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## NOT VOTING-8

Roehner LoBiondo Rangel Watts (OK) Gibbons McCrery

So the amendment was not agreed to. After some further time.

# ¶41.14 RECORDED VOTE

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

Page 13, redesignate section 110 as 111 and insert after line 3 the following:

### SEC. 110. SUNSHINE, ANTI-SECRECY, CONSUMER EMPOWERMENT, AND LITIGATION AVOIDANCE.

(a) IN GENERAL.—To empower consumers with the information to avoid defective products, court records in all product liability actions are presumed to be open to the general public. No court order or opinion in the adjudication of a product liability action may be sealed. No court record, including records obtained through discovery, whether or not formally filed with the court, may be sealed, subjected to a protective order, or otherwise have access restricted except through a court order based upon particularized findings of fact that-

(1) such order would not restrict the disclosure of information which is relevant to public health or safety; or

(2)(A) the public interest in disclosure of potential health or safety hazards is clearly

outweighed by a specific and substantial interest in maintaining the confidentiality of the information or records in question; and

(B) the requested order is no broader than necessary to protect the privacy interest asserted.

No such order shall continue in effect after the entry of final judgment or other final disposition, unless at or after such entry the court makes a separate particularized finding of fact that the requirements of paragraph (1) or (2) have been met.

(b) BURDEN.—The party who is the proponent for the entry of an order, as provided under subsection (a), shall have the burden of proof in obtaining such an order.

(c) AGREEMENT.—No agreement between or among parties in a product liability action filed in a State or Federal court may contain a provision that prohibits or otherwise restricts a party from disclosing any information relevant to such product liability action to any Federal or State agency with authority to enforce laws regulating an activity relating to such information.

(d) INTERVENTION.—Any person may intervene as a matter of right in a product liability action for the limited purpose of participating in proceedings considering limitation of access to records upon payment of the fee required for filing a plea in intervention.

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### NOT VOTING-7

LoBiondo Andrews Rangel Chenoweth Lowev McKinney

So the amendment was not agreed to. After some further time,

# ¶41.16 RECORDED VOTE

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

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