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How your lawmakers voted

Here's how local members of Congress voted on major issues in the week ending Friday. NV means "did not vote."

2010 MILITARY BUDGET

Voting 281-146, the House on Thursday authorized a \$680 billion defense budget for fiscal 2010 that includes \$130 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and \$27.9 billion for military health care. HR 2647 was opposed mainly over its expansion of the federal hate-crimes law to cover offenses based on sexual orientation, gender or disability. The bill recommends a 3.4 percent military pay raise, increases active-duty personnel by 40,200 troops to 1.41 million, caps procurement of F-22 Raptor fighter jets and ends the over-budget VH-71 White House helicopter program.

A "yes" vote was to pass the bill.

	Yes	No	NV
Brian Bilbray R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Davis D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Filner D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duncan Hunter R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Darrell Issa R	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

GUANTANAMO BAY PRISONERS

Voting 216-208, the House on Thursday defeated a Republican bid for firmer measures in HR 2647 (above) against transferring Guantanamo Bay detainees to the United States. The motion proposed an absolute ban on prisoner transfers to U.S. soil, in contrast to language in the underlying bill that makes transfers possible 45 days after President Barack Obama has given

Congress a plan to close the military prison. A "yes" vote backed the GOP motion.

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Brian Bilbray R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Davis D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Filner D	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duncan Hunter R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Darrell Issa R	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

REP. CHARLES RANGEL

Voting 246-153, the House on Wednesday referred to its ethics committee a Republican bid to unseat Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., as chairman of the Ways and Means Committee. This measure, H Res 805, blunted a separate GOP motion to immediately remove Rangel because of official and personal misconduct that he has acknowledged publicly. Under House rules, neither measure was debatable. Rangel is under fire in part over his failure to report and pay taxes on certain investment-property income and misuse of rent-controlled apartment units in his district. A "yes" vote backed the Democratic-sponsored motion.

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Brian Bilbray R	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Davis D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bob Filner D	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duncan Hunter R	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Darrell Issa R	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>