

1979 Americans for Constitutional Action Index, House

1. Consider Debt Limit Increase

Rep. Richard Bolling (D-Mo.) motion to order the previous question on H. Res. 133, the rule for floor consideration of the bill raising the debt limit. Adopted 222-197: D 221-44, R 1-153, 2/28/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

2. Reaffirm Position Taken in the 1955 Mutual Defense Treaty Regarding U.S.-Taiwan Relations

Rep. Kenneth Kramer (R-Colo.) amendment, retaining language reaffirming the position taken in the 1955 mutual defense treaty on responding to aggression against Taiwan.

Rejected 149-221: D 42-194; R 107-27, 3/8/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

3. Waive Davis-Bacon Act for Housing Projects

Rep. George Hansen (R-Idaho) amendment, waiving the Davis-Bacon Act prevailing wage requirements for Indian housing in addition to residential housing rehabilitation projects carried out by neighborhood non-profit groups.

Rejected 155-254: D 48-204; R 107-40, 6/6/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

4. Reduce OSHA Funds by \$10.3 Million

Rep. Steve Symms (R-Idaho) amendment, reducing appropriations for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration by \$10.3 million.

Rejected 177-240: D 58-206; R 119-34, 6/27/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

5. Reduce HEW Appropriations

Rep. Robert Michel (R-Ill.) amendment, reducing funding for HEW by \$500 million from programs the Inspector General identified as having fraud, waste, and abuse.

Adopted 263-152: D 112-146; R 151-6, 6/27/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

6. Windfall Profits Tax

Adoption of the Ways and Means Committee amendment providing for a windfall profits tax of 70% and a permanent tax on price increases, adjusted for inflation and 2% annually, at more than \$17 a barrel.

Adopted 230-185: D 215-45; R 15-140, 6/28/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

7. Call for End of Zimbabwe-Rhodesia Sanctions

Rep. William Broomfield (R-Mich.) motion to adopt the Senate amendment expressing the Senate's sense that free and fair elections had been held in Zimbabwe-Rhodesia and that the president should lift sanctions.

Rejected 168-248: D 40-225, R 128-23, 7/11/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

8. Increase Funds for Food Stamps

Passage of the bill increasing by \$620 million the ceiling for food stamps in fiscal 1979.

Passed 335-81: D 251-14; R 84-67, 7/11/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

9. Loss of Tax-Exempt Status of Private Schools

Rep. John Ashbrook (R-Ohio) amendment blocking funds to craft or execute any rule or policy that results in the loss of tax-exempt status of any private, religious, or church-operated school unless said rules or policies existed before August 22, 1978.

Adopted 297-63: D 165-62; R 132-1, 7/13/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

10. Anti-Busing Constitutional Amendment

Adoption of the Constitutional Amendment prohibiting the compelling of student to attend any school other than the one nearest the student's home.

Rejected 209-216: D 95-176; R 114-40, 7/24/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

11. New Senate Office Building

Rep. Tom Bevill (D-Ala.) motion that the House recede from its disagreement with Sen. Johnston's (D-La.) amendment creating a new Senate office building at the cost of \$57,480,700 with a ceiling of \$142,627,700, to be named after the late Sen. Phil Hart (D-Mich.).

Passed 214-184: D 180-75, R 34-109, 8/1/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

12. No Entitlement Status for Assistance to Child Welfare Programs

Rep. Robert Michel (R-Ill.) motion to recommit the Social Services and Child Welfare bill, making an appropriation of \$266 million to assist states in the provision of child welfare programs on an authorization and appropriation basis rather than an entitlement basis.

Passed 204-199: D 59-197; R 145-2, 8/2/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

13. Foreign Assistance Appropriations

Passage of the bill spending \$7.7 billion for foreign aid in fiscal 1980, a reduction from the \$9,109,799,404 requested by President Carter.
Passed 224-183: D 170-90; R 54-93, 9/6/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

14. Increase Defense Spending

Rep. Sam Stratton (D-N.Y.) amendment increasing for fiscal 1980 from Budget Committee recommendations budget authority for defense from \$138.2 billion to \$141.2 billion and from \$128.6 billion to \$129 billion in spending.

Rejected 191-221: D 78-184; R 113-37, 9/19/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

15. Delete Funds for Anti-Recession Fiscal Assistance Programs

Rep. Jim Mattox (D-Tex.) amendment, reducing budget authority and spending by \$550 million, killing anti-recession fiscal assistance programs for state and local governments.

Rejected 183-220: D 68-187; R 115-33, 9/19/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

16. Balanced Budget Amendment

Rep. John Rousselot (R-Calif.) amendment providing for an alternative budget of \$600 billion in authority instead of \$631.8 billion, \$518 billion in spending instead of \$548.6 billion, and \$518 billion in revenues instead of \$519.2 billion, thus producing a balanced budget.

Rejected 181-224: D 53-203, R 128-21, 9/19/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

17. No Amendments for Bill Funding Certain Federal Agencies

Rep. Jamie Whitten (D-Miss.) motion to order the previous question on the resolution for appropriations for certain federal agencies for the first quarter of fiscal 1980, thereby denying any opportunity to add amendments.

Passed 209-200: D 197-61; R 12-139, 9/25/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

18. Panama Canal Treaties Implementation

Adoption of the conference report on the bill implementing the Panama Canal treaties, which establishes a Panama Canal Commission and provides for the management of the canal until 1999.

Adopted 232-188: D 196-70, R 36-118, 9/26/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

19. Delete New Debt Limit Procedure

Rep. John Rousselot (R-Calif.) amendment, deleting Title II of the bill raising the debt ceiling, which establishes a procedure by which the debt limit in the future would be the amount in the budget resolution most recently approved by Congress.

Rejected 132-283: D 20-243; R 112-40, 9/26/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

20. Department of Education

Adoption of the conference report of the bill creating the Department of Education.

Adopted 215-201: D 185-77; R 30-124, 9/27/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

21. Restrictive Rule to Consider Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments

Rep. Dave Obey (D-Wis.) motion to agree to the rule permitting floor consideration for his amendment to the Federal Election Campaign Act, which limits the amount a candidate for the House may received from political action committees to \$70,000 and \$85,000 if the candidate also faced a runoff, limits how much a PAC can contribute to a House candidate to \$6000 for the primary and general elections together, and prohibiting a candidate for the House from using campaign funds to repay a personal loan of more than \$35,000 from the candidate to his campaign. This rule also restricted what amendments could be brought up for the Federal Election Campaign Act Amendments.

Adopted 228-182: D 206-51, R 22-131, 10/17/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

22. Emergency Energy Conservation Bill

Adoption of the conference report of the bill creating a standby gasoline rationing plan and granting presidential authority to mandate energy conservation in emergencies.

Adopted 301-112: D 230-30; R 71-82, 10/23/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

23. No Funds for Price Control of Gasoline

Rep. Jim Courter (R-N.J.) amendment, prohibiting funds to allocate or control the price of gasoline.

Rejected 189-225: D 61-202; R 128-23, 10/24/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

24. Welfare Reform Substitute

Rep. Bill Archer (R-Tex.) motion to recommit the Welfare Reform bill with instructions to establish a demonstration program for block grants for

welfare and allow states to form their own work requirements provided work wasn't required of parents caring for children under six years old unless sufficient day care was available.

Defeated 200-205: D 52-205, R 148-0, 11/7/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

25. Binding Budget Levels for Fiscal 1980

Adoption of the resolution setting fiscal 1980 binding budget levels at \$638 billion in budget authority, \$547.6 billion in spending, \$517.8 billion in revenues, yielding a \$29.8 billion deficit. This was the second budget resolution for fiscal year 1980 and came with a statement of the sense of Congress that there will not be a third.

Adopted 206-186: D 203-46; R 3-140, 11/28/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

26. Chrysler Loan Guarantees

Passage of the bill authorizing \$1.5 billion, to be matched by \$2.1 billion from other sources, and establishing a \$1756 million employee stock ownership plan, a bailout of the Chrysler Corporation.

Passed 271-136: D 209-48; R 62-88, 12/18/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

1979 Americans for Constitutional Action Index, Senate

1. Taiwan Security Guarantee

Sen. Charles Percy (R-Ill.) amendment, declaring that aggression against Taiwan by China would be regarded as a threat to the "security interests of the United States".

Rejected 42-50: D 7-45; R 35-5, 3/8/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

2. Table Long Substitute on Budgets

Minority Leader Howard Baker Jr. (R-Tenn.) motion to table the Long (D-La.) amendment, to require congressional Budget committees to report on April 15, 1979, budgets for fiscal 1981 and 1982 that will be balanced, and to report first concurrent budget resolutions for fiscal 1981 and 1982 to be balanced with alternative, unbalanced budgets considered.

Rejected 36-54: D 5-51; R 31-3, 3/26/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

3. Compulsory Unionization for Public School Employees

Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-W.V.) motion to table the Jepsen (R-Iowa) appeal of the chair's ruling that the Jepsen amendment to protect school employees from having to join unions was not germane.

Passed 68-24: D 49-3; R 19-21, 4/30/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

4. End Sanctions on Zimbabwe-Rhodesia

Sen. John C. Stennis (D-Miss.) motion to table the Tsongas (D-Mass.)-Javits (R-N.Y.) amendment, deleting a provision in the Defense Procurement bill ending US sanctions against Zimbabwe-Rhodesia.

Passed 52-41: D 20-33; R 32-8, 6/12/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

5. Table Sense of the Senate on HEW Spending

Sen. Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.) motion to table the Jepsen (R-Iowa) amendment expressing the sense of the Senate that the Department of Health, Education and Welfare should borrow from fiscal 1980 appropriations to cover payments for social service programs to the states in fiscal 1979 to achieve a \$1 billion reduction in budget authority through reductions in waste, fraud, and abuse.

Rejected 36-55: D 32-21; R 4-34, 6/26/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

6. Construct New Senate Office Building

Sen. J. Bennett Johnston (D-La.) amendment, appropriating \$57,480,700 to construct a third Senate office building with a \$142,627,700 ceiling on construction spending, to be named after the late Sen. Phil Hart (D-Mich.).

Adopted 49-46: D 39-17; R 10-29, 7/18/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

7. Table Tsongas Amendment on Busing

Sen. Thomas Eagleton (D-Mo.) motion to table the Tsongas (D-Mass.) amendment which prohibits the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare from ordering busing of schoolchildren for racial balance, but permits doing so for grade restructuring and school pairing and clustering.

Passed 58-35: D 31-22; R 27-13, 7/20/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

8. Retain Public Service Job Funding

Sen. Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.) motion to table the Chiles (D-Fla.) amendment, reducing public service job funding by \$505 million, thereby reducing countercyclical public service jobs from 200,000 to 100,000.

Passed 50-43: D 39-14; R 11-29, 7/20/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

9. Table Amendment for Businesses Complying with OSHA

Sen. Frank Church (D-Idaho) motion to table the Schweiker (R-Penn.) substitute that requires each business to present evidence of its own low

injury rate to qualify for an exemption from OSHA inspections for business with 10 or fewer employees in industries with low injury rates. Rejected 31-61: D 16-37; R 15-24, 7/20/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

10. Retain Ceiling on Food Stamp Spending

Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) amendment deleting the section of the Food Stamp bill eliminating the spending ceiling for fiscal 1980-81.

Rejected 37-57: D 13-42; R 24-15, 7/23/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

11. Table Limited Waiver of Davis-Bacon Act

Sen. J. James Exon (D-Neb.) motion to table the Melcher (D-Mont.) amendment, which waived requirements of the Davis-Bacon Act for contracts up to \$10,000 and repair contracts up to \$2000, a change from the Exon Amendment which waived requirements for all contracts up to \$50,000.

Rejected 40-57: D 13-44; R 27-13, 7/30/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

12. Anti-Recession Assistance

Passage of the bill extending anti-recession aid to state and local governments through fiscal 1980 and providing for targeted fiscal assistance to local governments through fiscal 1980 to address areas of severe unemployment and to authorize up to \$1 billion for the programs in fiscal 1980.

Passed 69-23: D 46-6; R 23-17, 8/3/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

13. No IRS Regulations to Cause Loss of Tax-Exempt Status for Private Schools

Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) amendment, prohibiting the IRS from crafting or executing a new rule or regulation that results in the loss of tax-exempt status from any private school.

Adopted 47-43: D 24-31; R 23-12, 9/6/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

14. Restore Legal Presumption of Validity of Federal Regulations

Sen. John Culver (D-Iowa) motion to table the Bumpers (D-Ark.) amendment, eliminating the legal presumption that federal regulations are legally valid, thereby making challenging federal regulations in court easier.

Rejected 27-51: D 17-29; R 10-22, 9/7/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

15. Reduced Federal Budget

Sen. Richard Schweiker (R-Penn.) amendment, setting 1980 budget authority at \$630 billion, outlays at \$540.9 billion, revenues at \$510.2 billion, resulting in a deficit of \$30.7 billion.

Rejected 28-60: D 6-46; R 22-14, 9/17/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

16. Increase in Defense Spending

Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-S.C.) amendment, increasing the spending target for defense in fiscal 1981 from \$147.3 billion to \$159.8 billion in budget authority and from \$138.3 billion to \$145.6 billion in spending, and for fiscal 1982 from \$159 billion to \$180.4 billion in budget authority and from \$147.9 billion to \$163.3 billion in spending.

Adopted 55-42: D 24-35; R 31-7, 9/18/79.

Yea = +, Nay = -

17. Budget Resolution for Fiscal 1980

Adoption of the resolution setting fiscal 1980 budget totals at \$632.2 billion in budget authority, \$543.1 billion in federal outlays, revenues at \$514.7 billion, yielding a deficit of \$28.4 billion.

Adopted 62-36: D 45-14; R 17-22, 9/19/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

18. Department of Education

Adoption of the conference report of the bill establishing the Department of Education.

Adopted 69-22: D 51-5; R 18-17, 9/24/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

19. Panama Canal Treaties Implementation

Adoption of the conference report of the bill implementing the Panama Canal treaties by establishing the Panama Canal Commission and providing for the management of the canal until 1999.

Adopted 63-32: D 47-9; R 16-23, 9/25/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

20. Debt Limit Increase

Passage of the bill raising the debt ceiling to \$879 billion through May 31, 1980.

Passed 49-29: D 34-10; R 15-19, 9/28/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

21. Foreign Aid Appropriations

Passage of the bill spending \$8.1 billion for foreign aid, economic and military, for fiscal 1980.

Passed 53-38: D 36-16; R 17-22, 10/12/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

22. Retain Pay Raise for Members of Congress

Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-W.V.) motion to table the Weicker (R-Conn.) amendment, preventing any pay raises for members of Congress in fiscal 1980.

Passed 43-42: D 23-25; R 20-17, 10/12/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

23. Emergency Energy Conservation Bill

Adoption of the conference report of the bill creating a standby gasoline rationing plan and granting presidential authority to mandate energy conservation in emergencies.

Adopted 77-18: D 49-7; R 28-11, 10/17/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

24. Funding for Alternative Energy and Conservation

Sen. J. Bennett Johnston (D-La.) motion to concur in the House amendment to the Defense Production Act, providing \$34 billion for synthetic fuels, gasohol, conservation, solar energy along with other energy programs.

Passed 65-19: D 46-2; R 19-17, 11/8/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

25. Kill Increased Military Pay Raise

Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-W.V.) motion to table the Armstrong (R-Colo.) appeal on the ruling that his amendment providing for a military pay raise of 10.41% instead of 7% was not germane.

Passed 44-40: D 41-6; R 3-34, 11/9/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

26. Windfall Profits Tax

Passage of the bill taxing excess profits on crude oil production.

Passed 74-24: D 52-6; R 22-18, 12/17/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

27. Chrysler Bailout

Passage of the bill authorizing \$1.5 billion, to be matched by \$2.1 billion from other sources, and establishing a \$1756 million employee stock ownership plan, a bailout of the Chrysler Corporation.

Passed 53-44: D 41-17; R 12-27, 12/19/79.

Yea = -, Nay = +

1980 Americans for Constitutional Action Index, House

1. Eliminate Davis-Bacon Wages from Anti-Recession Bill

Rep. Robert Walker (R-Penn.) amendment deleting from the Anti-Recession Fiscal Assistance bill the provision requiring the payment of prevailing wages under the Davis-Bacon Act with funds from this measure.

Rejected 130-266: D 37-215; R 93-51, 1/31/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -

2. Legislative Veto for FTC Regulations

Rep. James Broyhill (R-N.C.) motion to insist on House language to the Federal Trade Commission Authorization providing for a legislative veto over FTC regulations.

Passed 257-115: D 116-111; R 141-4, 2/28/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

3. Windfall Profits Tax

Adoption of the conference report of the bill establishing a tax on oil profits as oil price controls are to be gradually lifted, anticipating a gain in revenue of \$227 billion by 1990.

Adopted 302-107: D 217-39; R 85-68, 3/13/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

4. Substitute for Idaho Wilderness Bill

Rep. Steve Symms (R-Idaho) amendment, reducing wilderness acreage from 2.2 million to 1.8 million, reducing from 178 to 125 miles of the Salmon River to be designated as scenic, and to block consideration of any more of Idaho from being conserved by the federal government that which is not listed in the bill.

Rejected 179-214: D 57-191; R 122-23, 4/16/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

5. Draft Registration Funds

Adoption of the Appropriations Committee amendment transferring \$13.3 million from the Air Force personnel account to the Selective Service System, with 19- and 20-year-olds starting to register in 1980.

Adopted 218-188: D 135-122; R 83-66, 4/22/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Yea

6. Increase Domestic Budget Spending

Rep. Dave Obey (D-Wis.) substitute to the budget resolution, increasing budget authority to \$1.1 billion, spending to \$700 million, and revenues

to \$800 million, to reflect increased funding in domestic programs as well as the institution of oil tax credit reform.

Rejected 201-213: D 165-96; R 36-117, 4/30/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

7. Transfer Amendment - Domestic to Military Spending

Rep. Marjorie Holt (R-Md.) substitute to the budget resolution, increasing national defense spending by \$5.8 billion in budget authority and \$5.1 billion in spending, with cuts to be made in other programs to offset the spending.

Rejected 164-246: D 49-212; R 115-34, 5/1/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

8. Strike Instructions for Spending Reduction Legislation

Rep. Mo Udall (D-Ariz.) amendment to the budget resolution striking language instructing eight House and Senate committees to report legislation to save \$9.1 billion in fiscal 1981 spending.

Rejected 127-289: D 107-158; R 20-131, 5/7/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

9. Consider Food Stamp Appropriations Over Spending Limits

Motion to adopt the rule providing for consideration of the joint resolution to appropriate \$2,556,174,000 for the food stamp program for the remainder of fiscal 1980 and to waive the prohibition on exceeding the spending ceiling set in the second budget resolution.

Adopted 310-95: D 246-8; R 64-87, 5/13/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

10. No Funds for MX Basing System

Rep. Paul Simon (D-Ill.) amendment reducing from \$1.6 billion to \$1.1 billion for development of the MX intercontinental missile system, which served to eliminate funding for the MX basing system while permitting continued studies.

Rejected 152-250: D 123-130; R 29-120, 5/15/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Nay

11. International Development Bank Bill

Adoption of the conference report of the bill providing \$2.5 billion for the International Development Bank (IADB), \$630 million for the IADB special operations fund, \$378 million for the Asian Development Fund, as well as \$125 million for the African Development Fund.

Adopted 224-181: D 172-86; R 52-95, 5/21/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

12. Debt Limit Extension

Passage of the bill extending the debt ceiling at its current level of \$879 billion through June 30, 1980.

Passed 208-198: D 208-44; R 0-154, 6/4/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

13. Nicaragua Aid

Rep. Jim Wright (D-Tex.) substitute amendment for the Bauman (R-Md.) amendment, permitting 425 million in aid to Nicaragua, requiring the president to report to Congress every 90 days on the nation, including adherence to human rights.

Adopted 243-144: D 212-28; R 31-116, 6/5/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

14. Eliminate Administrative Fair Housing Enforcement

Rep. Jim Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.) motion to recommit the Fair Housing Act Amendments to the Judiciary Committee with instructions to delete provisions for administrative enforcement of fair housing laws.

Rejected 196-209: D 71-180; R 125-29, 6/12/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

15. Budget Resolution

Rep. Robert Giaimo (D-Conn.) motion to agree to the conference of the budget resolution, providing for \$658.9 billion in budget authority, \$572.7 billion in spending, and \$525.7 billion in revenues in fiscal 1980 (\$47 billion in deficit); \$697.2 billion in budget authority and \$613.6 billion in spending and \$613.8 billion in revenue (\$200 million surplus).

Passed 205-195: D 195-55; R 10-140, 6/12/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

16. Congressional Veto of Trucking Regulations

Rep. Elliott Levitas (D-Ga.) amendment to the trucking deregulation bill, empowering Congress to veto trucking regulations from the Interstate Commerce Commission and the Transportation Department.

Rejected 189-192: D 83-156; R 106-36, 6/19/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

17. Reduce Funds for Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway

Rep. Joel Pritchard (R-Wash.) amendment, reducing by \$200 million funding in fiscal 1981 for the Tennessee-Tombigbee Waterway.

Rejected 196-216: D 116-145; R 80-71, 6/25/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

18. Defense Production Act Amendments

Adoption of the conference report of the bill providing for \$20 billion for the development of synthetic fuels, \$1.5 billion for alcohol fuels and

urban waste, \$35 billion for a solar energy and conservation bank that provides subsidized loans, as well as extending the Defense Production Act until the end of fiscal year 1985.

Adopted 317-93: D 232-28; R 85-65, 6/26/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter- Yea

19. Kill Bill for Energy Mobilization Board

Rep. Sam Devine (R-Ohio) motion to recommit and thus kill the bill providing for an Energy Mobilization Board which had the power to override state laws for important energy projects.

Passed 232-131: D 107-122; R 125-9, 6/27/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

20. Review Noncompetitive Railroad Rates

Rep. Bob Eckhardt (D-Tex.) amendment to the railroad deregulation bill, narrowing the definition of competition that a railroad could defend itself against challenges of their rates.

Rejected 130-281: D 108-152; R 22-129, 7/2/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

21. Consider Disapproving Gasoline Rationing Plan

Rep. Clarence Brown Jr. (R-Ohio) motion to discharge from the Judiciary Committee a resolution disapproving of President Carter's standby gasoline rationing plan.

Rejected 205-209: D 57-204; R 148-5, 7/30/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

22. Sustain IRS Regulations on Private Schools

Ruling as out of order Rep. John Ashbrook's (R-Ohio) amendment prohibiting the Internal Revenue Service from crafting or executing any rules or regulations resulting in private or religious schools losing tax-exempt status.

Ruling upheld 214-182: D 202-44; R 12-138, 8/19/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

23. Stricter Eligibility for Low Income Housing

Rep. Lawrence Coughlin (R-Penn.) amendment reducing low-income housing eligibility from 80% to 50% of the median income in an area.

Rejected 71-326: D 13-234; R 58-92, 8/21/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -

24. Restrict OSHA Impact on Small Businesses

Rep. Beverly Byron (D-Md.) amendment, prohibiting the use of Labor-HHS funds, with select exemptions, for enforcing the Occupational Safety and

Health Act on businesses with ten or fewer employees that have occupational injury rates lower than the national average.

Adopted 225-178: D 97-155; R 128-23, 8/27/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -

1980 Americans for Constitutional Action Index, Senate

1. Table Senate Instruction to Withdraw from SALT II

Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-W.V.) motion to table the Tower (R-Tex.) amendment, instructing President Carter to withdraw from Senate consideration of the SALT II treaty.

Passed 50-36: D 48-2; R 2-34, 1/22/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

2. Military Pay Increase

Sen. William Armstrong (R-Colo.) motion to table the Warner (R-Va.) amendment authorizing selective compensation increases for the military instead of an across-the-board increase.

Rejected 41-46: D 15-36; R 26-10, 2/4/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -

3. One-House Veto of FTC Regulations

Sen. Harrison Schmitt (R-N.M.) amendment, allowing for a one-house veto of Federal Trade Commission regulations.

Rejected 44-53: D 14-44; R 30-9, 2/6/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

4. Recommit Windfall Profits Tax for Hearings

Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kan.) motion to recommit the conference report on the bill imposing a windfall profits tax on oil to the Finance Committee for 15 days for hearings on the impacts of the tax on producers.

Rejected 35-61: D 7-49; R 28-12, 3/27/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

5. Burden of Proof Shifting, Trucking Deregulation

Sen. Warren Magnuson (D-Wash.) amendment, placing the burden of proof on an applicant for a trucking certificate to demonstrate their proposed service is consistent with present or future public needs.

Rejected 34-56: D 28-24; R 6-32, 4/15/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Nay

6. End Debate on Lubbers Nomination

Majority Leader Robert Byrd (D-W.V.) motion to invoke cloture, thereby ending Sen. Orrin Hatch's (R-Utah) filibuster against President Carter's nomination of William A. Lubbers of Maryland to be general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board. Conservatives accused Lubbers, who was strongly supported by AFL-CIO, of being too close with NLRB chairman John Fanning to serve effectively as an independent prosecutor.

Passed 62-34: D 52-5; R 10-29, 4/2/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

7. Reduce Spending and Taxes

Sen. William Armstrong (R-Colo.) amendment reducing revenues for fiscal 1981 to \$596.7 billion, budget authority to \$642.8 billion, and spending to \$596.7 billion, and reducing taxation by \$30 billion.

Rejected 35-59: D 10-44; R 25-15, 5/6/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -

8. Kill Defense to Domestic Budget Transfer Amendment

Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-S.C.) motion to table the Nelson (D-Wis.) amendment cutting \$2 billion from defense spending and \$400 million from interest payments, transferring the spending to domestic programs.

Passed 64-30: D 30-25; R 34-5, 5/7/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

9. Food Stamp Appropriations Over Spending Limits

Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-S.C.) motion to waive provisions of the Congressional Budget Act prohibiting consideration of legislation that would exceed fiscal 1980 spending ceilings set by Congress.

Passed 71-17: D 46-3; R 25-14, 5/14/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

10. Repeal Credit Control Act of 1969

Sen. William Armstrong (R-Colo.) amendment to the bill extending the Council on Wage and Price Stability, repealing the Credit Control Act of 1969 on July 1, 1981.

Adopted 43-40: D 8-37; R 35-3, 6/2/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

11. Kill Limits to Federal Assistance for Chrysler Corporation

Sen. Don Riegle (D-Mich.) motion to table the Weicker (R-Conn.) amendment, prohibiting federal assistance for the Chrysler Corporation until Chrysler had secured at least \$1.43 billion in other assistance.

Passed 51-42: D 42-11; R 9-31, 6/3/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

12. Draft Registration

Passage of the bill transferring \$13.3 million from the Air Force personnel account to the Selective Service System to register 19- and 20-year old men in the event the draft is restored.

Passed 58-34: D 33-18; R 25-16, 6/12/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Yea

13. Budget Resolution

Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-S.C.) motion to adopt the conference of the resolution setting binding fiscal 1980 budget totals to \$658.9 billion in budget authority, \$572.7 billion in spending, and \$525.7 billion in revenues (\$47 billion deficit), and for fiscal 1981 \$697.2 billion in budget authority, \$613.6 billion in spending, and \$613.8 billion in revenues (\$200 million surplus).

Passed 61-26: D 44-5; R 17-21, 6/12/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

14. No Military Assistance to Nicaragua

Sen. Richard Stone (D-Fla.) motion to table the Church (D-Idaho) amendment permitting the president to provide military aid to Nicaragua.

Passed 50-38: D 18-32; R 32-6, 6/17/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

15. Defense Production Act Amendments

Adoption of the conference report of the bill providing for \$20 billion for the development of synthetic fuels, \$1.5 billion for alcohol fuels and urban waste, \$35 billion for a solar energy and conservation bank that provides subsidized loans, and extending the Defense Production Act until the end of fiscal year 1985.

Adopted 78-12: D 52-1; R 26-11, 6/19/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Yea

16. Eliminate Middle Income Housing Subsidies

Sen. Jake Garn (R-Utah) amendment, eliminating the middle-income housing subsidy program, instead restoring funds to current housing assistance programs.

Adopted 47-23: D 18-21; R 29-2, 6/20/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Yea

17. Federal Grants for Private School Students

Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-N.Y.) amendment, permitting students in private elementary and secondary schools to get Basic Educational Opportunity Grants up to \$750 annually.

Rejected 24-71: D 14-42; R 10-29, 6/24/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +, Carter - Nay

18. Retain Davis-Bacon Wages for Power Plants Fuels Conservation

Sen. J. Bennett Johnston (D-La.) motion to table the Helms (R-N.C.) amendment to the power plants fuels conservation bill, which struck out provisions for paying the local prevailing wage under the Davis-Bacon Act.

Passed 65-27: D 53-3; R 12-24, 6/24/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

19. Public Debt Extension

Passage of the joint resolution extending the public debt ceiling through February 28, 1981, at \$925 billion, an increase from \$879 billion.

Passed 54-39: D 46-9; R 8-30. 6/26/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

20. Comparable Work for Unemployment Benefits

Sen. Jacob Javits (R-N.Y.) amendment, requiring unemployed workers to accept "comparable work" instead of any job to be eligible for unemployment benefits.

Rejected 27-60: D 21-30; R 6-30, 6/30/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

21. Table B-1 Bomber Amendment

Sen. John Glenn (D-Ohio) motion to table the Tower (R-Tex.) substitute requiring the \$91 million for B-1 Bomber development to be used for advanced development instead of preliminary study and require the aircraft to be useable by 1985.

Passed 52-38: D 47-7; R 5-31, 7/1/80.

22. Permit States to Customize Child Nutrition Programs

Sen. Henry Bellmon (R-Okla.) amendment establishing a pilot program allowing six states to consolidate and reorganize certain child nutrition programs administered by the Department of Agriculture.

Adopted 51-44: D 16-39; R 35-5, 7/24/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -

23. Exempt Stone, Sand, & Gravel Operations from Federal Mine Safety Law

Sen. Malcolm Wallop (R-Wyo.) amendment providing that provisions of

the Federal Mine Safety and Health Amendments of 1977 shall not be applicable to stone, sand, or gravel mining operations.

Adopted 52-37: D 20-32; R 32-5, 7/29/80. Yea = +, Nay = -

24. Table Small Business Exemptions to OSHA Jurisdiction

Sen. Harrison Williams (D-N.J.) motion to table the Boren (D-Okla.) amendment, exempting business with 10 or fewer employees that have low occupational illness and injury rates from the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

Rejected 36-53: D 32-20; R 4-33, 7/29/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +

25. Discharge Disapproval of Gasoline Rationing

Sen. Charles Percy (R-Ill.) motion to discharge from the Committee on Energy and National Resources the measure disapproving of the rationing plan President Carter sent to Congress on June 12, 1980.

Rejected 31-60: D 5-48; R 26-12, 7/30/80.

Yea = +, Nay = -, Carter - Nay

26. Alaska Lands Conservation Bill

Passage of the bill reserving 104.3 million acres of land for conservation in Alaska.

Passed 78-14: D 50-3; R 28-11, 8/19/80.

Yea = -, Nay = +