

Congressman Blunt's Voting Record 110th Congress Second Session

This list includes all substantive votes taken in the Second Session of the 110th Congress (2008). For the sake of brevity, all procedural votes such as quorum calls and journal approvals have been excluded.

KEY

YES: Votes in Favor

NO: Votes Against

*: Indicates a vote was taken under suspension of the rules requiring a two-thirds majority for passage.

#	Date	Bill Number	Description	VOTE	Result	Vote #'s
3	1/16/08	H. Res. 912	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would condemn the assassination of former Pakistani Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto and express condolences to her family and the families of victims of the Dec. 27, 2007, attack.	YES	Passed*	413-0
4	1/16/08	H.R. 4253	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution (H. Res. 921) to concur with the Senate amendment to the bill with an amendment. The House amendment would strike a provision from the Senate amendment that would require a study to examine obstacles facing veterans who want to start businesses. It also would limit proposed guidelines for an interagency task force intended to increase access to capital for small businesses owned by veterans and would strike a provision to eliminate employment loans included in the bill's disaster program.	YES	Passed*	406-2
5	1/16/08	H.R. 2768	Amendment that would alter, but maintain the requirement that the mining industry install, regardless of availability, fire-resistant conveyor belts and authorize \$30 million for Mine Safety and Health Administration to purchase new dust-monitoring devices. It also would establish that portable air chamber requirements in the bill can only be met by obtaining a chamber, not by placing an order for one, irrespective of availability.	NO	Passed	234-183
6	1/16/08	H.R. 2768	Amendment that would authorize \$10 million for grants to provide	YES	Passed	364-53

			rehabilitation services to current and former miners with mental impairments, including drug addiction.			
7	1/16/08	H.R. 2768	Amendment that would require the Labor secretary to maintain a list of mine operators who fail to pay assessed penalties. Operators would remain on the list until the secretary determines that the operator is no longer in arrears or is committed to timely payments of final assessments. The amendment would establish the Mine Safety Program Fund for mine safety inspections and investigations.	YES	Passed	416-0
8	1/16/08	H.R. 2768	Substitute amendment that would express the sense of Congress that current laws should be fully implemented, require a "Technical Study Panel" to evaluate the risk assessment procedures of deep mine conditions, require the Labor Department to promulgate regulations within 180 days of the bill's enactment for a drug-testing program for miners, and compile a registry within the same period of miners who test positive for substance abuse. It also would strike certain enforcement requirements and penalties established in the bill.	YES	Failed	188-229
9	1/16/08	H.R. 2768	Motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee with instructions to report it back with a new language requiring substance abuse testing for mine workers.	YES	Failed	197-217
10	1/16/08	H.R. 2768	Passage of the bill that would circumvent the existing rule making process for mine safety, propose universal requirements on mines of all sizes and types without differentiating various safety needs, and impose approximately \$1 billion in unfunded mandates on American mines. In addition, mine operators would be forced to have certain safety equipment in place by dates certain, even if such equipment was available.	NO	Passed	214-199
11	1/16/08	H.R. 4986	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$696.4 billion for defense programs in FY2008, including \$189.5 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. It would authorize \$142.8 billion for operations and maintenance; \$119.7 billion for military personnel; \$23.7 billion for military construction and family housing; and	YES	Passed*	369-46

			\$23.1 billion for the Defense Health Program. It would authorize a 3.5 percent pay increase for military personnel. It also would allow the president to waive certain liability provisions as they apply to Iraq.			
12	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Amendment that would require all housing units built as of Jan. 1, 2005, to be replaced at a one-for-one rate if demolished and would extend the timeline for rebuilding replacement housing to 54 months after the grant is enacted. It would also clarify that those illegally residing in the United States would not be eligible for public housing funded by HOPE VI grant money. It would require the program's construction to comply with the green building rating system.	YES	Passed	388-20
13	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Amendment that would change the bill's requirement for one-to-one replacement of demolished housing units to apply only to units occupied before demolition.	YES	Failed	181-227
14	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Amendment that would allow the Department of Housing and Urban Development to continue to issue demolition-only HOPE VI grants.	YES	Failed	186-221
15	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Amendment that would bar the use of funds in the bill to pay for local prevailing wage requirements under the Davis-Bacon Act for public housing projects.	NO	Failed	136-268
16	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Amendment that would strike the mandatory green building standards from the bill and instead require the Housing and Urban Development Department to select a rating system for green buildings.	YES	Failed	169-240
17	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Motion to recommit the bill to the Financial Services Committee with instructions to include language that would give veterans with at least 90 days of service who were released or discharged honorably an increased priority consideration under the housing assistance program.	YES	Passed	372-28
18	1/17/08	H.R. 3524	Passage of the bill that would reauthorize \$800 million per year from FY2008 through 2015 for the HOPE VI public housing program. It also would require one-for-one replacement regardless of need of housing units demolished under the program, require mixed-income housing on sites of	NO	Passed	271-130

			demolished low-income housing and set guidelines for public housing units to be built in mixed neighborhoods. The bill would impose new “green” building standards.			
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19	1/22/08	H.R. 4211	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Roanoke Rapids, N.C., as the "Judge Richard B. Allsbrook Post Office."	YES	Passed*	391-0
20	1/22/08	H. Res. 866	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the U.S. Coast Guard for its 217 years of providing maritime law enforcement and border protection.	YES	Passed*	391-0
22	1/23/08	H.R. 3963	Passage, over President Bush's Dec. 12, 2007, veto, of the bill that would have reauthorized the State Children's Health Insurance Program at nearly \$60 billion over five years, expanding the program by \$35 billion. It would have expanded eligibility beyond 300 percent of poverty. It would have increased the tax on cigarettes by 61 cents to \$1 per pack and raised taxes on other tobacco products. This bill failed to ensure that illegal immigrants wouldn't have access; and included a budget gimmick that would have put the program at risk.	NO	Failed	260-152

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23	1/28/08	S. 2110	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Taft, Calif., as the "Larry S. Pierce Post Office."	YES	Passed*	388-0
24	1/28/08	H.R. 4140	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate the Port Angeles Federal Building in Port Angeles, Wash., as the "Richard B. Anderson Federal Building."	YES	Passed*	388-0
25	1/29/08	H.R. 5140	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide advance refund of a tax credit for most taxpayers equal to \$600 for individuals and \$1,200 for couples. Families would receive \$300 for each child under 17. It would provide businesses with a 50 percent depreciation for certain equipment purchased in 2008 and increase to \$250,000 the amount small businesses can expense in the year items are purchased. It would raise the size of mortgage loans the Federal Housing Administration could insure and Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac could purchase.	YES	Passed*	385-35
26	1/29/08	H. Res. 933	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the Louisiana State University Tigers football team for winning the 2007 Bowl Championship Series national championship game.	YES	Passed*	409-1
27	1/29/08	H.R. 1525	Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions that it be immediately reported back with language that would prohibit the use of eminent domain to add lands to the New England National Scenic Trail.	YES	Failed	183-205
28	1/29/08	H.R. 1528	Passage of the bill that would redesignate the Metacomet-Monadnock-Mattabesett trail system as the New England National Scenic Trail. It would expand the trail to 220 miles from Royalston, Mass., to Guilford, Conn.	YES	Passed	261-122

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29	2/6/08	H. Res. 867	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the Houston Dynamo Soccer Team for winning the 2007 Major League Soccer Cup.	YES	Passed*	373-0
30	2/6/08	H. Res. 942	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the significance of Black History Month as an important time to recognize the contributions of African Americans and encourage the continued celebration of the month.	YES	Passed*	367-0
31	2/6/08	H. Res. 943	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the 22nd anniversary of the Jan. 28, 1986, space shuttle Challenger explosion and the seven crew members who died in the accident.	YES	Passed*	371-0
34	2/7/08	H. Con. Res. 283	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would call for a peaceful resolution to the current electoral crisis in Kenya, commend the Kenyan people for their high voter turnout on election day and condemn the ongoing violence in Kenya.	YES	Passed*	405-1
35	2/7/08	H.R. 4848	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend through 2008 current provisions barring group health plans that offer mental health coverage from imposing different aggregate lifetime or annual dollar limits for such treatment than those imposed for treatment of other illnesses.	YES	Passed*	384-23
36	2/7/08	H.R. 4137	Amendment that would require the Education-Treasury Study Group to evaluate the feasibility overhaul to the Federal Family Education Loan Program to operate auctions for administering loan programs.	NO	Passed	260-153
37	2/7/08	H.R. 4137	Amendment that would extend the audit and reporting provisions applied to the Federal Direct Loan program to the Federal Family Education Loan Program and would thus supersede the specialized audit requirements for each program.	NO	Passed	222-191
38	2/7/08	H.R. 4137	Amendment that would allow private student loan borrowers to use bankruptcy to avoid repaying their loans.	NO	Failed	179-236
39	2/7/08	H.R. 4137	Motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee with instructions to include language that would suspend funding for the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary	YES	Failed	194-216

			Education unless Pell grants and special education programs are fully funded in that fiscal year.			
40	2/7/08	H.R. 4137	Passage of the bill that would reauthorize the Higher Education Act through fiscal 2012. The measure would raise the maximum Pell grant award from \$5,800 to \$9,000 and allow the grants to be used year-round. It would also create numerous new programs and allow the federal government to regulate state support to public colleges and universities. The bill was estimated to cost taxpayers \$97 billion over five years.	NO	Passed	354-58
41	2/7/08	H. Res. 947	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Lee Myung-Bak on his election to the presidency of the Republic of Korea.	YES	Passed*	388-0
42	2/7/08	H.R. 5140	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would provide advance refund of a tax credit for most taxpayers equal to \$600 for individuals and \$1,200 for couples. Families would receive \$300 for each child under 17. It also would begin phasing out the benefit for individuals with adjusted gross incomes above \$75,000 and married couples with incomes above \$150,000. It would provide businesses with a 50 percent depreciation for certain equipment purchased in 2008 and increase to \$250,000 the amount small businesses can expense in the year items are purchased. It would raise the size of mortgage loans the Federal Housing Administration could insure and Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac could purchase. It would expand eligibility for rebate checks to include low-income senior citizens, disabled veterans and widows of veterans. It also would provide that illegal immigrants would not be eligible for rebate checks.	YES	Passed	380-34

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43	2/12/08	H. Res. 954	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize fallen border patrol agents and pay tribute to Luis A. Aguilar, who died in the line of duty.	YES	Passed*	357-0
44	2/12/08	H. Res. 909	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the role of Haitian soldiers who fought for American independence in the "Siege of Savannah," as well as Haiti's independence and renunciation of slavery.	YES	Passed*	361-0
45	2/12/08	H. Con. Res. 281	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would request the president issue a proclamation each year recognizing the anniversary of the birth of President Abraham Lincoln.	YES	Passed*	357-0
54	2/13/08	H.R. 5349	Passage of the bill that would extend the Protect America Act of 2007 (PL 110-55) for 21 days without providing any legal protections for companies that comply with lawful requests to conduct surveillance or foreign terrorists.	NO	Failed	191-229
55	2/13/08	H. Res. 960	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the New York Giants of the National Football League on winning Super Bowl XLII.	YES	Passed*	412-1
57	2/13/08	H. Res. 917	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Engineers Week, which runs from Feb. 17-23, 2008, in its aim to increase understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers.	YES	Passed*	408-0
61	2/14/08	H. Res. 966	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the achievements of African Americans who have contributed to national research in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.	YES	Passed*	387-0
62	2/14/08	H/R. 1834	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$454 million through fiscal 2014 for two National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration programs, \$289 million over seven years for a national ocean exploration program and \$164.5 million over seven years for a national undersea research program.	YES	Passed*	352-49
63	2/14/08	S. 2571	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would make technical	YES	Passed*	400-0

			corrections to the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act by adding "exempt from" to the law and would change the date on which new pesticide registration fees would be based to Sept. 30, 2012 instead of Sept. 30, 2008.			
64	2/14/08	H. Con. Res. 289	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would honor and recognize the 99th anniversary of the founding of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People and praise its work in ensuring political, educational, social and economic equality.	YES	Passed*	403-0
65	2/14/08	H.R. 4169	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Army to place an American Braille tactile flag in Arlington National Cemetery honoring blind members of the armed forces, veterans and other Americans.	YES	Passed*	396-0
67	2/14/08	H. Res. 963	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of the National Salute to Hospitalized Veterans Week, designated as Feb. 11-15, 2008, and its efforts to pay tribute to and express appreciation for hospitalized veterans.	YES	Passed*	384-0
68	2/14/08	H. Res. 972	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of American Heart Month and National Wear Red Day and reaffirm a commitment to fighting heart disease and stroke.	YES	Passed*	389-0

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69	2/25/08	H. Res. 978	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the contribution of school social workers and support the designation of March 3-7, 2008 as School Social Work Week.	YES	Passed*	379-0
70	2/25/08	H. Res. 930	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Career and Technical Education Month.	YES	Passed*	380-0
71	2/25/08	H. Res. 944	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor Lt. Gen. Russel L. Honore for his service and accomplishments during 37 years in the U.S. Army, including his leadership in the post-Hurricane Katrina recovery effort.	YES	Passed*	380-0
75	2/26/08	H.R. 3521	Amendment that would prohibit the Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Department from considering a public housing agency to be in non-compliance with the bill's asset management requirements solely on the basis that the agency's management fees are not reasonable as defined by HUD.	YES	Passed	415-0
76	2/26/08	H.R. 3521	Amendment that would require the Housing and Urban Development Department to recognize certain tenant agreements in the event of a federal agency takeover.	NO	Passed	337-77
77	2/26/08	H.R. 3521	Motion to table (kill) the Smith, R-Texas, appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Sires point of order that the Smith motion to recommit the bill to the Financial Services Committee was not germane. The Smith motion would recommit the bill with instructions that it be reported back immediately with an amendment substituting the text of the Senate-passed version of the bill (HR 3773), which would amend and extend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, providing authority to intercept and monitor communication between terrorists overseas.	NO	Passed	218-195
82	2/27/08	H.R. 5351	Motion to table (kill) the Hoekstra, R-Mich., appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Sires point of order that the Smith motion to recommit the bill to the Financial Services Committee was not germane. The Smith motion would recommit the bill with instructions that it be reported back	NO	Passed	221-191

			immediately with an amendment substituting the text of the Senate-passed version of the bill (HR 3773), which would amend and extend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, providing authority to intercept and monitor communication between terrorists overseas.			
83	2/27/08	H.R. 5351	Motion to recommit the bill with instructions that it be reported back to the House promptly with amendments to strike certain tax increases, including the elimination of a manufacturing tax deduction for U.S. based oil and gas companies. The amendments also would strike tax credits for bicycle commuters and add a new title extending marriage penalty tax relief and the increase in child tax credit, which are set to expire.	YES	Failed	197-222
84	2/27/08	H.R. 5351	Passage of the bill that would raise taxes by \$18 billion for U.S. based oil and gas companies. The revenue would be used to extend several expiring tax incentives for energy conservation and energy production and would create new tax incentives, including for bicycling to work and green bonds.	NO	Passed	236-182
85	2/28/08	S. 2272	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a U.S. postal facility in Alexandria, La., as the "John 'Marty' Thiels Southpark Station."	YES	Passed*	400-0
86	2/28/08	H.R. 3936	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate the post office in Cleveland, Ga., as the "Sgt. Jason Harkins Post Office Building."	YES	Passed*	400-0
87	2/28/08	H.R. 4454	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a postal facility in Louisville, Ky., as the "Iraq and Afghanistan Fallen Military Heroes of Louisville Memorial Post Office Building."	YES	Passed*	404-0

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88	3/4/08	H.R. 1143	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Interior secretary to lease certain lands in the Virgin Islands National Park to the current holder of the Caneel Bay Resort, an estate in the park. The bill would require the resort owners to compensate the federal government for continued private use of park land.	YES	Passed*	378-0
89	3/4/08	H.R. 1311	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Interior Department to give a certain amount of land to the Nevada Cancer Institute and the city of Las Vegas to develop a new nonprofit cancer treatment facility and related medical facilities.	YES	Passed*	377-0
90	3/4/08	H.R. 816	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would end wilderness study on 65 acres of the Sunrise Mountain Instant Study Area in Nevada and require the Interior secretary to provide the county with a right-of-way to construct and maintain a floodwater retention basin.	YES	Passed*	375-0
91	3/5/08	H.R. 4191	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would rename Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historic Park in Ohio as "Wright Brothers-Dunbar National Historic Park."	YES	Passed*	407-4
92	3/5/08	H. Con. Res. 278	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express continuing support for Taiwan's democracy and applaud its fourth direct and democratic presidential elections in March 2008.	YES	Passed*	409-1
93	3/5/08	H. Res. 951	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would strongly condemn the continuing Palestinian rocket attacks on Israel, support Israel's right to defend its territory and call on other nations to help stop the flow of weaponry to Palestinian territories.	YES	Passed*	404-1
97	3/5/08	H.R. 4774	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in San Antonio, Texas, as the "Cyndi Taylor Krier Post Office Building."	YES	Passed*	404-0
98	3/5/08	H. Con. Res. 286	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would recognize Earl Lloyd for becoming the first African-American to play in the National Basketball Association 58 years ago.	YES	Passed*	412-0
100	3/5/08	H.R. 1424	Motion to recommit the bill to the Energy and Commerce Committee with	YES	Failed	196-221

			instructions that it be reported back immediately with language substituting the text of Senate-passed bill (S 558), which would not specify what mental health conditions insurers must cover.			
101	3/5/08	H.R. 1424	Passage of the bill that would require health insurers to offer mental health benefits equal in cost and scope to medical health benefits and to cover all mental health conditions, included in the industry diagnostic manual, which includes items like caffeine addiction and jet lag. This new mandate is estimated to increase insurance costs by at least \$50 a year for a family of four.	NO	Passed	268-148
102	3/5/08	H.R. 5400	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Chagrin Falls, Ohio, as the "Sgt. Michael M. Kashkoush Post Office Building."	YES	Passed*	402-0
105	3/6/08	H.R. 2857	Amendment that would strike the new "summer of service" grant program and eliminate the \$20 million authorization for the program.	YES	Failed	153-260
106	3/6/08	H.R. 2857	Amendment that would create a new Energy Conservation Corps to pay volunteers for projects that support energy conservation, infrastructure and transportation improvement, and emergency operations.	NO	Passed	252-161
107	3/6/08	H.R. 2857	Motion to table (kill) the Lungren, R-Calif., appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Miller point of order that the Lungren motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee was not germane. The Lungren motion would recommit the bill with instructions that it be reported back immediately with an amendment substituting the text of the Senate-passed bill (HR 3773), which would extend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.	NO	Passed	221-191

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108	3/10/08	H. Res. 537	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support designating and observing "National 9-1-1 Education Month."	YES	Passed*	381-0
109	3/10/08	H.R 3196	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Port Jervis, N.Y. as the "E. Arthur Gray Post Office Building."	YES	Passed*	382-0
110	3/10/08	H.R. 4166	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Lebanon, Mo., as the "Steve W. Allee Carrier Annex."	YES	Passed*	382-0
115	3/11/08	H. Res. 924	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Iowa State University of Science and Technology for 150 years of service as Iowa's land-grant university.	YES	Passed*	405-0
116	3/11/08	H.R. 3773	Motion to table (kill) the Price, R-Ga., appeal of the ruling of the chair that the Price draft resolution does not constitute a point of privilege under Rule IX of the House. The draft resolution would express the sense of the House that it should immediately consider a Senate-passed bill (HR 3773), which would amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.	NO	Passed	218-192
117	3/11/08	H.R. 2082	Passage, over President Bush's March 8, 2008 veto, of the bill that would authorize classified amounts in fiscal 2008 for 17 U.S. intelligence activities and agencies, including the CIA, the Office of the National Intelligence Director and the National Security Agency. It would authorize funds for the intelligence portion of the fiscal 2008 emergency supplemental for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. It would apply the requirements of the U.S. Army Field Manual regarding interrogations to all federal agencies. A two-thirds majority of those present and voting (276 in this case) of both chambers is required to override a veto. A "nay" was a vote in support of the president's position.	NO	Failed	225-188
118	3/11/08	H. Res. 948	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the University of Kansas football team for winning the 2008 FedEx Orange Bowl and having the most successful year in program history.	Present	Passed*	396-0
119	3/11/08	H. Res. 493	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate	YES	Passed*	400-0

			the University of California, Los Angeles women's water polo team for winning the 2007 NCAA Division I Women's Water Polo National Championship and the school on its 100th NCAA sports national title.			
121	3/11/08	H. Res. 895	Motion to order the previous question (thus ending debate and possibility of amendment) on adoption of the rule (H. Res. 1031) to provide for automatic adoption of the resolution that would establish a new entity to receive alleged violations by House members and employees. Had the previous question been defeated, Republicans would have been permitted to offer an amendment to reform the Ethics Committee by adding non-Members to the committee and requiring the committee to either resolve complaints or forward them to the Department of Justice.	NO	Passed	207-206
122	3/11/08	H. Res. 895	Adoption of the self-executing rule (H. Res. 1031) to provide for automatic adoption of the resolution that would establish a new entity to receive alleged violations by House members and employees.	NO	Passed	229-182
125	3/12/08	H. Res. 1039	Motion to table (kill) the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution that would vacate House votes 121 and 122 on the grounds that House vote 121 was held open in violation of House Rules.	NO	Passed	215-193
128	3/12/08	H. Res. 1040	Motion to table (kill) the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution that would call for an ethics committee investigation of Rep. David R. Obey, D-Wis., for his actions related to congressional earmarks.	NO	Passed	219-193
131	3/12/08	H.R. 5563	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$62 billion in for a number of national service programs, including the AmeriCorps and Volunteers in Service to America programs. The bill proposes increasing spending by nearly \$2 billion.	NO	Failed*	227-140
133	3/12/08	H. Res. 936	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Gallatin Report, the first national report on transportation infrastructure, and support a new national plan for improving transportation.	YES	Passed*	411-0
134	3/12/08	S. 2733	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend the authorization for Higher Education Act programs	YES	Passed*	411-4

			through April 30, 2008.			
135	3/12/08	H.R. 3773	Motion to table (kill) the Price, R-Ga., appeal of the ruling of the chair that the Price draft resolution does not constitute a point of privilege under Rule IX of the House. The draft resolution would express the sense of the House that it should immediately consider a Senate-passed bill (HR 3773), which would amend the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, and that the House should not adjourn for its upcoming district work period before considering the bill.	NO	Passed	222-192
137	3/13/08	H. Con. Res. 312	Substitute amendment that would raise taxes by \$1.1 trillion over five years and authorize spending of \$13.7 trillion over the same period.	NO	Failed	126-292
138	3/13/08	H. Con. Res. 312	Substitute amendment that would raise taxes by \$1 trillion over five years and authorize spending \$14.2 trillion over the same period.	NO	Failed	98-322
140	3/13/08	H. Con. Res. 312	Substitute amendment that would reduce taxes by \$513 billion over five years (including repeal of the Alternative Minimum Tax) and authorizing spending of \$12.6 trillion over the same period. It would place a moratorium on earmarks and establish procedures for a legislative line-item veto.	YES	Failed	157-263
141	3/13/08	H. Con. Res. 312	Adoption of the concurrent resolution that would allow up to \$1 trillion in discretionary spending in FY2009, plus \$70 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and \$5.8 billion for hurricane recovery. It would assume a budget surplus in FY2012 and fiscal 2013. It would call on the Ways and Means Committee to report two reconciliation bills: a bill to reduce FY2009 revenue by \$70 billion, allowing for an alternative minimum tax "patch", offset over five years; and a bill to reduce mandatory spending by \$750 million over six years.	NO	Passed	212-207
142	3/13/08	H. Res. 991	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the 69th Infantry Regiment for continually participating in the global war on terror since the Sept. 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.	YES	Passed*	406-0
145	3/14/08	H.R. 3773	Motion to concur with the Senate amendments to the bill that would revise the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), which governs electronic	NO	Passed	213-197

			<p>surveillance of foreign terrorism suspects, with an additional amendment. The House amendment would strike the immunity provisions for telecommunications companies who previously responded to government requests and instead provide for immunity only for future cooperation with government requests to assist with surveillance. The amendment would create a bipartisan commission to report on conducting surveillance on U.S. persons without obtaining FISA warrants. It also would allow federal courts to hear classified information in civil suits against telecommunications companies.</p>			
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148	3/31/08	H.R. 2675	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would convey approximately 140 acres of land in the Ouachita National Forest in Oklahoma to the Indian Nations Council, Inc., of the Boy Scouts of America.	YES	Passed*	370-2
149	3/31/08	H. Con. Res. 302	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the observance of Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month.	YES	Passed*	371-0
150	4/1/08	H. Con. Res. 310	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express support for a national day of remembrance for Harriet Ross Tubman, an agent for the Underground Railroad during the civil war.	YES	Passed*	416-0
151	4/1/08	H. Res. 1005	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express support for Borderline Personality Disorder Awareness Month.	YES	Passed*	414-0
152	4/1/08	H. Res. 1021	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express support for National Women's History Month and honor women and organizations in the United States that have fought for and continue to promote the teaching of women's history.	YES	Passed*	413-0
156	4/2/08	H.R. 5501	Amendment that would direct the U.S. Government Activities to Combat HIV/AIDS Globally coordinator and the U.S. Agency for International Development administrator to allow African postsecondary educational institutions to collaborate with U.S. postsecondary educational institutions, specifically historically black colleges and universities.	YES	Passed	415-10
157	4/2/08	H.R. 5501	Motion to recommit the bill to the Foreign Affairs Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would reduce the bill's authorization levels from \$50 billion for FY2009-2013 to \$30 billion.	YES	Failed	175-248
158	4/2/08	H.R. 5501	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$50 billion, more than double current spending, from FY2009-2013 for programs under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief, used to fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria overseas. The bill would replace the current requirement that one-third of all HIV prevention funding go to abstinence	NO	Passed	308-116

			education with balanced funding for abstinence, fidelity and condom programs. A report to Congress would be required if spending on abstinence and fidelity programs dropped below 50 percent of prevention spending in a given country. It would allow up to \$2 billion a year for the U.N. Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria for FY2009 and 2010 and unspecified sums for FY2011 through 2013.			
159	4/3/08	H.R. 4847	Motion to recommit the bill to the Science and Technology Committee with instructions that it be reported back with an amendment protecting state and local fire departments from liability regarding installation of child car safety seats.	YES	Failed	205-209
160	4/3/08	H.R. 4847	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$293 million for the U.S. Fire Administration through FY2012. The bill would provide for training of fire service personnel in dealing with national catastrophes including incidents from terrorism and weapons of mass destruction. It would also support educational programs raising awareness of installing fire sprinklers in residential buildings.	YES	Passed	412-0

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161	4/8/08	H. J. Res. 70	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution that would congratulate the Army Reserve on its centennial and commemorate the contributions of its veterans and soldiers.	YES	Passed*	393-0
162	4/8/08	H.R. 2464	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend the length of time for which grants may be awarded for projects that improve children's emergency medical services from three years to four years. It would authorize the following for the program: \$25 million in FY2009, \$26.3 million for 2010, \$27.6 million for 2011, \$29 million for 2012 and \$30.4 million for FY2013.	YES	Passed*	390-1
163	4/8/08	S. 793	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would reauthorize through FY2012 a traumatic brain injury treatment program that provides research and rehabilitation grants to states.	YES	Passed*	392-1
166	4/9/08	H. Res. 1077	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on the government of China to end the crackdown on nonviolent Tibetan protestors, work toward resolution with the Dalai Lama, allow journalists access to Tibetan areas of China and release Tibetans imprisoned for nonviolently expressing opposition to the Chinese government.	YES	Passed*	413-1
168	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Amendment that would strike from the bill language that defines the "values" for establishing the National Landscape Conservation System within the Bureau of Land Management. The vague language could result in contradictory guidance on the use of federal lands.	YES	Failed	175-246
169	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Amendment that would strike from the bill language to define the values by which the Interior secretary should manage the National Landscape Conservation System and insert language to require the secretary to manage the system in accordance with each applicable law.	YES	Failed	172-245
170	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Amendment that would clarify that nothing in the bill is intended to hinder or restrict energy development within the National Landscape Conservation System.	YES	Passed	333-89
171	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Amendment that would clarify that nothing in the bill should be construed to	YES	Passed	416-5

			affect a state's jurisdiction to manage fish and wildlife under state laws, including hunting, fishing, trapping and recreational shooting regulations, on public land managed by the Bureau of Land Management, or to limit access to those activities.			
172	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Amendment that would stipulate that inclusion of lands in the National Landscape Conservation System would not affect grazing regulations.	YES	Passed	214-207
173	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that nothing in the bill should affect the right to bear arms under the Second Amendment within the National Landscape Conservation System.	YES	Failed	208-212
174	4/9/08	H.R. 2016	Passage of the bill that would codify the National Landscape Conservation System, comprised of approximately 27 million acres of areas considered to have significant value. The bill also includes within the system any area that Congress has already designated for preservation. The new system would impose a new statutory regulatory structure on top of the existing structures to manage federal lands.	NO	Passed	278-140
175	4/9/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to instruct House conferees to disagree to any provision in the bill that would result in a tax increase.	YES	Passed	400-11
176	4/9/08	H.R. 5489	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Gloucester, Va., as the "Congresswoman Jo Ann S. Davis Post Office," for the late former Rep. Jo Ann Davis, R-Va. (2001-2007).	YES	Passed*	397-0
177	4/9/08	H.R. 5472	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Indianapolis, Ind., as the "Julia M. Carson Post Office Building," for the late former Rep. Julia Carson, D-Ind. (1997-2007).	YES	Passed*	401-0
180	4/10/08	H. Res. 1038	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the fifth anniversary of the Department of Homeland Security and honor the department's employees for their efforts to protect the United States.	YES	Passed*	406-3
181	4/10/08	H. Res. 1092	Adoption of the resolution that would suspend "fast-track" requirements for considering a bill (HR 5724) that would implement a U.S.-Colombia free trade	NO	Passed	224-195

			agreement.			
182	4/10/08	H.R. 2537	Amendment that would bar the use of funds in the bill for congressional earmarks.	YES	Passed	263-117

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183	4/14/08	H. Res. 886	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express sympathy for the victims and families of the shootings in Colorado Springs, Colo., and Arvada, Colo., and convey gratitude to security officers and city and county officials who responded swiftly to the scene.	YES	Passed*	380-0
184	4/14/08	H. Res. 994	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of a National Glanzmann's Thrombasthenia Awareness Day.	YES	Passed*	377-0
185	4/14/08	H. R. 3548	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the federal government to use plain language in all communications that explain how to file taxes or obtain government benefits or services.	YES	Passed*	376-1
188	4/15/08	H.R. 5036	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$685 million to reimburse states and counties that convert to paper ballot voting machines before the November 2008 elections or need help paying for manual audits afterward.	NO	Failed*	239-178
189	4/15/08	H.R. 5719	Motion to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would require the IRS to increase efforts to ensure that illegal immigrants do not obtain earned income tax credits and provisions that would bar tax exemptions for interest from bonds issued by state or local governments with "sanctuary city" policies that specify that government employees are not required to report illegal immigrants to federal officials.	YES	Failed	210-210
190	4/15/08	H.R. 5719	Passage of the bill that would make revisions to certain record-keeping requirements in the tax filing process and repeal the IRS's authority to use private companies to collect unpaid taxes. The bill would repeal the requirement that taxpayers keep detailed records of calls made on cell phones provided by employers and require that individuals get pre-approval or otherwise substantiate any withdrawal from their health savings accounts.	NO	Passed	238-179
191	4/15/08	H.R. 5517	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Humble, Texas, as the "Texas Military	YES	Passed*	413-0

			Veterans Post Office."			
196	4/16/08	H.R. 2634	Amendment that would change the criteria for debt relief eligibility to include requirements that countries must be complying with minimum standards for eliminating human trafficking, cooperating with U.S. efforts to stop illegal immigration and be committed to free and fair elections.	YES	Passed	424-0
197	4/16/08	H.R. 2634	Amendment that would require countries to permit and have a government chosen by free elections in order to be eligible for debt forgiveness.	YES	Passed	382-41
198	4/16/08	H.R. 2634	Motion to recommit the bill to the Financial Services Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would bar countries with business relationships with Iran from being eligible for debt relief.	YES	Passed	291-130
199	4/16/08	H.R. 2634	Passage of the bill that would require the Treasury Department to negotiate with the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund, as well as other lending nations, to forgive debt owed by foreign countries.	NO	Passed	285-132
202	4/16/08	H. Res. 1097	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express support for designating "National Child Abuse Prevention Month."	YES	Passed*	410-0
203	4/17/08	H.R. 5715	Amendment that would target loan limit increases to students in the most need, clarify that the Education secretary can determine whether a school qualifies for loan help and specify that income from loan sales would be used to make new loans, among other provisions.	YES	Passed	413-0
204	4/17/08	H.R. 5715	Passage of the bill that would increase annual loan limits on federal college loans and give the Education Department a bigger role in ensuring loan availability. The bill would increase the amount of federal loans undergraduates can borrow from \$23,000 to \$31,000. Students who are not dependents could borrow up to \$57,500, up from \$46,000. It would allow the Education Department to buy up existing loans at a discount and codify the department's ability to advance funds to guarantee agencies.	YES	Passed	383-27

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205	4/22/08	H. Res. 981	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the first World Glaucoma Day and congratulate the American Glaucoma Society for its efforts to expand glaucoma awareness.	YES	Passed*	387-0
206	4/22/08	H.R. 5151	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate three new federal wilderness areas and expand three existing wilderness areas within the Monongahela National Forest in West Virginia. Wilderness is the most restrictive federal land designation.	NO	Passed*	368-17
207	4/22/08	H.R. 831	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct the Agriculture Department to convey 12 acres of land previously used by the National Forest Service to the city of Coffman Cove, Alaska.	YES	Passed*	382-0
209	4/23/08	H.R. 5613	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would place a one-year moratorium until April 1, 2009, on the implementation of proposed new rules that would reform federal Medicaid payments to states. The process used to pass the bill prohibited amendment and full debate on \$1.6 billion in changes to Medicaid.	NO	Passed*	349-62
210	4/23/08	H. Con. Res. 322	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would recognize the 60th anniversary of the reestablishment of Israel and reaffirm the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the United States and Israel.	YES	Passed*	417-0
220	4/24/08	H.R. 2830	Amendment that would make the operation of any stateless submersible or semi-submersible vessel a federal crime, subject to fines, imprisonment or both.	YES	Passed	408-1
221	4/24/08	H.R. 2830	Amendment that would clarify that the bill's marine safety provisions would not harm the Coast Guard's legal authority to carry out its homeland security mission.	YES	Passed	408-0
222	4/24/08	H.R. 2830	Motion to recommit the bill to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would extend an exemption regarding fire-retardant materials on the delta Queen from November 2008 to November 2018.	YES	Failed	195-208
223	4/24/08	H.R. 2830	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$8.4 billion in FY2008 for the Coast Guard, including \$5.9 billion for	YES	Passed	395-7

			operations and maintenance, \$1.2 billion in mandatory spending for retired pay, and \$1.1 billion for acquisition and construction of vessels, aircraft, facilities and navigation aids. It would authorize 47,000 active duty personnel for the Coast Guard. It would also require several changes in the Deepwater program to replace aging ships and aircraft, such as more open competition for contracts and ordering performance measurements. The bill would set requirements for security around vessels that transport liquefied natural gas (LNG) and for LNG processing facilities.			
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229	4/30/08	H.R. 1195	Motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would amend the 2005 surface transportation law to make technical corrections and certain policy changes. The bill would correct errors in funding calculations for transportation research and increase the minimum state share of total highway safety formula grants from 0.5 percent to 0.75 percent. It would call for a review by the Justice Department of allegations of federal criminal law violations regarding a \$10 million earmark for an interchange at Coconut Road and Interstate 75 in Lee County, Fla., which was altered in the 2005 measure after Congress cleared the bill.	YES	Passed*	358-51
234	5/1/08	H.R. 493	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would prohibit insurance companies, employers, employment agencies and labor unions from discriminating on the basis of genetic information. It would bar health plans from requiring genetic testing. Insurers could not adjust premiums or base enrollment decisions on genetic information. It also would provide legal protection to employers who contract with insurers to provide health insurance from being sued for a violation committed by the insurer.	YES	Passed	414-1
237	5/1/08	H. Con. Res. 308	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would authorize the use of the Capitol grounds for the National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.	YES	Passed*	412-0
238	5/1/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to instruct House conferees to agree to Senate-passed provisions that would set a \$40,000 per person limit for annual direct payments to farmers.	NO	Failed	157-259
239	5/1/08	H.R. 5715	Motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would increase annual loan limits on federal college loans and give the Education Department a bigger role in ensuring loan availability. The bill would increase the amount of federal loans undergraduates can borrow from \$23,000 to \$31,000. Students who are not dependents could borrow up to \$57,500, up from \$46,000. It would allow the Education Department to buy up existing loans at a discount and	YES	Passed*	388-21

			<p>codify the department's ability to advance funds to guarantee agencies. Any savings generated by the bill would be directed to Academic Competitiveness and SMART grants. It would sunset the Education Department's authority to designate institutions as lenders of last resort at the end of the 2008-2009 school year, and require that loans through that program have similar terms and conditions as other federal loans.</p>			
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240	5/5/08	H. Res. 952	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express a sense of the House of Representatives that there should be established a National Teacher Day to honor and celebrate teachers.	YES	Passed*	368-0
242	5/5/08	H. Res. 1011	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would condemn the Sudanese president's support of the armed rebellion in Chad, and would call for continued U.S. humanitarian assistance to refugees in Chad and the Central African Republic. It also would urge the governments of Chad and the Central African Republic to engage in dialogue to end the conflict with opposition groups.	YES	Passed*	371-0
247	5/6/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to instruct House conferees to use the most recent baseline estimates supplied by the Congressional Budget Office when evaluating the costs of the bill's provisions to determine if it complies with House pay-as-you-go (PAYGO) rules.	YES	Failed	172-241
249	5/6/08	H.R. 3658	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would allow rest and recuperation travel and home leave for U.S. Foreign Service personnel to American Samoa, Puerto Rico, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands and the U.S. Virgin Islands.	YES	Passed*	416-0
251	5/6/08	H. Con. Res. 317	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would denounce the military regime's constitution and scheduled referendum in Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, call for the immediate release of Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, detained Buddhist monks and all other political prisoners, and urge the president to call for an arms embargo against the country's military regime.	YES	Passed*	413-1
253	5/6/08	H. Res. 1109	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor Dith Pran for his commitment to raising awareness about genocide that took place under the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia and remember his life's work.	YES	Passed*	413-1
256	5/6/08	S. 2929	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend the authorization for Higher Education Act programs through May 31, 2008.	YES	Passed*	408-0

258	5/6/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to instruct House conferees to insist on language to maintain the House-passed funding allotment for three conservation programs: the Grassland Reserve Program, the Environmental Quality Incentives Program and the Wetlands Reserve Program. The motion also would instruct conferees to agree to a Senate-passed provision that would eliminate federal payments for crops planted on land with no previous cropping history.	NO	Failed	140-274
263	5/6/08	H.R. 1168	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend U.S. charter schools for improving the public school system and support the ninth annual National Charter Schools Week.	YES	Passed*	391-2
265	5/6/08	H. Res. 1155	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor recipients of the El Dorado Promise scholarship, a college scholarship program funded by Murphy Oil Corporation for high school graduates of the El Dorado Public School District in Arkansas.	YES	Passed*	390-1
269	5/7/08	H. Res. 1166	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on the Russian government to revoke its decision to establish official ties with the Abkhazia and South Ossetia regions. It also would support Georgia's membership in NATO.	YES	Passed*	390-23
274	5/7/08	H. Res. 1113	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would celebrate the role of mothers in the United States and support the goals and ideals of Mother's Day.	YES	Passed*	412-0
277	5/7/08	H.R. 5937	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would allow any new owner of the housing project Starrett City in Brooklyn, N.Y., to request from the Department of Housing and Urban Development that two subsidy contracts be converted into a new housing assistance contract.	NO	Passed*	345-73
293	5/7/08	H.R. 5818	Amendment that would direct allocations of the bill's grants and loans to specific cities and counties and cap the purchase price of the foreclosed property at its current appraised value.	NO	Passed	256-157
294	5/7/08	H.R. 5818	Amendment that would direct the loans and grants authorized by the bill to be administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development's Office of Community Planning and	YES	Passed	425-0

			Development.			
295	5/8/08	H.R. 5818	Amendment that would strike language in the bill providing for state grants and redirect the \$7.5 billion in grants money to the loan portion of the bill.	YES	Failed	190-219
297	5/8/08	H.R. 5818	Amendment that would clarify that illegal immigrants would be ineligible for financial assistance under the bill.	YES	Passed	391-33
298	5/8/08	H.R. 5818	Motion to recommit the bill to the Financial Services Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would bar anyone convicted of a drug dealing offense, a sex offense or mortgage fraud from buying homes made available through the bill's funds. It would give priority to loans and grants that would provide housing for veterans, teachers, law enforcement officers, firefighters and other first responders.	YES	Failed	210-216
299	5/8/08	H.R. 5818	Passage of the bill that would establish a loan and grant program, administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, for states to buy and rehabilitate foreclosed properties. The bill would authorize \$7.5 billion for zero-interest loans and \$7.5 billion for grants. The bill would direct states to allocate funds to the 100 neediest cities and 50 most populous counties in the country. In addition, properties purchased for rental with the funds would serve families having incomes at or below the area's median income.	NO	Passed	239-188
300	5/8/08	H.R. 4279	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would consolidate federal efforts to counter piracy and counterfeiting of American-owned intellectual properties.	YES	Passed*	410-11
301	5/8/08	H.R. 3221	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments with House amendment no. 1. The House amendment would incorporate provisions from six housing-related bills into one package. Among its provisions, the amendment would expand the loan-guarantee program of the Federal Housing Administration (FHA), overhaul the FHA's mortgage lending practices and designate certain agency surpluses for an affordable-housing fund. It would overhaul regulation of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, establish an affordable housing trust fund and create an independent	NO	Passed	226-154

			Federal Housing Finance Agency to regulate Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac and the Federal Home Loan Banks. It would provide legal protections for mortgage servicers who made certain loan modifications, permit federal savings associations to make investments designed primarily to promote the public welfare through the provision of housing, services and jobs, and authorize the Section 8 low-income housing voucher program through fiscal 2012 and alter calculations of income.			
302	5/8/08	H.R. 3221	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments with House amendment no. 2. The House amendment would provide a zero-interest, 15-year loan for first-time homebuyers, providing them up to \$7,500 for a home purchase over the next year. It would provide a one-time \$350 deduction (\$700 for married couples) in 2008. It would also increase temporarily the volume cap for the low-income housing tax credit, allowing states to allocate more credits to developers of low-cost housing. The amendment would also raise taxes by delaying implementation of a previously enacted provision to eliminate the double-taxation of U.S. companies that also operate internationally.	NO	Passed	322-94
303	5/8/08	H.R. 3221	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments with House amendment no. 3. The House amendment would clarify that no provision in the underlying measure or two federal banking statutes -- the Home Owners' Loan Act or the National Bank Act -- could be construed to pre-empt any state law dealing with residential foreclosures.	NO	Passed	256-160
304	5/8/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to instruct House conferees not to recede to provisions in the Senate-passed bill related to a permanent agriculture disaster assistance program.	YES	Failed	128-274
305	5/8/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to instruct conferees not to agree to Senate-passed provisions that would create a qualified tax credit forestry conservation bond program.	YES	Failed	169-222

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306	5/13/08	H. Res. 1181	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express sympathy for the victims of Cyclone Nargis in Myanmar, formerly known as Burma, and reaffirm the U.S. commitment to providing immediate aid to the storm's victims. It also would urge the Myanmar government to accept international aid and to call off a referendum on the military regime's constitution.	YES	Passed*	410-1
307	5/13/08	H.R. 6022	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Interior and Energy departments to halt acquisition of oil for the Strategic Petroleum Reserve until the end of 2008. The departments could resume shipments if the president determined that the average price of oil in the United States for the most recent 90-day period was \$75 a barrel or less.	YES	Passed*	385-25
308	5/13/08	H.R. 4008	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide legal protection to any person or business who printed an expiration date for a credit card on any receipt between Dec. 4, 2004, and the bill's enactment.	YES	Passed*	407-0
312	5/14/08	H. Res. 1134	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Mental Health Month.	YES	Passed*	421-0
313	5/14/08	H. Res. 1176	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Train Day.	YES	Passed*	415-0
314	5/14/08	H.R. 2419	Motion to recommit the bill to the conference committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would strike three sections of the bill relating the conveyance of National Forest System lands to a Vermont ski company, fisheries disaster assistance and qualified forestry conservation bonds that would benefit one company in Montana.	YES	Failed	193-230
315	5/14/08	H.R. 2419	Adoption of the conference report on the bill that would reauthorize federal farm and nutrition programs for five years, including crop subsidies and food stamps, as well as conservation, rural development and agricultural trade programs. It would authorize a \$10 billion increase for nutrition programs, offset by extending customs user fees. It	YES	Passed	318-106

			also would cut direct payment subsidies overall by \$313 million, by reducing the percentage of acres for which a farmer can collect those payments from 85 percent to 83.3 percent. Farmers making more than \$750,000 a year in farm-related income and those with more than \$500,000 a year in non-farm-related income would not be eligible for federal subsidies. It would provide a \$65,000 limit for counter-cyclical payments, authorize \$1.3 billion to enroll new acreage in the Wetlands Reserve Program and reduce the Conservation Reserve Program to 32 million acres. Country-of-origin labels for all meat would be required by September, 2008. It also would extend the Milk Income Loss Contract program through FY2012 and provide a subsidy for the purchase of excess sugar in the U.S. market to make sugar-based ethanol.			
316	5/14/08	H. Res. 1133	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Winona State University on winning the 2008 Division II men's basketball championships.	YES	Passed*	413-0
319	5/14/08	H. Res. 1173	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the accomplishments of AmeriCorps members and alumni and encourage citizens to participate in the AmeriCorps program.	YES	Passed*	344-69
320	5/14/08	H.R. 4040	Motion to instruct conferees to insist on the provisions contained in the House-passed bill.	YES	Passed	405-0
321	5/14/08	S. Con. Res. 70	Motion to instruct conferees to adjust budget levels to assume \$2 billion in increased revenues by expanding federal leases for oil exploration and development in the western federal lands, the Outer Continental Shelf and the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.	YES	Failed	185-229
322	5/14/08	H. Res. 789	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the contributions of nonprofit public child welfare agencies.	YES	Passed*	414-0
325	5/15/08	H.R. 5614	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the production of no more than 15,000 \$20 Saint-Gaudens Double Eagle ultra-high relief bullion coins made of palladium.	YES	Passed*	415-0
326	5/15/08	H.R. 406	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would award a posthumous congressional gold medal in	YES	Passed*	412-1

			commemoration of Alice Paul and her work in women's suffrage and equal rights.			
327	5/15/08	H.R. 5827	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Treasury to mint coins in 2010 commemorating the centennial of the Boy Scouts of America.	YES	Passed*	403-8
328	5/15/08	H.R. 2642	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments with House amendment no. 1. The House amendment would provide \$162.5 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, with \$96.6 billion for FY2008 and \$65.9 billion for FY2009. Under the procedures used to consider this amendment, the funding would then be combined with restrictions on our troops and unrelated domestic spending. Members voted present to protect funding for the troops being used in this manner.	Present	Failed	141-149
329	5/15/08	H.R. 2642	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments with House amendment no. 2. The House amendment would require a troop withdrawal from Iraq within 30 days of the bill's enactment, with a goal of completing the withdrawal of combat troops by December 2009. It would require Congress to authorize any agreement between the U.S. and the Iraqi government committing U.S. forces. The amendment would require the Iraqi government to match reconstruction aid and to sell fuel to the U.S. military at the same price it is sold to Iraqi consumers. The amendment would define under what conditions military commanders could deploy troops to Iraq. Such restrictions could result in longer tours of duty for some service members. It would also compel all federal agencies to use only the interrogation techniques authorized in the Army Field Manual.	NO	Passed	227-196
330	5/15/08	H.R. 2642	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments with House amendment no. 3. The House amendment would appropriate \$21.2 billion for domestic programs, military construction and foreign aid programs. It would provide \$4.6 billion for military construction and \$5.8 billion for levee building in Louisiana. The amendment would provide a permanent expansion of education benefits for post-Sept. 11	NO	Passed	256-166

			veterans. It would impose a new tax on small business owners and individuals with on modified adjusted gross income above \$500,000 per year for individuals and \$1 million for couples. It also would temporarily extend unemployment insurance benefits and place a moratorium through March 2009 on seven Medicaid regulations proposed by the administration. It would appropriate \$9.9 billion for the State Department, USAID and international food assistance.			
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331	5/20/08	H.R. 6081	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide several new and extended tax benefits for military personnel, veterans, volunteer firefighters, emergency medical responders and other public servants. It would allow certain military families, blind veterans and AmeriCorps volunteers not receiving Supplemental Security Income to do so. It also would extend mental health parity provisions through 2008.	YES	Passed*	403-0
332	5/20/08	H.R. 6074	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would make it illegal for foreign countries to collectively manipulate energy prices or supplies and allow lawsuits against foreign countries for any such actions that affect the United States. It would also establish a task force to examine anticompetitive activities in the foreign oil market. The bill did not increase domestic energy supplies or reduce dependence on foreign oil.	NO	Passed*	324-84
333	5/20/08	H. Res. 144	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express support for the designation of a "Frank Sinatra Day" in honor of the dedication of the Frank Sinatra commemorative stamp.	YES	Passed*	402-3
335	5/20/08	H.R. 1464	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$5 million annually between FY2008 through 2012 for a grant program for rare cat and dog conservation activities in foreign countries.	NO	Passed*	294-119
336	5/20/08	H.R. 2649	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would allow the Interior Department to participate in the planning and provide as much as 25 percent of the funding for the second phase of a water treatment, recycling and reclamation project in the Olvienhain Municipal Water District in San Diego County, Calif.	NO	Passed*	374-39
337	5/20/08	H.R. 2774	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would amend the Family and Medical Leave Act to allow airline crew members to be eligible to take up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave to care for a newborn, newly-adopted child or sick family member, or to recover from serious health conditions.	YES	Passed*	402-9

343	5/21/08	H.R. 6049	Motion to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with a substitute amendment that would extend the package of expiring tax credits, including the research tax credit, deductions for tuition and education expenses, and deductions for sales taxes in states without income taxes through 2013, remove the bill's offsets and extend alternative minimum tax exemption amounts through 2008.	YES	Failed	201-220
344	5/21/08	H.R. 6049	Passage of the bill that would extend dozens of expired or expiring tax provisions for one year, including the research tax credit, deductions for tuition and education expenses, and deductions for sales taxes in states without income taxes. It would create and extend several energy tax provisions, such as tax credits for wind and renewable-energy production and for investment in solar and fuel cell power plants. The bill would also increase taxes by \$54 billion over 10 years.	NO	Passed	263-160
345	5/21/08	H.R. 1771	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish a grant program to protect crane populations and authorize \$5 million annually from FY2009 through 2013 for the program.	NO	Passed	304-118
346	5/21/08	H.R. 2419	Passage, over President Bush's May 21, 2008, veto, of the bill that would reauthorize federal farm and nutrition programs for five years, including crop subsidies and food stamps, as well as conservation and rural development. It would authorize a \$10.4 billion increase for nutrition programs, offset by extending customs user fees. It also would cut direct payment subsidies overall by \$313 million, in part by reducing the percentage of acres for which a farmer can collect those payments from 85 percent to 83.3 percent. Farmers making more than \$750,000 a year in farm-related income and those with more than \$500,000 a year in non-farm-related income would not be eligible for federal subsidies. It would provide a \$65,000 limit for counter-cyclical payments, authorize \$1.3 billion to enroll new acreage in the Wetlands Reserve Program and reduce the Conservation Reserve Program to 32 million acres. Country-of-origin labels for all meat would be required by	YES	Passed	316-108

			September 2008. It also would extend the Milk Income Loss Contract program through FY2012.			
347	5/21/08	H.R. 3819	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Veteran Affairs (VA) Department to pay for veterans' emergency treatment at non-VA hospitals until they can be transferred to a VA facility. The VA would reimburse veterans who paid out-of-pocket for care at a non-VA hospital while waiting for transfer.	YES	Passed*	412-0
348	5/21/08	H.R. 5826	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would increase the rate of compensation for disabled veterans and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for veterans' families, starting Dec. 1, 2008. The rate increase would be equal to that of the increase for Social Security benefits.	YES	Passed*	417-0
349	5/21/08	H.R. 5856	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize several medical facility projects and medical facility leases for the Veterans Affairs Department for FY2009.	YES	Passed*	416-0
352	5/22/08	H. Res. 1221	Motion to table (kill) the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution that would call for an investigation into the Democratic leadership's role in the inaccuracies in the process and enrollment of the bill (HR 2419) that would reauthorize federal farm and nutrition programs for five years.	NO	Passed	220-188
353	5/22/08	H.R. 6124	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would reauthorize federal farm and nutrition programs for five years, including crop subsidies and food stamps, as well as conservation, rural development and agricultural trade programs. It would authorize a \$10.4 billion increase for nutrition programs, offset by extending customs user fees. It also would cut direct payment subsidies overall by \$313 million, in part by reducing the percentage of acres for which a farmer can collect those payments from 85 percent to 83.3 percent. Farmers making more than \$750,000 a year in farm-related income and those with more than \$500,000 a year in non-farm-related income would not be eligible for federal subsidies. It would provide a \$65,000 limit for counter-cyclical payments, authorize \$1.3 billion to enroll new acreage in the	YES	Passed*	306-110

			Wetlands Reserve Program and reduce the Conservation Reserve Program to 32 million acres. Country-of-origin labels for all meat would be required by September 2008. It also would extend the Milk Income Loss Contract program through FY2012 and provide a subsidy for the purchase of excess sugar in the U.S. market to make sugar-based ethanol.			
354	5/22/08	H. Res. 1194	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would reaffirm strong support for the government of Lebanon under Prime Minister Fouad Siniora and express sympathy to the people of Lebanon for the conflict initiated by Hezbollah.	YES	Passed*	401-10
355	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would increase by \$193 million funding authorized for the Future Combat Systems, to be offset by decreasing authorized funding levels for Navy research development, test and evaluation by \$30 million, Department of Defense military personnel by \$138 million and the Defense Health Program by \$25 million.	YES	Failed	128-287
356	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would add \$719 million to the bill's authorization for the Missile Defense Agency, to be offset by a decrease of the same amount for the Defense Department's research, development, testing and evaluation activities.	YES	Failed	186-229
357	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would reduce the bill's authorization for the Missile Defense Agency by \$966.2 million and increase authorized levels by \$75 million for the Cooperative Threat Reduction program, \$592 million for weapons nonproliferation programs, \$30 million for education support to dependents of service members, \$30 million for family support of wounded service members, \$30 million for suicide prevention programs for service members and \$10 million for a pilot program to retrain wounded service members as military health professionals.	NO	Failed	122-292
358	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would increase the bill's authorization for the National Nuclear Security Administration's Reliable Replacement Warhead program by \$10 million, offset by a decrease of the same amount in authorized funds for energy conservation on military	YES	Failed	145-271

			installations.			
359	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would provide that any agreement between the United States and the Iraqi government that obligates the United States to defend Iraq would have to be authorized by Congress or come in the form of a treaty requiring the consent of the Senate.	NO	Passed	234-183
360	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would require the president to submit a report on the long-term costs of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, including operational costs, reconstruction costs and health care benefits, through at least FY2068, within 90 days of the bill's enactment.	NO	Passed	245-168
361	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would prohibit contractors from performing interrogations, but would allow contractors to serve as interpreters.	NO	Passed	240-168
362	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would require interrogations of detainees of the Department of Defense to be videotaped or electronically recorded. It also would require the creation of uniform guidelines for such recording.	NO	Passed	218-192
363	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Amendment that would require the Defense secretary to release to the public, upon request, the names, ranks, countries of origin, and other information about students and instructors of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation, from FY2005 and beyond.	NO	Passed	220-189
364	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Motion to recommit the bill to the Armed Services Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would repeal a ban on federal purchases of unconventional fuels and require a study on using former military installations as locations for oil refineries. The language also would expand GI Bill education benefits to additional military service members and allow the benefits to be transferred to service members' spouses and children.	YES	Failed	186-223
365	5/22/08	H.R. 5658	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$601.4 billion for defense programs in FY2009, including \$70 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. It would authorize \$154.5 billion for operations and maintenance; \$124.7 billion for military personnel; \$24.4 billion for military construction and family housing	YES	Passed	384-23

			and base closings; \$24.7 billion for the Defense Health Program and \$10.2 billion for missile defense. It would authorize a 3.9 percent pay raise for military personnel. The bill would block the closing of Walter Reed Army Medical Center unless the Defense Department provides more information about plans to relocate the hospital's services.			
366	5/22/08	H. Res. 986	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call upon Americans to show gratitude for the courage and sacrifice for the military members held as prisoners of war during the Vietnam War. It would also call for a full account of the 1,729 military members who remain unaccounted for.	YES	Passed*	394-0

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367	6/3/08	H. Con. Res. 138	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the annual National Men's Health Week.	YES	Passed*	362-0
368	6/3/08	H. Res. 923	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Minnesota on its 150th anniversary and the contributions it makes to America's economy and heritage.	YES	Passed*	363-0
369	6/3/08	H. Res. 1114	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideas of the Arbor Day Foundation and the observation of National Arbor Day.	YES	Passed*	364-0
372	6/3/08	H.R. 1343	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$14.1 billion from FY2008-2012 for the community health centers program. The bill also would authorize \$25 million from FY2009-2011 for an integrated health systems project to improve access to care in underserved areas.	YES	Passed*	393-24
373	6/4/08	H.R. 5669	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would reauthorize the Poison Center's national toll-free number, national media campaign and grant program through FY2014. The bill would authorize \$2 million annually for FY2000-2009, and \$1 million annually for FY2010-2014 for the toll-free number. It also would authorize \$600,000 annually for FY2000-2005, sums as necessary for FY2006-2009, and \$1.5 million annually for FY2010-2014 for the media campaign.	YES	Passed*	405-10
374	6/4/08	H.R. 3021	Amendment that would expand the use of funds to include building bicycle related infrastructure and bar states from counting the grants against schools when calculating state aid eligibility.	NO	Passed	260-151
375	6/4/08	H.R. 3021	Amendment that would bar the use of funds in the bill to purchase carbon offsets.	YES	Passed	397-17
376	6/4/08	H.R. 3021	Amendment that would allow funding authorized by the bill to be used for renewable energy generation and heating systems, such as solar, photovoltaic, wind, geothermal, biomass and wood pellet systems.	YES	Passed	409-5
377	6/4/08	H.R. 3021	Amendment that would require schools to report if flooring was installed whether it was made with low- or no-Volatile Organic Compounds or with	NO	Passed	266-153

			sustainable materials and whether it was cost effective.			
378	6/4/08	H.R. 3021	Motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would allow schools whose energy costs have risen more than 50 percent since January 2007 to use funds authorized in the bill for maintenance.	YES	Failed	187-230
379	6/4/08	H.R. 3021	Passage of the bill that would create a new \$6.4 billion federal program to modernize and make repairs to public schools, and \$100 million per year from FY2009 through 2013 for repairs to public schools damaged by hurricanes Katrina and Rita. It would require all repairs to be carried out according to "green" building standards, such as those set by the government's Energy Star rating system. The measure would authorize the grants based on the same percentages of funds public schools receive under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.	NO	Passed	250-164
382	6/5/08	S. Con. Res. 70	Adoption of the conference report on the budget resolution that would allow up to \$1.1 trillion in discretionary spending for FY2009, including \$70 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and \$5.8 billion for hurricane recovery. It would allow \$537.8 billion for defense discretionary spending. Non-defense discretionary spending would be at \$482 billion and advanced FY2010 funding would be limited at \$28.9 billion. Over five years the budget would exceed the President's request by \$241 billion. It would raise taxes by at least \$683 billion over five years. In addition, it would raise the national debt limit by \$800 billion to \$10.6 trillion. Finally, the budget called for no reform to entitlement programs.	NO	Passed	214-210
383	6/5/08	H.R. 5940	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$1.5 million for the National Nanotechnology Initiative to coordinate research, development and education in the field of nanotechnology. The funds would come from 13 supporting federal agencies. It would require the initiative's coordination office to develop a publicly accessible database regarding projects funded by the agencies.	YES	Passed*	407-6

387	6/5/08	H.R. 3058	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would allow counties to receive direct government payments in lieu of a percentage of revenues from economic activities, such as logging, on National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands within their boundaries. The bill would create a new formula to allocate funds to counties based on historical funding, the county's amount of federal lands, and the county's economic conditions. It would impose a new fee on producing and non-producing federal oil and gas drilling leases in the Gulf of Mexico. These new fees – totaling \$7.5 billion over the next ten years – would likely be passed along to consumers in the form of higher gas prices.	NO	Failed*	218-193
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388	6/9/08	H. Res. 1225	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of National Safety Month and recognize the National Safety Council's contributions to raise awareness about safety in schools and jobs.	YES	Passed*	379-0
389	6/9/08	H. Res. 1243	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on fathers to spend Father's Day with their children and encourage their active involvement in the rearing and development of their children.	YES	Passed*	373-0
390	6/9/08	H. Res. 127	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt resolution that would recognize the 50th anniversary of Alaska as a state.	YES	Passed*	375-0
393	6/10/08	H.R. 6028	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$1.1 billion over FY2008-2010 to help train and equip Mexican armed forces and law enforcement agencies to control drug trafficking and organized crime, and to strengthen Mexico's judicial system. The bill also would authorize \$405 million for FY2008-2010 for assistance to several countries in Central America.	YES	Passed*	311-106
394	6/10/08	H. Res. 1063	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 225th anniversary of relations between the United States and Great Britain and look forward to a continued strong relationship between the countries.	YES	Passed*	414-0
395	6/10/08	H. Con. Res. 318	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the goals and ideals of the International Year of Sanitation and recognize the importance of sanitation to public health.	YES	Passed*	411-0
396	6/10/08	H. Con. Res. 336	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Disabled American Veterans' Week and recognize the sacrifices made by disabled veterans and their families.	YES	Passed*	417-0
397	6/11/08	H.R. 6003	Amendment that would bar Amtrak from using funds authorized by the bill for the Amtrak route with the highest cost/greatest subsidy. It would permit the use of the authorized funds on the route if the Transportation Department provides a waiver, asserting the route is critical to homeland security.	YES	Failed	150-275

398	6/11/08	H.R. 6003	Amendment that would authorize \$1.5 billion for grants from FY2009-2018 for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to help finance maintenance and preventive projects. WMATA could not receive the grants until it ensures that Metrorail customers have access to wireless services from licensed providers. The grants would be contingent upon the local participating governments providing a dedicated funding source to match the federal funding appropriated in a given year.	YES	Passed	295-127
399	6/11/08	H.R. 6003	Motion to recommit the bill to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would require a study to investigate alternative fuels for locomotives.	YES	Failed	194-230
400	6/11/08	H.R. 6003	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$14.4 billion for Amtrak over five years, including \$3 billion for operating assistance, \$4.2 billion for capital grants and \$1.7 billion for Amtrak to pay down its debts. The bill also would authorize grants for financing capital costs in certain high-congestion corridors. It would require changes in Amtrak's managements, operations and general policy regarding intercity passenger rail service. The Transportation Department would be directed to implement a high-speed rail corridor program and to solicit proposals for a high-speed rail system between Washington, D.C. and New York City.	NO	Passed	311-104
401	6/11/08	H. Res. 1258	Motion to refer the Kucinich, D-Ohio, privileged resolution to the Judiciary Committee. The Kucinich resolution would bring articles of impeachment against President George W. Bush for "high crimes and misdemeanors."	NO	Passed	251-166
402	6/11/08	H. Res. 1235	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of National D-Day Remembrance Day, honor the veterans who served on D-Day and thank them for their spirit, courage and sacrifice.	YES	Passed*	406-0
403	6/11/08	H.R. 5749	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend temporary unemployment benefits for individuals who have exhausted their current compensation. The bill would provide an additional 13 weeks in all states	NO	Failed*	279-144

			regardless of their unemployment rate, plus another 13 weeks of extended benefits in states with high unemployment rates. The bill did not include a requirement that individuals receiving extended benefits have worked a minimum of 20 weeks prior to being unemployed. Similar provisions have been in place since 1981 and absent such a requirement an individual could work as little as two weeks and receive a full-year of unemployment benefits.			
404	6/11/08	H. Res. 977	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would encourage Americans to use their rebate checks from the stimulus package to purchase American-made goods and services from American-owned companies.	YES	Passed*	404-6
409	6/12/08	H.R. 1553	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$30 million a year between FY2008 through 2012 for pediatric cancer research and awareness initiatives.	YES	Passed*	416-0
410	6/12/08	H.R. 5749	Motion to table (kill) the Weller, R-Ill., appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Weller point of order that the bill does not comply with House pay-as-you-go rules.	NO	Passed	217-185
411	6/12/08	H.R. 5749	Motion to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would require individuals to work 20 weeks to qualify for the extended benefits, allow for additional money to the newly hired to help with gasoline prices; and target the extended benefits to states with high unemployment rates.	YES	Failed	170-243
412	6/12/08	H.R. 5749	Passage of the bill that would extend temporary unemployment benefits for individuals who have exhausted their current compensation. Residents of all states would get an additional 13 weeks of unemployment benefits, on top of the 26 weeks already authorized under law. Residents of states with unemployment rates at or above 6 percent would get an additional 13 weeks, totaling one year of benefits. The weekly compensation under the extension would equal the amount received under regular compensation. The extended benefit program would expire March 31, 2009. The bill did not include a requirement that individuals receiving extended	NO	Passed	274-137

			benefits have worked a minimum of 20 weeks prior to being unemployed. Similar provisions have been in place since 1981 and absent such a requirement an individual could work as little as two weeks and receive a full-year of unemployment benefits.			
413	6/12/08	S. 2146	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the EPA to accept diesel emission reduction supplemental environmental projects as part of a settlement of an alleged violation of an environmental law or regulation.	YES	Passed*	406-0

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414	6/17/08	H.R. 2946	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would ban the interstate sale or transportation of monkeys.	NO	Passed*	302-96
415	6/17/08	H.R. 3702	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Interior Department to convey 9.67 acres of National Forest System land to Jefferson County, Mont.	YES	Passed*	396-0
416	6/17/08	H. Res. 1275	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the life and accomplishments of journalist Timothy J. Russert Jr., who died June 13, 2008, and express condolences to his family members and friends.	YES	Passed*	395-0
417	6/18/08	H.R. 6124	Passage, over President Bush's June 18, 2008, veto, of the bill that would reauthorize federal farm and nutrition programs for five years, including crop subsidies and food stamps, as well as conservation, rural development and agricultural trade programs. It would authorize a \$10.4 billion increase for nutrition programs, offset by extending customs user fees. It also would cut direct payment subsidies overall by \$313 million, in part by reducing the percentage of acres for which a farmer can collect those payments from 85 percent to 83.3 percent. Farmers making more than \$750,000 a year in farm-related income and those with more than \$500,000 a year in non-farm-related income would not be eligible for federal subsidies. It would provide a \$65,000 limit for counter-cyclical payments, authorize \$1.3 billion to enroll new acreage in the Wetlands Reserve Program and reduce the Conservation Reserve Program to 32 million acres. Country-of-origin labels for all meat would be required by September 2008. It also would extend the Milk Income Loss Contract program through FY2012 and provide a subsidy for the purchase of excess sugar in the U.S. market to make sugar-based ethanol.	YES	Passed	317-109
418	6/18/08	H.R. 6063	Amendment that would allow NASA to procure conventional fuels that contain incidental amounts of unconventional fuels.	YES	Passed	429-1
419	6/18/08	H.R. 6063	Amendment that would establish a scholarship program for women pursuing higher education degrees in	YES	Passed	423-3

			fields related to NASA's missions, in memory of teacher Christa McAuliffe, who died in the Challenger disaster. Recipients of the scholarship would receive \$10,000 per year.			
420	6/18/08	H.R. 6063	Motion to recommit the bill to the Science and Technology Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would create a private sector prize for improving energy independence through technology and allow NASA to procure alternative fuels.	YES	Failed	196-225
421	6/18/08	H.R. 6063	Passage of the bill that would reauthorize \$20.2 billion for NASA in FY2009, including \$6.1 billion for space operations and \$1 billion to accelerate research and development of new space exploration vehicles. It would direct NASA to conduct safety reviews, monitor near-Earth objects, plan to return Americans to the moon, and review the causes of increasing costs related to spacecraft missions. The bill would reaffirm congressional support for continued exploration of Mars and would require NASA to complete planned space shuttle missions before retiring the shuttle.	NO	Passed	409-15
422	6/18/08	H. Res. 1002	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of a Public Radio Recognition Month and encourage the celebration of America's public radio stations.	YES	Passed*	414-0
425	6/19/08	H.R. 5710	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$327 million for the construction of the Eastern New Mexico Rural Water System.	YES	Passed*	301-124
426	6/19/08	H.R. 5781	Manager's amendment that, among other things, would eliminate a requirement for a study of the feasibility and desirability of offering an insurance benefit to federal employees that would provide wage replacement during absences related to a health condition. It also would provide that the bill's requirements not apply to births occurring within six months of the bill's enactment.	YES	Passed	422-0
427	6/19/08	H.R. 5781	Motion to recommit the bill to the Oversight and Government Reform Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would bar employees who do not	YES	Failed	206-220

			comply with court-ordered child support arrangements from being eligible for the paid leave provisions.			
428	6/19/08	H.R. 5781	Passage of the bill that would provide that four of the 12 weeks of parental leave given to federal and congressional employees would be paid leave. Employees could also use accrued annual or sick leave for parental leave and would not be required to demonstrate a medical need for using their sick time for that purpose. The bill also would authorize the Office of Personnel Management to extend the parental leave period for up to eight weeks.	NO	Passed	278-146
430	6/19/08	H. Res. 1230	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on all Zimbabwean security forces, informal militias and individuals to immediately cease their attacks and condemn the orchestrated campaign of violence conducted by the ruling party.	YES	Passed*	412-1
431	6/19/08	H.R. 2642	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment that would appropriate \$165.4 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, including \$99.5 billion for military operations for FY2008 and \$65.9 billion for FY2009.	YES	Passed	268-155
432	6/19/08	H.R. 2642	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment with an additional amendment. The House amendment would appropriate \$21.1 billion for domestic programs, including \$2.7 billion for disaster relief in the Midwest and \$5.8 billion for FY2009 to rebuild levees in Louisiana. It would provide for a permanent expansion of education benefits for post-Sept. 11 veterans and cut \$3.6 billion from funding for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan to fund domestic programs. It also would temporarily extend unemployment insurance benefits and place a moratorium through March 2009 on six Medicaid regulations proposed by the administration. The amendment would require the Iraqi government to match reconstruction aid and prohibit establishing a permanent base in Iraq. It would provide \$4.6 billion for military construction, and \$6 billion for the State Department, USAID and international food assistance in FY2008 and \$4.1	YES	Passed	416-12

			billion in FY2009.			
433	6/19/08	H. Res. 1029	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Juan Antonio "Chi-Chi" Rodriguez for his successes in golf, commend him for exemplary conduct as a private citizen and for a life devoted to service of others, and express gratitude for his service as a role model.	YES	Passed*	415-0
437	6/20/08	H.R. 6304	Passage of the bill that would overhaul the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), which governs electronic surveillance of foreign terrorism suspects. The bill would allow the attorney general and director of national intelligence to jointly authorize, for up to one year, investigations involving surveillance targeting those who are not U.S. persons and who are reasonably believed to be outside the United States. The FISA court would have to approve procedures for conducting the surveillance. Under the bill, warrantless surveillance would be allowed as long as it does not intentionally target U.S. persons or persons located within the United States, excluding foreign agents. It would allow for retroactive liability immunity for telecommunications companies alleged to have participated in the National Security Agency's warrantless surveillance program. The bill's provisions would sunset on Dec. 31, 2012, but warrants would remain in effect until they expire.	YES	Passed	293-129

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438	6/23/08	H. Res. 1242	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the 100th anniversary of Louis Jordan's birth and recognize his contributions to American music as a musician, composer and entertainer.	YES	Passed*	348-0
439	6/23/08	H. Con. Res. 372	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the goals and ideals of Black Music Month, honor the contributions that African-American singers and musicians have made, and call on Americans to celebrate African-American music.	YES	Passed*	353-0
440	6/23/08	H. Res. 1051	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate James Madison University for 100 years of leadership and service to Virginia and the United States.	YES	Passed*	354-0
443	6/24/08	H.R. 6331	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would replace a 10.6 percent cut in payments to physicians treating Medicare patients, scheduled to take effect on July 1, by holding payments at current rates for 18 months and providing for a 1.1 percent increase in 2009 and then cutting payments thereafter. The bill also would provide an additional \$4 billion over five years and \$16.6 billion over 10 years for changes to Medicare beneficiary programs and would eliminate a higher co-payment rate for Medicare outpatient psychiatric services. It would be partially offset by requiring private "fee for service" plans to form networks with health care providers, thereby slowing the plans' rate of growth by eliminating private "fee for service" in many rural areas..	NO	Passed*	355-59
444	6/24/08	H.R. 5876	Amendment that would strike the exclusion of psychiatric residential treatment facilities and the exclusion of foster care group homes from the bill's definition of residential treatment programs. The amendment also would eliminate required unannounced site inspections of covered programs at least once every two years, and would require the Department of Health and Human Services to report to Congress on the activities of the national toll-free hotline established in the bill.	YES	Passed	422-0

447	6/24/08	H.R. 6327	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend through Sept. 30 the Federal Aviation Administration's authority to collect certain aviation-related taxes deposited in the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and the authority to spend those funds on certain FAA programs. It also would provide contract authority for the Airport Improvement Program for the rest of FY2008.	YES	Passed*	422-0
448	6/24/08	H.R. 6346	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would prohibit "unconscionably excessive" prices (an undefined term) for fuels in areas experiencing an energy emergency. Those selling fuel would be subject to set civil and criminal penalties and states would be permitted to bring lawsuits against retailers.	NO	Failed*	276-146
454	6/25/08	H.R. 6275	Motion to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would eliminate tax increases in the bill, and increase the deductions in mileage rates for vehicles used for charitable purposes to the same level as medical travel and moving rates.	YES	Failed	199-222
455	6/25/08	H.R. 6275	Passage of the bill that would provide a one-year adjustment to prevent an additional 21 million taxpayers from paying the alternative minimum tax (AMT) on 2008 income. It would increase the exemption amounts used in calculating the AMT and extend a provision that allows certain non-refundable credits to be claimed against the tax. The bill would raise taxes on U.S. employers by \$62 billion.	NO	Passed	233-189
456	6/25/08	H.R. 3546	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$1.1 billion annually for FY2008 through FY2012 for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program, which awards grants to states for criminal justice programs.	YES	Passed*	406-11
457	6/25/08	H.R. 2176	Motion to table (kill) the Hensarling, R-Texas, appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Rahall point of order that the Hensarling motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee was not germane. The Hensarling motion would recommit the bill with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would repeal alternative fuel procurement requirements for federal agencies.	NO	Passed	226-189

458	6/25/08	H.R. 2176	Passage of the bill that would ratify a land claims settlement between the state of Michigan and two Michigan Indian tribes, the Bay Mills Indian Community and the Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians. The bill would allow the tribes to operate a gambling facility on the new parcel of land in Port Huron, Mich., in exchange for the tribes relinquishing their claim to a 110-acre parcel of land in Charlotte Beach, Mich.	NO	Failed	121-298
459	6/25/08	H.R. 6358	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish new federal regulations for private residential programs that focus on serving children with emotional, behavioral or mental health problems, or problems with alcohol and substance abuse. Such programs are currently state regulated. The bill would require the Health and Human Services Department to enforce health and safety standards for children in such programs. The bill would authorize \$15 million to implement the bill's provisions from FY2009 through 2013.	NO	Passed*	318-103
460	6/25/08	H.R. 3195	Passage of the bill that would amend the Americans with Disabilities Act to redefine a disability as a physical or mental impairment that materially restricts one or more major life activities. It would extend protections to people with disabilities not immediately evident in the workplace, such as those of the immune, digestive and neurological systems. People with minor or short-term disabilities, and those that could be corrected with contact lenses or glasses, would be exempt from protections. It would clarify that the effects of "mitigating measures," such as hearing aids and prosthetics, could not be used in weighing how a person's disability affects life activities.	YES	Passed	402-17
461	6/25/08	H.R. 4040	Motion to instruct conferees to insist on the provisions contained in the House-passed bill regarding the definition of "children's product."	YES	Passed	415-0
464	6/26/08	H. Res. 1291	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals, ideals and deeds of the American GI forum, recognize the forum's 60th anniversary, and recognize the need for equal access to veterans' benefits for all who have served.	YES	Passed*	421-0

465	6/26/08	H.R. 6052	Amendment that would allow federal agencies to contract to purchase a generally available fuel that is not alternative or synthetic, or produced from a non-conventional source if the contract does not require providing alternative fuels, the contract's purpose is not to obtain alternative fuels, and the contract does not provide incentives for a refinery upgrade or expansion.	YES	Passed	421-0
466	6/26/08	H.R. 6052	Motion to recommit the bill to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would direct funds from the bill's grants to be used for school bus transportation with preference to rural areas where the buses travel greater distances and are adversely affected by high fuel prices.	YES	Failed	199-221
467	6/26/08	H.R. 6052	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$1.7 billion for grants in FY2008 and 2009 for transit agencies that reduce fares or expand public transportation services, as well as an additional \$750 million each year for urbanized area formula grants, and \$100 million per year for formula grants to rural areas. Transit agencies could use the grants to offset the increased cost of fuel and educate commuters on transportation alternatives. The bill would allow federal funds to be used to cover a greater portion of the cost of certain projects and expenses, such as expanding parking facilities and providing grants for clean- or alternative-fuel facilities and equipment for transit buses, ferries or locomotives. It also would extend a transportation benefits program for federal employees across the nation and establish a pilot program for vanpool projects.	NO	Passed	322-98
468	6/26/08	H.R. 6377	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to immediately curb the role of speculation in oil futures trading.	YES	Passed*	322-98
469	6/26/08	H.R. 6251	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require current holders of oil or natural gas exploration leases to develop or relinquish their existing leases before they could receive new ones. Leaseholders who do not comply could be subject to fines ranging from	NO	Failed*	223-195

			\$500 to \$25,000 a day, even if the delay in exploration is caused by government action or litigation. As a result, the bill would ultimately increase energy costs.			
470	6/26/08	H. Res. 1098	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of the Year of the American Veteran and encourage Americans to acknowledge the sacrifices and contributions of veterans.	YES	Passed*	409-0

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471	7/8/08	H.R. 3981	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$25 million annually from FY2009 through 2013 for the Preserve America Program, which provides grants to support historic preservation, education and tourism. It also would permanently authorize \$50 million annually for the Save America's Treasures Program, which awards grants to projects designed to stop the destruction or deterioration of historic properties as well as historical collections of writings or art.	YES	Passed*	360-23
472	7/8/08	H.R. 1423	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Interior secretary to lease a portion of the Dorothy Buell Memorial Visitor Center for a visitor center for the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and allow the agency to create exhibits at a cost that does not exceed \$1.2 million.	YES	Passed*	376-11
473	7/8/08	H.R. 4199	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would add sites to the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park, including Hawthorn Hill and the Wright Company factory, and redesignate the area as the "Wright Brothers-Dunbar National Historical Park."	YES	Passed*	368-18
476	7/9/08	H.R. 5811	Motion to recommit the bill to the Oversight and Government Reform Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would prevent unauthorized removal, damage or destruction of classified records from the National Archives and restrict the viewing of classified materials by non-National Archives and Records Administration personnel.	YES	Passed	419-1
477	7/9/08	H.R. 5811	Passage of the bill that would direct the National Archives and Records Administration to create regulations on the capture, management and electronic preservation of electronic messages that would be electronically searchable. All federal agencies would be required to comply with the regulations within four years of the bill's enactment. Agencies would no longer be able to use a "print and file" system. The bill would require the National Archives and Records Administration to create standards for	NO	Passed	286-137

			the management of presidential records, and would require annual certification of whether the president's records management controls meets those standards.			
478	7/9/08	H.R. 3329	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide at least 20,000 rental home vouchers for homeless veterans. It would authorize \$200 million in FY2008 and such sums as may be necessary for each subsequent fiscal year for housing programs for veterans.	YES	Passed*	412-9
479	7/9/08	H.R. 6184	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the issuance of quarter dollars with designs of national parks or other national sites in the states, the District of Columbia and the territories of the United States starting in 2010.	YES	Passed*	419-0
482	7/10/08	H.R. 1286	Amendment that would require the Interior secretary to report to Congress on potential energy resources included in the trail.	YES	Passed	424-0
483	7/10/08	H.R. 1286	Motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would require the land within the trail to be governed by state and local gun laws.	YES	Failed	202-211
484	7/10/08	H.R. 1286	Passage of the bill that would designate the 600-mile route from Rhode Island to Virginia traveled by Revolutionary War Gen. George Washington and French Lt. Gen. Count de Rochambeau as a national historic trail. The bill would allow the development, production, conveyance or transmission of energy along the trail. As amended, it would clarify that the bill would not limit access to hunting, fishing or shooting nor limit a state's right to regulate those activities. It also would bar the use of eminent domain to acquire lands for the trail.	YES	Passed	345-69
485	7/10/08	H.R. 3121	Motion to instruct conferees to recede to a section of the Senate-passed bill that would require Federal Flood Insurance subsidies to be reduced more quickly and for more types of properties. It also would require premium subsidies to be phased out 90 days after enactment.	YES	Passed	385-26

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486	7/14/08	H. Res. 1067	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 50th anniversary of the crossing of the North Pole by the USS Nautilus and commend the submarine's officers and crew.	YES	Passed*	375-0
487	7/14/08	H. Res. 1080	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the service, sacrifice and patriotism of the 101st Airborne Division, also known as the Screaming Eagles.	YES	Passed*	378-0
488	7/14/08	H. Con. Res. 297	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express the sense of Congress honoring the 60th anniversary of President Truman's declaration on July 26, 1948, that there should be equality of treatment for members of the armed services.	YES	Passed*	378-0
489	7/15/08	H. Res. 1259	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the Hamilton College Continentals on winning the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III women's lacrosse championship.	YES	Passed*	423-0
490	7/15/08	H. Res. 1323	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the Arizona State University softball team for its victory in the 2008 Women's College World Series.	YES	Passed*	425-0
491	7/15/08	H.R. 6331	Passage, over President Bush's July 15, 2008, veto, of pass the bill that would replace a 10.6 percent cut in payments to physicians treating Medicare patients, scheduled to take effect on July 1, by holding payments at current rates for 18 months and providing for a 1.1 percent increase in 2009 and then cutting payments thereafter. The bill also would provide an additional \$4 billion over five years and \$16.6 billion over 10 years for changes to Medicare beneficiary programs and would eliminate a higher co-payment rate for Medicare outpatient psychiatric services. It would be partially offset by requiring private "fee for service" plans to form networks with health care providers, thereby slowing the plans' rate of growth by eliminating private "fee for service" in many rural areas..	NO	Passed	383-41
492	7/15/08	H. Res. 1345	Motion to refer the Kucinich, D-Ohio, privileged resolution to the Judiciary Committee. The Kucinich resolution	NO	Passed	238-180

			would bring articles of impeachment against President George W. Bush for "high crimes and misdemeanors."			
493	7/15/08	H.R. 5803	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish a new \$75 million program to provide grants to states and local governments to reimburse them for costs associated with making available backup paper ballots in the November 2008 general election. The program would be duplicative of existing efforts.	NO	Failed*	248-170
494	7/15/08	H. Res. 1090	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor former South Africa President Nelson Rolihlahla Mandela on his 90th birthday.	YES	Passed*	411-0
499	7/16/08	H.R. 5959	Amendment that would express a sense of Congress that the defeat of Colombian paramilitary organizations is in the best interest of the United States and that it is critical that the United States continue to support the government of Colombia in protecting against terrorist groups. It would also express that the July 2 release of hostages held by the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia demonstrates the professionalism of the Colombian security forces and intelligence operatives, and that U.S. intelligence has played a key role in developing the capabilities of the Colombian government.	YES	Passed	414-10
500	7/16/08	H.R. 5959	Amendment that would bar the use of funds to prohibit or discourage the use of the phrases "jihadist," "jihad," "Islamofascism," "caliphate," "Islamist," or "Islamic terrorist" within the intelligence community or the federal government.	YES	Passed	249-180
501	7/16/08	H.R. 5959	Amendment that would require the Director of National Intelligence to submit a National Intelligence Estimate on the production and sale of narcotics in support of international terrorism, including support to the Taliban and al Qaeda.	YES	Passed	426-2
502	7/16/08	H.R. 5959	Motion to recommit the bill to the permanent Select Committee on Intelligence with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would require the Director of National Intelligence to submit a National Intelligence Estimate assessment on national security and energy security issues related to rising	YES	Failed	200-225

			energy costs, including an outlook for prices and supply of key forms of energy, the national security implications of energy costs and the risk of U.S. adversaries using energy sources as leverage against the United States.			
506	7/16/08	H.R. 415	Motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would ensure the bill would not restrict development of energy infrastructure, easements and environmental mitigation related to energy, business or economic activities.	YES	Failed	188-227
507	7/16/08	H.R. 415	Passage of the bill that would designate a 40-mile segment of the Taunton River in Massachusetts as part of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. It would allow the Interior Department to acquire land only through purchase from a willing seller or through a land donation. The bill would require the Interior secretary to report on the energy resources available on the lands and waters included in the segment of the river.	NO	Passed	242-175
508	7/16/08	H. Con. Res. 295	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express congressional appreciation for the families of members of the U.S. armed forces.	YES	Passed*	415-0
511	7/17/08	H.R. 6515	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Interior Department to offer oil and gas lease sales on an annual basis instead of the current practice of every other year. It would require current holders of oil or natural gas exploration leases to develop or relinquish their existing leases before they could receive new ones, but would not expedite environmental permitting, which is the most frequent cause of delays. The cumulative result of the provisions would be less domestic energy production.	NO	Failed*	244-173

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512	7/22/08	H.R. 6493	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would create an Aviation Safety Whistleblower Investigation Office within the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA); create rules for flight standard inspectors who leave the agency; and bar maintenance inspectors from overseeing an airline for more than five continuous years.	YES	Passed*	392-0
513	7/22/08	H. Res. 1311	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express support of National GEAR UP Day to recognize the GEAR UP program, which provides college preparatory services to 640,000 students in more than 46 states.	YES	Passed*	385-1
514	7/22/08	H. Res. 1202	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of a National Guard Youth Challenge Day.	YES	Passed*	388-0
518	7/23/08	H.R. 6532	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would appropriate \$8.02 billion to the Highway Trust Fund, which would be drawn out of money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated.	YES	Passed*	387-37
519	7/23/08	H.R. 3221	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment with the House amendment that would grant authority to the Treasury Department to extend new credit and buy stock in Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. It also would create an independent regulator for the two mortgage giants and the Federal Home Loan Bank System. It would overhaul the Federal Housing Administration and allow it to insure up to \$300 billion worth of new, refinanced loans for struggling mortgage borrowers. It also includes a \$7,500 tax credit to some first-time homebuyers, higher loan limits for FHA-backed loans, a standard tax deduction for property taxes and revenue-raisers to offset part of the costs. It also would authorize \$3.92 billion in grants to states and localities to purchase and rehabilitate foreclosed properties, and increase the federal debt limit to \$10.6 trillion.	NO	Passed	272-152
520	7/23/08	H.R. 6545	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the director of national intelligence to submit a national intelligence assessment to Congress on security and energy security issues related to energy costs.	YES	Passed*	414-0

521	7/23/08	H.R. 6545	Motion to table (kill) the Price, R-Ga., motion to reconsider the vote on the Ruppertsberger, D-Md., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the national intelligence director to submit a national intelligence assessment to Congress on security and energy security issues related to energy costs.	NO	Passed	242-179
527	7/24/08	H.R. 6578	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Energy Department to release 70 million barrels of light, sweet crude oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve in exchange for the same amount of heavier grade crude oil.	NO	Failed*	268-157
528	7/24/08	H.R. 3999	Amendment that would bar the use of funds to employ workers in violation of a law that prohibits the hiring or continued employment of illegal immigrants.	YES	Passed	416-1
529	7/24/08	H.R. 3999	Motion to recommit the bill to the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would require removal of structurally deficient federal bridges on federal highways once a replacement bridge has been constructed.	YES	Failed	151-268
530	7/24/08	H.R. 3999	Passage of the bill that would authorize \$1 billion for FY2009 for the Federal Highway Administration's Highway Bridge Program. The bill would require annual inspections of "structurally deficient" bridges and improve uniformity in state bridge inspections and evaluations. It also would require a risk-based prioritization of bridges and an independent review of the FHWA's risk-determination process. The bill would create a National Tunnel Inspection Program; require a Government Accountability Office study of FHWA's bridge rating system and one on bridge construction delays; and require reports on the impact of bridge closings and a study on the cost benefits of using carbon fiber composite materials in bridge projects.	YES	Passed	367-55
531	7/24/08	H.R. 5501	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would authorize \$48 billion from FY2009 through 2013 for programs under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief used to fight AIDS, tuberculosis	NO	Passed	303-115

			and malaria overseas. The bill would replace the current requirement that one-third of all HIV prevention funding go to abstinence education with balanced funding for abstinence, fidelity and condom programs. It also would authorize \$2 billion for American Indian health, clean water and law enforcement programs.			
532	7/24/08	H. Res. 1368	Adoption of the resolution that would suspend a requirement for expedited floor consideration of legislation to reduce Medicare spending triggered by a provision in the 2003 Medicare law. The exemption would apply for the remainder of the 110th Congress.	NO	Passed	231-184
533	7/24/08	H. Res. 1296	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of September as National Child Awareness Month to promote awareness of children's charities and youth-serving organizations.	YES	Passed*	404-0

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534	7/29/08	H.R. 2490	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Coast Guard to conduct a mobile biometric identification program of suspected individuals, including terrorists.	YES	Passed*	394-3
535	7/29/08	H.R. 6113	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require each agency to include a contact telephone number in its collection of information.	YES	Passed*	394-0
536	7/29/08	H.R. 2192	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish an Office of the Ombudsman within the Veterans Health Administration.	YES	Passed*	398-0
538	7/30/08	H.R. 5892	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would revise the disability benefits claims processing system for veterans. The Veterans Affairs Department would conduct a number of studies, including one on adjusting the schedule for rating of disabilities.	YES	Passed*	429-0
539	7/30/08	H. Res. 1370	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would call on the Chinese government to end human rights abuses, cease repression of its Tibetan and Uighur citizens and end support for the Burmese and Sudanese governments before the 2008 Beijing Olympics.	YES	Passed*	419-1
540	7/30/08	H.R. 6604	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct foreign exchanges trading U.S. commodities to impose limits on the number of futures contracts an investor can own, or positions. Investors trading on such overseas exchanges would have to reduce or liquidate positions, if they exceed their limits or their activity threatens to distort prices. It would authorize the Commodity Futures Trading Commission to impose position limits on over-the-counter trading.	NO	Failed*	276-151
541	7/30/08	H.R. 6445	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would bar the collection of co-payments from veterans for hospital and nursing home care if the veteran is considered catastrophically disabled. The measure also incorporates the text of four other veterans bills.	YES	Passed*	421-0
543	7/30/08	H.R. 4040	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the conference report on the bill that would authorize \$626 million for the Consumer Product Safety Commission in FY2010-14. The bill would set lower thresholds for lead in toys and ban	YES	Passed*	424-1

			certain phthalate, or plastic softeners, in products for children. It would require an online database of product-related injuries and risks, ban the sale of All-Terrain Vehicles that do not meet certain standards and provide whistleblower protections to certain employees. It also would provide states with increased consumer protection authority.			
544	7/30/08	H.R. 4137	Adoption of the conference report on the bill that would reauthorize the Higher Education Act through FY2012. The bill would create over 45 new programs. The measure also would penalize states by withholding some federal funds if the state's funding for institutions of higher education falls below the average amount allocated by the state over the last five academic years. It would establish a new loan forgiveness program, providing up to \$2,000 a year for five years for all sorts of individuals including government employees.	NO	Passed	380-49
546	7/31/08	H. Res. 1396	Motion to table (kill) the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution that would censure Rep. Charles B. Rangel, D-N. Y., for violating clause 5 of Rule XXV of the House in the renting of three rent-stabilized Manhattan apartments and one rent-stabilized apartment used for a campaign office.	NO	Passed	254-138
551	7/31/08	H.R. 1338	Amendment that would direct the Labor Department to report to Congress within 90 days on the effect of the bill's provisions related to employers' ability to recruit and hire employees regardless of gender. Enactment of the provisions would be delayed pending the department's report. If the agency finds the provisions would likely significantly hinder an employer's ability to hire and recruit regardless of gender, they would not go into effect.	YES	Failed	188-240
552	7/31/08	H.R. 1338	Amendment that would delay the bill's effective date by six months from enactment. The Labor Department would have to educate small businesses about requirements under the new law and assist them with compliance.	YES	Passed	426-1
553	7/31/08	H.R. 1338	Amendment that would clarify that a plaintiff would be required to show intent -- malice or reckless indifference - - to recover punitive damages.	YES	Passed	397-29
554	7/31/08	H.R. 1338	Amendment that would clarify that nothing in the bill would affect the	YES	Passed	410-16

			obligation of employers and employees to comply with applicable immigration laws.			
555	7/31/08	H.R. 1338	Motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would add a finding stating that gas prices are high and Congress has not enacted measures to lower the price. The language also would cap attorney fees at \$1,000 per hour.	YES	Failed	189-236
556	7/31/08	H.R. 1338	Passage of the bill that would amend the Equal Pay Act to allow lawsuits against employers for gender discrimination even if the employee can't demonstrate intentional discrimination. The bill would authorize punitive damages and unlimited attorneys fees.	NO	Passed	247-178
557	7/31/08	H.R. 6633	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would reauthorize through FY2013 the E-Verify pilot employment eligibility verification program, an Internet-based program that allows employers to verify the employment eligibility of their hires. It also would require the Social Security Administration and Homeland Security Department to enter into an agreement each fiscal year to provide funding to the Social Security Administration for checking employee Social Security numbers submitted under the program.	YES	Passed*	407-2
558	8/1/08	H.R. 6599	Amendment that would increase grants for construction of state extended care facilities by \$18 million, offset by a reduction of the same amount for the departmental administration general operating expenses account.	YES	Failed	185-227
559	8/1/08	H.R. 6599	Amendment that would bar the use of the funds in the bill for a project or program named for an individual currently serving as a House member, delegate, resident commissioner or senator.	YES	Passed	329-86
560	8/1/08	H.R. 6599	Amendment that would eliminate 103 projects from the bill related to military construction. All the projects were included in the Defense Department long-term plan.	NO	Failed	63-350
561	8/1/08	H.R. 6599	Amendment that would bar the use of the funds in the bill for the enforcement of the Davis-Bacon Act, which requires government contractors to pay employees the prevailing wage.	YES	Failed	143-275

562	8/1/08	H.R. 6599	Motion to table (kill) the Peterson, R-Pa., appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Edwards point of order that the Lewis, R-Calif., motion to recommit constituted legislating on an appropriations bill. The motion would recommit the bill to Appropriations Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would add the text of a bill (HR 6566) to provide for offshore drilling in areas where it is currently prohibited, tax breaks for individuals and businesses who buy fuel-efficient vehicles and extend tax credits for alternative sources of energy.	NO	Passed	230-184
563	8/1/08	H.R. 6599	Passage of the bill that would provide \$118.7 billion in FY2009 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, military construction and military housing. The bill would provide \$93.7 billion for the Department of Veterans Affairs, including \$40.8 billion for veterans' health programs. It would provide \$46 billion in mandatory spending for veterans' service-connected compensation benefits and pensions. The bill would provide \$11.7 billion for military construction, \$3.2 billion for military family housing and \$9.1 billion for the latest round of base closures. It would appropriate \$219 million for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program. As amended, it would bar the use of the funds to enforce a provision of current law that bars the federal government from using alternative fuels that emit more greenhouse gases than conventional fuels.	YES	Passed	409-4
564	8/1/08	H. Res. 1008	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would condemn the Iranian government for its state-sponsored persecution of Baha'is and would call on Iran to immediately cease activities aimed at the repression of the Iranian Baha'i community.	YES	Passed*	408-3
565	8/1/08	H. Res. 1316	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the essential role played by landing ship tanks during World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Operation Desert Shield, Operation Desert Storm and other missions as well as honor the sailors who served on them.	YES	Passed*	415-0

566	8/1/08		Motion to adjourn	NO	Passed	213-197
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567	9/8/08	S. 2403	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would name a federal courthouse in Richmond, Va., after the late Robert R. Merhige Jr. and Spottswood W. Robinson III. Merhige was a federal judge known for his 1970s desegregation rulings and Robinson represented some of the plaintiffs in the civil rights case Brown v. Board of Education in 1954.	YES	Passed*	376-0
568	9/8/08	S. 2837	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would name a federal courthouse in Brooklyn, N.Y., after the late Theodore Roosevelt, the 26th president of the United States.	YES	Passed*	375-1
569	9/8/08	S. 2135	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would make it a federal crime to knowingly recruit or enlist a child under age 15 into an army, militia or other military organization. Violators would be subject to fines or up to 20 years in prison, or both. If death of a person results, the bill would allow for a sentence of life in prison. It would set a statute of limitations of 10 years for such offenses.	YES	Passed*	371-0
570	9/9/08	H. Con. Res. 344	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express the sense of Congress that there is a global food crisis and that children are affected disproportionately. It would call for the United States and other G-8 countries to work to alleviate the crisis.	YES	Passed*	404-1
571	9/9/08	H. Res. 937	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express the sense of the House of Representatives that emergency communication services of the American Red Cross are vital to maintain communication between military members and their families during emergencies.	YES	Passed*	411-0
572	9/9/08	H. Res. 1069	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would condemn the broadcasting of incitement to violence against Americans, Israelis and the West in media based in the Middle East. It would also condemn Hamas for using children's television programming to incite hatred, violence, and anti-Semitism and call on the president to designate Hamas-owned al-Aqsa TV as a global terrorist entity.	YES	Passed*	409-1

573	9/9/08	H. Res. 1307	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the Kingdom of Bhutan for participating in the 2008 Smithsonian Folklife Festival, recognize the achievements of the Bhutanese people and, commend the government for holding parliamentary elections and transitioning to a parliamentary democracy.	YES	Passed*	395-15
574	9/9/08	H.R. 6168	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Saint Charles, Mo., as the "Lance Corporal Drew W. Weaver Post Office Building."	YES	Passed*	403-0
575	9/9/08	H.R. 6630	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would bar the Transportation secretary from granting authority to motor carriers domiciled in Mexico to operate beyond U.S. municipalities and commercial zones on the U.S.-Mexican border unless authorized by Congress. It also would require the secretary to end a one-year cross border demonstration project that began September 2007.	YES	Passed*	395-18
578	9/10/08	H.R. 1527	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Department of Veterans Affairs to conduct a three-year pilot program to permit veterans in rural areas to receive eligible health care at non-VA providers. Veterans who live more than 60 miles from a primary care VA facility or 120 miles from a facility providing acute hospital care would be eligible for the program.	YES	Passed*	417-0
579	9/10/08	S. 2617	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would increase the rate of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for survivors of certain disabled veterans. The rate would be linked to the cost-of-living increase for Social Security recipients.	YES	Passed*	418-0
581	9/10/08	H.R. 3667	Amendment that would require the study under the bill to analyze any potential impacts on the possession or use of a weapon, trap or net, including a concealed weapon.	YES	Passed	418-0
582	9/10/08	H.R. 3667	Motion to table (kill) the Sali, R-Idaho, appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Grijalva point of order that the Sali motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee was not germane. The Sali motion would recommit the bill with instructions that it	NO	Passed	228-187

			be reported back forthwith with language that would add the text of a bill (H.R. 6566) to provide for offshore drilling in areas where it is currently prohibited, tax breaks for individuals and businesses who buy fuel-efficient vehicles and extend tax credits for alternative sources of energy.			
583	9/10/08	H.R. 3667	Passage of the bill that would direct the Interior Department to do a study of portions of the Missisquoi River and a tributary, the Trout River, in Vermont as wild and scenic rivers. The portions are approximately a 25-mile segment of the upper Missisquoi from its headwaters in Lowell, Vt. to the Canadian border in North Troy, Vt.; a roughly 25-mile segment from the Canadian border in East Richford, Vt. to Enosburg Falls, Vt.; and about 20 miles of the Trout River from its headwaters to its confluence with the Missisquoi River in Franklin County, Vt.	NO	Passed	299-118
584	9/10/08	H.R. 4081	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require sellers that mail or ship tobacco products to use a shipment method that would include verification that recipients are of legal age in their states or localities. It also would prohibit consumer shipment of tobacco product packages that weigh more than 10 pounds.	YES	Passed*	379-12
586	9/11/08	H. Res. 1420	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize Sept. 11 as a day of commemoration, extend sympathies to the loved ones of those who lost their lives in the 2001 terrorist attacks, honor the actions of first responders and armed forces, and express gratitude to the nations that have helped the United States combat terrorism.	YES	Passed*	402-0
587	9/11/08	H.R. 6532	Motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would appropriate \$8.02 billion to the Highway Trust Fund, which would be drawn out of money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated. The transfer would take effect upon enactment.	YES	Passed*	376-29

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589	9/15/08	H. Res. 1200	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the dedication and work of military support groups in the United States in supporting members of the armed forces and their families.	YES	Passed*	374-0
590	9/15/08	H. Con. Res. 390	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the 28th Infantry Division for protecting the United States.	YES	Passed*	374-0
591	9/15/08	H.R. 6889	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend the authority of the Education secretary to purchase guaranteed student loans for an additional year.	YES	Passed*	368-4
598	9/16/08	H.R. 6899	Motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with a substitute amendment that would repeal the existing 125-mile moratorium on oil and gas exploration and production in the eastern Gulf of Mexico, and allow coastal states to opt-out of oil and gas production from 25 to 50 miles offshore within one year of enactment.	YES	Failed	191-226
599	9/16/08	H.R. 6899	Passage of the bill that would give states the option to allow oil and gas offshore drilling between 50 and 100 miles off the Pacific and Atlantic coasts, except for waters in the Gulf of Mexico off the Florida coast. The federal government could permit drilling from 100 to 200 miles offshore, but drilling would be prohibited within 50 miles. It stipulates that the federal government would collect all royalties from new oil and gas leases permitted under the bill and would not permit revenue sharing with states. It would require utilities to obtain 15 percent of their power from renewable sources by 2020. It also includes roughly \$19 billion in new tax incentives for renewable energy, new coal technologies and alternative-fuel vehicles and \$19 billion in tax increases.	NO	Passed	236-189
600	9/17/08	H.R. 6842	Substitute amendment that would repeal District of Columbia laws prohibiting firearm possession, including the possession of semiautomatic firearms. It would repeal the District's requirements for firearm registration and the requirement that firearms be	YES	Passed	260-160

			disassembled or secured with a trigger lock in the home, remove criminal penalties for possessing firearms in the home and allow the District's residents to purchase firearms in Maryland and Virginia.			
601	9/17/08	H.R. 6842	Passage of the bill that would repeal District of Columbia laws prohibiting firearm possession, including the possession of semiautomatic firearms. It would repeal the District's requirements for firearm registration and the requirement that firearms be disassembled or secured with a trigger lock in the home. It would remove criminal penalties for possessing firearms in the home and allow the District's residents to purchase firearms in Maryland and Virginia.	YES	Passed	266-152
602	9/17/08	H. Res. 1335	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the contributions of the U.S. armed forces and the efforts of the National Association of State Veterans Homes for the past 120 years.	YES	Passed*	411-0
603	9/17/08	S. 2339	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Alpena, Mich., as the "Lt. Col. Clement C. Van Wagoner Department of Veterans Affairs Clinic."	YES	Passed*	412-0
604	9/17/08	H.R. 1594	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate the Department of Veterans Affairs clinic in Hermitage, Pa., as the "Michael A. Marzano Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic."	YES	Passed*	410-0
607	9/18/08	H.R. 6604	Motion to recommit the bill to the Agriculture Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with language that would bar the provisions from taking effect until the Commodity Futures Trading Commission determines that the bill's energy market regulatory actions will not result in any equity loss for individuals' pension funds.	YES	Failed	196-221
608	9/18/08	H.R. 6604	Passage of the bill that would authorize federal regulators to set limits on over-the-counter trading on energy futures. Foreign exchanges trading U.S. commodities would have to impose smaller limits on the number of futures contracts an investor can own.	NO	Passed	283-133
609	9/18/08	H. Res. 1460	Motion to table (kill) the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution that would	NO	Passed	226-176

			remove Rep. Charles B. Rangel, D-N. Y., from his chairmanship of the House Ways and Means Committee, and establish a subcommittee in the House Standards and Official Conduct Committee within 10 days of the resolution's adoption to investigate whether Rangel violated U.S. tax code in his reporting of rental income for a property he has owned in the Dominican Republic since 1988.			
612	9/18/08	H.R. 3036	Amendment that would allow funds issued under the measure's grant program to be used to address environmental justice issues in low-income communities and to develop policy approaches to environmental education.	YES	Passed	383-23
613	9/18/08	H.R. 3036	Motion to recommit the bill to the Education and Labor Committee with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would require that priority be given to local education agencies before funds are awarded to other eligible applicants, and bar the use of funds in the bill for lobbyists or lobbying organizations that advocate against energy production, as well as organizations that do not address a full spectrum of environmental issues.	YES	Failed	172-230
614	9/18/08	H.R. 3036	Passage of the bill that would establish a competitive grant program for nonprofit organizations, institutes of higher education, and state and local governments to develop environmental education curricula. It also would reauthorize \$14 million for the Environmental Education and Training Program in FY2009 and make changes to the program, requiring the EPA to consult with the Education Department when making program grants. It would require the program to encourage traditionally unrepresented individuals to pursue degrees in environmental fields.	NO	Passed	293-109
615	9/18/08	H.R. 6460	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would reauthorize the Great Lakes Legacy programs through FY2013. The measure would authorize \$750 million to remediate sediment contamination and restore aquatic habitats in the Great Lakes region and \$25 million for development of technologies for the programs.	YES	Passed*	371-20

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616	9/22/08	H.R. 6685	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish a grant program in the Interior Department's Bureau of Indian Affairs to provide iron working skills training to adults in federally recognized Indian tribes and facilitate job placement for those who complete the program.	NO	Passed*	302-72
617	9/22/08	H.R. 1907	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that creates a new \$60 million a year Coastal and Estuarine Land Conservation Program within the Commerce Department's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. States would have to match funds to receive federal grants under the program and have a coastal population density of at least 85 people per square mile.	NO	Passed*	313-59
618	9/22/08	H.R. 6853	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish an FBI national mortgage fraud coordinator with regional task forces that include federal state and local participation. The coordinator would provide training, collect data and recommend efforts to combat mortgage fraud.	YES	Passed*	350-23
621	9/23/08	S. J. Res. 45	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution that would grant congressional approval of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Compact, an agreement on the rights between the states of Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, regarding use of the waters and maintenance of the watershed of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Seaway and River.	YES	Passed*	390-25
622	9/23/08	H.R. 5244	Motion to recommit the bill to the Financial Services Committee with instructions that it be reported back promptly with an amendment stipulating that no provisions of the bill would take effect until the Federal Reserve's Board of Governors conducted a study determining that the bill would not result in a reduction of the availability of credit to small businesses, veterans or minorities.	YES	Failed	198-219
623	9/23/08	H.R. 5244	Passage of the bill that would impose new mandates on credit card companies relating to interest charges and billing. The mandates would limit the ability to	NO	Passed	312-112

			use risk-based pricing. The measure also would require companies to send statements at least 25 days before payment is due and give at least 45 days notice before increasing rates.			
624	9/23/08	H.R. 6897	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Veterans Affairs Department to compensate Filipino veterans who fought for the United States in World War II between July 26, 1941 and July 1, 1946, including those who served in the Philippines' commonwealth armed forces and other guerrilla units. Eligible persons who have become U.S. citizens would receive \$15,000, while non-citizens would receive \$9,000 for their service.	YES	Passed*	392-23
631	9/24/08	S. 3001	Motion to suspend the rules and concur in Senate amendments to the bill with a House amendment that would authorize \$611 billion for defense programs in FY2009, including \$68 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Excluding the war funding, it would authorize \$154.3 billion for operations and maintenance; \$104 billion for procurement; \$128.7 billion for military personnel; \$25 billion for military construction, family housing and base closure; \$77.7 billion for research development, testing and evaluation; and \$25 billion for the Defense Health Program. It would authorize a 3.9 percent pay increase for military personnel. It also contains provisions to govern oversight of contracts, including one to set up a database of defense contractors found to have violated the law.	YES	Passed*	392-39
632	9/24/08	H.R. 2638	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill with a House amendment consisting of an omnibus appropriations bill spreading a total of \$1.029 trillion, including \$40.6 billion in FY2009 funding for the Homeland Security Department, \$487.7 billion for Defense programs, \$118.9 billion for military construction and veterans programs, and \$22.9 billion for disaster relief. The amendment would also appropriate funding through March 6, 2009, for programs covered by the nine unfunded FY2009 appropriations bills. It also would provide extra funding, including \$7.5 billion for loan to	NO	Passed	370-58

			domestic auto-manufacturers and \$2.5 billion above FY2008 levels for Pell grants.			
633	9/24/08	H.R. 5265	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to partner with leaders in the muscular dystrophy patient community to disseminate care options. It would direct the Health and Human Services Department to update patient condition data.	YES	Passed*	418-2
634	9/24/08	H.R. 7005	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide a one-year adjustment to prevent more than 20 million taxpayers from paying the alternative minimum tax (AMT) on 2008 income. It also would increase the refundable credit amount for individuals with long-term unused credits.	YES	Passed*	393-30
635	9/24/08	H.R. 7006	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide tax relief to people affected by any federally declared disaster after Jan. 1, 2007, and before Jan. 1, 2012. The bill would increase the mileage rate deduction for charitable work and provide low-income housing tax credits to areas affected by federally declared disasters.	YES	Passed*	419-4
636	9/24/08	S. 2606	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$292 million from FY2009 through 2012 for the U.S. Fire Administration. The measure would allow the agency to make contracts with certain nationally recognized organizations to provide training to fire service personnel and increase authorized amounts available for such training from 4 percent to 7.5 percent. The agency would have to upgrade the National Fire Incident Reporting system using a maximum of \$5 million over a three-year period.	YES	Passed*	418-2
638	9/25/08	H. Res. 1490	Adoption of the resolution (H. Res. 1490) that would waive through Sept. 27, 2008, the two-thirds majority vote requirement for same-day consideration of a rule for a bill (H.R. 7060) that would extend expiring tax provisions and provide tax incentives for investment in renewable energy and energy conservation.	NO	Passed	222-198
639	9/25/08	H.R. 758	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would bar insurance companies from limiting hospital stays to fewer	YES	Passed*	421-2

			than 48 hours for a patient undergoing a mastectomy or breast surgery such as lumpectomy, and fewer than 24 hours for those undergoing lymph node dissection. The bill would prohibit insurers from providing incentives to physicians for limiting a patient's stay or not referring the patient to secondary consultation after surgery.			
641	9/25/08	H. Con. Res. 255	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would express support for the U.S. Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad and the European countries that work to preserve sacred historical sites, and declare that if the Lithuanian government does not stop construction and protect the Jewish cemetery in the Snipiskes area of Vilnius, Lithuania, it will jeopardize its relationship with the United States and the international community.	YES	Passed*	414-1
642	9/25/08	H.R. 1014	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require pharmaceutical companies that submit a new drug application to the Food and Drug Administration to include data on the drug's safety and effectiveness with respect to age, gender and "racial subgroup." It would authorize \$204 million for the Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation program for FY2009 through 2013.	YES	Passed*	418-4
643	9/25/08	H.R. 6950	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct the Treasury Department to design and produce a congressional commemorative medal for the Health and Human Services Department to award to organ donors or to a surviving family member.	YES	Passed*	420-1
644	9/25/08	H. Res. 1421	Motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the service and sacrifice of the victims of the October 1983 terrorist bombing of the U.S. Marine Corps Barracks in Beirut, Lebanon.	YES	Passed*	414-0

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648	9/26/08	H.R. 7060	Motion to table (kill) the Camp, R-Mich., appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Neal point of order that the Camp motion to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee was not germane. The Camp motion would recommit the bill with instructions that it be reported back forthwith with language that would add the text of a bill (H.R. 6049), which would extend dozens of expired or expiring tax provisions, including the research tax credit, deductions for tuition and education expenses, and deductions for sales tax in states without income taxes.	NO	Passed	220-198
649	9/26/08	H.R. 7060	Passage of the bill that would extend expiring tax provisions through 2009, including the tax credit for research and development, rules for active financing income, state and local sales tax deductions, expenses for teachers and deductions for tuition expenses, as well as increase the child tax credit. The measure would also provide tax incentives for carbon capture and sequestration demonstration projects, and investment in renewable energy. The bill also included \$60 billion in tax increases, primarily levied on domestic energy production.	NO	Passed	257-166
650	9/26/08	S. 1382	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to develop a system to collect data on Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis and direct the Health and Human Services Department to submit a report to Congress within 18 months of the measure's enactment on the data registries for the disease.	YES	Passed*	415-2
656	9/26/08	H.R. 4120	Motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would clarify that it is a federal felony to reproduce or distribute child pornography, including transmission over the Internet, in any way that constitutes or affects interstate commerce.	YES	Passed*	418-0
659	9/26/08	S. 1046	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would raise the cap on base pay for certain senior level positions and certain scientific and professional	YES	Passed*	419-0

			positions in the federal government to be equal to the current pay for Senior Executive Service positions. The pay change would take effect the first pay period 180 days after the bill's enactment.			
660	9/26/08	H.R. 7110	Passage of the bill that would appropriate \$60.8 billion in new government spending to extend unemployment benefits and provide additional FY2009 funds for food assistance programs, infrastructure projects, energy development, public housing, state Medicaid plans and other programs. The bill would appropriate \$12.8 billion for highway infrastructure investment; \$2.5 billion for the Army Corps of Engineers general construction projects; \$7.5 billion for state and tribal assistance grants for drinking water and sewer projects; \$3 billion to modernize, renovate and repair schools as well as make them more energy efficient; \$3.6 billion for transit capital assistance grants to purchase buses and equipment needed to expand public transportation; and \$2.6 billion for food assistance.	NO	Passed	264-158
662	9/27/08	H.R. 7081	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would grant congressional approval to the U.S.-India nuclear cooperation agreement. It would require that the president determine and certify to Congress that certain actions have occurred before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission could issue licenses for transfers of nuclear-related goods and services, including that India has provided the International Atomic Energy Agency with a credible plan to separate civilian and military nuclear facilities, materials and programs.	YES	Passed*	298-117
664	9/28/08	S. 3325	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would stipulate that copyright registrations apply to civil action rather than criminal ones and establish an intellectual property enforcement coordinator to advise the president. The measure would authorize, from FY2009-2013, \$125 million for local law enforcement grants to combat intellectual property crimes, \$50 million for investigative and forensic resources for the FBI and the attorney general to investigate the crimes, and \$50 million for the FBI and \$50 million for the Justice Department to investigate	YES	Passed*	381-41

			intellectual property crimes involving computers.			
665	9/28/08	H.R. 6460	Motion to suspend the rules and concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would reauthorize the Great Lakes Legacy programs from FY2004-2010. The bill would authorize \$350 million to remediate sediment contamination and restore aquatic habitats in the Great Lakes region and \$21 million for development of program technologies.	YES	Passed*	411-9
668	9/28/08	S. 2840	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize such sums as necessary to establish an FBI liaison office within the Homeland Security Department to process naturalization applications for current and former members of the U.S. armed forces, their spouses and children. Applications would have to be processed within six months. The bill's provisions would sunset five years after enactment.	YES	Passed*	416-0
669	9/29/08	S. 906	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would ban the export of elemental mercury beginning in 2013 and prohibit federal agencies from selling or distributing mercury. The measure would require the Energy Department to provide permanent storage for domestic mercury stocks.	YES	Passed*	393-5
672	9/29/08	H. Con. Res. 440	Adoption of the concurrent resolution that would provide for adjournment of the House and Senate until 11 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 3, 2009.	NO	Passed	213-211
674	9/29/08	H.R. 3997	Motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill, with an additional House amendment. The House amendment would authorize up to \$700 billion to be given in installments to the Treasury Department to establish a program to buy certain mortgage-backed securities and other assets relating to mortgages. It would require the department to insure the assets and set up systems for congressional oversight. It would direct the Treasury to set limits on compensation for executives of companies whose troubled assets it purchases, and call on the department to develop programs to reduce foreclosures and encourage lenders to modify mortgage terms. The department would have to establish mechanisms for valuing, pricing and	YES	Failed	205-228

			selecting managers for the troubled assets. It would prohibit the purchase of certain assets at a higher price than the seller paid for the asset. The measure would allow the department to immediately use \$250 billion in authority to buy assets, with an additional \$100 billion if the president certifies such an expansion. The president would have to provide a written request for the remaining \$350 billion, which could be subject to congressional disapproval.			
675	9/29/08	H.R. 7175	Motion to suspend the rules and pass that bill that would revise certain Small Business Administration lending programs, including the 7(a) loan program, in order to accelerate the flow of investment capital and encourage commercial lending from banks.	YES	Passed*	374-6
676	10/2/08	S. 3641	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would reauthorize five Justice Department grant programs through FY2013 that provide legal assistance and services to crime victims. The bill would authorize \$25 million for U.S. Attorney Office victim and witness assistance programs, and \$117.5 million for the Office for Victims of Crime.	YES	Passed*	410-2
678	10/2/08	H.R. 7221	Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would consolidate the Housing and Urban Development Department's homeless assistance competitive grant programs into a single program and authorize \$2.2 billion in FY2009 for grants for emergency shelter needs of the homeless. The bill also would change the definition of homelessness to include individuals and families who are within 14 days of losing their housing due to eviction, ejection or the end of a motel stay.	YES	Passed*	355-61
681	10/3/08	H.R. 1424	Motion to concur in the Senate amendments to the bill that would authorize up to \$700 billion to be given in installments to the Treasury Department to establish a program to buy certain mortgage-backed securities and other assets relating to mortgages. The agency would be required to insure the assets and set up systems for congressional oversight. It would direct the Treasury to set limits on compensation for executives of companies whose troubled assets it	YES	Passed	263-171

			<p>purchases, and call on the department to develop programs to reduce foreclosures and encourage lenders to modify mortgage terms. It would prohibit the purchase of certain assets at a higher price than the seller paid. The bill would allow the department to immediately use \$250 billion in authority to buy assets, with an additional \$100 billion if the president certifies such an expansion. The president would have to provide a written request for the remaining \$350 billion, which could be subject to congressional disapproval. It would temporarily expand Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation protection to \$250,000 per bank account. The bill would extend dozens of expired or expiring tax provisions, including several energy tax provisions. It would provide a one-year adjustment to exempt more than 20 million taxpayers from paying the alternative minimum tax on 2008 income and require private insurance plans to put mental health benefits on par with other medical benefits.</p>			
682	10/3/08	S. 3197	<p>Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would exempt National Guard members who served more than 90 days on active duty since Sept. 11, 2001 from the current means test requirement before filing for bankruptcy. Members would have to file for bankruptcy within 540 days after release from active duty to qualify.</p>	YES	Passed*	411-0
683	10/3/08	H.R. 6867	<p>Motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would provide an additional seven weeks of unemployment benefits for workers who have exhausted their current compensation by March 31, 2009. The bill also would extend benefits for an additional 13 weeks, or half the duration of regular unemployment compensation, for workers in states with an unemployment rate of 6 percent or higher.</p>	YES	Passed*	368-28