all missing persons. This critical legislation will require all law enforcement agencies to cross reference missing person files with unidentified persons in their jurisdiction. If they will ever see their loved ones again. I believe the Jennifer’s Law Act will provide the opportunity for many of these families to find peace of mind and closure to their unfortunate tragedies.

Mr. Speaker, I would also like to express my gratitude to the Wilmer family who have tirelessly transformed their personal grief into political action by committing themselves to helping other families with missing loved ones. They established “Finding Our Children Under Stress” FOCUS, an organization dedicated to supporting families in distress and promoting state and federal legislation to improve methods of locating missing persons.

Mr. Speaker, as an original cosponsor of this important legislation, I wholeheartedly urge my colleagues to support this crucial legislation today. Jennifer’s Law Act is a step in the right direction that will help more and more American families locate their loved ones and I strongly urge its adoption.

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise to strongly support the H.R. 1915 that would Improve Reporting of Unidentified & Missing Persons.

Aply nicknamed “Jennifer’s Law,” this bill will provide much needed assistance to the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) and will help ease the pain of families who anxiously await information on their loved ones. In California alone, there are over 25,000 missing person files, and only some 1,800 unidentified persons files. While Christina Williams was found close to home which made identification easier, there are thousands of families in California who teeter on the edge of the chasm of hope and despair who will benefit from passage of H.R. 1915.

I urge my colleagues to pass H.R. 1915 in memory of Christina Williams.

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. LAMPSON. Mr. Speaker, again I congratulate the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO) on the good work that he has done on this bill because it will make a difference for people like Susan Wilmer, the mother of Jennifer. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PETRI). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York (Mr. LAZIO) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 1915.

The question was taken.

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays.

The yeas and nays were ordered. The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Chair will now put the question on approval of the Journal and then on each motion to suspend the rules on which further proceedings were postponed earlier today in the order in which that motion was entertained.

VOTES WILL BE TAKEN IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER:

Approval of the Journal, de novo:
H.R. 435, concurring in Senate amendment, by the yeas and nays; H.R. 1915, by the yeas and nays.

The Chair will reduce to 5 minutes the time for any electronic vote after the second such vote in this series.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. LAZIO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill, H.R. 1915.

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

There was no objection.

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ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. Ewing) at 6 o’clock and 2 minutes p.m.

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proceeding on the motion will be postponed.

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THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the pending business is the question de novo of the Speaker pro tempore’s approval of the Journal of the last day’s proceedings.

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

Mr. FOSSELLA. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 325, nays 42, answered “present” 3, not voting 63, as follows:

[Roll No. 167]

YEAS—325

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Abercrombie
Allen
Armey
Bakos
Bartlet
Baldacci
Baldwin

Ballenger
Bartica
Barr
Barrett (NY)
Barrett (WI)
Bartlett
Barton
Bass

Bentsen
Berreuter
Berkeley
Berry
Bigger
Bilirakis
Bishop
Blagojevich
Mr. TERRY changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

MISCELLANEOUS TRADE AND TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS ACT OF 1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. EWING). The pending business is the question of suspending the rules and concurred in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 435.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Washington (Ms. DUNN) that the House suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill, H.R. 435, on which the yeas and nays are ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 375, nays 1, not voting 57, as follows:

**[Roll No. 168]**

**YEAS—375**

**NAYS—42**

ANSWERED "PRESENT"—3