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How your lawmakers voted

HOUSE

JOBS CREATION

Voting 217-201, the House on Thursday passed a jobs bill, HR 2847, that would temporarily exempt businesses from having to pay the 6.2 percent employer's share of Social Security withholding taxes on workers they hire this year from the jobless ranks. Employers also would receive a \$1,000 tax credit for each new hire who stays on the job for one year. The two incentives are designed to put 300,000 people back to work at a cost to the Treasury of about \$13 billion.

The bill also subsidizes state and local bond issues for public-works projects, authorizes businesses to depreciate up to \$250,000 in capital investments in a single year rather than over many years, and provides \$19.5 billion from the Highway Trust Fund that is projected to trigger \$60 billion worth of highway and transit construction. A "yes" vote was to pass the bill.

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Brian Bilbray R			
Susan Davis D			
Bob Filner D			
Duncan D. Hunter R			
Darrell Issa R			

ABUSIVE STUDENT DISCIPLINE Voting 262-153, the House on Wednesday passed a bill, HR 4247, setting federal standards authorizing grants to states to curb the abusive discipline of students in kindergarten through 12th grade at public and private schools. The bill, now before the Senate, addresses practices such as ducttaping and other forcible restraints that inflict harm, seclusion in focked rooms and the application of drugs not prescribed by the student's doctor. The bill would extend to schools the same federal protection from physical abuse that applies to hospitals and other community institutions receiving federal funds.

A "yes" vote was to pass the bill.

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EARTHQUAKE PROGRAMS
Voting 335-50, the House on
Tuesday sent the Senate a bill, HR
3820, authorizing \$116 million
over five years for programs and
research to reduce earthquake
and storm damage. In part, the bill
funds work on predictive measures
and building technologies at agencies such as the National Institute

of Standards and Technology and the U.S. Geological Survey. A "yes" vote was to pass the bill.

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