Senate rejects 10 percent pay cut in tie vote

Here's how area members of Con-gress were recorded on major roll call votes May 2-8.

HOUSE

HOUSE THE RECORD — The House voted, 245 for and 148 against, in favor of the softer of two proposed investigations of the accuracy of the Congressional Record, the publication that is sup-posed to chronicle all that happens on the House and Senate floors. Democrates prevailed as the vote re-ferred the matter to the Administra-tion Committee, a thouse Republi-cans had requested. If a member does not deliver a spech but inserts written comments and the the the the senate sup-posed to be typographically distin-serted by two Democratic members, was incorrectly indentified as speeches actually dilivered.

actually dilivered. Republicans wanted the Rules Com-mittee to look into that discrepancy as well as into the overall integrity of the Congressional Record. Thomas Foley, DWash, who favored sending the matter to the Administra-tion Committee for a less exhaustive probe, attributed the misidentillication

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of the Democras's written comments to clirical error. Charles Pashayan, R-Calif., said the Record must be made a more accurate chronicle of floor proceedings because judges and bistorians rely on it to determine legislative intent. Members voltag no lavared the tougher of two proposed investigations of the Congressional Record. Voting yes: Dennis Hertel, D-Harper Woods, William Ford, D-Talytor, Sander Levin, D-Southfield, R-Birmingbarn.

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to kill the amendment, said senators should "have the courage and have the wisdom not to cut the defense budget below a 3 percent growth. We need that growth to keep this country free."

HIKES - The Senate voted, 80 for and 18 against, to permit full cost-of-

SENATE

SENATE PAY CUT — By a lie vote of 49-49, the Senate rejected an amendment to louse members by 10 percent. The proposed 47,510 cut would have low-cred lawmaker's pay to 867,509. Members of Congress in January received a 25 percent pay hike follow-tion of the senate of the senate percent of the senate of the senate perceived a 25 percent pay hike follow-tion of the senate of the senate pending priorities and lingtations but tops short of releasing federal outlays. Congress later in the year will imple-ted releasing the senate of the senate the pay cut said, "The constantly in the pay cut said, "The are constantly in the the senate by all." Opponent carl Levin, D-Mich, said: "The goal of shared sacrifice is to be rair, not punitive, and should not be ex-plement conting congressional salaries by 10 percent. Voling no were Michiggon EDEFENSE — By a vote of 40 for and

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person a spercent grown. We need that growth is keep this country free." Disagreeing, Mark Hatfleid, R-Ore, said 'any nation that is a debter nation, carrying a \$200 billion badget deficit and a \$40 billion trade deficit, is not a secure nation in any sense of the word."

word." Senators voting no favored the lesser of two proposed hikes in defense spend-ing. Voting no: Levia and Riegia.

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living adjustments (COLAs) in fiscal 1888-88 for retired civil service and congressional employees, military re-tirces, recipients of black lung and vei-erans compensation benefits, and all other federal persioners. The vote is expected to increase defi-cit sponding by 311 billion over three years. It occured during debate on the congressional budget blueprint (above). President Reagan had requested Reasonstructures and the second secon

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lower COLAs — of about 2 percent — 484, which was later passed and sent to for Social Security recipients and all the House. Other federal pensioners. In a previous Sponsor Howard Metzenbaum, D-vole, the Senale restored full Social So-Ohio, said: "I am just saying tell the curity COLAs, at a projected cost of \$22 billion over three years. Senators voting yes favored full cost-of-living adjustments for federal pen-sloners. Voting yes: Levin and Riegle.

LABELING — The Senate rejected, 27 for and 68 against, an amendment requiring that artifically swoetened soft drinks be labeled to tell consumers how much aspartame, or NutraSweet, they might contain.

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onco, sance: A arm just saying teil the people low much (aspartame) is in the can. What is so terrible about that and why so much lobbying is taking place against it is beyond my comprehen-sion."

Opponent Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said it is up to the Food and Drug Adminis-tration, not the Congress, to set label-ing requirements for products contain-ing aspartame. Senators voling yes favored labeling to show the quantity of aspartame con-tained in soid drinks. Voting no: Levin and Riegle.





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