

Gutknecht	McCarthy (MO)	Salmon
Hall (OH)	McCarthy (NY)	Sanchez
Hall (TX)	McCollum	Sanders
Hansen	McCrery	Sandlin
Hastert	McGovern	Sanford
Hastings (WA)	McHugh	Sawyer
Hayes	McInnis	Saxton
Hayworth	McIntosh	Schaffer
Hefley	McIntyre	Schakowsky
Heger	McKeon	Scott
Hill (IN)	McKinney	Sensenbrenner
Hill (MT)	McNulty	Serrano
Hillery	Meehan	Sessions
Hilliard	Meeks (NY)	Shadegg
Hinche	Menendez	Shaw
Hinojosa	Metcalf	Shays
Hobson	Mica	Sherman
Hoeffel	Millender-	Sherwood
Hoekstra	McDonald	Shimkus
Holden	Miller (FL)	Shows
Holt	Miller, Gary	Shuster
Hooley	Miller, George	Simpson
Horn	Minge	Sisisky
Hostettler	Mink	Skeen
Houghton	Moakley	Skelton
Hoyer	Mollohan	Slaughter
Hulshof	Moore	Smith (MI)
Hunter	Moran (KS)	Smith (NJ)
Hutchinson	Moran (VA)	Smith (TX)
Hyde	Morella	Smith (WA)
Inslee	Murtha	Snyder
Isakson	Myrick	Souder
Istook	Nadler	Spence
Jackson (IL)	Napolitano	Spratt
Jackson-Lee	Neal	Stabenow
(TX)	Nethercutt	Stearns
Jefferson	Ney	Stenholm
Jenkins	Northup	Strickland
John	Nussle	Stump
Johnson (CT)	Oberstar	Stupak
Johnson, E.B.	Obey	Sununu
Johnson, Sam	Oliver	Talent
Jones (NC)	Ortiz	Tancredo
Jones (OH)	Ose	Tanner
Kanjorski	Owens	Tauscher
Kaptur	Oxley	Tauzin
Kelly	Packard	Taylor (MS)
Kennedy	Pallone	Taylor (NC)
Kildee	Pascrell	Terry
Kilpatrick	Pastor	Thomas
Kind (WI)	Payne	Thompson (CA)
King (NY)	Pease	Thompson (MS)
Kingston	Pelosi	Thornberry
Klecza	Peterson (MN)	Thune
Klink	Peterson (PA)	Tiahrt
Knollenberg	Petri	Tierney
Kolbe	Phelps	Toomey
Kucinich	Pickering	Towns
Kuykendall	Pickett	Trafficant
LaFalce	Pitts	Turner
LaHood	Pombo	Udall (CO)
Lampson	Pomeroy	Udall (NM)
Lantos	Porter	Upton
Largent	Portman	Velazquez
Larson	Price (NC)	Vento
Latham	Pryce (OH)	Visclosky
LaTourette	Quinn	Vitter
Lazio	Radanovich	Walden
Leach	Rahall	Walsh
Lee	Ramstad	Wamp
Levin	Rangel	Waters
Lewis (CA)	Regula	Watkins
Lewis (GA)	Reyes	Watt (NC)
Lewis (KY)	Reynolds	Watts (OK)
Linder	Riley	Waxman
Lipinski	Rivers	Weiner
LoBiondo	Rodriguez	Weldon (FL)
Lofgren	Roemer	Weldon (PA)
Lowey	Rogan	Weller
Lucas (KY)	Rogers	Wexler
Lucas (OK)	Rohrabacher	Whitfield
Luther	Ros-Lehtinen	Wicker
Maloney (CT)	Rothman	Wilson
Maloney (NY)	Roukema	Wolf
Manzullo	Roybal-Allard	Woolsey
Markey	Rush	Wu
Martinez	Ryan (WI)	Wynn
Mascara	Ryun (KS)	Young (AK)
Matsui	Sabo	Young (FL)

NAYS—4

Norwood	Royce
Paul	Stark

NOT VOTING—13

Brown (CA)	Kasich	Thurman
Chenoweth	McDermott	Weygand
Combest	Meek (FL)	Wise
Gejdenson	Scarborough	
Hastings (FL)	Sweeney	

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Ms. BALDWIN changed her vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. WEYGAND. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably absent on Monday and earlier today due to the death of my uncle. Had I been here on Monday, I would have voted “yes” on roll-call votes 278 and 279. Today, I would have voted “yes” on rollcall 280.

□ 1515

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the bill (H.R. 2466) making appropriations for the Department of Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Ohio?

There was no objection.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 243 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 2466.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2466) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, with Mr. LATOURETTE in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered as having been read the first time.

Under the rule, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. REGULA) and the gentleman from Washington (Mr. DICKS) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. REGULA).

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Chairman, for those who might not have noticed, this is Ohio day, both from the standpoint of the chairman of the two Appropriations bills being considered today and of the gentleman from Ohio presiding this afternoon.

Mr. Chairman, first of all, I want to pay a compliment to my ranking member, the gentleman from Washington (Mr. DICKS). This is his first year of being the Ranking Member on the subcommittee, and he has been a partner. We have worked together on the things in this bill in a nonpartisan way. I think it is fair, and I think a lot of this is thanks to the contributions that the gentleman from Washington (Mr. Dicks) made and also the staff, both his staff and the staff of the subcommittee. It has been a real pleasure to work with the gentleman from Washington on this bill.

Mr. Chairman, today I would ask Members in their mind’s eye to fast forward to the year 2049, 50 years from now, because their actions and votes on this bill will be the America we leave to our children and grandchildren.

We have to ask ourselves some questions: Will it be an America free from the scars of resource exploitation? We have put an extra \$11 million for the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund to avoid that problem.

Will it be an Everglades fully watered and with its unique ecology preserved and enhanced? Again, when it is all said and done, we will have spent about \$10 billion of U.S. taxpayer dollars to take care of the Everglades. If Members read the language in the bill, they will see we are making a point that we want to ensure that there is an adequate water supply, not just now but 50 years from now.

Will it be a Nation with clean air, clean water, with rivers that we point to with pride? Will there be 629 million acres of forests, parks, fish and wildlife facilities and grazing lands, with beautiful vistas, with unique ecological wonders?

Will there be an Smithsonian that continues to tell the unique story of our Nation’s heritage? Will there be a Kennedy Center that continues to excite millions of visitors with a wide range of artistic opportunities? Will there be a Holocaust Museum that continues to remind Americans and people from many nations that this tragedy shall never happen again? Will there be a National Gallery Of Art and Sculpture Garden that shares the treasures of many nations in addition to our own?

Will there be new sources of energy that foster a livable society with a prosperous economy? Will we be a Nation that respects its arts and its humanities?

Members get to answer those questions today by giving a resounding vote