

Mr. Speaker, I yield 3 minutes to the gentleman from Tennessee (Mr. ROE), the chairman of the Veterans' Affairs Committee, a doctor himself and a veteran.

Mr. ROE of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 4374 because our Nation's servicemembers deserve the best and safest medical treatments available, especially when they are in harm's way.

This bill fixes a provision in the FY 2018 NDAA which passed the House overwhelmingly just yesterday, which would have allowed the Secretary of Defense to approve the emergency use of medications that have not yet received FDA approval.

Under today's legislation, we ensure the FDA will review any emergency DOD request for the use of unapproved medical products on an expedited basis while maintaining the FDA's critical role of evaluating the safety and effectiveness of treatments. This new authorization will include situations when the Secretary of Defense determines the risk of attack with an agent that may cause an imminently life-threatening and specific risk to the United States' military forces.

As a physician and a veteran myself and the chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, I have worked tirelessly to ensure our Nation's servicemembers have access to the best, safest, and most effective medical treatments available while they are in service and after.

While we all want these breakthrough treatments made available to our Nation's men and women in service as quickly as possible, we need to make sure that they are safe and effective before subjecting members of our Armed Forces to unproven treatments in the interest of expedience.

I have personally spoken to the FDA Commissioner, Dr. Scott Gottlieb on this issue, and he assures me that the FDA will work in a collaborative way with DOD to ensure the processes work more effectively for our troops.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Colorado (Mr. COFFMAN), a great public servant who has served our Nation, I think, in two different uniforms and is a terrific member of the Armed Services Committee.

Mr. COFFMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support of H.R. 4374, having served in the first Gulf war when military analysts were saying or predicting that there could be 30,000 coalition casualties in a ground war with Iraq.

We knew that Saddam Hussein had both chemical and biological stockpiles, and, at that time, there was an experimental drug given for the pretreatment to increase the survival after the exposure to nerve gas. It was untested in terms of the FDA, did not go through their lengthy bureaucratic process, but it was, I think, correctly assumed by military leaders that the

risk of giving this drug that didn't go through all the bureaucratic processes that I think are important, that the risk of nerve gas exposure outweighed those risks.

So I just want to commend the Energy and Commerce Committee as well as the leadership of the Armed Services Committee, the leadership of both committees, for working together with the Department of Defense and the FDA to find that middle ground where the military can have access to drugs and medical devices expeditiously in order to meet the rapidly changing threats on the battlefield.

I again thank Chairman THORNBERRY for his unyielding support on this issue. I also thank Chairman WALDEN for offering legislation that seeks to put this process on the right path.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I continue to reserve the balance of my time.

Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, I yield 2 minutes to the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. WENSTRUP), a terrific member of our Conference and of the Armed Services Committee, again, a practitioner of medicine, a savior of wounded people, including our own whip of the House.

Mr. WENSTRUP. Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of H.R. 4374. This provision would amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to authorize additional emergency uses for medical products to reduce deaths and severity of injuries caused by agents of war.

Having served as a combat surgeon in Iraq, I understand the importance of being able to administer lifesaving treatments at a moment's notice. Our servicemembers going into harm's way must be confident that their corpsmen, medics, docs, and health professionals are equipped with the latest technology to save lives every time.

Freeze-dried plasma is used during the initial resuscitation of combat casualties. Since 2011, 24 severely injured U.S. troops have been treated with freeze-dried plasma provided by the French, who have used this successfully since 1994. Of those patients, 17 lives were saved due to rapid treatment with freeze-dried plasma.

H.R. 4374 is important because it puts a process in place to broaden the definition of military emergencies and provides the Department of Defense with access to expedited FDA processes for the investigational products like freeze-dried plasma.

I support Chairman THORNBERRY's unwavering leadership on this issue. With rapidly developing medical technology, the FDA must be part of the modernization and readiness of our Armed Forces. We are committed to ensuring that the FDA does the best it can for our deployed forces, and I hope that we can find a way to enable the FDA to consider approved research and clinical studies from our allies in an effort to aid their approval process.

The future will likely bring more medical devices and drugs that can save lives. Having a process to approve

and implement emerging medical technologies is a matter of life and death, especially for our brave troops.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I continue to reserve the balance of my time.

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Mr. WALDEN. Mr. Speaker, you have heard from my colleagues the importance of this legislation. We found a good balance with our friends in the Armed Services Committee and in working with the FDA and with the leadership of the Pentagon to get this right. What matters most to Americans is that we take care of our warriors on the field when they are injured, and when they are in harm's way that we are doing the best possible thing we can for them.

Mr. Speaker, I think this is important legislation. I encourage my colleagues to vote for it, and I yield back the balance of my time.

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

Mr. Speaker, I would urge my colleagues to vote in support of this legislation. I do think it is a good compromise dealing with these military emergencies, but at the same time making sure that the FDA, which has responsibility for approving medical products, still retains its authority.

Mr. Speaker, I would urge a "yes" vote, and I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DONOVAN). The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Oregon (Mr. WALDEN) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 4374.

The question was taken; and (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order:

H.R. 3821, by the yeas and nays;

H.R. 2672, by the yeas and nays.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. The second electronic vote will be conducted as a 5-minute vote.

ZACHARY ADDINGTON POST OFFICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 3821) to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 Main Street in Clermont, Georgia, as the "Zachary Addington Post Office", as amended, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 420, nays 0, not voting 13, as follows:

[Roll No. 635]

YEAS—420

Abraham	Crawford	Hastings
Adams	Crist	Heck
Aderholt	Crowley	Hensarling
Aguilar	Cuellar	Herrera Beutler
Allen	Culberson	Hice, Jody B.
Amash	Cummings	Higgins (LA)
Amodel	Curbelo (FL)	Higgins (NY)
Arrington	Curtis	Hill
Babin	Davidson	Himes
Bacon	Davis (CA)	Holding
Banks (IN)	Davis, Danny	Hollingsworth
Barletta	Davis, Rodney	Hoyer
Barr	DeFazio	Hudson
Barragán	DeGette	Huffman
Bass	Delaney	Huizenga
Beatty	DeLauro	Hultgren
Bera	DelBene	Hunter
Bergman	Demings	Hurd
Beyer	Denham	Issa
Biggs	Dent	Jackson Lee
Bilirakis	DeSaulnier	Jayapal
Bishop (GA)	DesJarlais	Jeffries
Bishop (MI)	Deutch	Jenkins (KS)
Bishop (UT)	Diaz-Balart	Jenkins (WV)
Black	Dingell	Johnson (GA)
Blackburn	Doggett	Johnson (LA)
Blum	Donovan	Johnson (OH)
Blumenauer	Doyle, Michael	Johnson, E. B.
Blunt Rochester	F. Jones	Joyce (OH)
Bonamici	Duffy	Kaptur
Bost	Duncan (SC)	Katko
Boyle, Brendan	Duncan (TN)	Keating
F.	Dunn	Kelly (IL)
Brady (PA)	Ellison	Kelly (MS)
Brady (TX)	Emmer	Kelly (PA)
Brat	Engel	Kennedy
Brooks (AL)	Eshoo	Khanna
Brooks (IN)	Españallat	Kihuen
Brown (MD)	Estes (KS)	Kildee
Brownley (CA)	Esty (CT)	Kilmer
Buchanan	Evans	Kind
Buck	Farenthold	King (IA)
Bucshon	Faso	King (NY)
Budd	Ferguson	Kinzing
Burgess	Fitzpatrick	Knight
Bustos	Fleischmann	Krishnamoorthi
Butterfield	Flores	Kuster (NH)
Byrne	Fortenberry	Kustoff (TN)
Calvert	Foster	Labrador
Capuano	Fox	LaHood
Carbajal	Frankel (FL)	LaMalfa
Cárdenas	Franks (AZ)	Lamborn
Carson (IN)	Frelinghuysen	Lance
Carter (GA)	Fudge	Langevin
Carter (TX)	Gabbard	Larsen (WA)
Cartwright	Gaetz	Larson (CT)
Castor (FL)	Gallagher	Latta
Castro (TX)	Gallego	Lawrence
Chabot	Garamendi	Lawson (FL)
Cheney	Garrett	Lee
Chu, Judy	Gianforte	Levin
Cicilline	Gibbs	Lewis (GA)
Clark (MA)	Gohmert	Lewis (MN)
Clarke (NY)	Gomez	Lieu, Ted
Clay	Gonzalez (TX)	Lipinski
Cleaver	Goodlatte	LoBiondo
Clyburn	Gosar	Loeb
Coffman	Gottheimer	Loftis
Cohen	Gowdy	Long
Cole	Graves (GA)	Loudermilk
Collins (GA)	Graves (LA)	Love
Collins (NY)	Graves (MO)	Lowenthal
Comer	Green, Al	Lowey
Comstock	Green, Gene	Lucas
Conaway	Griffith	Luetkemeyer
Connolly	Grijalva	Lujan Grisham,
Conyers	Grothman	M.
Cook	Guthrie	Luján, Ben Ray
Cooper	Gutiérrez	Lynch
Correa	Hanabusa	MacArthur
Costa	Handel	Maloney
Costello (PA)	Harper	Carolyn B.
Courtney	Harris	Maloney, Sean
Cramer	Hartzler	

Marchant	Quigley	Soto
Marino	Raskin	Speier
Marshall	Ratcliffe	Stefanik
Massie	Reed	Stewart
Mast	Reichert	Stivers
Matsui	Rice (NY)	Suozzi
McCarthy	Rice (SC)	Swalwell (CA)
McCaul	Richmond	Takano
McClintock	Roby	Taylor
McCollum	Roe (TN)	Tenney
McEeachin	Rogers (AL)	Thompson (CA)
McHenry	Rogers (KY)	Thompson (MS)
McKinley	Rohrabacher	Thompson (PA)
McMorris	Rokita	Thornberry
Rodgers	Rooney, Francis	Tiberi
McNerney	Rooney, Thomas	Tipton
McSally	J.	Titus
Meadows	Ros-Lehtinen	Tonko
Meehan	Rosen	Torres
Meeks	Ross	Trott
Meng	Rothfus	Tsongas
Messer	Rouzer	Turner
Mitchell	Roybal-Allard	Upton
Moolenaar	Royce (CA)	Valadao
Mooney (WV)	Ruiz	Vargas
Moore	Ruppersberger	Veasey
Moulton	Rush	Vela
Mullin	Rutherford	Velázquez
Murphy (FL)	Ryan (OH)	Visclosky
Nadler	Sánchez	Wagner
Napolitano	Sanford	Walberg
Neal	Sarbanes	Walden
Newhouse	Scalise	Walker
Noem	Schakowsky	Walorski
Nolan	Schiff	Walters, Mimi
Norcross	Schneider	Walz
Norman	Schrader	Wasserman
Nunes	Schweikert	Schultz
O'Halleran	Scott (VA)	Waters, Maxine
O'Rourke	Scott, Austin	Watson Coleman
Olson	Scott, David	Weber (TX)
Palazzo	Sensenbrenner	Serrano
Pallone	Serrano	Webster (FL)
Palmer	Sessions	Welch
Panetta	Sewell (AL)	Wenstrup
Pascarella	Shea-Porter	Westerman
Paulsen	Sherman	Williams
Payne	Shimkus	Wilson (FL)
Pearce	Shuster	Wilson (SC)
Perlmutter	Simpson	Wittman
Perry	Sinema	Womack
Peters	Sires	Woodall
Peterson	Slaughter	Yarmuth
Pingree	Smith (MO)	Yoder
Pittenger	Smith (NE)	Yoho
Poe (TX)	Smith (NJ)	Young (AK)
Poliquin	Smith (TX)	Young (IA)
Polis	Smith (WA)	Zeldin
Posey	Smucker	

NOT VOTING—13

Barton	Jordan	Renacci
Bridenstine	McGovern	Roskam
DeSantis	Pelosi	Russell
Granger	Pocan	
Johnson, Sam	Price (NC)	

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Mr. VELA changed his vote from “nay” to “yea.”

So (two-thirds being in the affirmative) the rules were suspended and the bill, as amended, was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

The title of the bill was amended so as to read: “A bill to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 430 Main Street in Clermont, Georgia, as the ‘Zack T. Addington Post Office’.”

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SGT. DOUGLAS J. RINEY POST OFFICE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. DONOVAN). The unfinished business is the vote on the motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill (H.R. 2672) to designate the facility of the United

States Postal Service located at 520 Carter Street in Fairview, Illinois, as the “Sgt. Douglas J. Riney Post Office”, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Kentucky (Mr. COMER) that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill.

This is a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 423, nays 0, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 636]

YEAS—423

Abraham	Cooper	Graves (LA)
Adams	Correa	Graves (MO)
Aderholt	Costa	Green, Al
Aguilar	Costello (PA)	Green, Gene
Allen	Courtney	Griffith
Amash	Cramer	Grijalva
Amodel	Crawford	Grothman
Arrington	Crist	Guthrie
Babin	Crowley	Gutiérrez
Bacon	Cuellar	Hanabusa
Banks (IN)	Culberson	Handel
Barletta	Cummings	Harper
Barr	Curbelo (FL)	Harris
Barragán	Curtis	Hartzler
Bass	Davidson	Hastings
Beatty	Davis (CA)	Heck
Bera	Davis, Danny	Hensarling
Bergman	Davis, Rodney	Herrera Beutler
Beyer	DeFazio	Hice, Jody B.
Biggs	DeGette	Higgins (LA)
Bilirakis	Delaney	Higgins (NY)
Bishop (GA)	DeLauro	Hill
Bishop (MI)	DelBene	Himes
Bishop (UT)	Demings	Holding
Black	Denham	Hollingsworth
Blackburn	Dent	Hoyer
Blum	DeSantis	Huffman
Blumenauer	DeSaulnier	Huizenga
Blunt Rochester	DesJarlais	Hultgren
Bonamici	Deutch	Hunter
Bost	Diaz-Balart	Hurd
Boyle, Brendan	Dingell	Issa
F.	Doggett	Jackson Lee
Brady (PA)	Donovan	Jayapal
Brady (TX)	Doyle, Michael	Jeffries
Brat	F.	Jenkins (KS)
Brooks (AL)	Duffy	Jenkins (WV)
Brooks (IN)	Duncan (SC)	Johnson (GA)
Brown (MD)	Duncan (TN)	Johnson (LA)
Brownley (CA)	Dunn	Johnson (OH)
Buck	Ellison	Johnson, E. B.
Bucshon	Emmer	Jones
Budd	Engel	Jordan
Burgess	Eshoo	Joyce (OH)
Bustos	Españallat	Katko
Butterfield	Estes (KS)	Keating
Byrne	Esty (CT)	Kelly (IL)
Calvert	Evans	Kelly (MS)
Capuano	Farenthold	Kelly (PA)
Carbajal	Faso	Kennedy
Cárdenas	Ferguson	Khanna
Carson (IN)	Fitzpatrick	Kihuen
Carter (GA)	Fleischmann	Kildee
Carter (TX)	Flores	Kilmer
Cartwright	Fortenberry	Kind
Castor (FL)	Foster	King (IA)
Castro (TX)	Fox	King (NY)
Chabot	Frankel (FL)	Kinzing
Cheney	Franks (AZ)	Knight
Chu, Judy	Frelinghuysen	Krishnamoorthi
Cicilline	Fudge	Kuster (NH)
Clark (MA)	Gabbard	Kustoff (TN)
Clarke (NY)	Gaetz	Labrador
Clay	Gallagher	LaHood
Cleaver	Gallego	LaMalfa
Clyburn	Garamendi	Lamborn
Coffman	Garrett	Lance
Cohen	Gianforte	Langevin
Cole	Gibbs	Larsen (WA)
Collins (GA)	Gohmert	Larson (CT)
Collins (NY)	Gomez	Latta
Comer	Gonzalez (TX)	Lawrence
Comstock	Goodlatte	Lawson (FL)
Conaway	Gosar	Lee
Connolly	Gottheimer	Levin
Conyers	Gowdy	Lewis (GA)
Cook	Graves (GA)	