

“(B) when referring to a specific academic subject matter area, the disciplines or content areas in which academic majors are offered by the arts and sciences organizational unit.

“(2) FULLY QUALIFIED.—The term ‘fully qualified’—

“(A) when used with respect to a public elementary or secondary school teacher (other than a teacher teaching in a public charter school), means that the teacher has obtained State certification as a teacher (including certification obtained through alternative routes to certification) or passed the State teacher licensing exam and holds a license to teach in such State; and

“(B) when used with respect to —

“(i) an elementary school teacher, means that the teacher holds a bachelor’s degree and demonstrates knowledge and teaching skills in reading, writing, mathematics, science, and other areas of the elementary school curriculum; or

“(ii) a middle or secondary school teacher, means that the teacher holds a bachelor’s degree and demonstrates a high level of competency in all subject areas in which he or she teaches through—

“(I) a high level of performance on a rigorous State or local academic subject areas test; or

“(II) completion of an academic major in each of the subject areas in which he or she provides instruction.

“(3) BEGINNING TEACHER.—The term ‘beginning teacher’ means an educator in a public school who has not yet been teaching 3 full school years.

“(4) HIGH-NEED LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCY.—The term ‘high-need local educational agency’ means a local educational agency that serves an elementary school or secondary school located in an area in which there is—

“(A) a high percentage of individuals from families with incomes below the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget and revised annually in accordance with section 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2)));

“(B) a high percentage of secondary school teachers not teaching in the content area in which the teachers were trained to teach; or

“(C) a high teacher turnover rate.

“(5) MENTORING PROGRAM.—The term ‘mentoring program’ means to provide professional support and development, instruction, and guidance to beginning teachers, but does not include a teacher or individual who begins to work in a supervisory position.

“(6) PUBLICLY REPORT.—The term ‘publicly report’, when used with respect to the dissemination of information, means that the information is made widely available to the public, including parents and students, through such means as the Internet and major print and broadcast media outlets.

“(7) SCIENTIFICALLY BASED RESEARCH.—The term ‘scientifically based research’—

“(A) means the application of rigorous, systematic, and objective procedures to obtain valid knowledge relevant to professional development of teachers; and

“(B) shall include research that—

“(i) employs systematic, empirical methods that draw on observation or experiment;

“(ii) involves rigorous data analyses that are adequate to test the stated hypotheses and justify the general conclusions drawn;

“(iii) relies on measurements or observational methods that provide valid data across evaluators and observers and across multiple measurements and observations; and

“(iv) has been accepted by a peer-reviewed journal or approved by a panel of independent experts through a comparably rigorous, objective, and scientific review.”

(1) NATIONAL WRITING PROJECT.—Section 10992(i) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8332(i)) is amended to read as follows:

“(i) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There are authorized to be appropriated for the grant to the National Writing Project, such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2000 through 2004 to carry out the provisions of this section.”

(2) REFERENCE TO NATIONAL CLEARINGHOUSE FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE EDUCATION.—Section 13302(1) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8672(1)) is amended by striking “‘2102(b)’” and inserting “‘2042’”.

SEC. 3. AMENDMENTS RELATING TO READING EXCELLENCE ACT.

(a) REPEAL OF PART B.—Part B of title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6641–6651) is repealed.

(b) READING EXCELLENCE ACT.—

(1) PART HEADING.—Part C of title II of such Act is redesignated as part B and the heading for such part B is amended to read as follows:

“PART B—READING EXCELLENCE ACT”.

(2) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section 2260(a) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6661(a)) is amended by adding at the end the following:

“(3) FISCAL YEARS 2001 TO 2004.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this part \$260,000,000 for fiscal year 2001 and such sums as may be necessary for fiscal years 2002 through 2004.”

SEC. 4. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Title II of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.) is amended—

(1) by repealing part D;

(2) by redesignating part E as part C; and

(3) by striking sections 2401 and 2402 and inserting the following:

“SEC. 2401. PROHIBITION ON MANDATORY NATIONAL CERTIFICATION OF TEACHERS.

“(a) PROHIBITION ON MANDATORY TESTING OR CERTIFICATION.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary is prohibited from using Federal funds to plan, develop, implement, or administer any mandatory national teacher test or certification.

“(b) PROHIBITION ON WITHHOLDING FUNDS.—The Secretary is prohibited from withholding funds from any State or local educational agency if such State or local educational agency fails to adopt a specific method of teacher certification.

“SEC. 2402. PROVISIONS RELATED TO PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

“The provisions of sections 14503 through 14506 apply to programs under this title.

“SEC. 2403. HOME SCHOOLS.

“Nothing in this title shall be construed to permit, allow, encourage, or authorize any Federal control over any aspect of any private, religious, or home school, whether or not a home school is treated as a private school or home school under State law. This section shall not be construed to bar private, religious, or home schools from participation in programs or services under this title.”

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

(1) DEFINITION OF COVERED PROGRAM.—Section 14101(10)(C) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 8801(10)(C)) is amended by striking “(other than section 2103 and part D)”.

(2) PRIVATE SCHOOL PARTICIPATION.—Section 14503(b)(1)(B) (20 U.S.C. 8893(b)(1)(B)) of such Act is amended by striking “(other than section 2103 and part D of such title)”.

SEC. 5. SENSE OF THE CONGRESS.

It is the sense of the Congress that high quality teachers are an important part of the

development of our children and it is essential that Congress work to ensure that the teachers who instruct our children are of the highest quality possible.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be engrossed and read a third time, was read a third time by title.

The question being put, viva voce,

Will the House pass said bill?

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

Mr. GOODLING demanded a recorded vote on passage of said bill, 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

Yeas	239
affirmative	
Nays	185

181.29 [Roll No. 320] AYES—239

Aderholt	Fossella	McKeon
Archer	Fowler	Metcalfe
Armey	Franks (NJ)	Mica
Bachus	Frelinghuysen	Miller (FL)
Baker	Gallegly	Miller, Gary
Ballenger	Ganske	Miller, George
Barr	Gekas	Mollohan
Barrett (NE)	Gibbons	Moran (KS)
Bartlett	Gilchrest	Myrick
Barton	Gillmor	Nethercutt
Bass	Gilman	Ney
Bateman	Goode	Northup
Bereuter	Goodlatte	Norwood
Biggert	Goodling	Nussle
Bilirakis	Goss	Ose
Bliley	Graham	Oxley
Blunt	Granger	Packard
Boehmert	Green (WI)	Pease
Boehner	Greenwood	Peterson (MN)
Bonilla	Gutknecht	Petri
Bono	Hall (TX)	Pickering
Boyd	Hansen	Pitts
Brady (TX)	Hastert	Pombo
Bryant	Hastings (WA)	Porter
Burr	Hayes	Portman
Burton	Hayworth	Pryce (OH)
Buyer	Hefley	Quinn
Callahan	Herger	Radanovich
Calvert	Hill (MT)	Ramstad
Camp	Hilleary	Regula
Campbell	Hobson	Reynolds
Canady	Hoekstra	Riley
Cannon	Holt	Rivers
Castle	Horn	Roemer
Chabot	Hostettler	Rogan
Chambliss	Houghton	Rogers
Chenoweth	Hulshof	Rohrabacher
Coble	Hunter	Ros-Lehtinen
Coburn	Hutchinson	Roukema
Collins	Hyde	Royce
Combest	Isakson	Ryan (WI)
Condit	Istook	Ryun (KS)
Cook	Jenkins	Sabo
Cooksey	Johnson, Sam	Salmon
Cox	Jones (NC)	Sanford
Crane	Kasich	Saxton
Cubin	Kelly	Scarborough
Cunningham	Kind (WI)	Schaffer
Davis (FL)	King (NY)	Sensenbrenner
Davis (VA)	Kingston	Sessions
Deal	Knollenberg	Shadegg
DeLay	Kolbe	Shaw
DeMint	Kuykendall	Shays
Diaz-Balart	LaHood	Sherwood
Dickey	Largent	Shimkus
Doggett	Latham	Shuster
Dooley	LaTourette	Simpson
Doolittle	Leach	Skeen
Dreier	Lewis (CA)	Smith (MI)
Duncan	Lewis (KY)	Smith (NJ)
Dunn	Linder	Smith (TX)
Ehlers	Lipinski	Smith (WA)
Ehrlich	LoBiondo	Souder
Emerson	Lucas (OK)	Spence
Eshoo	Manzullo	Stearns
Everett	McCollum	Stenholm
Ewing	McCrery	Stump
Fletcher	McHugh	Sununu
Foley	McInnis	Sweeney
Forbes	McIntosh	Talent

Tancredo	Tiahrt	Weldon (FL)
Tauscher	Tierney	Weldon (PA)
Tauzin	Toomey	Weller
Taylor (MS)	Upton	Whitfield
Taylor (NC)	Vitter	Wicker
Terry	Walden	Wilson
Thomas	Walsh	Wolf
Thompson (CA)	Wamp	Young (AK)
Thornberry	Watkins	Young (FL)
Thune	Watts (OK)	

NOES—185

Abercrombie	Gordon	Napolitano
Ackerman	Green (TX)	Neal
Allen	Gutierrez	Oberstar
Andrews	Hall (OH)	Obey
Baird	Hastings (FL)	Olver
Baldacci	Hill (IN)	Ortiz
Baldwin	Hilliard	Owens
Barcia	Hinojosa	Pallone
Barrett (WI)	Hoeffel	Pascrell
Becerra	Hooley	Pastor
Bentsen	Hoyer	Paul
Berkley	Inslee	Payne
Berman	Jackson (IL)	Pelosi
Berry	Jackson-Lee	Phelps
Bilbray	(TX)	Pickett
Bishop	Jefferson	Pomeroy
Blagojevich	John	Price (NC)
Blumenauer	Johnson (CT)	Rahall
Bonior	Johnson, E.B.	Rangel
Borski	Jones (OH)	Reyes
Boswell	Kanjorski	Rodriguez
Boucher	Kaptur	Rothman
Brady (PA)	Kildee	Roybal-Allard
Brown (FL)	Kilpatrick	Rush
Brown (OH)	Kleczka	Sanchez
Capps	Klink	Sanders
Capuano	Kucinich	Sandlin
Cardin	LaFalce	Sawyer
Carson	Lampson	Schakowsky
Clay	Lantos	Scott
Clayton	Larson	Serrano
Clement	Lee	Sherman
Clyburn	Levin	Shows
Conyers	Lofgren	Sisisky
Costello	Lowe	Skelton
Coyne	Lucas (KY)	Slaughter
Cramer	Luther	Snyder
Crowley	Maloney (CT)	Spratt
Cummings	Maloney (NY)	Stabenow
Danner	Markey	Strickland
Davis (IL)	Martinez	Stupak
DeFazio	Mascara	Tanner
DeGette	Matsui	Thompson (MS)
Delahunt	McCarthy (MO)	Thurman
DeLauro	McCarthy (NY)	Towns
Deutsch	McGovern	Traficant
Dicks	McIntyre	Turner
Dingell	McKinney	Udall (CO)
Dixon	McNulty	Udall (NM)
Doyle	Meehan	Velazquez
Edwards	Meeke (FL)	Vento
Engel	Meeke (NY)	Visclosky
Etheridge	Menendez	Waters
Evans	Millender-Farr	Watt (NC)
Farr	McDonald	Weiner
Fattah	Minge	Wexler
Filner	Mink	Weygand
Ford	Moakley	Wise
Frank (MA)	Moore	Woolsey
Frost	Moran (VA)	Wu
Gejdenson	Morella	Wynn
Gephardt	Murtha	
Gonzalez	Nadler	

NOT VOTING—10

English	Lazio	Stark
Hinchee	Lewis (GA)	Waxman
Holden	McDermott	
Kennedy	Peterson (PA)	

So the bill was passed.

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

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said bill.

81.30 CLERK TO CORRECT ENGROSSMENT

On motion of Mr. GOODLING, by unanimous consent,

Ordered, That in the engrossment of the foregoing bill the Clerk be authorized to correct section numbers, cross references, and punctuation, and to make such other changes as may be

necessary to reflect the actions of the House in amending the bill.

81.31 DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Mr. LEWIS of California submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106-244) on the bill (H.R. 2561) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes.

When said bill and report were referred to the Union Calendar and ordered printed.

Pursuant to clause 1 of rule XXI, all points of order were reserved.

81.32 FINANCIAL SERVICES MODERNIZATION

On motion of Mr. LEACH, by unanimous consent, the bill of the Senate (S. 900) to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, security firms, and other financial service providers, and for other purposes; was taken from the Speaker's table.

When said bill was considered and read twice.

Mr. LEACH submitted the following amendment which was agreed to:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the provisions of H.R. 10, as passed by the House.

The bill, as amended, was ordered to be read a third time, was read a third time by title, and passed.

By unanimous consent, the title was amended so as to read: "An Act to enhance competition in the financial services industry by providing a prudential framework for the affiliation of banks, securities firms, and other financial service providers, and for other purposes."

A motion to reconsider the votes whereby said bill, as amended, was passed and the title was amended was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

Ordered, That the Clerk request the concurrence of the Senate in said amendment.

81.33 RECESS—11:55 P.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. VITTER, pursuant to clause 12 of rule I, declared the House in recess at 11 o'clock and 55 minutes p.m., subject to the call of the Chair.

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81.34 AFTER RECESS—12:51 A.M.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. DREIER, called the House to order.

81.35 PROVIDING FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2488

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, by direction of the Committee on Rules, reported (Rept. No. 106-246) the resolution (H. Res. 256) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2488) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to reduce individual income tax rates, to provide marriage penalty relief, to reduce

taxes on savings and investments, to provide estate and gift tax relief, to provide incentives for education savings and health care, and for other purposes.

When said resolution and report were referred to the House Calendar and ordered printed.

81.36 BILL PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Mr. THOMAS, from the Committee on House Administration, reported that that committee did on this day present to the President, for his approval, a bill of the House of the following title:

H.R. 2035. To correct errors in the authorizations of certain programs administered by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

81.37 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted—

To Mr. ROGAN for today from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.;

To Mr. STARK, for today;

To Mr. ORTIZ, for today before 2 p.m.; and

To Mr. ENGLISH, for today.

And then,

81.38 ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Ms. PRYCE of Ohio, at 12 o'clock and 52 minutes a.m., the House adjourned.

81.39 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 834. A bill to extend the authorization for the National Historic Preservation Fund, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 106-241). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Alaska: Committee on Resources. H.R. 1934. A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to establish the John H. Prescott Marine Mammal Rescue Assistance Grant Program; with an amendment (Rept. No. 106-242). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. SENSENBRENNER: Committee on Science. H.R. 1655. A bill to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2000 and 2001 for the civilian energy and scientific research, development, and demonstration and related commercial application of energy technology programs, projects, and activities of the Department of Energy, and for other purposes; with an amendment (Rept. No. 106-243). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. LEWIS of California: Committee on Appropriations. H.R. 2561. A bill making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-244). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.

Mr. YOUNG of Florida: Committee on Appropriations. Report on the Revised Sub-allocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2000 (Rept. No. 106-245). Referred to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union.