

How lawmakers voted

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

HOUSE

JOB, BENEFITS SPENDING

Voting 217-212, the House on Wednesday sent the Senate a bill, HR 2847, to provide \$74 billion to create or preserve publicly funded jobs in areas such as education; law enforcement; school and housing repairs; and highway, airport and mass-transit construction. The bill also would appropriate \$79 billion to fund unemployment checks and COBRA health benefits for the long-term jobless and help states meet Medicaid obligations, among other social-safety-net outlays. About \$75 billion in unspent Troubled Asset Relief Program bank-bailout funds would be used to help pay the bill's \$153 billion cost. All spending in the bill would be added to the national debt.

A "yes" vote was to pass the bill.

	Yes	No	NV
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 D. 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"/>

2010 MILITARY APPROPRIATIONS

Voting 395-34, the House on Wednesday approved the conference report on a \$636.3 billion fiscal 2010 military appropriations bill that includes \$128.3 billion for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and \$28.3 billion for service members' health care. The bill, HR 3326, funds a 3.4 percent military pay raise, caps production of the F-22 Raptor fighter jet, funds C-17 cargo jets over Pentagon objections, and appropriates \$15 billion for procuring seven Navy ships and \$6.3 billion for buying 6,600 Mine Resistant Ambush Protected all-terrain vehicles.

A "yes" vote was to approve the conference report.

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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 D. 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"/>

NATIONAL DEBT LIMIT

The House on Wednesday voted 218-214 to raise the national debt limit by \$290 billion to \$12.39 trillion. The bill, HR 4314, now awaiting Senate action, would extend Treasury borrowing authority until about Feb. 11, at which time Congress would vote again to raise the debt ceiling.

A "yes" vote was to raise the national debt ceiling.

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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 D. 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"/>

MEDIA FREEDOM, REPRESSION

Voting 403-12, the House on Wednesday passed a bill, HR 3714,

requiring the State Department to include reports on the freedom or repression of reporters around the globe in its annual, country-by-country reports on human rights. The bill is named the Daniel Pearl Freedom of the Press Act after a *Wall Street Journal* reporter who was killed by Islamic extremists in Pakistan in 2002, a beheading recorded on videotape.

A "yes" vote was to pass the bill.

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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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duncan D. 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"/>