

Government. I will ask for Congress's help in these efforts.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, February 6, 1995.

By unanimous consent, the message, together with the accompanying papers, was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 104-3).

¶20.12 LINE-ITEM VETO

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. LINDER, pursuant to House Resolution 55 and rule XXIII, declared the House resolved into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2) to give the President item veto authority over appropriations Acts and targeted tax benefits in revenue Acts.

Mr. HOBSON, Acting Chairman, assumed the chair; and after some time spent therein,

The Committee rose informally to receive a message from the President.

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. QUINN, assumed the Chair.

¶20.13 FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A further message in writing from the President of the United States was communicated to the House by Mr. Edwin Thomas, one of his secretaries.

The Committee resumed its sitting; and after some further time spent therein,

¶20.14 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendment submitted by Mr. ORTON:

At the end of section 4, add the following new paragraph:

(5) The term "discretionary budget authority" includes authority to enter into contracts under which the United States is obligated to make outlays, the budget authority for which is not provided in advance by appropriations Acts.

It was decided in the

Yeas	65
negative	360

¶20.15 [Roll No. 91]

AYES—65

Andrews	Inglis	Rohrabacher
Barrett (WI)	Johnson (SD)	Royce
Beilenson	Kasich	Sabo
Bentsen	Kennedy (MA)	Schroeder
Berman	Kennedy (RI)	Schumer
Browder	Lincoln	Sensenbrenner
Brownback	Lofgren	Serrano
Bryant (TX)	Lowe	Shays
Coleman	Luther	Skaggs
Condit	Maloney	Slaughter
Dellums	McHale	Smith (MI)
Doggett	Meehan	Spratt
Dooley	Miller (CA)	Stenholm
Durbin	Minge	Tauzin
Edwards	Obey	Taylor (MS)
Eshoo	Orton	Visclosky
Fawell	Pallone	Wilson
Fazio	Pelosi	Wolf
Furse	Peterson (FL)	Wyden
Gibbons	Peterson (MN)	Yates
Gutierrez	Pomeroy	Zimmer
Hoyer	Rivers	

NOES—360

Abercrombie	Armey	Baker (LA)
Ackerman	Bachus	Baldacci
Allard	Baesler	Ballenger
Archer	Baker (CA)	Barcia

Barr	Forbes	Martinez
Barrett (NE)	Fowler	Martini
Bartlett	Fox	Mascara
Barton	Frank (MA)	Matsui
Bass	Franks (CT)	McCarthy
Bateman	Franks (NJ)	McCollum
Bereuter	Frelinghuysen	McCrery
Bevill	Frisa	McDermott
Bilbray	Funderburk	McHugh
Bilirakis	Galleghy	McInnis
Bishop	Ganske	McIntosh
Bliley	Gejdenson	McKeon
Blute	Gekas	McKinney
Boehlert	Gephardt	McNulty
Boehner	Geren	Meek
Bonilla	Gilchrest	Menendez
Bonior	Gillmor	Metcalf
Bono	Gilman	Meyers
Borski	Gonzalez	Mfume
Boucher	Goodlatte	Mica
Brewster	Goodling	Miller (FL)
Brown (CA)	Gordon	Mineta
Brown (FL)	Brown (OH)	Goss
Brown (OH)	Bunn	Moakley
Bunn	Bunning	Green
Burr	Burr	Greenwood
Burton	Burton	Gunderson
Buyer	Buyer	Gutknecht
Callahan	Callahan	Hall (OH)
Calvert	Calvert	Hall (TX)
Camp	Camp	Hamilton
Canady	Canady	Hancock
Cardin	Cardin	Hansen
Castle	Castle	Harman
Chabot	Chabot	Hastert
Chambliss	Chambliss	Hastings (FL)
Chapman	Chapman	Hastings (WA)
Chenoweth	Chenoweth	Hayes
Christensen	Christensen	Hayworth
Chrysler	Chrysler	Hefley
Clay	Clay	Hefner
Clayton	Clayton	Heineman
Clement	Clement	Herger
Clinger	Clinger	Hillery
Clyburn	Clyburn	Hilliard
Coble	Coble	Hinchee
Coburn	Coburn	Hobson
Collins (GA)	Collins (GA)	Hoekstra
Collins (IL)	Collins (IL)	Hoke
Collins (MI)	Collins (MI)	Holden
Combest	Combest	Horn
Conyers	Conyers	Hostettler
Cooley	Cooley	Houghton
Costello	Costello	Hunter
Cox	Cox	Hutchinson
Coyne	Coyne	Hyde
Cramer	Cramer	Istook
Crane	Crane	Jackson-Lee
Crapo	Crapo	Jacobs
Creameans	Creameans	Johnson (CT)
Cubin	Cubin	Johnson, E. B.
Cunningham	Cunningham	Johnson, Sam
Danner	Danner	Johnston
Davis	Davis	Jones
de la Garza	de la Garza	Kanjorski
Deal	Deal	Kaptur
DeFazio	DeFazio	Kelly
DeLauro	DeLauro	Kennelly
DeLay	DeLay	Kildee
Deutsch	Deutsch	Kim
Diaz-Balart	Diaz-Balart	King
Dickey	Dickey	Kingston
Dicks	Dicks	Kleczka
Dingell	Dingell	Klink
Dixon	Dixon	Klug
Doolittle	Doolittle	Knollenberg
Dornan	Dornan	Kolbe
Doyle	Doyle	LaFalce
Dreier	Dreier	LaHood
Duncan	Duncan	Lantos
Dunn	Dunn	Largent
Ehlers	Ehlers	Latham
Ehrlich	Ehrlich	LaTourette
Emerson	Emerson	Laughlin
Minge	Minge	Lazio
Engel	Engel	Leach
English	English	Levin
Ensign	Ensign	Lewis (CA)
Evans	Evans	Lewis (GA)
Everett	Everett	Lewis (KY)
Ewing	Ewing	Lightfoot
Farr	Farr	Linder
Fattah	Fattah	Lipinski
Fields (LA)	Fields (LA)	Livingston
Fields (TX)	Fields (TX)	LoBiondo
Filner	Filner	Longley
Flake	Flake	Lucas
Flanagan	Flanagan	Manton
Foglietta	Foglietta	Manzullo
Foley	Foley	Markay

Stearns	Tiahrt	Waters
Stockman	Torkildsen	Watt (NC)
Stokes	Torres	Waxman
Studds	Torricelli	Weldon (FL)
Stump	Towns	Weldon (PA)
Stupak	Traficant	Weller
Talent	Upton	White
Tanner	Velazquez	Whitfield
Tate	Vento	Wicker
Taylor (NC)	Volkmer	Williams
Tejeda	Vucanovich	Wise
Thomas	Waldholtz	Woolsey
Thompson	Walker	Wynn
Thornberry	Walsh	Young (AK)
Thornton	Wamp	Young (FL)
Thurman	Ward	Zeliff

NOT VOTING—9

Becerra	Frost	Mollohan
Bryant (TN)	Jefferson	Tucker
Ford	McDade	Watts (OK)

So the amendment was not agreed to.

¶20.16 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the Whole on the following amendment submitted by Ms. WATERS:

The first sentence of paragraph (3) of section 4 is amended by inserting "or which the President determines would yield at least 20 percent of its benefit to the top 1 percent of income earners" before the period.

It was decided in the

Yeas	144
negative	280

¶20.17 [Roll No. 92]

AYES—144

Abercrombie	Furse	Neal
Baldacci	Gejdenson	Oberstar
Barcia	Gephardt	Obey
Barrett (WI)	Gibbons	Olver
Beilenson	Gonzalez	Owens
Bentsen	Gordon	Pallone
Berman	Green	Pastor
Bevill	Gutierrez	Payne (NJ)
Bishop	Hamilton	Pelosi
Bonior	Hastings (FL)	Pomeroy
Brewster	Hilliard	Rahall
Browder	Hinchee	Rangel
Brown (CA)	Jackson-Lee	Reed
Brown (FL)	Johnson (SD)	Reynolds
Brown (OH)	Johnson, E. B.	Rivers
Bryant (TX)	Johnston	Roybal-Allard
Chapman	Kanjorski	Rush
Clay	Kaptur	Sabo
Clayton	Kennedy (MA)	Sanders
Clement	Kennedy (RI)	Schroeder
Clyburn	Kildee	Scott
Coleman	Kleczka	Serrano
Collins (IL)	Klink	Skaggs
Collins (MI)	LaFalce	Slaughter
Conyers	Lantos	Stark
Coyne	Lewis (GA)	Stenholm
Cramer	Lincoln	Stokes
Danner	Lofgren	Studds
Deal	Luther	Stupak
DeFazio	Manton	Taylor (MS)
Dellums	Markey	Thompson
Dingell	Martinez	Thurman
Dixon	Mascara	Torres
Doggett	McCarthy	Towns
Doyle	McDermott	Traficant
Durbin	McKinney	Velazquez
Engel	Meehan	Vento
Eshoo	Meek	Volkmer
Evans	Menendez	Ward
Farr	Mfume	Waters
Fattah	Miller (CA)	Watt (NC)
Fazio	Mineta	Waxman
Fields (LA)	Minge	Williams
Filner	Mink	Wise
Flake	Moakley	Woolsey
Foglietta	Mollohan	Wyden
Frank (MA)	Montgomery	Wynn
	Nadler	Yates

NOES—280

Ackerman	Baker (CA)	Bass
Allard	Baker (LA)	Bateman
Andrews	Ballenger	Bereuter
Archer	Barr	Bilbray
Armey	Barrett (NE)	Bilirakis
Bachus	Bartlett	Bliley
Baesler	Barton	Blute

Boehler	Harman	Payne (VA)
Boehner	Hastert	Peterson (FL)
Bonilla	Hastings (WA)	Peterson (MN)
Bono	Hayes	Petri
Borski	Hayworth	Pickett
Boucher	Hefley	Pombo
Brownback	Hefner	Porter
Bunn	Heineman	Portman
Bunning	Herger	Poshard
Burr	Hilleary	Pryce
Burton	Hobson	Quillen
Buyer	Hoekstra	Quinn
Callahan	Hoke	Radanovich
Calvert	Holden	Ramstad
Camp	Horn	Regula
Canady	Hostettler	Richardson
Cardin	Houghton	Riggs
Castle	Hoyer	Roberts
Chabot	Hunter	Roemer
Chambliss	Hutchinson	Rogers
Christensen	Hyde	Rohrabacher
Chryslers	Inglis	Ros-Lehtinen
Clinger	Istook	Rose
Coble	Johnson (CT)	Roth
Coburn	Johnson, Sam	Roukema
Collins (GA)	Jones	Royce
Combest	Kasich	Salmon
Condit	Kelly	Sanford
Cooley	Kennelly	Sawyer
Costello	Kim	Saxton
Cox	King	Scarborough
Crane	Kingston	Schaefer
Crapo	Klug	Schiff
Creameans	Knollenberg	Schumer
Cubin	Kolbe	Seastrand
Cunningham	LaHood	Sensenbrenner
Davis	Largent	Shadegg
de la Garza	Latham	Shaw
DeLay	LaTourrette	Shays
Deutsch	Laughlin	Shuster
Diaz-Balart	Lazio	Sisisky
Dickey	Leach	Skeen
Dicks	Levin	Skelton
Dooley	Lewis (CA)	Smith (MI)
Doolittle	Lewis (KY)	Smith (NJ)
Dornan	Lightfoot	Smith (TX)
Dreier	Linder	Smith (WA)
Duncan	Lipinski	Solomon
Dunn	Livingston	Souder
Edwards	LoBiondo	Spence
Ehlers	Longley	Spratt
Ehrlich	Lowe	Stearns
Emerson	Lucas	Stockman
English	Maloney	Stump
Ensign	Manzullo	Talent
Everett	Martini	Tanner
Ewing	Matsui	Tate
Fawell	McCollum	Tauzin
Fields (TX)	McCrery	Taylor (NC)
Flanagan	McHale	Tejeda
Foley	McHugh	Thomas
Forbes	McInnis	Thornberry
Fowler	McIntosh	Thornton
Fox	McKeon	Tiahrt
Franks (CT)	McNulty	Torkildsen
Franks (NJ)	Metcalf	Torricelli
Frelinghuysen	Meyers	Upton
Frisa	Mica	Visclosky
Funderburk	Miller (FL)	Vucanovich
Gallely	Molinari	Waldholtz
Ganske	Moorhead	Walker
Gekas	Moran	Walsh
Geran	Morella	Wamp
Gilchrist	Murtha	Weldon (FL)
Gillmor	Myers	Weldon (PA)
Gilman	Myrick	Weller
Goodlatte	Nethercutt	White
Goodling	Neumann	Whitfield
Goss	Ney	Wicker
Graham	Norwood	Wilson
Greenwood	Nussle	Wolf
Gunderson	Ortiz	Young (AK)
Gutknecht	Orton	Young (FL)
Hall (OH)	Oxley	Zeliff
Hall (TX)	Packard	Zimmer
Hancock	Parker	
Hansen	Paxon	

NOT VOTING—10

Becerra	Frost	Tucker
Bryant (TN)	Jacobs	Watts (OK)
Chenoweth	Jefferson	
Ford	McDade	

So the amendment was not agreed to.

20.18 RECORDED VOTE

A recorded vote by electronic device was ordered in the Committee of the

Whole on the following amendment in the nature of a substitute submitted by Mr. STENHOLM:

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the "Line Item Veto Act".

TITLE I—LINE ITEM VETO

SEC. 101. LINE ITEM VETO AUTHORITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding the provisions of part B of title X of The Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, and subject to the provisions of this section, the President may rescind all or part of the dollar amount of any discretionary budget authority specified in an appropriation Act or an accompanying committee report or joint explanatory statement accompanying a conference report on that Act or veto any targeted tax benefit which is subject to the terms of this Act if the President—

(1) determines that—
(A) such rescission or veto would help reduce the Federal budget deficit;

(B) such rescission or veto will not impair any essential Government functions; and

(C) such rescission or veto will not harm the national interest; and

(2) notifies the Congress of such rescission or veto by a special message not later than ten calendar days (not including Sundays) after the date of enactment of an appropriation Act providing such budget authority or a revenue or reconciliation Act containing a targeted tax benefit.

(b) DEFICIT REDUCTION.—In each special message, the President may also propose to reduce the appropriate discretionary spending limit set forth in section 601(a)(2) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 by an amount that does not exceed the total amount of discretionary budget authority rescinded by that message.

(c) SEPARATE MESSAGES.—The President shall submit a separate special message for each appropriation Act and for each revenue or reconciliation Act under this paragraph.

(d) SPECIAL RULE.—For any rescission of budget authority, the President may either submit a special message under this section or under section 1012 of the Impoundment Control Act of 1974. Funds proposed to be rescinded under this section may not be proposed to be rescinded under section 1012 of that Act.

SEC. 102. LINE ITEM VETO EFFECTIVE UNLESS DISAPPROVED.

(a)(1) Any amount of budget authority rescinded under section 101 as set forth in a special message by the President shall be deemed canceled unless, during the period described in subsection (b), a rescission/receipts disapproval bill making available all of the amount rescinded is enacted into law.

(2) Any provision of law vetoed under section 101 as set forth in a special message by the President shall be deemed repealed unless, during the period described in subsection (b), a rescission/receipts disapproval bill restoring that provision is enacted into law.

(b) The period referred to in subsection (a) is—

(1) a congressional review period of twenty calendar days of session, beginning on the first calendar day of session after the date of submission of the special message, during which Congress must complete action on the rescission/receipts disapproval bill and present such bill to the President for approval or disapproval;

(2) after the period provided in paragraph (1), an additional ten days (not including Sundays) during which the President may exercise his authority to sign or veto the rescission/receipts disapproval bill; and

(3) if the President vetoes the rescission/receipts disapproval bill during the period provided in paragraph (2), an additional five calendar days of session after the date of the veto.

(c) If a special message is transmitted by the President under section 101 and the last session of the Congress adjourns sine die before the expiration of the period described in subsection (b), the rescission or veto, as the case may be, shall not take effect. The message shall be deemed to have been retransmitted on the first Monday in February of the succeeding Congress and the review period referred to in subsection (b) (with respect to such message) shall run beginning after such first day.

SEC. 103. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this title:

(1) The term "rescission/receipts disapproval bill" means a bill or joint resolution which only disapproves, in whole, rescissions of discretionary budget authority or only disapproves vetoes of targeted tax benefits in a special message transmitted by the President under this Act and—

(A) which does not have a preamble;

(B)(i) in the case of a special message regarding rescissions, the matter after the enacting clause of which is as follows: "That Congress disapproves each rescission of discretionary budget authority of the President as submitted by the President in a special message on _____", the blank space being filled in with the appropriate date and the public law to which the message relates; and

(ii) in the case of a special message regarding vetoes of targeted tax benefits, the matter after the enacting clause of which is as follows: "That Congress disapproves each veto of targeted tax benefits of the President as submitted by the President in a special message on _____", the blank space being filled in with the appropriate date and the public law to which the message relates; and

(C) the title of which is as follows: "A bill disapproving the recommendations submitted by the President on _____", the blank space being filled in with the date of submission of the relevant special message and the public law to which the message relates.

(2) The term "calendar days of session" shall mean only those days on which both Houses of Congress are in session.

(3) The term "targeted tax benefit" means any provision of a revenue or reconciliation Act determined by the President to provide a Federal tax deduction, credit, exclusion, preference, or other concession to 100 or fewer beneficiaries. Any partnership, limited partnership, trust, or S corporation, and any subsidiary or affiliate of the same parent corporation, shall be deemed and counted as a single beneficiary regardless of the number of partners, limited partners, beneficiaries, shareholders, or affiliated corporate entities.

(4) The term "appropriation Act" means any general or special appropriation Act, and any Act or joint resolution making supplemental, deficiency, or continuing appropriations.

SEC. 104. CONGRESSIONAL CONSIDERATION OF LINE ITEM VEToes.

(a) PRESIDENTIAL SPECIAL MESSAGE.—Whenever the President rescinds any budget authority as provided in section 101 or vetoes any provision of law as provided in 101, the President shall transmit to both Houses of Congress a special message specifying—

(1) the amount of budget authority rescinded or the provision vetoed;

(2) any account, department, or establishment of the Government to which such budget authority is available for obligation, and the specific project or governmental functions involved;

(3) the reasons and justifications for the determination to rescind budget authority or veto any provisions pursuant to section 101;