of Georgia, for testimony and documents.

After consultation with the Office of General Counsel regarding the subpoena, I will