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Speaker Johnson Working With Democrats to Change "Motion to Vacate" Rule

House Speaker Mike Johnson (R-La.) is facing a possible motion to vacate after prioritizing \$95 billion in foreign aid to Israel and Ukraine, and for causing a "tie" that killed an amendment to the FISA Section 702 renewal last week that would have required federal officials to get a warrant for surveillance.

After filing a motion against Johnson to vacate the speakership, Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene (R-Ga.) claimed Johnson is working with Democrats now to change the rules, <u>stating on X</u>:

> Mike Johnson is working behind the scenes with Democrats to save his speakership. He owes our entire conference a meeting explaining his plans to change the rules WITH DEMOCRAT HELP on Motion to Vacate. I filed a Motion to Vacate because Johnson has [become] the Democrat Speaker of the House. And with his actions, he's proving to everyone I was right.



AP Images Mike Johnson

Representative Thomas Massie (R-Ky.) <u>said Johnson's actions were "unprecedented"</u>:

Unprecedented: Speaker Johnson plans to pass the rule for the \$100 billion foreign aid package using Democrats on the Rules Committee. Is he working for Democrats or Republicans now?



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