

NORTH COUNTY TIMES

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How your lawmakers voted

Votes for the week ending
July 23, 2010

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HOUSE				
Rep. Brian Bilbray	Rep. Darrell Issa	Rep. Duncan Hunter	Rep. Susan Davis	Rep. Bob Filner
Y	N	N	Y	Y
N	Y	Y	Y	Y
N	N	N	Y	Y

Jobless Checks: Members approved, 272-152, extended benefits until Nov. 30 for the long-term jobless, at a cost of \$34 billion in red ink. A yes vote was to send IIR 4213 to President Obama with arguments that Congress has always used deficit spending to fund extended jobless payments.

Tariff Reductions: Members voted, 378-43, to grow the economy by reducing tariffs on thousands of imported parts and materials used by U.S. manufacturers. A yes vote was to send IIR 4380 to the Senate over arguments that some of the tariff cuts are the same as congressional earmarks.

Wind Insurance: Voting 228-183, members set rules for debating a bill adding windstorm coverage to National Flood Insurance in up to 20,000 communities where flood policies are required by law. The bill remains in debate. A yes vote was to advance HR 1264.

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SENATE	
Sen. Dianne Feinstein	Sen. Barbara Boxer
Y	Y
Y	Y

Jobless Benefits: Voting 59-39, senators sent the House a \$34 billion deficit-spending bill (HR 4213, above) to provide jobless checks through November for persons out of work six months or longer, with payments available retroactively to June 2 in a lump sum. A yes vote was to pass the bill.

Small-Business Credit: Senators voted, 60-37, to end GOP blockage of a taxpayer-backed lending plan to help small businesses expand. A yes vote backed a bill (HR 5297) extending \$30 billion in Treasury loans to local banks that they would then leverage into \$300 billion in business loans.

KEY VOTES AHEAD

In the week of July 26, the House will take up fiscal 2011 appropriations for the departments of Transportation, Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development. The Senate will debate a campaign-finance disclosure bill and supplemental appropriations for war and domestic programs this year.