

NOT VOTING—20

Barrett	Gaydos	Morrison
Clay	Hutto	Mrazek
Coleman (TX)	Johnson (TX)	Thomas (CA)
Dannemeyer	Kolter	Thomas (GA)
Dymally	Lantos	Waters
Edwards (CA)	Levine (CA)	Whitten
Frost	Markey	

So the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

9.8 PRIVILEGES OF THE HOUSE

Mr. LEWIS of California rose to a question of the privileges of the House and submitted the following resolution (H. Res. 341):

Resolved, That (a)(1) there is created a Select Committee to Investigate Allegations Concerning the House Post Office (hereinafter referred to as the "select committee"), to be composed of 10 members, 5 to be appointed by the Speaker and 5 by the minority leader, with each designating a cochairman from his 5 appointments. Any reference in this resolution to action taken by the cochairmen shall require the agreement of both cochairmen. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the select committee shall be filled in the same manner in which the original appointment was made.

(2) The select committee shall conduct a full and complete investigation and study, and make such findings as are warranted, respecting the following allegations and matters:

(A) Theft of Post Office moneys or property by Post Office employees.

(B) Use or distribution of illegal drugs by Post Office employees.

(C) Coverup of improper or illegal conduct of Post Office employees by their supervisors or other superiors.

(D) Conduct of Members of the House in their dealings with the Post Office.

(E) Oversight of Post Office accounts and activities by existing committees of the House or entities responsible for the same.

(F) All matters related, directly or indirectly, to subparagraphs (A) through (E).

(3) The select committee shall make recommendations to the Speaker and minority leader regarding the implementation of an improved system of oversight to prevent the repetition of improper or illegal conduct in finds.

(4) The select committee shall report to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct evidence of improper or illegal conduct it finds by any Member, officer, or employee of the House.

(b) One-third of the members of the select committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business other than the reporting of a matter, which shall require a majority of the select committee to be actually present, except that the select committee may designate a lesser number, but not less than two, as a quorum for the purpose of holding hearings to take testimony. The select committee may sit while the House is reading a measure for amendment under the five-minute rule. The rules of the House shall govern the select committee where not inconsistent with this resolution. The select committee shall adopt additional written rules, which shall be public, to govern its procedures, which shall not be inconsistent with this resolution or the rules of the House. Such rules may govern the conduct of the depositions, interviews, and hearings of the select committee, including the persons present. Such rules shall provide for the protection of classified information from unauthorized disclosure.

(c) The select committee is authorized to sit and act during the present Congress at such times and places within the United States, whether the House is in session, has recessed, or has adjourned; and to require, by subpoena or otherwise, the attendance and testimony of such witnesses, the furnishing of information by interrogatory, and the production of such books, records, correspondence, memoranda, papers, documents, vouchers, audit reports, calendars, recordings, data compilations from which information can be obtained, tangible objects, and other things and information of any kind as it deems necessary. Unless otherwise determined by the select committee, the cochairmen, or the select committee shall authorize and issue subpoenas. Subpoenas shall be issued under the seal of the House and attested by the Clerk, and may be served by any person designated by the cochairmen or any member. The select committee may request investigations, reports, and other assistance from any agency of the legislative branch of the Federal Government.

(d) The select committee shall determine a method whereby each cochairman shall preside at alternate meetings and hearings of the select committee. All meetings and hearings of the select committee shall be conducted in open session, unless a majority of members of the select committee voting, there being in attendance a majority of select committee members, vote to close a meeting or hearing.

(e) The cochairmen, may employ and fix the compensation of such clerks, experts, consultants, technicians, attorneys, investigators, and clerical and stenographic assistants as they consider necessary to carry out the purposes of this resolution. The select committee shall be deemed a committee of the House for all purposes of law. The select committee may reimburse the members of its staff for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred by them in the performance of the duties vested in the select committee, other than expenses in connection with meetings of the select committee held in the District of Columbia.

(f) Unless otherwise determined by the select committee, the cochairmen may authorize the taking of affidavits and of depositions pursuant to notice or subpoena by at least 2 Members, under oath administered by a Member or a person otherwise authorized by law to administer oaths. Depositions shall be deemed to be taken in executive session.

(g) The select committee shall be authorized to respond to any judicial or other process, or to make any applications to court, upon consultation with the Speaker consistent with rule L.

(h) The select committee shall provide other committees and Members of the House with access to information and proceedings, consistent with rule XLVIII(7)(c). However, the select committee may direct that particular matters or classes of matter shall not be made available to any person by its members, staff, or others, or may impose any other restriction.

(i) By July 1, 1992, the select committee shall report to the House the status of its investigation. With respect to this and any other report of the select committee, including its final report, which shall be reported to the House by September 1, 1992, the report may be accompanied by supplemental, additional, or minority views.

(j) The select committee shall take no action that would impede any criminal investigation or proceeding instituted by the United States Attorney General or other Federal agency or entity.

(k) At the conclusion of the existence of the select committee all records of the select committee shall become the records of the Clerk.

Mr. GEPHARDT moved to lay the resolution on the table.

The question being put, *viva voce*, Will the House lay the resolution on the table?

The SPEAKER *pro tempore*, Mr. MURTHA, announced that the yeas had it.

Mr. LEWIS of California demanded a recorded vote on laying the resolution on the table, which demand was supported by one-fifth of a quorum, so a recorded vote was ordered.

The vote was taken by electronic device.

It was decided in the affirmative { Yeas 250
Nays 161

9.9 [Roll No. 7]

AYES—250

Abercrombie	Ford (TN)	Moran
Ackerman	Frank (MA)	Murphy
Alexander	Frost	Murtha
Anderson	Cejdenson	Nagle
Andrews (ME)	Gephardt	Natcher
Andrews (NJ)	Geren	Neal (MA)
Andrews (TX)	Gibbons	Neal (NC)
Annunzio	Glickman	Nowak
Anthony	Gonzalez	Oakar
Applegate	Gordon	Oberstar
Aspin	Guarini	Obey
Atkins	Hall (OH)	Olin
AuCoin	Hall (TX)	Olver
Bacchus	Hamilton	Ortiz
Barnard	Harris	Orton
Beilenson	Hatcher	Owens (NY)
Berman	Hayes (IL)	Owens (UT)
Bevill	Hayes (LA)	Pallone
Bilbray	Hefner	Panetta
Blackwell	Hertel	Parker
Bonior	Hoagland	Pastor
Borski	Hochbrueckner	Patterson
Boucher	Horn	Payne (NJ)
Boxer	Hoyer	Payne (VA)
Brewster	Hubbard	Pease
Brooks	Huckaby	Pelosi
Browder	Hughes	Penny
Brown	Jacobs	Perkins
Bruce	Jefferson	Peterson (FL)
Bryant	Jenkins	Peterson (MN)
Bustamante	Johnson (SD)	Pickett
Byron	Johnston	Pickle
Campbell (CO)	Jones (GA)	Poshard
Cardin	Jones (NC)	Price
Carper	Jontz	Rahall
Chapman	Kanjorski	Rangel
Clement	Kaptur	Ray
Collins (IL)	Kennedy	Reed
Collins (MI)	Kennelly	Richardson
Condit	Kildee	Roe
Conyers	Kleczka	Roemer
Cooper	Kopetski	Rose
Costello	Kostmayer	Rostenkowski
Cox (IL)	LaFalce	Rowland
Coyne	Lancaster	Roybal
Cramer	LaRocco	Russo
Darden	Laughlin	Sabo
de la Garza	Lehman (CA)	Sanders
DeFazio	Lehman (FL)	Sangmeister
DeLauro	Levin (MI)	Sarpalius
Dellums	Lewis (GA)	Savage
Derrick	Lipinski	Sawyer
Dicks	Lloyd	Scheuer
Dingell	Long	Schroeder
Dixon	Lowe (NY)	Schumer
Donnelly	Luken	Serrano
Dooley	Manton	Sharp
Dorgan (ND)	Martinez	Sikorski
Downey	Matsui	Sisisky
Durbin	Mavroules	Skaggs
Dwyer	Mazzoli	Skelton
Early	McCloskey	Slattery
Eckart	McCurdy	Slaughter
Edwards (TX)	McDermott	Smith (FL)
Engel	McHugh	Smith (IA)
English	McMillen (MD)	Solarz
Erdreich	McNulty	Spratt
Espy	Mfume	Staggers
Evans	Miller (CA)	Stallings
Fascell	Mink	Stark
Fazio	Moakley	Stenholm
Feighan	Mollohan	Stokes
Flake	Montgomery	Studds
Foglietta	Moody	Swett