

Ms. SOLIS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to applaud the conferees for their work on the Aviation Security conference report.

This conference report will provide the government with the ability to fully protect our citizens from another horrible attack such as the ones that occurred on September 11.

I especially want to applaud the successful efforts of the conferees in both Houses to remove the "Super-citizenship" clause that was present in the Senate bill.

Many of us in Congress and in minority communities throughout the country were very concerned about that provision because it allowed naturalized citizens to be treated differently than natural-born citizens.

Had the "Super-citizenship" provision been enacted, it would have set the first precedent for further restrictions on a portion of our U.S. citizenry.

I and many others are comforted by the fact that the conference took a fair and just stance on this issue.

I do have to acknowledge, though, that thousands of Legal Permanent Residents will lose their jobs as a result of this legislation.

This is yet another strong argument for worker relief.

We cannot purposely take jobs away from hard-working, tax-paying individuals without offering them assistance.

I hope my colleagues will join me in efforts to address the needs of screeners who, through no fault of their own, will soon be standing in the unemployment line.

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

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, the previous question is ordered on the conference report.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the conference report.

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

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

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 410, nays 9, not voting 14, as follows:

[Roll No. 448]

YEAS—410

Abercrombie	Bass	Boswell
Ackerman	Becerra	Boucher
Aderholt	Bentsen	Boyd
Akin	Bereuter	Brady (PA)
Allen	Berkley	Brown (FL)
Andrews	Berman	Brown (OH)
Armedy	Berry	Brown (SC)
Baca	Biggart	Bryant
Bachus	Bilirakis	Burr
Baird	Bishop	Burton
Baker	Blagojevich	Buyer
Baldacci	Blumenauer	Callahan
Baldwin	Blunt	Calvert
Ballenger	Boehert	Camp
Barr	Boehner	Cannon
Barrett	Bonilla	Cantor
Bartlett	Bonior	Capito
Barton	Borski	Capps

Capuano	Hart	McInnis
Cardin	Hastert	McIntyre
Carson (IN)	Hastings (WA)	McKeon
Carson (OK)	Hayes	McKinney
Castle	Hayworth	McNulty
Chabot	Hefley	Meek (FL)
Chambliss	Herger	Menendez
Clay	Hill	Mica
Clayton	Hilleary	Millender-
Clement	Hilliard	McDonald
Clyburn	Hinchee	Miller, Dan
Combest	Hobson	Miller, Gary
Condit	Hoefel	Miller, George
Conyers	Hoekstra	Miller, Jeff
Cooksey	Holden	Mink
Costello	Holt	Moore
Cox	Honda	Moran (KS)
Coyne	Hooley	Moran (VA)
Cramer	Horn	Morella
Crane	Hostettler	Murtha
Crenshaw	Houghton	Myrick
Crowley	Hoyer	Nadler
Cubin	Hulshof	Napolitano
Culberson	Hunter	Neal
Cummings	Hyde	Nethercutt
Cunningham	Insee	Ney
Davis (CA)	Isakson	Northup
Davis (FL)	Israel	Norwood
Davis (IL)	Issa	Nussle
Davis, Jo Ann	Istook	Oberstar
Davis, Tom	Jackson (IL)	Obey
Deal	Jackson-Lee	Olver
DeFazio	(TX)	Ortiz
DeGette	Jefferson	Osborne
DeLahunt	Jenkins	Ose
DeLauro	John	Otter
DeLay	Johnson (CT)	Owens
DeMint	Johnson (IL)	Oxley
Deutsch	Johnson, Sam	Pallone
Diaz-Balart	Jones (NC)	Pascrell
Dicks	Jones (OH)	Pastor
Dingell	Kanjorski	Payne
Doggett	Kaptur	Pelosi
Dooley	Keller	Pence
Doolittle	Kelly	Peterson (MN)
Doyle	Kennedy (MN)	Peterson (PA)
Dreier	Kennedy (RI)	Petri
Duncan	Kerns	Phelps
Dunn	Kildee	Pickering
Edwards	Kilpatrick	Pitts
Ehlers	Kind (WI)	Platts
Ehrlich	King (NY)	Pombo
Emerson	Kingston	Pomeroy
Engel	Kirk	Portman
English	Kleczka	Price (NC)
Eshoo	Knollenberg	Pryce (OH)
Etheridge	Kolbe	Putnam
Evans	Kucinich	Quinn
Everett	LaFalce	Radanovich
Farr	LaHood	Rahall
Fattah	Lampson	Ramstad
Ferguson	Langevin	Rangel
Filner	Largent	Regula
Fletcher	Larsen (WA)	Rehberg
Foley	Larson (CT)	Reyes
Forbes	Latham	Reynolds
Ford	LaTourette	Riley
Fossella	Leach	Rivers
Frank	Lee	Rodriguez
Frelinghuysen	Levin	Roemer
Frost	Lewis (CA)	Rogers (KY)
Gallegly	Lewis (GA)	Rogers (MI)
Ganske	Lewis (KY)	Rohrabacher
Gekas	Linder	Ross
Gephardt	Lipinski	Rothman
Gibbons	LoBiondo	Roukema
Gilchrest	Loftgren	Roybal-Allard
Gillmor	Lowey	Royce
Gilman	Lucas (KY)	Rush
Gonzalez	Lucas (OK)	Ryan (WI)
Goode	Luther	Ryun (KS)
Goodlatte	Lynch	Sabo
Gordon	Maloney (CT)	Sanchez
Goss	Maloney (NY)	Sanders
Graham	Manullo	Sandlin
Granger	Markey	Sawyer
Graves	Masara	Saxton
Green (TX)	Matheson	Schakowsky
Green (WI)	Matsui	Schiff
Greenwood	McCarthy (MO)	Schrock
Grucci	McCarthy (NY)	Scott
Gutierrez	McCollum	Sensenbrenner
Gutknecht	McCreery	Serrano
Hall (TX)	McDermott	Shaw
Hansen	McGovern	Shays
Harman	McHugh	Sherman

Sherwood	Tancredo	Walden
Shimkus	Tanner	Walsh
Shows	Tauscher	Wamp
Shuster	Tauzin	Waters
Simmons	Taylor (MS)	Watkins (OK)
Simpson	Terry	Watson (CA)
Skeen	Thomas	Watt (NC)
Skelton	Thompson (CA)	Watts (OK)
Slaughter	Thornberry	Weiner
Smith (MI)	Thune	Weldon (FL)
Smith (NJ)	Thurman	Weldon (PA)
Smith (TX)	Tiahrt	Weller
Smith (WA)	Tiberi	Wexler
Snyder	Tierney	Whitfield
Solis	Toomey	Wicker
Souder	Towns	Wilson
Spratt	Trafigant	Wolf
Stark	Turner	Woolsey
Stearns	Udall (CO)	Wu
Stenholm	Udall (NM)	Wynn
Strickland	Upton	Young (AK)
Stupak	Velázquez	Young (FL)
Sununu	Visclosky	
Sweeney	Vitter	

NAYS—9

Brady (TX)	Paul	Shadegg
Coble	Schaffer	Stump
Collins	Sessions	Taylor (NC)

NOT VOTING—14

Barcia	Hinojosa	Mollohan
Bono	Johnson, E. B.	Ros-Lehtinen
Flake	Lantos	Thompson (MS)
Hall (OH)	Meehan	Waxman
Hastings (FL)	Meeks (NY)	

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Mr. SNYDER changed his vote from "nay" to "yea."

So the conference report was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

Stated for:

Mrs. BONO. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 448 I was attending a ceremony unveiling a statue of my late husband, Sonny Bono, in Palm Springs, CA. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. FLAKE. Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained from voting on rollcall votes numbered 446, 447 and 448. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea" on rollcall vote number 446, "nay" on rollcall vote number 447 and "nay" on rollcall vote number 448.

#### FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A further message from the Senate by Mr. Monahan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agree to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendment of the House to the bill (S. 1447) "An Act to improve aviation security, and for other purposes."

#### LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM

(Mr. ARMEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ARMEY. Mr. Speaker, I take this time for the purpose of making an announcement.

Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to announce to our colleagues that, while we

have not completed all of our work for the day, we have a few things we will do by unanimous consent, we have had the last vote of the day; and indeed, we have had the last vote prior to the Thanksgiving recess work period.

I should advise, Mr. Speaker, if I may, Members that the House will be in session on Monday next for a pro forma session, but there will be no votes.

A few other pieces of information that may be of interest to our Members is that we do want to advise the body that we will hold a vote on trade promotion authority on December 6, a day that will live in infamy as the birthday of the Chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means.

Mr. Speaker, at this time, I do not believe there are any other scheduling announcements that I need to make unless the gentleman from Texas (Mr. FROST) has a question.

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. ARMEY. I yield to the gentleman from Texas.

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the gentleman from Texas (Mr. ARMEY) when he would anticipate our first vote would be when we return.

Mr. ARMEY. I thank the gentleman for that inquiry, and Mr. Speaker, Members should be advised that we will resume business requiring votes in the House on November 27, a Tuesday; and votes will commence at 6:30 that evening.

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I would ask the gentleman when he anticipates that the House will then adjourn for the year.

Mr. ARMEY. I do appreciate the gentleman's inquiry. We are working expeditiously, of course, to close out our budget year with the appropriations bill. Obviously, the defense appropriations bill will be one of the first things we act upon when we return after the Thanksgiving work recess. We have a few other conference reports to clean up on that. We also have a very important bill to stimulate the economy, a reinsurance bill, the trade bill and others; but I could only say to the gentleman we are hoping that even as we are working through this recess period in our districts to have some of that work proceed during that time and be better able to move that work along.

So at this point I can only say we are all anxious, as I am sure the other body is, to complete that work as soon as possible. What can I say? I can say I would encourage all our Members to sing with great confidence "I'll be Home for Christmas," and maybe earlier.

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I would further ask the gentleman, when we return on the 27th, will there be suspension bills that day?

Mr. ARMEY. Again, I thank the gentleman for inquiring.

Mr. Speaker, we will have a list of suspension bills. We are in the process of clearing them now; and Members will be advised of that, if not today, certainly by Monday next week in their offices.

#### ELECTION OF MEMBER TO COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT REFORM AND OVERSIGHT

Mr. FROST. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 292) and I ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration in the House.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. FOSSELLA). The Clerk will report the resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

H. RES. 292

*Resolved*, That the following named Members, be, and is hereby, elected to the following standing committee of the House of Representatives:

Committee on Government Reform: Mr. LYNCH of Massachusetts, to rank after Ms. WATSON of California.

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

There was no objection.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### CONSIDERING MEMBER AS PRIMARY SPONSOR OF H.R. 2815

Mr. ROEMER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that I may hereafter be considered as the primary sponsor of H.R. 2815, a bill originally introduced by Representative SCARBOROUGH of Florida, for the purpose of adding co-sponsors and requesting reprints under clause 7 of rule XII.

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

There was no objection.

#### SMALL BUSINESS INVESTMENT COMPANY AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2001

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to take from the Speaker's table the Senate bill (S. 1196) to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958, and for other purposes, and ask for its immediate consideration in the House.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

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

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, and I do not intend to object, I ask the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. MANZULLO) to explain his request.

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, will the gentlewoman yield?

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. I yield to the gentleman from Illinois.

Mr. MANZULLO. Mr. Speaker, the purpose is so that the 7(a) program and the 504 program, it will reduce fees in both those programs effective on October of next year; but the overall bill is important because it continues the SBIC programs going.

SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION,  
Washington, DC, November 14, 2001.

Hon. DONALD A. MANZULLO,  
Chairman, Committee on Small Business, House of Representatives, Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Congress will soon pass H.R. 2500, Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2002. As you know, under the terms of the Continuing Resolution, upon enactment of H.R. 2500 its provisions will immediately take effect. That enactment will have a significant impact upon the Small Business Investment Company (SBIC) participating securities program.

Under H.R. 2500, there is no subsidy budget authority available for the participating securities program. The Committee on Appropriations removed that funding in anticipation of legislation from the Committee on Small Business to enhance the fee structure of the participating securities program. Those legislative changes would result in a zero subsidy rate for the participating securities program. This legislation was part of the Administration's budget submission to the Congress and is supported by the SBIC industry. Unfortunately, the authorizing language has not yet passed the Congress.

Absent the authorizing language the Small Business Administration will be unable to make future commitments for participating securities leverage until the authorizing language is passed. I fear that such disruption will have a chilling effect upon private sector participation in the SBIC program. There are currently 30 participating securities license applicants awaiting approval backed by approximately \$600 million dollars in capital. This capital, enhanced by SBA's leverage, represents a significant potential investment in America's small businesses, an investment that could be negatively affected by the uncertainty of a suspension.

Mr. Chairman, the SBIC participating securities program has invested billions of dollars in small businesses and created thousands of jobs, and has the potential to create so many more. I urge you and your colleagues to work quickly to pass the requisite legislation to raise the fee structure in the participating securities program by 37.6 basis points and prevent the suspension of the program. The SBA stands ready to work with you on this legislation and help keep this program working for small business.

Sincerely,

HECTOR V. BARRETO,  
Administrator.

Ms. VELÁZQUEZ. Mr. Speaker, further reserving the right to object, I rise in support of the amendment. Earlier this week, the Commerce, Justice and State bill sent to the President failed to provide any funding for the Small Business Investment Company program, which will force its complete shutdown.

The SBIC program has been a real partner in helping America's small businesses grow both in times of economic prosperity and in times of economic slowdown. SBICs have assisted