

Levin	Oberstar	Skelton
Lewis (GA)	Obey	Slaughter
Lipinski	Oliver	Smith (WA)
Lofgren	Ortiz	Snyder
Lowey	Owens	Spratt
Lucas (KY)	Pallone	Stabenow
Luther	Pascrell	Stark
Maloney (CT)	Pastor	Stenholm
Maloney (NY)	Payne	Strickland
Markey	Pelosi	Stupak
Martinez	Peterson (MN)	Tanner
Mascara	Phelps	Tauscher
Matsui	Pickett	Taylor (MS)
McCarthy (MO)	Pomeroy	Thompson (CA)
McCarthy (NY)	Price (NC)	Thompson (MS)
McGovern	Rahall	Thurman
McIntyre	Rangel	Tierney
McKinney	Reyes	Towns
McNulty	Rivers	Trafciant
Meehan	Rodriguez	Turner
Meek (FL)	Roemer	Udall (CO)
Meeks (NY)	Rothman	Udall (NM)
Menendez	Roybal-Allard	Velazquez
Millender-	Rush	Vento
McDonald	Sabo	Visclosky
Miller, George	Sanchez	Waters
Minge	Sanders	Watt (NC)
Mink	Sandlin	Waxman
Moakley	Sawyer	Weiner
Moore	Schakowsky	Wexler
Moran (VA)	Scott	Weygand
Murtha	Serrano	Wise
Nadler	Sherman	Woolsey
Napolitano	Shows	Wu
Neal	Sisisky	Wynn

## NOT VOTING—8

Bilbray	Leach	Mollohan
Clay	Linder	Peterson (PA)
Lantos	McDermott	

□ 2318

Mr. LEWIS of Georgia, Mr. BLUMENAUER and Ms. PELOSI changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

Mr. EVERETT and Mr. THOMAS changed their vote from “nay” to “yea.”

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

□ 2320

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. QUINN). The question is on the resolution.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER  
PRO TEMPORE REGARDING MOTION TO INSTRUCT ON H.R. 1905, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair announces that with the filing of the conference report on the bill (H.R. 1905) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, proceedings will not resume on the motion to instruct conferees considered last evening on which further proceedings had been postponed.

## GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the conference report to accompany H.R. 1905, 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 North Carolina?

There was no objection.

CONFERENCE REPORT ON H.R. 1905,  
LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the previous order of the House, I call up the conference report on the bill (H.R. 1905) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of today, the conference report is considered read.

(For conference report and statement, see prior proceedings of the House of today.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. TAYLOR) and the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. PASTOR) each will control 10 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North Carolina (Mr. TAYLOR).

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, it is a pleasure to present the conference report on the FY 2000 Legislative Branch Appropriations bill, H.R. 1905. I would like to thank the gentleman from Arizona (Mr. PASTOR), our ranking member, all members of the committee and our staff for the work they have done on this.

Mr. Speaker, I would like to summarize the conference report by pointing out that the \$2.4 billion in new budget authority to the Congress and support agencies and offices of the legislative branch, this is \$165 million below the amount requested in the President's budget. Our bill is 6.3 percent below the President's request. It is 4.8 percent below the amount that was appropriated last year. It is almost 6 percent below the amount appropriated in 1995. We have also declined the number of FTEs almost 16 percent, almost 4,400 fewer jobs than we had 5 years ago. This has been hard work. We owe our predecessors a lot of the credit, but this committee has done well.

In summary, the bill I think has reduced this area of government, but it is adequate for our purposes. I urge the adoption of the conference report.

Mr. Speaker, I include the following for the RECORD.