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Script: Announcer: "Reckless spending. Earmarks. Debt. Bankrupting our country. Political insiders are at the trough. Take Billy Long. He says he is against earmarks but while on the Airport Board of Directors he voted to use more than 3 million dollars in congressional earmarks for a brand new bus terminal...a terminal that now sits empty.

"The Billy Long bus terminal to nowhere. Call Billy Long and tell him, you're sick of earmarks, and bus terminals to nowhere. Americans for Job Security is responsible for the content of this advertising."

Graphic: Call Billy Long at 417-883-3387 and tell him to no earmarks!

Express Advocacy Analysis: As can be seen, this communication does not contain any terms that expressly advocate the election or defeat of any clearly identified federal candidate, and, therefore, does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(a). See Buckley, 424 U.S. at 44 n. 52.

Also, this communication does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b). The issues discussed in this advertisement pertain to government spending, earmarks, and wasteful spending, issues central to AJS's mission and that it continues to engage with to the present. The issues of government spending, debt, earmarks, and waste were topics of debate in Missouri and the U.S. Congress at the time this communication aired and continue to be debated today. The communication specifically requests that the viewer contact Billy Long to discuss the issue of earmarks. See MUR 5634 OGC Report # 2 at 16. Moreover, the communication does not refer to Billy Long as a candidate, reference an election, or exhort the public to campaign for or contribute to Mr. Long's opponent. See 72 Fed. Reg. 5604. Accordingly, the communication does not contain an electoral portion that is unmistakable, unambiguous and suggestive of only one meaning and does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

Functional Equivalent Analysis: This communication also qualifies for the safe harbor under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(a) because it is susceptible of a reasonable interpretation other than as an appeal to vote for or against a clearly identified federal candidate. First, it does not mention any election,

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candidacy, political party, opposing candidate, or voting by the general public. Second, it does not take a position on Mr. Long's character, qualifications, or fitness for office. Third, it focuses on government spending, debt, and earmarks — all legislative and executive issues — and urges the public to adopt a particular position and contact Mr. Long with respect to these issues. 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(b).

Even if the communication did not qualify for the safe harbor, it is still a permissible electioneering communication under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(c). Here, there is no indicia of express advocacy because the communication does not mention any election, candidacy, political party, opposing candidate or voting by the general public and takes no position on any candidate's or officeholder's character, qualifications or fitness for office. *Id.* § 114.15(c)(1). The communication includes content that would support a determination that it has an interpretation other than as an appeal to vote against Mr. Long because it focuses on public policy issues, urges the public to contact him about the issue, and includes a call to action urging something other than voting for or against or contributing to Mr. Long — namely, to call him. § 114.15(c)(2). The balancing test in § 114.15(c) clearly indicates that this is a permissible electioneering communication.

Springfield Business Journal

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Work begins on airport terminal expansion

BYLINE: Wilson, Melissa

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The Springfield-Branson Regional Airport may not have moving walkways and passenger trams like those in Kansas City and Denver, but it's getting there.

Construction began in March to expand the airport's existing terminal into the building formerly known as Hangar One, which is located south of the terminal.

Hangar One will be converted to a ground transportation facility to accommodate tour buses and increased vehicular traffic, and it will connect to the existing terminal's expanded baggage claim area via a long hallway, according to Leigh Daniels, communications director for the airport.

Two additional gates also will be added onto the new transportation building.

"The major reasons for the expansion are that our roadway system was not designed to accommodate the amount and types of vehicular traffic we have, more specifically, motor coaches," Director of Aviation Rob Hancik said.

"Our parking lot is also at capacity. We only have about 220 spaces, which is really not enough. Our bag claim is extremely small for the amount of flights we have; it (expansion) will also make provisions for acceptance of four additional rent-a-car (counters)," he said.

Walton Construction Co. Inc. is the general contractor for the project, which has an estimated cost of \$9.2 million.

Hancik said the expansion's funding is through a \$3-per-ticket passenger facility charge program and a federal transportation grant that requires a 20 percent match.

The match will come from airport revenues, Hancik said.

"The basic idea for a passenger facility charge is that the users of the system pay for the system," Hancik said.

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He said the airport's manual flight information boards will also be replaced with television monitors with part of the passenger facility charge funds.

The purpose of the terminal expansion is to relieve congestion at the airport, both in the terminal and in the parking lots, which will also be expanded. The path of the entrance road to the airport will have to change to accommodate the expanded terminal, Hancik said.

The expansion will accommodate the airport's needs for the next 10 to 15 years until construction begins on a brand new terminal, to be located on land the airport owns adjacent to the existing building. Danicis said the existing terminal will either be converted to hangar or office space, or perhaps torn down when the new facility, called the Midfield Project, is complete.

"The program is to build a whole new terminal complex on the other side of the airfield by the control tower where we have about 460 acres of real estate. The forecast says we can have that in place in 12 to 15 years.

"There's no adequate access to that site now, so we're working with MoDOT, Greene County and the city to find new access roads to the new terminal site," Hancik said.

Hancik said a public information meeting on the Midfield Project will be held the second week in May.

~~Hancik said the airport's long-term plans also include replacing the main runway.~~

The runway is nearly 30 years old and needs to be fixed.

~~"The most pressing need at this airport now is our primary instrument runway has structural failure. It's falling apart," Hancik said.~~

Plans for replacing the runway include extending the east-west runway from 5,600 feet to 8,000 feet and using it while the main runway is under construction. Hancik said construction will begin on replacing the main runway in 2002, and it will cost approximately \$29 million.

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"New Springfield-Branson Regional Airport's transport complex leads the way"

Tuesday, August 28, 2001

New airport transport complex leads the way

Part of a \$10 million project, it's said to be the first of its kind in the U.S.

By Sandy Z. Poneleit

The Springfield (MO) News-Leader

Springfield-Branson Regional Airport's new ground transfer complex will make it easy for passengers and their bags to move from airplane to motorcoach, without leaving the terminal.

Airport officials said they believe this is the first complex at an airport in this country specifically designed for seamless, indoor transfer of passengers and baggage from aircraft directly to ground transportation, particularly motorcoaches. The facility covers 30,000 square feet and can accommodate 14 tour buses.

Local, state and federal officials joined airport board, staff and about 300 guests Monday morning to celebrate the grand opening of the airport's Intermodal Facility.

The structure is the centerpiece of a \$10 million project encompassing roadway access improvements, expanded long-term and rental parking, four additional rental-car stations, two additional gates, motorcoach and ground-transportation areas and tripling the size of baggage claim.

"People from this region will benefit from this for years to come," said Rob Fulp, member of the airport board for the past 4 1/2 years. "The focus is on economic development, and it will continue to be a priority to keep that focus."

"The demand is here, and we must react in order to be prepared for the future," Fulp said.

The airport moves more than 700,000 passengers per year.

With forecasted growth at 3 1/2 percent per year, about 1.5 million passengers

are expected to use the airport annually by 2012, said director of aviation Rob Hancik.

Funding sources for the intermodal complex included airport revenues, passenger facility charge funds, federal highway trust fund dollars channeled through the state and some Federal Aviation Administration money, Hancik said.

Republican Sen. Christopher Bond, along with Rep. Roy Blunt (R-Strafford), helped secure \$3.75 million in federal money toward the effort in a special 1998 appropriation under a new transportation bill.

Hancik said tour group motorcoach usage has averaged 1,200 buses per year in the past.

"One of our goals in our marketing of this airport is as the gateway to Branson," Hancik said. "It's less than an hour (bus) ride (from Springfield), versus a five-hour ride from Kansas City or St. Louis — that has value."

Ed Michel, president of Branson's Ozark Mountain Sightseeing Inc., said, "I think it's called better service for the customers that are flying in, pure and simple."

Trying to figure out how this will function as a good sales tool, Michel said it may take some months to educate tour operators, travel agents and visitors.

"What the airport board has done is leading edge, and it's going to be a great benefit to Branson in the long term," Michel said.

FAA administrator Jane Garvey, in attendance from Washington, D.C., said other airports will look to this regional airport as a model.

Said Peter Herschend, vice chair and co-owner of Silver Dollar City Inc.: "This is a selling tool that distinguishes Springfield and Branson from any other airport in North America. ... This is as customer-centered a facility as exists in the U.S. for airline and bus tourists."

Attached Photo's:

Congressman Roy Blunt (left), Sen. Christopher Bond and Jane F. Garvey with the Federal Aviation Administration, spend time talking prior to the ribbon-cutting ceremony launching the opening of the airport's Intermodal Facility.

A motorcoach bus gets ready to move from the hangar and cut the ribbon for the grand opening of a new passenger and baggage transport facility.

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The Associated Press State & Local Wire

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Airport's new facility eases tourists' trip to Branson

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LENGTH: 438 words

DATELINE: SPRINGFIELD, Mo.

Tourists headed for Branson will have an easier time transferring from airplane to motorcoach now that a construction project is completed at Springfield-Branson Regional Airport.

The 30,000-square-foot transportation terminal is believed to be the first of its kind in the United States. It can accommodate 14 motorcoaches and was specifically designed for seamless, indoor transfer of passengers and baggage from aircraft directly to ground transportation.

Jane Garvey, who heads the Federal Aviation Administration in Washington, was among those on hand Monday in Springfield to celebrate the grand opening of the Intermodal Facility. Garvey predicted other airports will look at the southwest Missouri facility as a model.

"Obviously, Branson is the reason for this beautiful facility," Branson Mayor Lon Schaefer said at the ceremony, noting that the American Bus Association has named the tourist haven as its best all-around city for motorcoach travel for the past seven years.

"It makes transporting passengers and their baggage from plane to motorcoach easier, faster and certainly more comfortable any time of the year," he said. "This means our visitors can arrive in Branson quicker and spend more time enjoying themselves rather than spend time in an airport."

The structure is the centerpiece of a \$10 million project encompassing roadway access improvements, expanded long-term and rental parking, four additional rental-car stations, two additional gates, motorcoach and ground-transportation areas and tripling the size of baggage claim.

The airport moves more than 700,000 passengers per year. With forecasted growth at 31 percent per year, about 1.5 million passengers are expected to use the airport annually by 2012, said director of aviation Rob Hancik.

The terminal was paid for through airport revenues, passenger facility charge funds, federal highway trust fund dollars channeled through the state and some FAA money, Hancik said.

U.S. Sen. Kit Bond and U.S. Rep. Roy Blunt helped secure \$3.75 million in federal money toward the effort in a special 1998 appropriation under a new transportation bill.

"This is the perfect opportunity to show both the taxpayers and the government what a good value they are getting for their investment," Bond said.

About 1,200 tour group motorcoaches roll through the airport in any given year, Hancik said.

"One of our goals in our marketing of this airport is as the gateway to Branson," Hancik said. "It's less than an hour (bus) ride (from Springfield), versus a five-hour ride from Kansas City or St. Louis that has value."

The Washington Post

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Hill Pours \$217 Billion Into Public Works; \$173 Billion Set for Highways, \$41 Billion for Rapid Transit; Clinton Will Sign Bill

BYLINE: Eric Pianin, Washington Post Staff Writer

SECTION: A SECTION; Pg. A04

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Congress yesterday capped marathon back-room haggling by passing a \$ 217 billion, six-year public works bill that will lavish record funds on the nation's highways, bridges and mass transit systems and address long-festering regional disparities that have shortchanged many southern, midwestern and western states.

Under mounting pressure from governors and state transportation officials to act before the start of the summer construction season, the Senate approved the compromise legislation, 88 to 5, and the House later voted 297 to 86 in favor of the package. Even before Congress had completed its work, President Clinton announced that he would sign the measure, declaring that the 40 percent increase in spending over the next six years would "keep our country strong and vibrant."

But Clinton said he was disappointed that the negotiators had dropped a provision backed by the administration and a majority of senators that would have imposed a tough new anti-drunken driving standard on the states. House Republicans and Democrats and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-Miss.) opposed a mandated standard and insisted instead on a \$ 500 million program of incentives to encourage states to voluntarily adopt a tough .08 blood-alcohol level drunken driving standard.

The behemoth legislation — hammered out during protracted, closed-door negotiations by Rep. Bud Shuster (R-Pa.) and Sen. John H. Chafee (R-R.I.) — is packed with record-breaking spending for 1,850 "perk barrel projects," air pollution and traffic mitigation, experimental programs including development of a speedy magnetic levitation train system and dozens of other initiatives.

Although Senate leaders at one time clucked about the scope of pork barrel spending in the original House-passed bill, in the final days of talks they added 360 projects of their own worth \$ 2.3 billion. That brought to \$ 9.3 billion the total of funds earmarked for highway and bridge projects in targeted congressional districts, as well as \$ 900 million toward construction of a replacement for the federally owned Woodrow Wilson Bridge in the Washington area.

In all, the new highway bill includes about \$ 173 billion for new highway construction, \$ 41.3 billion for mass transit and the rest for highway safety programs, according to House

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Transportation and Infrastructure Committee figures. Sen. Alfonse M. D'Amato (R-N.Y.) led the charge for more mass transit funding.

For the first time, Congress will be bound by the legislation to spend virtually all future gasoline tax revenue in the highway trust fund for transportation projects, ending a long-standing practice of diverting part of the funds to other programs or for balancing the budget. Shuster had pressed for a proposal to move the trust fund "off budget" and hence out of the reach of appropriators who have restrained the rate of highway spending in the past.

But under pressure from Senate appropriations and budget leaders, Shuster settled for a compromise that would allow the appropriators a continued role in highway spending but nonetheless guarantee that most gasoline tax revenues will go for highway and bridge construction.

Nearly two dozen "donor states" that proportionately received far less in highway funding than northeastern states under the old law received huge funding increases of as much as 70 percent and 80 percent in a move toward ending the disparities.

Virginia, for example, which received back only 80 cents in highway funding for every dollar it paid into the highway trust fund in the form of gasoline taxes, will receive a 62 percent boost in its annual highway funding allocation. South Carolina, which had been getting back only 72 cents on every dollar of gas taxes, will receive nearly 80 percent more in annual highway funding under the new formula.

By contrast, Maryland, which received a dollar-for-dollar reimbursement under the old formula, will see its highway funding rise by only 29 percent. And Massachusetts, which once got back \$ 2.47 for every dollar it put in, largely to finance a massive underground interstate highway project through the heart of Boston, will incur a 41 percent cut in future funding.

"This is a very, very solid bipartisan, bicameral, equitable bill," Chafee, chairman of the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, told reporters after the vote. Shuster, the chairman of the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, declared that the bill "is going to alleviate traffic, fill potholes and make our roads safer . . . and put the trust back in the trust fund."

Congress was nearly a month late in passing new highway legislation when Shuster and Sen. John W. Warner (R-Va.) announced a tentative deal on Monday. Even then it took nearly round-the-clock dealmaking the rest of the week to get the legislation to the floor before the Memorial Day recess. Disputes over mass transit spending and the highway allocation formula slowed the pace and forced negotiators to scrounge up additional funds to placate the "donor" and "donee" states.

"You don't have a formula here, you have 50 negotiated numbers," said Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan (D-N.Y.).

Because the highway bill exceeds the spending limitations set by last budget agreement, Congress was obliged to make \$ 17.7 billion of offsetting cuts in other programs. Those include reductions of \$ 15.4 billion in a controversial program to pay health benefits to veterans afflicted with tobacco-related ailments and \$ 2.4 billion in Title 20 social services block grants used by the states for child care, supplemental welfare benefits and other social services.

Rep. David R. Obey (D-Wis.) strongly objected to the cuts and complained that "this package is loaded up with an incredible number of pork projects in order to drive through the House a legislative steam engine that will bust the budget to smithereens."

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Public Law 105-178
105th Congress

An Act

To authorize funds for Federal-aid highways, highway safety programs, and transit programs, and for other purposes. <<NOTE: June 9, 1998 - [H.R. 2400]>>

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, <<NOTE: Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century. Grants. Inter-governmental relations. Loans.>>

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) <<NOTE: 23 USC 101 note.>> Short Title.--This Act may be cited as the "Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century".

(b) Table of Contents.--The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

Sec. 2. Definitions.

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Subtitle A--Authorizations and Programs

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Sec. 1102. Obligation ceiling.

Sec. 1103. Apportionments.

Sec. 1104. Minimum guarantee.

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Sec. 1106. Federal-aid systems.

Sec. 1107. Interstate maintenance program.

Sec. 1108. Surface transportation program.

Sec. 1109. Highway bridge program.

Sec. 1110. Congestion mitigation and air quality improvement program.

Sec. 1111. Federal share.

Sec. 1112. Recreational trails program.

Sec. 1113. Emergency relief.

Sec. 1114. Highway use tax evasion projects.

Sec. 1115. Federal lands highways program.

Sec. 1116. Woodrow Wilson Memorial Bridge.

Sec. 1117. Appalachian development highway system.

Sec. 1118. National corridor planning and development program.

Sec. 1119. Coordinated border infrastructure and safety program.

Subtitle B--General Provisions

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Sec. 1202. Bicycle transportation and pedestrian walkways.

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1377. Ohio	Upgrade SR 7 (Eastern Avenue) to improve traffic flow into Gallipolis, Gallia County.....	1.5
1378. Michigan	Construct U.S. 27 between St. Johns and Ithaca.....	6.375
1379. Washington	Construct SR 167 Corridor, Tacoma....	1.125
1380. Washington	Widen U.S. 395 in the vicinity of mile post 170 north of Spokane.....	5.5
1381. Iowa	Construct overpass to eliminate railroad crossing in Burlington.....	3.475
1382. Missouri	Improve safety and traffic flow on Route 13 through Clinton.....	5
1383. Florida	Construct Alden Road Improvement Project in Orange County.....	0.525
1384. Dist. of Columbia	Implement traffic signalization, freeway management and motor vehicle information systems.	5
1385. Wisconsin	Construct freeway conversion project on Highway 41 between Kaukauna and Brown County Highway F.....	16
1386. Illinois	Construct crossings over Fox River in Kane County.....	9.375
1387. Mississippi	Construct U.S. 84 from Eddiceton to Auburn Road.....	0.6875
1388. Illinois	Construct U.S. 67 in Madison and Jersey Counties.....	5.1
1389. South Carolina	Construct Calhoun/Clarendon Causeway..	6.5
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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$15,000	Renew Oakville for a community enhancement programs (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$30,000	Mid-West/Mid-South Irrigation (Agricultural Research Service)	NBR, H	AG	01
MO	\$36,000	Wilson's Creek [complete library] (National Park Service - Construction)	NBR, H	INT	01
MO	\$43,000	Full Employment Council in partnership with the Greater Kansas City AFL-CIO, Project Prepare (Pilots and Demonstrations - Employment and Training Administration)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$43,000	St. Vincent's Family Service Center, Kansas City (Fund for the Improvement of Education, Education, Research, Statistics & Improvement - Department of Education)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$50,000	St. Louis County Economic Council for Infrastructure and streetscape enhancements for the Affton/Gravois Business District (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$50,000	St. Louis County Economic Council for Infrastructure and streetscape enhancements for the LeMay Business District (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$75,000	Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Government, Access 2000 (Fund for the Improvement of Education, Education, Research, Statistics & Improvement - Department of Education)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$80,000	St. Louis County Parks and Recreation Department for the renovation of recreation facilities within Black Forest Park (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$96,000	New Madrid Harbor (Army Corps of Engineers - Operations and Maintenance)	NBR	ENERGY	01
MO	\$100,000	City of Hannibal (Army Corps of Engineers - General Investigations)	NBR, C	ENERGY	01

State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$100,000	South Kingshighway business district pilot program, St. Louis (Transportation and Community and Systems Preservation Program - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, H	TRANS	01
MO	\$100,000	Allendale wastewater infrastructure improvements (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$100,000	Renovation of the Roxy Theater Youth Center in Hopkins (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$100,000	For an open air pavilion at the Lamar Community Betterment Association (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$111,000	Caruthersville Harbor (Army Corps of Engineers - Operations and Maintenance)	NBR, S	ENERGY	01
MO	\$150,000	Meramec Community transit programs (Job Access and Reverse Commute Grants - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$191,000	Independence School District, Independence, before and after school programs (21st Century Learning Centers, Education Reform - Department of Education)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$200,000	Blue River Basin, Kansas City (Army Corps of Engineers - General Construction)	NBR, C	ENERGY	01
MO	\$200,000	St. Louis (Army Corps of Engineers - General Construction)	NBR, C	ENERGY	01
MO	\$200,000	Discovery Center, Springfield, science education for at-risk youth (21st Century Learning Centers, Education Reform - Department of Education)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$200,000	Excelsior Springs, bus replacement (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$200,000	Governing Board of Tower Grove Park in St. Louis for an ongoing renovation project (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$200,000	St. Louis County Parks and Recreation Department for renovation of the structures at Bee Tree Park (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$200,000	St. Louis County Parks and Recreation Department for renovations and improvements to Jefferson Barracks Park (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$200,000	St. Louis City Parks Department for renovations of Wilmore Park (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$200,000	Infrastructure improvement of an industrial development in Bonne Terre (Economic	NBR, C	VAHUD	01

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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
		Development Initiative)			
MO	\$200,000	Trenton for community redevelopment, including renovation and restoration activities of modifying the Plaza Hotel into a senior citizen apartment building (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$200,000	Complete the soy smoke initiative through the University of Missouri-Rolla (Environmental Programs and Management)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$200,000	Bond Family Housing Center In St. Louis for the Transitional Housing Program (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$250,000	Truman Memorial (National Park Service - Historic Preservation Fund)	NBR, C	INT	01
MO	\$250,000	Jefferson City van and equipment purchase (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$250,000	Center for Emerging Technologies in St. Louis for incubator space development (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$250,000	Downtown redevelopment activities in Marceline (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$250,000	Expansion of the Bootheel Youth Museum in Maiden (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$285,000	Technological development of renewable sources (Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service - Special Research Grants)	NBR, H	AG	01
MO	\$285,000	Beef technology transfer (Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service - Special Research Grants)	NBR, S	AG	01
MO	\$300,000	Columbia Housing Authority for installation of fire suppression sprinkler systems in Oak and Paquin Towers (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$350,000	Illus Davis Mall enhancements, Kansas City (Transportation and Community and Systems Preservation Program - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$350,000	Jefferson County Parks and Recreation Department for improvements to existing county owned parks (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$400,000	Western Missouri Public Safety Training Institute for classroom and training equipment (Community Oriented Policing Services Technology Program)	NBR, S	COM	01

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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$400,000	Southeast Missouri Crime Laboratory (DNA Backlog Grants/Crime Laboratory Improvement Program)	NBR, S	COM	01
MO	\$400,000	Katy Depot Restoration Project in Sedalia (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$425,000	St. Louis County, seniors job training demonstration program (Aging Services Programs - Administration on Aging)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$430,000	University of Missouri-Columbia for the Agriculture Product Utilization and Incubation Center (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$500,000	Missouri and Middle Mississippi Rivers enhancement project (Army Corps of Engineers - General Investigations)	S	ENERGY	01
MO	\$500,000	Cooperative activities in the Forest Park in St. Louis (U.S. Forest Service - State and Private Forestry)	S	INT	01
MO	\$500,000	Discovery Center, Springfield (Technology Innovation Challenge Grants, Education Reform - Department of Education)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$500,000	University of Missouri-St. Louis, Drug-free Families Initiative (Center for Substance Abuse Prevention - Substance Abuse and Mental Services Services Administration)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$500,000	St. Louis (Specified Intelligent Transportation Systems Deployment Projects - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, H	TRANS	01
MO	\$500,000	Land acquisition to extend runway/runway protection zone, Lee's Summit Municipal Airport (Grants-in-aid - Federal Aviation Administration)	NBR, H	TRANS	01
MO	\$500,000	Holt County for water and wastewater infrastructure improvements including the communities of Mound City and Craig (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$500,000	Sullivan County for water supply and interconnection projects (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$500,000	Ozark Action, Inc. for low income rural housing (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$500,000	Renovation of the Ridgway Center at the Missouri Botanical Gardens (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01

State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$600,000	Soybean genetics (Agricultural Research Service)	NBR, S	AG	01
MO	\$600,000	Soybean cyst nematode (Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service - Special Research Grants)	NBR	AG	01
MO	\$638,000	University of Missouri-St. Louis, School of Education (Fund for the Improvement of Education, Education, Research, Statistics & Improvement - Department of Education)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$700,000	City of Byrnes Mill for water and wastewater Infrastructure Improvements (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$750,000	OATS job access programs (Job Access and Reverse Commute Grants - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$750,000	Statewide rural areas (Specified Intelligent Transportation Systems Deployment Projects - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$750,000	City center plan, Springfield (Transportation and Community and Systems Preservation Program - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$750,000	Branson-Springfield (Specified Intelligent Transportation Systems Deployment Projects - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$900,000	Columbia Environmental Research Center (Columbia U.S. Geological Survey - Biological Research)	S	INT	01
MO	\$900,000	Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Resources, Inc., Missouri Bootheel Healthy Start Project (Disease Control, Research & Training - Centers for Disease Control)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$900,000	St. Louis University, Center for Research and Education on Bioterrorism (Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$900,000	Nodaway wastewater needs including the communities of Pickering and Ravenwood (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$921,000	Southeast Missouri State University, Cape Girardeau, Polytechnic Institute (Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, Higher Education - Department of Education)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$1,000,000	Big Muddy National Wildlife Refuge (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Land Acquisition)	NBR, S	INT	01

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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$1,000,000	Southeast Missouri Transportation Service bus and bus facilities (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$1,000,000	Southwest Missouri State University, Intermodal center (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, H	TRANS	01
MO	\$1,000,000	St. Joseph bus replacement (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$1,250,000	Kansas City (Specified Intelligent Transportation Systems Deployment Projects - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$1,250,000	Runway resurfacing, Rolla National CNMI (Grants-in-aid - Federal Aviation Administration)	NBR	TRANS	01
MO	\$1,260,000	Army National Guard, Fort Leonardwood, Army Aviation Support Center	NBR, S	MILCON	01
MO	\$1,300,000	Kansas City, buses and bus facilities (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, H	TRANS	01
MO	\$1,500,000	Mark Twain National Forest (Ozark Mountain streams and rivers) (U.S. Forest Service - Land Acquisition)	S	INT	01
MO	\$1,500,000	Midtown Development Corporation in Kansas City for the redevelopment of the Mount Cleveland Community (Neighborhood Initiatives)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$1,750,000	Missouri State Highway Patrol for an integration technology program (Community Oriented Policing Services Technology Program)	NBR, C	COM	01
MO	\$1,800,000	University of Missouri-St. Louis, Teacher Workforce Replenishment program (Fund for the Improvement of Education, Education, Research, Statistics & Improvement - Department of Education)	NBR, C	LABHHS	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Small farms (Agricultural Research Service)	NBR, S	AG	01
MO	\$2,000,000	University of Missouri-Columbia, to expand the federal investment in the nuclear medicine and cancer research capital program (Science - Department of Energy)	NBR, S	ENERGY	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Instrument Landing System Establishment, Mexico Airport (Federal Aviation Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$2,000,000	OATS buses and vans (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01

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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$2,000,000	Earthquake hazards mitigation research, University of Missouri-Rolla (Limitation on Transportation Research - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$2,000,000	James S. McDonnell Planetarium in St. Louis for renovation (Economic Development Initiative)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute's Missouri watershed initiative project to link env. Data with ambient water quality (Environmental Programs and Management)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Community Development Corporation of K.C. and Midwest Partners for Change in K.C. for the revitalization initiative on the corner of 63rd Street and Prospect Ave. (Neighborhood Initiatives)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Kansas City Neighborhood Alliance for the Neighborhood Preservation Initiative in the Blue Hills and Vineyard neighborhoods (Neighborhood Initiatives)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Univ. of Missouri-Rolla for research and development of technologies to mitigate the impacts of livestock operations on the env. (Environmental Programs and Management)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,000,000	Jefferson County for water and wastewater infrastructure improvements (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,500,000	Missouri State Court Administrator for the Juvenile Justice Information System to enhance communication and collaboration (Crime Identification Technology Program)	NBR, S	COM	01
MO	\$2,500,000	Midwest Meth Initiative to train and provide related equipment to law enforcement (Community Oriented Policing Services Methamphetamine/Drug Hot Spots Program)	NBR, S	COM	01
MO	\$2,500,000	Downtown Now for revitalization efforts of the Old Post Office District in St. Louis (Neighborhood Initiatives)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$2,600,000	Southeast Missouri State University River Campus and Museum, restore historic St. Vincent Seminary (Institute of Museum and Library Services - Related Agencies)	NBR, S	LABHHS	01
MO	\$2,850,000	Missouri Botanical Gardens in St. Louis for development and revitalization activities associated with McRae Town (Neighborhood Initiatives)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$3,000,000	Kansas City Plant, surveillance activities (Atomic Energy Defense Activities)	NBR, S	ENERGY	01

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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$3,000,000	State of Missouri, bus and bus facilities (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$3,000,000	Bi-State Development Agency, buses (Bus and Bus Facilities - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, H	TRANS	01
MO	\$3,000,000	Central Industrial District wastewater project (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, C	VAHUD	01
MO	\$3,000,000	Donald Danforth Plant Science Center's Modern Genetics project (NASA)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$3,500,000	Kansas City, Southtown corridor project (New Fixed Guideway Systems - Federal Transit Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$3,500,000	St. Louis and Kansas City for the Merramac River enhancement and wetlands protection project (State and Tribal Assistance Grants)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01
MO	\$3,570,000	Navy, Whiteman AFB, Littoral Surveillance System	NBR, H	MILCON	01
MO	\$4,000,000	Blue River Channel, Kansas City (Army Corps of Engineers - General Construction)	NBR, S	ENERGY	01
MO	\$4,000,000	Various improvements, Springfield-Branson Regional Airport (Grants-in-aid - Federal Aviation Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01
MO	\$4,000,000	US-61, Avenue of the Saints (National Corridor Planning and Development Program - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, C	TRANS	01
MO	\$4,150,000	Family Housing, Army, Fort Leonard Wood	NBR, C	MILCON	01
MO	\$4,200,000	Army, Fort Leonard Wood, Airfield Improvements	NBR, H	MILCON	01
MO	\$4,225,000	Army National Guard, Maryville, Readiness Center	NBR, S	MILCON	01
MO	\$4,225,000	Army National Guard, Maryville, Raediness Center	NBR, S	MILCON	01
MO	\$4,300,000	St. Johns Bayou and New Madrid Floodway (Army Corps of Engineers - Flood Control Construction)	NBR	ENERGY	01
MO	\$5,000,000	Chouteau Bridge, Jackson County (Bridge Discretionary Programs - Federal Highway Administration)	NBR, C	TRANS	01
MO	\$10,000,000	Airport improvement projects at St. Louis Lambert International Airport (Letters of Intent - Federal Aviation Administration)	NBR, S	TRANS	01

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State	Cost	Description	Status	Appropriation	Fiscal Year
MO	\$15,000,000	Infrastructure needs for the Life Sciences building at the University of Missouri-Columbia (NASA)	NBR, S	VAHUD	01

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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
REGIONAL AIRPORT BOARD**

The Regular Meeting of the Airport Board was called to order at 3:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 15, 2000, in the Airport Conference Room.

Present were:

**Olin Grooms, Chair
Jack Wisner, Vice Chair
Robert Fulp, Secretary
Jerry Clark, Assistant Secretary
William Kirkman, Member
Billy Long, Member
Grady Sanford, Member
Scott Thomas, Member
Chuck Wooten, Member
Raeanne Presley, Ex-Officio Member**

comprising a quorum of the Board, and also attending were:

**Robert Hancik, Director of Aviation
Gary Cyr, Assistant Director of Aviation
James Briggs, Legal Counsel
Leigh Daniels, Marketing Coordinator
Kay Baker, Secretary
Ryan Mooney, Chamber**

Absent was:

Chip Mason, Ex-Officio Member

~~Wooten moved that the Minutes of the February 16, 2000, Regular Meeting be approved as submitted.
Clark seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Wisner, Fulp, Clark, Kirkman,
Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.~~

SERVICE AWARD: A 30 year service award was presented to Kay Baker, Executive Secretary.

SERVICE AWARD: A 5 year service award was presented to Stewart Acosta, Aircraft Services Specialist.

FAA MASTER SITE LEASE - SUPPLEMENT NO. 6: Sanford moved that the Board approve Supplement No. 6, to Lease No. DTFA09-90-L-10474, FAA Master Site Lease, which deletes the current legal description for the Air Traffic Control Tower lease area and replaces it with a revised legal description which increases the lease area from 3.20 acres to 4.17 acres, for FAA improvements including expansion of existing parking lot and placement of security fencing with electronic access gate. Wooten seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Wisner, Fulp, Clark, Kirkman, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

REAL PROPERTY LEASE - STATE OF MISSOURI: Sanford moved that the Board approve Amendment #1

to Real Property Lease with the State of Missouri, Office of the Adjutant General, for leasing of an additional 2300 square feet of space in the Air Cargo facility, adjacent to existing leased space, at a rental rate of \$2,725/month. Clark seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Wisner, Fulp, Clark, Kirkman, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

LAND LEASE OPTION AGREEMENT AMERDMENT - MARK BURGESS: Wooten moved that the Board approve Amendment #1 to Land Lease Option Agreement with Mark Burgess, terminating the agreement and authorize refund of \$375 from the \$500 consideration paid by Mr. Burgess for the Agreement. Kirkman seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Wisner, Fulp, Clark, Kirkman, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES: Jerry Clark passed out an updated draft of the goals and objectives for 2000, which included the suggestions and additions made by the Board at the February meeting. These will be reviewed by the Board, and may be finalized and accepted at the April meeting.

OPERATIONS REPORT: Gary Cyr reported that the annual Part 139 certification inspection began today. He also gave a brief report concerning tall tower legislation, which would regulate tall towers (radio, etc.) being placed near airports. A bill governing this, the Missouri Airport Protection Act, is now being debated in the State legislature.

MARKETING REPORT: Leigh Daniels gave a brief report on the recent Missouri Governor's Transportation Conference.

FY 2000-2001 AIRPORT BUDGET: Mark Roy gave a brief power point presentation on the annual budget. Bill Kirkman reported that the Economic Committee had met and reviewed the budget with staff and recommended its approval. Kirkman moved that the Board accept the recommendation of the Economic Committee and approve the FY 2000-2001 Airport Budget. Fulp seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Wisner, Fulp, Clark, Kirkman, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

MID FIELD CORRIDOR STUDY: Ken Holt, LPA Group, gave an update on the mid-field corridor study, which is in the preliminary design phase. He presented a map showing routes which are being considered. Participants in the study include representatives of the city, county, and state, as well as airport staff and The LPA Group. It is hoped this can be presented to the public in late April.

GROUND TRANSPORTATION: The Director reported that staff has been contacted by various ground transportation companies concerning scheduled service to Branson and a presence in the terminal building. He asked the Board's concurrence in placing a moratorium on these requests until such time as a ground transportation policy can be drafted and adopted by the Board. Wooten moved that the Board authorize staff to inform interested companies that no decisions will be made for a period of 60 days, during which time a ground transportation policy will be drafted. Fulp seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Wisner, Fulp, Clark, Kirkman, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: None.

TAXICAB CONCESSION AGREEMENT - YELLOW CAB COMPANY: Sanford moved that the Board approve a Taxicab Concession Agreement with Springfield Yellow Cab Company, Inc., to operate a taxi service at the airport, at a charge of \$150/month. Fulp seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

UTILITY CORRIDOR LICENSE - CITY UTILITIES: Sanford moved that the Board approve a Utility Corridor License with City Utilities, for the purpose of relocating the underground power line currently serving the terminal building. Fulp seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

1999 TERMINAL AREA IMPROVEMENT PROJECT - AWARD OF CONTRACT: Clark moved that the Board award the contract on the 1999 Terminal Area Improvement project, to the low bidder, Walton Contractors, for a bid of \$7,586,692, as recommended by staff, architect and MoDOT. Fulp seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

SUPPLEMENT I TO AMENDMENT 9 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT - ISBILL ASSOCIATES: Wooten moved that the Board approve Supplement No. 1 to Amendment No. 9 to Professional Services Agreement with Isbill Associates, for additional work required (repair and installation of taxiway lighting and associated communication cable) in AIP Project 3-29-0077-18, in the amount of \$14,943.09. Clark seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

FOURTH ADDENDUM TO 1984 CERTIFICATED PASSENGER AIRLINE AGREEMENT - AMERICAN EAGLE: Wooten moved that the Board approve the Fourth Addendum to the 1984 Certificated Passenger Airline Agreement with American Eagle Airlines, Inc., extending the agreement until December 31, 2000, under the same terms and conditions. Thomas seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

AMENDMENT I TO AUTOMOBILE PARKING LOT CONCESSION AGREEMENT - APCOA, INC.: Thomas moved that the Board approve Amendment I to Automobile Parking Lot Concession Agreement with APCOA, Inc., allowing APCOA to purchase and install parking lot equipment needed for parking lot expansion totaling \$158,554, and after completion of the installation of the equipment, deduct \$31,710.80 from each of five monthly rental payments. Clark seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

PRODUCTIVITY/PERFORMANCE-BASED EMPLOYEE INCENTIVE PROGRAM: Fulp moved that the Board approve the expenditure of \$1,500 per qualified employee, in accordance with the Productivity/Performance-Based Employee Incentive Program. Funds to be deposited directly into each employee's ICMA retirement account. Wooten seconded. Motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Grooms, Fulp, Clark, Long, Sanford, Thomas, Wooten. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Wiser, Kirkman.

PASSENGER SURVEY PROGRAM PROPOSAL - JERRY HENRY: Leigh Daniels reported that this proposal had been sent to the Chamber of Commerce, Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Branson Chamber of Commerce seeking their interest, if any, in participating in this program. It was the consensus of the Board that this subject needs to be given to the Public Relations Committee for review or further

discussed at a Board Study Session, prior to any commitment. The Chair referred this to the Public Relations Committee.

1999 TRAVEL AGENCY SURVEY/AIR SERVICE REPORT: Bob Dunn, air service consultant with SH&E, reported to the Board in detail on the recently completed 1999 Travel Agency Survey and reported on efforts and future plans concerning air service.

AIRPORT TERMINAL STUDY: Steve Harrill, The LPA Group, gave the final presentation on the Airport Terminal Study.

OPERATIONS REPORT: Gary Cyr reported that the FAA Part 139 annual inspection will begin on March 15. He also reported that rebadging of all airport employees has started and we are in the process of hiring an additional Utility Worker for the Airfield Maintenance section.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY: The Board received the statistical summary for January 2000.

FINANCIAL DATA: The Board received condensed financial data for January 2000.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Olin Grooms, Chair

Robert Fulp, Secretary

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1. [111th] H.R.4560 : Earmark Performance and Accountability Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr.](#) [MD-1] (introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2. [111th] H.R.4831 : Earmark Reform Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Gingrey, Phil](#) [GA-11] (introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 3/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] H.R.4983 : Transparency in Government Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Quigley, Mike](#) [IL-5] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Rules; House Administration; House Judiciary; House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

4. [111th] H.R.5136 : National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: [Rep Skelton, Ike](#) [MO-4] (by request) (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (t)
Committees: House Armed Services; House Homeland Security
House Reports: [110-491](#), [110-491](#) Part 2
Latest Major Action: 6/28/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 447.

5. [111th] H.R.5258 : Earmark Transparency Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Cassidy, Bill](#) [LA-6] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (25)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

6. [111th] H.R.5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: 110-499
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-240 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

7. [111th] H.R.5320 : Assistance, Quality, and Affordability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; Senate Environment and Public Works
House Reports: 110-524
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

8. [111th] H.R.5442 : Electric Drive Vehicle Deployment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Markey, Edward J. [MA-7] (introduced 5/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Science and Technology; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

9. [111th] H.R.5730 : Surface Transportation Earmark Rescission, Savings, and Accountability Act
Sponsor: Rep Markey, Betsy [CO-4] (introduced 7/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 8/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

10. [111th] H.R.5775 : Grant Accessibility and Transparency Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

11. [111th] H.R.5822 : Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 110-559
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 494.

12. [111th] H.R.5850 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Oliver, John W. [MA-1] (introduced 7/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 110-564

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 503.

13. [111th] H.R.5997 : Anti-Pork Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Turner, Michael R. [OH-3] (introduced 7/30/2010) **Cosponsors (1)**

Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

14. [111th] H.R.6186 : Cutting Earmarks And Savings Enforcement (CEASE) Act

Sponsor: Rep Posey, Bill [FL-15] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

15. [111th] H.R.6523 : Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011

Sponsor: Rep Skelton, Ike [MO-4] (introduced 12/15/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Armed Services; House Budget

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-383 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: See the [Committee Print of the House Armed Services Committee](#) for additional details of the agreed to version of the bill.

16. [111th] H.R.6546 : Transportation Infrastructure Improvements on Federal Lands Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Hirono, Mazie K. [HI-2] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

17. [111th] H.J.RES.96 : Making full-year continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011 at lower, previous year levels, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors (77)**

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

18. [111th] H.CON.RES.281 : Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2020.

Sponsor: Rep Jordan, Jim [OH-4] (introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors (52)**

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

19. [111th] H.RES.1101 : Establishing an earmark moratorium for fiscal year 2011.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (Introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

20. [111th] H.RES.1147 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require a Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner to hold an explanatory public meeting prior to the submission of congressional earmark requests.
Sponsor: Rep Speier, Jackie [CA-12] (Introduced 3/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

21. [111th] H.RES.1176 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to ban congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, and limited tariff benefits.
Sponsor: Rep Hodes, Paul W. [NH-2] (Introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

22. [111th] H.RES.1177 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to prohibit congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, and limited tariff benefits.
Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (Introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (0)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

23. [111th] H.RES.1193 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 397 - 0, 12 Present) (Roll No. 131).

24. [111th] H.RES.1220 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 406 - 1, 15 Present (Roll no. 187).

25. [111th] H.RES.1221 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to increase openness and transparency in the annual appropriations process as it relates to earmarks.
Sponsor: Rep Chaffetz, Jason [UT-3] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules; House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

26. [111th] H.RES.1255 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 4/15/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 385 - 0, 18 Present (Roll no. 206).

27. [111th] H.RES.1287 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 4/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 402 - 0, 17 Present (Roll no. 218).

28. [111th] H.RES.1289 : Expressing the sense of the House that Democratic Members of the House should join Republican Members of the House in a total ban on earmarks for one year, that total discretionary spending should be reduced by the amount saved by earmark moratoriums, and that a bipartisan, bicameral committee should be created to review and overhaul the budgetary, spending, and earmark processes.
Sponsor: Rep Goodlatte, Bob [VA-6] (introduced 4/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (165)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

29. [111th] H.RES.1502 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives respecting the treatment of earmarks in conferences between the House and the Senate.
Sponsor: Rep Akin, W. Todd [MO-2] (introduced 7/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (19)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

30. [111th] H.RES.1542 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that Members' official websites include congressional earmark requests and video presentations for requests submitted to committees.
Sponsor: Rep Pingree, Chellie [ME-1] (introduced 7/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

31. [111th] H.RES.1579 : Establishing an earmark moratorium for fiscal year 2011.
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

32. [111th] H.AMDT.547 to H.R.4061 An amendment numbered 3 printed in House Report 111-410 to prohibit the earmarking of funds authorized for grants in the bill.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the

Flake amendment (A003) Agreed to by recorded vote: 396 - 31 (Roll no. 35).

33. [111th] H.AMDT.586 to H.R.4247 Amendment adds 2 new sections to the measure relating to the presumption of Congress that grants awarded under the bill will be awarded using competitive procedures and relating to a prohibition on earmarks.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment (A002) Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 391 - 24 (Roll no. 81).

34. [111th] H.AMDT.589 to H.R.3644 An amendment to the Capps amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in Part B of House Report 111-445 to prohibit earmarking in the funds authorized for appropriations in the legislation.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment to the Capps Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 376 - 37, 1 Present (Roll no. 139).

35. [111th] H.AMDT.632 to H.R.5019 Amendment prohibits any of the funds authorized in the bill from being used for a Congressional earmark.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 5/6/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 5/6/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment (A006) Agreed to by voice vote.

36. [111th] H.AMDT.721 to H.R.5114 Amendment prohibits earmarking of funds made available for grants.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment (A004) Agreed to by recorded vote: 423 - 3 (Roll no. 444).

37. [111th] H.AMDT.734 to H.R.5822 An amendment numbered 6 printed in House Report 111-570 to prohibit funding for all of the member-requested earmarks for military construction projects.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 By unanimous consent, the Flake amendment was withdrawn.

38. [111th] S.2990 : A bill to establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: Senate Rules and Administration

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

39. [111th] S.3026 : Fiscal Freeze Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bayh, Evan [IN] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

40. [111th] S.3267 : Fire Grants Reauthorization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Dodd, Christopher J. [CT] (introduced 4/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; House Homeland Security
Senate Reports: 110-235
Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 488.

41. [111th] S.3335 : Earmark Transparency Act
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Senate Reports: 110-365
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 692.

42. [111th] S.3454 : National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Sen Levin, Carl [MI] (introduced 6/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Armed Services
Senate Reports: 110-201
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Senate Committee on Armed Services. Hearings held prior to introduction and/or referral. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 111-701, pt. 1.

43. [111th] S.3455 : Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Sen Levin, Carl [MI] (introduced 6/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 6/4/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 415.

44. [111th] S.3475 : Clean Up Earmarks Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 6/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Rules and Administration
Latest Major Action: 6/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

45. [111th] S.3566 : Maritime Administration Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Sen Lautenberg, Frank R. [NJ] (introduced 7/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Senate Reports: 110-382
Latest Major Action: 12/21/2010 By Senator Rockefeller from Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation filed written report. Report No. 111-382.

46. [111th] S.3615 : Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Johnson, Tim [SD] (introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 110-226
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 469.

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47. [111th] S.3644 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (introduced 7/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 110-230

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 482.

48. [111th] S.3800 : Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 9/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 110-295

Latest Major Action: 9/16/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 571.

49. [111th] S.3939 : Earmark Reform and Federal Spending Transparency and Accountability Act of 2011

Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Rules and Administration

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

50. [111th] S.AMDT.3368 to H.R.4213 To provide for the rescission of unused transportation earmarks and to establish a general reporting requirement for any unused earmarks.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Amendment SA 3368 ruled non-germane by the chair.

51. [111th] S.AMDT.3454 to H.R.1586 To establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 3/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (10)

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Motion to table amendment SA 3454 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 68 - 29. Record Vote Number: 50.

52. [111th] S.AMDT.3470 to H.R.1586 To provide for the rescission of unused transportation earmarks and to establish a general reporting requirement for any unused earmarks.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3470 as modified agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 87 - 11. Record Vote Number: 51.

53. [111th] S.AMDT.3475 to H.R.1586 To prohibit earmarks in years in which there is a deficit.

Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Latest Major Action: 9/18/2010 Senate amendment not agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3475 not agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 26 - 70. Record Vote Number: 60.

54. [111th] S.AMDT.4697 to S.510 To establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2011, 2012, and 2013.

Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (Introduced 11/17/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Latest Major Action: 11/30/2010 Coburn motion to suspend Rule XXII to permit the consideration of amendment SA 4697 not agreed to by Yea-Nay Vote. 39 - 56. Record Vote Number: 255.

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1. [111th] H.R.4631 : To amend section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide certain information regarding companies in which the Government holds stock, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Alexander, Rodney](#) [LA-5] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

2. [111th] H.R.4653 : Accurate Accounting of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Act

Sponsor: [Rep Garrett, Scott](#) [NJ-5] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (54)

Committees: House Budget; House Ways and Means; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] H.R.4681 : Congressional Accountability Pay Act

Sponsor: [Rep Forbes, J. Randy](#) [VA-4] (introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

4. [111th] H.R.4762 : Congressional Pay Cut for Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: [Rep Burton, Dan](#) [IN-5] (introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

5. [111th] H.R.4943 : Informed Taxpayers' Federal Government Annual Reporting Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep McCarthy, Kevin](#) [CA-22] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (28)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

6. [111th] H.R.5564 : Judgment Evading Foreign States Accountability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McMahon, Michael E. [NY-13] (introduced 6/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Foreign Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

7. [111th] H.R.5903 : Restoration of State Sovereignty Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Culberson, John Abney [TX-7] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [111th] H.R.5971 : Zimbabwe Renewal Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Payne, Donald M. [NJ-10] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (35)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

9. [111th] H.R.6096 : Reduce Our Deficits Act

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

10. [111th] H.R.6296 : Stop Iran's Nuclear Weapons Program Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Sherman, Brad [CA-27] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Ways and Means; House Judiciary; House Financial Services; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 12/20/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

11. [111th] H.R.6417 : To prohibit Federal funding of certain public radio programming, to provide for the transfer of certain public radio funds to reduce the public debt, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 11/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the

House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

12. [111th] S.4008 : Stop Iran's Nuclear Weapons Program Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (Introduced 12/3/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4482](#) : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: [Rep Lance, Leonard](#) [NJ-7] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

2. [111th] [H.R.4762](#) : Congressional Pay Cut for Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: [Rep Burton, Dan](#) [IN-5] (introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] [H.R.4834](#) : Student Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: [Rep Schauer, Mark H.](#) [MI-7] (introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

4. [111th] [H.R.5297](#) : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Frank, Barney](#) [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: [110-499](#)
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

5. [111th] [H.R.5339](#) : Disposal of Excess Federal Lands Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Chaffetz, Jason](#) [UT-3] (introduced 5/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (25)
Committees: House Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 5/21/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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6. [111th] H.R.5536 : Debt Buy-Down Act

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 6/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (34)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

7. [111th] H.R.5622 : Stop Outsourcing and Create American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 6/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [111th] H.R.5752 : Transparent and Sustainable Budget Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

9. [111th] H.R.5943 : Community Recovery and Enhancement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

10. [111th] S.3496 : Debt Buy-Down Act

Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (introduced 6/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

11. [111th] S.3676 : Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Leahy, Patrick J. [VT] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 110-237

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 496.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4681](#) : Congressional Accountability Pay Act
Sponsor: [Rep Forbes, J. Randy](#) [VA-4] (introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

2. [111th] [H.R.4933](#) : Global HEALTH Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Lee, Barbara](#) [CA-9] (introduced 3/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (21)
Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] [H.R.4943](#) : Informed Taxpayers' Federal Government Annual Reporting Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep McCarthy, Kevin](#) [CA-22] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (28)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

4. [111th] [H.R.5035](#) : National Shipbuilding Budget Policy Act
Sponsor: [Rep Wittman, Robert J.](#) [VA-1] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)
Committees: House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 4/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces.

5. [111th] [H.R.5323](#) : Save America's Future Economy Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Smith, Lamar](#) [TX-21] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (65)
Committees: House Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

6. [111th] H.R.5363 : Preventing Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schrader, Kurt [OR-5] (introduced 5/20/2010) Cosponsors (36)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

7. [111th] H.R.5779 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Agriculture Program Act
Sponsor: Rep Himes, James A. [CT-4] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Agriculture
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management.

8. [111th] H.R.5780 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Energy Program Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Natural Resources; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Science and Technology
Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

9. [111th] H.R.5784 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Defense Programs Act
Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 9/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

10. [111th] S.2982 : International Violence Against Women Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 2/4/2010) Cosponsors (35)
Committees: Senate Foreign Relations
Latest Major Action: 12/21/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 725.

11. [111th] S.3104 : A bill to permanently authorize Radio Free Asia, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Lugar, Richard G. [IN] (introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Foreign Relations
Senate Reports: 110-214
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-202 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

12. [111th] S.AMDT.3303 to H.J.RES.45 To rescind \$120 billion in Federal spending by consolidating duplicative government programs, cutting wasteful Washington spending, and returning billions of dollars of unspent money.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 1/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Proposed amendment SA 3303 (Division IV) under the order of 12/22/2009, not having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, the division was withdrawn in Senate.

13. [111th] S.AMDT.4231 to H.R.4899 To pay for the costs of supplemental spending by reducing waste, inefficiency, and unnecessary spending within the Federal Government.
Sponsor: [Sen Coburn, Tom](#) [OK] (Introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Motion to table amendment SA 4231 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 45. Record Vote Number: 169.

14. [111th] S.AMDT.4331 to H.R.4213 To pay for the cost of this act by reducing wasteful, inefficient, excessive and duplicative government spending.
Sponsor: [Sen Coburn, Tom](#) [OK] (Introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 6/23/2010 SA 4331 (Division XX) fell when the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (HR 4213) with an amendment (SA 4369) tabled.

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1. **H.R.1** : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: [Rep Obey, David R.](#) [WI-7] (introduced 1/26/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (9)
Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Conference Report: [111-16](#) (in Congressional Record [H1307-1516](#))
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-5 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

2. **H.R.113** : To provide for audits of programs, projects, and activities funded through earmarks.
Sponsor: [Rep Fortenberry, Jeff](#) [NE-1] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (14)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

3. **H.R.311** : Spending Reform Act of 2009
Sponsor: [Rep Brady, Kevin](#) [TX-8] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (18)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

4. **H.R.377** : To make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.
Sponsor: [Rep Blackburn, Marsha](#) [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (23)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

5. **H.R.378** : To make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.
Sponsor: [Rep Blackburn, Marsha](#) [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (25)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

6. **H.R.381** : To make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.
Sponsor: [Rep Blackburn, Marsha](#) [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (21)
Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

7. H.R.598 : To provide for a portion of the economic recovery package relating to revenue measures, unemployment, and health.

Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (Introduced 1/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Science and Technology; House Education and Labor; House Financial Services

House Reports: 111-8 Part 1, 111-8 Part 2

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2009 Supplemental report filed by the Committee on Ways and Means, H. Rept. 111-8, Part II.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

8. H.R.629 : Energy and Commerce Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (introduced 1/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Science and Technology

House Reports: 111-7 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 1/27/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 3.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

9. H.R.679 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (Introduced 1/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

House Reports: 111-4

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 1.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

10. H.R.737 : State Temporary Economic Priority (STEP) Act

Sponsor: Rep Hoekstra, Peter [MI-2] (introduced 1/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 1/29/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

11. H.R.826 : Cluster-Based Economy Enhancement Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep McHugh, John M. [NY-23] (introduced 2/3/2009) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

12. H.R.852 : Re-Build America Bond Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Loretta [CA-47] (introduced 2/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 2/5/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

13. H.R.861 : Strategic Targeted American Recovery and Transition Act

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 2/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

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Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

14. H.R.943 : Truth in Accounting Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Bachmann, Michele [MN-6] (introduced 2/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

15. H.R.1105 : Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 2/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-8 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: An explanatory statement was submitted by Mr. Obey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations "as if it were a joint explanatory statement of a committee of conference." It appears in two 2/23/2009 Congressional Record documents on pages: [H1653-H2088](#) and [H2089-H2599](#). See also the House Appropriations [committee print](#).

16. H.R.1294 : Congressional Accountability and Line-Item Veto Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (introduced 3/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (26)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

17. H.R.1390 : Earmark Accountability and Reform Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (introduced 3/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

18. H.R.1557 : SAFE Commission Act

Sponsor: Rep Cooper, Jim [TN-5] (introduced 3/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (118)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/17/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

19. H.R.1648 : Fiscal Integrity Through Transparency and Technology (FITT) Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep McCotter, Thaddeus G. [MI-11] (introduced 3/19/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules; House

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Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

20. H.R.1814 : Taxpayer Empowerment and Advocacy Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Barrett, J. Gresham [SC-3] (introduced 3/31/2009) **Cosponsors** (8)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

21. H.R.2116 : Fiscal Honesty and Accountability Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Hill, Baron P. [IN-9] (introduced 4/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (54)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 4/27/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

22. H.R.2169 : Limitation on Government Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 4/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

23. H.R.2226 : Warren County National Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: Rep Turner, Michael R. [OH-3] (introduced 5/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

24. H.R.2346 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 5/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-105; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-151 (in Congressional Record H6683-6741)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-32 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

25. H.R.2365 : Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep DeFazio, Peter A. [OR-4] (introduced 5/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (71)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the

Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

26. H.R.2429 : Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Gonzalez, Charles A. [TX-20] (Introduced 5/14/2009) **Cosponsors** (25)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

27. H.R.2832 : Taxpayer Repayment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (Introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

28. H.R.2842 : To rescind all stimulus funds that remain unobligated.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (Introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

29. H.R.2847 : Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act

Sponsor: Rep Mollohan, Alan B. [WV-1] (Introduced 6/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: 111-149; **Senate Reports:** 111-34

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-147 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Pursuant to H.Res. 976, the House modified the Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations Act, 2010, H.R. 2847, substituting the "Jobs for Main Street Act, 2010" as Division A of the Act and the "Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009" as Division B. (Regular appropriations for FY2010 for activities funded in the C-J-S Appropriations Act were included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010; see Division B of P.L. 111-117.) The report of the House Rules Committee on H.Res. 976 (H.Rept. 111-380, p. 5) summarized the matter included in Division A of the Act concerning the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP); infrastructure, employment, and public investment programs; unemployment insurance; COBRA; small business loans; the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage; the child tax credit; surface transportation; and certain civil rights claims.

30. H.R.2892 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Price, David E. [NC-4] (Introduced 6/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-157; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-298 (in Congressional Record H11195-11257)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-83 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

31. H.R.2920 : Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Hoyer, Steny H. [MD-5] (Introduced 6/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (169)

Committees: House Budget; Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

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32. H.R.2942 : Highway Trust Fund Reclamation Act

Sponsor: Rep Diaz-Balart, Mario [FL-25] (introduced 6/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

33. H.R.2996 : Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Dicks, Norman D. [WA-6] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: 111-180; **Senate Reports:** 111-38; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-316

(in Congressional Record H11871-11983)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-88 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Division A is the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. Division B is the Further Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2010, continuing appropriations through 12/18/2009.

34. H.R.3007 : Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Kanjorski, Paul E. [PA-11] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (6)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 10/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

35. H.R.3081 : Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Rep Lowey, Nita M. [NY-18] (introduced 6/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-187

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-242 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/3/2010.

36. H.R.3140 : Reducing Barack Obama's Unsustainable Deficit Act

Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (90)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Energy and Commerce; House Appropriations; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/10/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

37. H.R.3170 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Serrano, Jose E. [NY-16] (introduced 7/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-202

Latest Major Action: 7/20/2009 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 115.

38. H.R.3183 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Pastor, Ed [AZ-4] (introduced 7/13/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-203; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-278 (in Congressional Record

H10150-10358)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-85 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

39. H.R.3288 : Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Olver, John W.](#) [MA-1] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: [111-218](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-69](#); **Latest Conference Report:** [111-366](#)
(In Congressional Record [H13631-14080](#), [H14081-14369](#))

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-117 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: The conference report on the bill includes provisions for 6 of the 12 FY2010 appropriations: Transportation-HUD; Commerce-Justice-Science; Financial Services; Labor-HHS; Military Construction-VA; and State-Foreign Operations.

40. H.R.3293 : Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Obey, David R.](#) [WI-7] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: [111-220](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-66](#)

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 149.

41. H.R.3298 : Discretionary Spending Control Act of 2009

Sponsor: [Rep Jordan, Jim](#) [OH-4] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

42. H.R.3357 : To restore some to the Highway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rangel, Charles B.](#) [NY-15] (introduced 7/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-46 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

43. H.R.3366 : Illegal Garnishment Prevention Act

Sponsor: [Rep Gordon, Bart](#) [TN-6] (introduced 7/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

44. H.R.3442 : To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to establish discretionary spending caps for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2013.

Sponsor: [Rep Hodes, Paul W.](#) [NH-2] (introduced 7/31/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

45. H.R.3696 : To prohibit recipients of TARP assistance from funding ACORN, and for other purposes.

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Sponsor: Rep Bachus, Spencer [AL-6] (introduced 10/1/2009) **Cosponsors** (28)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

46. H.R.3772 : Children's Budget Act
Sponsor: Rep Davis, Danny K. [IL-7] (introduced 10/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (15)
Committees: House Budget
Latest Major Action: 10/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

47. H.R.3964 : Spending, Deficit, and Debt Control Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 10/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (24)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Appropriations; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 10/29/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, Appropriations, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

48. H.R.4110 : TARP Sunset Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Paulsen, Erik [MN-3] (introduced 11/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (68)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

49. H.R.4157 : Ensure TARP Expires Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 11/19/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

50. H.R.4171 : TARP Sunset and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Teague, Harry [NM-2] (introduced 12/2/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/2/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

51. H.R.4198 : Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 12/3/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/3/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

52. H.R.4219 : National Commission on American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Joe [SC-2] (introduced 12/8/2009) Cosponsors (25)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 1/4/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

53. H.R.4249 : Commission On Reforming Entitlement Spending Act
Sponsor: Rep McHenry, Patrick T. [NC-10] (introduced 12/9/2009) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 12/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

54. H.R.4262 : CAP the DEBT Act
Sponsor: Rep Scalise, Steve [LA-1] (introduced 12/10/2009) Cosponsors (84)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/10/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

55. H.R.4308 : Deficit Reduction Check-Off Act
Sponsor: Rep Posey, Bill [FL-15] (introduced 12/15/2009) Cosponsors (21)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

56. H.R.4314 : To permit continued financing of Government operations.
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 12/15/2009) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-123 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

57. H.R.4315 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Burgess, Michael C. [TX-26] (introduced 12/15/2009) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

58. H.R.4385 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Meek, Kendrick B. [FL-17] (introduced 12/16/2009) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/16/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

59. H.R.4408 : Within Our Means Budget (WOMB) Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Gohmert, Louie [TX-1] (introduced 12/19/2009) Cosponsors (22)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

60. H.R.4479 : Tighten Washington's Belt Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Forbes, J. Randy [VA-4] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

61. H.R.4481 : Deficit Reduction Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Roles

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

62. H.R.4482 : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means; House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

63. H.R.4529 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (14)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Rules; House Budget; House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

64. H.R.4560 : Earmark Performance and Accountability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Kratochvil, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

65. H.R.4631 : To amend section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide certain information regarding companies in which the Government holds stock, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Alexander, Rodney [LA-5] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

66. H.R.4646 : Debt Free America Act

Sponsor: Rep Fattah, Chaka [PA-2] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Rules; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

67. H.R.4653 : Accurate Accounting of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Act
Sponsor: Rep Garrett, Scott [NJ-5] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (54)
Committees: House Budget; House Ways and Means; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

68. H.R.4666 : Cluster-Based Economy Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

69. H.R.4691 : Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 2/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services; House Small Business; House Judiciary; House Budget
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-144 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

70. H.R.4851 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Financial Services; House Judiciary; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-157 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

71. H.R.4856 : Forecast for the Future Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (41)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

72. H.R.4871 : Spending Reduction Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (introduced 3/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (48)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as

fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

73. H.R.4883 : STRONG Budget Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Barton, Joe [TX-6] (introduced 3/18/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

74. H.R.4899 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/21/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-188

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-212 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

75. H.R.4921 : Budget Enforcement Legislative Tool Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 3/24/2010) Cosponsors (34)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

76. H.R.4939 : Social Security and Medicare Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Tim [PA-18] (introduced 3/25/2010) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

77. H.R.5008 : Targeted Deficit Reduction Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Markey, Betsy [CO-4] (introduced 4/13/2010) Cosponsors (43)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

78. H.R.5089 : Business Incubator Promotion Act

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Tim [OH-17] (introduced 4/21/2010) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

79. H.R.5157 : War on Debt Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 4/27/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

80. H.R.5258 : Earmark Transparency Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Cassidy, Bill [LA-6] (Introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (25)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

81. H.R.5275 : Seniors Purchasing Power Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

82. H.R.5305 : CPI for Seniors Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (6)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

83. H.R.5323 : Save America's Future Economy Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Smith, Lamar [TX-21] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (65)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

84. H.R.5453 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Heller, Dean [NV-2] (introduced 5/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (48)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Appropriations; House Education and Labor; House Financial Services; House Budget; House Small Business; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Appropriations, Education and Labor, Financial Services, the Budget, Small Business, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

85. H.R.5454 : Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (by request) (introduced 5/28/2010)

Cosponsors (41)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be

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subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

86. H.R. 5540 : To make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

87. H.R. 5541 : To make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

88. H.R. 5542 : To make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

89. H.R. 5568 : Stop Waste by Eliminating Excessive Programs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Nye, Glenn C. [VA-2] (introduced 6/22/2010) Cosponsors (39)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 6/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

90. H.R. 5679 : End the Stimulus Advertisement Act

Sponsor: Rep Schock, Aaron [IL-18] (introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 7/2/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

91. H.R. 5745 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, Jerry [CA-41] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (21)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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92. H.R.5752 : Transparent and Sustainable Budget Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (Introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors (2)**
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

93. H.R.5775 : Grant Accessibility and Transparency Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (Introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

94. H.R.5782 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Treas- HUD and OPIC Programs Act
Sponsor: Rep Adler, John H. [NJ-3] (Introduced 7/20/2010) **Cosponsors (3)**
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Financial Services; House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

95. H.R.5850 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Olver, John W. [MA-1] (Introduced 7/26/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-564
Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 503.

96. H.R.5874 : United States Patent and Trademark Office Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Mollohan, Alan B. [WV-1] (Introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors (3)**
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-224 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

97. H.R.5935 : BUILD Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (Introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

98. H.R.5954 : Truth in Spending Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (Introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors (35)**
Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

99. H.R.6096 : Reduce Our Deficits Act

Sponsor: [Rep Edwards, Chet](#) [TX-17] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

100. H.R.6300 : State and Local Spending Will Help Save America Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Kucinich, Dennis J.](#) [OH-10] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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101. H.R.6367 : Restora American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Moran, Jerry](#) [KS-1] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Judiciary; House Administration; House Rules; House Natural Resources; House Appropriations; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

102. H.R.6401 : Biennial Budgeting and Appropriations Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Dreier, David](#) [CA-26] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

103. H.R.6403 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Rescissions Act

Sponsor: [Rep Lewis, Jerry](#) [CA-41] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (29)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

104. H.R.6406 : To amend the Federal Reserve Act to remove the mandate on the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee to focus on maximum employment.

Sponsor: [Rep Pence, Mike](#) [IN-6] (introduced 11/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

105. H.R.6550 : National Emergency Employment Defense Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Kucinich, Dennis J.](#) [OH-10] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

106. H.J.RES.1 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Goodlatte, Bob [VA-6] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (179)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

107. H.J.RES.7 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to provide for a balanced budget for the United States Government and for greater accountability in the enactment of tax legislation.

Sponsor: Rep Emerson, Jo Ann [MO-8] (introduced 1/7/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

108. H.J.RES.15 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to authorize the line item veto.

Sponsor: Rep Platts, Todd Russell [PA-19] (introduced 1/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

109. H.J.RES.38 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2009, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-6 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 3/11/2009.

110. H.J.RES.43 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (introduced 4/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

111. H.J.RES.45 : Increasing the statutory limit on the public debt.

Sponsor: No Sponsor (introduced 4/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-139 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

112. H.J.RES.64 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2010, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/13/2010 Failed of passage in House over veto. Status: On passage, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 143 - 245, 1 Present (Roll no. 2).

113. H.J.RES.73 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 1/27/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 3/1/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

114. H.J.RES.75 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 2/3/2010) Cosponsors (11)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

115. H.J.RES.78 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Bright, Bobby [AL-2] (introduced 3/2/2010) Cosponsors (42)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

116. H.J.RES.79 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to control spending.

Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 3/3/2010) Cosponsors (53)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

117. H.J.RES.89 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Terry, Lee [NE-2] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

118. H.J.RES.96 : Making full-year continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011 at lower, previous year levels, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 9/22/2010) Cosponsors (77)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

119. H.J.RES.101 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 11/30/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-290 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/18/2010.

120. H.J.RES.105 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-317 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/21/2010.

121. H.CON.RES.85 : Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2009 and 2011 through 2014.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 3/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

House Reports: 111-60

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 233 - 196 (Roll no. 192).

Latest Action: 4/2/2009 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Note: 2010 budget resolution.

122. H.CON.RES.234 : Expressing the sense of Congress that there should be a freeze on new discretionary non-defense, non-homeland security, non-intelligence spending whenever there is a Federal budget deficit.

Sponsor: Rep Tibert, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

123. H.CON.RES.281 : Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2020.

Sponsor: Rep Jordan, Jim [OH-4] (introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (52)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

124. H.RES.1183 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that public debt as a share of gross domestic product should be stabilized at not more than 60 percent by 2018.

Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 3/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

125. H.RES.1492 : Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

126. H.RES. 1493 : Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1500 , H. Res. 1493 is considered passed House.

127. S.1 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (17)

Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 1.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

128. S.2 : Middle Class Opportunity Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (18)

Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 2.

129. S.10 : Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (15)

Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 10.

130. S.116 : TARP Assistance for Local Governments Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

131. S.154 : A bill to require the Congressional Budget Office and the Joint Committee on Taxation to use dynamic economic modeling in addition to static economic modeling in the preparation of budgetary estimates of proposed changes in Federal revenue law.

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

132. S.169 : Biennial Budgeting and Appropriations Act

Sponsor: Sen Isakson, Johnny [GA] (introduced 1/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (11)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

133. S.276 : Social Security and Medicare Solvency Commission Act

Sponsor: Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 1/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/16/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

134. S.303 : Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Voinovich, George V. [OH] (introduced 1/22/2009) **Cosponsors (3)**

Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; House Oversight and Government Reform

Senate Reports: 111-7

Latest Major Action: 12/14/2009 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.

Latest Action: 12/15/2009 Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.

135. S.323 : Rural Revitalization Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 1/26/2009) **Cosponsors (2)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

136. S.336 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 1/27/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-3

Latest Major Action: 1/27/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 19.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

137. S.341 : Main Street Manufacturing Communities Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 1/28/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

138. S.350 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 1/29/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/29/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 20.

Latest Action: 1/30/2009 Star Print ordered on the bill.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

139. S.430 : Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (introduced 2/12/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 2/12/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

140. S.480 : Regional Economic Recovery Coordination Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 2/25/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 2/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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141. S.524 : Congressional Accountability and Line-Item Veto Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 3/4/2009) Cosponsors (10)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

142. S.640 : Second Look at Wasteful Spending Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Gregg, Judd [NH] (introduced 3/19/2009) Cosponsors (2)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

143. S.827 : Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Rockefeller, John D., IV [WV] (introduced 4/3/2009) Cosponsors (18)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 4/3/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

144. S.834 : A bill to require that funding for Federal departments and agencies and programs that remain available at the end of a fiscal year shall be used to pay down the Federal debt.
Sponsor: Sen Sessions, Jeff [AL] (introduced 4/20/2009) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 4/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

145. S.897 : Limitation on Government Spending Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 4/24/2009) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 4/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

146. S.907 : Budget Enforcement Legislative Tool Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Carper, Thomas R. [DE] (introduced 4/28/2009) Cosponsors (21)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 4/28/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

147. S.1042 : Illegal Garnishment Prevention Act
Sponsor: Sen Kohl, Herb [WI] (introduced 5/14/2009) Cosponsors (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

148. S.1054 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009
Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 5/14/2009) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-20

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 62.

149. S.1056 : SAFE Commission Act

Sponsor: Sen Volnovich, George V. [OH] (introduced 5/14/2009) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

150. S.1223 : Free Enterprise Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Johanns, Mike [NE] (introduced 6/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

151. S.1240 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

152. S.1298 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Byrd, Robert C. [WV] (introduced 6/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-31

Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 83.

153. S.1323 : Want Not, Waste Not Act

Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

154. S.1432 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-43

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 102.

155. S.1436 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-45

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 104.

156. S.1600 : Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen McCaskill, Claire [MO] (introduced 8/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (8)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

157. S.1613 : Deficit Reduction Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 8/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

158. S.1642 : SAFE Act

Sponsor: Sen Brownback, Sam [KS] (introduced 8/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

159. S.1662 : Business Incubator Promotion Act

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 9/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 9/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

160. S.1683 : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 9/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (10)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/17/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

161. S.1710 : A bill to prohibit recipients of TARP assistance from funding ACORN, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 9/24/2009) **Cosponsors** (20)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

162. S.1808 : Control Spending Now Act

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 10/20/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 10/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

163. S.2778 : Economic Development Revitalization Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Boxer, Barbara [CA] (introduced 11/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (6)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Senate Reports: 111-114

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Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 254.

164. S.2787 : TARP Sunset Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 11/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (21)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

165. S.2846 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Nelson, E. Benjamin [NE] (introduced 12/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

166. S.2853 : Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 12/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (27)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

167. S.2875 : Commission on Measures of Household Economic Security Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 12/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

168. S.2911 : Common Sense Budgeting Act

Sponsor: Sen Sessions, Jeff [AL] (introduced 12/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

169. S.2926 : Economic Fairness for Seniors Act

Sponsor: Sen Lincoln, Blanche L. [AR] (introduced 12/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

170. S.2952 : Strengthening Our Economy Through Employment and Development Act

Sponsor: Sen Franken, Al [MN] (introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

171. S.2965 : Commission for Fiscal Sustainability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

172. S.2981 : Reevaluate and Redirect the Stimulus Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (Introduced 2/2/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

173. S.3026 : Fiscal Freeze Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bayh, Evan [IN] (Introduced 2/23/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

174. S.3069 : American Renewable Energy Jobs Act

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (Introduced 3/3/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

175. S.3095 : HELP Act

Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (Introduced 3/9/2010) Cosponsors (19)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

176. S.3096 : Economic Disaster Prevention Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bennett, Robert F. [UT] (Introduced 3/10/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

177. S.3108 : Children's Budget Act

Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (Introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

178. S.3153 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (Introduced 3/23/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Senate floor actions. Status: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure tabled in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 59 - 40. Record Vote Number: 106.

179. S.3158 : A bill to require Congress to lead by example and freeze its own pay and fully

offset the cost of the extension of unemployment benefits and other Federal aid.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 3/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 334.

180. S.3173 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

181. S.3335 : Earmark Transparency Act
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Senate Reports: 111-365
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 692.

182. S.3337 : Oil Spill Claims Assistance and Recovery Act
Sponsor: Sen Landrieu, Mary L. [LA] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

183. S.3420 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

184. S.3421 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 411.

185. S.3423 : Veto Wasteful Spending and Protect Taxpayers Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

186. S.3474 : Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 6/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

187. S.3551 : Fiscally Responsible Relief for Our States Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Scott P. [MA] (Introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

188. S.3607 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Lautenberg, Frank R. [NJ] (Introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-222

Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 466.

189. S.3635 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (Introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-228

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 478.

190. S.3636 : Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Mikulski, Barbara A. [MD] (Introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-229

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 479.

191. S.3644 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (Introduced 7/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-230

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 482.

192. S.3652 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (Introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

193. S.3677 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (Introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-238

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 497.

194. S.3686 : Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 8/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-243

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 504.

195. S.3761 : A bill to ensure that amounts appropriated to the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 remain available until September 30, 2010.

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron C. [ND] (introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

196. S.3779 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 9/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

197. S.J.RES.20 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which requires (except during time of war and subject to suspension by Congress) that the total amount of money expended by the United States during any fiscal year not exceed the amount of certain revenue received by the United States during such fiscal year and not exceed 20 per cent of the gross national product of the United States during the previous calendar year.

Sponsor: Sen Shelby, Richard C. [AL] (introduced 10/1/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committee: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

198. S.J.RES.22 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to requiring a balanced budget and granting the President of the United States the power of line-item veto.

Sponsor: Sen LeMieux, George S. [FL] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

199. S.J.RES.27 : A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

200. S.J.RES.35 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the

United States relative to a balanced budget.

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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201. [S.J.RES.38](#) : A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: [Sen DeMint, Jim](#) [SC] (Introduced 8/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 511.

202. [S.J.RES.42](#) : A joint resolution to extend the continuing resolution until February 18, 2011.

Sponsor: [Sen McConnell, Mitch](#) [KY] (introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 703.

203. [S.CON.RES.13](#) : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2009, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2011 through 2014.

Sponsor: [Sen Conrad, Kent](#) [ND] (introduced 3/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Conference Report: [111-89](#) (in Congressional Record [H4474-4836](#))

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 Conference report agreed to in Senate. Status: Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 43. Record Vote Number: 173.

Latest Action: 4/29/2009 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

Note: 2010 budget resolution. Accompanying committee print: [S. Prt. 111-16](#).

204. [S.CON.RES.57](#) : A concurrent resolution establishing an expedited procedure for consideration of a bill returning spending levels to 2007 levels.

Sponsor: [Sen LeMieux, George S.](#) [FL] (introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget.

205. [S.CON.RES.60](#) : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

Sponsor: [Sen Conrad, Kent](#) [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

206. S.CON.RES.78 : A concurrent resolution honoring the work and mission of the Delta Regional Authority on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Federal-State partnership created to uplift the 8-State Delta region.

Sponsor: Sen Cochran, Thad [MS] (introduced 12/17/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

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Complaint Communication #31

Script: Announcer: "The economy's in a tailspin. Unemployment on the rise. And they just continue the spending, taxing and bailouts.

"Harry Teague was 'instrumental' in passing a job-killing cap and trade bill. Teague's tax would mean higher electric rates for families, higher gas prices and cost us up to 12,000 jobs in New Mexico. Tell Harry Teague to stop his reckless spending, bailouts and job-killing taxes. Americans for Job Security is responsible for the content of this advertising."

Graphic: "Call (202) 225-2365... Tell Harry Teague to stop his reckless spending...bailouts...job killing taxes."

Express Advocacy Analysis: As can be seen, this communication does not contain any terms that expressly advocate the election or defeat of any clearly identified federal candidate, and, therefore, does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(a). See Buckley, 424 U.S. at 44 n. 52.

Also, this communication does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

The issues discussed in this advertisement pertain to cap-and-trade, taxes, spending, and bailouts, issues that affect AJS's mission. These topics relating to fiscal issues were major issues being debated in Congress in 2010 and continue to be debated to this day. In 2010, the House had passed a cap-and-trade bill and the Senate was still considering the issue; at the time, it was unclear whether the issue would be revived in Congress. Congressman Teague was in a position to continue vote on or sponsor new cap-and-trade legislation, as well as general government fiscal issues discussed in the communication including taxes, job creation, spending, and bailouts. The communication specifically requests that the viewer contact Congressman Teague to discuss these issues. See MUR 5634 OGC Report # 2 at 16. Moreover, the communication does not refer to Harry Teague as a candidate, reference an election, or exhort the public to campaign for or contribute to Congressman Teague's political opponents. See 72 Fed. Reg. 5604. Accordingly, the communication does not contain an electoral portion that is unmistakable, unambiguous and suggestive of only one meaning and does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

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Even if the communication did not qualify for the safe harbor, it is still a permissible electioneering communication under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(c). Here, there is no indicia of express advocacy because the communication does not mention any election, candidacy, political party, opposing candidate or voting by the general public and takes no position on any candidate's or officeholder's character, qualifications or fitness for office. *Id.* § 114.15(c)(1). The communication includes content that would support a determination that it has an interpretation other than as an appeal to vote against Congressman Teague because it focuses on public policy issues, urges the public to contact him about the issue, and includes a call to action urging something other than voting for or against or contributing to Congressman Teague — namely, to call him. § 114.15(c)(2). The balancing test in § 114.15(c) clearly indicates that this is a permissible electioneering communication.

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The Washington Times

White House predicts record \$1.47 trillion deficit

By Andrew Taylor

Associated Press

Friday, July 23, 2010

WASHINGTON (AP) — New estimates from the White House on Friday predict the budget deficit will reach a record \$1.47 trillion this year. The government is borrowing 41 cents of every dollar it spends.

That's actually a little better than the administration predicted in February.

The new estimates paint a grim unemployment picture as the economy experiences a relatively jobless recovery. The unemployment rate, presently averaging 9.5 percent, would average 9 percent next year under the new estimates.

The Office of Management and Budget report has ominous news for President Barack Obama should he seek re-election in 2012 — a still-high unemployment rate of 8.1 percent. That would be well above normal, which is closer to a rate of 5.5 percent to 6 percent. Private economists don't think the unemployment rate will drop to those levels until well into this decade.

"The U.S. economy still faces strong headwinds," the OMB report said. They include tight credit markets, a high inventory of unsold housing and retrenchment by state governments bound by balanced budget mandates. The European debt crisis has also had an impact.

"Despite these headwinds, the administration expects economic growth and job creation to continue for the rest of 2010 and to rise in 2011 and beyond," the report said.

The gaping deficits are of increasing concern to voters. But Obama and Democrats controlling Congress are mostly taking a pass on deficit reduction this year as they await possible recommendations from Obama's deficit commission.

While there's a slight improvement in the deficit for the current year compared to the administration's February forecast, next year's predicted \$1.42 trillion worth, next year's predicted \$1.42 trillion worth of red ink — that's 37 cents of borrowing for every dollar spent — is looking worse. It's about \$150 billion more than previously predicted, because of still-slumping tax revenues.

The current record holder is the \$1.41 trillion deficit for 2009.

Economists agree that the most important measure of the deficit is against the size of the economy. Opinions vary, but many economists say a deficit of 3 percent of gross domestic product is sustainable since it would

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stabilize the overall debt when measured relative to the economy.

The report put the deficit at 10 percent of GDP this year and 9.2 percent of GDP next year. It would never reach the 3 percent figure under Obama's predictions — which underestimate war costs and depend on assumptions of tax hikes that may not materialize.

OMB Director Peter Orszag said the numbers represent a "fiscal situation that requires attention."

Obama "has done little to confront this domestic enemy," said Rep. Mike Pence, R-Ind. "Washington desperately needs real leadership. We cannot continue to postpone the hard choices and sacrifices that are necessary to stop this fiscal train wreck."

Deficits have skyrocketed since the recession took hold in 2008 and Congress responded with a massive bailout of the financial system and last year's \$862 billion stimulus measure.

"What we should be doing now is putting in place deficit reduction policies that will kick in after the economy has more fully recovered," said Senate Budget Committee Chairman Kent Conrad of North Dakota. "It is an unsustainable long-term course."

Associated Press writer Jeannine Aversa contributed to this report.

New Mexico
Economic Impact on the State from the Waxman-Markey Bill, H.R. 2454
Proposed Legislation to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions

This study analyzes the Waxman-Markey bill under low and high cost cases with respect to a baseline that projects the future in the absence of the bill.^{1,2} W/M sets targets that would reduce GHG emissions to 17% below 2005 levels by 2020; 42% below 2005 levels by 2030; and 83% below 2005 levels by 2050 (Figure 1). The price of carbon permits (what companies must pay to emit CO₂) could reach between \$48 and \$61 per metric ton of CO₂ (MT) by 2020 and could increase to between \$123/MT and \$159/MT by 2030.³

Impact on Jobs

The jobs impact of W/M is delayed by the free allocation of permits and generous carbon offsets. By 2030, as emission reduction targets tighten and other W/M provisions phase out, New Mexico jobs decline by 9,331 under the low cost case and by 12,709 under the high cost case (Figure 2). The primary cause of job losses is lower industrial output due to higher energy prices, the high cost of complying with required emissions cuts, and greater competition from overseas manufacturers with lower energy costs.

Decrease in Disposable Household Income

Higher energy prices would have ripple impacts on prices throughout the economy and would impose a financial cost on households. New Mexico would see disposable household income reduced by \$70 to \$166 per year by 2020 and \$409 to \$755 by 2030 (Figure 3).

W/M's Impact on Energy Prices

Most energy prices would rise under W/M, particularly coal, oil and natural gas. By 2015, gasoline would increase between 6% and 8%, electricity between 5% and 2% and natural gas between 16% and 26%. By 2030, gasoline prices increase between 21% and 27% while electricity prices increase by up to 61% and natural gas by up to 78%. Table 1 shows the increase in energy prices faced by a typical New Mexico household compared to national household increases over the 2020-2030 period.

Factors Contributing to Higher Electricity Prices

W/M would reduce GHG emissions from all sectors of the economy (transportation, residential, commercial, and industry); however, as the largest emitter of GHGs, the primary impact would fall on the electric sector. W/M would result in the electric industry shutting down most carbon-based generation and/or using expensive, as yet unproven technology, to capture and store CO₂. To meet the stringent goals of W/M, the electric industry would also have to substitute high cost technologies, such as biomass and wind, for conventional generation.

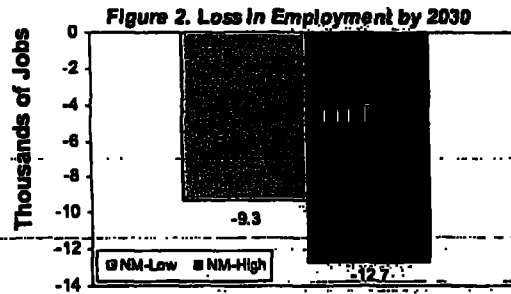
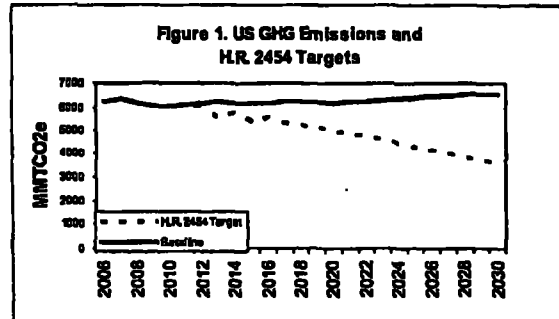
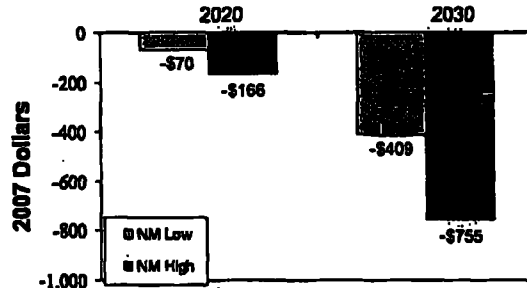


Figure 3. Loss of Disposable Income per Household



¹ The study used NEMS/ACCF-NAM 2, the version of the National Energy Modeling System (NEMS) used in this project, and assumptions provided by ACCF and NAM for this analysis. It was performed independent of EIA which uses the NEMS model for energy forecasting and policy analysis. (See the full report for all assumptions).

Impact on Economic Growth

High energy prices, fewer jobs, and loss of industrial output are estimated to reduce New Mexico's gross state product (GSP) by between \$322 and \$554 million per year by 2020 and \$3.4 and \$4.6 billion by 2030 (Figure 4).

Impact on Industry

New Mexico's major economic sectors will be affected by emission caps (Figure 5).⁴ The current two largest sectors, computer and electronic product manufacturing and petroleum product manufacturing, show decreases in output of 5.7% to 6.5% and 7.7% to 8.1%, respectively in 2030. All manufacturing sectors will suffer output losses of between 5.1% and 5.8% by 2030, while output from energy intensive sectors fall between 12.2% and 13.3%. New Mexico's coal production would fall between 96.1% and 94.0% and electricity production falls by 18.4% to 27.9% in 2030 (Figure 6). These continued losses will have a lasting effect on the economic base of New Mexico.

Impact on Low Income Families⁵

The impacts of W/M will be felt especially by the poor, who spend a greater share of their income on energy and other goods than other income brackets. By 2030, higher energy prices mean that low income families in New Mexico (with average incomes of \$12,165) will spend between 18.8% and 20.0% of their income on energy under W/M compared to a projected 17.1% without W/M. Others on fixed incomes such as the elderly will also suffer disproportionately.

Impact on State Budgets⁶

The increases in New Mexico's energy costs under W/M will impact expenditures throughout the state. Specifically, New Mexico's 1,093 schools and universities and 58 hospitals will likely experience an 18.1% to 27.9% increase in energy expenditures by 2030. For government entities, costs for services, including public transportation and vehicle fleets, such as school buses, will also rise under W/M.

Sector	Year	New Mexico		US	
		Low	High	Low	High
Electricity (Residential)	2020	15.2%	13.6%	5.0%	7.9%
	2025	11.6%	29.5%	4.9%	11.5%
	2030	27.7%	61.1%	31.4%	50.0%
Gasoline	2020	8.6%	11.4%	8.3%	11.1%
	2025	12.1%	16.0%	12.0%	16.0%
	2030	20.8%	27.1%	20.0%	26.1%
Natural Gas (Residential)	2020	-4.8%	-1.0%	-3.3%	0.1%
	2025	4.8%	11.3%	4.8%	10.1%
	2030	61.1%	78.4%	56.3%	73.5%

Figure 4. Loss in Gross State Product For New Mexico

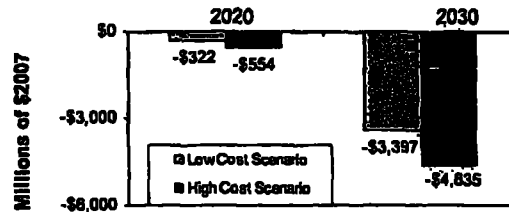


Figure 5. Percent Change in Output by Industry in 2030

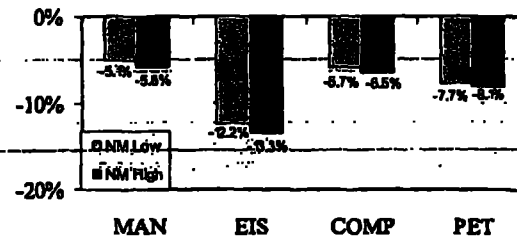
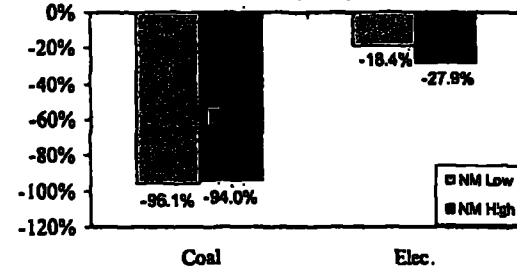


Figure 6. Percent Change in Production by Sector in 2030



¹ "Low" refers to the Low Cost Case, which assumes higher nuclear capacity, fewer constraints on new generating technologies, etc. "High" refers to the High Cost Case, which assumes low nuclear additions and constrained new generation technologies, etc. (See the full report for all assumptions).

² All dollar figures in this report are presented in constant 2007 dollars.

⁴ MAN = manufacturing industries, EIS = energy intensive industries; COMP = computer and electronic product manufacturing; PET = petroleum product manufacturing.

⁵ These projections assume that the energy expenditures by income quintile in the state are the same as the average for the census division, since there is insufficient data to accurately calculate this quantity on the state level.

⁶ These projections assume that the expenditures on schools and hospitals are the same as the average for the census region, since there is insufficient data to accurately calculate these quantities on the state level.



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This is a Testimony On Energy and Environment

The Economic Impact of the Waxman-Markey Cap-and-Trade Bill

By Ben Lieberman

June 26, 2009

Testimony before the
Senate Republican Conference

June 22, 2009

My name is Ben Lieberman, and I am the Senior Policy Analyst for Energy and Environment in the Thomas A. Roe Institute for Economic Policy Studies at The Heritage Foundation. The views I express in this testimony are my own, and should not be construed as representing any official position of The Heritage Foundation.

I would like to thank the Senate Republican Conference for extending me the privilege of participating in today's hearing. I'll be discussing the costs of the cap-and-trade approach to addressing global warming and The Heritage Foundation's economic analysis of H.R. 2454, the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (Waxman-Markey). As you know, the House is currently considering this bill, which is similar to but has more stringent targets and timetables than the Lieberman-Warner cap-and-trade bill that was rejected by the Senate last June.

It is clear that cap-and-trade is very expensive and amounts to nothing more than an energy tax in disguise. After all, when you sweep aside all the complexities of how cap and trade operates--and make no mistake, this is the most convoluted attempt at economic central planning this nation has ever attempted--the bottom line is that cap and trade works by raising the cost of energy high enough so that individuals and businesses are forced to use less of it. Inflicting economic pain is what this is all about. That is how the ever-tightening emissions targets will be met.

The only entities directly regulated by Waxman-Markey would be the electric utilities, oil refiners, natural gas producers, and some manufacturers that produce energy on site. So, the good news for the rest of us--homeowners, car owners, small-business owners, farmers--is that we won't be directly regulated under this bill. The bad news is that nearly all the costs will get passed on to us anyway.

What are those costs? According to the analysis we conducted at The Heritage Foundation, which is attached to my written statement, the higher energy costs kick in as soon as the bill's provisions take effect in 2012. For a household of four, energy costs go up \$436 that year, and they eventually reach \$1,241 in 2035 and average

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\$829 annually over that span. Electricity costs go up 90 percent by 2035, gasoline by 58 percent, and natural gas by 55 percent by 2035. The cumulative higher energy costs for a family of four by then will be nearly \$20,000.

But direct energy costs are only part of the consumer impact. Nearly everything goes up, since higher energy costs raise production costs. If you look at the total cost of Waxman-Markey, it works out to an average of \$2,979 annually from 2012-2035 for a household of four. By 2035 alone, the total cost is over \$4,600.

Beyond the cost impact on individuals and households, Waxman-Markey also affects employment, and especially employment in the manufacturing sector. We estimate job losses averaging 1,145,000 at any given time from 2012-2035. And note that those are net job losses, after the much-hyped green jobs are taken into account. Some of the lost jobs will be destroyed entirely, while others will be outsourced to nations like China and India that have repeatedly stated that they'll never hamper their own economic growth with energy-cost boosting global warming measures like Waxman-Markey.

Since farming is energy intensive, that sector will be particularly hard-hit. Higher gasoline and diesel fuel costs, higher electricity costs, and higher natural gas-derived fertilizer costs all erode farm profits, which are expected to drop by 28 percent in 2012 and average 57 percent lower through 2035. As with American manufacturers, Waxman-Markey also puts American farmers at a global disadvantage, as other food-exporting nations would have no comparable energy-price raising measures in place.

Overall, Waxman-Markey reduces gross domestic product by an average of \$393 billion annually between 2012 and 2035, and cumulatively by \$9.4 trillion. In other words, the nation will be \$9.4 trillion poorer with Waxman-Markey than without it.

It should also be noted that the costs are not distributed evenly. Low-income households spend a disproportionate share of their incomes on energy, and thus would be hit harder than average by Waxman-Markey. Of course, the bill has provisions to give back some revenues to low-income households, but it is likely that these rebates will amount only to some portion of each dollar that was taken away from them in the first place in the form of higher energy costs and higher costs for other goods and services. Waxman-Markey also disproportionately burdens those states, especially in the Midwest and South, that still have a substantial number of manufacturing jobs to lose, as well as those that rely more heavily than others on coal for electric generation. In addition, because the bill raises energy costs, it hurts rural America much more than urban America. Rural Americans, farmers and non-farmers, spend an average of 58 percent more on energy as a percentage of income than their urban counterparts, and those costs would go up.

In conclusion, it's not surprising that support for Waxman-Markey is heaviest in those parts of the country, the urban centers in the West Coast and Northeast, that are least harmed by it. Even there, the economic damage would be bad enough, but the citizens in the rest of the country and their representatives should really be asking many tough questions about the economic impact of cap and trade. Thank you.

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CBO Grossly Underestimates Costs of Cap and Trade

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Last week, the Congressional Budget Office released their analysis of the Waxman-Markey climate change bill that had proponents of the bill claiming we could save the planet for just \$175 per household. That was the figure CBO estimated cap and trade would cost households in 2020, which ^[1] includes the cost of restructuring the production and use of energy and of payments made to foreign entities under the program, but it does not include the economic benefits and other benefits of the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and the associated slowing of climate change."

The trouble with the analysis is that costs are grossly underestimated. The trouble with legislation is that it will have virtually no impact on climate.

Overall, there are a number of basic problems with CBO's analysis:

- Their allowance cost numbers don't add up. They say the allowance price will be \$28. Since there are 5.056 billion tons of CO2 equivalent in the cap that year, that implies a \$141 billion gross cost. They list 91.4 (see table one ^[2]). In the CBO's June 5 analysis of Waxman-Markey, they projected allowance revenues of \$119.7 billion, 129.7 billion, \$136 billion, \$145.6 billion, and \$152.9 billion for the years 2015 to 2019. It's hard to believe that the next number in that series ^[3] would be \$91.4 billion.

- They assume that spending/distribution of allowance revenue is dollar-for-dollar equivalent to a direct cash rebate to energy consumers. That is, the carbon tax isn't a tax if the government spends the money. When have Americans ever seen all of a tax returned to them? It's like suggesting your tax rebate will be as large as the amount taken from your paycheck every year.

- Most problematic is their complete omission of economic damage from restricting energy use. Footnote three on page four reads ^[2] "The resource cost does not indicate the potential decrease in gross domestic product (GDP) that could result from the cap. The reduction in GDP would also include indirect general equilibrium effects, such as changes in the labor supply resulting from reductions in real wages and potential reductions in the productivity of capital and labor." That's a pretty big chunk of change to ignore. In The Heritage Foundation's analysis of the Waxman-Markey climate change legislation, the GDP hit in 2020 was \$161 billion (2009 dollars). For a family of four, that is \$1,870 that they ignore.

It's also worth noting that 2020 had the second lowest GDP loss of the 24 years we analyzed. For all years the average was \$393 billion or over double the hit in 2020. In 2035 (the last year analyzed by Heritage) the lost GDP works out to \$6,790 per family of four and that is before they pay their \$4,600 share of the carbon taxes (again, costs are adjusted for inflation to reflect 2009 prices).

Also telling, on page 5, the report says ^[2]:

The distribution of the gross cost of complying with the policy would be quite different if the price level did not increase as a result of the cap—if, for example, the Federal Reserve adjusted monetary policy to prevent such an increase. In that case, the compliance costs would fall on workers and investors in the form of lower wages and profits."

So high inflation will help mask the pain (at least in 2020); however, it is doubtful the Fed would not act to try to keep inflation low especially if investors and international investors are getting hit. According to the CBO, then, this would cause workers and investors to be hit harder. But if investors are hit harder, they will invest less; therefore, there will be less capital and the potential GDP will be lower going forward than it would otherwise be. A lower potential GDP means fewer opportunities for future populations. (Note: The Heritage analysts

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assumes the Fed would use a Taylor type rule [4]. The CBO inflation number in 2020 [0.7 increase in CPI] matches Heritage's exactly. Yet the CBO claims it assumes no action by they Fed, while Heritage does.)

Furthermore, the CBO is misleading on the "costs" estimates. They are comparing "net costs" as those assuming the government did not recycle the revenue from allowances back to the consumers (the "gross cost" of the allowance) to the "net cost" of allowance that has been recycled. Their analysis is not a net cost to the economy in terms of the overall economic cost without a Waxman-Markey cap and trade bill versus the overall economic cost with Waxman-Markey. Our analysis measures the effects of cap and trade versus a baseline with no cap and trade legislation in place.

Higher energy costs create a significantly slower economy and reduce America's growth potential. Heritage analysis [5] finds that by 2035, a projected 2.5 million jobs are lost below the baseline (without a cap and trade bill). The average Gross Domestic Product (GDP) lost is \$393 billion, hitting a high of \$662 billion in 2035. The negative economic impacts accumulate, and the national debt is no exception. The increase in family-of-four debt, solely because of Waxman-Markey, hits an almost unbelievable \$114,915 by 2035.

Whatever the costs, we will get almost nothing in exchange. According to climatologist [6] Chip Knappenberger, Waxman-Markey would moderate temperatures by only hundredths of a degree in 2050 and no more than two-tenths of a degree at the end of the century. This doesn't sound like a great deal for the next generation—millions of lost jobs, trillions of lost income, 50-90 percent higher energy prices, stunning increases in the national debt, and all for undetectable changes in world temperature.

Addendum: For a full analysis, please read "CBO Grossly Underestimates Cost of Cap and Trade [7]."

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Study: Cap and trade would hurt economy

By Amanda DeBard

The Washington Times

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The Brookings Institution on Monday said cap-and-trade legislation to reduce carbon dioxide emissions would lower the nation's gross domestic product in 2050 by 2.5 percent, compared with levels it would reach if the legislation is not implemented.

A report issued by the left-leaning research organization said that if Congress passes something similar to President Obama's or the House's proposed plan, the economy would take the biggest hit around 2025. At that time, production at refineries and the use of coal and crude oil would decrease by 30 percent to 40 percent compared with what those levels could be in 2025.

About 35 percent of crude-oil-related jobs and 40 percent of coal-related jobs would be lost in 2025, according to the analysis. It assumes that the majority of workers would find new jobs, but the net job loss would be 0.5 percent over the first 10 years that the legislation is in effect.

The report doesn't focus on any particular piece of legislation, but rather tries to quantify the price of transitioning to a cleaner economy by using the cap-and-trade system. It shows that personal consumption would fall by as much as 0.5 percent, or \$2 trillion, by 2050.

A cap-and-trade system would decrease the amount of carbon dioxide in the air to a level that researchers say is safe. Allowances equaling that level would be given or auctioned by the government to those who have historically emitted the pollutant. Emitters then would have to return to the government enough permits to cover their emissions every year. If they fall short of permits, emitters would have to buy them from those who have a surplus.

The Obama administration wants to reduce carbon dioxide emissions - also known as greenhouse gas emissions - by 83 percent by 2050 from 2005 levels. The cap-and-trade legislation now pending in the House of Representatives would cut greenhouse gas emissions by the same amount.

Production and employment at utilities also would take a hit, according to the Brookings report, but the analysis shows small impacts on utilities because they would be forced to purchase less electricity from fossil fuels and more from renewable sources by 2020 - at least under the pending House bill.

The study also concludes that the cap-and-trade plan would raise much more money for the federal

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government than the official congressional estimate. The government would raise about \$1.5 trillion by 2020 if it sold all carbon emissions allowances, according to the Brookings analysis. The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) predicts that the House bill would raise \$846 billion by selling or auctioning off carbon allowances by 2019.

One reason for the difference is that the Brookings analysis assumes polluters would have to obtain allowances each year. The House bill allows entities to bank or borrow allowances to avoid compliance fees, which would result in less revenue to the government each year.

Another reason is the price of allowances. Brookings estimates that the market could drive up the price of a carbon dioxide allowance to as much as \$50 a ton by 2020. CBO estimates allowances would cost \$26 a ton in 2019.

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Government Study Shows Cap-and-Trade Will Raise Energy Prices

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By Peter Roff, Thomas Jefferson Street blog

U.S. Reps. Henry Waxman of California and Ed Markey of Massachusetts, two of the leading Democratic co-sponsors of H.R. 2454—the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009, better known as the cap-and-trade bill—asked the United States Energy Information Administration to analyze their bill's impact on energy prices and the U.S. economy.

According to a draft of the report released Tuesday night that has already found its way into the media and is circulating through Washington, Waxman and Markey may now wish they hadn't.

The EIA is the official source of U.S. government statistics on energy. As its Web site boasts, it "provides policy-neutral data, forecasts analyses to promote sound policy making, efficient markets, and public understanding regarding energy and its interaction with the ec and the environment."

It is not a partisan organization and its record is impeccable.

The bottom line of the EIA's projections is that, through the year 2030—which is as far out as the modeling will allow it go with any d of certainty—the legislation that passed the House "increases energy prices." EIA's independent conclusion confirms what the oppone the cap-and-trade bill have been saying all along—that the regulatory approach backed by the Obama White House will lead to higher prices for the American consumer, making it a tax on American family energy use.

Allowing that the "allocation of free allowances to regulated electricity and natural gas distribution companies" will lessen the impact of legislation on energy prices in the initial phase, through 2025, the EIA draft report says that the "average impacts on electricity price 2030 are projected to be substantially greater, reflecting both higher allowance prices and the phase-out of the free allocation of all- to distributors between 2025 and 2030."

In plain English, that means the price of energy will go up a lot after 2025, solely because of what the cap-and-trade bill requires.

EIA also says that because the cap-and-trade bill that passed the House "increases the cost of using energy," that real economic ou decline. This, in turn, "reduces purchasing power, and lowers aggregate demand for goods and services," which pushes projected real domestic product down below where it is predicted to be if everything is otherwise left alone.

So the secret is out. The fig leaf has fallen. The real point of the cap-and-trade bill is to reduce the production of greenhouse gases driving up the price of energy. The savings in emissions will come not from new, breakthrough technologies like solar and wind and ce ethanol and advanced nuclear reactors like the Bush administration pushed for, but by reducing U.S. economic activity.

If energy is more expensive, people will use less of it. That's how the market works.

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After a truncated debate and last-minute changes, the House of Representatives narrowly passed climate-change legislation on June 26, 2009, designed by Henry Waxman (D-CA) and Edward Markey (D-MA). The 1,427-page bill would restrict greenhouse-gas emissions from industry, mainly carbon dioxide from the combustion of coal, oil, and natural gas.

Since energy is the lifeblood of the American economy, 85 percent of which comes from CO₂-emitting fossil fuels, the Waxman-Markey bill represents an extraordinary level of economic interference by the federal government. For this reason, it is important for policymakers to have a sense of the economic impact that accompanies any environmental benefits.¹

Analysis by The Heritage Foundation's Center for Data Analysis (CDA) makes clear that Waxman-Markey promises serious perils for the American economy for the years and decades ahead. Waxman-Markey requires arbitrary and severe restrictions on the current energy supply and infrastructure. These restrictions can be met only through large-scale deployment of still-undeveloped or uneconomical technologies and alternative energy sources. In addition to the direct impact on consumers' budgets

through higher electric bills and gasoline prices, the resultant increase in energy costs will reverberate throughout the economy and inject unnecessary inefficiencies at virtually every stage of production. It would suppress economic activity and reduce employment, especially in the manufacturing sector. Virtually all costs would eventually filter down to the American people.

Waxman-Markey extracts trillions of dollars from the energy-using public and delivers this wealth to various groups—some of whom may be more deserving than others, and some who are simply better at lobbying. That could mean low-income households in an attempt to compensate them for sharply higher energy costs, or regulated industries that have effectively lobbied for compliance assistance. In any event, cap-and-trade allowances are a tax and would be the largest tax increase in recent history.

The recent experience with ethanol-use mandates illustrates the costs and unanticipated (at least by proponents) problems with a federal intervention in energy markets. However, Waxman-Markey represents a vastly more complex and comprehensive scheme, which suggests that the scope and intensity of unintended effects could be greater than

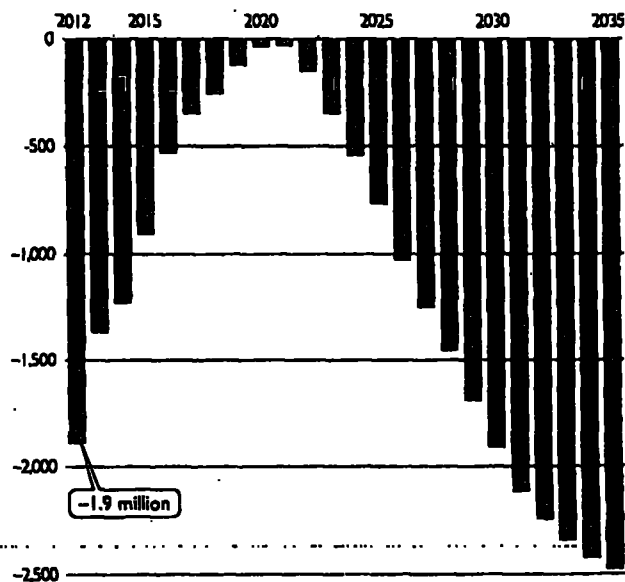
1. Scientific questions about global warming, its causes, and the seriousness of the consequences are not discussed in this report.

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Waxman–Markey Climate Change Bill Would Cost Millions of Jobs

The legislation would increase unemployment levels for every year: 1.9 million fewer jobs in 2012, and an average of 1.14 million fewer jobs from 2012 through 2035.

Change in Employment Due to Waxman–Markey Climate Change Bill, In Thousands of Jobs



Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based on the IHS/Global Insight U.S. Macroeconomic model.

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either proponents or critics of Waxman–Markey currently anticipate. In addition, Europe's experience with climate-change laws similar to Waxman–Markey strongly suggests both high costs and uncertain emissions reductions.

OVERVIEW

Waxman–Markey imposes strict limits on the emissions of six greenhouse gases (GHGs) with the primary emphasis on carbon dioxide (CO₂). The mechanism for capping these emissions requires regulated emitters to acquire federally created permits (allowances) for each ton emitted. The allowances have the economic effect of a tax—energy users will, of course, have to pay for the energy itself, and will also have to pay for the rights to use

it if its production involved one of the regulated greenhouse gases. The increase in energy costs stemming from paying for these permits to emit creates correspondingly large transfers of income from private energy consumers to special interests: the federal government collects the revenues from the sale of the allowances and redistributes them to individuals and groups (businesses included) that are listed in the legislation.

Implementing the Waxman–Markey legislation will be very costly, even given the rather optimistic assumptions about how effective it will be in reducing CO₂ emissions and how accommodating the economy will be to the added energy costs. The Heritage Foundation's dynamic analysis of these economic costs are summarized as follows (adjusted for inflation to 2009 dollars):

- Cumulative gross domestic product (GDP) losses are \$9.4 trillion between 2012 and 2035;
- Single-year GDP losses reach \$400 billion by 2025 and will ultimately exceed \$700 billion;
- Net job losses approach 1.9 million in 2012 and could approach 2.5 million by 2035. Manufacturing loses 1.4 million jobs in 2035;

- The annual cost of emissions permits to energy users will be at least \$100 billion by 2012 and could exceed \$390 billion by 2035;
- A typical family of four will pay, on average, an additional \$829 each year for energy-based utility costs; and
- Gasoline prices will rise by 58 percent (\$1.38 more per gallon) and average household electric rates will increase by 90 percent.

This CDA analysis extends only to 2035, as this is the forecasting horizon for the macroeconomic model used to prepare these estimates. But it should be noted that the emissions reductions continue to tighten through 2050 and that model-based analysis by other groups whose models extend beyond 2035 shows increasing harm to the U.S. economy.

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Effects on Industry

Waxman-Markey affects some industries more than others. Some industries are undoubtedly more energy-intensive and thus hit harder by higher energy prices. Particularly alarming is the damage that Waxman-Markey inflicts on America's manufacturing base. By 2035, the last year of the simulation, durable manufacturing employment will have lost 1.17 million jobs. Nondurable manufacturing losses reach almost 210,000 jobs by 2035. Combined, manufacturing employment averages 389,000 less than the baseline between 2012 and 2035, hitting a high of 1.38 million lost jobs in 2035.¹

Other industries experience the effects of higher energy prices as well. The fabricated-metal industry will see jobs drop by an average of more than 51,000 below the baseline and 216,000 below by 2035. The machinery industry will shed 263,000 jobs by 2035. Plastic and rubber products employment falls 33,000 jobs below the baseline on average as a result of Waxman-Markey and is 80,000 below business-as-usual in 2035, the last year of the simulation. The employment-services industry faces substantial losses, reaching 428,000 in 2035 and averaging 93,000 fewer jobs than the baseline from 2012 to 2035.

Two other industries adversely affected by this cap-and-trade legislation are transportation and trade. With cap-and-trade regulation, retail-trade unemployment increases by 276,000 in 2035, with a yearly average loss of 78,000, while wholesale-trade unemployment increases by 400,000 in 2035, and 191,000 on average each year. The trade, transportation, and utilities sector losses reach 1.1 million jobs by 2035 and 441,000 for the yearly average. Transportation and warehousing employment drops 383,000 by 2035 and has an average yearly loss of 175,000 jobs.

Because agriculture is energy intensive, it would be disproportionately burdened by Waxman-Markey. Higher gasoline and diesel fuel prices, higher electricity costs, and higher natural-gas-derived fertilizer costs all erode farm profits, which are expected to decline by 28 percent in 2012 and average 57 percent lower through 2035.

Also noteworthy are the effects on gas stations, which tend to be small businesses. Employment in the gas station industry is an average 33,000 jobs below the baseline every year from 2012 through 2035.

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The term "baseline" refers to the projections of the U.S. economy's future between 2009 and 2035 without the Waxman-Markey legislation becoming law. This baseline does contain all of the enacted energy legislation by this and previous Congresses. For example, the baseline used in this CDA Report contains the current law about fuel efficiency standards and the development of alternative energy sources.

In addition to burdening households, the high energy prices weaken the production side of the economy. Contrary to the claims of an economic boost from "green" investment as firms undertake the changes to reduce emissions and increased employment as so-called green jobs are created to do this work, Waxman-Markey would be a significant net drain on GDP and employment.

DESCRIPTION OF THE LEGISLATION

Waxman-Markey is a cap-and-trade bill. It caps greenhouse gas emissions from regulated entities beginning in 2012. At first, each power plant, factory, refinery, and other regulated entity will either be allocated allowances (rights to emit) for six greenhouse gases, or be made to purchase these allowances, or

some combination of the two. In the early years, most of the allowances will be given away. Perhaps one result of the ill-conceived last-minute changes is that for some years there are promises to distribute more than 100 percent of the available allowances to various interest groups. However, Heritage analysts assume, as do the bill writers, that most emitters will need to purchase at least some allowances. Note that whether allowances are sold or given away had no effect on the energy cost increases, which are caused by the constraint on supply.

Emitters who reduce their emissions below their annual allotment can sell their excess allowances to those who do not—the trade part of cap and trade. Over time, the cap is ratcheted from a 3 percent

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The model also includes an industry-production index. An industry-production index is a composite measure of the output produced by each of the companies within an industry. Roughly, the index is created by a weighted average of the total output by each company within an industry divided by the base year's weighted average total.² The index is based on a common year and, therefore, provides a comparable measure of increases or decreases in an industry's output over time.

Of all the industries modeled, only a handful showed increases in output under Waxman-Markey.³ Most decreased, and the set of industries whose output fell the most include:

- durable goods,
- railroad equipment,
- miscellaneous manufacturers,
- motor vehicles and parts,
- light truck and utility vehicles,
- electrical equipment, appliances, and components,
- communications equipment, computers, and electronics,
- engines and turbines,
- metalworking machinery,
- construction,
- agricultural equipment,
- glass and glass products,
- rubber and plastic products,
- medical equipment and supplies, and
- mining and its support activities.

2. For a more precise description of production indices as well as the methodology used to compile them, see "Studies in Methods: Index Numbers of Industrial Production," Series F, No. 1, United Nations Statistics Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, 2008, at <http://stats.un.org/indicators/indicators/Draft-version-860302.pdf> (July 24, 2009).

3. Those industrial groupings that increase are: leather and allied products; bags and coated and treated paper; semiconductors; newspapers and misc. publishers; periodicals; books; and cutlery and hand tools. The first most likely reflects a consumer switch from synthetically produced materials that require relatively more emissions. There is a broad applicability of semiconductors along with a need to find new technological processes. Newspapers and other media may historically be somewhat inversely related to unemployment as less work time may increase the demand for reading material both for leisure and education. Cutlery and hand tools may be driven by more labor-intensive processes, rather than motorized processes.

reduction of 2005 levels (the base year for measuring and mandating future GHG reductions) by 2012 to an 83 percent reduction by 2050.

ALLOWANCE GIVEAWAYS

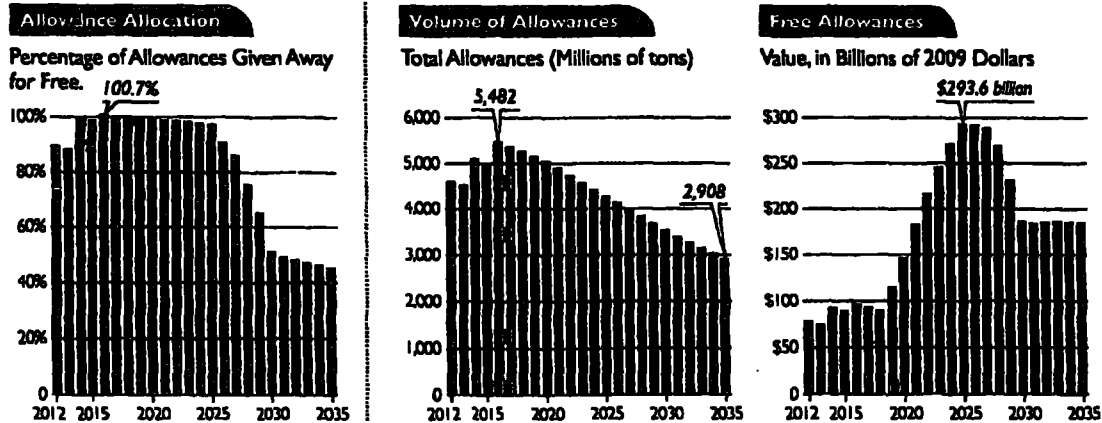
President Obama's budget proposal suggested a 100 percent auction of the emission allowances, forcing companies to bid on the right to emit. In order to get the Waxman-Markey cap-and-trade bill through the House Energy and Commerce Committee, however, Members of Congress promised gen-

erous handouts for various industries and special interests. In the near term, the legislation promises to distribute 85-101 percent of the allowances to various interest groups at no cost. The percentages for each industry decrease over time.

Electric Utilities. The biggest winners are the electric utilities, receiving 43.75 percent of the emission allowances in 2012 and 2013. The free allowances fall to 38.89 percent in 2014 and 2015, and 35 percent from 2016 through 2025. Beginning in 2026, the freely distributed allowances fall by 7

Greenhouse Gas Allowances Under Waxman–Markey

Under the Waxman–Markey climate-change legislation, companies would need to have permits, called allowances, to allow them to emit greenhouse gases. From 2012 through 2026, about 90 percent or more of the allowances would be given away for free. Beginning in 2019, the cost of allowances begins to rise dramatically as the caps on emissions become more stringent.



Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based on data from the IHS/Global Insight Energy model.

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percent per year, until they reach zero by 2030. Small local-distribution electric companies are given 0.5 percent of the allowance value from the enactment of the bill through 2025; it is then reduced by 0.1 percent until it reaches zero. Energy-efficient cogeneration facilities receive 0.35 percent in the first year, but nothing after that.

Energy Sectors. The natural gas industry receives 9 percent of the allowances beginning in 2016, until they are reduced by 1.8 percent per year beginning in 2026. The handouts reach zero in 2030. For home heating oil and propane consumers, only 1.88 percent of the allowances are given in years 2012 and 2013. This decreases to 1.67 percent for the next two years, and to 1.5 percent from 2016 through 2025. After this they are phased out by 0.3 percent each year. Oil refiners receive 2 percent of the allowances from 2014 through 2026. On top of this, small business refineries will receive 0.25 percent from 2014 to 2026.

Protecting the Poor. The bill stipulates that the revenues from 15 percent of the allowances sold at auction will go to low-income consumers.

Trade-Affected Industries. Energy-intensive and "trade-exposed" industries will undoubtedly be

at a competitive disadvantage in relation to companies in other countries that do not put a price on carbon emissions. To mitigate this result, the bill gives 2 percent of the allowances to affected industries for the first two years of the bill's enactment, which increases to 15 percent beginning in 2014, and then slowly phases them out to zero by 2035.

Transitioning to Cleaner Energy. To invest in clean technology and renewable energy, 10.05 percent of the free allowances are set aside beginning immediately in 2012. The majority of these allowances will go to State Energy and Environmental Development (SEED), which allows state energy offices to allocate the revenue to specified energy efficiency and renewable energy programs. A small portion, 0.5 percent, goes toward more energy-efficient building codes. The free allowances fall to 7.05 percent for 2016 and 2017, 6.03 percent for 2018 to 2021, 1.53 percent for 2022 to 2025, rises back to 8.58 percent from 2026 to 2029, and remains at 5.03 percent thereafter. The auto industry receives 3 percent of the allowances from 2012 to 2017, and 1 percent from 2018 to 2025.

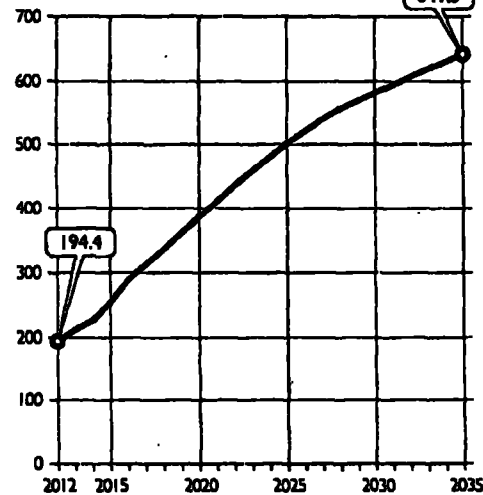
Universities, institutions, and any "Clean Energy Innovation Center," which will study energy-effi-

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Renewable Energy Calculations

This study assumes a 430 percent increase in renewable energy by 2035; in 2009, renewable energy generation was 149 terawatt hours.

Electric Power Generation from Renewables, in Terawatt Hours



Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based data from the IHS/Global Insight Energy model.

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cient building systems and designs, are awarded 1.05 percent of the allowances beginning in 2012 and lasting until 2050. Eight energy-innovation hubs at universities, private research entities, industry sites, or state institutions that focus on clean-energy technology will receive 0.45 percent of allowances from 2012 through 2050. Worker-assistance programs receive 0.5 percent of the allowances from 2012 through 2021, and 1 percent for 2022 through 2050. For the year 2012 only, 1 percent is designated to early actors, which rewards those who have already taken approaches to reduce carbon dioxide emissions, such as no-till farming and planting trees. The allowance revenue would only be available for entities that publicly stated and reported greenhouse gas reduction goals and demonstrated net reductions. The allowances cover only "reduction activity" that took place between January 1, 2001, and January 1, 2009. To foster the deployment of carbon capture and sequestration (CCS), a relatively untried

process that reduces the amount of carbon dioxide emissions from industrial facilities, the bill allocates 1.75 percent of the emission allowances from 2014 through 2017, 4.75 percent from 2018 to 2019, and 5 percent from 2020 through 2050 for installing and operating CCS technologies.

Supplemental Reduction. From 2012 to 2025, 5 percent of the allowance revenue will be allocated for supplemental reduction, such as for funding international forestry products. This falls to 3 percent in 2026, to 2 percent in 2031, and continuing through 2050. Supplemental agriculture and renewable energy receive 0.28 percent of the handouts beginning in 2012 and ending in 2016.

Adaptation Efforts. Domestic adaptation efforts to protect humans, landscapes, and wildlife affected by climate change receive 0.9 percent of the allowances from 2012 through 2021, growing to 1.9 percent in 2022 and to 3.9 percent in 2027. Specifically, 0.1 percent of the allowance handouts will go to the Climate Change Health Protection and Promotion Fund from 2012 to 2050 to protect the health of humans affected by climate change; 0.385 percent and 0.615 percent go to wildlife and natural-resource adaptation distributed to states and the Natural Resources Climate Change Adaptation Fund, respectively. These percentages increase to 0.770 and 1.23, respectively, for the years 2022 to 2026, and increase again to 1.54 percent and 2.46 from 2027 to 2050.

International adaptation to increase resilience as well as reduce vulnerability to climate change and international deployment of clean-energy technologies receive 1 percent each from 2012 to 2021, increasing to 2 percent each year beginning in 2022, and increasing again to 4 percent from 2027 through 2050.

MACROECONOMIC SIMULATION OVERVIEW

In a market-based economy, most effects of a policy are transmitted through price signals that are driven by changes in consumption and production decisions at the micro level. The aggregate impact these changes have on the economy is based on how these price signals interact with other markets and shift the economy's resources. Moving below the baseline means that the economy is operating less efficiently and that the resources in the economy were better utilized under the baseline scenario than under the new policy.

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Heritage analysts used the IHS Global Insight long-term macroeconomic model of the U.S. economy to estimate the effects of the Waxman-Markey bill on the overall economy.² The simulation was implemented by changing variables in the macroeconomic model according to the changes predicted by a microeconomic model of the energy sector maintained by the CDA (see the section describing the CDA energy model below). In order to estimate the policy impact, three main pieces needed to be simulated: (1) price effects, (2) energy-efficiency (demand) effects, and (3) allowance revenue and allocation effects.

The policy changes in Waxman-Markey affect producer prices in the energy sectors directly through the cost of purchasing allowances and offsets as well as through changes in production needed to reduce emissions.³ The energy model estimated the change in energy production prices and retail energy prices. These prices were matched with their corresponding variables in the macroeconomic model to estimate the effect these price changes would have on the overall economy.

The energy model projects changes in fuel efficiency and changes in total highway fuel consumption. The corresponding macroeconomic model variables were changed. The effect of these changes helps mitigate some of the total increased consumer expenditure on fuel.

The macroeconomic model does not have specific variables corresponding to the alternative renewable fuel sources in the CDA energy model. The macroeconomic simulation takes into account the increase in domestic alternative-fuel sources by adjusting the amount of imported fuel.

The last piece of the simulation is the allowance revenue component. As discussed above, the value

of permits equals the entire value of these permits as government revenue, regardless of whether they are formally auctioned. As much as possible, the revenue allocations followed the details in Henry Waxman and Edward Markey's May 14, 2009, memo "Proposed Allowance Allocation."⁴ Any unallocated allowance revenue remained in the federal government's general consumption variable and was thus allocated by the model in ways consistent with the historical pattern of government spending.⁵

THE WAXMAN-MARKEY ENERGY MODEL

To meet the emissions reduction goals of Waxman-Markey, the price of fossil-fuel energy must increase enough to drop the quantity demanded to the target levels. The allowance price is the tax on fossil-fuel energy that causes the price to increase. The allowance tax will be determined as refiners, electric companies, natural gas distributors, and certain other energy users bid against each other for the allowances. As the allowance price increases, these bidders will find it increasingly difficult to pass the costs on to the ultimate consumers, thus they bid for fewer allowances. This, in turn, restricts the amount of fossil fuel that will be consumed and determines the added price consumers must pay for energy.

The amount of CO₂ emitted per unit of energy generated depends on the type of fuel used. The energy model used by the Center for Data Analysis is based on the IHS Global Insight energy module and adds the appropriate cost to each energy source for various allowance prices.⁶

Further, the model incorporates estimates of user responses to price changes (demand elasticity) for natural gas, petroleum products, coal, and electricity. Following a well-known pattern, this responsiveness to price changes grows over time.

2. The November 2008 baseline is used for this analysis. Heritage analysts relied on models maintained by IHS Global Insight, Inc., for developing the economic estimates reported in this paper. The IHS Global Insight model is used by private-sector and government economists to estimate how changes in the economy and public policy are likely to affect major economic indicators. The methodologies, assumptions, conclusions, and opinions presented here are entirely the work of analysts at The Heritage Foundation's Center for Data Analysis. They have not been endorsed by, and do not necessarily reflect the views of, the owners of the IHS Global Insight model.
3. Note, even if allowances are not purchased explicitly, but given freely, the producer is now holding an allowance that could be sold and thus carries an opportunity cost. That is, the driver of the cost increases is not the cash payment of allowances, but the constraint on emissions. Contrary to popular belief, giving allowances for "free" does not mitigate this cost.
4. The final legislation passed by the House called for slightly different allocations. While softening the impact for some groups at the expense of others matters for those affected groups, the macroeconomic impact of this rearrangement is not significantly changed. Again, the main driver of the economic impact is the artificial scarcity of emissions that constrains energy production and consumption. Without adequate energy levels, the economy slows down and resources are underused.
5. For a full description and technical details of the simulation see Appendix 1.

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In the CDA model, the allowance prices for all years are adjusted until the aggregate amounts of CO₂ emissions from all fuels reaches the target emissions for that year. To account for offsets, the targets are increased by 15 percent above the caps for every year. In the early years, the business-as-usual emissions are greater than the allowances alone, but less than the allowances plus offsets. For those years, the allowance price is set at the estimated world clearing price for offsets—\$20 per ton. Beyond the year 2018, the offsets limits are reached and the allowance price rises as the caps become tighter. The allowance price exceeds \$120 per ton of CO₂ by 2035.

THE ECONOMIC COSTS OF WAXMAN-MARKEY

The Waxman-Markey bill affects the economy directly through higher prices for carbon-based energy, which reduces quantity demanded and, thus, the quantity supplied of energy from carbon fuels. Energy prices rise because energy producers must pay a fee for each ton of carbon they emit. The fee structure is intended to create an incentive for producers to invest in technologies that reduce carbon emissions during energy production. The bill's sponsors and supporters hope that the fees are sufficiently high to create a strong incentive and demand for cleaner energy production and for the widespread adoption of carbon capture and sequestration technology.

The economic model that CDA analysts used to estimate the bill's broad economic effects treats the fees as a tax on energy producers. Thus, energy prices increase by the amount of the fee or tax. The demand for energy, which largely determines the consumption and, thus, the taxes collected, responds to higher energy prices both directly and

indirectly. The direct effect is a reduction in the consumption of carbon-based energy.

The indirect effects are more complex. Generally speaking, the carbon fees reduce the amount of energy used in producing goods and services, which slows the demand for labor and capital and reduces the rate of return on productive capital. This "supply-side" impact exerts the predictable secondary effects of labor and capital income, which depresses consumption.⁷

These are not unexpected effects. Carbon-reduction schemes that depend on fees or taxes attain their goals of lower atmospheric carbon by slowing carbon-based economic activity. Producers and consumers respond to the carbon taxes both by switching to less carbon-intensive production and consumption and by simply reducing production and consumption.

The Heritage study assumes that renewable electricity generation (not including conventional hydro) and biofuels grow by a factor of four between 2010 and 2035. The baseline used in the Heritage analysis already includes significant increases in wind energy, solar power, ethanol, biodiesel, and biomass-derived energy. So, the economic impacts are in addition to the costs of these large baseline increases in alternative energy supply.

With the combined impact of these responses, policymakers can expect results similar to the following economic effects.⁸

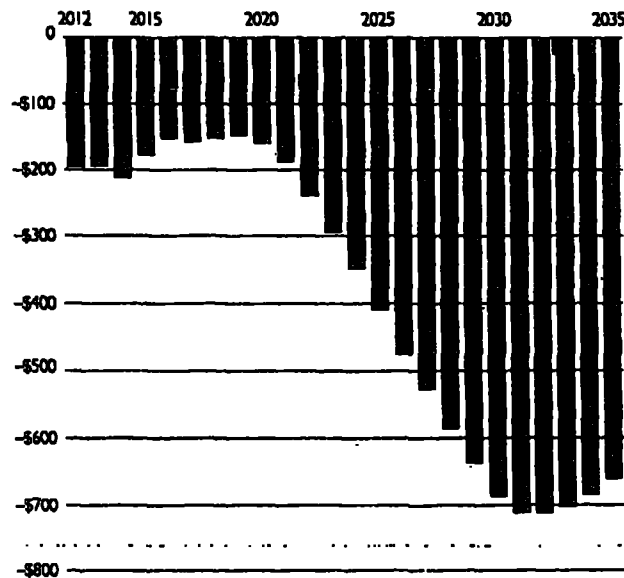
Economic Output Declines. The broadest measure of economic activity is the change in GDP after accounting for inflation. GDP measures the dollar value of all goods and services produced in the United States during the year for final sale to consumers. The changes that Waxman-Markey causes

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7. This incentive is policy-induced and is not driven by the real fundamental incentive of relative costs to relative benefits. Therefore, artificially increasing the price of carbon-based fuel in order to make alternative fuels more competitive is less efficient. It handicaps a competitive energy source so that a less competitive source has a chance, rather than making the less competitive source more competitive. Arguments that this is creating greater efficiency for clean energy are correct, but they miss the point that relative to the baseline, the economy is being forced to pay more for the same amount of energy or receive less of it, which means there is an overall negative impact on the economy.
8. For detailed results of the simulation, see Appendix 2.

Waxman-Markey Climate Change Bill Would Weaken the Economy

The legislation would reduce the economy by no less than \$120 billion in any year, with an average loss of \$314 billion from 2012 to 2035 and cumulative losses exceeding \$9.4 trillion.

Annual Change in Gross Domestic Product Due to Waxman-Markey Climate Change Bill, in Billions of 2009 Dollars



Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based on the IHS/Global Insight U.S. Macroeconomic model.

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in GDP are a broad measure of the altered pattern of all other economic variables.

The initial shock of higher energy prices reduces GDP by nearly \$200 billion in each of the first few years. As always, markets strive to counter shocks. Because of the generosity of the offsets, the carbon constraints do not further tighten until 2018 and markets move GDP closer to the higher baseline levels. However, after 2018 the carbon limits put ever increasing pressure on energy markets and GDP losses grow each year. Though the annual losses decrease somewhat after 2032, the Waxman-Markey impact continues to destroy more than \$600 billion of GDP value every year until the end year of the Heritage analysis (2035).

Driving energy prices higher is a fundamental feature of cap and trade. It is the higher price of fossil-fuel energy (85 percent of U.S. energy) that forces firms and households to use less of it. There is no allowance-distribution scheme that can lower overall energy costs. Though some allowances given to regulated electric utilities may, at least initially, lower prices for their customers, this would undermine the necessary conservation and force greater costs on other consumers. There will be no net energy price reductions. Further, allowances given to unregulated firms will simply go to the bottom line and not to consumers.

In aggregate, the GDP losses for 2012 to 2035 are \$9.4 trillion even after adjusting for inflation.

This slowdown in GDP is seen more dramatically in the slump in manufacturing output. Indeed, by 2020, manufacturing output in this energy-sensitive sector is 2 percent below what it would be if Waxman-Markey never becomes law. By 2035, the manufacturing sector has lost \$585 billion in output when compared to the CDA baseline; that is, when compared to the economic world without Waxman-Markey.

Number of Jobs Declines. Though lost GDP is the broadest measure of the economic impact, it often seems a remote measure. Looking beneath the surface of GDP shows the economic reactions to the legislation that led up to the drop in output. The change in employment is one such reaction.

Instead of creating jobs, Waxman-Markey is a job destroyer. Compared to the baseline (a no-Waxman-Markey world), the average year has 1.1 million fewer people working. By 2035, this Waxman-Markey jobs deficit has risen to nearly 2.5 million lost jobs.

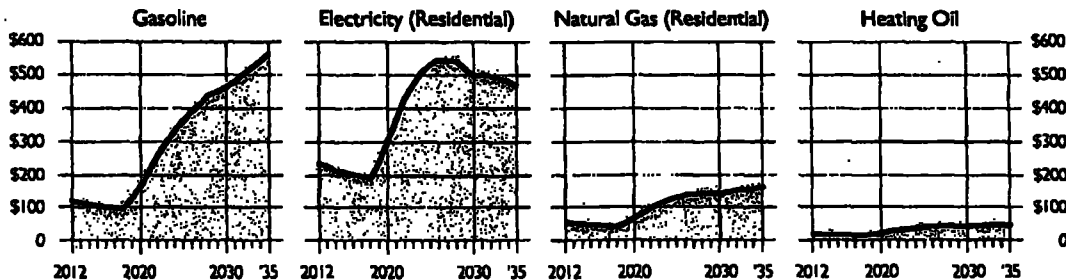
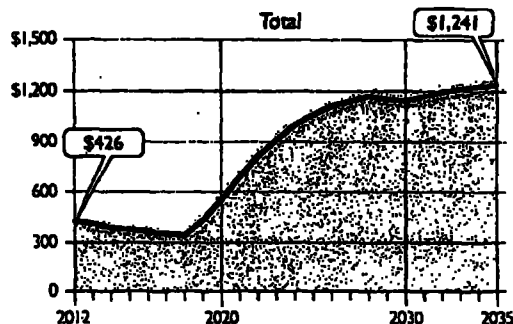
The job losses are widely, but not evenly, distributed. For instance, the construction industry loses 8.5 times as many of its jobs than the economy as a

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Waxman-Markey Climate Change Bill Would Increase Energy Costs

The Waxman-Markey climate change bill would increase average total energy costs for a family of four by \$426 in 2012. Costs would fall slightly until 2019, when they would begin to rise dramatically. Gasoline and electricity costs alone would cost families \$1,033 more per year in 2035.

Total Annual Energy Cost Increases For a Family of Four Due to the Waxman-Markey Climate Change Bill, Adjusted for Inflation in 2009 Dollars



Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based on the IHS/Global Insight U.S. Macroeconomic and Energy models.

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whole. The job-loss rate for the textile industry is more than 7.8 times the rate of overall job loss; 4.4 times the overall rate for manufacturing; 5.9 for durable manufacturing; 5.3 for paper products; and 7.1 for wood products.

Because the distribution of energy-intensive jobs across the country is unequal, some states and congressional districts will be hit particularly hard. Notable among the most adversely affected states throughout the duration of the bill are: Wisconsin, Indiana, Minnesota, Iowa, New Hampshire, North Carolina, South Carolina, Idaho, and Alabama. Some states, such as Wyoming, North Dakota, Colorado, and Nebraska are most adversely affected when the policy first takes effect, while other states, such as Michigan, Ohio, and Tennessee, are among the hardest-hit states by 2035.⁹

Energy Prices Rise. The policy-induced higher energy prices, which signal the constraint of

energy, are the root cause of the slower economy. As Chart 5 shows, consumer prices for electricity, natural gas, and home heating oil increase significantly between 2015 and 2035. Indeed, by 2035, the total energy bill for a family of four is \$1,200 higher than it would be otherwise. Between 2012 and 2035, the total increase in expenditure on energy is nearly \$20,000. This increase occurs not only after adjusting for inflation, but also after households have adjusted as well as possible to the higher energy prices.

By 2035, Waxman-Markey causes electricity prices to rise 90 percent over and above the rise that would have occurred anyway. By turning thermostats down in winter and up in summer; by purchasing more energy-efficient, but more expensive, appliances; by adding more insulation to houses; by living in smaller houses; and by manifold other changes, U.S. energy consumption is cut by more than 30 percent. Nevertheless, even these cuts are not suffi-

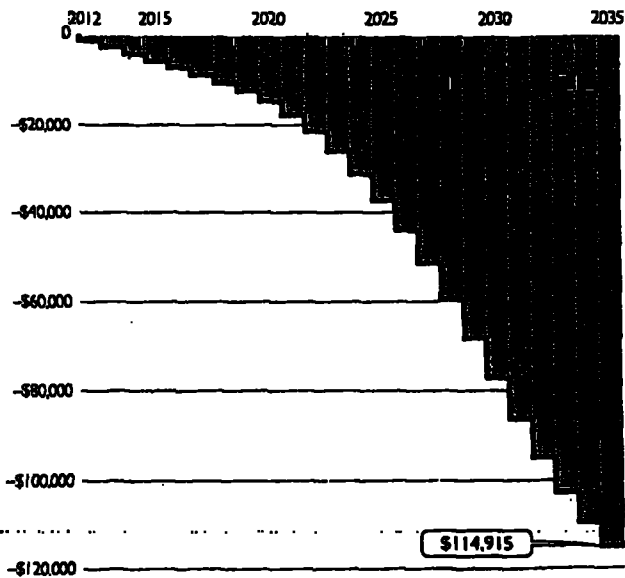
9. For detailed state results of the simulation, see Appendix 3.

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Waxman–Markey Climate Change Bill Would Add to Families' Shares of National Debt

The legislation would add every year an average of \$5,000 to each family's share of the national debt. By 2035, that share will have grown by nearly \$115,000.

Change in Average Share of National Debt for a Family of Four Due to Waxman–Markey Climate Change Bill



Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based on the IHS/Global Insight U.S. Macroeconomic Model.

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cient to fully offset the price increase for electricity. The net effect is that a family of four will spend \$468 more on electricity alone because of Waxman–Markey.

Incomes and Consumption Decline. Higher energy prices also drive up production costs, which must be reflected in product prices. Since higher prices reduce quantities sold, producers produce less. In turn, workers and investors earn less, and household incomes decline. The especially sharp income and employment reductions in the energy-intensive sectors spread and cause declines in

demand for other sectors of the economy.

The CDA simulation captures this effect of higher energy prices. Consumption outlays by individuals and households follow the pattern of lower income. In 2012, consumption expenditures are \$129 billion lower than they would be in an economic world in which Waxman–Markey is not the law. By 2030, the drop in consumption expenditures reaches \$357 billion—\$3,823 less per family of four.

Taxes Increase. The allowances created by Waxman–Markey to restrain CO₂ emissions do not create economic value, which is another way of saying that the allowances do not improve the material well-being of Americans. Instead, they are a form of taxation and will be one of the largest taxes collected by the federal government.¹⁰ This tax created by Waxman–Markey will collect \$5.7 trillion over the period 2012 to 2035—at a cost of thousands of dollars per year per family.

National Debt Grows. Because the Waxman–Markey cap-and-trade tax reduces income, it reduces the revenues collected from other taxes, such as personal and corporate income taxes. And because the revenue collected from Waxman–Markey

is spent, the net effect is to increase the national debt. By 2035, Waxman–Markey will have added 9.1 trillion nominal dollars to the national debt, which amounts to an increased tax liability of \$12,803 for every American, or a \$51,216 liability for a family of four in today's (2009) dollars.

Climate Impact Does Not Register. Because of market-driven increases in energy efficiency, CO₂ emissions have grown more slowly than has national income for decades in the United States.¹¹ Contrasted with the moderating growth of American CO₂ emissions, those of the developing world,

10. For a discussion of why the allowances can be considered taxes, see "Congressional Budget Office Cost Estimate: H.R. 2454, American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009," June 5, 2009, at <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/102xx/doc10262/hr2454.pdf> (July 25, 2009).

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Cost to Americans: Hundreds—or Thousands?

Analyses of the economic impact of Waxman-Markey fall into two basic categories: (1) studies that show annual economic costs to be a few hundred dollars per family per year; and (2) others showing family costs measured in thousands of dollars per year.

These two notable "postage stamp" studies come from the EPA and the Congressional Budget Office.¹ The EPA asserts that Waxman-Markey will reduce household consumption by \$98 to \$140 per year throughout the duration of the policy. What is never mentioned by those trumpeting this number is what it really means.

First, the EPA employs a technique from the financial world called "discounting" to reduce the value. For example, the EPA estimates that the inflation-adjusted cost per household in 2050 will be \$1,287. However, after this value is discounted to the present, the cost is \$140 per household.² Note that discounting is not done to adjust for inflation—that has already been done. Present-value discounting is a technique for comparing the value of money paid at different points in time. If a household must pay \$1,287 in 2050, the \$140 represents the amount that household would have to pay into an interest-bearing account today so that the interest would allow it to grow to \$1,287 by 2050. Discounting can be a legitimate tool for cost-benefit and investment analysis where costs and benefits are paid and benefits received at different times. Thus, both are discounted to the same point in time and compared. Without discounted environmental impacts for comparison, using the technique, here, does little except undercount the cost that families will actually be paying in 2050.

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1. Environmental Protection Agency, "EPA Analysis of the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 H.R. 2454 in the 111th Congress," June 23, 2009, at http://www.epa.gov/climatechange/economics/pdfs/HR2454_Analysis.pdf (July 25, 2009), and Congressional Budget Office, "The Estimated Costs to Households from the Cap-and-Trade Provisions of H.R. 2454," June 19, 2009, at <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/103xx/doc10327/06-19-CapAndTradeCosts.pdf> (July 25, 2009).

2. EPA, p. 13.

especially China and India, have been accelerating. China is now the world's largest emitter of CO₂. Because the developing world is so populous and because large segments are finally experiencing the rapid economic growth that perverse economic policies had previously stifled, the growth in CO₂ emissions will swamp the cuts proposed in the U.S. by Waxman-Markey.

Climatologists estimate that Waxman-Markey's impact on world temperature will be too small to even measure in the first several decades. The theoretical moderation of world temperature would be 0.05 degree centigrade by 2050. If CO₂-emission levels meet the Waxman-Markey target of 17 percent of 2005 emissions by the year 2050, and if they

are frozen at that level for the rest of the century, Waxman-Markey would still reduce the world temperature by only 0.2 degree Celsius by 2100.

CONCLUSION

The Waxman-Markey bill proposes a new national tax of historic proportions. Though levied directly on carbon-based energy, the tax's impact spreads through the economy, increasing prices, reducing income, destroying jobs, and significantly expanding the national debt.

As with many policies coming from Washington these days, the Waxman-Markey bill seeks to "level the playing field" by making a more competitive player weaker, in this case hamstringing

11. For example, between 2005 and 2006 CO₂ emissions decreased by 1.3 percent, while the U.S. economy grew by 3.3 percent. Only 0.9 percent of the decrease was due to a decrease in overall energy use during this time, which indicates that the U.S. economy is becoming less carbon-intensive even without more mandates. Margo Thorning, "The Impact of America's Climate Security Act of 2007 (S. 2191) on the U.S. Economy and on Global Greenhouse Gas Emissions," testimony before the Committee on Environmental and Public Works, U.S. Senate, November 8, 2007, at <http://www.aacf.org/pdf/test-climate-security.pdf> (July 28, 2009).

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Second, the EPA measures consumption, not income. The broadest and best measure of cost is lost income—lost GDP. Consumption only comes after taxes and savings are deducted. Ignoring lost savings and lost payments for government services underestimates the costs by about 40 percent.

Third, the EPA measures cost per household. Households are not necessarily families. One person living alone counts as a household, as do three single people sharing an apartment. The EPA uses the average household size of 2.6 people. Converting from this EPA household size to a family of four adds more than 50 percent to the cost estimate.

So, the EPA's \$174 cost per household is actually above \$2,700 (even after adjusting for inflation) when presented as lost income per family of four. This is not a postage stamp per day.

The CBO study, on the other hand, does not even attempt a comprehensive measure of lost income and it explicitly states so in footnote 3 of its report.³ In addition, the CBO study assumes that government expenditure of one dollar is the same as not taxing that dollar. Finally, the CBO created an artificial year (2020, in terms of a 2010 economy), which allows it to project a lower tax cost in the first place because the baseline GDP in 2010 is lower than the baseline in 2020. The CBO's methodology effectively measures the administration costs of collecting and distributing the allowances rather than the full economic cost.

Analysts from across the ideological spectrum who estimate comprehensive measures of lost income due to Waxman–Markey find costs that are also measured in thousands of dollars per year. The Heritage estimate for lost GDP in 2020 is \$161 billion, which translates to nearly \$1,900 per family of four. The CRA International study (conducted for the National Black Chamber of Commerce) and a Brookings Institution study both project costs that translate to about \$5,000 per family of four.⁴

3. CBO, p. 4.

4. David Montgomery *et al.*, "Impact on the Economy of the American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 (H.R. 2454)," CRA International, May 2009, at http://www.nationalbcc.org/images/stories/documents/CRA_Waxman-Markey_%205-20-09_v8.pdf (July 25, 2009), and Warwick McKibbin, Pete Wilcoxon, and Adele Morris, "Consequences of Cap and Trade," Brookings Institution, June 8, 2009, at http://www.brookings.edu/~media/Files/events/2009/0608_climate_change_economy/20090608_climate_change_economy.pdf (July 25, 2009).

carbon-based energy sources, rather than ensuring an environment where less competitive players can become stronger. This policy hurts everyone, including alternative-energy investors, because it uses resources less efficiently, which creates dead-weight losses. This means there will be underused resources leading to fewer opportunities in the future as slower growth reduces the resources available to help power the research and development investments that will create the technologies of the future.

As President Obama said about his cap-and-trade program during the presidential election campaign, "electricity prices would necessarily skyrocket."¹² The same applies to many other prices as the Waxman–Markey energy tax spreads through the econ-

omy. Businesses and consumers will adapt as well as possible to these higher prices. They will spend more for less energy. They will build smaller houses and buildings. They will drive smaller, less safe vehicles. They will turn thermostats up in the summer and down in the winter. They will divert income to more expensive energy-saving appliances. But these activities and more will not be enough to offset the higher energy costs. The net effect is lower income, higher prices, and fewer jobs.

In particular, the Heritage analysis projects that by 2035:

- Gasoline prices will rise 58 percent (or \$1.38) above the baseline forecast, which already contains price increases;

12. "Obama: My Plan Makes Electricity Rates Skyrocket," YouTube, January 17, 2008, at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HITxGHn4sH4> (July 25, 2009).

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- Natural gas prices will rise 55 percent;
- Heating oil prices will rise 56 percent;
- Electricity prices will rise 90 percent;
- A family of four can expect to pay \$1,241 more for energy costs per year;
- Including taxes, a family of four will pay \$4,609 more per year;
- A family of four will reduce its consumption of goods and services by up to \$3,000 per year, as its income and savings fall;
- Aggregate GDP losses will be \$9.4 trillion;
- Job losses will be nearly 2.5 million; and
- The national debt will rise an additional \$12,803 per person.

(All figures are in constant 2009 dollars.)

All of these costs will be paid for no more than a 0.2 degree (Celsius) moderation in world temperature increases by 2100, and no more than a 0.05 degree reduction by 2050. Saddling the next generation with higher prices, higher debt, less income, fewer jobs, and more taxes does not seem like a worthy legacy—especially when the purported environmental benefits are so small they can barely be measured.

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APPENDIX 1 METHODOLOGICAL APPENDIX

IHS/Global Insight Long-Term U.S. Macroeconomic Model

The IHS/Global Insight long-term U.S. macroeconomic model is a large-scale 30-year (120-quarter) macroeconometric model of the U.S. economy. It is used primarily for commercial forecasting.

Over the years, analysts at The Heritage Foundation's Center for Data Analysis (CDA) have worked with economists at Global Insight (GI) to adapt the GI model to policy analysis. CDA analysts use the GI model to evaluate the effects of policy changes not only on disposable income and consumption in the short run, but also on the economy's long-run supply-side potential. They can do so because the GI model imposes the long-run structure of a neo-classical growth model but makes short-run fluctuations in aggregate demand a focus of analysis.

The Global Insight model can be used to forecast more than 1,400 macroeconomic aggregates. Those aggregates describe final demand, aggregate supply, incomes, industry production, interest rates, and financial flows in the U.S. economy. The GI model includes such a wealth of information about the effects of important changes in the economic and policy environment because it encompasses detailed modeling of consumer spending, residential and non-residential investment, government spending, personal and corporate incomes, federal (and state and local) tax revenues, trade flows, financial markets, inflation, and potential gross domestic product.

Consistent with the rational-expectations hypothesis, economic decision-making in the GI model is generally forward-looking. In some cases, Global Insight assumes that expectations are largely a function of past experience and recent changes in the economy. Such a retroactive approach is taken in the model because GI believes that expectations change little in advance of actual changes in the economic and policy variables about which economic decision makers form expectations.

Operation of the U.S. Macroeconomic Model

The policy changes contained in Waxman-Markey and simulated in the U.S. energy model (as described in the paper) resulted in changes in the U.S. macroeconomic model of energy-price variables, energy use and demand variables, and gov-

ernment revenue and spending variables. The changes predicted by the energy model were introduced into the macro model in order to simulate the overall economic impact of the Waxman-Markey bill. In order to mitigate differences in scale and baselining assumptions between the energy model variables and the corresponding macroeconomic variables, the percentage changes in variables predicted by the energy model, rather than the new value, were imposed on their macroeconomic variable counterparts. These changes were implemented in the following ways:

Energy Price Effects. The macro model contains a host of prices that are changed through their interaction with other variables in this model. The policy changes in Waxman-Markey affect the prices that consumers pay for energy and the prices that producers in the energy sectors pay for their inputs directly. The direct microeconomic impact of the legislation is thus simulated by the microeconomic model of the energy sector. (The energy model is described in the main text.) The direct micro effect is then used to change the macro model in order to simulate the net economic effect on the macro economy induced by the far-reaching ripple effects of the microeconomic changes to the energy sector.

Price changes simulated by the energy model for the producer prices were used to adjust the corresponding variables in the macro model. The prices that energy-sector producers pay were then made exogenous; thus these prices were driven by the energy-model simulation. The following producer-price categories were affected: coal, natural gas, electricity, natural gas, petroleum products, and residual fuel oil.

CDA analysts employed a similar procedure in implementing changes in consumer prices. In this case, the variables affected were all consumption-price deflators. Once again, we substituted changes predicted by the energy-model simulation for these variables for their macro-model counterparts. The following consumption price deflators were affected: fuel oil and coal, gasoline, electricity, and natural gas.

Unlike in the Lieberman-Warner climate-change bill, the energy model simulation of Waxman-Markey did not predict changes for major macroeco-

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conomic cost drivers: West Texas Intermediate Crude Spot Price, Refiners' Average Cost of Crude Oil (domestic and imported), Henry Hub Spot Price, and Natural Gas Wellhead Price. These prices are largely affected by the imported price of crude oil. Instead, the Waxman-Markey legislation influences market prices further down the domestic production line where emissions constraints are binding.

Energy Consumption Effects. In theory, higher energy prices could be driven by increased energy demand. Thus, CDA analysts adjusted the macroeconomic model to account for decreases in the demand for carbon-based fuels. The changes that were made for the variables total energy consumption, total end-use consumption for petroleum, total end-use consumption for natural gas, total end-use consumption for coal, and total end-use consumption for electricity were again obtained from the energy model simulation.

Both the energy model and the macro model contain equations that predict changes in demand for energy, given changes in energy prices, but the energy model contains a more detailed treatment of demand. Preferring details over generality, CDA analysts lined up the demand equations in both models and substituted settings from the energy model for those in the macro model. Specifically, analysts lined up these demand equations:

- Total energy consumption,
- Total end-use consumption for petroleum,
- Total end-use consumption for natural gas,
- Total end-use consumption for coal, and
- Total end-use consumption for electricity.

In addition to the consumption price effects, overall spending is influenced by changes in fuel efficiency. The energy model predicts changes in fuel efficiency and changes in total highway fuel consumption. The macro model variables for average miles per gallon of new light vehicles and the average miles per gallon of the light vehicle stock were changed according to the change predicted by the energy model. The highway consumption of fuel was adjusted by an average of the change simulated in the energy model of highway consumption of fuel by cars and light trucks.

Renewable Energy Production. The energy model predicted changes in renewable sources. These energy supplies would affect market prices for energy, albeit the macro model does not have an

explicit price deflator for renewable energy. The effect of domestic renewable sources of energy would also influence the amount of oil imported. The macro model adjusts differences between supply and demand in energy by affecting imports through a residual variable that is exogenous in the model. This means that the model would not account for substitutions in supply and would incorrectly increase imports by the decrease in traditional sources of domestic energy. Thus this residual value was changed in the macro model according to the changes estimated by the energy model for the new level of imports, domestic production (both renewable and nonrenewable), and domestic consumption. This allowed the macroeconomic simulation to implicitly take account of the increase in alternative fuel source supply.

Revenue Estimates. The energy model produces estimates of carbon emissions and of the carbon fee in dollars per metric ton. By multiplying the emissions by the carbon fee, analysts obtained the "revenue" from the emissions permits.

Heritage analysts assumed that the revenue value of permits equals the entire value of these permits as government revenue, regardless of whether they are formally auctioned. If the government chooses to transfer ownership of the permits to other entities, that would be reflected as a transfer payment in the national income accounts. The allocation of the value of this revenue is a source of much debate among the legislators. Heritage analysis allocated the revenue as much as possible, given the sparse detail in the memo "Proposed Allowance Allocation" by Chairman Henry A. Waxman and Chairman Edward J. Markey dated May 14, 2009. Any unallocated allowance revenue remained in the federal government's general consumption variable and was thus allocated by the model in ways consistent with the historical pattern of government spending.

Specifically, the allowance value was transferred to individuals in the form of non-Medicare or Social Security full-employment transfers (as opposed to an aid transfer driven by an economic downturn like an unemployment benefit transfer). The various transfers specified in the memo amounted to 15.5 percent of the value transferred until 2021, and 16 percent of the value transferred to individuals thereafter.

Revenues allocated to state and local governments were more complicated. These were: 11.5 percent in

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2012 to 2015; 9 percent in 2016 to 2017; 8 percent in 2018 to 2021; 6.5 percent in 2022 to 2025; 6 percent in 2026; 5.75 percent in 2027; 5.5 percent in 2028; 5.25 percent in 2029; and 5 percent in 2030 to 2035.

The state and local transfers were then allocated as transfers of aid to individuals in the amount of 1.5 percent of state funds through 2030. The remaining allowance value that was given to states and not transferred to individuals was put in the state and local general consumption variable and allocated by the macro model according to the historical pattern used for these funds. (At the state and local levels these historical uses are largely additional transfers to individuals.)

The macro model would have deficit-financed this increased spending rather than recognize the value as being generated by the allowances purchased (explicitly or implicitly) in the private sector.

The variable for federal government tax receipts on production and imports other than from a value-added tax was increased by the value of the allowances to account for the increased revenue generation. This allowed the macro model to more accurately forecast the likely debt burden, interest rate effects, and so on, as well as the tax burden on the private sector by this transfer to government.

Monetary Policy. The monetary policy variable in the macro model was turned on, dictating that monetary policy would be adjusted according to a Taylor-type rule over the forecast horizon. The Taylor rule adjusts the federal funds rate in an effort to keep inflation low and minimize any gap between potential GDP and real GDP. This reaction helps to mitigate the harmful economic and inflationary effects of the legislation.

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APPENDIX 2
KEY ECONOMIC INDICATORS

How Waxman-Markey Would Affect Key Economic Indicators

	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022	2024	2026	2028	2030	2032	2034	2035	2012-2035 Average
Real GDP														
Forecast	\$17,280.1	\$13,040.4	\$13,908.6	\$14,694.3	\$15,511.0	\$16,335.2	\$16,967.9	\$17,767.2	\$18,567.3	\$19,409.0	\$20,333.4	\$21,415.3	\$21,984.4	\$16,891.9
Baseline	\$12,438.0	\$12,211.1	\$14,031.7	\$14,877.4	\$15,684.0	\$16,497.2	\$17,249.0	\$18,148.3	\$19,086.3	\$19,959.1	\$20,973.1	\$21,963.6	\$22,515.8	\$17,206.3
Difference	-\$4,857.9	-\$1,170.7	-\$1,123.2	-\$1,233.1	-\$1,173.0	-\$862.0	-\$697.1	-\$619.1	-\$502.0	-\$350.1	-\$245.9	-\$148.3	-\$579.4	-\$314.4
Unemployment														
Forecast	4.3	2.9	3.2	2.8	2.7	2.4	2.2	2.3	2.2	2.3	2.4	2.4	2.6	2.6
Baseline	3.5	2.9	3.0	2.8	2.9	2.9	2.5	2.6	2.4	2.4	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6
Difference	0.8	-0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.3	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.0
Personal Income														
Forecast	\$17,592.0	\$12,897.4	\$14,270.5	\$15,034.8	\$15,100.7	\$15,363.0	\$15,749.3	\$16,104.2	\$16,433.9	\$16,801.3	\$17,259.9	\$17,759.9	\$18,286.6	\$16,891.9
Baseline	\$13,433.4	\$14,126.5	\$14,780.3	\$15,408.8	\$15,302.4	\$15,515.8	\$15,914.1	\$16,314.5	\$16,565.8	\$16,846.5	\$17,175.7	\$17,505.2	\$17,832.4	\$16,891.9
Difference	-\$4,191.4	-\$1,229.1	-\$532.8	-\$363.3	-\$191.7	-\$152.8	-\$194.8	-\$189.7	-\$147.3	-\$111.6	-\$246.9	-\$245.0	-\$247.3	-\$1,145.8
Government Spending														
Forecast	\$115,264.5	\$119,992.9	\$123,894.7	\$126,666.5	\$128,981.1	\$131,255.1	\$133,428.5	\$135,544.3	\$137,677.2	\$139,658.2	\$142,214.0	\$144,724.2	\$145,918.3	\$132,295.5
Baseline	\$116,931.9	\$121,142.5	\$124,496.2	\$127,031.5	\$129,094.8	\$131,425.9	\$133,962.8	\$136,312.5	\$138,701.0	\$140,874.6	\$143,293.3	\$145,761.3	\$147,831.8	\$133,183.8
Difference	-\$1,667.4	-\$1,149.7	-\$601.6	-\$365.0	-\$111.3	-\$770.8	-\$2,534.3	-\$3,768.2	-\$4,083.8	-\$4,163.6	-\$4,079.3	-\$3,937.1	-\$3,913.5	-\$888.3
Private Investment														
Forecast	7.5	6.2	5.2	4.7	4.5	4.6	4.8	5.1	5.3	5.5	5.6	5.7	5.7	5.3
Baseline	7.3	6.2	5.5	5.0	4.9	4.8	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	4.9	5.2
Difference	0.3	0.0	-0.3	-0.3	-0.4	-0.2	0.0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.8	0.2
Net Exports														
Forecast	\$9,226.8	\$9,832.9	\$10,612.2	\$11,304.0	\$12,011.1	\$12,777.6	\$13,478.2	\$14,219.6	\$14,991.2	\$15,785.0	\$16,593.2	\$17,397.6	\$17,800.8	\$13,376.9
Baseline	\$9,432.5	\$10,024.3	\$10,755.7	\$11,427.6	\$12,189.7	\$12,892.7	\$13,598.1	\$14,339.6	\$15,094.3	\$15,867.3	\$16,655.8	\$17,465.4	\$17,881.3	\$13,494.5
Difference	-\$205.7	-\$191.4	-\$143.5	-\$123.6	-\$178.6	-\$115.1	-\$120.1	-\$120.0	-\$103.1	-\$80.2	-\$82.6	-\$87.9	-\$80.5	-\$117.5
Government Revenue														
Forecast	\$29,138.6	\$30,461.1	\$32,251.0	\$33,711.6	\$35,316.3	\$36,868.6	\$37,967.6	\$39,355.4	\$40,737.5	\$42,171.5	\$43,575.7	\$44,922.7	\$45,581.7	\$37,530.9
Baseline	\$29,788.3	\$31,054.0	\$32,687.1	\$34,074.1	\$35,684.7	\$37,016.5	\$38,026.3	\$39,489.4	\$41,037.8	\$42,391.3	\$43,740.1	\$45,097.9	\$45,787.8	\$37,891.4
Difference	-\$649.7	-\$592.9	-\$1,436.1	-\$1,362.6	-\$1,368.4	-\$1,147.9	-\$1,058.7	-\$1,134.0	-\$1,300.3	-\$1,219.8	-\$1,164.4	-\$1,175.2	-\$1,206.1	-\$840.5
Family of Four Income														
Forecast	\$8,701.1	\$9,167.8	\$9,783.0	\$10,352.4	\$10,972.5	\$11,461.0	\$11,992.5	\$12,585.5	\$13,172.9	\$13,814.1	\$14,524.5	\$15,284.5	\$15,670.4	\$11,963.7
Baseline	\$8,804.3	\$9,283.6	\$9,864.2	\$10,434.0	\$11,034.1	\$11,615.4	\$12,199.8	\$12,816.8	\$13,450.3	\$14,099.9	\$14,781.2	\$15,498.5	\$15,666.3	\$12,143.7
Difference	-\$103.2	-\$115.8	-\$881.2	-\$881.6	-\$661.6	-\$154.4	-\$207.3	-\$231.3	-\$277.3	-\$285.8	-\$256.7	-\$214.0	-\$195.9	-\$180.0
Personal Income Per Person														
Forecast	\$17,416	\$16,716	\$16,818	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918
Baseline	\$17,416	\$16,716	\$16,818	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918	\$16,918
Difference	-\$700	-\$600	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100	-\$100

Sources: Heritage Foundation calculations based on data from the IHS Global Vantage U.S. Macroeconomic model.

How Waxman-Markey Would Affect Other Economic Indicators

Major Economic Indicators	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022	2024	2026	2028	2030	2032	2034	2035	2012-2035 Average
Forecast	1.9	2.7	3.6	4.3	5.4	6.4	7.2	8.0	8.6	9.1	9.1	8.9	8.7	6.4
Baseline	2.9	3.4	4.2	4.6	5.3	6.0	6.5	6.9	7.2	7.5	7.7	7.7	7.8	5.9
Difference	-1.0	-0.6	-0.5	-0.3	0.0	0.4	0.8	1.1	1.4	1.5	1.4	1.1	1.0	0.5
Forecast	\$1,872.7	\$2,099.2	\$2,311.2	\$2,426.8	\$2,546.6	\$2,669.2	\$2,803.5	\$3,020.5	\$3,236.8	\$3,498.1	\$3,829.5	\$4,178.3	\$4,343.3	\$2,928.7
Baseline	\$1,934.0	\$2,183.4	\$2,375.9	\$2,508.6	\$2,645.5	\$2,782.5	\$2,948.5	\$3,161.5	\$3,375.5	\$3,659.1	\$4,025.5	\$4,307.5	\$4,212.0	\$2,993.6
Difference	-61.3	-84.2	-64.7	-67.9	-69.9	-61.3	-65.0	-61.0	-61.0	-61.0	-62.4	-61.0	-61.3	-64.8
Forecast	\$1,405.7	\$1,614.7	\$1,771.3	\$1,908.0	\$2,054.6	\$2,199.5	\$2,412.5	\$2,651.8	\$2,918.4	\$3,222.0	\$3,586.6	\$3,979.2	\$4,185.0	\$2,540.9
Baseline	\$1,481.9	\$1,685.5	\$1,841.2	\$1,985.4	\$2,138.7	\$2,281.7	\$2,519.0	\$2,799.9	\$3,124.4	\$3,504.4	\$3,916.7	\$4,308.1	\$4,592.6	\$2,573.7
Difference	-76.2	-87.8	-69.9	-67.5	-84.0	-82.2	-101.4	-88.0	-83.2	-82.4	-71.9	-61.9	-67.6	-84.9
Forecast	\$430.5	\$493.0	\$533.4	\$575.9	\$620.8	\$668.1	\$717.1	\$767.1	\$818.1	\$870.1	\$923.1	\$977.1	\$1,031.1	\$688.4
Baseline	\$436.6	\$499.3	\$534.1	\$580.8	\$628.1	\$676.1	\$725.1	\$775.1	\$826.1	\$878.1	\$931.1	\$984.1	\$1,037.1	\$704.4
Difference	-6.0	-6.4	-0.7	-4.9	-7.3	-7.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-8.0	-17.0
Forecast	\$69.8	\$31.5	\$51.9	\$45.2	\$42.6	\$35.4	\$36.6	\$42.4	\$44.6	\$50.9	\$61.1	\$68.0	\$70.4	\$48.7
Baseline	\$53.8	\$41.8	\$50.6	\$46.4	\$45.5	\$44.1	\$47.4	\$53.5	\$54.4	\$60.1	\$63.4	\$68.9	\$71.9	\$52.8
Difference	\$16.1	-\$10.3	\$1.2	-\$1.2	-\$0.9	-\$8.7	-\$0.8	-\$11.1	-\$9.8	-\$9.3	-\$2.4	-\$1.9	-\$1.5	-\$6.1
Forecast	\$14,607.0	\$15,330.3	\$16,178.1	\$17,130.9	\$18,133.2	\$19,224.8	\$20,419.8	\$21,744.9	\$23,288.4	\$24,966.6	\$26,700.6	\$28,495.8	\$30,100.4	\$20,918.6
Baseline	\$14,843.4	\$15,734.5	\$16,722.7	\$17,784.9	\$18,916.8	\$20,145.0	\$21,485.6	\$22,949.4	\$24,540.0	\$26,269.5	\$28,040.0	\$29,936.9	\$31,473.8	\$21,473.8
Difference	-\$236.4	-\$404.2	-\$544.5	-\$648.0	-\$783.6	-\$920.2	-\$1,065.8	-\$1,229.7	-\$1,451.6	-\$1,682.9	-\$1,939.4	-\$2,211.1	-\$2,473.4	-\$1,055.2
Forecast	30	22	20	22	27	31	32	31	31	29	24	20	19	26
Baseline	25	24	20	21	20	21	21	20	21	21	21	21	21	21
Difference	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	0.1	0.7	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	0.8	0.3	0.0	-0.2	0.5
Forecast	42	45	47	49	53	59	60	59	58	54	47	41	38	51
Baseline	46	46	46	46	48	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46	46
Difference	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	0.3	0.5	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.2	0.8	0.2	-0.5	-0.8	0.5
Forecast	55	55	56	57	62	65	66	66	66	63	58	53	51	60
Baseline	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54	54
Difference	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.7	1.1	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.3	0.6

Sources: Heritage Foundation calculations based on data from the ISGlobal Insight U.S. Macroeconomic model.

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How Waxman-Markey Would Affect Other Economic Indicators (cont.)

	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020	2022	2024	2026	2028	2030	2032	2034	2035	2012-2035 Average
Forecast	\$45,946.0	\$50,491.0	\$55,844.1	\$61,011.8	\$66,057.7	\$70,785.9	\$75,563.8	\$80,477.4	\$86,801.1	\$93,010.7	\$100,127.9	\$107,947.3	\$112,177.6	\$75,998.2
Baseline	\$46,373.6	\$50,848.6	\$56,195.4	\$61,340.8	\$66,531.0	\$71,566.1	\$76,688.0	\$81,990.9	\$88,681.0	\$95,148.8	\$102,296.9	\$109,988.1	\$114,123.1	\$77,163.8
Difference	-\$427.6	-\$457.7	-\$331.3	-\$327.0	-\$473.3	-\$780.2	-\$1,124.2	-\$1,513.5	-\$1,877.8	-\$2,138.1	-\$2,168.9	-\$2,040.8	-\$1,945.5	-\$1,165.7
Forecast	\$17.9	\$18.2	\$18.8	\$19.4	\$20.0	\$20.4	\$20.9	\$21.4	\$21.9	\$22.5	\$23.1	\$23.6	\$23.9	\$20.8
Baseline	\$18.1	\$18.5	\$19.1	\$19.7	\$20.3	\$20.8	\$21.4	\$21.9	\$22.5	\$23.0	\$23.5	\$24.1	\$24.3	\$21.2
Difference	-\$0.2	-\$0.3	-\$0.3	-\$0.3	-\$0.3	-\$0.4	-\$0.5	-\$0.5	-\$0.5	-\$0.5	-\$0.5	-\$0.5	-\$0.4	-\$0.4
Forecast	12.1	12.8	12.8	12.9	13.8	12.1	12.1	11.6	11.1	10.7	10.3	9.9	9.8	11.8
Baseline	12.4	12.8	12.8	12.8	12.7	12.4	12.2	11.9	11.7	11.5	11.4	11.2	11.2	12.1
Difference	-\$0.3	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.6	-0.9	-1.1	-1.3	-1.4	-0.4
Forecast	\$22.4	\$22.8	\$23.8	\$24.9	\$26.7	\$28.4	\$30.8	\$32.2	\$32.6	\$32.8	\$32.7	\$32.3	\$31.5	\$31.4
Baseline	\$35.9	\$37.2	\$35.5	\$34.7	\$33.0	\$32.5	\$32.8	\$32.8	\$32.6	\$32.3	\$32.2	\$31.5	\$31.4	\$31.4
Difference	-\$13.5	-\$14.4	-\$11.8	-\$14.8	-\$13.2	-\$12.1	-\$11.9	-\$11.6	-\$11.6	-\$11.5	-\$11.5	-\$11.2	-\$11.1	-\$12.6
Forecast	7.7	8.3	8.3	8.3	8.1	8.0	7.6	7.3	6.9	6.6	6.3	6.0	5.9	7.4
Baseline	7.9	8.2	8.2	8.2	8.1	7.9	7.7	7.5	7.4	7.3	7.2	7.1	7.1	7.7
Difference	-\$0.2	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.1	-0.3	-0.5	-0.7	-1.0	-1.1	-1.2	-0.3
Forecast	4.5	4.5	4.5	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.0	3.9	3.8	4.3
Baseline	4.8	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.6	4.5	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.2	4.1	4.1	4.4
Difference	-\$0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.2	-0.2	-0.2	-0.1

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**APPENDIX 3
STATE RESULTS**

How the Waxman-Markey Bill Would Affect the States

	Average Personal Income Loss, 2012-2035 (in Millions)	Average GDP Loss, 2012-2035 (in Millions)	Average Non- Farm Job Loss, 2012-2035
Alabama	-\$1,524	-\$3,793	-19,090
Alaska	-\$293	-\$1,019	-2,051
Arizona	-\$2,069	-\$5,652	-24,472
Arkansas	-\$868	-\$2,182	-10,807
California	-\$15,268	-\$41,481	-134,396
Colorado	-\$2,043	-\$5,407	-19,870
Connecticut	-\$1,910	-\$4,948	-13,649
Delaware	-\$347	-\$1,376	-3,265
District of Columbia	-\$376	-\$2,147	-529
Florida	-\$6,920	-\$16,806	-66,938
Georgia	-\$3,191	-\$9,072	-38,389
Hawaii	-\$507	-\$1,408	-3,738
Idaho	-\$475	-\$1,170	-6,534
Illinois	-\$5,318	-\$13,947	-50,178
Indiana	-\$2,107	-\$5,639	-29,154
Iowa	-\$1,070	-\$2,952	-13,395
Kansas	-\$1,036	-\$2,684	-11,136
Kentucky	-\$1,322	-\$3,528	-16,254
Louisiana	-\$1,564	-\$4,945	-15,438
Maine	-\$454	-\$1,101	-5,209
Maryland	-\$2,641	-\$6,148	-17,781
Massachusetts	-\$1,207	-\$8,043	-21,810
Michigan	-\$3,417	-\$8,739	-39,445
Minnesota	-\$2,173	-\$5,834	-22,963
Mississippi	-\$842	-\$2,026	-10,694
Missouri	-\$2,026	-\$5,250	-23,058
Montana	-\$323	-\$784	-3,438
Nebraska	-\$652	-\$1,833	-7,137
Nevada	-\$1,017	-\$2,911	-9,279
New Hampshire	-\$546	-\$1,312	-6,060
New Jersey	-\$4,291	-\$10,650	-30,685
New Mexico	-\$621	-\$1,743	-4,209
New York	-\$9,101	-\$25,237	-85,878
North Carolina	-\$3,091	-\$9,139	-38,907
North Dakota	-\$245	-\$634	-2,361
Ohio	-\$3,966	-\$10,669	-46,065
Oklahoma	-\$1,317	-\$3,188	-12,622
Oregon	-\$1,325	-\$3,620	-15,644
Pennsylvania	-\$4,888	-\$12,152	-46,762
Rhode Island	-\$417	-\$1,073	-3,870
South Carolina	-\$1,389	-\$3,497	-18,572
South Dakota	-\$291	-\$776	-2,718
Tennessee	-\$1,074	-\$5,580	-25,628
Texas	-\$9,187	-\$26,128	-94,041
Utah	-\$806	-\$2,417	-11,170
Vermont	-\$235	-\$562	-2,667
Virginia	-\$3,747	-\$8,762	-26,604
Washington	-\$2,697	-\$7,122	-25,718
West Virginia	-\$549	-\$1,320	-5,611
Wisconsin	-\$2,040	-\$5,315	-26,759
Wyoming	-\$258	-\$721	-1,949

Source: Heritage Foundation calculations based on data from American Community Survey; Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce; and the IHS/Global Insight U.S. Macroeconomic model.

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RSC Outlook: Cap & Tax Overview

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On March 31, Energy & Commerce Committee Chairman Henry Waxman released a discussion draft of legislation that contains a study to implement a cap-and-trade system, or more accurately: "cap and tax" to reduce carbon-dioxide emissions and require that an increasing share of U.S. electricity supply comes from "renewable" sources of energy like solar or wind power. A brief analysis of the bill can be viewed [here](#). In addition to the Waxman proposal, President Obama's FY 2010 budget calls for a massive cap and tax proposal that would raise \$640 billion in new taxes on American businesses. In light of speculation that the House may consider some form of legislation involving a cap and tax scheme in the next month, the RSC has prepared the following document.

What is Cap and Tax?

A cap and trade system sets a limit, or cap, on carbon dioxide emissions from fossil fuel use. The effect would amount to rationing emissions from fossil fuels that produce carbon dioxide. Essentially, the federal government would set some sort of cap on total carbon dioxide emissions and establish a yet to be defined carbon allowance on each utility or company (also undefined what companies would be subject to an allowance). Those companies that emit less carbon dioxide than permitted by the allowance may trade credits to other companies that exceed the allowance. Many conservatives commonly call this proposal "cap and tax".

Cap and trade proposals have existed in concept for almost 40 years; but did not gain serious attention until the Kyoto Treaty was proposed in 1997, which binds most developed nations to a cap and trade system for the six major greenhouse gasses. The United States overwhelmingly refused to ratify the treaty (95-0 vote) because many in Congress believed it would place us at a severe economic disadvantage for little environmental gain.

The last major cap and trade proposal considered in the 110th Congress was the Lieberman-Warner Climate Security Act (S. 2191). According to studies by Charles River Associates, Lieberman-Warner would reduce household spending by \$800 to \$1,300 per household by 2015 and raise utility prices by 36 to 65 percent in that same time frame. Additionally, they estimate S. 2191 would result in the loss of 1.2 to 2.3 million jobs due to the impact of higher energy costs on economic activity. Despite these costs, this proposal is actually *far less sweeping* than what has been proposed by the Administration or Chairman Waxman.

Auction Problems

In his FY 2010 budget, President Barack Obama proposed cutting greenhouse gases 14% by 2020 and 83% by 2050 from 2005 levels by auctioning off the emission credits. Unlike the European system which allocates some permits, President Obama called for auctioning off all greenhouse gas emissions permits.

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According to the administrations' own budget estimates, the government plans to raise between \$1.3 - \$1.9 trillion by auctioning off carbon dioxide emissions permits over the next 8 years. The cap and tax proposal creates an artificial market to find revenue to pay for various social programs the Obama administration plans to enact such as moving towards a national health care system and the "making work pay" tax cuts that cut taxes by \$400 for individuals that make under \$75,000 a year (\$1.10 a day).

In addition, a cap and tax auction results in the cartelization and central planning of our economy because it is a government administered rationing scheme. Even the Environmental Protection Agency's own *Region 9 (California)* lawyers admit it "can easily be subject to gaming and manipulation, creating artificial scarcity that is likely to result in disruptions and unfairness." Auctioning the allowances will create the problem of awarding them to favorites because the process is done through a political allocation, and not through the market. This system leads to serious potential for corruption since local officials would have political (and perhaps monetary) incentives to help their local businesses get more credits. And businesses in the aggregate may have powerful economic incentives to get more credits than their designated allotment in a given year. Finally, auctioning the allocations will lead to a poorly regulated derivative market, where many of the same companies that led us into the financial collapse, will now be in the business of selling and controlling the allocations.

Effect on U.S. Economy

Moving into a cap and tax system would place the United States economy at a distinct competitive disadvantage because it would place additional costs on American manufactures and cede market share to overseas competitors not subject to limits on greenhouse gas emission. Cap and tax does not only apply to the traditional energy producers, domestic industries like paper, cement, fertilizer, steel, and glass. Manufacturers also worry that increased cost burdens imposed by climate-change laws will put them at a severe competitive disadvantage to their international peers. Even Energy Secretary Chu stated at a House hearing, "if other countries don't impose a cost on carbon, then we will be at a disadvantage."

Since a carbon rationing scheme could potentially apply to thousands of different products, some conservatives fear that this would violate U.S. obligations under the World Trade Organization (W.T.O.). Any restriction or tariff that would have to be placed on the many products affected by a cap and tax program would cause other countries to place a tariff on U.S. products regardless of carbon content. Placing tariffs on products to compensate for our cap and trade would raise tensions, decrease trade, and violate international law.

With more than a third of the world's population, China and India have no intention of imposing cap and trade especially during an economic crisis. A cap and tax plan would be the greatest outsourcing boon in history because many U.S. manufactures will find it more appealing to do business in nations that have energy policies not designed to increase the cost of doing business.

Cost and Tax Issues:

"Under my plan of cap and trade, electricity rates would necessarily skyrocket."

- Candidate Barack Obama.

The cap and tax program is expected to create a nearly \$2 trillion national energy tax that will cost American families approximately \$2,000 per year over the lifespan of the Obama budget. This is arguably the biggest tax increase U.S. history. In addition, the Heritage Foundation has concluded the Lieberman/Warner cap and trade bill - a much less aggressive plan President Obama's - will cost \$5

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trillion in lost Gross Domestic Product and 3 million manufacturing jobs. Finally, the Office of Management and the Budget estimates that just a 15% cut in emissions would cost the average household about \$680 not including decreased output.

Cap and tax also treats families differently depending where they live. Those who live in the Midwest, southeast, and plain states would be taxed far more disproportionately than those who live in California or New England. Many of these states primarily rely on coal for power production and would face higher penalties on their electricity because they are using the most efficient and least costly fuel. 86% of Ohio's energy demand relies on coal. In Indiana, it is 94%, in Missouri 85%, in Pennsylvania 56%, and in Wyoming 95%. Cap and tax is a transfer of wealth from those in the industrial and coal producing states to those in who reside in Silicon Valley or Cape Cod.

Rep. John Larson (D-CT), even admits that what proponents call "cap and trade" is essentially a tax, stating, "We're going to be paying taxes - higher taxes - one way or the other. Is there anyone on the panel that would disagree that this issue, if we're to combat it forthrightly and level with the American people, that this doesn't concern taxation?" Not only is this a tax, but Obama supporter Warren Buffet calls it "pretty regressive."

When President Hoover raised taxes in the 1930s, it worsened the depression, which continued through the rest of the decade. Raising energy taxes - with a regressive tax nonetheless - will kill jobs and make it more difficult for working families to deal with the ongoing financial crisis. In addition, cap and tax will violate Mr. Obama's campaign promise to not raise taxes on families making less than \$250,000.

What will Cap and Tax Achieve by the year 2050?

Unfortunately, not much. The Administration and House Democrats are proposing to spend trillions of dollars to remove what amounts to a very small amount of carbon dioxide contained in our atmosphere, shown in this chart. Greenhouse gasses make up less than 2% of the atmosphere, and of that percentage, Carbon Dioxide makes up around 3.5% of all greenhouses gasses. And very little of that amount is man made, since natural carbon combustion occurs frequently. The 2005 Hayman fire in Colorado produced more carbon dioxide that year than its entire population. In addition, according to the Institute for Energy Research, a similar cap and tax plan (S-2191) would only lower global temperatures by eighteen one hundredths of one degree by 2050.

Since 1997, Europe has engaged in similar style cap-and-trade system that serves as an example of how the system can be manipulated. The system has been plagued with industry leakage, price spikes, and windfall profits - all without emission reductions. According to one study, Spain's carbon emissions have increased by 50% since the Kyoto agreement was signed.

Key Conservative Take Away Points on Cap and Tax

- ***Government Planning Scheme.*** Government-run cap and trade is, by definition, a central economic planning scheme in which the government decides which industries and companies deserve more or fewer credits and what business factors and economic outputs are "necessary." Lowering greenhouse gas emissions, especially in the short terms, means government-directed decreases in economic activity.
- ***Stifles Private-Sector Innovation.*** Government-run cap-and-trade stifles innovation since companies are artificially constrained in their economic activities, thereby dampening the incentives to create new products and services. As Jim Manzi wrote in *National Review* on June 25, 2007, "The loss of economic and technological development that would be required to

eliminate literally all theorized climate-change risk would cripple our ability to deal with virtually every other foreseeable and unforeseeable risk, not to mention our ability to lead productive and interesting lives in the meantime." Additionally, government-run cap-and-trade, like government-run anything, would dampen the incentives for developing private-sector cap-and-trade initiatives, which would be market-driven and thus more efficient.

- **Higher Consumer Energy Prices.** Because a scarcity of a high-demand product yields higher prices, government caps on energy production and usage would lead to higher energy prices. As CBO notes, "Regardless of how the allowances were distributed, most of the cost of meeting a cap on CO2 emissions would be borne by consumers who would face persistently higher prices for products such as electricity and gasoline." Such price increases would be felt most harshly in poorer households, who spend a larger percentage of their incomes on energy.
- **Job Losses, Lower Wages, and Stock Devaluation.** As CBO noted as a corollary from the previous bullet-point, "As some parts of the energy sector and various energy-intensive industries adjusted to a decline in demand for their goods, current workers and investors in those industries would experience costs in the form of lower wages, job losses, and reduced stock values."
- **Potential for Corruption.** Government-run cap and trade has serious potential for corruption, since for example, local officials would have political (and perhaps monetary) incentives to help their local businesses get more credits. And businesses in the aggregate may have powerful economic incentives to get more credits than their designated allotment in a given year.
- **Windfall for Traders.** Government-run cap-and-trade naturally yields substantial sums for traders. This may be profitable for them, but this is money that could have been put into innovation and investment.
- **Not Likely to Actually Reduce Emissions.** Government-run cap-and-trade has never been shown to actually reduce greenhouse gas emissions, yet isn't that the stated goal of cap-and-trade proponents? Just because the government requires a certain decrease in emissions within a certain timeframe does not mean such decreases can occur in that time period.
- **No Guarantee that Reducing U.S. Emissions Stops "Global Warming".** Scientists agree that global warming is caused by a multitude of factors, some natural and perhaps some man-made. U.S. emissions are a small fraction of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere, and China's and other developing countries' emissions are increasing dramatically faster than are those of the United States.

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One at a Time, Waxman, Markey Chase Votes

With Republicans largely against the Waxman-Markey climate-change bill up for a vote at the House of Representatives today, its proponents are aggressively going after every vote on the Democrat side.

It's an arduous process for Reps. Henry Waxman and Edward Markey, considering how many have to be coaxed onboard, one at a time.

Take the case of Rep. Harry Teague, from New Mexico. The freshman legislator and former oil man did not like the bill as passed by the House Energy and Commerce Committee last month.

His state is home to several oil refineries, which along with their products (gasoline, diesel, etc.) are responsible for some 44% of the nation's carbon emissions, according to the bill. Under a cap-and-trade system such as the one proposed by Waxman-Markey, the government would give refineries only 2% of the carbon permits; they would have to buy the remaining 42%.



Associated Press

Refiners point to the 35% allotment granted to the electric utility sector, and complain they deserve more. Small refiners, in particular, are afraid that the extra cost of the permits could put them out of business. They also fear that big refiners will outbid them and hog the available permits. And without the permits, they say, they wouldn't be able to run their refineries.

Rep. Teague: New power broker?

That would mean lost jobs in Mr. Teague's district. So the newcomer took up the small refiners' cause, and as Dow Jones Newswires reports, he extracted some concessions: small refiners would receive an extra 0.25% permit allotment in addition to the industry's 2%. The government would also set up a special reserve of carbon permits just for them so they don't get outbid by their bigger competitors.

The problem is, the special treatment is not sitting well with bigger refiners. Will they, too, get their representatives to advocate for changes, creating more work for Messrs. Waxman and Markey? We'll find out soon.

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Smaller refiners pull climate support

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Executives at small oil refiners who broke with the industry to support the House climate bill now oppose it advancing in the Senate, illustrating the stiffening resistance to the sweeping legislation.

The relationship between the oil sector and the majority party in Congress is often antagonistic. But climate deliberations in the House made frenemies — if not friends — of Democrats and small-refinery executives, even though the bill seeks to drive down the market for fossil fuels.

That's so because House Democratic leaders added a provision to their cap-and-trade bill that could mean billions of dollars for small oil refiners as they searched for support in the days before the critical floor vote.

In addition to the 2 percent of total emissions allowances earmarked for refiners, those refiners classified as small and independent would receive an extra 0.25 percent of the allowances themselves under the climate legislation. An allowance covers emissions and can be sold to companies that don't meet their reduction targets.

According to an analysis by the Union of Concerned Scientists using data from the Energy Information Administration, the extra allowances could mean \$5 billion cumulatively from 2014 to 2026 for small oil refiners.

In return, executives at the refiners wrote a letter expressing support for the bill passing in the House, providing some political cover to centrist Democrats on the fence.

"The undersigned companies support H.R. 2454 moving forward to the Senate," 15 companies wrote in a letter sent on June 22, four days before the House floor vote.

Executives also gave thousands of dollars in campaign contributions to both the party and one vulnerable freshman, Rep. Harry Teague of New Mexico, whom sources said spearheaded the discussions that led to the change.

Fundraisers held the week before raised more than \$10,000 for the party and Teague, according to the Center for Responsive Politics.

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A few months later, though, the situation seems to be on the rise in the ongoing relationship.

Some small oil refiners say they appreciated efforts to accommodate their concerns. But they now oppose the legislation sponsored by Reps. Henry Waxman (D-Calif.) and Edward Markey (D-Mass.).

A Senate version has yet to be introduced but is expected soon. However, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.) has said it will not be taken up until next year.

Glen Gonzalez, whose company AGE Refining signed the House letter, said small refiners "remain deeply concerned that what the House has offered is not nearly enough."

"We agreed only that the legislative process should move forward, with a view toward working subsequently with the Senate. We did not agree to support H.R. 2454," Gonzalez, the CEO and owner of AGE, wrote in response to questions submitted by The Hill.

A small refiner employs fewer than 1,500 workers and produces less than 205,000 barrels a day in gasoline.

Charlie Drevna, the president and CEO of the National Petrochemical and Refiners Association (NPRA), said his group is united in opposition to the Waxman-Markey climate bill.

"Each one of these refineries is going to be hit hard," he said. Most of the 15 refiners that signed the June letter supporting House passage of the bill are members of NPRA, Drevna said.

What upsets oil refiners of all sizes is the amount of emissions allowances they receive under the bill.

The 2 percent of the total allowances set aside for refiners is intended to cover the emissions at the plants where oil is refined into gasoline and other products. But the industry is also on the hook for the tailpipe emissions of their products. Putting the onus on millions of drivers was considered impractical, both from a regulatory perspective and a political one.

In total, the industry is responsible for around 44 percent of annual carbon dioxide emissions in the country.

Domestic refiners fear more competition from foreign companies that don't have to comply with carbon caps back home. While those companies would also be responsible for the tailpipe emissions of their products used here, their plants back home would not have to comply with carbon caps, giving them a cost advantage, the domestic refining industry argues.

Environmentalists and other supporters of the bill dispute the contention that the bill would drive domestic refiners out of business.

Small refiners complained to Teague, a former oilman, that they would be particularly vulnerable because they are less able to leverage economies of scale to absorb the higher costs.

"An improperly structured program could have an unintentional disparate impact on small refiners compared to the industry at large," the letter sent in June and signed by the 15 small refiners stated.

The issue was of particular concern for Teague not only because of his background. Western Refining, a small refiner based in El Paso, Texas, operates two plants in New Mexico. Navajo Refining, meanwhile, operates one in Teague's district.

"We get a lot of our gasoline from small-business refiners," said Sara Schreiber, a spokeswoman for Teague.

the congressman is in a tough fight against the man he replaced, former Rep. Steve Pearce, who left the seat to run for the Senate. Pearce lost the Republican primary.

Gonzalez said Teague's change helps "offset ineluctable [small-business refiners'] economics" — that is, higher per-barrel operating and capital costs than large companies face.

But he added: "Overall, the bill greatly increases the likelihood that AGE Refining and other small-business refiners will close in the near term and severely harm fuel consumers in large geographic areas of the United States."

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1. [111th] [H.R.4849](#) : Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Levin, Sander M.](#) [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (17)

Committees: House Ways and Means; Senate Finance

House Reports: [110-447](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

2. [111th] [H.R.4872](#) : Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Spratt, John M., Jr.](#) [SC-5] (introduced 3/17/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)

Committees: House Budget

House Reports: [110-443](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-152 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: The bill makes a number of health-related financing and revenue changes to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act enacted by [H.R.3590](#) and modifies higher education assistance provisions.

3. [111th] [H.R.4933](#) : Global HEALTH Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Lee, Barbara](#) [CA-9] (introduced 3/24/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (21)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

4. [111th] [H.R.5297](#) : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Frank, Barney](#) [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (20)

Committees: House Financial Services

House Reports: [110-499](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

5. [111th] [H.R.5893](#) : Investing in American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Levin, Sander M.](#) [MI-12] (introduced 7/28/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (20)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 House floor actions. Status: The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.

Latest Action: 7/29/2010 POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - Pursuant to clause 2c of rule 19, the Chair postponed further proceedings on H.R. 5893 until a time to be announced.

6. [111th] H.R.6511 : Ensuring Affordable Energy Act
Sponsor: Rep Poe, Ted [TX-2] (introduced 12/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce
Latest Major Action: 12/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7. [111th] H.R.6523 : Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Rep Skelton, Ike [MO-4] (introduced 12/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Armed Services; House Budget
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-383 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: See the [Committee Print of the House Armed Services Committee](#) for additional details of the agreed to version of the bill.

8. [111th] S.3655 : A bill to establish a point of order against certain climate change legislation.
Sponsor: Sen Johanns, Mike [NE] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Rules and Administration
Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

9. [111th] S.RES.461 : A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress should reject any proposal for the creation of a system of global taxation and regulation.
Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Finance.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4681](#) : Congressional Accountability Pay Act
Sponsor: [Rep Forbes, J. Randy](#) [VA-4] (introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

2. [111th] [H.R.4933](#) : Global HEALTH Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Lee, Barbara](#) [CA-9] (introduced 3/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (21)
Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] [H.R.4943](#) : Informed Taxpayers' Federal Government Annual Reporting Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep McCarthy, Kevin](#) [CA-22] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (28)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

4. [111th] [H.R.5035](#) : National Shipbuilding Budget Policy Act
Sponsor: [Rep Wittman, Robert J.](#) [VA-1] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)
Committees: House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 4/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces.

5. [111th] [H.R.5323](#) : Save America's Future Economy Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Smith, Lamar](#) [TX-21] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (65)
Committees: House Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

6. [111th] H.R.5363 : Preventing Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schrader, Kurt [OR-5] (introduced 5/20/2010) Cosponsors (36)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

7. [111th] H.R.5779 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Agriculture Program Act
Sponsor: Rep Himes, James A. [CT-4] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Agriculture
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management.

8. [111th] H.R.5780 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Energy Program Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Natural Resources; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Science and Technology
Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

9. [111th] H.R.5784 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Defense Programs Act
Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 9/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

10. [111th] S.2982 : International Violence Against Women Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 2/4/2010) Cosponsors (35)
Committees: Senate Foreign Relations
Latest Major Action: 12/21/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 725.

11. [111th] S.3104 : A bill to permanently authorize Radio Free Asia, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Lugar, Richard G. [IN] (introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Foreign Relations
Senate Reports: 110-214
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-202 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

12. [111th] S.AMDT.3303 to H.J.RES.45 To rescind \$120 billion in Federal spending by consolidating duplicative government programs, cutting wasteful Washington spending, and returning billions of dollars of unspent money.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 1/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Proposed amendment SA 3303 (Division IV) under the order of 12/22/2009, not having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, the division was withdrawn in Senate.

13. [111th] [S.AMDT.4231](#) to [H.R.4899](#) To pay for the costs of supplemental spending by reducing waste, inefficiency, and unnecessary spending within the Federal Government.

Sponsor: [Sen Coburn, Tom](#) [OK] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Motion to table amendment SA 4231 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 45. Record Vote Number: 169.

14. [111th] [S.AMDT.4331](#) to [H.R.4213](#) To pay for the cost of this act by reducing wasteful, inefficient, excessive and duplicative government spending.

Sponsor: [Sen Coburn, Tom](#) [OK] (introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2010 SA 4331 (Division XX) fell when the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (HR 4213) with an amendment (SA 4369) tabled.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4849](#) : Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Levin, Sander M.](#) [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (17)

Committees: House Ways and Means; Senate Finance

House Reports: [110-447](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

2. [111th] [H.R.5297](#) : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Frank, Barney](#) [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (20)

Committees: House Financial Services

House Reports: [110-499](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

3. [111th] [H.R.5486](#) : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Levin, Sander M.](#) [MI-12] (introduced 6/9/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 247 - 170 (Roll no. 363).

Latest Action: 6/17/2010 Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1436, H.R. 5486 is laid on the table.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4848](#) : Tax Cut Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 3/15/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)
[Committees](#): House Ways and Means
[Latest Major Action](#): 3/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

2. [111th] [H.R.4853](#) : Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Oberstar, James L.](#) [MN-8] (introduced 3/16/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (5).
[Committees](#): House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
[Latest Major Action](#): Became Public Law No: 111-312 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

3. [111th] [H.R.4878](#) : Tax Cut Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 3/18/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)
[Committees](#): House Ways and Means
[Latest Major Action](#): 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

4. [111th] [H.R.6105](#) : HIRE Now Tax Cut Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Tonko, Paul](#) [NY-21] (introduced 8/10/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (1)
[Committees](#): House Ways and Means
[Latest Major Action](#): 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

5. [111th] [H.AMDT.786](#) to [H.R.4853](#) Amendment sought to strike Title III of the Senate amendment to H.R. 4583 and insert a new Title III providing two years of estate tax relief at 2009 levels. In calendar years 2011 and 2012, the estate tax exemption amount would be \$3.5 million (\$7 million total for a married couple) and the maximum tax rate on estates would be 45%. The amendment sought to provide estates from decedents in 2010 with the ability to elect to be treated under the 2009 levels or to be treated under current law for tax purposes. Such election would have allowed estates to receive a step up in basis on inherited property rather than the 2010 carryover basis rules. The exemption level and rate would have been consistent with the estate tax proposal included in the President's FY2010 and FY2011 Budgets. Under the Senate amendment to H.R. 4583, the bill would provide two years of estate tax relief with a \$5 million estate tax exemption (\$10 million total for a married couple)

and a maximum rate of 35%. The amendment would have affected 6,600 estates in 2011 which would receive an average additional tax cut of more than \$1.5 million under the Senate bill.

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 12/16/2010 House amendment not agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Levin amendment (A001) Failed by recorded vote: 194 - 233, 1 Present (Roll no. 646).

6. [111th] S.2983: Hire Now Tax Cut Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

7. [111th] S.3623: HIRE Now Tax Cut Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

8. [111th] S.3706: Americans Want to Work Act
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 8/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (12)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

9. [111th] S.3793: Job Creation and Tax Cuts Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 9/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 9/20/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 572.

10. [111th] S.CON.RES.60: An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.
Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

11. [111th] S.AMDT.3391 to H.R.4213 To provide for a 6-month employee payroll tax rate cut, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Scott P. [MA] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Amendment SA 3391 ruled out of order by the chair.

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- 1. [111th] [H.R.4437](#) :** HIRING Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Etheridge, Bob](#) [NC-2] (introduced 1/13/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (15)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 1/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
- 2. [111th] [H.R.4443](#) :** VET Act
Sponsor: [Rep Halvorson, Deborah L.](#) [IL-11] (introduced 1/13/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (14)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 1/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
- 3. [111th] [H.R.4565](#) :** Rural Jobs Tax Credit Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Owens, William L.](#) [NY-23] (introduced 2/2/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
- 4. [111th] [H.R.4585](#) :** Small Business Job Creation Tax Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Maloney, Carolyn B.](#) [NY-14] (introduced 2/3/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (2)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.
- 5. [111th] [H.R.4625](#) :** Civil Service Reform and Government Reorganization Commission Act of 2009
Sponsor: [Rep Thornberry, Mac](#) [TX-13] (introduced 2/9/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (1)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 2/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.
- 6. [111th] [H.R.4633](#) :** Back to Work Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Braley, Bruce L. [IA-1] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

7. [111th] H.R.4637 : Help Small Businesses Start and Grow Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John I. [NY-19] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Small Business; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [111th] H.R.4730 : Tax Credits for Jobs Now Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schauer, Mark H. [MI-7] (introduced 3/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

9. [111th] H.R.4742 : SAVE Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Kind, Ron [WI-3] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

10. [111th] H.R.4746 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent pending tax increases, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Neugebauer, Randy [TX-19] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (76)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

11. [111th] H.R.4770 : Create Jobs by Expanding the R&D Tax Credit Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

12. [111th] H.R.4777 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption for employer payroll taxes during 2010 for wages with respect to the employment of new hires and to provide a credit for retaining employees.
Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

13. [111th] H.R.4841 : Small Business Tax Relief and Job Growth Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Velazquez, Nydia M. [NY-12] (introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

14. [111th] H.R.4849 : Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (17)

Committees: House Ways and Means; Senate Finance

House Reports: 110-447

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

15. [111th] H.R.4850 : American Job Creation and Investment Act

Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (77)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

16. [111th] H.R.4851 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Financial Services; House Judiciary; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-157 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

17. [111th] H.R.4853 : Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-312 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

18. [111th] H.R.4965 : Targeted Job Creation and Business Investment Act

Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

19. [111th] H.R.4994 : Medicare and Medicaid Extenders Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, John [GA-5] (introduced 4/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-309 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

20. [111th] H.R.5075 : Middle Class Tax Relief Act

Sponsor: Rep Adler, John H. [NJ-3] (introduced 4/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

21. [111th] H.R.5077 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the alternative minimum tax exemption amount and index such amount for inflation.
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (introduced 4/20/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 4/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

22. [111th] H.R.5109 : Small Business Bill of Rights
Sponsor: Rep Kirk, Mark Steven [IL-10] (introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Small Business; House Financial Services; House Rules; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Judiciary; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

23. [111th] H.R.5147 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 4/27/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-161 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

24. [111th] H.R.5160 : Haiti Economic Lift Program Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 4/28/2010) Cosponsors (52)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-171 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

25. [111th] H.R.5239 : Homeowner Tax Assistance Act
Sponsor: Rep Boswell, Leonard L. [IA-3] (introduced 5/6/2010) Cosponsors (2)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 5/6/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

26. [111th] H.R.5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) Cosponsors (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: [110-499](#)
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-240 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

27. [111th] H.R.5486 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 6/9/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 247 - 170 (Roll no. 363).
Latest Action: 6/17/2010 Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1436, H.R. 5486 is laid on the table.

28. [111th] H.R.5557 : Back to School Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (introduced 6/17/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 6/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

29. [111th] H.R.5611 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010, Part II

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 6/28/2010) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-197 [GPO: Text, PDF]

30. [111th] H.R.5612 : Geothermal Energy Investment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Blumenauer, Earl [OR-3] (introduced 6/28/2010) Cosponsors (14)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 6/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

31. [111th] H.R.5622 : Stop Outsourcing and Create American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 6/29/2010) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

32. [111th] H.R.5705 : Electric Vehicle Advancement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Tim [OH-17] (introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

33. [111th] H.R.5744 : Revitalizing American Manufacturing Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Yarmuth, John A. [KY-3] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

34. [111th] H.R.5764 : Responsible Estate Tax Act

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Linda T. [CA-39] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

35. [111th] H.R.5793 : Close Foreign Tax Loopholes: Make It in America Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Garamendi, John [CA-10] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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36. [111th] H.R. 5893 : Investing in American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 7/28/2010) Cosponsors (20)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 House floor actions. Status: The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
Latest Action: 7/29/2010 POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - Pursuant to clause 2c of rule 19, the Chair postponed further proceedings on H.R. 5893 until a time to be announced.

37. [111th] H.R. 5955 : Stopping the Excessive Growth of the Federal Government Act
Sponsor: Rep Graves, Sam [MO-6] (introduced 7/29/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

38. [111th] H.R. 5982 : Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 7/30/2010) Cosponsors (24)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Failed of passage/not agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 241 - 154 (Roll no. 514).

39. [111th] H.R. 6099 : Automatic IRA Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Neal, Richard E. [MA-2] (introduced 8/10/2010) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

40. [111th] H.R. 6121 : Renewable Energy Investment Incentive Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 9/14/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce
Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

41. [111th] H.R. 6165 : Life Sciences Jobs and Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schwartz, Allyson Y. [PA-13] (introduced 9/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

42. [111th] H.R. 6190 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010, Part III
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-249 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

43. [111th] H.R. 6201 : 21st Century Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Donna F. [MD-4] (introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

44. [111th] H.R.6222 : National Opportunity and Community Renewal Act

Sponsor: Rep McGovern, James P. [MA-3] (introduced 9/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

45. [111th] H.R.6291 : Freight FOCUS Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Richardson, Laura [CA-37] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 9/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

46. [111th] H.R.6312 : Heavy Truck Tax Fairness Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Blumenauer, Earl [OR-3] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

47. [111th] H.R.6323 : To exempt gain from the sale of certain C corporation stock from the capital gains rate increase resulting from the sunset of the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

Sponsor: Rep Crowley, Joseph [NY-7] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

48. [111th] H.R.6367 : Restore American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Judiciary; House Administration; House Rules; House Natural Resources; House Appropriations; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

49. [111th] H.R.6415 : Tax Relief Certainty Act

Sponsor: Rep Pence, Mike [IN-6] (introduced 11/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

50. [111th] H.R.6455 : American Opportunity Tax Credit Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Fattah, Chaka [PA-2] (introduced 11/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

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Latest Major Action: 11/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

51. [111th] H.R.6467 : Middle Class Tax Relief Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 12/1/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

52. [111th] H.R.6473 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010, Part IV

Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 12/2/2010) **Cosponsors (5)**

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-329 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

53. [111th] H.R.6517 : Omnibus Trade Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 12/13/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-344 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

54. [111th] H.R.6522 : End Tax Uncertainty Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Bachmann, Michele [MN-6] (introduced 12/15/2010) **Cosponsors (9)**

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 12/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

55. [111th] H.R.6538 : Permanent Tax Relief Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Mack, Connie [FL-14] (introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 12/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

56. [111th] H.J.RES.83 : Approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Crowley, Joseph [NY-7] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors (21)**

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-210 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

57. [111th] H.RES.1245 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Value Added Tax is a massive tax increase that will cripple families on fixed income and only further push back America's economic recovery.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 4/13/2010) **Cosponsors (35)**

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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58. [111th] H.RES.1317 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the value-added tax in addition to existing Federal taxes is a massive tax increase that will result in hardships for United States families and job-creating small business and will stunt economic recovery.

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 4/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

59. [111th] H.RES.1346 : Opposing the imposition of a value-added tax.

Sponsor: Rep Herger, Wally [CA-2] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (113)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

60. [111th] H.RES.1481 : Supporting the goals and ideals of "National Save for Retirement Week", including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy.

Sponsor: Rep Schwartz, Allyson Y. [PA-13] (introduced 6/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

Latest Action: 7/28/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

61. [111th] S.2955 : A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employers.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

62. [111th] S.2965 : Commission for Fiscal Sustainability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

63. [111th] S.2973 : Small Business Job Creation Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 2/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/1/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

64. [111th] S.2983 : Hire Now Tax Cut Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

65. [111th] S.3014 : American Job Creation and Investment Act
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 2/22/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

66. [111th] S.3018 : Bipartisan Tax Fairness and Simplification Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Wyden, Ron [OR] (introduced 2/23/2010) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

67. [111th] S.3083 : Main Street Revitalization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bennett, Robert F. [UT] (introduced 3/5/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

68. [111th] S.3090 : A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the availability of the saver's credit and to make the credit refundable.
Sponsor: Sensten E. [NY] (introduced 3/9/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

69. [111th] S.3125 : Superfund Polluter Pays Act
Sponsor: Sen Nelson, Bill [FL] (introduced 3/16/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

70. [111th] S.3533 : Responsible Estate Tax Act
Sponsor: Sen Sanders, Bernard [VT] (introduced 6/24/2010) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

71. [111th] S.3535 : Next Generation Energy Security Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Burr, Richard [NC] (introduced 6/24/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

72. [111th] S.3706 : Americans Want to Work Act
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 8/4/2010) Cosponsors (12)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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73. [111th] S.3738 : Clean Energy Technology Leadership Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (Introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

74. [111th] S.3760 : Automatic IRA Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (Introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

75. [111th] S.3773 : Tax Hike Prevention Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen McConnell, Mitch [KY] (Introduced 9/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 562.

76. [111th] S.3785 : Commercial Space Jobs and Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Nelson, Bill [FL] (Introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

77. [111th] S.3788 : Geothermal Energy Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Wyden, Ron [OR] (Introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

78. [111th] S.3845 : National Opportunity and Community Renewal Act
Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (Introduced 9/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

79. [111th] S.3876 : A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the alternative fuel vehicle refueling property credit.
Sponsor: Sen Wyden, Ron [OR] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

80. [111th] S.3934 : Gulf Coast Oil Recovery Zone Tax Relief and Economic Recovery Act
Sponsor: Sen Wicker, Roger F. [MS] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

81. [111th] S.3935 : Advanced Energy Tax Incentives Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

82. [111th] S.3975 : Tax Relief Certainty Act

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 11/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 11/19/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 651.

83. [111th] S.4018 : Life Sciences Jobs and Investment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 12/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

84. [111th] S.4055 : Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 12/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

85. [111th] S.J.RES.35 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to a balanced budget.

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

86. [111th] S.CON.RES.60 : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

87. [111th] S.RES.649 : A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Save for Retirement Week", including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy.

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 9/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

88. [111th] S.AMDT.3724 to H.R.4851 Expressing the sense of the Senate that the Value Added Tax is a massive tax increase that will cripple families on fixed income and only further push back America's economic recovery and the Senate opposes a Value Added Tax.
Sponsor: [Sen McCain, John](#) [AZ] (introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 4/15/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3724 as modified agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 85 - 13. Record Vote Number: 115.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4768](#) : Bailouts Are Not For Sale Act
Sponsor: [Rep Grayson, Alan](#) [FL-8] (introduced 3/4/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

2. [111th] [H.R.4889](#) : GSE Bailout Elimination and Taxpayer Protection Act
Sponsor: [Rep Hensarling, Jeb](#) [TX-5] (introduced 3/19/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (21)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 3/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

3. [111th] [H.R.5072](#) : FHA Reform Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Waters, Maxine](#) [CA-35] (introduced 4/20/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (5)
Committees: House Financial Services; Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
House Reports: [110-476](#)
Latest Major Action: 6/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

4. [111th] [H.R.5214](#) : Big Oil Bailout Prevention Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Holt, Rush D.](#) [NJ-12] (introduced 5/5/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (85)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Major Action: 5/6/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

5. [111th] [H.R.5299](#) : European Bailout Protection Act
Sponsor: [Rep Pence, Mike](#) [IN-6] (introduced 5/13/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (44)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 5/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

6. [111th] [H.R.6337](#) : Truth in Bailouts Act
Sponsor: [Rep Hensarling, Jeb](#) [TX-5] (introduced 9/29/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (22)
Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

7. [111th] S.3052 : Ending Taxpayer Bailouts by Making Wall Street Pay Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (introduced 3/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 3/1/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

8. [111th] S.3217 : Restoring American Financial Stability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Dodd, Christopher J. [CT] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Senate Reports: 110-176
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Senate floor actions. Status: Returned to the Calendar. Calendar No. 349.

9. [111th] S.3305 : Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (introduced 5/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (23)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Senate Reports: 110-249
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 518.

10. [111th] S.3306 : Big Oil Bailout Prevention Trust Fund Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (introduced 5/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (18)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 5/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

11. [111th] S.3472 : Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (24)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 6/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

12. [111th] S.3663 : Clean Energy Jobs and Oil Company Accountability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 493.

13. [111th] S.3829 : Long-Term Care Bailout Prevention Act
Sponsor: Sen Graham, Lindsey [SC] (introduced 9/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

14. [111th] S.RES.461 : A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that Congress

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should reject any proposal for the creation of a system of global taxation and regulation.
Sponsor: [Sen Vitter, David](#) [LA] (Introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Finance.

15. [111th] S.AMDT.3832 to S.3217 To provide an orderly and transparent bankruptcy process for non-bank financial institutions and prohibit bailout authority.
Sponsor: [Sen Sessions, Jeff](#) [AL] (introduced 5/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (7)
Latest Major Action: 5/13/2010 Senate amendment not agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3832 not agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 42 - 58. Record Vote Number: 148.

16. [111th] S.AMDT.3986 to S.3217 To protect United States taxpayers from paying for the bailouts of foreign governments.
Sponsor: [Sen Cornyn, John](#) [TX] (introduced 5/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Latest Major Action: 5/17/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3986 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 94 - 0. Record Vote Number: 152.

17. [111th] S.AMDT.4020 to S.3217 To limit further bailouts of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, to enhance the regulation and oversight of such enterprises, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: [Sen Crapo, Mike](#) [ID] (Introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (6)
Latest Major Action: 5/17/2010 Amendment SA 4020 ruled out of order by the chair.

18. [111th] S.AMDT.4051 to S.3217 To prohibit taxpayer bailouts of fiscally irresponsible State and local governments.
Sponsor: [Sen Gregg, Judd](#) [NH] (introduced 5/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Proposed amendment SA 4051, pursuant to the order of 5/18/2010, having failed to achieve the required 60 votes for the adoption of the amendment, was withdrawn in Senate.

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1. **H.R.1**: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: [Rep Obey, David R.](#) [WI-7] (introduced 1/26/2009) [Cosponsors \(9\)](#)
Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Conference Report: [111-16](#) (in Congressional Record [H1307-1516](#))
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-5 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

2. **H.R.113**: To provide for audits of programs, projects, and activities funded through earmarks.
Sponsor: [Rep Fortenberry, Jeff](#) [NE-1] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Cosponsors \(14\)](#)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

3. **H.R.311**: Spending Reform Act of 2009
Sponsor: [Rep Brady, Kevin](#) [TX-8] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Cosponsors \(18\)](#)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

4. **H.R.377**: To make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.
Sponsor: [Rep Blackburn, Marsha](#) [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors \(23\)](#)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

5. **H.R.378**: To make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.
Sponsor: [Rep Blackburn, Marsha](#) [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors \(25\)](#)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

6. **H.R.381**: To make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.
Sponsor: [Rep Blackburn, Marsha](#) [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors \(21\)](#)
Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

7. H.R.598 : To provide for a portion of the economic recovery package relating to revenue measures, unemployment, and health.

Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 1/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Science and Technology; House Education and Labor; House Financial Services

House Reports: 111-8 Part 1, 111-8 Part 2

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2009 Supplemental report filed by the Committee on Ways and Means, H. Rept. 111-8, Part II.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

8. H.R.629 : Energy and Commerce Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (introduced 1/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Science and Technology

House Reports: 111-7 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 1/27/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 3.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

9. H.R.679 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 1/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

House Reports: 111-4

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 1.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

10. H.R.737 : State Temporary Economic Priority (STEP) Act

Sponsor: Rep Hoekstra, Peter [MI-2] (introduced 1/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 1/29/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

11. H.R.826 : Cluster-Based Economy Enhancement Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep McHugh, John M. [NY-23] (introduced 2/3/2009) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

12. H.R.852 : Re-Build America Bond Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Loretta [CA-47] (introduced 2/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 2/5/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

13. H.R.861 : Strategic Targeted American Recovery and Transition Act

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 2/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

14. H.R. 943 : Truth in Accounting Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Bachmann, Michele [MN-6] (Introduced 2/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

15. H.R. 1105 : Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 2/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-8 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: An explanatory statement was submitted by Mr. Obey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations "as if it were a joint explanatory statement of a committee of conference." It appears in two 2/23/2009 Congressional Record documents on pages: [H1653-H2088](#) and [H2089-H2599](#). See also the House Appropriations [committee print](#).

16. H.R. 1294 : Congressional Accountability and Line-Item Veto Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (introduced 3/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (26)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

17. H.R. 1390 : Earmark Accountability and Reform Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (Introduced 3/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

18. H.R. 1557 : SAFE Commission Act

Sponsor: Rep Cooper, Jim [TN-5] (introduced 3/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (118)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/17/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

19. H.R. 1648 : Fiscal Integrity Through Transparency and Technology (FITT) Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep McCotter, Thaddeus G. [MI-11] (introduced 3/19/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules; House

Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

20. H.R.1814 : Taxpayer Empowerment and Advocacy Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Barrett, J. Gresham [SC-3] (introduced 3/31/2009) **Cosponsors** (8)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

21. H.R.2116 : Fiscal Honesty and Accountability Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Hill, Baron P. [IN-9] (introduced 4/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (54)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 4/27/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

22. H.R.2169 : Limitation on Government Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 4/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

23. H.R.2226 : Warren County National Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: Rep Turner, Michael R. [OH-3] (introduced 5/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

24. H.R.2346 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 5/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-105; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-151 (In Congressional Record H6683-6741)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-32 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

25. H.R.2365 : Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep DeFazio, Peter A. [OR-4] (introduced 5/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (71)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the

Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

26. H.R.2429 : Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Gonzalez, Charles A. [TX-20] (introduced 5/14/2009) **Cosponsors** (25)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

27. H.R.2832 : Taxpayer Repayment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

28. H.R.2842 : To rescind all stimulus funds that remain unobligated.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

29. H.R.2847 : Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act

Sponsor: Rep Mollohan, Alan B. [WV-1] (introduced 6/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: 111-149; **Senate Reports:** 111-34

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-147 [**GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)**]

Note: Pursuant to H.Res. 976 , the House modified the Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations Act, 2010, H.R. 2847 , substituting the "Jobs for Main Street Act, 2010" as Division A of the Act and the "Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009" as Division B. (Regular appropriations for FY2010 for activities funded in the C-J-S Appropriations Act were included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010; see Division B of P.L. 111-117.) The report of the House Rules Committee on H.Res. 976 (H.Rept. 111-380, p. 5) summarized the matter included in Division A of the Act concerning the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP); infrastructure, employment, and public investment programs; unemployment insurance; COBRA; small business loans; the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage; the child tax credit; surface transportation; and certain civil rights claims.

30. H.R.2892 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Price, David E. [NC-4] (introduced 6/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-157; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-298 (in Congressional Record H11195-11257)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-83 [**GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)**]

31. H.R.2920 : Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Hoyer, Steny H. [MD-5] (introduced 6/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (169)

Committees: House Budget; Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

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32. H.R.2942 : Highway Trust Fund Reclamation Act
Sponsor: Rep Diaz-Balart, Mario [FL-25] (introduced 6/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

33. H.R.2996 : Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Dicks, Norman D. [WA-6] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations
House Reports: 111-180; **Senate Reports:** 111-38; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-316 (in Congressional Record H11871-11983)
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-88 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: Division A is the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. Division B is the Further Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2010, continuing appropriations through 12/18/2009.

34. H.R.3007 : Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Kanjorski, Paul E. [PA-11] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (6)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 10/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

35. H.R.3081 : Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Lowey, Nita M. [NY-18] (introduced 6/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-187
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-242 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/3/2010.

36. H.R.3140 : Reducing Barack Obama's Unsustainable Deficit Act
Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (90)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Energy and Commerce; House Appropriations; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Veterans' Affairs
Latest Major Action: 7/10/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

37. H.R.3170 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Serrano, Jose E. [NY-16] (introduced 7/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-202
Latest Major Action: 7/20/2009 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 115.

38. H.R.3183 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Pastor, Ed [AZ-4] (introduced 7/13/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-203; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-278 (in Congressional Record

H10150-10358)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-85 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

39. H.R.3288 : Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Oliver, John W.](#) [MA-1] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: [111-218](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-69](#); **Latest Conference Report:** [111-366](#)
(in Congressional Record [H13631-14080](#), [H14081-14369](#))

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-117 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: The conference report on the bill includes provisions for 6 of the 12 FY2010 appropriations: Transportation-HUD; Commerce-Justice-Science; Financial Services; Labor-HHS; Military Construction-VA; and State-Foreign Operations.

40. H.R.3293 : Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Obey, David R.](#) [WI-7] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: [111-220](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-66](#)

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 149.

41. H.R.3298 : Discretionary Spending Control Act of 2009

Sponsor: [Rep Jordan, Jim](#) [OH-4] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

42. H.R.3357 : To restore sums to the Highway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rangel, Charles B.](#) [NY-15] (introduced 7/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-46 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

43. H.R.3366 : Illegal Garnishment Prevention Act

Sponsor: [Rep Gordon, Bart](#) [TN-6] (introduced 7/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

44. H.R.3442 : To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to establish discretionary spending caps for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2013.

Sponsor: [Rep Hodes, Paul W.](#) [NH-2] (introduced 7/31/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

45. H.R.3696 : To prohibit recipients of TARP assistance from funding ACORN, and for other purposes.

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Sponsor: Rep Bachus, Spencer [AL-6] (introduced 10/1/2009) **Cosponsors** (28)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

46. H.R.3772 : Children's Budget Act
Sponsor: Rep Davis, Danny K. [IL-7] (introduced 10/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (15)
Committees: House Budget
Latest Major Action: 10/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

47. H.R.3964 : Spending, Deficit, and Debt Control Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 10/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (24)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Appropriations; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 10/29/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, Appropriations, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

48. H.R.4110 : TARP Sunset Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Paulsen, Erik [MN-3] (introduced 11/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (68)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

49. H.R.4157 : Ensure TARP Expires Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 11/19/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

50. H.R.4171 : TARP Sunset and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Teague, Harry [NM-2] (introduced 12/2/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/2/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

51. H.R.4198 : Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 12/3/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/3/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

52. H.R.4219 : National Commission on American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Joe [SC-2] (introduced 12/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (25)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 1/4/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

53. H.R.4249 : Commission On Reforming Entitlement Spending Act
Sponsor: Rep McHenry, Patrick T. [NC-10] (introduced 12/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 12/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

54. H.R.4262 : CAP the DEBT Act
Sponsor: Rep Scalise, Steve [LA-1] (introduced 12/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (84)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/10/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

55. H.R.4308 : Deficit Reduction Check-Off Act
Sponsor: Rep Posey, Bill [FL-15] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (21)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

56. H.R.4314 : To permit continued financing of Government operations.
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-123 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

57. H.R.4315 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Burgess, Michael C. [TX-26] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

58. H.R.4385 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Meek, Kendrick B. [FL-17] (introduced 12/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/16/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

59. H.R.4408 : Within Our Means Budget (WOMB) Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Gohmert, Louie [TX-1] (introduced 12/19/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

60. H.R.4479 : Tighten Washington's Belt Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Forbes, J. Randy [VA-4] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

61. H.R.4481 : Deficit Reduction Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

62. H.R.4482 : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means; House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

63. H.R.4529 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (14)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Rules; House Budget; House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

64. H.R.4560 : Earmark Performance and Accountability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Kratoch, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

65. H.R.4631 : To amend section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide certain information regarding companies in which the Government holds stock, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Alexander, Rodney [LA-5] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

66. H.R.4646 : Debt Free America Act

Sponsor: Rep Fattah, Chaka [PA-2] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Rules; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

67. H.R.4653: Accurate Accounting of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Act
Sponsor: Rep Garrett, Scott [NJ-5] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (54)
Committees: House Budget; House Ways and Means; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

68. H.R.4666: Cluster-Based Economy Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

69. H.R.4691: Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 2/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services; House Small Business; House Judiciary; House Budget
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-144 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

70. H.R.4851: Continuing Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Financial Services; House Judiciary; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-157 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

71. H.R.4856: Forecast for the Future Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (41)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

72. H.R.4871: Spending Reduction Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (introduced 3/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (48)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as

fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

73. H.R.4883 : STRONG Budget Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Barton, Joe [TX-6] (introduced 3/18/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

74. H.R.4899 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/21/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-188

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-212 [GPO: Text, PDF]

75. H.R.4921 : Budget Enforcement Legislative Tool Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 3/24/2010) Cosponsors (34)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

76. H.R.4939 : Social Security and Medicare Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Tim [PA-18] (introduced 3/25/2010) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

77. H.R.5008 : Targeted Deficit Reduction Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Markey, Betsy [CO-4] (introduced 4/13/2010) Cosponsors (43)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

78. H.R.5089 : Business Incubator Promotion Act

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Tim [OH-17] (introduced 4/21/2010) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

79. H.R.5157 : War on Debt Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 4/27/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

80. H.R. 5258 : Earmark Transparency Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Cassidy, Bill [LA-6] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (25)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

81. H.R. 5275 : Seniors Purchasing Power Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

82. H.R. 5305 : CPI for Seniors Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (6)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

83. H.R. 5323 : Save America's Future Economy Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Smith, Lamar [TX-21] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (65)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

84. H.R. 5453 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Heller, Dean [NV-2] (introduced 5/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (48)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Appropriations; House Education and Labor; House Financial Services; House Budget; House Small Business; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Appropriations, Education and Labor, Financial Services, the Budget, Small Business, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

85. H.R. 5454 : Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (by request) (introduced 5/28/2010)

Cosponsors (41)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be

subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

86. H.R.5540 : To make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

87. H.R.5541 : To make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

88. H.R.5542 : To make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

89. H.R.5568 : Stop Waste by Eliminating Excessive Programs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Nye, Glenn C. [VA-2] (introduced 6/22/2010) Cosponsors (39)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 6/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

90. H.R.5679 : End the Stimulus Advertisement Act

Sponsor: Rep Schock, Aaron [IL-18] (introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 7/2/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

91. H.R.5745 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, Jerry [CA-41] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (21)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

92. H.R.5752 : Transparent and Sustainable Budget Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Oulgley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

93. H.R.5775 : Grant Accessibility and Transparency Enhancement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

94. H.R.5782 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Treas-HUD and OPIC Programs Act

Sponsor: Rep Adler, John H. [NJ-3] (introduced 7/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Financial Services; House Foreign Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

95. H.R.5850 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Rep Olver, John W. [MA-1] (introduced 7/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-564

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 503.

96. H.R.5874 : United States Patent and Trademark Office Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Mollohan, Alan B. [WV-1] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-224 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

97. H.R.5935 : BUILD Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

98. H.R.5954 : Truth in Spending Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (35)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

99. H.R.6096 : Reduce Our Deficits Act

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

100. H.R.6300 : State and Local Spending Will Help Save America Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Kucinich, Dennis J. [OH-10] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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101. [H.R.6367](#) : Restore American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Moran, Jerry](#) [KS-1] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Judiciary; House Administration; House Rules; House Natural Resources; House Appropriations; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

102. [H.R.6401](#) : Biennial Budgeting and Appropriations Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Dreier, David](#) [CA-26] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

103. [H.R.6403](#) : American Recovery and Reinvestment Rescissions Act

Sponsor: [Rep Lewis, Jerry](#) [CA-41] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (29)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

104. [H.R.6406](#) : To amend the Federal Reserve Act to remove the mandate on the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee to focus on maximum employment.

Sponsor: [Rep Pence, Mike](#) [IN-6] (introduced 11/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

105. [H.R.6550](#) : National Emergency Employment Defense Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Kucinich, Dennis J.](#) [OH-10] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

106. H.J.RES.1 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Goodlatte, Bob [VA-6] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (179)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

107. H.J.RES.7 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to provide for a balanced budget for the United States Government and for greater accountability in the enactment of tax legislation.

Sponsor: Rep Emerson, Jo Ann [MO-8] (introduced 1/7/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

108. H.J.RES.15 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to authorize the line item veto.

Sponsor: Rep Platts, Todd Russell [PA-19] (introduced 1/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

109. H.J.RES.38 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2009, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-6 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 3/11/2009.

110. H.J.RES.43 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (introduced 4/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

111. H.J.RES.45 : Increasing the statutory limit on the public debt.

Sponsor: No Sponsor (introduced 4/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-139 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

112. H.J.RES.64 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2010, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/13/2010 Failed of passage in House over veto. Status: On passage, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 143 - 245, 1 Present (Roll no. 2).

113. H.J.RES.73 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 3/1/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

114. H.J.RES.75 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (11)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

115. H.J.RES.78 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Bright, Bobby [AL-2] (introduced 3/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (42)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

116. H.J.RES.79 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to control spending.

Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (53)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

117. H.J.RES.89 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Terry, Lee [NE-2] (introduced 6/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

118. H.J.RES.96 : Making full-year continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011 at lower, previous year levels, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (77)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

119. H.J.RES.101 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 11/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-290 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/18/2010.

120. H.J.RES.105 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-317 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/21/2010.

121. H.CON.RES.85 : Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2009 and 2011 through 2014.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 3/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

House Reports: 111-60

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 233 - 196 (Roll no. 192).

Latest Action: 4/2/2009 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Note: 2010 budget resolution.

122. H.CON.RES.234 : Expressing the sense of Congress that there should be a freeze on new discretionary non-defense, non-homeland security, non-intelligence spending whenever there is a Federal budget deficit.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

123. H.CON.RES.281 : Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2020.

Sponsor: Rep Jordan, Jim [OH-4] (introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (52)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

124. H.RES.1183 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that public debt as a share of gross domestic product should be stabilized at not more than 60 percent by 2018.

Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 3/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

125. H.RES.1492 : Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

126. H.RES. 1493 : Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.
Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1500 , H. Res. 1493 is considered passed House.

127. S.1 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (17)
Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 1.
Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

128. S.2 : Middle Class Opportunity Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (18)
Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 2.

129. S.10 : Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (15)
Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 10.

130. S.116 : TARP Assistance for Local Governments Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

131. S.154 : A bill to require the Congressional Budget Office and the Joint Committee on Taxation to use dynamic economic modeling in addition to static economic modeling in the preparation of budgetary estimates of proposed changes in Federal revenue law.
Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

132. S.169 : Biennial Budgeting and Appropriations Act
Sponsor: Sen Isakson, Johnny [GA] (introduced 1/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (11)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

133. S.276 : Social Security and Medicare Solvency Commission Act
Sponsor: Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 1/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 1/16/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

134. S.303 : Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Voinovich, George V. [OH] (introduced 1/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; House Oversight and Government Reform
Senate Reports: 111-7
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2009 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
Latest Action: 12/15/2009 Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.

135. S.323 : Rural Revitalization Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 1/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 1/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

136. S.336 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 1/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-3
Latest Major Action: 1/27/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 19.
Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

137. S.341 : Main Street Manufacturing Communities Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 1/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 1/28/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

138. S.350 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 1/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 1/29/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 20.
Latest Action: 1/30/2009 Star Print ordered on the bill.
Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

139. S.430 : Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (introduced 2/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 2/12/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

140. S.480 : Regional Economic Recovery Coordination Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 2/25/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 2/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

141. S.524 : Congressional Accountability and Line-Item Veto Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 3/4/2009) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

142. S.640 : Second Look at Wasteful Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Gregg, Judd [NH] (introduced 3/19/2009) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

143. S.827 : Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Rockefeller, John D., IV [WV] (introduced 4/3/2009) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 4/3/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

144. S.834 : A bill to require that funding for Federal departments and agencies and programs that remain available at the end of a fiscal year shall be used to pay down the Federal debt.

Sponsor: Sen Sessions, Jeff [AL] (introduced 4/20/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 4/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

145. S.897 : Limitation on Government Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 4/24/2009) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

146. S.907 : Budget Enforcement Legislative Tool Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Carper, Thomas R. [DE] (introduced 4/28/2009) Cosponsors (21)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/28/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

147. S.1042 : Illegal Garnishment Prevention Act

Sponsor: Sen Kohl, Herb [WI] (introduced 5/14/2009) Cosponsors (2).

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

148. S.1054 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 5/14/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

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Senate Reports: 111-20

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 62.

149. S.1056 : SAFE Commission Act

Sponsor: Sen Voinovich, George V. [OH] (introduced 5/14/2009) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

150. S.1223 : Free Enterprise Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Johanns, Mike [NE] (introduced 6/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

151. S.1240 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

152. S.1298 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Byrd, Robert C. [WV] (introduced 6/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-31

Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 83.

153. S.1323 : Want Not, Waste Not Act

Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

154. S.1432 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-43

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 102.

155. S.1436 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-45

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 104.

156. S.1600 : Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen McCaskill, Claire [MO] (introduced 8/6/2009) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

157. S.1613 : Deficit Reduction Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 8/6/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

158. S.1642 : SAFE Act

Sponsor: Sen Brownback, Sam [KS] (introduced 8/6/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

159. S.1662 : Business Incubator Promotion Act

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 9/10/2009) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 9/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

160. S.1683 : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 9/17/2009) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/17/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

161. S.1710 : A bill to prohibit recipients of TARP assistance from funding ACORN, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 9/24/2009) Cosponsors (20)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

162. S.1808 : Control Spending Now Act

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 10/20/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 10/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

163. S.2778 : Economic Development Revitalization Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Boxer, Barbara [CA] (introduced 11/16/2009) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Senate Reports: 111-114

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Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 254.

164. S.2787 : TARP Sunset Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 11/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (21)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

165. S.2846 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Nelson, E. Benjamin [NE] (introduced 12/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

166. S.2853 : Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 12/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (27)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

167. S.2875 : Commission on Measures of Household Economic Security Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 12/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

168. S.2911 : Common Sense Budgeting Act

Sponsor: Sen Sessions, Jeff [AL] (introduced 12/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

169. S.2926 : Economic Fairness for Seniors Act

Sponsor: Sen Lincoln, Blanche L. [AR] (introduced 12/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

170. S.2952 : Strengthening Our Economy Through Employment and Development Act

Sponsor: Sen Franken, Al [MN] (introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

171. S.2965 : Commission for Fiscal Sustainability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

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Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

172. S.2981 : Reevaluate and Redirect the Stimulus Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 2/2/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

173. S.3026 : Fiscal Freeze Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bayh, Evan [IN] (introduced 2/23/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

174. S.3069 : American Renewable Energy Jobs Act

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 3/3/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

175. S.3095 : HELP Act

Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (introduced 3/9/2010) Cosponsors (19)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

176. S.3096 : Economic Disaster Prevention Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bennett, Robert F. [UT] (introduced 3/10/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

177. S.3108 : Children's Budget Act

Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (8)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

178. S.3153 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 3/23/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Senate floor actions. Status: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure tabled in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 59 - 40. Record Vote Number: 106.

179. S.3158 : A bill to require Congress to lead by example and freeze its own pay and fully

offset the cost of the extension of unemployment benefits and other Federal aid.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 3/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 334.

180. S.3173 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

181. S.3335 : Earmark Transparency Act
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Senate Reports: 111-365
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 692.

182. S.3337 : Oil Spill Claims Assistance and Recovery Act
Sponsor: Sen Landrieu, Mary L. [LA] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

183. S.3420 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

184. S.3421 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 411.

185. S.3423 : Veto Wasteful Spending and Protect Taxpayers Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

186. S.3474 : Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 6/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

187. S.3551 : Fiscally Responsible Relief for Our States Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Scott P. [MA] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

188. S.3607 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Lautenberg, Frank R. [NJ] (introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-222

Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 466.

189. S.3635 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-228

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 478.

190. S.3636 : Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Mikulski, Barbara A. [MD] (introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-229

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 479.

191. S.3644 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (introduced 7/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-230

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 482.

192. S.3652 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

193. S.3677 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-238

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 497.

194. S.3686 : Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 8/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-243

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 504.

195. S.3761 : A bill to ensure that amounts appropriated to the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 remain available until September 30, 2010.

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

196. S.3779 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 9/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

197. S.J.RES.20 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which requires (except during time of war and subject to suspension by Congress) that the total amount of money expended by the United States during any fiscal year not exceed the amount of certain revenue received by the United States during such fiscal year and not exceed 20 per cent of the gross national product of the United States during the previous calendar year.

Sponsor: Sen Shelby, Richard C. [AL] (introduced 10/1/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

198. S.J.RES.22 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to requiring a balanced budget and granting the President of the United States the power of line-item veto.

Sponsor: Sen LeMieux, George S. [FL] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

199. S.J.RES.27 : A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

200. S.J.RES.35 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the

United States relative to a balanced budget.

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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201. [S.J.RES.38](#) : A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: [Sen DeMint, Jim](#) [SC] (introduced 8/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 511.

202. [S.J.RES.42](#) : A joint resolution to extend the continuing resolution until February 18, 2011.

Sponsor: [Sen McConnell, Mitch](#) [KY] (introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 703.

203. [S.CON.RES.13](#) : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2009, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2011 through 2014.

Sponsor: [Sen Conrad, Kent](#) [ND] (introduced 3/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Conference Report: [111-89](#) (In Congressional Record [H4474-4836](#))

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 Conference report agreed to in Senate. Status: Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 43. Record Vote Number: 173.

Latest Action: 4/29/2009 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

Note: 2010 budget resolution. Accompanying committee print: [S. Prt. 111-16](#).

204. [S.CON.RES.57](#) : A concurrent resolution establishing an expedited procedure for consideration of a bill returning spending levels to 2007 levels.

Sponsor: [Sen LeMieux, George S.](#) [FL] (introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget.

205. [S.CON.RES.60](#) : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

Sponsor: [Sen Conrad, Kent](#) [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

206. S.CON.RES.78 : A concurrent resolution honoring the work and mission of the Delta Regional Authority on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Federal-State partnership created to uplift the 8-State Delta region.

Sponsor: [Sen Cochran, Thad](#) [MS] (introduced 12/17/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 12/22/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

Latest Action: 12/23/2010 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

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**Complaint Communication
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Compliant Communication #32

Script: Announcer: "You've heard how Joe Manchin supported the Obama stimulus...that wasted money on turtle tunnels...ant research...and cocaine for monkeys. But that's not their only waste. Their 'stimulus'...wasted money on studying the atmosphere of Neptune...hunting for dinosaur eggs in China...and even the International Accordion Festival.

"We asked for jobs. What we got was waste. Really, tell Obama and Manchin not to stimulate us any more. Americans for Job Security is responsible for the content of this advertising."

GRAPHIC: Call Joe Manchin. Tell him no more wasteful stimulus. (304) 558-2000

Express Advocacy Analysis: As can be seen, this communication does not contain any terms that expressly advocate the election or defeat of any clearly identified federal candidate, and, therefore, does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R § 100.22(a). See Buckley, 424 U.S. at 44 n. 52.

Also, this communication does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

The issue discussed in this advertisement pertain to wasteful spending in government stimulus projects, a central issue AJS continues to discuss to this day. The issues of government stimulus and wasteful spending were topics of debate at the time this communication aired. During his term as Governor of West Virginia, Joe Manchin had been highly supportive of President Obama's federal stimulus projects and immediately prior to this communication airing, Governor Manchin continued to defend the stimulus, expressing confidence that it would improve the job market. As Governor, Joe Manchin was in a position to stop accepting stimulus money in that state. The communication specifically requests that the viewer contact President Obama and Governor Manchin to discuss this issue. See MUR 5634 OGC Report # 2 at 16. The communication does not refer to Governor Manchin as a candidate, reference an election, or exhort the public to campaign for or contribute to Governor Manchin's opponent. Moreover, the communication also singles out President Obama's position on this issue during a year when the President was not facing an election. See 72 Fed. Reg. 5604. Accordingly, the communication does not contain an electoral portion that is unmistakable,

unambiguous and suggestive of only one meaning and does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

Functional Equivalent Analysis: This communication also qualifies for the safe harbor under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(a) because it is susceptible of a reasonable interpretation other than as an appeal to vote for or against a clearly identified federal candidate. First, it does not mention any election, candidacy, political party, opposing candidate, or voting by the general public. Second, it does not take a position on Governor Manchin's character, qualifications, or fitness for office. Third, it focuses on government stimulus and waste — legislative and executive issues — and urges the public to adopt a particular position and contact Governor Manchin with respect to these issues. 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(b).

Even if the communication did not qualify for the safe harbor, it is still a permissible electioneering communication under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(c). Here, there is no indicia of express advocacy because the communication does not mention any election, candidacy, political party, opposing candidate or voting by the general public and takes no position on any candidate's or officeholder's character, qualifications or fitness for office. *Id.* § 114.15(c)(1). The communication includes content that would support a determination that it has an interpretation other than as an appeal to vote against Governor Manchin because it focuses on public policy issues, urges the public to contact him about the issue, and includes a call to action urging something other than voting for or against or contributing to Governor Manchin — namely, to call him. § 114.15(c)(2). The balancing test in § 114.15(c) clearly indicates that this is a permissible electioneering communication.

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- "Manchin has oftentimes played the role of Presidential advocate in order to get Obama's agenda passed, first with the Stimulus Package, then with the President's Health Care Reform. Indeed, when it comes to the Stimulus Bill, Manchin has continued to be one of the spending measure's chief national advocates. When asked if he agrees with those who believe the Stimulus Bill was a poor concept since the results have been less than anticipated, Manchin continued his defense of the measure. 'I think it will make a big difference in the job market,' said Manchin. 'To be honest with you, I think West Virginians, especially former supporters of the Governor's, are in a state of disbelief,' said Ellis. 'Here was the so-called conservative Governor they elected, always popping up on national news to defend Obama on cap and trade, ObamaCare, and the Stimulus Bill. What happened to Joe, anyway? That's what I'm hearing.'" ("The Stimulus Strategy: Manchin And Obama On Job Creation," *Huntington News*, 10/14/10)
- "Manchin said federal stimulus money had provided a 'much-needed shot in the arm' to West Virginia, but the funds won't address all of the state's challenges. 'West Virginia is a top state for putting stimulus dollars to work on our highways, and for building water and sewer lines,' the governor said. 'We are working hard with limited resources and have planned an aggressive construction program for 2010.'" (Eric Eyre, "Manchin Calls For Lower Business Taxes, More Construction," *Charleston Gazette*, 1/14/10)
- ~~"Gov. Joe Manchin said he told President Barack Obama at Monday's White House meeting with governors that he planned to embrace the stimulus' chief goal and create as many jobs as possible. Manchin cited the letter that the unprecedented federal spending measure mandates each governor sign, that requires them to account for what they and their states do with the money. He told us point-blank, 'I'm going to hold you responsible,' Manchin told The Associated Press. 'I want to be one of the first to sign it, to let them know that we're on board and committed.'" ("Manchin Pitches \$215M In Stimulus Road Projects," *Associated Press*, 2/24/10)~~
- "Gov. Joe Manchin Said He Told President Barack Obama At Monday's White House Meeting With Governors That He Planned To Embrace The Stimulus' Chief Goal And Create As Many Jobs As Possible. Manchin cited the letter that the unprecedented federal spending measure mandates each governor sign, that requires them to account for what they and their states do with the money. He told us point-blank, "I'm going to hold you responsible," Manchin told The Associated Press. 'I want to be one of the first to sign it, to let them know that we're on board and committed.'" (Lawrence Messina, "Manchin Pitches \$215M In Stimulus Road Projects," *The Associated Press*, 2/24/09)
- In January 2010, "Manchin Said Federal Stimulus Money Had Provided A 'Much-Needed Shot In The Arm' To West Virginia, But The Funds Won't Address All Of The State's Challenges." (Eric Eyre, "Manchin Calls For Lower Business Taxes, More Construction," *Charleston Gazette*, 1/14/10)

- In February 2010, Manchin Said The Stimulus Would "Make A Big Difference In The Job Market." Q "Looking back at the success of the stimulus package, there seems to be a sense that a lot of states are making hard decisions and maybe it wasn't such a great thing after all. Do you share that assessment? Do you think it's fair?" . . . Gov. Manchin; "There's an awful lot of that money that is coming out now going towards infrastructure - projects, state by state, I think it will make a big difference in the job market." (Press Conference With Governor Joe Manchin (D-WV) et al, 2/22/10)
- In December 2008, Manchin Said Obama's Plan For An Economic Stimulus Package With Funding For Infrastructure Projects Would Jumpstart The U.S. Economy Immediately By Creating Jobs And Demand For Construction Materials. "After meetings with President-elect Barack Obama on Monday and Tuesday, Gov. Joe Manchin said he is convinced Obama will move quickly on economic stimulus packages for the states. Manchin said federal funding for highway construction and other infrastructure projects would jump-start the U.S. economy by immediately creating jobs and demand for construction materials. 'With infrastructure projects, these jobs are ready to go tomorrow,' Manchin said Tuesday afternoon, after Obama met with the Democratic Governors Association Monday evening and the National Governors Association Tuesday morning in Philadelphia." (Phil Kabler, "Obama Will Help, Manchin Says," Charleston Gazette, 12/3/08)

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Facing the worst economic crisis since the Great Depression, President Obama started his Presidency with decisive action – proposing and quickly passing the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). Since the bill went into effect, the ARRA has already helped put money back in the pockets of 95 percent of working Americans, created and saved jobs across the country and made key investments in our community to help kickstart the economy. To ensure that the funds are spent efficiently and effectively, President Obama tasked Vice President Biden with overseeing the implementation of ARRA, and projects have already begun to come in under budget across the country. As the President prepares to introduce the details of his budget and further plans to revitalize the economy, here's a look at how his policies have impacted West Virginia in the first three months of his administration.

IMPACT OF PRESIDENT OBAMA'S ECONOMIC POLICIES ON WEST VIRGINIA

Working Families:

- **MAKING WORK PAY:** The President's tax-cut – which covers more Americans than any in history – is putting more than \$300 million back in the pockets of more than 700,000 hard-working West Virginia families.
- **\$13,647,213** to support child care for working families.

Energy:

- **\$14,008,800** in block grants to foster energy efficiency in building, transportation, and a wide range of other improvements.
- **\$37,583,874** to support the weatherization of homes, including adding more insulation, sealing leaks and modernizing heating and air conditioning equipment.
- **\$32,746,000** to the State Energy Program, available for rebates to consumers for energy saving improvements; development of renewable energy projects; promotion of Energy Star products; efficiency upgrades for state and local government buildings; and other innovative state efforts to help save families money on their energy bills.

Education:

- **\$438,130,837** potentially available to West Virginia to lay the foundation for a generation of education reform and help save thousands of teaching jobs at risk due to state and local budget cuts.

Health Care:

- **\$1,150,532** to fund 1 new Community Health Centers, which will serve an estimated 5,940 patients and create a projected 45 jobs.
- **\$6,672,135** to expand services at 29 existing Community Health Centers, which will expand service to an additional 55,852 patients and create or save a projected 169 jobs.
- **\$680,092** to provide meals to low-income seniors.
- **\$76,479,589** made available in Federal Medical Assistance Percentage

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(FMAP) to protect health care for the families hit hard by the economic crisis and some of the nation's most vulnerable citizens.

- \$1,081,814 in vaccines and grants to ensure more underserved Americans receive the vaccines they need.

Transportation:

- \$210,857,204 in highway funds to help build and repair roads and bridges.
- \$10,673,475 to repair and build public transportation infrastructure.
- \$9 million to address airport safety and security, infrastructure, runway safety, increased capacity, and mitigation of environmental impacts.

Law Enforcement:

- More than \$13.1 million for state and local law enforcement assistance available through the Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program. The JAG Program supports a variety of efforts such as hiring and support for law enforcement officers; multidisciplinary drug and gang task forces; crime prevention and domestic violence programs; and courts, corrections, treatment, and justice information sharing initiatives.

REAL RESULTS IN WEST VIRGINIA

Thanks to the Obama Administration's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, real impact is already being felt across the state.

West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin Signed Legislation That Will Release Nearly \$300 Million in Federal Stimulus Money To Dozens Of State Agencies. "About \$300 million in federal stimulus money will be released to West Virginia's economy. On Friday, Gov. Joe Manchin signed legislation that divides \$283.8 million to dozens of agencies. According to published reports, \$120 million will benefit Medicaid, foster care, child support enforcement, food stamp and independent living programs. The state Department will receive \$72 million and more than \$38 million will go to projects from the Department of Environmental Protection. The Department of Military Affairs and Public Safety, the Crime Victims Compensation Fund and Public Transit are also expected to receive part of the stimulus money." [WTRF, 4/18/09]

\$4.4 Million in Stimulus Funding Will Rehabilitate a Dam in Keyser, Extending its Life by 50 Years and Creating 16 Jobs. "Federal stimulus funding will benefit the city of Keyser with \$4.05 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act money to rehabilitate the New Creek Dam. The dam, which is in West Virginia along the Potomac River and New Creek. U.S. Department of Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack and in a press conference Monday in a \$4.4 million project. It will provide water for the city of Keyser. It should create about 16 jobs building a new pier, spillway pipe, impact basin and some drainage system work. It should extend the life of the dam for another 50 years." [Cumberland Times-News, 4/7/09]

"Stimulus Scholarships" Available for Job Training in West Virginia. "While unemployment rates in southern West Virginia continue to rise, new job training options are now available to assist those who are unemployed, officials said Tuesday. Federal stimulus dollars are now available to assist those who are unemployed or underemployed with training at local community colleges and vocational centers. Melissa Agular, executive director of Region 1 Workforce West Virginia, said, Agular said area training centers include Bluefield State College and the McDowell County Career and Technical Center in Welch. "The recovery act funds have come in, and we have funding available now for training opportunities for West Virginia citizens," Agular said. "If an individual has been for example laid off, they would automatically be eligible for training dollars we have available." Agular said residents can inquire about stimulus scholarship dollars at their local Workforce West Virginia offices. "It could be up to \$5,000 worth of training," she said. "I can tell you in many years past, we have traditionally run out of funds because there has been such an overwhelming response because of the number of individuals who need funds to go to school. Through the stimulus package the president has passed, those funds have now come down to the state office to state to assist individuals with going to school." [Bluefield Daily Telegraph (WV), 4/14/09]

- Bluefield Daily Telegraph Editorial Praised Stimulus-Funded Job Training Programs. "More help is now available for residents of southern West Virginia and Southwest Virginia who are unemployed or

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underemployed. Federal stimulus dollars to help unemployed and underemployed residents of southern West Virginia have now been released by the state. The federal funding will help those individuals learn new job training skills through local community colleges and vocational centers, including Bluefield State College. In Virginia, state officials are opening 'Unemployment Express Offices' to serve displaced workers across the Commonwealth. The state also has formed an Economic Crisis Strike Force to coordinate a state-wide response to the growing number of unemployed in the Commonwealth." (Editorial, Bluefield Daily Telegraph, 4/17/09)

Charleston Daily Mail WVA receives \$18.7 million in mass transit funds West Virginia's \$18.7 million share of public transportation funds from the federal economic stimulus package has been released to the state. Democratic Rep. Nick Rahall said Thursday that \$10 million is earmarked for rural transit projects. Another \$8.3 million is designated for urban projects. LINK

West Virginia Will Receive \$1.5 Million In Stimulus Funds To Clean Up Leaks From Underground Tankers To Ensure That Groundwater, Which Many West Virginians Rely On For Drinking Water, Is Safe. "United States Senators Robert C. Byrd and Jay Rockefeller, both D-W.Va., along with Congressman Nick Rahall, W.Va.-3, today announced that West Virginia is slated to receive more than \$1,843,000 in federal funding as part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The monies will be distributed through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as part of a \$197 million spending program across the country... The funds will be used for overseeing the assessment and cleanup of leaks from underground storage tanks or directly paying for assessment and cleanup of leaks from federally regulated tanks where the responsible party is unknown, unwilling, or the clean up is an emergency response. 'Many West Virginia families rely on groundwater as a source of their safe drinking water,' said Byrd. 'This funding will help to eliminate the backlog of more than 850 underground tank clean-up projects in West Virginia. And through this funding we will both create jobs and improve the health and safety of West Virginia communities.' The protection of West Virginia's drinking water is essential. West Virginia families should be able to trust that the water coming from their faucets is safe," said Senator Rockefeller. "TUS Fed News, 4/16/09"

WVOK-TV "President Obama and Senators Byrd and Rockefeller Announce Funds for Health Clinic in W. Va." Acting to strengthen the health care safety net for the growing number of Americans in need, President Barack Obama, Senator Robert Byrd and Senator John Rockefeller Monday announced the release of \$1,150,000 authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act that will support a health center in West Virginia. The health center will help people in need - many with no health insurance - obtain access to the comprehensive primary and preventive health care services, and create 45 jobs in the mountain state. The health center that will receive support in West Virginia is Bechtel Medical Services Assoc. in Bechtel. LINK

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Manchin seeks more Medicaid stimulus funds

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CHARLESTON -- Gov. Joe Manchin is appealing to Congress to keep federal stimulus dollars flowing into state Medicaid programs.

The National Governors Association wants to extend a temporary funding boost set to expire in December.

Manchin co-signed a letter from NGA that cites the "length and depth of the recession" in asking U.S. House and Senate leaders to continue the enhanced matching rate until mid-2011. That's when most states complete the next budget year.



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Gov. Joe Manchin is seen in this July 9, 2009 file photo at the Cabell County Courthouse.

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"Additional federal Medicaid funds were critical for helping states avoid certain tax increases and cuts to core services that would have otherwise been necessary to balance state budgets," the Feb. 4 letter from Manchin and Vermont Gov. James Douglas said.

Douglas chairs the NGA, while Manchin is vice chair and in line to head the organization later this year. The letter also requests greater leeway for states in managing these health insurance programs.

Medicaid can consume large shares of state spending, and West Virginia is among those states fearing a looming funding shortfall. The state's program mainly covers poor children and the disabled.

While seeking more for Medicaid, Manchin continues to question whether either taxpayers or Congress would support another round of stimulus legislation, spokesman Matt Turner said. The governor instead suggests a loan program that would reward states with zero interest if repaid within a certain time, Turner said.

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Manchin Pitches \$215M in Stimulus Road Projects

The Manchin administration has trimmed West Virginia's wish list of road and bridge projects down to 100 ready-to-go items.

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Manchin calls for lower business taxes, more construction

West Virginia's business climate has improved in recent years, but more should be done to lower taxes, Gov. Joe Manchin said Wednesday.

In his State of the State address, Manchin said he would recommend a constitutional amendment that would reduce taxes on commercial and industrial properties.

Such an amendment would require a statewide public vote.

"This will help to create better jobs," the governor said. "This is about more than cutting taxes. It's about fair and progressive taxation that meets our state's needs and allows us to compete and prosper."

Manchin also touted judicial reforms, including a proposal to allow full appellate review by the state Supreme Court of all final decisions issued by circuit courts across the state.

Steve Roberts, president the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, said that change and others proposed by the governor Wednesday night would help bolster the state's economy.

"It sets a great tone," Roberts said. "There was super emphasis on educational improvement, tax reduction and legal fairness. This is great news for our children and our state's future."

Manchin said federal stimulus money had provided a "much-needed shot-in-the arm" to West Virginia, but the funds won't address all of the state's challenges.

"West Virginia is a top state for putting stimulus dollars to work on our highways, and for building water and sewer lines," the governor said. "We are working hard with limited resources and have planned an aggressive construction program for 2010."

That's exactly what Steve White of the Affiliated Construction Trades group wanted to hear.

"We're concerned about funding for infrastructure - roads, bridges, schools, water and sewer," said White, executive director of the labor group. "We have high needs in all those areas. You can't cut your way to prosperity."

White said industrial project construction at chemical and power plants has flattened out this year. He added that the federal stimulus package has been a "lifesaver" for many road and bridge construction jobs.

"Ironically, West Virginia has fared well compared to the rest of the country, but it's getting worse," said White. "There's a lot of uncertainty out there right now as far as what this year will bring."

White questioned Manchin's desire to reduce taxes on commercial and industrial properties through a constitutional amendment - a proposal that his group's members likely wouldn't support.

"Before you're going to cut, you have to find replacement [funds], and they haven't found a replacement," White said. "The question is who will make up the money? And the answer too often ends up to be working families."

West Virginia's economy is expected to lose 2,200 jobs this year, even though employment may pick up steam during the second half of 2010 as the national economy rebounds.

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Manufacturing jobs are expected to stabilize - a stark contrast to the massive layoffs recorded from 2003 to 2008. Last year alone, the state lost 5,900 manufacturing jobs amid the recession.

Overall, the state lost 22,600 jobs from the second quarter of 2008 to the second quarter of 2009. The state's unemployment rate doubled over the past year.

Only two sectors showed an increase in jobs - government and health care.

Although West Virginia's economy fared better than most state's last year, Manchin had few positives to point to.

A year ago this month, Century Aluminum announced it was shutting down its smelter, putting 650 employees out of work.

One of the few bright notes: Last fall, the Boy Scouts of America decided to build a national scouting center in Fayette County and invest \$300 million in the project. The Scouts plan to build a high-adventure base, Jamboree Center, summer camp and leadership center.

"They chose us as their centerpiece for the next 100 years of scouting in America," Manchin said Wednesday night. "It gives us an unprecedented opportunity to showcase West Virginia to business leaders and tourists, as well. I truly believe this can be a game changer for the state of West Virginia."

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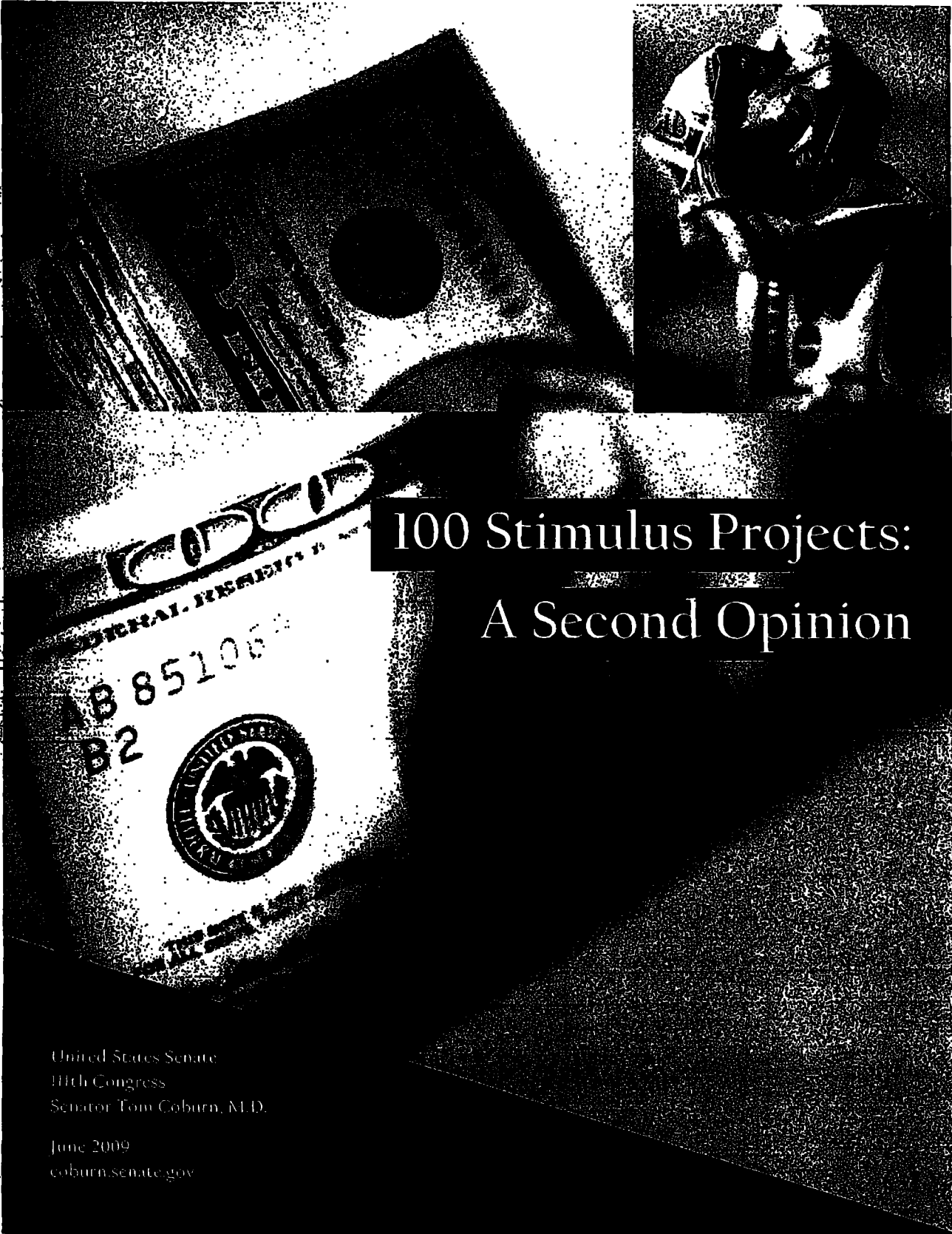
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100 Stimulus Projects: A Second Opinion

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A Second Opinion on the Stimulus

Earlier this year, Congress was quick to pass the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, or stimulus bill that promised to jumpstart the economy and put Americans back to work by spending \$787 billion on "shovel-ready" projects across the country.

There was no question that the nation's economic condition demanded bold action. Nor is there any question that the massive amount of stimulus spending so far has created some new jobs. Yet, as recent statistics have shown, the jobs that may have been created or saved from the stimulus are not offsetting the millions of jobs that our economy is still hemorrhaging. In my estimation, Congress chose the wrong approach to stimulating the economy by spending money we don't have on things we don't need. Real stimulus includes lowering the tax and regulatory burden on hardworking families and businesses, which creates good jobs for the long term.

Unemployment soared to 9.4 percent in May 2009, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), with 14.5 million Americans now out of work. These numbers are staggering, but may actually be too low. BLS also reports that "true unemployment" could be as high as 16.4 percent when adjusted for all workers that would like to work full time but are discouraged from doing so.¹ Behind these statistics are stories of families trying to make ends meet without a steady pay check, and even those who have not lost their jobs are anxious about their own financial situation, as well as the future that they can expect for their children and grandchildren.

It is fair to say that these statistics do not tell the full story of the stimulus. Taxpayers have a lot of questions about how the stimulus is working and they deserve answers.

For example, what kinds of jobs are being created? Are these permanent jobs or seasonal and temporary jobs that will soon be gone when the project is completed? What are the priorities of projects being funded with stimulus dollars? Will these projects make real improvements in the lives of taxpayers and communities or are they simply pet projects of politicians and lobbyists that never get off the ground because they are a low priority? Are some stimulus projects actually making matters worse for ordinary Americans?

Taxpayers would not be shocked to hear that millions of dollars of stimulus money are being wasted, but they might be shocked to learn the answers to these questions. After a review of thousands of projects, it is fair to claim that there are some successes, but there are also places where we need to do better.

Earl Devaney, head of the Recovery Act Accountability and Transparency (RAT) Board, estimates that at least \$55 billion of the money may be lost to waste, fraud and abuse.² Unfortunately, we all have come to expect waste and mismanagement when Washington spends money. But this time the expectation must be different. When ordinary Americans are laid off or lose their jobs, they are losing more than just income. They are losing their health insurance, as well as their ability to pay their mortgages, to send their kids to school, or even provide necessities like food and shelter.

This report is an attempt to look beyond the statistics of jobs created or even money wasted. It, instead, provides a closer examination of 100 projects, programs and missteps – worth \$5.5 billion – some even in

¹ Bureau of Labor Statistics, "Table A-12. Alternative measure of labor utilization," June 5, 2009, <http://www.bls.gov/news.release/emp/sr.c12.htm>.

² King Jr., Neil, "Watchdog Over Stimulus Spending Toes a Delicate Line," *Wall Street Journal*, March 9, 2009, <http://online.wsj.com/article/SB123627399401341865.html>.

my own home state of Oklahoma, that are likely to fail the expectation of out of work Americans who were hoping this bill would create good jobs that they are desperately seeking so that they can provide for their families once again.

I plan on issuing additional reports on stimulus projects in the months to come in the hope that by keeping government accountable, we can provide the most value for taxpayers.

Tom Coburn, M.D.
U.S. Senator

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Introduction

By offering 100 examples of questionable stimulus projects, worth \$5.5 billion, this report does not attempt to prove that the stimulus is not working. Rather, the intent is to educate taxpayers, policymakers and the media on lessons that can be learned from some of the early missteps and prevent other questionable projects from moving forward.

As Congress debated the stimulus bill in February, there were significant concerns that billions of dollars would be wasted and the bill was rushed to passage without a single member of Congress reading it.

Even Vice President Joe Biden, who was charged with heading up the stimulus implementation, said on June 2, "Some people are being scammed already."¹

Shortly after it passed, the Vice President warned of the challenges facing the government in the short-term when he said, "Six months from now, if the verdict on this effort is that we've wasted the money, we built things that were unnecessary or we've done things that are legal but make no sense, then folks don't look for any help from the federal government for a long while."² All around the country, just such a pattern is starting to develop, making some Americans think twice. A new Rasmussen poll released on June 10 shows that 45 percent of taxpayers want to halt all of the remaining unspent stimulus funds, while only 36 percent want to continue.³

In Florida, local officials are using \$128 million in stimulus money for a bridge project that has been hotly debated for more than 20 years by locals who see it as unnecessary and a waste of money. Known as the Indian Street Bridge, it would connect the communities of Stuart and Palm City even though an existing bridge connects the two only a quarter of a mile away. Even the bridge's shovel-ready status has been called into question since construction cannot begin until the needed parcels of land are purchased, which is not expected to happen until 2011.

In Perkins, Oklahoma, residents are literally paying the price for the "free" stimulus dollars provided by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Perkins is receiving \$1.445 million from a federal stimulus grant for new wastewater treatment plant. As a condition of accepting these funds, the town must comply with a number of federal requirements. These federal restrictions have increased the total cost of the project from \$5.26 million to \$7.2 million, offsetting any financial benefit from the grant. As a result, utility rates for local residents have risen by 60% to pay the costs for accepting the stimulus money. City Manager Pete Seikel said residents don't understand why their sewer rates have to be increased if the city is getting federal grants to build the new wastewater treatment plant.

In Ypsilanti, Michigan, half a million dollars will go towards renovating a historic freight house that closed its doors in 2004. Supporters of the project envision the new space being used for yoga classes or a coffee shop. This is not exactly what most taxpayers had in mind when they were sold the stimulus.

Supporters of the stimulus said that the key to preventing the misuse of federal money was a strong dose of transparency. If the details of every project were posted online, they said, including where the money

¹ Nicolaci da Costa, Pedro, "Biden says some waste inevitable part of stimulus," Reuters, June 2, 2009, <http://www.reuters.com/article/politicsNews/idUSTRE5316HE20090602>.

² Superville, Darlene, "Obama to state: Spend stimulus wisely or else," Associated Press, March 12, 2009, http://seattletimes.nwsource.com/html/politics/2008820634_apobamasstimulus.html.

³ "45% Say Cancel Rest of Stimulus Spending," Rasmussen Reports, June 10, 2009, http://www.rasmussenreports.com/public_content/business/economic_stimulus_package/45_say_cancel_rest_of_stimulus_spending.

is spent and for what, a natural system of accountability would develop. Unfortunately, this has not happened. It is nearly impossible right now for the average taxpayer to find out where his money is going. It was recently revealed that Recovery.gov, a new website being developed to bring "unprecedented transparency" by tracking the money "down to the penny," may not even be ready until spring 2010 - a full year after the stimulus was passed. Taxpayers who will be left paying for every wasteful stimulus project deserve a full accounting of where their money is going.

This makes the report being released today all the more important. It highlights 100 projects out of thousands that have received stimulus money but are not poised to stimulate the economy, create lasting jobs, serve taxpayers in the long term, or use taxpayer money in an appropriate way. Some may be reasonable if funded through private investment, or state and local government. Some would even be worthy federal projects. The vast majority of the projects, though, are not appropriate uses of taxpayer money at any time or in any context.

The beginning report consists of the ten most questionable stimulus projects I have encountered until now. Following that are ninety additional projects, for a total of 100, listed in no particular order, but are broken down by region of the country.

This waste is troubling both for its short-term failure to put Americans back to work and for its long-term fiscal impact on the nation. Our current national debt exceeds \$11 trillion and the Congressional Budget Office projects more than \$1 trillion will be added per year to it for the next decade, in large part due to stimulus spending.

As we move forward with the stimulus, it is vital that the public know how and why taxpayer dollars are being spent and the impact of the projects that are being funded.

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TOP TEN PROJECTS

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1. "Free" Stimulus Money Results in Higher Utility Costs for Residents of Perkins, Oklahoma

In Perkins, Oklahoma, residents are literally paying a price for accepting "free" stimulus dollars.

Perkins' wastewater treatment plant is outdated and the town had planned to build a new one for \$5 million. To help with the cost, the town applied for, and received, \$1.5 million in "free" stimulus money.

"We were shovel ready. The engineering was done. We were ready or getting ready to advertise for bids," said Perkins City Manager Pete Seikel.⁶

Then came the catch.

The Perkins Journal reported, "The good news: Perkins is receiving money from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for its new wastewater treatment plant. The bad news: ARRA funds come with strings that will increase project costs by 25 percent."



Current wastewater plant in Perkins, Oklahoma

As a condition of accepting those funds, the town must comply with a number of federal requirements. These federal restrictions have increased the total cost of the project from \$5.26 million to \$7.2 million, offsetting any financial benefit from the grant.⁷

Additionally, the state tied the federal dollars to the Oklahoma Water Resource Board's (OWRB) revolving loan program in a 70 percent loan/30 percent grant arrangement. Perkins will be borrowing \$3.875 million from OWRB and receiving \$1.445 million from a federal stimulus grant.

As a result, utility rates for local residents have risen dramatically to pay the costs for accepting the federal assistance. To pay back the loan and the increased cost of the project, the town raised residents' utility taxes by 60 percent this year.

The City Manager acknowledged that residents don't understand why their sewer rates have to be increased if the city is getting federal grants to build the new wastewater treatment plant.

"I thought the stimulus money, I thought that was going to pay for it. I don't understand why we have to pay for it, too," said Robert Allensworth of Perkins.

"It is to stimulate the economy, to (get) people back to work, inject some cash into the system," said Seikel, but even he says, at best, getting the stimulus money for the new wastewater treatment plant will be a wash.⁸

⁶ Smith, Jeffrey, "Stimulus Money For Perkins Put To Reality Check," *The News On 6*, June 2, 2009, <http://www.news6.com/global/story.asp?id=10466616>.

⁷ Charles, Michelle, "Stimulus funds increase cost of wastewater plant," *Perkins Journal*, May 21, 2009, <http://www.thejournalok.com/art.php?id=18734>.

2. FutureGen: The Stimulus Earmark that Wasn't, Becomes the Costliest Pork Project in History

When President Obama announced his economic stimulus plan, he stated unequivocally that no earmarks for pet projects of members of Congress would be funded as part of the program.

The Capitol Hill newspaper *The Politico* wrote "The Obama administration wants it known that it's serious about keeping earmarks out of the stimulus package. How serious? Administration officials say they won't include funding in the massive bill for an Illinois energy project that would create hundreds of downstate jobs and that the state's congressional delegation, including then-Sen. Barack Obama, had lobbied hard for." Brendan Daly, a spokesman for the Speaker of the House, emphasized that it was Obama's decision to exclude an earmark for an energy project called FutureGen and that Speaker Nancy Pelosi had ensured it was not in the House version. "It shows that we're serious about it," Daly noted.⁹

But even the best intentions of a new President often are not enough to deter the craftiness of



FutureGen received the largest earmark in pork barrel history as a result of clever wordsmithing. Impeached Illinois Governor Rod Blagojevich, one of the biggest FutureGen supporters, is pictured here speaking at the announcement that Mattoon, Illinois, had been selected for the project.

Washington lobbyists and politicians when hundreds of billions of dollars are being doled out within a 400-page bill rushed to passage so quickly that there was little time for anyone to read it.

"Deep inside the economic stimulus package is a \$1 billion prize that, in five short words, shows the benefits of being in power in Washington," reported *The Washington Post*. "Everyone familiar with the subject knew that there was only one shovel-ready project in the entire country that met the criteria for 'fossil energy research and development' listed in the bill: The FutureGen plant in Mattoon, Illinois."¹⁰

And while proponents insisted throughout the debate that the stimulus bill contained no earmarks, these carefully selected five words guaranteed the largest earmark in pork barrel history.

To the surprise of few, on June 12, the Department of Energy announced FutureGen would be receiving \$1.073 billion from the taxpayers, \$1 billion of which will be provided from stimulus funds.¹¹

Earmark opponents can say "I told you so," but what taxpayers haven't been told is the real reason why FutureGen supporters had to go to such extraordinary measures to secure its funding.

⁹ Smith, Jeffrey, "Stimulus Money For Perkins Put To Reality Check," *The News On 6*, June 2, 2009.

<http://www.news6.com/global/story.asp?s=10466616>

¹⁰ Martin, Jonathan, "Obama team wants earmarks out of stimulus," *The Politico*, January 27, 2009.

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¹¹ Kindy, Kimberly, "New Life for 'Clean Coal' Project; Illinois Plant Was Abandoned by Bush; Now Its Backers Are in Power," *The Washington Post*, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/03/05/AR2009030502138.html>

¹² "Secretary Chu Announces Agreement on FutureGen Project in Mattoon, IL; Paves Way for First US Commercial Scale Carbon Capture and Storage Project," U.S. Department of Energy press release, June 12, 2009, <http://www.energy.gov/news2009/7454.htm>.

"New technology makes FutureGen a waste of tax money,"¹² concluded the immediate past Secretary of Energy and scientific experts and other officials concur.

Just last year, then-Secretary Samuel W. Bodman stated that "FutureGen was announced in early 2003 as a \$950 million initiative to create a single coal-based power plant where new technologies, then revolutionary, would be demonstrated. Since then, the project's estimated cost has almost doubled and innovations in technology and changes in the marketplace have created other viable options for demonstrating carbon capture and storage on a commercial scale. ... It became clear the Department of Energy could not, in good conscience, continue to support the program. The likelihood that it would fail, leaving the American people with hundreds of millions of dollars in sunk cost and none of the benefits, is not acceptable."¹³

Secretary Bodman noted, "As secretary of energy, I must spend taxpayer dollars wisely and make difficult decisions. To confront the energy and environmental challenges before us, we must achieve meaningful results for the American people. That means continually reassessing our national investments. We continually must ask if we are using government resources efficiently to achieve a cleaner, more sustainable, more affordable and more secure energy future. Where we are not, we must make changes. That's what we are doing with FutureGen," Bodman said when the Department decided to end the funding for the project that will now receive over \$1 billion from the federal government.¹⁴

A 2007 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) report showed that the FutureGen approach was not the best way to go about such an experimental new technology. According to the MIT report, there are "concerns about this particular project" including a "continuing lack of clarity about the project objectives." The MIT analysis concluded "It is important that the U.S. government begin thinking about such a portfolio of demonstration projects and not be singularly focused on any one project, such as FutureGen."¹⁵

The success of FutureGen is a failure for the stimulus program. Instead of directing \$1 billion towards promising new energy technologies that hold the promise of providing cleaner and cheaper energy for the future along with the creation of jobs to support such breakthroughs, these resources will instead be sunk into a project that is expected to be a costly failure.

¹² Honorable Samuel W. Bodman, then-United States Secretary of Energy. "New technology makes FutureGen a waste of tax money," St. Louis Post Dispatch, February 6, 2008, <http://www.stltoday.com/stltoday/news/stories.nsf/editorialcommentary/story/FED1EF50F9C186CA862573E70017463B?OpenDocument>.

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¹⁵ "The Future of Coal," Massachusetts Institute of Technology, March 14, 2007, http://web.mit.edu/coal/The_Future_of_Coal.pdf.

3. Little-Used "Shovel-Ready" Bridges in Rural Wisconsin Given Priority Over Widely Used Structurally Deficient Bridges

Wisconsin has 1,256 structurally deficient bridges, which more than the number in Florida, Colorado, Arizona and Alaska - combined.¹⁸ Instead of repairing these bridges, \$15.8 million in transportation stimulus money will be used repair 37 rural bridges that hardly anyone uses.

On average, the 37 rural bridges carry little more than 500 vehicles apiece each day, with several that typically see fewer than 100. One bridge along River Road in Iowa County carries no more than 10 cars a day, but will receive nearly \$430,000 for repairs.¹⁷ Puzzled residents are wondering why these bridges will receive the state's first wave of stimulus money when other more pressing needs are getting nothing.



The answer is that many repair projects for the worn-off bridges cannot begin quickly, and so are not considered "shovel-ready." Shovel-ready projects were pushed to the front of the line, whether they were high priorities or not, and as a result, the only projects available for immediate repairs in Wisconsin were those that almost nobody uses.

Commenting on the difficulty of operating within the stimulus rules, Beth Cannestra, director of bureau structures for Wisconsin, conceded, "Smaller, lower-volume roadway projects are easier to get out."¹⁸

One small bridge is receiving \$840,000, though it only carries 260 vehicles a day on average. It primarily provides access to a golf course and Rusty's Backwater Saloon, which boasts pantoon rentals and a Steak-A-Rooni for just \$5.25.¹⁹ In contrast, the *Journal-Sentinel* found that half of all Milwaukee streets have not been repaved for forty years and 20 percent of them are past their intended lifespan.²⁰

Another small project receiving money - much to the astonishment of Iowa chairman Dave Lucey - is a 40-foot bridge over Blue Mounds Creek that leads to a recreational site and private camping ground. "I was surprised as anyone when I got the call that the bridge was going to be fixed," Lucey said. "I can tell you that bridge is a low priority for us."²¹

¹⁸ Website of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration, "Deficient Bridges by State and Highway System," as of December 2008, accessed June 15, 2009, <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/BRIDGE/nhi/defbr08.cfm>.

¹⁷ Poston, Ben and Tom Held, "Rural bridges targeted," (*Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*, March 29, 2009, <http://www.jsonline.com/news/wisconsin/42103902.html>).

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²⁰ Marley, Patrick, "State approves 49 road, bridge projects funded by stimulus," (*Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel*, March 17, 2009, <http://www.jsonline.com/news/statepolitics/41411607.html>).

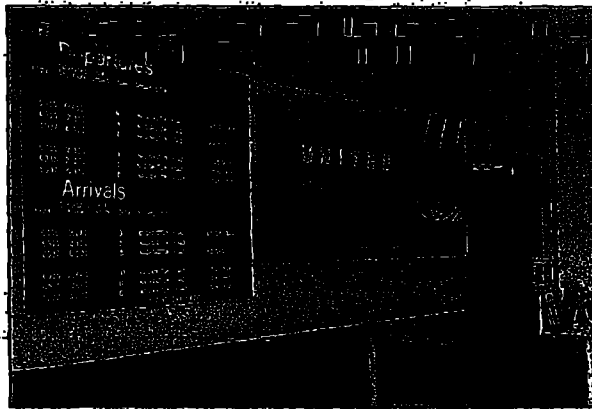
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4. \$800,000 for little-used Johnstown, Pennsylvania airport to repave a back-up runway; the "Airport for Nobody" Has Already Received Tens of Millions in Taxpayer dollars

The John Murtha Airport in Johnstown/Cambria County will receive \$800,000 in economic stimulus funds, despite the fact that virtually no one uses the airport.

According to ABC News the airport will receive money for an, "\$18 million runway made of reinforced concrete that's big enough to land any airplane in North America. The airport also has a \$7 million air traffic control tower, a \$14 million hanger and \$8 million radar." However, "most of the time, the only thing the airport doesn't have is airplanes."²²



Last year, Rep. John Murtha asked Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) to pay to build a backup runway. But with less than 10,000 passengers using the airport or close to 20 passengers per day, it didn't meet the agency criteria for support, so the request was denied.

The stimulus bill had no such rule, so with only 9,733 passengers per year²³, the FAA allocated \$800,000 to Murtha Airport for repaving the backup

There are only three departures and arrivals per day at the Johnstown Airport. All flying in or out of Washington, D.C. The board above displays the schedule at the airport.

runway.

Since 1996 this airport has received \$150 million of federal money.²⁴ The airport also receives other annual subsidies. For every flight into the airport, they receive a per passenger subsidy of \$100. However, there are plenty of empty seats.²⁵

The airport offers only three commercial flights and gets about 20 passengers per day. In between the arrivals and departures, airport officials admit there are few faces around the facility.²⁶

Local resident, Bill Previte, asked, "Doesn't it seem kind of ridiculous to have a motorized carousel for the baggage claim when 15 people get off the airplane?" he said. "It's obvious: There's not enough population to justify this place."²⁷

²² Karl, Jonathan, "Welcome to the Airport for Nobody," ABC News, April 23, 2009, <http://abcnews.go.com/m/screen?id=7412160&pid=80>.

²³ Federal Aviation Administration Website, "Passenger Boarding (Enplanement) & All-Cargo Data," http://www.faa.gov/airports/airtraffic/airports/planning/capacity/passenger/allcargo/state/passenger/media/cy07/primary_np_cpmn.pdf, accessed June 3, 2009.

²⁴ Leonnig, Carol, "FAA Approves Plan to Give Stimulus Funds to Airport Named After Murtha," Washington Post, May 12, 2009, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/05/12/AR2009051202679.html>

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²⁶ Acosta, Jim, and Rodriguez, Janet, "Remote Murtha airport lands big bucks from Washington," CNN, April 23, 2009, <http://www.cnn.com/2009/POLITICS/04/23/murtha.airport/>.

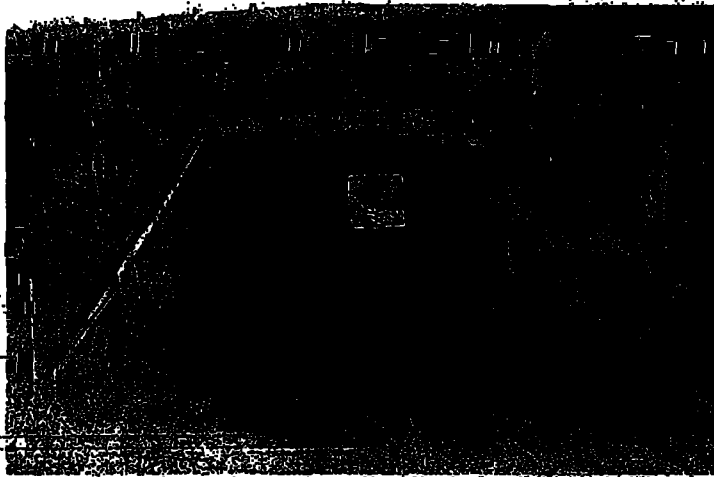
5. \$3.4 Million for Wildlife "Eco-Passage" in Florida; Project Still May Take Years to Finish

Why did the turtle cross the road? To get to the other side of a stimulus project. The Florida Department of Transportation is planning to spend \$3.4 million in stimulus cash for a wildlife crossing, otherwise known as an "eco-passage." It will serve as an underground wildlife road-crossing for turtles and other animals that live in Lake Jackson, Florida.²⁸

When a local columnist described this project to a friend, they said that, "FSU (Florida State University) is talking about laying off 200 people and we're protecting turtles!"²⁹

Over 60 species have become road kill on U.S.-27, the road that the eco-passage would go under. Alligators, otters, snakes and lizards and even beavers have been killed on this stretch of road.³⁰

Turtles seem to get squished more than any other species. The area has the highest road-kill mortality rate for turtles in the world.³¹



An eco-passage like the one shown will be built under U.S. 27 in Florida.

Local community activists have put up a temporary fence for the critters that reportedly works pretty well. It saves a lot of our four legged friends.

The eco-passage will consist of a series of fences that will direct all the animal traffic to a 13-foot tunnel that will go under U.S. 27.³²

But, even though they are getting millions in stimulus funds, the permanent eco-passage is only in the design stage, and is not fully funded. It needs \$6 million and it is unclear how long it will take to get the project built.³³

²⁷ Leonig, Carol, "Murtha's Earmarks Keep Airport Aloft," *Washington Post*, April 19, 2009, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/04/18/AR2009041802138.html>.

²⁸ The Florida Office of Economic Recovery, "List of State of Florida Transportation Enhancement,"

<http://flarecovery.com/resources/documents/flor-hwy-enhancement-list-4-15-09.pdf>, accessed June 2, 2009.

²⁹ Hohmeister, Mark, "Lake Jackson Ecopassage Advances At A Turtle's Pace," *Tallahassee Democrat*, January 10, 2009, <http://www.lakejacksonturtles.org/nrc010909.htm>.

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6. Nevada Non-Profit Gets Weatherization Contract After Being Fired For Same Work

Getting fired is not typically a strong resume builder, but for the non-profit Community Service Agency (CSA), it landed the organization a \$2 million promotion. Nevada-based CSA was terminated for bungling a federal weatherization program, but will receive nearly \$2 million in federal stimulus funds to resume its program.

State officials gave the Community Service Agency (CSA) a \$1,849,627 contract with federal stimulus funds for Nevada's low income weatherization program.

However, according to an evaluation of Nevada's weatherization assistance programs, the State of Nevada had several problems with CSA, and "after first trying to work with CSA... [Nevada's] Housing Division found it necessary to move toward termination of CSA and replacement of its weatherization services."¹⁴



Five major problems for CSA were outlined in the investigative report:

- 1) deficiencies in work completed;
 - 2) management problems;
 - 3) lack of executive interest at CSA in continuing to provide weatherization services;
 - 4) managers assigned to weatherization did not appear fully qualified by experience in the weatherization or housing area; and
 - 5) failure to follow accountability and reporting requirements even though "the Housing Division had provided clear direction."¹⁵
- None of these failures prevented the state of Nevada from hiring the organization back on to do weatherization work under the stimulus.

The stimulus bill provides \$5 billion to weatherize home for low-income families, well over the \$227.2 million for the weatherization last year. The increase has been described as contractors "winning the lottery."¹⁶ For CSA, it certainly has been a lucky day.

¹⁴ The Florida Office of Economic Recovery, "List of State of Florida Transportation Enhancement," <http://flarecovery.com/resources/documents/tdor-hwy-enhancement-list-4-15-09.pdf>, accessed June 2, 2009.

¹⁵ Peach, H. Gil and Mark Thompson, "State Fiscal Year 2007 Evaluation of the NRS 702: Energy Assistance Program & Weatherization Assistance Program," H. Gil Peach & Associates LLC, December 2008, page 32.

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¹⁷ Feherenbacher, Katie, "Weatherization Stimulus: Lots of It, Fast," *Business Week*, January 30, 2009, http://www.businessweek.com/technology/content/jan2009/tc20090129_222846.htm.

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7. Non-Existent Oklahoma Lake in Line for Over \$1 Million To Construct a New Guardrail

Built in the 1960's to help improve the water supply of Oklahoma's panhandle, Optima Lake has suffered from one unfortunate problem: it never filled up. In 1997, Alan Riffel, then-City Manager of nearby Woodward, Oklahoma, called the lake, "one of Oklahoma's greatest boondoggles." Twelve years later, Optima Lake is in line to receive \$1.15 million in federal stimulus money to construct a new guardrail for a lake that does not exist.³⁷

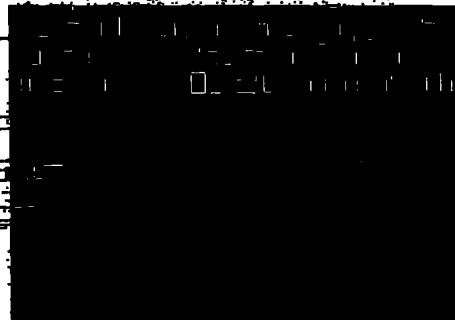


Boat dock jutting into the middle of Optima Lake.

The guardrail is needed for "public safety," says the Army Corps of Engineers, but there is not much of the public around to protect. Because the lake has never filled with water it is all but useless to potential visitors.

The Army Corps website paints an unflattering picture: "The water level in the lake has never reached normal pool. Visitors should be aware that the lake's level can be very low. Depending on rainfall and evaporation rates, the lake may offer no water-based recreation and may not be suitable for swimming, fishing, boating or other activities. Visitors should come for the quiet natural setting - with or without water in the lake area."³⁸

According to the Geological Society of America, Optima Lake "loses 100 percent of its inflowing water to evaporation."³⁹ Conditions became so bad that in 2006, University of Texas-Dallas professor of hydrology, Tom Britkowiak, argued for letting the lake's water drain underground to save it from evaporation. He said, "you get to the point where you can't afford to lose that much water."⁴⁰ In a small bit of irony, one of the streams feeding into the lake is Dry Creek. One thing is sure, if visitors are clever enough to get past the new guardrail they will not have to worry about falling into the water.



Existing guardrail running alongside Optima Lake.

Guymon city manager Ted Graham, whose town is the home of Optima Lake, said, "We all feel the county could use a million dollars in a lot better places than the Optima Lake...personally, I don't think it should be done."⁴¹

³⁷ Website of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Civil Works Projects List: Operations and Maintenance*, p. 197, accessed June 3, 2009, <http://www.usace.army.mil/recovery/Documents/F309%20CW%20Operation%20and%20Maintenance%20ARRA%20-%20FINAL.pdf>.

³⁸ Website of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, "Optima Lake: Oklahoma," accessed June 3, 2009, http://www.swt.usace.army.mil/recreat/OPSField_CFM7rhIOPSField_LakeName-Optima%20Lake.

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⁴⁰ "Scientists study ways to safeguard water," UPI, September 18, 2006, http://www.upi.com/Science_News/2006/09/18/Scientists-study-ways-to-safeguard-water/UPI-46471158389190/.

⁴¹ Lester, Amy, "Senator: Oklahoma Stimulus Project Wasteful," *NewsOn6 (Oklahoma)*, June 9, 2009, <http://www.news-on6.com/global/story.asp?id=10480942>.

8. Taxpayers Taken for a Ride: Nearly \$10 Million to be Spent to Renovate a Century Old Train Station that Hasn't Been Used in 30 Years

Elizabethtown, located in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, will spend more than \$9.38 million of federal stimulus funds to renovate a 97-year-old train station building that has sat vacant for more than 30 years.⁴²

"I think from far away, it looks fine, but as soon as you get up closer and realize that it's not actually a station, it's kind of depressing," said train rider Maegan Demko.⁴³

When the renovation is complete, State Transportation of Secretary Allen Biehler provides reassurance that taxpayer money will be well spent. "(The station's) not just going to be a little monument that someone can look at on a museum tour — it's going to be used," Biehler said.⁴⁴



Abandoned train station planned for massive overhaul with stimulus money.

The station's platform currently serves more than 80,000 passengers a year along Amtrak's Keystone Corridor, meaning taxpayers will subsidize up to \$117 per passenger to pay for the renovation.⁴⁵ A one-way ticket from Elizabethtown to New York City, by contrast, costs just \$45 per passenger.⁴⁶

The U.S. Department of Transportation is providing two grants for the project.

The first grant of \$7.97 million will pay for the renovation of the building, including installation of elevators and raising and extending the boarding platforms.⁴⁷ Officials also hope to include a coffee shop, restaurant, newsstand or market inside the station.⁴⁸

⁴² Yoder, Michael, "Elizabethtown Amtrak project feted," *Lancaster Newspapers*, April 4, 2009, <http://articles.lancasteronline.com/local/4/235910>.

⁴³ Kehm, Amy, "Stimulus Money to Help Elizabethtown Train Station," (Pennsylvania) *ABC 27 News*, <http://www.whfm.com/news/stories/03/09/602882.html>.

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⁴⁵ Pennsylvania Department of Transportation press release, "Secretary Announces \$9 Million In Stimulus Funds For Elizabethtown Station," April 2009, <http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Internet/pdNews.nsf/SecretaryScrapbook/8B1C8432D6DFE7A28525759200638DF2?openDocument>

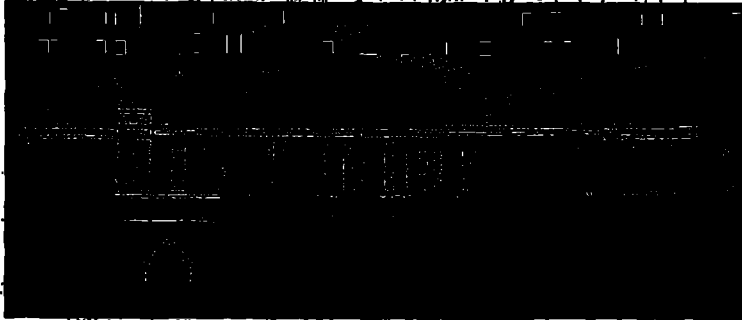
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⁴⁷ Larison, Dennis, "E-town station on fast track to renovation," *Lancaster Newspapers*, May 31, 2009, <http://articles.lancasteronline.com/local/4/238232>.

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The second grant, for more than \$1.41 million, will provide additional off-site parking at an as-of-yet-undetermined site.⁴⁹

The \$7.97 million being spent on the renovation is nearly twice the cost of the \$4.8 million that had been estimated for the project before federal stimulus dollars were involved⁵⁰ and more than three times the estimated \$2.5 million cost estimated just four years ago in 2005.⁵¹



An artist's rendition of what the renovated Elizabethtown Amtrak station would look like.

While the refurbished station may provide increased comfort for area Amtrak riders, spending stimulus money intended for transportation improvements on this project probably will not comfort residents who drive on the county's dilapidated roads and bridges.

Pennsylvania has more state-owned bridges in critical need of immediate repair than any other state in the U.S.,⁵² and Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell noted that "Lancaster County has 163 structurally deficient bridges, representing 22 percent of the 737 state-maintained bridges in the county. In addition, 172 miles - or about 16 percent - of state highways in the region are in poor condition."⁵³

But as Drew Galloway, a representative from Amtrak, points out "the shovel for the shovel-ready part (of this project) was bought about a decade ago."⁵⁴

⁴⁹ Knapp, Tom, "Plan lurches forward for train station revamp," *Intelligencer Journal*, June 13, 2007.

⁵⁰ Larison, Dennis, "E-town station on fast track to renovation," *Lancaster Newspapers*, May 31, 2009; <http://articles.lancasteronline.com/local/4/238232>.

⁵¹ Knapp, Tom, "Ridership soars at E-town station; Borough reports an additional 10,000 passengers boarded trains in each of the past 3 years," *Intelligencer Journal*, December 5, 2007.

⁵² Knapp, Tom, "Pics bears E-town Amtrak station woes," *Intelligencer Journal*, December 4, 2007.

⁵³ "Pa. Bridges Among Nation's Worst," WGAL Channel 8, August 2, 2007, <http://www.wgal.com/news/13805604/detail.html>.

⁵⁴ Commonwealth of Pennsylvania press release, "GOVERNOR RENDELL URGES IMMEDIATE ACTION ON TRANSPORTATION FUNDING PLAN," March 21, 2007, <http://www.state.pa.us/capower/cwp/view.asp?A-11&O-160981>.

⁵⁴ Yoder, Michael, "Elizabethtown Amtrak project fazed," *Lancaster Newspapers*, April 4, 2009, <http://articles.lancasteronline.com/local/4/233910>.

9. Ten Thousand Dead People Get Stimulus Checks, Social Security Administration Blames a Tough Deadline

Whoever said you can't take your money with you when die clearly never anticipated the stimulus. Millions of Americans on Social Security are receiving \$250 from Uncle Sam, including dead people. The Social Security Administration (SSA) blames a strict mid-June deadline for mailing out 10,000 checks to deceased persons.⁵³



⁵⁴ I see stimulus checks ...

James Hagner, of Orchard Beach, Maryland received a stimulus check for his mother who has been dead for four decades. SSA admits to sending out at least \$2.5 million in stimulus cash to other dead people.⁵⁶

A Long Island, New York woman received a \$250 check from the U.S. Treasury, but it wasn't for her. When Antoniette Santopadre got her stimulus check that she was expecting, she quickly realized it was

for her dead father, Romolo Romonini, an American citizen who passed in Italy 34 years ago.⁵⁷ The SSA later discovered that he had never even participated in the Social Security system.⁵⁸

The SSA says that they didn't review all the Social Security records, though it raises questions about how long it must have been since the agency last reviewed its rolls. Santopadre's father died 34 years ago and Hagner's mom died 40 years ago and neither received a Social Security check since the Johnson administration. According to SSA, the problem was that they didn't have a record of death.

⁵³ "Dead Woman Gets Federal Stimulus Check: Son Wants To Keep Check As Souvenir," WBAL-TV, May 12, 2009, <http://www.wbal.com/news/19435100/detail.html>.

⁵⁴ "Dead Woman Gets Federal Stimulus Check: Son Wants To Keep Check As Souvenir," WBAL-TV, May 12, 2009, <http://www.wbal.com/news/19435100/detail.html>.

⁵⁵ "Dead People Being Sent Stimulus Checks," Fox News, May 15, 2009, <http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2009/05/15/dead-people-sent-stimulus-checks/>.

⁵⁶ Pavia, Jim. Memo to Government: Dead People Don't Spend," Investment News, May 24, 2009, <http://www.investmentnews.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID-/20090524/REG/105249992/008>.

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10. Town of Union, New York, Encouraged to Spend Money It Did Not Request For a Homelessness Problem It Does Not Have

The Town of Union, New York, was surprised when it was notified that it would be receiving a \$578,661 stimulus grant to prevent homelessness for several reasons. First, the town never applied for the money and second, it doesn't have any homeless problems.

"Union did not request the money and does not currently have homeless programs in place in the town to administer such funds," said town Supervisor John Bernardo, according to the *Binghamton Press & Sun-Bulletin*. "We were surprised," Bernardo said. "We've never been a recipient before." Bernardo said he isn't aware of any homeless issue in the largely suburban town.⁵⁹

The money is coming from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) program to pay for homeless prevention and emergency shelter programs.

Adam Glantz, a HUD spokesman, said the homeless funds were distributed based on population, housing needs and some poverty statistics. "We hope and encourage these new grantees to develop creative strategies for the funding," Glantz said of Union's homeless grant.

Regardless of how creative local officials get when developing strategies to spend this unrequested money, it does not appear that new jobs will be created as a result because the town has stated its intention to utilize existing employees. In a May 12 report to HUD, Paul A. Nelson, the planning director of Union stated, "to the extent possible, the Town intends to operate the program with a combination of existing employees and an agency which is already under contract."⁶⁰ That doesn't sound very creative and the only problem it seems to solve is how to spend money that the town did not ask for and did not need.

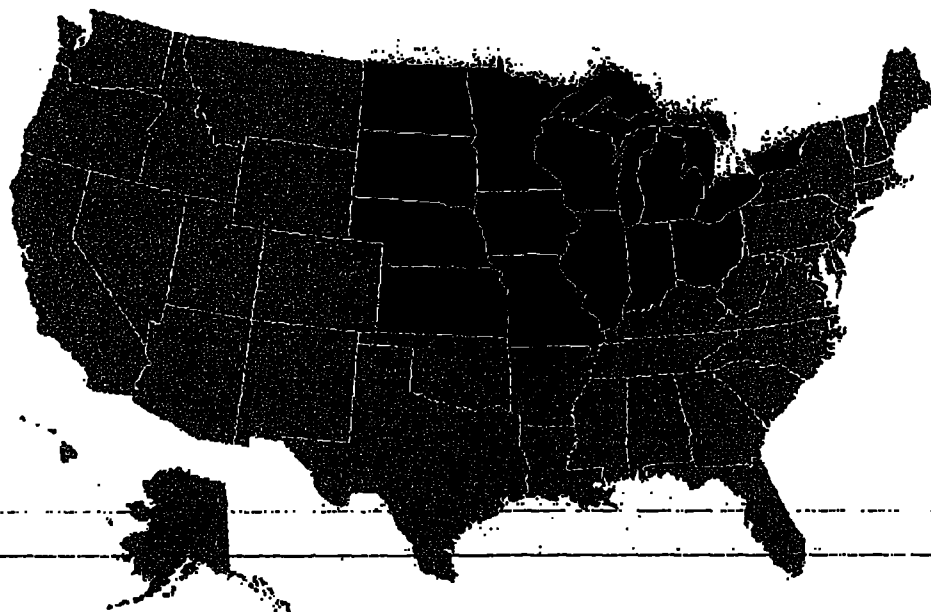
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⁶⁰ Nelson, Paul, "Final HPRP Substantial Amendment Form HUD-4019," Town of Union, New York, May 12, 2009, <http://www.townofunion.com/pdfs/CDBG/FY%202009/FINAL%204019%20TOU%20HPRP%205-12-09.pdf>

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- 11. Illinois county to spend \$173,824 weatherization grant on eight pickup trucks.** Having received \$400,000 for a federal weatherization program, Madison County in Illinois will be spending nearly half of it on eight new Ford F-150s. One member of the county board, Bill Meyer, raised concerns about how fast the county is being forced to spend the money, noting that "it looks like this is being crammed down our throat." Fellow council member Bruce Malone responded that they have little choice: "They are saying, 'Get out and spend it.'"⁶¹
- 12. South Dakota fish hatchery to spend half of a \$20,000 grant on a freezer for fish sperm.** Gavins Point National Fish Hatchery already has three cryo freezers for storing sperm from pallid sturgeon, but stimulus money has given it the to purchase another one. "The insulation on the side that holds the liquid nitrogen is breaking up," explained Jeff Powell, a project manager with the hatchery. The new refrigerator will be used "to hold sperm samples, hormones and ice packs." The hatchery plans to use the other \$10,000 portion of its grant to replace lighting, which is expected to save the hatchery \$713 per year - meaning it will take only 14 years for the savings to outstrip the cost of the grant.⁶²

⁶¹ Schmidt, Sanford, "Panel calls for spending stimulus funds on weatherization," *The Telegraph*, June 8, 2009, <http://www.thetelegraph.com/news/money-27636-county-federal.html#>.

⁶² Johnson, Nathan, "Stimulus Funds To Light Up Fish Hatchery," (*Yankton*) *Press & Dakotan*, June 9, 2009.

13. Wisconsin nursing home receives \$2.6 million in stimulus money it didn't need or request. Prior to the stimulus funding, the Knapp Haven nursing home was on track for a loan from the USDA. When stimulus money came available, the funding source was simply shifted to a new source of federal assistance. "It's kind of a joke as far as I'm concerned," said Carmen Newman, Chetek's city clerk-treasurer. "I don't understand how they can say this is stimulus." Chetek Mayor Dianne Knowlton added, "I don't see how the project benefited."⁶³
14. Iowa state legislators are using money freed up by federal stimulus cash to buy \$11 million in new cars the State does not need. About four dozen brand new cars owned by the state are already sitting unused in a parking lot near the capital. According to state representative Christopher Rants, "Some of them have the stickers on them. None of them have license plates. Some of them still have the seats wrapped in plastic."⁶⁴
15. Road signs costing \$300 each are being placed at construction sites to alert motorists that the project is being paid for by stimulus money. Signs are popping up all across American. In Illinois alone, the signs are expected to cost \$150,000, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT). According to an IDOT spokesman, "It's difficult for us to determine how many signs there will be."⁶⁵
16. Stimulus grant may cost Dayton, Ohio 1,200 jobs. NCR Corp., an automated teller machine company based in Dayton, may consolidate all of its operations in Duluth, Georgia, possibly with the help of a \$5.5 million stimulus grant that Ohio legislators claim would help pay for the NCR factory. Ohio state senator Jon Husted, complained that it was not fair. "The use of stimulus funds means that Ohio taxpayers were forced to pay for NCR's move to Georgia," he said.⁶⁶
17. The governor of Michigan is using \$500,000 to renovate the Ypsilanti Freighthouse, which may house a "yoga or children's movement class" and a full-time tourist information center. "We envision in our business plan a full-time tourist information and hospitality center where neighbors, as well as commuters and visitors arriving or departing on the rails, can grab a bite or a cup of coffee," Bonnie Penet, co-chair of the Friends of the Ypsilanti Freighthouse, said. "At the same time a yoga or children's movement class may be in progress in the great hall, giving way to a catered event in the evening."⁶⁷
18. Critics question whether the much-hyped 2000th transportation stimulus project is necessary. Much was made of the 2000th stimulus project, though one local critic did not have much good to say in response, "We've got a lot of things to deal with out here, but traffic isn't

⁶³ Umhoefer, Dave, "Stimulus money for Chetek project is just a funding shift", *Journal Sentinel*, May 30, 2009, <http://www.jsonline.com/news/wisconsin/4655547.html>.

⁶⁴ Henderson, O. Kay, "GOP lawmaker: state should stop buying new cars," *Radio Iowa News*, April 16, 2009, <http://www.radioiowa.com/gesial/gn.cfm?objectId=AB9C379F-9056-BB7A-37CE88059F03EE9C>.

⁶⁵ Erickson, Kurt, "Stimulus money paying for signs announcing funded projects," *Bloomington Pantagraph*, May 12, 2009, http://coburn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?fuseAction=LatestNewsNewsStories&ContentRecord_Id=41274695-802a-23ad-412f-52b64399c2f9.

⁶⁶ Pterog, Karen and Lisa Lambert, "Ohio worries stimulus grant will help rob it of jobs," *Reuters*, June 4, 2009, <http://www.forbes.com/feeds/af/2009/06/04/af06306569.html>.

⁶⁷ Laughren, Christine, "Freighthouse awarded federal stimulus grant," *Ypsilanti Courier*, April 16, 2009, http://www.ypsilantcourier.com/stories/041609/loc_20090416012.shtml.

one of them." Local officials in Kalamazoo County, Michigan, plan to spend \$43.9 million⁶⁸ to widen several miles of I-94 and rebuild the interchange at south Westnedge Avenue.⁶⁹ The county, which has only had 3 percent growth since 2000, doesn't seem to need the project.⁷⁰ "Rush hour lasts 10 minutes, maybe 15 on a Friday" said Kalamazoo resident, Yvonne Zipp.⁷¹

19. Parking lot that no one wants. In Macomb, Illinois, \$643,945 was spent on a Prairieview public housing parking lot that no one wants. Many of the residents that the parking lot was supposed to benefit have protested it. Explaining his concern, a local resident said, "The kids love the grass. We've got enough pavement here."⁷²
20. Ohio state legislators oppose the governor's plans to use \$57 million for "planning and preliminary studies instead of bricks-and-mortar construction." State transportation officials passed over several shovel-ready projects to steer nearly seven percent of the state's \$774 million to planning and preliminary studies. Among the larger studies are \$20 million to examine a highway project on the eastern corridor of Cincinnati and \$20 million to examine a three-mile "opportunity corridor" that would connect the city of Cleveland's university district to Interstate 490. An additional \$10 million statewide would go simply toward "project plans/design" for the Ohio Department of Transportation, while \$7 million more would go toward project development for the Ohio passenger rail corridor.⁷³
21. Minnesota theater wins millions over bigger job producers. The Minneapolis City Council has chosen to give \$2 million to the Schubert Theater, making it the city's largest recipient of discretionary funds. The theater will be used for "dance and music events," and is expected to create 41 full-time jobs. Council Member, Paul Ostrow, the only member to vote against the project, objected that the theater was given higher priority over a solar panel manufacturing facility in a low-income area would create 360 jobs. Noting his displeasure with the Council's decision, Ostrow said, "This is frankly not a jobs project."⁷⁴
22. Illinois will spend \$150,000 to build a four-person bunkhouse at Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge. The median price for a home in Marion, Illinois, the site of the park, is currently \$71,000.⁷⁵

⁶⁸ Russon, Gabrielle, "Cost of I-94 project drops by 35%," *Kalamazoo Gazette*, June 12, 2009,

<http://www.mlive.com/news/kalamazoo/index.ssf?base=news-34/1244816248163290.xml&coll=7>,

⁶⁹ State of Michigan website, "American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Funded MDOT Trunkline Projects," http://www.mi.gov/documents/indot/MDOT_ARRA_Trunkline_Projects_280623_7.pdf.

⁷⁰ Laurent Belsie, "Obama Speeds By His Stimulus Critics," *Christian Science Monitor*, April 13, 2009,

<http://features.csmonitor.com/economyrebuild/2009/04/13/obama-speeds-past-his-stimulus-critics/>.

⁷¹ Belsie, Laurent, "Obama speeds past his stimulus critics" *The Christian Science Monitor*, April 13, 2009,

<http://features.csmonitor.com/economyrebuild/2009/04/13/obama-speeds-past-his-stimulus-critics/>.

⁷² Steelman, Laine, "Parking under protest at Prairieview," *Macomb Journal*, June 10, 2009,

<http://www.macombjournal.com/news/x2083736847/Parking-under-protest-at-Prairieview>.

⁷³ Wehrman, Jessica, "Republicans oppose Strickland using stimulus dollars for studies," *Dayton Daily News*, April 20, 2009,

<http://www.daytondailynews.com/news/dayton-news/republicans-oppose-strickland-using-stimulus-dollars-for-studies-87414.html>.

⁷⁴ Brandt, Steve, "Mpls. fixer-upper theater will get stimulus funds," *Minneapolis Star-Tribune*, June 2, 2009,

http://www.startribune.com/content/story.html?template=KArtsDaDyaEP&D=U7EIkP7K_caDyaEP&D=U7D3aPc;

YycsUU.

⁷⁵ Crab Orchard refuge gets federal stimulus money," *The Southern*, April 27, 2009,

http://www.southernillinoisan.com/articles/2009/04/27/breaking_news/doc49f5b5bd947613566167.txt.

23. Police jobs in Columbus, Ohio saved by stimulus could still leave officers getting pink slips. Earlier this year, President Obama went to Columbus, Ohio to speak about the benefits of the stimulus bill at the graduation of 25 local police recruits. The stimulus was intended to pay for them to work until the end of the year. However, new cuts announced by Columbus Police Department mean that the 25 graduating recruits will likely lose their jobs at the end of the year.⁷⁵

24. The Fort Wayne, Indiana airport will spend \$1.27 million in stimulus cash for runway signs. Some signs will be posted along runways and taxiways while others will be painted directly on pavement "to help pilots and ground crews find their way without confusion."⁷⁶

25. Akron, Ohio will use up to \$1.5 million to erect a suicide-prevention fence. The city plans to use more than a million dollars to build a fence to keep people from jumping off the All-American Bridge despite concerns such a project would be wasteful, ineffective, and ugly.⁷⁷

26. Rather than help welfare recipients obtain jobs and escape poverty, \$1 million will be used to study whether 300 people in Chicago are healthier when living in "green" public housing facilities. The study will evaluate whether building green housing is healthier for people and will focus on 300 residents at a Chicago public housing facility. Researchers expect to find that residents living in these more energy-efficient facilities will have much lower healthcare costs. This study will create interviewing jobs.⁷⁸

27. The National Institute of Health gives Indiana University professor \$356,000 to study how kids perceive foreign accents. The grant was given to the University of Indiana, which has an endowment of more than \$1.5 billion, to "test how children perceive foreign-accented speech compared to native-accented speech." It will also determine how such accents might influence speech development in children.⁷⁹

28. Detroit Public Schools will reap massive benefits from stimulus despite a \$150 million deficit. According to *The Intelligence*, financial management problems became "so tangled the state recently appointed a manager to take the financial reins." The Detroit Public School System stands to get \$530 million, which \$355 million would have "no strings attached."⁸²

⁷⁵ Zillow.com, search for "Marion, Illinois," accessed June 12, 2009, http://www.zillow.com/homes/map/marion-illinois_rb/#/homes/for_sale/map/marion-illinois_rb/37.75301_-88.886657,37.678324_-88.968197_rect/12_zml/.

⁷⁶ "Police Officers Saved by Stimulus May Still Lose Their Jobs," CNN, May 26, 2009, <http://www.cnn.com/2009/POLITICS/05/26/ohio.stimulus.police.cuts/>.

⁷⁷ Caylor, Bob, "Airport gets \$1.27M from stimulus to install signs," *The News-Sentinel*, April 9, 2009, <http://www.news-sentinel.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=20090409/BUSINESS/904090316>.

⁷⁸ Cooper, Michael, "Soul-Searching in Akron, Ohio, Over Stimulus Use," *New York Times*, May 5, 2009, http://www.nytimes.com/2009/05/06/us/06akron.html?_r=1&ref=global-home.

⁷⁹ Sachs, Peter, "UIC gets \$1M grant to study 'green' housing," *Chi-Town Daily News*, May 08, 2009, http://www.chitowndailynews.org/Chicago_news/UIC_gets_1M_grant_to_study_%E2%80%99green%E2%80%99_housing_2651.

⁸¹ Study focuses on how kids perceive accents," *United Press International*, May 13, 2009, http://www.upi.com/Science_News/2009/05/13/Study-focuses-on-how-kids-perceive-accents/UPI-56061242227066/.

⁸² Christoff, Chris, "Michigan schools set to win big in stimulus," *Detroit Free Press*, March 10, 2009, http://colum.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=LatestNews.NrwsStories&ContentRecord_id=f2418e16-802a-23ad-4dca-5523267e6857.

29. Michigan will spend \$983,952 for streetscaping in Ann Arbor. The city plans to install "decorative sidewalks and crosswalks, planters, landscaping, decorative lighting, trees, trash receptacles, benches and bike loops."⁴¹
30. "Dead" project in Leelanau County, Michigan gets new life in stimulus aid. In March, the governor announced that the Solon Township would receive \$1.3 million in grants and loans to help pay for construction of a wastewater treatment plant. Unfortunately, the locals do not want it and have declared the project "dead on arrival." According to one local newspaper, the stimulus money will now be used "to build a wastewater treatment plant for which there is no plan, and for which local support is questionable at best." Zoning administrator Tim Cypher summed it up, "The good is that there is, and there will be, more money available to work on these projects. The bad news is that it will be a while before any kind of water or wastewater treatment project is 'shovel-ready' in Solon Township."⁴²
31. Visitor center and a pedestrian bridge Kansas chosen for "aesthetics" over economics. The Tallgrass Prairie National Preserve's new visitor's center and a pedestrian and bike project over U.S. Highway 75 were some of the first projects approved for stimulus funds in the state. Failing to cite an economic benefit from the projects, officials noted that they chose "projects that strengthen the cultural, aesthetic or environmental value of our transportation system."⁴³
32. A National Forest in Missouri will receive \$462,000 to replace toilets. The Mark Twain National Forest will purchase 22 new concrete toilets to replace existing toilets.⁴⁴
33. Stimulus funds will be used to demolish a sauna and build showers in the women's locker room at Grand Forks Air Force Base in North Dakota. According to the solicitation for bids for the project, the project will cost between \$25,000 and \$100,000.⁴⁵
34. Federal stimulus cash paying for a fish hatchery and a new visitor center in Missouri. \$2.9 million will go to a new Mingo National Wildlife Refuge visitor center in Missouri, and an additional \$940,000 will go for solar power at a Fish Hatchery.⁴⁶
35. \$10 million will be used for school lunch equipment and education technology in Oshkosh, Wisconsin. "It doesn't seem hopeful, does it," said one superintendent. "We're not seeing it as an opportunity to retain teachers." According to *The Northwestern*, "Local school administrators have warned that temporary money designed to expand programming would only cause more

⁴¹ Shea, Bill, "Area projects get \$16 million in federal transportation funds," *Crain's Detroit Business*, April 10, 2009, <http://www.craindetroit.com/article/20090410/RIGHTSIDE/04109991#>.

⁴² "Dead" project gets stimulus aid," *Leelanau Enterprise*, March 25, 2009, <http://www.leelanaunews.com/drupal/?q=node/6001>.

⁴³ "Chase, Osage counties get federal stimulus projects," *Emporia Gazette*, April 1, 2009, http://colum.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=LatestNews.NewsStories&ContentRecord_id=672542a6-802a-23ad-444a-0cc6b27c1812.

⁴⁴ "RECOVERY - Precast Concrete Toilet Buildings - Mark Twain National Forest," U.S. Department of Agriculture, Solicitation Number: AG-447U-S-09-0021AY, <https://www.fbo.gov/index.cfm?mode=form&id=c6106fb75fb99cd10b5fc0ccc2e2716&tab-core&cv/cw-0&ccck-1&u-6&ck->

⁴⁵ "RECOVERY - Repair Women's Showers Fitness Center," U.S. Air Force, Solicitation Number: JFSD200827, <https://www.fbo.gov/index.cfm?mode=form&id=23c1a76df80d8ed7a00db130a58652d&tab-core&cv/cw-0>.

⁴⁶ "Missouri fish and wildlife areas to get \$4.5 million in federal economic stimulus grants," *Associated Press*, April 29, 2009, http://colum.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=LatestNews.NewsStories&ContentRecord_id=f8c76031-802a-23ad-4bc1-f98a2cad36e0.

harm to future budgets when the funding dissipates and districts can't maintain the new services."⁸⁹

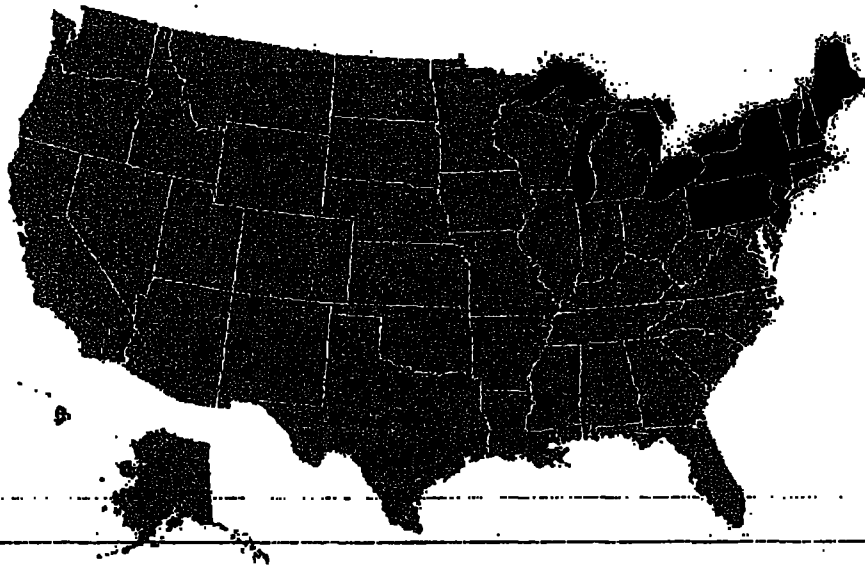
36. Missouri plans to spend \$500,000 of federal stimulus money on fish food. Governor Jay Nixon has earmarked half a million dollars to pay for the feed costs for state fish farmers.⁹⁰

⁸⁹ Rodewald, Adam, "Oshkosh schools still waiting to receive stimulus dollars," *Northwesterner*, April 4, 2009, <http://www.thenorthwestern.com/article/20090404/OSHOI01/904040405/1987>.

⁹⁰ "Missouri outlines plan for \$156 million in stimulus funds," *Associated Press*, April 8, 2009, http://coburn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=LatestNews.NewsStories&ContentRecord_id=cf95ebba-802a-23ad-4497-508bc7ba7cf4.

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37. Pawtucket, Rhode Island spending \$350,000 on a skateboard park. According to the *Providence Journal*, the skatepark is being funded in the place of much higher priorities: "In this city burdened with one of Rhode Island's highest home foreclosure rates and a \$10-million current-year budget deficit, \$550,000 in federal stimulus money is coming to build a skateboarding park and renovate tennis and basketball courts at Jenks Junior High School." Construction will not begin until September, but Ronald Wunschel, the city's finance director, believes that the skatepark is, in fact, a top priority for the city. Asked why? "So that young people don't skate on other public property," he said.⁹¹
38. Yale and the University of Connecticut are receiving \$850,000 in stimulus for research "to study how paying attention improves performance of difficult tasks." Yale, which had the second-largest endowment in the country in 2007 (\$22.5 billion), is getting funding for research on a project to study how paying attention improves performance of difficult tasks.⁹²
39. Gloversville, New York is using \$175,000 of stimulus money to pay for a trolley bus to take tourists to festivals and a farmers market. The trolley is intended to give tourists rides within resort communities, to festivals in the region, and to a local farmers market. According to

⁹¹ Michael P. McKinney, "Pawtucket using stimulus money for skateboard park," *Providence Journal*, March 17, 2009, http://www.projo.com/news/content/PAWTUCKET_STIMULUS_SKATEPARK_03-17-09_VADM6E0_v19.36aR19.html.

⁹² "Yale, UConn Win Stimulus Cash," *Associated Press*, May 6, 2009, <http://www.courant.com/health/uc-stimulus-research-grant-ucconnmay07.0.3795787.story>.

reports, the trolley "will have an old-fashioned style and will be painted in colors similar to those used in the 1930s, but it will have modern features such as air conditioning."⁹³ City transit director, Al Schutz, is excited about the project. "It's endless what you can do with this trolley. It will definitely contribute to the ambiance of our city," he said, adding, "which we need."⁹⁴

40. \$3.1 million will turn a canal barge into a floating museum. In 1921, a 259-foot barge was built to haul agricultural goods on the Erie Canal, but was turned into a museum in 2005 after it was abandoned for more than a decade. The stimulus money will make sure the motorized barge is converted into "a floating museum that would travel the canal." While it may not have economic value, Clifford Siegfried, director of the New York State Museum, says, "It is of such historical significance we could not let it go to the scrap heap."⁹⁵
41. Three million dollars will pay for corporate jet runways in Massachusetts despite opposition of local leaders. Hanscom Field, the site of the project, has received criticism from local representatives who say it is a "waste of money." State Representative Jay R. Kaufman, from Lexington, one of the towns bordering Hanscom, said using federal stimulus money for this project "reinforces bad corporate behavior, not good corporate behavior."⁹⁶
42. Maine to spend over \$1.3 million on "government arts jobs," including \$30,000 for basket makers, \$20,000 for story telling, and \$12,500 for a music festival. Old Town-based Maine Indian Basketmakers Alliance was one of nine Maine arts organizations to receive stimulus funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.⁹⁷ Maine Arts Commission Director Donna McNeil defended the spending, saying, "I think the government arts jobs are real jobs." But, according to the *Bangor Daily News*, "The grants are designed to subsidize the preservation of jobs and may not be used for the creation of a new position or for previously unscheduled work."⁹⁸
43. New York City will spend \$15 million to rebuild sections of the Coney Island Boardwalk. "It's Christmas in April as far as the Boardwalk is concerned," said Parks Commissioner Adrian Benepe. Borough President Marty Markowitz, who (in April) called for the city to use stimulus money for the project, said the investment could jumpstart more development of the Boardwalk, though it is not clear if the project will accomplish as much as hoped since there is only enough money to rehabilitate 15 of its 42 blocks. Despite the stimulus money, Coney Island activist,

⁹³ Karulis, Kayleigh, "Gloversville to Get Downtown Trolley," *The Leader Herald*, March 24, 2009, <http://www.leaderherald.com/page/content/detail?id/511030.html>.

⁹⁴ McGuire, Jim, "Gloversville can get trolley bus with federal stimulus money," *Daily Gazette*, March 24, 2009, http://www.dailygazette.com/news/2009/mar/24/0324_glovetrolley/.

⁹⁵ Williams, Stephen, "Old barge joins historic, scenic rehab plans," *Daily Gazette*, April 3, 2009, http://www.dailygazette.com/news/2009/apr/03/0403_barge/.

⁹⁶ Michael Levenson, "Hanscom Runway Repairs Opposed," *Boston Globe*, April 9, 2009, http://coburn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=LatestNews.NewsStories&ContentRecord_id=8ca1ff0f-802a-23ad-4a4b-9192a8d7c03e.

⁹⁷ Bloch, Jessica, "\$1.3 million in arts funding coming to Maine," *Bangor Daily News*, April 29, 2009, <http://www.bangordailynews.com/detail/104764.html>.

⁹⁸ Bloch, Jessica, "Maine arts groups to receive stimulus funds," *Bangor Daily News*, March 24, 2009, <http://www.bangordailynews.com/detail/102242.html>.

Dianna Carlin, thinks a lot more money is needed if "they want to make this a world-renowned amusement destination."⁹⁹

44. A New York laboratory is receiving \$150 million in stimulus cash for "world's brightest x-ray," but it won't be available until 2015. Energy Secretary Steven Chu announced in March that the Brookhaven National Laboratory on Long Island would receive \$150 million to construct an x-ray 10,000 times brighter than its current equipment allows.¹⁰⁰ According to Secretary Chu, the project will "provide critically needed short-term economic relief," though it is not clear how quickly the scientific community will see the benefits. The x-ray is not anticipated to be operational until 2015.¹⁰¹

45. Milford, Massachusetts plans to use \$3.5 million for a three mile bike/walking trail despite its failure to spend \$80 million in federal funds for other pedestrian paths. Massachusetts has received \$135 million from the federal government for bike paths since 1991, but has not used more than \$80 million that still remains available. Having spent only 37 percent of its share of the funding by Congress for such projects, Massachusetts has a far lower rate than in any other state, according to federal statistics.¹⁰² Milford is spending an additional \$3.5 million in stimulus funds for a three mile trail with groundbreaking on Phase II of this three-part project set for this summer.¹⁰³

46. Stimulus funds pay for a hybrid car to be used by Vermont student drivers. Students drivers in Colchester, Vermont could be learning to drive in a Hybrid car courtesy of the stimulus legislation. The city plans on spending \$71,200 to purchase a hybrid car for driver's education classes as well as a plug-in hybrid car for town employees that would display a sign explaining its fuel-efficient features.¹⁰⁴

47. Rochester, New York is getting millions to extend an art trail. The Art Walk 2 extension of the Urban Art Trail will get \$3.8 million.¹⁰⁵ The project calls for "Artistic designs and medallions that would be set into the walk. Other pedestrian elements include a pedestrian level light system adjacent to the ArtWalk, sculptures consistent with an arts district and litter

⁹⁹ Hays, Elizabeth, "Chunk of stimulus will only fix 15 of 42 blocks of Coney Island Boardwalk, *Daily News Brooklyn*, April 2, 2009, http://www.nydailynews.com/ny-local/brooklyn/2009/04/01/2009-04-01_chunk_of_stimulus_will_only_fix_15_of_42.html.

¹⁰⁰ Frank Eltman, "Energy chief doles \$1.2 billion in stimulus cash," *Associated Press*, March 23, 2009,

<http://content.usatoday.net/dist/custom/gci/insidePage.aspx?cid=dailyrecord&Patnum=30403467> story.

¹⁰¹ Patrick Whittle, "Brookhaven National lab gets stimulus funding," *Newsday*, March 24, 2009,

<http://www.newsday.com/business/ny-postim246081344mar24.0.6830553-story>.

¹⁰² Wirzbicki, Alan, "\$80m in US funds for bike projects unspent in Mass.; State ranks last, tapping 37% of grants since 1991," *Boston Globe*, April 14, 2009,

http://www.boston.com/news/nation/washington/articles/2009/04/14/80m_in_us_funds_for_bike_projects_unspent_in_mss/.

¹⁰³ Ameden, Danielle, "Second Stretch of bike trail to be built in Milford," *The Milford Daily News*, April 27, 2009,

<http://www.milforddailynews.com/news/x289631771/Second-stretch-of-bike-trail-to-be-built-in-Milford>.

¹⁰⁴ Matt Sarkoski, "Grant Could Provide Students With Hybrid," *Burlington Free Press*, May 29, 2009,

<http://www.burlingtonfreepress.com/article/20090529/NEWS02/905290310/Grant-could-provide-students-with-hybrid>.

¹⁰⁵ "ArtWalk to Get \$3.8 million in Federal Stimulus Funds," *Associated Press*, April 2, 2009, <http://74.125.47.132/search?q=cachexUZpX54EORUJ:www.democratandchronicle.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article%3FAID%3D200990402024%243.8-million-for-%E2%80%9CUrban-art-trail&cd=3&hl=en&oeq=ch&oeq=us>.

containers.¹⁰⁶ According to the ArtWalk website, "ARTWalk is a permanent urban art trail, connecting the arts centers and public spaces within the Neighborhood of the Arts."¹⁰⁷

48. The National Institutes of Health is giving Yale University \$680,100 in stimulus funds to study the effectiveness of diet and exercise at reducing obesity. The study will focus on the effectiveness of a diet and exercise program at reducing obesity and related illness in mentally ill patients.¹⁰⁸
49. No. 1 priority for Bethlehem, Pennsylvania's share of the stimulus cash: A parking garage. John Callahan, mayor of Bethlehem, has said that the city's number one priority is a parking garage and that the \$500,000 stimulus grant necessary for the project was "locked up." He is hoping to drive more traffic to the city's "quaint shops" that are "housed in Victorian buildings."¹⁰⁹
50. Rochester, New York to spend \$1 million grant on "green" upgrades, but will not create new jobs. The grant will include \$360,000 for "energy efficiency street lights" and \$25,000 on an energy audit" of a building. Commenting on the situation, one local columnist noted, "Unfortunately, the city council, as the last step in the process of fulfilling the promise of new jobs, is poised to spend the money in ways that do not do so."¹¹⁰
51. City favors stimulus money over other federal grant to avoid matching requirement. Officials in Windham, Massachusetts have decided to accept a \$174,000 stimulus grant to enhance the town's historic train depot despite having already received a federal grant for the same project. The town decided to let the first grant lapse when it discovered that the stimulus money would not require the town to provide matching funds, but that the first grant did.¹¹¹
52. Altoona, Pennsylvania is getting \$819,000 for a homelessness prevention program despite local reports that the town may not have enough of a homelessness problem to use it. Mayor of Altoona, Wayne Hippo, says there is "an awful lot of waste . . . It'd be nice to have more local control . . . It's impossible to have one-size-fits-all."¹¹²
53. \$2 million in stimulus cash will be used to monitor scallop reproduction and habitat. The "Nantucket's Marine & Coastal Resources Department is pursuing a grant totaling \$2 million

¹⁰⁶ Arts and Cultural Council of Greater Rochester Website, "Rochester's ArtWalk Receives State Funding,"

<http://www.artgrochester.org/news/wr0003walk.htm>.

¹⁰⁷ Rochester ArtWalk website, "Home Page," <http://www.rochesterartwalk.org/index.php>, accessed June 1, 2009.

¹⁰⁸ Dezhy, Florence, "Briefly: Yale gets nearly \$800,000 in grants," *Yale Daily News*, April 27, 2009.

<http://www.yaledailynews.com/articles/view/28994>.

¹⁰⁹ Radziewich, Nicole, "Bethlehem eyes adding parking spaces on Main Street," *The Morning Call*, April 2, 2009.

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¹¹⁰ Schmitz, Ray, "Stimulus grant should be used to create jobs," *Post-Bulletin*, June 4, 2009.

http://news.postbulletin.com/newsmanager/templates/localnews_story.asp?z=126ay402544.

¹¹¹ Date, Terry, "Windham to use federal money for depot repairs," *Eagle Tribune*, June 11, 2009.

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¹¹² Kibler, William, "Officials question stimulus wisdom," *Altoona Mirror*, April 5, 2009.

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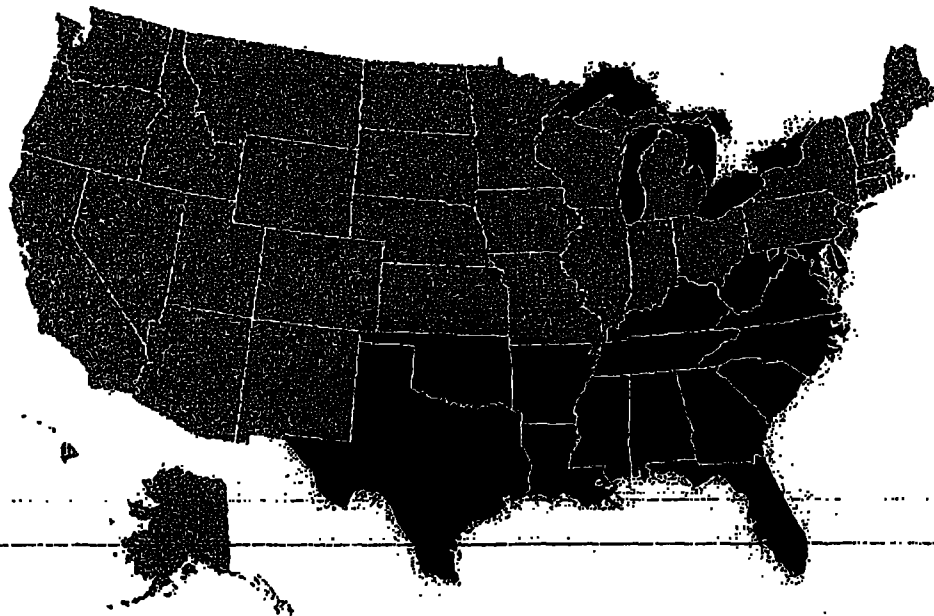
54. Nantucket, Massachusetts will spend \$5.6 million in stimulus cash to resurface 6.4 miles of road and bike path, or roughly \$875,000 a mile. The funding comes from the \$437.9 million that the federal government has authorized Massachusetts to spend on highway projects as part of the stimulus bill.¹⁴

¹³ Brace, Peter B., "Town applies for \$2 million grant for eelgrass, scallop restoration," *Nantucket Independent*, April 8, 2009, http://www.nantucketindependent.com/news/2009/0408/other_news/018.html.

¹⁴ Shenkus, Sarah, "Nantucket road project now open for bids," *Cape Cod Times*, April 8, 2009, <http://www.capecodonline.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=70090408/BIZ/904080312/1/NEWS>.

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55. The Tennessee Department of Transportation plans to use money to create the Clement Railroad Hotel Museum. Executive Director Cary Hamilton said the \$200,000 was a surprise but that it would help the museum be able to open with a complete set of exhibits. "Definitely this would help us tell our story here in Dickson Tennessee," said Hamilton.¹¹⁵

56. Despite a history of mismanaging federal funds, D.C. Metro will receive hundreds of millions to close its budget deficit. The agency will receive \$200 million in stimulus funds despite having a poor track record of handling federal funds and tracking its inventory. According to a recent report of the inspector general for the D.C. Metro, it "found sloppy accounting, a lack of internal controls and poor oversight."¹¹⁶

57. \$77.5 million will be used to extend the consistently over-budget D.C. subway to Dulles Airport in Virginia. The project to extend the Washington, D.C. Metrorail system 23 miles to connect downtown with Dulles International Airport will receive \$77.5 million in stimulus

¹¹⁵ Arnold, Sky, "Transportation Projects Funded by Stimulus Money," Arnold, Fox 17 News (Nashville), http://www.wzrv.com/newsroom/top_stories/wzrv_vid_5579.shtml.

¹¹⁶ Sun, Lena H., "Metro reports cite accounting and security gaps," Washington Post, March 23, 2009, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2009/03/21/AR2009032102088.html>.

money.¹¹⁷ Taxpayers recently agreed to pay an additional nearly \$1 billion toward the project, despite its rising costs and schedule delays. Phase 1 of the project, which will provide 11 miles of track, was originally expected to cost \$1.5 billion, but has since soared to \$2.6 billion and is not expected to be ready until 2013.¹¹⁸

58. **Wheeling, West Virginia will use almost \$400,000 to renovate a downtown music hall.** This comes on the heels of already spending \$715,000 to purchase nearby buildings that remain empty. Local officials are hoping "this additional project will "create a domino effect" to finally produce results. City councilman Vernon Seals is hoping for the best: "You're not going to see the retail like you have in the past. But we could be surprised," he said.¹¹⁹
59. **Delaware has received a \$7.5 million federal stimulus grant to pay for a boardwalk revival.** The federal government has allotted \$7.5 million in stimulus recovery funds, which Rehoboth Beach plans to use for boardwalk reconstruction, including a new pavilion. Storms have damaged parts of the boardwalk, but, said Mayor Sam Cooper, "it's gonna be like a rock for the most part now."¹²⁰ Unfortunately, beachgoers should not get their hopes up - the project will "not be finished in time for this summer."¹²¹
60. **Memphis, Tennessee will spend \$1.5 million to redevelop fairgrounds and \$250,000 to rehabilitate a dilapidated laundromat.** The city plans to use \$1.5 million in Community Development Block Grant Recovery funds to demolish Libertyland amusement park and replace it with soccer and baseball fields surrounding a 170-acre property. It also plans to spend \$250,000 on rebuilding a "dilapidated laundromat."¹²²
61. **Texas Department of Transportation plans to spend \$181 million on a new road opposed by local environmentalists.** Grand Parkway outside of Houston has caused controversy among local residents upset that a new road would devastate Katy Prairie, the last vestige of a large undeveloped green space. The highway will commence the construction of a fourth ring road around Houston and encourage the urban sprawl opposed by the Obama Administration by enabling the construction of a new development called Bridgeland. On a trip to Florida taken earlier this year, President Obama remarked, "The days where we're just building sprawl forever, those days are over."¹²³

¹¹⁷ Cella, Matthew, "Dulles rail project gets stimulus check," *Washington Times*, May 8, 2009, <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2009/may/08/dulles-rail-project-gets-stimulus-check/>.

¹¹⁸ Alec MacGillis, "Dulles Rail Project Faces Cuts as Costs Swell," *Washington Post*, March 23, 2006, <http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/03/22/AR2006032202197.html>; Emerling, Gary and Sands, "900M dulles rail deal back on track," *Washington Times*, March 10, 2009, <http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2009/mar/10/900-million-dulles-rail-deal-back-on-track/>.

¹¹⁹ Hicks, Ian, "Council Hopes Capitol Will Provide Spark," *The Intelligencer Wheeling News-Register*, June 5, 2009, <http://www.news-register.net/page/content-detail/id/324736.html>.

¹²⁰ Smith, Kristin, "\$7.5M federal grant to pay for boardwalk revival," *delmarvanow.com*, April 23, 2009, http://column.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=ListNews.NewsStories&ContentRecord_Id=88d9c6c-802a-23ad-4768-888ac5d76677&Issue_Id=6&CID=113183146&CTOKEN=48496743.

¹²¹ Kramer, Cassandra, "DeDOT to Use Stimulus Money to Finish Rehoboth Boardwalk," *WBOC 16*, June 6, 2009, <http://www.wboctv.com/Global/story.asp?S=10424558>.

¹²² Andy Meek, "City Seeks Grant to Raze Libertyland," *Memphis Daily News*, May 29, 2009, <http://www.memphisdailynews.com/editors/Article.asp?id=42753>.

¹²³ Michael Cooper, "Stimulus Ideals Conflict on the Texas Prairie," *New York Times*, March 22, 2009, http://www.nytimes.com/2009/03/22/us/23spraw.html?pagewanted=1&_r=2.

62. Despite promises that citizens would be able to track "every dime" of the \$787 billion stimulus bill, the federal website devoted to posting the spending details may not be complete until next spring. During debate over the stimulus, the administration promised that a new website, Recovery.gov would provide "unprecedented transparency" to how stimulus funding was used. Unfortunately, it was recently revealed that the site may not be fully operational until spring 2010 - a full year after the stimulus bill was passed.¹²⁴
63. Delaware will spend \$400,000 to construct a berth for a historic ship to attract tourists. According to the Delaware Recovery website, it is hoped the project will "bring about a sense of community pride."¹²⁵
64. Stimulus to pay for housing used by Soyoñò the Sumatran tiger and Luke the Lion at the National Zoo in Washington, D.C. Despite federal law that prohibits spending federal funds on local Zoos, money will go to the National Zoo. The Smithsonian, which runs the Zoo, is spending \$11.4 of its \$25 million in stimulus funds on the National Zoo and its Zoo research center in Virginia.¹²⁶
65. Washington, North Carolina is using stimulus funds to pay for "project-funding manager" whose job it is to secure even more stimulus funds. The City hopes to pay the new "project-funding manager" to identify available Stimulus money using a \$40,234 grant from the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant program which, in turn, received funding through the stimulus bill.¹²⁷
66. Summerfield, North Carolina gets stimulus money for a parking lot. The town of Summerfield may get \$300,000 in federal stimulus funds to build a parking lot, despite the project already being in the town's regular budget. "The way I looked at it is it didn't really matter how you felt about the stimulus package, which is a reality," says Town Manager Michael Brandt. "I thought we might as well seek some benefit. If I don't go for it, somebody else will." Mayor Mark Brown concluded, "I think the stimulus money becoming available to aid the Summerfield Rail Trail parking problem is fabulous and unexpected."¹²⁸
67. The Florida Department of Transportation plans to spend \$128 million on the proposed Indian Street Bridge, though it does not yet have all the property it needs. The proposed funding of \$128 million will be used to build a bridge a quarter of a mile away from an existing bridge, but it is unclear whether it is "shovel-ready." According to CNN, "the state has yet to buy all the property it needs for the right-of-way leading to the bridge," and "challenges from the

¹²⁴ Kelley, Matt, "Details thin on stimulus contracts," USA Today, May 6, 2009, http://www.usatoday.com/tech/news/techpolicy/2009-05-06-stimulus_N.htm.

¹²⁵ Delaware Department of Transportation Recovery project website, <http://deldor.gov/information/projects/recovery/pages/overfalls/index.shtml>.

¹²⁶ Grabbell, Michael, "In the Stimulus Bill, One Zoo Stands Above All Others," *ProPublica*, May 4, 2009, <http://www.propublica.org/ion/stimulus/item/in-the-stimulus-bill-one-zoo-stands-above-all-others-304>.

¹²⁷ Sauls, Elizabeth, "Milking the Stimulus: After all, somebody's got to," *Beaufort Observer*, May 09, 2009, http://www.beaufortobserver.net/Articles-c-2009-05-09-234535112112_Milking_the_Stimulus.html.

¹²⁸ Smith, Sandra, "Town gets stimulus money for parking lot," *Gulfport County Northwest Observer*, April 3, 2009, http://coburn.senate.gov/public/index.cfm?FuseAction=LatestNews.NewsStories&ContentRecord_id=81223bea-802a-23ad-4b8c-a8875a1432b6&Issue_id=

current owners of those parcels could delay construction." The Florida Department of Transportation has yet to purchase 33 of 63 properties needed to build the project.¹²⁹

68. USDA Inspector General (IG) raises concerns about a \$2.5 billion program for rural broadband Internet service. The Rural Utilities Service (RUS), tasked with doling out \$2.5 billion for rural broadband efforts, has a checkered history of mismanagement and incompetence, according to a recent IG report. Since 2005, 90 percent of the loans approved by RUS have gone to communities that already have broadband access.¹³⁰
69. Miami, Florida will use \$2.1 million in stimulus funds to move and relocate an aging Greyhound bus terminal. The move is meant to facilitate connections between transit buses, commuter rail, intercity rail, and airport shuttles.¹³¹
70. Lexington, Kentucky plans to spend \$4.7 million on a trail connecting downtown with a horse farm. In March, the Lexington Area Metropolitan Planning Organization voted to spend \$4.7 million on the seven-mile Legacy Trail to connect downtown with a horse farm. Stimulus funds will not finish the trail, but the mayor of Lexington has said it will be important to pursue additional sources of money to finish the trail in time for the Alltech FEI World Equestrian Games in 2010.¹³²
71. Steam rooms in the fitness center of Laughlin Air Force Base in Texas will undergo repairs funded by federal stimulus funds. According to the solicitation for bids on the project, the total cost is expected to be up to \$100,000.¹³³
72. The federal government will provide \$300 million in stimulus funds to 61 housing agencies that have been repeatedly faulted by auditors for mishandling government. Problems have ranged from "poor bookkeeping to money that was spent improperly."¹³⁴
73. Large federal contractors who have paid big fines for violating environmental, safety, and discrimination rules are receiving stimulus funds. One such company, CACI International, came under fire in 2004 after its interrogators contracted out to the U.S. Army were caught abusing prisoners at Abu Ghraib. An Army investigation found that CACI International had inadequate screening process and had employees with insufficient training. Despite this history, the company has won three stimulus contracts worth \$1.5 million to provide contracting

¹²⁹ Bondreau, Abbie and Jessi Joseph, "Stimulus-funded Florida Bridge draws criticism," CNN, May 4, 2009, <http://www.cnn.com/2009/US/05/04/florida.bridge.stimulus/>.

¹³⁰ Grabel, Michael, "Rural Broadband Stimulus Program Slammed in Gov't Report," *ProPublica*, April 14, 2009, <http://www.propublica.org/item/stimulus/igem/rural-broadband-stimulus-program-alarm-ed-in-govt-report-414/>.

¹³¹ "Vice President Biden, U.S. Transportation Secretary LaHood, Miami Mayor Diaz Announce Availability of \$8.4 Billion in Public Transportation Investments," U.S. Department of Transportation, March 5, 2009, <http://www.dot.gov/allnews/dot2609.htm>.

¹³² "Newberry Announces \$23 Million in Stimulus Funding For Area," *LEX18 - NBC*, March 30, 2009, <http://www.lex18.com/Global/story.asp?S=10076131&nav=501p>.

¹³³ "RECOVERY- Repair Fitness Center Steam Rooms," U.S. Air Force, Solicitation Number: F2R3C19037A001, <https://www.fbo.gov/index.cfm?opportunity&mode=form&id=264d87bf362c629704e38b9206104a16&tab=core&cv=1>.

¹³⁴ Heath, Brad, "Housing agencies faulted in audits to get \$300M of stimulus," *USA Today*, April 8, 2009, http://www.usatoday.com/news/washington/2009-04-07-Stimulus-Housing_N.htm.

specialists to the Forest Service. The consultants will help the agency evaluate projects so that it can spend stimulus money quickly.¹³⁷

74. Dallas, Texas will receive stimulus funds to build a downtown park over a freeway. Dallas-planned Woodall Rodgers Deck Park, which will cover part of Woodall Rodgers Freeway, will receive \$16.7 million from stimulus funds earmarked for transportation projects.¹³⁶ Under the original agreement with the City of Dallas, the park's builders would pay for the entire \$92.7 million venture with private funds.¹³⁷ That has changed now that stimulus funds have come available. Current plans for the project include: "jogging trails, a dog park, a children's playground, a restaurant, a performance pavilion, a water sculpture, an area for games and much more."¹³⁸

75. Bathrooms a major feature of \$11.3 million renovation at Somerville Lake, Texas. Funds will be used to fix up bathrooms built in the 1960's, prompting site manager Ernest Eberle to proclaim, "It's Christmas." The Corps had previously received money to build a bathroom, but not to raze the old one, which is still standing. Eberle noted that the situation would soon change. "At Rocky Creek (Park) restroom No. 3, we got some funding and we were able to replace it. But we ran out of money and couldn't tear the old one down. Now we'll be able to do that."¹³⁹

76. Virginia will spend \$340,000 on a rural bridge that carries only 20 cars a day. The Rock Creek Road bridge leads to a gravel road with seven houses. Two residents of Rock Creek Road said they had not realized the bridge was in disrepair and were not sure that was the best use of the stimulus funds. VDOT officials say their top priority in choosing projects was how quickly they could get started.¹⁴⁰

77. South Carolina Department of Natural Resources will spend \$1.7 million to grow oysters. The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources hopes to restore 15 acres of oyster reefs with a \$1.7 million federal stimulus grant.¹⁴¹

78. Stimulus program paying \$2.5 million for beach enhancement studies. Despite recent concerns about beach restoration projects from the Obama Administration, the Army Corps of Engineers is spending \$2.5 million to study new projects instead of building them.¹⁴²

¹³⁵ Grabell, Michael and David Epstein, "Stimulus money going to scallawag companies," *Salon.com*, May 21, 2009, http://www.salon.com/news/feature/2009/05/21/stimulus_bill_contractors/.

¹³⁶ Levinthal, Dave, "Woodall Rodgers Deck Park in Dallas will get \$16.7 million in stimulus funds," *Dallas News*, March 27, 2009, http://www.dallasnews.com/sharedcontent/dws/news/localnews/stories/DN-woodall_27mcr.ART.State.Edition.1.4ad1cc7.html.

¹³⁷ Garrison, Trey, "Woodall Rodgers Park Explained," *DMagazine*, October 18, 2007,

http://www.dmagazine.com/Home/2007/10/15/Woodall_Rodgers_Park_Explained.aspx?redir=redir.

¹³⁸ "Woodall Rodgers Park project in Dallas receives federal stimulus funds," *Pegasus News Wire*, March 26, 2009,

<http://www.pegasusnews.com/news/2009/mar/26/woodall-rodgers-park-project-receives-federal-stim/>.

¹³⁹ Hahn, Arthur, "Stimulus funding flowing into lake--Somerville receives millions for projects," *Brenham Banner-Press*, May 30, 2009, <http://www.brenhambanner.com/articles/2009/05/30/news/news01.txt>.

¹⁴⁰ Haberkom, Jennifer, "Rural bridges first in line for stimulus funds," *Washington Times*, May 10, 2009,

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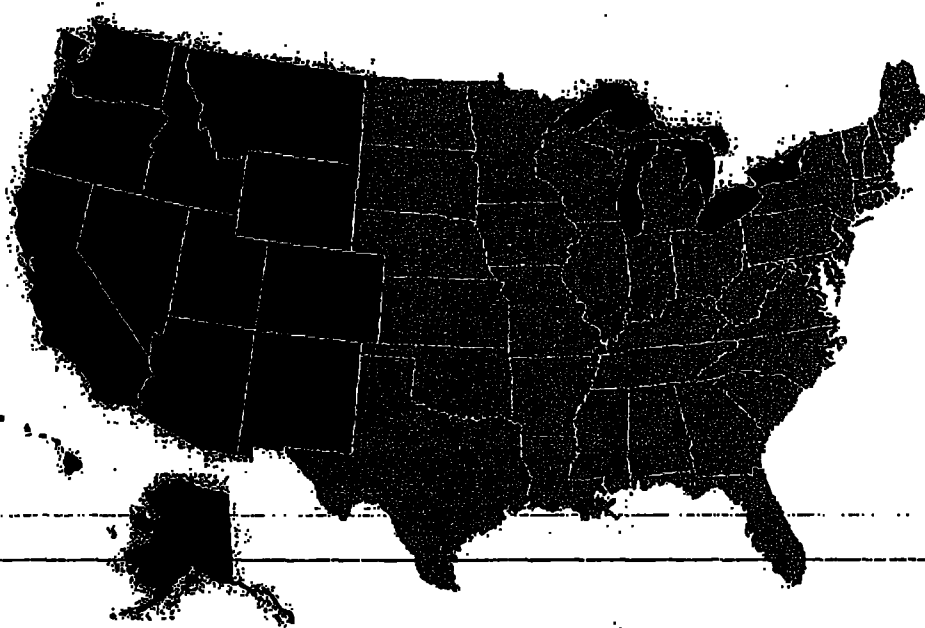
¹⁴¹ "Officials Hope to Restore Oyster Habitat," *Associated Press*, April 19, 2009,

http://www.wspa.com/spa/news/local/article/officials_hope_to_restore_oyster_habitat/16724/.

¹⁴² Wood, Anthony R. and Urgo, Jacqueline L., "Budget cuts take bite from beach-fill projects," *Philadelphia Inquirer*, April 30, 2009, http://www.philly.com/inquirer/home_region/20090430_Budget_cuts_take_bite_from_beach-fill_projects.html.

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79. **Washington State University (Vancouver) is receiving \$148,438 to analyze "the use of marijuana in conjunction with medications like morphine." According to local reports, "this is the first ARRA funding received by WSU. The project is uniquely qualified to receive these funds because of its potential to stimulate the economy and create or retain jobs within the community."**¹⁴³

80. **"Microsoft Bridge" in Seattle will receive \$11 million in stimulus funds. Despite having nearly \$20 billion in cash reserves, Microsoft will be the prime beneficiary of \$11 million for construction of a bridge to connect the two campuses of its headquarters.¹⁴⁴ Separated by a highway, the Microsoft headquarters outside of Seattle in Redmond, Washington will now be linked by an unusual diagonally shaped bridge, once construction is completed. According to CNN, Redmond Mayor John Marchione "applied for federal stimulus money after costs jumped**

¹⁴³ "Marijuana study receives federal stimulus money," *WSU Today*, June 1, 2009.

<http://www.wsutoday.wsu.edu/pages/Publications.asp?Action=Details&PublicationID=14657&PageID=21>

¹⁴⁴ Lei, Eric, "A bridge to Microsoft HQ: Critics slam \$11 million federal stimulus for overpass," *Computerworld*, March 31, 2009, <http://www.computerworld.com/action/article.do?command=viewArticleBasic&articleId=9130833>.

on the project from \$25 million to \$36 million," leaving the taxpayer to pick up the entire cost overrun.¹⁴⁵

81. California is not encouraging school districts to re-hire laid-off teachers. Following the layoff of a large number of special education instructors, the California Department of Education is not encouraging school districts to create or save new jobs by bringing them back on staff. Heather Carlson, with the Department of Education, noted the reason being "the day after the money runs out, districts once again would have to find a new way to pay those employees."¹⁴⁶
82. Oregon will spend \$4.2 million to raise railroad track 18 inches. In Scappoose, Oregon (pop. 6,200), drivers are tired of taking a detour to get past railroad tracks that are not level with the main road. To fix the situation, \$4.2 million in stimulus money will raise the railroad tracks by 18 inches so that the road and tracks are level. According to city manager Jon Hanken, the stimulus money was needed because "local voters had rejected a bond issue to pay for the project."¹⁴⁷
83. Portland, Oregon will spend \$1 million in stimulus funds for bike lockers. City officials plan to upgrade 100 bike lockers and build a parking garage that will house 250 bicycles.¹⁴⁸ One local columnist questioned the need for the lockers, noting that Oregon had the fifth highest unemployment rate in January at 9.9 percent. Raising the question, "is this proper use of federal stimulus money?" he answered, "of course not."¹⁴⁹
84. Stimulus cash is causing friction between a Colorado county sheriff and commissioner. At a recent local meeting to discuss how the county would use stimulus money, two officials disagreed about how to use it. \$213,716 stimulus grant for a new crime-response vehicle was seen as wasteful because the county already has similar equipment. "I just question the need for this in light of (the Colorado Bureau of Investigation's) criminal vehicle," the commissioner said.¹⁵⁰
85. A Wyoming town will build a new government building that local officials do not see helping the economy in the short term. Instead of leasing existing space downtown to help revitalize that area, "We're either green and growing or ripe and rotting," said a local official. The city council authorized an application for a \$7 million loan to build a new water department administration and engineering building. "Long term I see it; short term, I don't," said council member Patrick Collins about the facility for Board of Public Utilities engineers and administrators. "We have an opportunity with these empty buildings to lease space downtown," Collins said.¹⁵¹

¹⁴⁵ Patrick Oppmann, "Critics slam Microsoft bridge as waste of stimulus money," CNN.com, March 31, 2009, <http://www.cnn.com/2009/US/03/31/bridge.microsoft/>.

¹⁴⁶ Phillips, Roger, "Stimulus no cure-all for schools," Recordnet.com, April 3, 2009, http://www.recordnet.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=20090403/A_NEWSD4/904030322.

¹⁴⁷ Cauchon, Dennis, "Stimulus dollars put to work," USA Today, April 1, 2009, http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2009-03-31-stimulus-sidestar_N.htm?sp=34.

¹⁴⁸ "\$1M Of Stimulus Will Go To Bike Parking," KPTV, March 10, 2009, <http://www.kprv.com/traffic/18889128/detail.html>.

¹⁴⁹ Nortou, Larry, "TriMet bike lockers," OregonLive, Old Town blog, March 12, 2009, http://blog.oregonlive.com/oldtown/2009/03/trimer_bike_lockers.html.

¹⁵⁰ Standlee, Lee Roy, "Stimulus funds cause friction," The Grand Junction Daily Sentinel, April 27, 2009, http://www.gjcsentinel.com/hp/content/news/stories/2009/04/27/042809_3a_Commission.html?mw=X.

¹⁵¹ McCarthy, Bill, "City Council OKs applying for \$7 million BOPU building loan," Wyoming Tribune Eagle, April, 2009, http://www.wyomingnews.com/articles/2009/04/14/news/19local_04-14-09.txt.

86. The U.S. Department of the Interior will spend \$280 million on wildlife refuges and fish hatcheries, \$630,000 on a bridge at the National Bison Range, and \$249,000 for solar panels at Ennis Fish Hatchery. Refuges and hatcheries in Montana will receive about \$3 million of the Interior Department's stimulus spending.¹⁵⁷
87. Colorado counties reject stimulus money, but change minds and use to buy an industrial dishwasher. The four counties that at first rejected the money for senior citizen meals were hesitant to accept funds for a program they would not later continue. "It didn't seem like a wise decision to take it, so we turned it down," said Jo Downey, director of the council. "We couldn't see buying food that we'd waste." But they changed their minds when state officials informed them that they did not have to use the money for meals, but could purchase "a new industrial-size dishwasher and mixer, plus 10 GPS systems."¹⁵⁸
88. Tualatin, Oregon plans to spend \$2.5 million on a "train-horn-free" zone. The city plans to provide \$700,000¹⁵⁴ and the local transit agency plans to provide \$939,000 in stimulus money towards creating a train-horn-free zone.¹⁵⁵ The money will be for Tualatin to help with noise issues but is not likely to be finished for two years.¹⁵⁶
89. San Diego International Airport will get \$5 million to install "energy-efficient" runway guidance lights.¹⁵⁷ Transportation Secretary Ray LaHood called the new signs a "critical investment" that will get the "U.S. economy going again."¹⁵⁸
90. A Utah sheriff's office is plans to purchase a Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Davis County Sheriff's in Utah will be adding a brand new Harley-Davidson to their vehicle fleet courtesy of the stimulus bill. The purchase is part of a Edward Byrnes Memorial Justice Assistance Grant being shared with nearly a dozen other police agencies in the county. The department will receive almost \$25,000, most of which will be used to purchase the Harley-Davidson.¹⁵⁹
91. The Phoenix Police Department is expecting to receive \$3.4 million in stimulus cash for new equipment that will not result in job creation. According to local reports, the funds will "likely include more technology upgrades, such as electronic-citation devices, rather than adding new boots on the ground." Phoenix Executive Assistant Police Chief Tom Lannon said the use

¹⁵⁷ Deines, Kahrin, "Refuges, hatcheries, to get \$3 million," *Great Falls Tribune*, April 27, 2009, <http://www.greatfallstribune.com/article/20090427/NEWS01/904270313>.

¹⁵⁸ "4 Colo. Counties change minds, take stimulus money," *Associated Press*, June 4, 2009, <http://cbs4denver.com/coloradowne/22.0.html?type=local&state=CO&category=6&filename=CO--Stimulus-SeniorMe.xml>.

¹⁵⁴ Schmidt, Brad, "Tualatin May Have to Wait Two Years for MAX Quiet Zone," *Oregonian*, March 4, 2009, <http://brooklyn-neighborhood.org/2009/03/04/tualatin-finds-cheaper-way-to-keep-wea-trains-quiet-safe/>.

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¹⁵⁶ Schmidt, Brad, "Tualatin May Have to Wait Two Years for MAX Quiet Zone," *Oregonian*, March 4, 2009, <http://brooklyn-neighborhood.org/2009/03/04/tualatin-finds-cheaper-way-to-keep-wea-trains-quiet-safe/>.

¹⁵⁷ "Lindbergh runways awarded \$5 million," *SignOnSanDiego.com (Union-Tribune)*, March 28, 2009, <http://www3.signonsandiego.com/uniontrib/2009/mar/28/ln-28airport234819-harberwh-runways-awarded-5-million/>.

¹⁵⁸ "2 Local Airports To Receive Stimulus Funding," *10News.com (San Diego)*, March 27, 2009, <http://www.10news.com/newsarchive/9030804/detail.html>.

¹⁵⁹ Saxton, Bryon, "Sheriff's Office Gets New Wheels," *Standard-Examiner (Utah)*, April 29, 2009, <http://www.standard.net/live/news/271081>.

of the funds will be challenging due to the rules for these law-enforcement grants changing nearly daily.¹⁶⁰

92. U.S.-Canada border crossings that average less than 2 passenger cars per day and 2-3 trucks a month get millions from stimulus funds. U.S.-Mexico border crossings with 20,000 vehicle crossings per day get nothing. A border post located in Montana sees an average of less than two passenger cars per day and only two to three trucks a month, according to the Bureau of Transportation statistics. Despite the lack of activity, it will receive \$15 million in "stimulus" funds for upgrades. Five of the tiny border crossings in Montana will get \$77 million in total.¹⁶¹
93. Washington State will spend over \$18 million in stimulus cash to grow and hatch fish. This represents over 15% of the \$120 million the state's funding from the Bureau of Reclamation received for water infrastructure projects.¹⁶²
94. Montana's state-run liquor warehouse will receive \$2.2 million in stimulus cash to install skylights. The project is part of the \$27.7 million the state has been awarded for energy programs.¹⁶³
95. Eugene, Oregon will spend \$2.25 million stimulus dollars to construct a 1,000 foot long bike path, and an additional \$180,000 will be spent on "pedestrian facilities, traffic calming and bicycle-related components. The project was approved by the Oregon Transportation Commission for \$2.25 million "to construct a 1000-foot-long elevated pedestrian-bicycle path over the Delta Ponds and Delta Highway."¹⁶⁴
96. A California skate park will get a \$620,000 "facelift." Plans to refurbish the skate park in Long Beach, California, had stalled for months as local funds put towards higher priority park projects. With \$620,000 in federal stimulus funding available to upgrade the skate park, the city council decided to move forward. Daniel Johnson, a skater, said, "If most of us weren't skating right now, we'd be doing some bad stuff."¹⁶⁵
97. The Bureau of Land Management is using stimulus funds to study the impact wind farms have on the sage grouse population in Oregon. The proposal would be to "hire people to tag

¹⁶⁰ Ferraresi, Michael, "City safety agencies work to meet stimulus deadlines," *Arizona Republic*, April 8, 2009, <http://www.azcentral.com/community/phoenix/articles/2009/04/08/20090408stim-phxsafty0408.html>

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¹⁶³ Weaver, Christopher, "Stimulus for Liquor Makes You Snicker," *Propublica*, March 11, 2009, <http://www.propublica.org/top/stimulus/rem/stimulus-for-liquor-makes-you-snicker-0311/>

¹⁶⁴ "Construction jobs coming to Eugene via stimulus funding," *Daily Journal of Commerce*, April 2, 2009, <http://www.djournal.com/ArticleDetail.htm/2009/04/02/Construction-jobs-coming-to-Eugene-via-stimulus-funding>

¹⁶⁵ Cusron, Brian, "Long Beach's 14th Street Skate Park headed for a facelift," *Long Beach Press-Telegram*, May 30, 2009, <http://www.presstelegram.com/news/clj2487331>

sage grouse in areas where wind farms are proposed and track the birds' movements to figure out where turbines could be located.¹⁶⁶

98. Durango, Colorado to spend \$215,000 for a bike path to keep kids from walking to school on the street. Construction is scheduled to begin in August on a new bicycle and pedestrian path on County Road 501 after the project received more than \$215,000 in federal stimulus funds. Town Planner Joe Crain said, "It definitely will be a very good thing because of the high school. I see a lot of students walking on the roadway."¹⁶⁷
99. \$200,600 for restroom and showers at Black Butte Lake, California. The money is for new restrooms and showers in the group area. According the Corps of Engineers stimulus project list, the new restrooms "will greatly improve the public recreational experience."¹⁶⁸
100. Big Stimulus windfall for tiny town. A town of 82 residents where the people are outnumbered "several times over by mule deer and antelope" in California is getting a \$3 million stimulus for build a new water facility. At about \$36,000 per person, the Town of Tennant is one of 74 water districts of California set to share \$150 for drinking water projects.¹⁶⁹

¹⁶⁶ "Wind farms' impact on sage grouse part of stimulus study," *The Spokesman-Review*, June 1, 2009, <http://www.spokesman.com/stories/2009/jun/01/wind-farms-impact-on-sage-grouse-part-of-stimulus/print-friendly>.
¹⁶⁷ Buford, Katie, "Federal funds to help pay for path: Bayfield to build route for residents", *The Durango Herald*, April 23, 2009, http://durangoherald.com/sections/News/2009/04/23/Federal_funds_to_help_pay_for_path/.
¹⁶⁸ U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, "Civil Works Expenditure Plan - Operations and Maintenance," http://www.taxpayer.net/user_uploads/files/Stimulus/Corps/Corps_Stimulus_Projects_OperationsandMaintenance.pdf.
¹⁶⁹ Sabalow, Ryan, "Big stimulus grants go to tiny north state water districts," *Record-Sunlight*, June 9, 2009, <http://www.redding.com/news/2009/jun/09/big-stimulus-grants-go-to-tiny-north-state-water/>.

APPENDIX – QUICK REFERENCE OF PROJECTS

Top Ten Projects		
Oklahoma	\$1.5 million	New water treatment plant that raises utility costs of residents.
Illinois	\$1 billion	Most costly earmark in history despite promise of no earmarks.
Wisconsin	\$15.8 million	Non-essential repairs for 37 rural bridges rarely used.
California	\$10 million	Eminent domain kicking families out of homes to meet stimulus deadlines.
Florida	\$3.4 million	Wildlife "eco-passage" that will take years to finish.
Nevada	\$2 million	Weatherization contract going to company already fired for poor weatherization work.
Oklahoma	Over \$1 million	New guardrail along home dry Opdine Lake.
Pennsylvania	\$9.38 million	Renovate old train station not used in 30 years.
D.C.	\$2.5 million	Social security stimulus checks sent to 250 dead people.
New York	\$578,661	Homeless funds go to town that doesn't want the money since it has no homelessness.
Midwestern Region		
Illinois	\$173,824	Weatherizing 8 pick-up trucks.
South Dakota	\$20,000	Freezing fish sperm.
Wisconsin	\$2.8 million	Unrequested nursing home assistance.
Iowa	\$11 million	Unnecessary new cars for State

		government
Illinois	\$150,000 est.	Road signs marking stimulus projects
Georgia	\$5.5 million	Grant used to entice company to move from Iowa, taking 1,200 jobs away from state.
Michigan	\$500,000	Renovate historic building to house yoga or children's movement class and a new visitor center.
Michigan	\$43.9 million	Unnecessarily widen and rebuild road.
Illinois	\$643,945	New parking lot not wanted by local residents.
Ohio	\$57 million	Planning and preliminary studies of highway projects.
Minnesota	\$2 million	For theater used for dance and music events.
Illinois	\$350,000	4-person bunker at wildlife refuge.
Ohio	1/3	Police jobs saved by stimulus funds could still be lost at end of year.
Indiana	\$1.27 million	New airport runway signs.
Ohio	\$1.5 million	Suicide prevention fence for a bridge.
Illinois	\$1 million	To study if people are healthier in "green" government subsidized housing projects.
Indiana	\$356,000	To study how kids perceive accents.
Michigan	\$530 million	Mostly "no-strings" funding for school district despite record of poor financial management.
Michigan	\$983,952	For decorative sidewalks and crosswalks and streetlights, planters, and

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		landscaping.
Michigan	\$1.3 million	New wastewater plant declared "dead on arrival" by local citizens.
Kansas	n/a	Visitor center and pedestrian bridge chosen not for economic but for cultural/aesthetic value.
Missouri	\$462,000	New toilets at Mark Twain National Forest.
North Dakota	Up to \$100,000	To demolish a sauna and build new showers in women's locker room.
Missouri	\$2.9 million	Visitor center at wildlife refuge.
Missouri	\$940,000	Solar power at a fish hatchery.
Wisconsin	\$10 million	School lunch equipment and education technology but no teaching jobs.
Missouri	\$500,000	Fish food for fish farmers.
Northeastern Region		
Rhode Island	\$550,000	Skateboard Park.
Pennsylvania	\$800,000	Backup runway for airport with only 3 flights a day.
Connecticut	\$850,000	For studies including "how paying attention improves performance of difficult tasks."
New York	\$175,000	Trolley to take tourists to festivals and markets.
New York	\$3.1 million	Transform canal barge into floating museum.
Massachusetts	\$3 million	Corporate jet runways that are opposed by local residents.
Maine	\$1.3 million	For "government art jobs" including basket makers.

New York	\$15 million	Partially rebuild portions of Coney Island Boardwalk.
New York	\$150 million	To build the world's brightest x-ray.
Massachusetts	\$3.5 million	3 mile bike trail despite having \$80 million of existing, unused federal funds for bike trails.
Vermont	\$71,200	Hybrid cars for driver education classes.
New York	\$3.8 million	Extend an urban art trail.
Connecticut	\$680,000	To study the effect of diet and exercise on obesity.
Pennsylvania	\$500,000	Parking garage.
New York	\$1 million	"Green upgrades" but no new jobs.
Massachusetts	\$174,000	Duplicates funding to renovate a historic building that is already being funded by separate federal program.
Pennsylvania	\$819,000	Homeless prevention despite the lack of homeless.
Massachusetts	\$2 million	Monitor scallop reproduction and habitat.
Massachusetts	\$5.6 million	Repave bike path.
Southern Region		
Tennessee	\$200,000	To help create railroad hotel museum.
D.C.	\$2.5 million	Beach enhancement studies by Army corps of Engineers.
D.C.	\$200 million	For the D.C. metro despite history of waste and abuse of federal funds.
D.C.	\$77.5 million	To connect D.C. metro to Dulles Airport despite history of waste and abuse of federal funds.

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West Virginia	\$400,000	Renovate downtown music hall despite lack of interest in developing the surrounding area.
Delaware	\$7.5 million	Renovate a boardwalk and build new pavilion.
Tennessee	\$1.5 million	To redevelop old amusement park.
Tennessee	\$250,000	Rehabilitate a dilapidated laundromat.
Texas	\$181 million	Expand Grand Parkway that is opposed by local residents and environmentalists.
South Carolina	\$1.7 million	Grow oysters.
D.C.	n/a	Despite promises of transparency, White House won't have website ready until next spring.
Delaware	\$400,000	To construct berth for historic ship.
D.C.	\$11.4 million	Housing for zoo animals despite prohibition on funds being used for local zoos.
North Carolina	\$40,734	Salary of new staff position whose job it is to lobby for more stimulus funds.
North Carolina	\$300,000	Parking lot already part of town's existing budget.
Florida	\$128 million	Build a duplicative bridge.
D.C.	\$2.5 billion	USDA program to bring internet to rural areas despite long history of misusing funds.
Florida	\$2.1 million	To relocate an aging Greyhound bus terminal.
Kentucky	\$4.7 million	Build a trail connecting downtown to a horse farm.
Texas	Up to \$100,000	Steam room for a fitness center.
D.C.	\$300 million	Federal funding for 61 housing agencies with history of

		misusing funds.
D.C.	\$1.5 million	Contractor with history of abusing detainees in Iraq used by Forest Service to evaluate projects.
Texas	\$16.7 million	Downtown park to cover a freeway.
Texas	\$11.3 million	Bathroom repair.
Virginia	\$340,000	Repair rural bridge despite no need for repair and only carries 20 cars a day.
Western Region		
Washington	\$148,438	To study the use of marijuana in conjunction with other medication.
Washington	\$11 million	Create a bridge that connects two Microsoft campuses.
California	n/a	State encouraging school districts to not hire teachers with stimulus funds.
Oregon	\$4.2 million	To raise railroad tracks 18 inches despite local residents rejecting plan.
Colorado	\$213,716	New vehicle for sheriff despite already having access to an existing vehicle.
Wyoming	\$7 million	Town to lease new office space instead of using existing empty office space.
Wyoming	\$280 million	For wildlife refuges and fish hatcheries for such things as solar panels.
Colorado	n/a	Four counties reject stimulus money, but then change minds to buy an industrial dishwasher.
Oregon	\$2.5 million	To create a "train-born free" zone in town.
California	\$5 million	To install energy efficient light bulbs

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		for airport runway.
Utah	\$25,000	Harley Davidson motorcycle for sheriff.
Arizona	\$3.4 million	New police equipment but no new jobs.
Montana	\$15 million	Upgrades for rarely used border crossing into Canada.
Washington	\$18 million	To grow and hatch fish.
Montana	\$2.2 million	Skylights for a liquor warehouse.
Oregon	\$2.25 million	To construct a 1,000 foot bike path and pedestrian facilities.

California	\$620,000	A "facelift" for skate park.
Oregon	n/a	Federal program using stimulus funds to study impact of wind farms on sage grouse population.
Colorado	\$215,000	Bike-path for kids to get to school.
California	\$200,000	Restroom and showers at Lake park.
California	\$3 million	New water facility for rawn of 82 residents.

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DISTRICT ECOPASSAGE PROJECT FEATURED ON CNN

The Ecopassage project on US Highway 27 north in Leon County was featured in prime time last month following a visit from CNN. The visit came on the heels of criticism by a US Senator over the use of stimulus funds to construct the project. The \$3.5 million project which involves the construction of retaining walls and culverts for turtles and other wildlife to cross from one side of the roadway to the other, was one of several stimulus projects featured during a weeklong series highlighting where stimulus dollars go and for what reasons.

The network dispatched reporter Randi Kaye, producer Susan Chun and a cameraman to Tallahassee to conduct an in depth story on the controversial project that has drawn praises and criticism. It was number five on US Senator Tom Coburn's list of wasteful stimulus projects nationwide. Locally the project received support from the Capital Regional Transportation Planning Organization (CRTPO), the Leon County Commission and Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). All say



Tommy Speights and CNN reporter Randi Kaye take a break from interview.

it is a much needed safety project, provides jobs, and will enhance safety for both humans and animals.

The crew interviewed Leon County Commissioner Cliff Thaeil who supports the project and stated it was good for public safety; a county resident who indicated it was a waste of taxpayers' dollars, and contractor Henry Mayfield who reported his company has been able to stay afloat and retain several employees due to the stimulus project.

According to information from the lakejacksonturtles website, US 27 is a four-lane highway that was built directly across a 3/4-mile portion of northwest Lake Jackson, isolating part of the lake to the west now known as Little Lake Jackson. The site states US Highway 27 is a virtually impassable barrier to turtles and other wildlife with 23,500



Henry Mayfield with M of Tallahassee speaks with reporter concerning project.

vehicles traveling along it each day.

The push to save the turtles began several years ago by a Florida State Biologist who dubbed US 27 as a killing zone for turtles and other wildlife trying to cross from one side of Lake Jackson to the other. The project was ranked high on the CRTPO's list but had been placed on the backburner due to funding. Since the safety project was shovel ready, it was advanced using stimulus dollars. The crossings will improve highway safety by preventing accidents resulting from wildlife on the roadway. Although the Ecopassage project is a first for District Three it is one of several built statewide to protect wildlife. The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of this year.



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Okla. senator questions stimulus projects

GOP lawmaker lists 100 projects, including skate parks, turtle crossing



Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., asks in his report, 'Why does the turtle cross the road?' in answer to a question about a stimulus project.

economic recovery program. The White House has promoted the program by selecting favorable newspaper stories.

One of the most fiscally conservative senators, Coburn cited the repair of 37 rural bridges in Wisconsin that average little more than 500 vehicles apiece each day — with one carrying no more than 10 cars a day. The projects jumped over larger, urban repairs because they were "shovel ready."

AP Associated Press

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WASHINGTON — Repairs for rural bridges, an under-highway safe crossing for turtles and efforts to protect the sage grouse population are among 100 projects a Republican senator pointed to Monday as questionable federal stimulus spending.


The list by Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., includes projects others would identify as ideal for creating jobs and benefiting generations of Americans: skateboard parks, streetscapes, upgrades of park facilities, bike trails and parking garages.

Coburn's list is partially a collection of news stories that questioned local projects to be funded under President Barack Obama's

Local officials had a different perspective. Coburn, for instance, criticized \$840,000 to repair a bridge in Portage County, Wis., that carries 260 vehicles a day largely to a backwater station and a country club.

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commissioner, said the bridge has "lived its life expectancy" and is dangerous. "It's a pretty crucial bridge in Portage County," he said. He added it soon will be a shortcut to a state highway.

Turtle crossing

Coburn also criticized a \$3.4 million Florida Department of Transportation project for an "eco-passage" — an underground wildlife road crossing for turtles and other wildlife in Lake Jackson, Fla., along U.S. 27.

"Why did the turtle cross the road? To get to the other side of a stimulus project," the Coburn report says.

Josh Boan, the Florida Transportation Department's natural resources manager, said a large number of turtles and other wildlife are killed in the area. In addition to protecting wildlife, he said the project is needed for safety: turtles hit by vehicles can become flying projectiles.

The project north of Tallahassee is to begin in September.

An administration spokesman said the stimulus program already is a great success.

Ed DeSeve, senior adviser to the president for Recovery Act implementation, said, "We have approved more than 20,000 Recovery Act projects to get America's economy moving again.

'Filled with inaccuracies'

"With 20,000 projects approved, there are bound to be some mistakes. When we find them, we have been transparent about it, and worked on a bipartisan basis to shut them down immediately. Sen. Coburn's report, however, is filled with inaccuracies, including criticisms of projects that have already been stopped, projects that never were approved, and some projects that are working quite well."

Coburn also criticized:

- A Bureau of Land Management project to study the impact wind farms have on the sage-grouse population in Oregon. The proposal calls for hiring people to tag sage grouse in areas where wind farms may be built, to help determine where turbines could be located.
- \$1.5 million in stimulus money for a \$5.

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million new wastewater treatment plant in Perkins, Okla., his home state. Coburn said the stimulus money came with strings that will increase the costs. With a new total cost of \$7.2 million, the city will be forced to borrow money and, as a result, utility taxes have increased by 60

said is for corporate jets. Richard Walsh, a spokesman for the independent state agency that runs the airport, Massport, said only 18 percent of the traffic at the airport is for corporate jets. Most of the use, 70 percent cent, is for flight

students, he said.

percent this year, the senator said.

- Grants and loans totaling \$1.3 million to Solon Township in Leelanau County, Mich., to help pay for construction of a wastewater treatment plant. Local opposition killed the project. The money will now be used for a future treatment plant, for which there is no plan and questionable local support.

- Montana's state-run liquor warehouse, to receive \$2.2 million in stimulus cash to install skylights. The project is part of the \$27.7 million the state has been

awarded for energy programs. © 2010 The Associated Press. All material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten or redistributed.

- Road signs costing \$100 each, being placed at construction sites to alert motorists that the project is being paid for by the stimulus money. Transportation Department spokesman Jill Zuckman said each state decides whether to use stimulus money for signs, and the cost would vary in each state.
- A \$3 million project to repair taxiways at Hanscom Field, Mass., which Coburn

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No Crossing Guard for Turtles, But White House Claims Worthwhile Stimulus Projects

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A \$3.4 million-dollar underground turtle tunnel funded by government money is just one example of the Obama administration's frivolous stimulus spending, claims one Republican senator.

Sen. Tom Coburn released a comprehensive list Tuesday detailing 100 local projects funded by federal stimulus money that he says amount to nothing more than billions of dollars in wasteful spending.

But the Obama administration says Coburn's list is wrong. A number of projects listed in the report are no longer being funded by recovery money.

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Coburn, an Oklahoma Republican, said \$1.15 million is being spent to build a guardrail on the "non-existent Optimus Lake in Oklahoma." On its Web site for the lake, The Army Corps of Engineers warns: "Visitors should be aware that the lake's level can be very low. Depending on rainfall and evaporation rates, the lake may offer no water-based recreation and may not be suitable for swimming, fishing, boating or other activities."

But the White House said that project has been killed. In fact, said White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs, several parts of Coburn's report are "inaccurate" and "flat out wrong," and some of the projects were cancelled by the administration prior to the report's release.

Gibbs acknowledged that he had not reviewed every project listed in Coburn's report, an admission that Coburn spokesman John Hart called "disappointing."

"It's disappointing Robert is commenting on something he hasn't read, just as it was unfortunate many lawmakers made grandiose promises about the benefits of a stimulus plan they never read," Hart told FOXNews.com.

Among the funded projects listed by Coburn are \$1.5 million for a new wastewater treatment plant in Perkins, Okla., that the senator says will result in higher utility costs for local residents. Also listed are \$15 million for "shovel-ready" repairs to "little-used bridges in rural Wisconsin" and \$640,000 to repair a bridge in the state that carries 260 vehicles a day largely to a basketball season and a country club.

"The vice president has been touring the country on the taxpayers' dime on a stimulus public relations tour precisely because Dr. Coburn's premise is correct - the stimulus plan isn't working, as these few examples illustrate," Hart said.

Ed DeSeve, senior adviser to Obama for Recovery Act implementation, said more than 20,000 projects have been approved, contributing to the economy's slow recovery.

"With 20,000 projects approved, there are bound to be some mistakes. When we find them, we have been transparent about it, and worked on a bipartisan basis to shut them down immediately. Sen. Coburn's report, however, is filled with inaccuracies, including criticisms of projects that have already been stopped, projects that never were approved, and some projects that are working quite well."

Gibbs added Obama has upheld his pledge to be transparent, and administration officials have been vigilant in the use of stimulus funding for job creation.

"This president has taken historic steps to ensure that there's adequate transparency and that

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this money is spent the way it's intended to be used," Gibbs said.

Coburn's report is a compilation of months of research into hundreds of local projects across the nation. In it, he blasted \$10 million in federal dollars to renovate "an abandoned train station that hasn't been used in 30 years" and criticized the use of \$3.4 million to build an "eco-passage" — or wildlife road crossing for turtles and other wildlife — in Florida.

"Why did the turtle cross the road? To get to the other side of a stimulus project," Coburn says in the report.

The 13-foot tunnel near Tallahassee, Fla., runs under Highway 27 — a busy road that has the highest road-kill rate for turtles in the world, according to state officials.

Josh Boan, the Florida Transportation Department's natural resources manager, said a large number of turtles and other wildlife are killed in the area. In addition to protecting wildlife, he said the project is needed for safety: turtles hit by vehicles can become flying projectiles.

FOX News' Shannon Bream and The Associated Press contributed to this report.

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Research into the role of neurotransmitter systems in the reinforcing effects of cocaine has traditionally focused on monoamines; however, recent studies in rodents indicate a strong involvement of glutamatergic mechanisms, particularly during abstinence. Glutamate is an important transmitter due to its prominent role in synaptic plasticity and the remodeling of synapses. We have previously demonstrated significant alterations within the dopamine system of nonhuman primates following chronic cocaine self-administration and abstinence. Given the close reciprocal association between the dopamine and glutamate systems, we hypothesize, therefore, that the glutamate system in these monkeys is also significantly dysregulated. These hypotheses are supported by evidence from animal studies demonstrating direct effects of chronic cocaine exposure and abstinence on the glutamate system. We propose to test these hypotheses by measuring the concentrations of metabolite glutamate receptors in monkeys previously studied. Thus, one of the significant advantages of the present application is our ability to test any changes observed in the glutamate system back to previous findings of neurochemical dysregulation in the same animals. The dopamine and glutamate systems have been shown to be closely related to each other in terms of reciprocal regulation. Changes in one system can have significant consequences for regulation of the other. This application will test the hypothesis that elements of the glutamate system is altered in nonhuman primates self-administering cocaine, followed by abstinence, in which the dopamine system has already been extensively characterized, and shown to be substantially dysregulated.

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Award Date	06/05/2009	Project Location - State: NC
Project Status	Less Than 50% Completed	Project Location - Zip: 271571051
Jobs Reported	0.43	Congressional District: 05
Project Location - Country	US	

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Project Status	Less Than 50% Completed
Final Project Report Submitted	No
Project Activities Description	Poor, Economically Disadvantaged, Indigent
Quarterly Activities/Project Description	As defined in Award Description field.
Jobs Created	0.43
Description of Jobs Created	Research Assistant, Instructor

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Contracting Office ID	Not Reported
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TAS Major Program	75-0909

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Award Date	08/05/2009
Award Number	1R03DA02R980-01A1
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Award Type	Grants
Funding Agency ID	75
Funding Agency Name	Department of Health and Human Services
Funding Office Name	Not Available
Funding Agency ID	75
Funding Agency Name	Department of Health and Human Services
Amount of Award	\$144,884
Funds Invoiced/Received	\$42,884
Expenditure Amount	\$42,884
Infrastructure Expenditure Amount	\$0
Infrastructure Purpose and Rationale	Not Reported
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Total Amount of payments to vendors less than \$25,000/award	\$2,695

PROJECT LOCATION DETAIL

Latitude, Longitude	36° 5' 22", -80° 15' 57"
Congressional District	05
Address 1	Medical Center Blvd.
Address 2	
City	Winston-Salem
County	Forsyth
State	NC
Zip	271571051

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Stimulus funds pay for monkey research in N.C.

Benjamin Niolet | The (Raleigh) News & Observer

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Monkeys are getting high for science in North Carolina.

An analyst at the Civitas Institute seized on that image when selecting a cocaine addiction study at Wake Forest University Medical School as No. 1 on a list of the "10 worst federal stimulus projects in North Carolina." Civitas' Brian Balfour takes swipes at projects, writing that they "seem completely unrelated to avoiding an economic 'catastrophe,' but rather an ad hoc satisfaction of countless dubious wish lists."

So, what is this \$71,623 federal stimulus grant paying for?

Well, a job, said Mark Wright, a spokesman for the Wake Forest University School of Medicine.

"It's actually the continuation of a job that might not still be there if it hadn't been for the stimulus funding. And it's a good job," Wright said. "It's also very worthwhile research."

The study is examining the effects of cocaine on a particular neurotransmitter among monkeys who have had a long-term addiction to cocaine.

The medical school boasts a significant body of work studying addiction. Ultimately, the study could lead to better treatment for recovering cocaine addicts.

Balfour also cited another Wake Forest study. This one is studying whether yoga and other non-pharmaceutical therapies such as wellness classes can help alleviate hot flashes and other symptoms of menopause.

"How does this study help revive the economy?" Balfour asked.

Well, again, jobs, said Nancy Avis, a professor in the Department of Social Science and Health policy at the medical school. The funding, more than \$147,000 over two years, will contribute to the salaries of six people.

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Laurie Roberts' Columns & Blog

Laurie Roberts is a columnist for The Arizona Republic.

Ants aren't only thing to be antsy about in stimulus spending

Sen. John McCain on Tuesday took after the stimulus plan, singling out 100 examples of silly spending.

Among them, a research project to study young adults' use of malt liquor and marijuana and a grant to study whether female college coeds are more likely to have sex after drinking. (I'm pretty sure that study has been done by a number of male college coeds.)

McCain and fellow Republican Sen. Tom Coburn of Oklahoma released a report on 100 projects they deem unlikely to create jobs. On the list from Arizona are the UofA's and ASU's studies of ants -- vital research that will collectively cost us nearly a trillion bucks.

After I wrote about the list last month, Rick SHANAHAN, vice president for RESEARCH AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS at ASU, sent me a note, saying the research projects create jobs, diversify the economic and contribute to solving "grand challenges ranging from energy to healthcare, training Arizona's future workforce, diversifying Arizona's economy, and more."

"For those who question ant research, you should probably know we research plenty of other bugs too. Since science has been advanced through the study of bugs in countless ways, why stop now especially as they are helping us address everything from human aging to complex social systems. So we are pre-bug research at ASU!!!"

Like me, McCain apparently had no clue that so much hinged upon the study of ants.

"I had no idea that so much enterprise concerning ants resided in the major universities of my state," McCain quipped.

McCain ought to look as little closer at the stimulus spending spent in his home state. In all, the three universities swooped in a grabbed up nearly 10 percent of \$816 million in stimulus funds distributed in Arizona for their various research projects.

But they aren't the only ones making questionable claims about the miracles of stimulus spending. There is the plan to install speed bumps along a three-quarter mile stretch of Pecos in Chandler -- a project that we are told will create 49 jobs. Then there are the hundreds of jobs inexplicably saved by giving Head Start teachers across the state a raise using stimulus funds and well, the list goes on.

To see my own sampling of how Arizona is spending stimulus money, click [here](#).

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Chuckle, chuckle, chuckle especially the bit about speed bumps in Chandler. Where will all the jobs come from? Perhaps opportunities for auto repair, body and wheel alignment shops to fix screwed-up vehicles after the lawsuits are settled?

New ants and the study of a female's sex life in relation to the amount of booze consumed over certain periods of time are worthwhile projects. We'll leave the study of ants to John McCain. Having already experimented with it for most of our lives, the rest of us find the alternative topic a great deal more intriguing!

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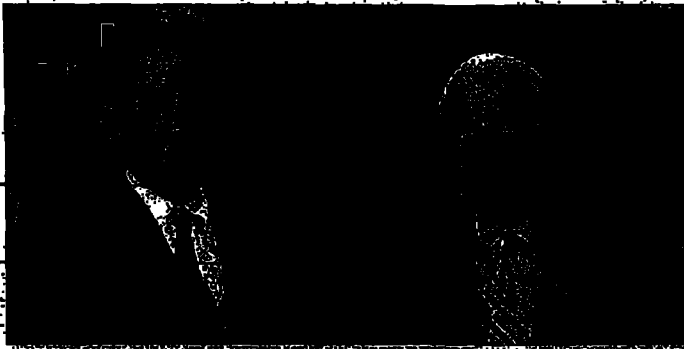
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Social media wrap: John McCain goes from targeting pork to stimulus waste

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Arizona Sen: John McCain took time out from campaigning in his tight midterm race to tweet the results of his new endeavor to highlight "failed" stimulus projects.

Unveiled Tuesday: "Summertime Blues: 100 Stimulus Projects that Give Taxpayers the Blues" is McCain's latest salvo against government spending in a career spent spotlighting egregious pork-barrel projects.

Remember Alaska's famous "bridge to nowhere"? McCain and partner, Oklahoma's Tom Coburn, point out that a similar "tunnel to nowhere" in Pittsburgh was granted an additional \$62 million to continue its construction. There are also art-farms, dance programs and a \$308-million joint energy venture with BP. Aken.

Here is McCain's top tweet rundown of the stimulus projects.

- #1. \$554,763 to replace windows at the Coldwater Ridge Visitor Center at Mount St. Helens that was closed in 2007
- #2. \$760,000 to Georgia Tech to study improvised music
- ...
- #3. \$762,372 for interactive dance software development called "Dance Draw"
- #4. \$62 million for continued construction of the North Shore Connector in Pittsburgh, aka "tunnel to

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GRANTS - AWARD SUMMARY

REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, THE

Neptune's atmosphere is one of the most dynamically active atmospheres in our solar system, and yet it is (still) poorly constrained. In order to gain a better understanding of the global circulation in this atmosphere, new sets of observations are proposed at near-infrared and radio wavelengths. The adaptive-optics (AO) assisted field-integral spectrometer OSIRIS at Keck will be used to determine the average cloud altitude (in each zonal band) as a function of latitude. These data will be compared to AO spectra obtained with NIRC2 in 2002 and 2008. The earlier data revealed a change in cloud altitude with latitude. The spectroscopic data will be analyzed with a radiative transfer code to extract cloud altitudes. To investigate possible changes in the appearance of the planet since the Voyager flyby, the proposer's long-term database of broadband J, H, and K images will be compared from year-to-year, and to Voyager images at near-infrared wavelengths taken in 1989, about half a Neptune season ago. In addition to the acquisition and analysis of infrared data, the Combined Array for Research in Millimeter-wave Astronomy, CARMA, will be used to determine the spatial distribution of CO on Neptune. This distribution, together with the spatial distribution of hydrocarbons determined from mid-infrared data, yields information on Neptune's global dynamics. With the addition of microwave data, the global circulation can be constrained from Neptune's atmosphere to its deep (tens of bar) atmosphere. These results will be compared with previous analyses from the Voyager era.

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Award Number	0908975	Funding Agency	National Science Foundation
Total Award Amount	\$458,683	Project Location - City	Berkeley
Award Date	09/14/2008	Project Location - State	CA
Project Status	Less Than 50% Completed	Project Location - Zip	947201600
Jobs Reported	830	Congressional District	09
Project Location - Country	US		

RECIPIENT INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Recipient Name	REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, THE
Recipient DUNS Number	124728725
Recipient Address	2150 SHATTUCK AVE RM 313
Recipient City	BERKELEY
Recipient State	California
Recipient Zip	947045840
Recipient Congressional District	09
Recipient Country	USA
Required to Report Top 5 Highly Compensated Officials	No

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Project Title Neptune's Global Atmospheric Dynamics
Project Status Less Than 50% Completed
Final Project Report Submitted No
Project Activities Description Universities
 The graduate student researcher obtained more radio data with the CARMA array, she was able to solve many of the previous problems, and made much progress. The student's paper on near-infrared observations of Neptune obtained with the Adaptive Optics System on the Mook Telescopio (MRC2 owner) has been accepted for publication in Icarus.
Quarterly Activities/Project Description
Jobs Created 0.30
Description of Jobs Created Jobs Created and Jobs Retained: 0.3 FTE for a graduate student researcher

PURCHASER INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Contracting Office ID Not Reported
Contracting Office Name Not Available
Contracting Office Region Not Available
TAG Major Program 49-0101

AWARD INFORMATION

Award Date 09/14/2009
Award Number 0906575
Order Number
Award Type Grants
Funding Agency ID 49
Funding Agency Name National Science Foundation
Funding Office Name Not Available
Funding Office ID 49
Awarding Agency Name National Science Foundation
Amount of Award \$45,000
Funds Involved Received \$21,822
Expenditure Amount \$0
Infrastructure Expenditure Amount \$0
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PRODUCT OR SERVICE INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Primary Activity Code 943 - NTEE
Activity Description Universities

SUB-AWARDS INFORMATION

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Address 2	
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County	Alameda
State	CA
Zip	947201500

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Tunnel to Nowhere Among Millions Wasted in Stimulus Spending, Senate GOP Report Says

The federal government is spending \$62 million on a tunnel to nowhere in Pittsburgh, Pa., \$89,000 on a sidewalk that leads to a ditch in Boynton, Okla., and almost \$200,000 to study voter perception of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (stimulus) from which these other projects are funded.

Tuesday, August 03, 2010

By Fred Lucas

Washington (CNSNews.com) — The federal government is spending \$62 million on a tunnel to nowhere in Pittsburgh, Pa., \$89,000 on a sidewalk that leads to a ditch in Boynton, Okla., and almost \$200,000 to study voter perception of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, better known as the stimulus act, from which these other projects are funded.

That's according to a report released on Tuesday by the offices of Republican Sens. John McCain of Arizona and Tom Coburn of Oklahoma. Both Coburn and McCain, the Republican presidential nominee in 2008, opposed the stimulus bill backed by President Barack Obama.

The \$862-billion stimulus bill was signed into law by Obama in February 2009.

White House Press Secretary Robert Gibbs scoffed at the Republicans' report. "This has much more to do with politics," Gibbs said.

When asked if he believed it was a credible report, Gibbs said, "no."



In this May 4, 2010 file photo, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz. speaks to reporters on Capitol Hill in Washington. (AP Photo/Harry Hamburg, File)

The 74-page report includes numerous projects, such as:

– \$554,763 for the National Forest Service to replace windows in a closed visitor center at Maant St. Helens;

– \$762,372 to create "Dance Draw" interactive dance software;

– \$1.9 million for international art research;

– \$1.8 million for a road project that is threatening a pastor's home;

– \$308 million for a joint clean energy venture with BP, a highly unpopular firm since the massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico;

– \$3.8 million for a "streetscaping" project that has reduced traffic and caused a business to fire two employees;

– \$16 million to help Boeing clean up an environmental mess it created in 2007;

– \$260,000 to help Siberian communities lobby Russian policymakers;

– \$39.7 million to upgrade the statehouse and political offices in Topeka, Kan.;

– \$760,000 to Georgia Tech to study improvised music;

– \$700,000 to study why monkeys respond negatively to inequity;

– \$363,760 to help NIH promote the positive impacts of stimulus projects;

– \$456,663 to study the circulation of Neptune's atmosphere;

– \$529,648 to study the effects of local populations on the environment...in the Himalayas.

"Eighteen months since the passage of the stimulus bill, millions of jobs are still gone and the economy is as uncertain as ever," Coburn and McCain wrote in the report. "The only thing getting a boost is our national debt. The stimulus has helped push it 23 percent higher, to \$13.2 trillion, a new record."

Gibbs pointed out that Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics who advised the McCain campaign, recently completed a report with Princeton economist Alan Binder on what would have happened to the economy in the absence of the stimulus act and the \$700 billion bailout of the financial industry, also known as Troubled Assets Relief Program.

"I think the best person for Sen. McCain to debate on this is the chief economic advisor of



Sen. Tom Coburn (R-Okla.) said that before House members cast a vote for the Senate health care bill they should realize that nothing will be changed during reconciliation, which can happen only after the bill is signed into law by President Barack Obama. (CNSNews.com/Penny Starr)

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his own presidential campaign, who not only weighed in on the president's recovery plan but has in the last week written an analysis on what our economy would look like without the steps that we took. It's a report that says instead of 8 million jobs lost, that figure would be 16 million jobs," Gibbs said.

CBS News reporter Chip Reid – who covered the McCain campaign – argued that Zandi is a registered Democrat, was only an outside adviser to the McCain campaign and did not formulate the campaign's economic policy, but Gibbs nevertheless was dismissive of the question.

Gibbs insisted that the stimulus act is working, adding that Vice President Joe Biden is still overseeing the expenditures.

"Every day the vice president and the vice president's staff work diligently to assure that projects that receive funding abide by certain standards, all available on the Internet, a level of transparency not seen in government programs, particularly those with the magnitude of this," Gibbs said.

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BOZEMAN - A report by two U.S. senators is criticizing 100 federally funded "stimulus" projects - including one at Montana State University and another in Helena - saying the projects have neither created nor saved jobs.

Sens. Tom Coburn, R-Okla., and John McCain, R-Ariz., released the report this month and ranked at No. 76 an MSU "field trip to study dinosaur eggs in China" that reaped \$141,002. The senators say nine students were given a six-week, all-expense paid trip to China that was funded by the National Science Foundation.

The report said in addition to examining and cataloguing dinosaur eggs, the students had "plenty of time to let their hair down hiking on the Great Wall" and visiting other tourist destinations.

MSU spokesman Tracy Ellig said researchers at the university who applied for the funding did not know the grant came from stimulus money until they received it.

NSF spokeswoman Dana Topousis confirmed the university's contention, saying MSU researchers were denied funding during a first round of grants due to budget constraints, but were awarded the money in a second round after the foundation received stimulus funds.

She said that when the NSF got extra stimulus money, it went back to "highly rated" applications that had already been through the review process.

Topousis defended the funding and gave an example of a small NSF grant given to a graduate research student several years ago.

"That guy turned out to be the founder of Google," she said.

Ellig also defended the China trip, saying it was an investment in the future of America's scientific leadership.

"Billions of dollars in stimulus money have gone into a huge range of scientific research throughout American universities," he said. "That's an investment that could generate an enormous number of jobs in the future from the scientific training given to students and the innovation that comes out of university research."

Much to Bozeman Mayor Jeff Krauss' relief, the other Montana project named in the report was not the \$49,140 in stimulus money the city spent on tennis courts. Krauss said Thursday he scoured the report looking for the courts, which attracted national attention and caused some friction between the Bozeman City Commission and Gov. Brian Schweitzer.

The other Montana project named in Coburn and McCain's report was in Helena - \$18,500 to refurbish a mural in the city's Veteran's Memorial Park band shell. That project ranked No. 42 on the list.

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The grant supports 8 students a year from Montana 2 and 4 year institutions to conduct research in China with the PI and Chinese collaborator

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Award Number	0854412	Funding Agency	National Science Foundation
Total Award Amount	\$141,000	Project Location - City	Bozeman
Award Date	09/04/2008	Project Location - State	MT
Project Status	Less Than 50% Completed	Project Location - Zip	597173840
Jobs Reported	0.00	Congressional District	00
Project Location - Country	US		

RECIPIENT INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Recipient Name	MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Recipient DUNS Number	025447982
Recipient Address	307 MONTANA HALL
Recipient City	BOZEMAN
Recipient State	Montana
Recipient Zip	597170001
Recipient Congressional District	00
Recipient Country	USA
Required to Report Top 5 Highly Compensated Officials	No

PROJECTS AND JOBS INFORMATION

Project Title	IRE: U.S. China Collaboration on Dinosaur Eggs and Education
Project Status	Less Than 50% Completed
Final Project Report Submitted	No
Project Activities Description	Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences (except Biotechnology)

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Quarterly Activities/Project Description	Interviewed and select 9 participants for the 2010 trip to China. Updated web site and continued with logistics for the workshop and trip, including necessary paperwork, visa applications, speakers and schedule.
Jobs Created	0.00
Description of Jobs Created	na

PURCHASER INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Contracting Office ID	Not Reported
Contracting Office Name	Not Available
Contracting Office Region	Not Available
TAS Major Program	49-0101

AWARD INFORMATION

Award Date	08/04/2009
Award Number	0854412
Order Number	
Award Type	Grants
Funding Agency ID	49
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Funding Office Name	Not Available
Awarding Agency ID	49
Awarding Agency Name	National Science Foundation
Amount of Award	\$141,002
Funds Invoiced/Received	\$34,748
Expenditure Amount	\$34,748
Infrastructure Expenditure Amount	\$0
Infrastructure Purpose and Rationale	Not Reported
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Activity Description	Research and Development in the Physical, Engineering, and Life Sciences (except Biotechnology)

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Address 2	Trephagen Hall
City	Bozeman
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State	MT
Zip	597173840

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Express Children's Theater: \$10,434
Source: National Endowment for the Arts, Texas Commission on the Arts

AUSTIN — Perhaps conservatives have something against accordions.

That's one possible interpretation of how the International Accordion Festival in San Antonio became one of this summer's national poster children for big government spending as the right wing came down on \$29 billion in economic stimulus funding handed out by the National Endowment for the Arts — including \$775,000 that went directly to Texas arts groups.

First, Fox News focused on a San Francisco theater company that got a grant while performing Parvovir Pot Oat!

Then came columnist Michele Malkin's list of "eye-opening projects." No. 2 on her list, right after a Georgia puppet production of The Emperor's New Clothes, was the \$25,000 received in June by the International Accordion Festival. One conservative blogger in Nebraska declared: "Now that's grounds for impeachment!"

That just offends festival organizer Pat Jasper. She said conservatives often attack arts funding because they view it as something for liberal cultural elites. But the ennoblers involving her festival, Jasper says, comes from people who do not appreciate the accordion as a vital to music ranging from country to zydeco to Parisian café songs.

The reputation of artists for exaggerating their worth for what they are, which is cultural elites," Jasper said. "The accordion makes the music of the American heartland."

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Accordion fest called 'grounds for impeachment'

By R.G. Ratcliffe - Austin Bureau
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AUSTIN — Perhaps conservatives have something against accordions.

That's one possible interpretation of how the International Accordion Festival in San Antonio became one of this summer's national poster children for big government spending as the right wing came down on \$29 million in economic stimulus funding handed out by the National Endowment for the Arts — including \$775,000 that went directly to Texas arts groups.

First, Fox News focused on a San Francisco theater company that got a grant while performing *Perverts Put Out!*

Then came columnist Michelle Malkin's list of "eye-opening projects." No. 2 on her list, right after a Georgia puppet production of *The Emperor's New Clothes*, was the \$25,000 received in June by the International Accordion Festival. One conservative blogger in Nebraska declared: "Now that's grounds for impeachment."

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AWARD OVERVIEW



Award Number	09-558-7152	Funding Agency	National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities
Total Award Amount	\$25,000	Project Location - City	Austin
Award Date	07/07/2009	Project Location - State	TX
Project Status	Completed	Project Location - Zip	787221122
Jobs Reported	0.00	Congressional District	25
Project Location - Country	US		

RECIPIENT INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Recipient Name	INTERNATIONAL ACCORDIAN FESTIVAL
Recipient DUNS Number	144087357
Recipient Address	4100 WILDWOOD
Recipient City	AUSTIN
Recipient State	Texas
Recipient Zip	787221122
Recipient Congressional District	25
Recipient Country	USA
Required to Report Top 5 Highly Compensated Officials	No

PROJECTS AND JOBS INFORMATION

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Final Project Report Submitted	Yes
Project Activities Description	Arts, Culture & Humanities, General/Other

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Quarterly Activities/Project Description	Funds received to reimburse hours worked in the previous quarter.
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PURCHASER INFORMATION (GRANTS)

Contracting Office ID	Not Reported
Contracting Office Name	Not Available
Contracting Office Region	Not Available
TAS Major Program	59-0102

AWARD INFORMATION

Award Date	07/07/2009
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Introduction

When Congress passed the \$862 billion *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act* in 2009, otherwise known as the stimulus bill, it passed with assurances that it would stem the loss of American jobs and keep the economy from floundering. As most can see, it hasn't.

Eighteen months since the law's passage, millions of jobs are still gone and the economy is as uncertain as ever. The only thing getting a boost is our national debt – the stimulus has helped push it 23 percent higher, to \$13.2 trillion, a new record.

The dramatic increase in government spending has not shortened the nation's unemployment lines. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the unemployment rate in June 2010 was 9.5 percent, which is essentially the same as June of last year. Many economists are forecasting that the debt incurred to pay for these projects increases the risk of a greater economic downturn in the near future.

We owe it to all Americans that are paying taxes and struggling to find jobs, to rebuild our economy without doing additional harm, and to do it in a way that expands opportunities for future generations. Too many stimulus projects are failing to meet that goal.

As we detail in this third report in a series, some projects accomplish such questionable goals as putting in new windows at a vacant government building, replacing a new sidewalk with an even newer one, or money for a park that is only accessible by boat or plane.

Other projects that appear in the report may have merit, but are being mismanaged or were poorly planned. A biomass power plant was awarded hundreds of thousands of stimulus dollars, but may close in months. The same is true for a rail line to two professional sports stadiums— yet it is hundreds of millions of dollars over budget and only "shovel ready" because it was years behind schedule when funding came available.

Worst of all, some stimulus projects are actually costing jobs and hurting small businesses. By largely closing off access to local shops to build some of the stimulus projects, some business owners have had to cut staff hours, and let people go.

Washington should focus on re-igniting the unmatched power of the American entrepreneurial spirit by sweeping away government red tape, expanding markets for U.S. goods, making it easier for small businesses to compete in a global market, and reducing our national debt by eliminating wasteful Washington spending.

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There is no question job creation should be a national priority, but torrential, misdirected government spending is not the way to do it. Generating record-breaking national debt is not an investment in our children's and grandchildren's future and will not lead to any long-term recovery.

Sincerely,

Tom Coburn, M.D.
U.S. Senator from Oklahoma

John McCain
U.S. Senator from Arizona

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1. Forest Service to Replace Windows in Visitor Center Closed in 2007 (Amboy, WA) - \$554,763

Despite having no plans to reopen a shuttered visitor center at Mount St. Helens in Washington state, the U.S. Forest Service is spending more than \$554,000 to replace its windows.¹ One government official likened it to "keeping a vacant house in good repair," while another official noted that there is hope to find *some* purpose for the building in the future, whether as a hotel, science camp or restaurant.² Despite those efforts, there are no current plans to use the empty space.³

Spending \$11.5 million in 1993, the Forest Service opened the Coldwater Ridge Visitor Center to provide visitors to Mount St. Helens a "sweeping view of the volcano"⁴ through the center's soaring windows.⁵ In 2007, however, the Forest Service closed down the visitor center after just 14 years in operation.⁶ Former USDA official, Mark Rey, said at the time regarding Mount St. Helens, "we have more visitor center capacity than the public can reasonably use."⁷

Officials are hoping to maintain the facility so that another use can be found, such as a lodge or educational facility.⁸ But the Forest Service has been criticized in the past for poor facilities management, especially within the Mount St. Helens National Monument, and there is no sign that an economically viable use for the center is close to being found.⁹

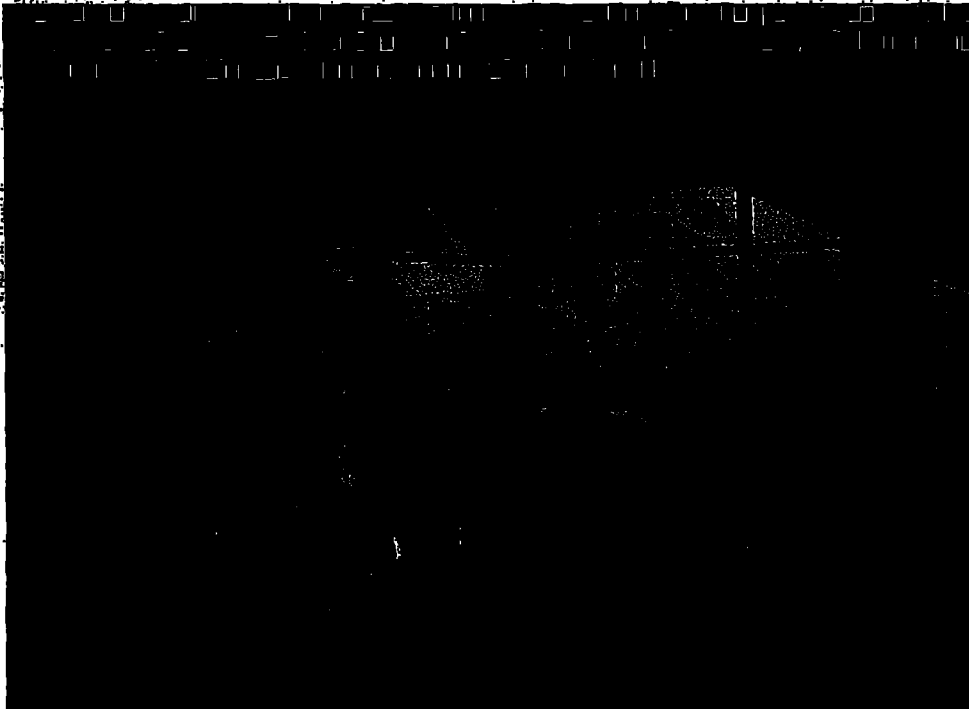


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2. "Dance Draw" - Interactive Dance Software Development (Charlotte, NC) - \$762,372

The University of North Carolina at Charlotte received more than \$750,000 in stimulus funds to help develop a computerized choreography program that its creators believe could lead to a YouTube-like "Dance Tube" online application.²¹ The grant says UNC-Charlotte will "define an evolving system that assists in the design and production of interactive dance performances with real-time audience interaction."²²

A device is attached to each dancer, which will be recorded on video,²³ and their movements will be logged and analyzed. "This will allow choreographers to explore interactive dance without always having a full cast of dancers present," the grant states.²⁴ One day, dance performances may enjoy the popularity of YouTube hits like "double rainbow"²⁵ or "dramatic-looking prairie dog."²⁶ States the grant: "The system will be extended into a Web-based 'Dance Tube' application that will allow the public to engage in interactive dance choreography."²⁷

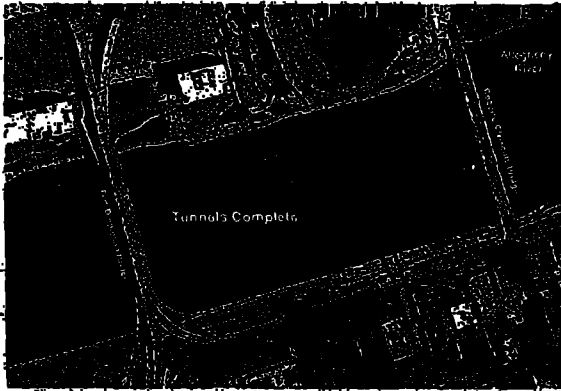
Administrative expenses are unusually high for this project, however. The project's lead researcher noted that the university is taking a 44 percent cut to cover "overhead expenses."²⁸



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3. North Shore Connector to Professional Sports Stadiums, Casino (Pittsburgh, PA) - \$62 million

In February 2009, Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell called Pittsburgh's North Shore Connector "a tragic mistake,"¹⁹ leaving taxpayers wondering why the project recently received a \$62.5 million windfall from the U.S. Department of Transportation.²⁰ The project would allow the Port Authority of Allegheny County to extend the city's light rail under the Allegheny River to the new Rivers Casino,²⁰ as well as to its two professional sports arenas, PNC Park (home of the Pirates) and Heinz Field (home of the Steelers).²¹ Unfortunately, the North Shore Connector has been plagued with problems since its inception, making it seem in this case that federal officials are throwing good money after bad.



Almost immediately, the North Shore Connector went over budget, blowing through cost projections at alarming rates. Original estimates put the final tally at approximately \$390 million,²² but quickly ballooned. Pennsylvania auditor Jack Wagner noted in a 2007 audit that, "In mid-2005, the [Federal Transit Administration] directed the Port Authority to solicit bids for construction of the [North Shore Connector] under the Allegheny River. Three firms responded - the lowest of the three bids was 24 percent higher than the engineer's previous estimate" (original emphasis).²³

To deal with the cost overruns, officials dropped plans to extend the rail to the convention center, reducing costs by \$85 million.²⁴ Despite that, current estimates put the final cost at \$529 million,²⁵ far exceeding the \$435 million total estimated just last February.²⁶ Even after removing the convention center portion, project costs are more than a third greater than original estimates. State auditor Wagner blamed the cost overruns on "poor planning,"²⁷ adding later that it is "a waste of taxpayers' resources."²⁸

The North Shore Connector has become a political hot potato. The Pittsburgh Tribune-Review labeled the project a "tunnel to nowhere" and warned taxpayers years ago to expect "state, local and federal politicians to be there trying to take credit for the jobs and growth they've created by pouring tax dollars down this 'runaway tunnel' project."²⁹

Federal money has covered the vast majority of costs, with the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) agreeing to provide \$348 million "nearly the full original cost" leaving state and local governments responsible for a small fraction.³⁰ Even with that level of assistance, the Port Authority still threatened to shut down the project due to the enormous cost overruns.³¹

With an infusion of more than \$62 million in stimulus money, the project was taken off life support.³² But whether it will provide a true benefit to the city is also a matter of controversy, given that it will primarily serve to bring commuters to sporting events and a casino. Rivers Casino, however, is struggling financially and may turn into a drag on the city's finances. Since the \$780 million casino³³ opened in August 2009, Standard and Poor's rating service has downgraded the company three separate times, most recently to Selective Default, below speculative grade.³⁴ S&P projects that the casino may

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not be able to pay its taxes or provide funding for the new hockey arena for the Pittsburgh Penguins, per an agreement with the city.³⁵

Reflecting on the project, Governor Rendell commented bluntly, "I wish the project had never started. I think it's a huge—I won't say waste of money—but there's so many ways that money could have been applied to the transportation needs of this region in a more beneficial fashion."³⁶ Kathleen Connolly, local resident of suburban Pittsburgh, added, "They're not hiding the fact that it's for entertainment. It's not for commuter ease."³⁷

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4. FEMA Stalls Two Texas Fire Stations More Than a Year, Increases Costs (San Antonio, TX) - \$7.3 million

The City of San Antonio is hoping that there aren't any fires for at least a year in the vicinity of two planned fire stations, thanks to "help" from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). FEMA awarded \$7.3 million to the city for construction of fire stations #50 and #51,³⁹ but the projects have become so mired in red tape it is not clear when they will be built.

Before the stimulus award, San Antonio was set to fully fund the two new stations with its own money, having even gone so far as to hire private contracting firm, Bartlett Cocke to begin work.³⁹ After the stimulus, however, the city found itself unexpectedly navigating complicated and expensive federal regulations, requiring environmental and historical considerations* all delaying the project significantly.⁴⁰ The result was an estimated \$2.2 million overall increase in the cost of the two stations,⁴¹ and Bartlett Cocke losing its contract, which in turn had to lay off employees.⁴² In an email between employees of the City of San Antonio, they discussed the delays and that FEMA officials had informed them that "shovel ready" was not a term in their lexicon.⁴³

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Carl Wedige

From: Rodney Hixfelder
Sent: Monday, February 01, 2010 7:48 AM
To: Charles N. Hood
CC: Carl Wedige; Erik Walsh
Subject: Stimulus Money Situation

Charles

I didn't get a chance to fill you in on the meeting with Erik, Carl, Betty and Debbie on Friday. It appears that our target to build 50 and 51 may be greatly impacted by federal requirements - up to an additional year delay. We found this out Thursday and I wanted Erik to know asap. Carl and I discussed to him that a year is not a short delay, but that the new, dispersed engine and truck company will cost us \$2.8 million a year and provide little service in that time span. Additionally, the 2nd FRY plant really doesn't work under these circumstances. We compared \$2.8M to the grant for 51's and decided that we are not coming out ahead until a whole year. Companies will come from FF's, Union, residents, council, etc. We don't feel 50's in the same situation since we are already providing service from a good long location.

Discussion was had about:

1. Just keep going (not good).
2. Reject entire grant and seek shortfall funds.
3. Try to reject 51's funds only, and keep 50's funds. Seek shortfall funds.
4. Try to move 51's funds to another project in the near future.

The discussion Friday ended with the following scenario:

1. Inform the appropriate council people and CMA.
2. Erik will contact Intergovernmental Relations Dept. to advise them.
3. Contact Dave Rodriguez (since he jumped on the media announcement initially) and advise him that this timeline is not in line with our needs (maybe mayor contact or trip to DC). FEMA stated to me that "shovel ready" was not a term in their lexicon.
4. Plan trip to DC to personally contact congressional delegation by "white in dress uniforms" to ask that Stimulus funds for 51 be separated from 50, and be moved to another project. We should consider either 27, 28 or maybe 52 (info).

Let me know if you want to talk more on this. This info is close hold at this time.

RH

5. Abandoned Train Station Converted Into Museum (Glassboro, N.J) - \$12 million⁴⁴

Taxpayers may not be happy to learn that they are paying for one broken down train station twice. The Glassboro train station was built in 1880 and closed in 1971.⁴⁵ Unused for nearly 40 years, it now sits boarded up and riddled with graffiti. In 2002, the Borough of Glassboro, New Jersey received nearly a quarter of a million dollars from the U.S. Department of Transportation to purchase the train station from Conrail.⁴⁶ At that time, officials hoped to incorporate the station into the regional NJ Transit system. But those plans fell through, and since then local officials have been looking for a way to fund renovations to put the building to some use.⁴⁷

After eight years of failure and further deterioration of the building, the effort has been saved only by the availability of federal stimulus dollars.⁴⁸ Local officials lobbied hard for additional stimulus money.⁴⁹ They are hoping to spend the more than \$1 million for the project "interpreting local history in its proper setting and make it a museum, public meeting space and welcome center."⁵⁰

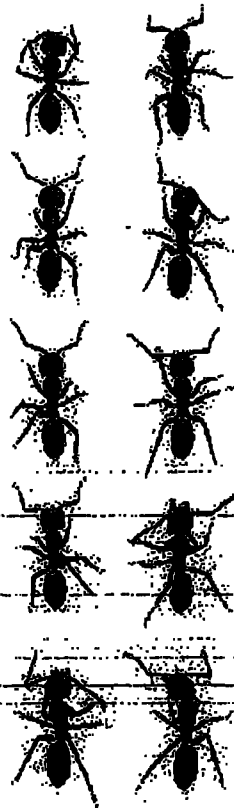


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6. Ants Talk. Taxpayers Listen (San Francisco, CA) - \$19 million

The California Academy of Sciences is receiving nearly \$2 million to send researchers to the Southwest Indian Ocean Islands and east Africa, to capture, photograph, and analyze thousands of exotic ants.⁵² The photographs of the ants—over 3,000 species worth, according to the grant proposal—will be posted on AntWeb, a website devoted to organizing and displaying pictures and information on the world's thousands of ant species.⁵³

The project's goals are, to the lay person, both laudable and arcane: In addition to 'foster[ing]...a large pool of ant taxonomists,' it also strives to document 'the vast majority of ant species known from [Africa].'⁵⁴ '[Ants] give us back the most data on the environment than any other group. Their life cycle is shorter, they change very quickly,' says the project's Principal Investigator in a promotional article on the Academy's website 'Everyone has run into ants... now we need to listen to them.'⁵⁵



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7. Stimulus Project Threatens Pastor's House (Newark, OH) - \$18 million

An Ohio road project received \$18 million in stimulus funds,⁵⁸ despite the threat it poses to the residents of over two dozen homes next to it. Pastor Greg Sheets of Newark, Ohio's Truth Tabernacle⁵⁷ has already lost his front yard to the project, and could lose his entire home.⁵⁹

The house—which has sheltered three generations of Sheets—has suffered cracks in its foundation and damage to its front porch from the work, Sheets says.⁶⁰ His neighbors, some of whom have hired lawyers, have had windows break and walls crack as a result of the construction.⁶⁰



Photo courtesy of Greg Sheets

In August 2009, the Newark City Council passed a resolution authorizing the "intent to appropriate" (read: "take"), through the use of eminent domain, the residence of Pastor Sheets to provide for the "health, safety and welfare of citizens of the city of Newark."⁶¹

Then in September, Pastor Sheets refused the city's offer of \$25,800 for a portion of his land.⁶² An independent appraisal of the property, found that the city appraisal was well below market value.⁶³ The plans called to use so much of his yard, the City offered to buy his front steps—for \$750.⁶⁴

"I have been appalled at the blatant disregard that the City has exhibited for my clients' safety,"⁶⁵ says Attorney Tonda Moore, who represents Sheets and his neighbors, Tammy and Kurt Camp. Equipment

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has struck Pastor Sheets' home, and has damaged the Camp residence.⁶⁵ The city has the right to "take the property, but Attorney Moore is fighting with the city to ensure that the residents are protected and that her clients are paid a fair value for the loss of their family homes.

Since the project began, the road has been completely torn up and construction work has occurred within three feet of Pastor Sheets' home.⁶⁷ An independent structural engineer found this to be worrisome. "The use of heavy equipment, near the walls of Pastor Sheets' house, is a significant concern."⁶⁸ He recommended the road equipment stay 10 feet from his home, to which the city agreed.⁶⁸

Despite this agreement, a massive crane hit Mr. Sheets' porch several times, causing substantial damage.⁷⁰ With the foundation and portions of his home cracking and crumbling, Pastor Sheets' legal representatives filed for and obtained a restraining order to keep the construction company from coming within 15 feet of his home until they came to an agreement with the city to move Pastor Sheets to another location.⁷¹

Pastor Sheets' neighbors, the Camp family, have had similar problems. Tammy Camp explains that "we've had our windows broken from the construction vibrations; we've had our walls cracked; we've had our television and computer blown up; we've had huge burst of construction dirt and dusts; and banging noises and shaking of our home."⁷²

The Waterworks expansion is one of the city's largest stimulus projects, and would move the west portion of Waterworks Road to align with the intersection of Deo Drive.⁷³ While some think this will help them save a few minutes on their commute, some residents believe all the city did was shift traffic one block over to another intersection.⁷⁴

According to the municipal government, the goal of the project is to improve safety along the road, and relieve congestion for the town's approximately 47,000 residents.⁷⁵ Pastor Sheets had struggled to understand why the street gets priority over his house. "My home was there before most of the roads were even developed in our area," Sheets said.⁷⁶

"It felt like the completion of this project at any cost was more important than the value of one's quality of life or even life," reflects Sheets. "In the end, this experience has been horrible and I feel violated in the one place I should feel safe and that's my home."⁷⁷

"The City's actions have caused my family a lot of stress and heartache which no verdict could ever really make us feel complete," Camp concurred.⁷⁸

8. Old Abandoned Iron Furnace Gets Facelift after Money Squandered on Same Project Years Before (Fitchburg, KY) —\$357,710

Once considered ahead of its time, the Fitchburg Furnace in Kentucky was abandoned after just five years in service⁷⁹ it then sat unused for nearly 140 more.⁸⁰ Now it is getting a \$357,710 makeover to repair stonework on the old structure and allow historians to conduct research.⁸¹ Much of the damage to the structure occurred more than half a century ago when a local moonshiner loaded the structure with dynamite and tried to blow it up.⁸¹ In 2004, however, the federal government provided \$661,000 for restoration of the building,⁸² though "much of which was lost" due to "bad stewardship of money," according to Skip Johnson, current treasurer of the Friends of Fitchburg.⁸³

The work was performed by the University of Kentucky's Center for Historic Architecture and Preservation (CHAP), which has since disbanded, but it did not accomplish much. Remarked Johnson, "They did stabilize that corner and put a roof on it, but that's about all there is to show for \$670,000."⁸⁴ At one point, the director of CHAP asked the Forest Service to consider finding another contractor because it was "without staff suitable for overseeing the project."⁸⁵



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9. Power Plant Construction Won't Start for at Least Two Years (Kern County, CA) - \$308 million

BP may have found itself staring down huge financial losses over the past several months, but executives can take solace knowing that a stimulus windfall will help offset them. On September 28, 2009, Hydrogen Energy California, LLC (HECA), owned largely by BP, was awarded \$308 million⁶⁵ in stimulus funds to "generate more environmentally friendly electricity by capturing carbon dioxide from the burning of fossil fuels."⁶⁷

HECA is a joint venture of BP Alternative Energy North America and Rio Tinto subsidiaries.⁶⁸ Stimulus funds "enabled continued development of the HECA project which otherwise would have been cancelled."⁶⁹ Construction is not expected to begin until December 2011,⁶⁹ nearly three years after the passage of the Recovery Act, raising serious questions about whether it is anywhere near "shovel-ready."

The clean coal power plant would convert raw materials into a gas that would be scrubbed for pollutants like sulfur and carbon dioxide.⁶⁷ The leftover gas would be used to power turbines that create electricity.⁶² Any leftover carbon dioxide would be transported via pipeline to the Elk Hills oil field approximately four miles away from the power plant for underground storage and enhanced oil recovery.⁶³ Originally, the project was to be located at BP's Carson refinery, but was moved to Occidental Petroleum's Elk Hills enhanced recovery site.⁶⁴ Notably, in 2005, the South Coast Air Quality Management District in California won a record \$81 million settlement from BP, which regulators had "accused of illegally spewing toxic gases from its Carson refinery for nearly a decade."⁶⁶

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10. Town Replaces New Sidewalks With Newer Sidewalks That Lead to Ditch (Boynton, OK) - \$89,298

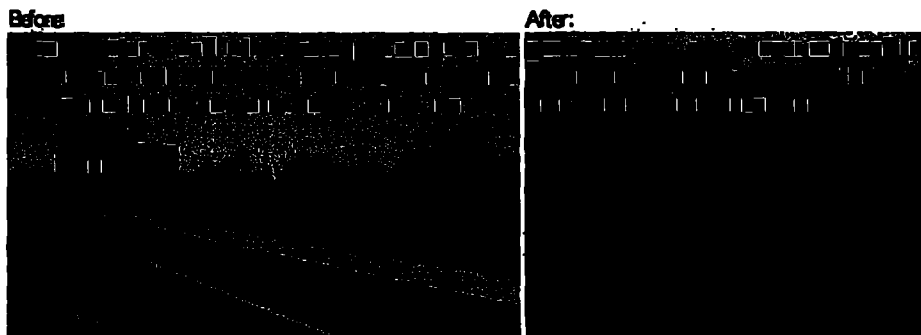
People around Boynton, Oklahoma were left scratching their heads after the town was awarded nearly \$90,000⁸⁶ to replace a quarter-mile stretch of sidewalk that was replaced only five years ago.⁸⁷



One long time resident of Boynton, Ray Allen, said the project "had been the talk of the town recently, and none of it positive, because it is "100 percent a waste of money."⁸⁸ Another resident, Mike Lance, noted that "the best indication of the absurdity of the project is what the contractor did with a section of sidewalk at the north end of town—one that fronts no homes or businesses, and leads directly into a ditch."⁸⁹ Officials with the Oklahoma Department of Transportation defended the project as necessary to bring the sidewalk into conformity with federal guidelines.⁹⁰

Meanwhile, many local residents have focused on a more pressing financial problem—namely the possible shuttering of Boynton-Moton Public School, which educates 97 prekindergarten through 12th grade students.⁹¹ As an illustration of just how strapped for cash the school system has become, Superintendent Dr. Shelby Williams had been struggling to scrape together just \$9,300 to pay the school's gas and electric bills.⁹²

In addition to the project itself, some eyebrows have been raised over the contractor selected to do the work, Glover and Associates, a local construction firm. The company is run by Craig Glover, a former vice president for Glover Construction, which was barred from the State of Oklahoma in 2007 after the firm's head, George Glover, Craig Glover's father, pleaded no contest to "conspiring to use prohibited road material and intimidating a state grand jury witness."⁹³ Craig Glover resigned from his father's company, and upon its debarment, he immediately opened Glover and Associates,⁹⁴ which has since gone on to receive more than \$4.7 million in contracts from stimulus funds.⁹⁵



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11. Upgraded Office Space and Indoor Parking for Kansas Politicians (Topeka, Kansas) - \$39.7 million plus ...

"The school finance crisis in Kansas continues with no end in sight,"¹⁰⁵ announced the Lawrence, Kansas World, but that has not stopped Kansas lawmakers from directing federal stimulus funds towards the cost of renovating and upgrading their own offices and the statehouse.

The renovations began more than 12 years ago, before the recession began,¹⁰⁷ but its scope and cost have continued to expand over the years.¹⁰⁸ The original estimate placed the cost somewhere between \$90 million and \$120 million,¹⁰⁹ but then lawmakers expanded the project to include a \$15 million underground parking garage¹¹⁰ and new office space for themselves along with an \$11 million visitor center¹¹¹ (lawmakers are "anticipating" the planned visitor center will be privately funded¹¹²).

Statehouse architect Barry Greis says the price tag now will be "\$285 million plus," adding, "I just don't know what the plus is."¹¹³ Democrat state Senator Chris Steiner of Kansas City "said taking advantage of the stimulus program will add to the massive federal budget deficit" and "the underlying problem is that the Capitol renovation project is out of control." Steiner added "this is not creating new jobs."¹¹⁴



Photo courtesy of jimmywayne¹¹⁵

Scott Rothschild, a reporter for The Lawrence, Kansas World who works in the statehouse, contrasts the legislature's decision to go ahead with the statehouse renovation and expansion at the same time politicians are cutting Medicaid patient services and doctors' payments. "During these difficult

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economic times,' Rothschild writes, 'It's sometimes hard to reconcile the Legislature writing checks for that project, while using their budget knives on programs that benefit their constituents who are suffering.' House Speaker Mike O'Neal concedes, 'there was a lot of angst over, 'Why are we doing this when the economy is in the tank?''¹⁷ But those concerns did not give much pause to the Kansas legislature which authorized \$39.7 million of Build America Bonds for the statehouse renovation this summer. 'We will be issuing an additional bond issue in the next calendar year to provide \$38 million for the statehouse project,' added James MacMurray, vice president of finance at the Kansas Development Finance Authority.¹⁸

12. Agency Under a Cloud Keeps Pool Open for the Summer at No Charge (Youngstown, OH) - \$450,950

Kids in Youngstown, Ohio cheered a recent decision to keep the North Side Pool open, but taxpayers may be left feeling like they just took a bath. A \$450,950 bath to be specific. The Mahoning-Youngstown Community Action Partnership (MYCAP) received nearly \$12 million in Community Services Block Grant funding that was intended for "employment-related services and activities that create and sustain economic growth."¹⁹ But after it was discovered that the local government was in danger of closing the pool down for a second year in a row, MYCAP kicked in almost half a million dollars of its own stimulus funding to keep it open for the summer.²⁰ Interestingly, the decision to use MYCAP stimulus funds for the pool came several weeks after the organization fired its executive director, Richard A. Roller II, for mismanaging funds.²¹ Allegations about Mr. Roller surfaced earlier this year surrounding "misuse of funds, nepotism, conflict of interest and a number of other issues, including weatherization work done on the executive director's home."²² In the fallout from the investigation, conducted by the Ohio Department of Development (ODOD), MYCAP was designated as "high risk," meaning "grant funds given to MYCAP are vulnerable to fraud, waste and abuse."²³ ODOD ultimately required the entire MYCAP board to undergo ethics and governance training related to federal programs before money could be provided to the pool.²⁴

13. Project Costs More, Dramatically Reduces Shopping Center Business (Normandy Park, WA) - \$3.8 million

Normandy Park Towne Center has struggled to attract and retain businesses,²⁵ but a recent streetscaping project is making the prospects even worse. The U.S. Department of Transportation provided the city of Normandy Park, Washington with \$3.8 million to spruce up eight blocks of 1st Avenue with the addition of "bike lanes, street lights, landscaping and a sidewalk."²⁶ The impact on local businesses has not been entirely welcome.

Archery Bistro, located in the shopping center and along the road, saw its lunch profits fall from \$1,000 a day to \$200 a day after construction began, forcing the elimination of two jobs.²⁷ Restaurant owner, Todd McKittrick, eventually closed the bistro on Sundays and Mondays,²⁸ and stopped serving lunch, after customers fell from 150 an afternoon to 30.²⁹ "I thought this was supposed to be federal stimulus, not put me out of business," noted McKittrick.³⁰ Since McKittrick had to let go of two employees he has decided to forego his own paycheck, a fact that he blames on the project.³¹



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McKittrick noted that much of this fuss was avoidable, in large part because he offered to lay down his own sidewalks when he built the shopping center.¹³² The city turned down that offer, saying that if he did so, it would threaten their chances at getting federal funding.¹³³

Normandy Park Athletic Club, another business located at the shopping center, has felt the pinch as well, with members either not showing or cancelling memberships altogether.¹³⁴

The project was supposed to be wrapped up in April, but is now projected to end in late August,¹³⁵ a delay of four months. In part, the delays grew out of a bitter dispute between the city and the contractor, with both pointing the finger at the other. Pivetta Brothers Construction accused the city of not having a "shovel ready project," while the city manager accused the contractor of not understanding the project plan.¹³⁶ But while the dispute lingered, the project was suspended for several weeks, leaving business owners waiting for it to be completed and customers to return.

14. Mohegan Sun Casino Owner Uses Funds for W NBA Practice Facility (Connecticut) - \$54 million

The Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut will be getting \$54 million in rural development loans from the United States Department of Agriculture to construct a new four-story tribal government center, which will include a new community center.¹³⁷ Unlike most government buildings, however, this one will also contain a practice facility for the Connecticut Sun, the W NBA professional basketball team.¹³⁸ The connection between the tribe and team is a close one: the Sun franchise is owned and operated by the Mohegan Sun Casino,¹³⁹ which is in turn owned by the Mohegan tribe.¹⁴⁰ All of the team's home games are played in Mohegan Sun Arena,¹⁴¹ located in the Mohegan Sun Casino. Fittingly, a member of the Mohegan tribal council is a sitting board member in the Connecticut Sun Foundation, a charitable organization affiliated with the team.¹⁴² The tribe originally intended to fund the entire project from casino profits, but was prevented from doing so when revenues declined.¹⁴³ Lynn Malarba, tribal council chair, defended the \$54 million stimulus loan saying, "The community center is central to who we are as a people."¹⁴⁴



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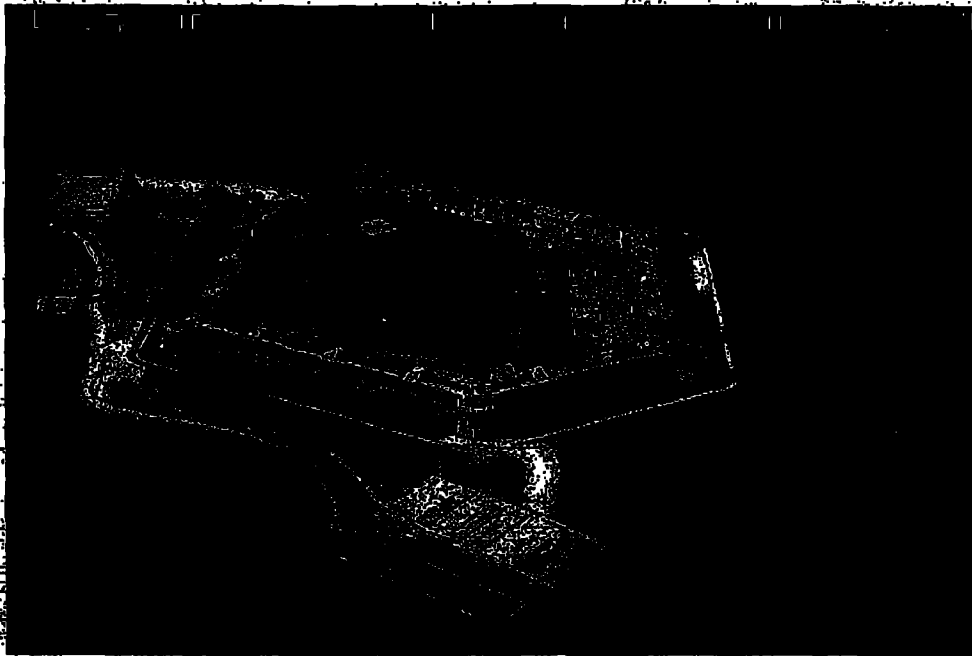
15. Tree Planting and Urban Forest Creation (NV, SC, PA, GA) —\$2.6 million

Four states plan to spend nearly \$2.6 million to plant trees in urban areas as part of an effort to help the green economy. In Nevada, the U.S. Forest Service awarded \$480,000¹⁴⁵ to the Nevada Division of Forestry to make 2,500 trees¹⁴⁶ available for free to organizations willing to plant them,¹⁴⁷ as well as to provide "landscape management classes for the green industry workforce in the Las Vegas Valley area."¹⁴⁸ Local Las Vegas assemblyman John Hambrick was not impressed with the project saying, "It certainly doesn't sound like it's creating a job, or have a direct benefit to the unemployment rate, or to the needs of the citizens of southern Nevada."¹⁴⁹ South Carolina and Pennsylvania were awarded \$897,000¹⁵⁰ and \$300,080¹⁵¹ respectively to plant trees. And, in Georgia, nearly \$900,000 was granted to the Georgia Forestry Commission¹⁵² to provide, among other benefits, "more shade."¹⁵³

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18. Restoration of One of Nation's Least Visited Parks, Located on Remote Island (Key West, FL) - \$13.3 million

Visitors to Key West, Florida with enough time and money can explore one of the National Park Service (NPS) less convenient destinations" Dry Tortugas National Park. Located 70 miles off shore, the park is almost entirely underwater and accessible only by airplane, private boat or ferry. Despite its remote location, the park will get \$13,304,484 in repairs¹⁸⁴ for its main above-water attraction, Fort Jefferson.



Those willing to take the 4 1/2 hour round-trip ferry ride¹⁸⁵ aboard the Yankee Freedom II have to pay as much as \$165 per person,¹⁸⁶ but will discover that only 40 of the park's 65,000 acres are dry land.¹⁸⁷ Fort Jefferson occupies nearly all of what remains of the island. Built during the mid-nineteenth century to protect the vital shipping lanes in the Gulf of Mexico, Fort Jefferson was never fully completed or armed. Advances in artillery during this time made the Fort obsolete and the Army abandoned it in 1874 before it was even finished. Its use as a military installation was limited to serving as a Confederate prison during the Civil War and as a minor staging area for warships and other craft during various military engagements up to WWII.¹⁸⁸

Despite its limited use, the fort has been worn down by the tropical climate and weather.¹⁸⁹ Therefore the National Park Service has made it a priority to use almost \$7 million of stimulus funds to stabilize the walls of Fort Jefferson.¹⁹⁰ Being closer to Cuba than to the U.S. mainland,¹⁹¹ construction on Fort Jefferson brings unique logistical challenges. Not only is it expensive to get construction materials to the island, but there is also the hardship of working in a remote marine environment. To accommodate these conditions, two crews of about a dozen New England-based masons are working on two-week rotating shifts.¹⁹² Fortunately, their Florida-based contractor has made life on the island a little more bearable

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with meals prepared by a personal chef and time after work available for "snorkeling, fishing, kayaking, reading, or even watching TV."⁸³

Considering the park has the third lowest attendance (about 52,000 in 2009) out of any national park in the continental United States run by the NPS,⁸⁴ it's safe to say that a majority of taxpayers will never set foot on the island. As heartbreaking as Fort Jefferson's crumbling walls may be, taxpayers might consider crumbling bridges and roads a little closer to home a more significant priority.

17. Firm Gets No-Bid Environmental Cleanup Contract -- for a Mess It Helped Make⁸⁵ (Simi Valley, CA) - \$15.8 million

It's the "Pottery Barn" rule in reverse: you break it, you get paid for it. Aerospace giant Boeing received a no-bid contract worth nearly \$16 million⁸⁶ in stimulus money to clean up a California site it helped pollute.⁸⁷ The facility, the Santa Susana Field Laboratory, was built in the 1940s, and has been used for engineering and nuclear power work; Boeing has owned it since 1996.⁸⁸ In 2007, local authorities fined Boeing \$471,000 for dozens of pollution violations at the site, which poisoned wastewater and storm runoff that ended up in the Los Angeles River.⁸⁹ The company is currently fighting to overturn a California law that puts strict requirements on cleanup at the site.⁹⁰ "It's very upsetting that the government doesn't do more due diligence before it hands money out," said the California Inspector General.⁹¹ Said a local activist to one reporter: "How can one have federal taxpayer money going to a company that is responsible for the contamination and is resisting the cleanup?"⁹²

18. Jamming for Dollars (Atlanta, GA) - \$762,372

A Georgia Tech assistant professor of music will receive \$762,372 to study improvised music.⁹³ The project will apparently involve the professor jamming with "world-renowned musicians" to "hopefully also create satisfying works of art."⁹⁴ The project "seek[s] to understand, model, and support improvisation, or real-time collaborative creativity, in the context of jazz, Indian classical, and avant-garde art music,"⁹⁵ according to the project description. "They will also conduct systematic evaluation of formal models in realistic performance contexts, and use brain imaging of improvising musicians to gain insight into highly creative mental activity."⁹⁶ How will this help pull the United States out of an historic economic slump? "We are putting money into the local economy that is supporting local jobs," the project's principal, Parag Chordia, an accomplished classical Indian music performer, told a reporter. "We are creating the intellectual capital to support future growth."⁹⁷

19. Nevada Prisons Biomass Plant Too Expensive to Operate (Carson City, NV) - \$620,000

An \$8 million wood-burning power plant constructed to save energy at the Northern Nevada Correctional Center in Carson City will likely close in the next few months because it is too expensive to operate.⁹⁸ The total project cost was \$8.8 million, including the state's \$6.5 million investment, a \$620,000 stimulus award,⁹⁹ and money from the U.S. Forest Service.¹⁰⁰ The plant opened in 2007, and officials soon saw trouble: the cost of the plant waste used as fuel was cheap, but getting it to the plant was too costly. Within six months, the plant was operating only sporadically,¹⁰¹ but despite the problems, the project still received stimulus funding. "It loses money every day," said state corrections director Howard Skolnick in May, when he admitted the plant would likely close.¹⁰² "[The plant] was a good idea, but one that was not well implemented."¹⁰³

20. Monkey and Chimpanzee Responses to Inequity (Atlanta, GA) - \$677,462⁸⁴

While much is known about how humans respond to inequity and injustice, researchers at Georgia State University are using almost \$700,000 in stimulus funds to study why monkeys respond negatively to inequity and fairness.⁸⁵ "Seven species of primates will be asked to make decisions about whether or not to accept rewards in a series of studies in which their outcomes vary relative to their social partners. The influence of social factors like group membership and individual factors like personality will also be investigated. The results of this research will clarify how decision-making is affected by unequal outcomes." ⁸⁶ Previous research by the investigator on this project had found that "Chimpanzees respond with temper tantrums if they do not get what they desire," and that "Capuchin monkeys and chimpanzees both respond negatively to distributional inequity."⁸⁷

21. Quit Smoking, Get a New Phone (Washington, D.C.) - \$497,893

Whether they use the patch, the gum, or go cold turkey, millions of Americans try to quit smoking every year for their own health. Now, Uncle Sam will give them an additional reason to quit: a taxpayer-funded smartphone. The American Legacy Foundation is slated to receive almost half a million dollars to provide quitting smokers with a smartphone so they can contact their quitting support groups by text message or phone call to prevent relapses.⁸⁸ The project bills itself as an ideal use of Recovery Act funds because "it represents an extraordinary opportunity to jump-start a collaborative effort that spearheads the use of web-enabled mobile devices to enhance the efficiency, fidelity, and impact of an established tobacco quit-line program that benefits underserved communities in Washington, D.C."⁸⁹

22. Streetscaping Project Costs Jobs, Threatens Local Businesses (Twin Lakes, WI) - \$899,853

Several local business owners in the Village of Twin Lakes, Wisconsin were surprised to learn that a beautification project on East Main Street in the heart of downtown would begin the week before July 4th weekend. That is because it intersected with the town's annual Libertyfest,⁹⁰ whose parade route passes their stores, driving good business their way. Unfortunately, East Main Street has been closed down until the end of October to complete a stimulus project.⁹¹ Adding insult to injury, the parade was rerouted to another part of town.⁹²

The idea for a redevelopment of downtown came in 2007, when locals determined that "the area lacks visual cohesion" and "had limited aesthetic appeal, lacked main street features (such as street trees, lighting and well defined sidewalks) or an identity."⁹³ When \$899,853⁹⁴ in stimulus money became available, Twin Lakes Village officials decided that this was their chance to finally implement their "streetscaping" project.

In the case of Jane Bodi, owner of Bodi's Bake Shop, her shop on Main Street was dealt a heavy blow when the road in front of her store was closed. "Business was way down the



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first week,¹⁹⁵ she noted with frustration. Since the project began, she has had to reduce employee hours and offer special discounts just to try and account for the lost business.¹⁹⁶

At a local pub, a single mother of three who waits tables has also felt the impact of the project. Aside from having her hours and pay cut, she says she was forced to list her house for sale and look for a new home 26 miles away, where prices are more affordable.¹⁹⁷ According to this waitress, who wished to remain anonymous, July is the biggest time of year for business in Twin Lakes because it features both Libertyfest and Country Thunder, a local music festival that draws national stars such as Kenny Chesney and Sugarland.¹⁹⁸ July is when local businesses make up for the rest of year, remarked the waitress, "I work all year for this time." Joseph Donile, the owner of another affected business, Croz Pub and Grub, said, "I don't know if I'm going to make it until October and I've been in business for 26 years."¹⁹⁹

23. Helping Siberians Lobby Russian Policymakers (San Francisco, CA) - \$199,862

Pacific Environment, a San-Francisco based non-profit organization that "protects the living environment of the Pacific Rim by promoting grassroots activism, strengthening communities and reforming international policies,"²⁰⁰ has received a stimulus grant for an experimental applied science project to assist indigenous Siberian communities in engaging Russian policymakers in local civic and environmental issues.²⁰¹ Researchers will be helping Siberian locals with "mapping [their] cultural and metaphysical space. [to] facilitate the indigenous voice in policy and management debates"—in other words, becoming grassroots lobbyists. Pacific Environment itself calls the project "high-risk, high return."²⁰²

24. Ship Museum Averaging 30 Visitors A Day (Toledo, OH) - \$200,000

The SS Willis B. Boyer, formerly the Col. James M. Schoonmaker, was proclaimed to be "The World's Largest Bulk Freighter" and "Queen of the Lakes"—from 1911 to 1914, that is.²⁰³ These days, it is more of a king of the stimulus, having just received \$200,000 as part of the Recovery Act funding the state of Ohio received from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.²⁰⁴ Now a museum, this large boat sits docked in International Park. The museum is only open from April through October,²⁰⁵ and hosts 6,000 visitors a year, or an average of only 30 visitors a day.²⁰⁶ It lost its funding from the City of Toledo in 2007.²⁰⁷ Now the American taxpayer is funding what the boat's own city will not, and what one visitor described as "ready for the scrapyard."²⁰⁸ The museum has survived because of partnerships with the Toledo-Lucas County Port Authority, the Toledo Blade Boyer/Riverfront, Inc., many volunteers,²⁰⁹ and renting out the space for private events.²¹⁰ Now supporters hope that this stimulus money will help with sprucing up the boat, once host to "legendary guests such as Andrew Carnegie and others,"²¹¹ and possibly moving it elsewhere in Toledo to attract more visitors.

25. Weather Predictions for Other Planets (San Antonio, TX) - \$298,543

Want to know if it's going to rain this week... on Venus? According to scientists at the Southwest Research Institute (SWRI) in Texas, you absolutely do. So the government has given them nearly \$300,000 in stimulus funds to satisfy the American taxpayer's profound need for interplanetary weather info.²¹² "The atmospheric forecasting of weather and climate on other planets has great public appeal," insist the SWRI researchers in their grant summary. Therefore, they will boldly go where few meteorologists have gone before: the lower atmosphere of Venus. (They're just the folks to do it, too: they boast of their expertise in "the atmospheres and exospheres of Mercury, Venus, the Moon, Io, Titan, comets, Chiron, Triton, Pluto, and the Jovian planets."²¹³) How will you, the U.S. taxpayer, learn of the results? SWRI's findings will find a home in "popular publications, museum presentations, and radio shows," the researchers wrote.²¹⁴

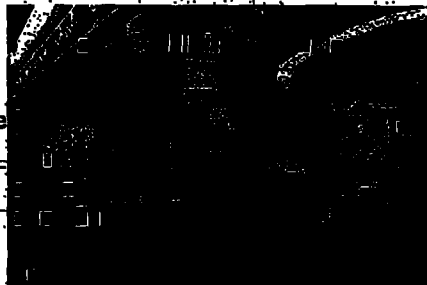
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26. Shoddy Weatherization Contractor Promises Changes (Houston, TX) - \$112 million

If 60 percent of the work you did had to be redone by someone else, you wouldn't hold onto your job for long, or expect to be paid for the work. However, that seems to be what happened with home weatherization efforts by Sheltering Arms Senior Services of Houston, according to a May report from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.²¹⁵ The report described problems of overspending on administrative costs, a systemic lack of documentation, and simply substandard work, with 33 of 53 homes sampled requiring workmanship corrections.²¹⁶ The non-profit company, which received more than \$11 million²¹⁷ in stimulus funding for work in the Houston area, was the second largest recipient of stimulus funds for weatherization projects in the state of Texas.²¹⁸ Since Texas Watchdog first reported on this in May,²¹⁹ the director of the weatherization program at Sheltering Arms has been removed and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs weatherization director is on record saying that Sheltering Arms "have fixed or are trying to fix the problems we identified."²²⁰ One has to wonder how much stimulus money they will have to misuse before drastic steps are taken.

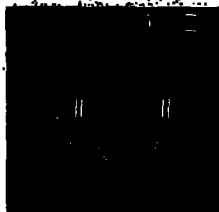
27. Army Corps of Engineers Gets Its Due With Museum Exhibits (St. Louis, MO) - \$430,695²²¹

The Army Corp of Engineers has hired an Oregon-based graphics design firm to design and build interpretive exhibits at the National Great Rivers Museum and other sites outside of St. Louis, Missouri. In addition to providing educational displays of the natural and cultural history of the Mississippi River, the exhibits will also be used to "enhance the public's understanding of the Corps' mission for water resource development."²²² The graphics design firm has received stimulus contracts from the Corps of Engineers and the Department of Interior worth well over a million dollars for similar work.²²³



28. Monkeys Get High for Science (Winston-Salem, NC) - \$44,541

Researchers at Wake Forest University think that, in at least one case, it is good to monkey around with stimulus dollars. The Department of Health and Human Services has sent \$71,623 to the Winston-Salem college to see how monkeys react under the influence of cocaine. The project, titled "Effect of Cocaine Self-Administration on Metabotropic Glutamate Systems," would have the monkeys self-administer the drugs while researchers monitor and study their glutamate levels.²²⁴ When asked how studying drug-crazed primates would improve the national economy, a Wake Forest University Medical School Spokesman said, "It's not really the continuation of a job that might not still be there if it hadn't been for the stimulus funding. And it's a good job." He added, "It's also very worthwhile research."²²⁵



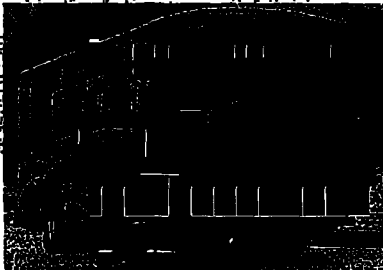
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29. Field Trip Reimbursements and Inflated Job Numbers (Oakland, CA) - \$3.1 million

What if the government paid you to take field trips? The California State Inspector General's office reviewed the expenses of the City of Oakland's Workforce Investment Board (WIB), which was hired to administer job-training projects. An astonishing 15 percent of all reviewed contractor expenditures were found to be ineligible for reimbursement or lacked sufficient documentation.²²⁶ WIB commissioned the Oakland Private Industry Council (OPIC) to administer Recovery Act funds under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) program, but the program has suffered from a series of mistakes that began when the City of Oakland spent recovery dollars on non-recovery activities.²²⁷ Of particular note, one organization received reimbursements for field trips to the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk and the Waterworld, USA theme park.²²⁸ In addition to reimbursing ineligible expenditures, the Inspector General found that the WIB overstated the number of jobs created by nearly 500 percent, reporting 35 jobs created instead of the accurate total of six.²²⁹



30. Two Riders an Hour Get Brand New Buses (Winter Haven, FL) - \$2.4 million²³⁰



Winter Haven Area Transit (WHAT) buses carry two to three riders per hour, according to the City Commission's liaison to the Transit Authority.²³¹ While that may be a bit of an undercount according to the Transit Authority,²³² City Commissioner Jamie Beckett is not convinced we need 40-foot buses for two or three riders an hour.²³³ All the same, the town is getting five new buses for its fleet,²³⁴ thanks to more than \$2.38 million stimulus dollars.²³⁵ The entire WHAT budget for FY 2009 was only \$80,000, and for FY 2010 it was only \$110,000,²³⁶ yet the average cost of the new buses will be \$380,000.²³⁷ At least there will be plenty of leg room, if the buses are as empty as they seem.

31. Studying the Effect of Local Populations on the Environment...in the Himalayas (Ann Arbor, MI) - \$529,648

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has awarded researchers at the University of Michigan a grant to study the "reciprocal relationship between population processes (marriage, fertility, and migration) and the environment (land use/cover [sic], vegetation abundance, species diversity, and consumption of natural resources) in the foothills of the Nepalese Himalayas."²³⁸ What this relationship means to the population of American taxpayers halfway around



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the world is less clear. In 2007, researchers received a five-year grant for essentially the same project from the National Science Foundation worth almost \$2.5 million.²³⁹

32. Public Relations Firm Wins Big Stimulus Bucks (New York, NY) - \$25.8 million

What do you do when a key government program is unpopular with the general public? In the case of the stimulus, you sign a multi-million dollar contract with a public relations firm previously embroiled in controversy. For some time, the Administration's push for health information technology systems has been facing significant public resistance because of privacy concerns.²⁴⁰ In response, the Department of Health and Human Services spent \$25.8 million on a contract with Ketchum Inc. to help win over public opinion.²⁴¹ Ketchum was criticized before, however, on other governmental work. The reason? Producing fake TV news stories for government agencies.²⁴²

33. Contractor Convicted of Public Corruption Gets Public Money for Sidewalk Contract (Monroe, LA) - \$211,468

A former director of community affairs for the City of Monroe, Louisiana, who was convicted twice for taking financial kickbacks from contractors, has received \$211,468²⁴³ in stimulus funds to build a sidewalk.²⁴⁴ Interestingly, Andy Jackson, owner of Jackson-Fontenot Construction, obtained the contract to build the South Third Street sidewalk project despite not being the lowest bidder.²⁴⁵ As a public official, Jackson was previously accused of taking kickbacks in exchange for favors and big contracts. In 2001, he was convicted of fraud and bribery and one count of conspiracy to commit fraud and bribery.²⁴⁶ Jackson was sentenced to six and half years in federal prison and served 15 months.²⁴⁷ Carnell Person, who is currently a vice president at Jackson-Fontenot, also happens to be the city superintendent of streets. The city ethics attorney told the local newspapers that Mr. Person is not necessarily in violation of ethics rules because he might be in a different agency than the one advertising the bids.²⁴⁸ Some local residents have raised other concerns about the project. One neighbor was concerned that the sidewalk would give drug dealers, "more property closer to my house. I don't feel safe now, and I would feel less safe."²⁴⁹

34. Youth Center Awarded Grant May Not Get Built (Glendale, CA) - \$131,000

You're all going to be wearing hard hats in April, Maria Rochant, executive director of New Horizons Family Center, declared in March about the impending construction on New Horizons Family Center's child-care facilities.²⁵⁰ Today, the project does not appear any closer to starting.²⁵¹ Nearly a year ago, New Horizons was awarded \$131,000 in grant funding for the construction of a new facility to care for low-income kids after school.²⁵² According to the Glendale News-Press, "Construction on New Horizons Family Center's long-awaited 'Children's Village Nuestra Casa' was to begin last spring after years of delays and hundreds of thousands in government funding. But months after the nonprofit's founder told city commissioners the project was about to break ground, the lot on the 1200 block of South Maryland Avenue sits unchanged."²⁵³ This is not the first problem that the project has experienced. In mid-2009, the city of Glendale noted that the New Horizons project was considered "in the plan correction stage for approximately one-year," and therefore needed "confirmation that the project is shovel ready."²⁵⁴ It appears it was not. The Glendale, California city council opted to



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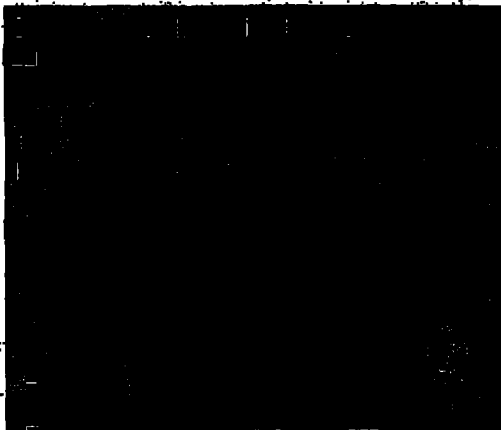
move forward with the child care facility instead of using the funds to upgrade South Glendale Avenue "which has not undergone major improvement since 1992."²⁵⁵ Those same officials may now be regretting that decision as the corner lot where Children's Village is supposed to be built remains empty. Local officials said that the organization may be having difficulty arranging for financing, but New Horizons received a 2009 earmark through the Department of Justice for \$60,000.²⁵⁶

35. 'Aqua City' Water Park Makes a Splash (Dunkirk, NY) - \$153,520

Just because the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act explicitly prohibited stimulus funding from being used on swimming pools,²⁵⁷ it did not stop the city of Dunkirk, New York from awarding \$153,520 for the construction of a new pool-based theme park.²⁵⁸ The funds will be used to develop a new indoor water park for kids called "Aqua City" that "will be equipped with an indoor-outdoor water slide, splash-pool, life-size submarine, and underwater murals."²⁵⁹ It will be attached to the Clarion Hotel near the city's waterfront to boost tourism, and "the central feature to the water park is the submarine, themed as U-97, the German U-Boat that sunk in Lake Erie not far from Dunkirk."²⁶⁰

Mayor Richard Frey glowed, "The water slide is going to go outside the building and come back in. It's quite unique, the whole thing."²⁶¹

Funding will come from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, which the city's development director, Kory Ahlstrom, noted was met with approval by agency officials as "the perfect project."²⁶² Continued Mayor Frey, "There's a periscope, ... there's big murals of sunken ships, ... it's kind of like pirate land or something."²⁶³



36. Scientist Attempts to Create Joke Machine (Evanston, IL) - \$712,663

Conan O'Brien vs. Jay Leno was nothing. Competition among late night television hosts is about to get very interesting. That's because researchers at Northwestern University are using stimulus money to develop "machine-generated humor."²⁶⁵ And nothing is funnier than a robot repeating someone else's jokes. The lead designer plans to use artificial intelligence to create a "comedic performance agent" that "will be funny no matter what it is talking about."²⁶⁶ Computer systems will mine jokes from the Internet and then use them to create hilarious presentations that mimic real-life comedians.²⁶⁷ The lead designer hopes to model his new creation off of News at Seven,²⁶⁸ a web-based "entertainment oriented system that combines clips from CSPAN with topical humor and comments pulled from Twitter to create a Daily Show-like experience."²⁶⁹

37. Eighth Reck From the Sun (Berkeley, CA) - \$456,683

Researchers at the University of California, Berkeley are putting nearly a half million dollars of stimulus funds towards getting a better understanding of the global circulation in the atmosphere of Neptune.²⁷⁰ One area in particular that will be examined is the altitude of clouds on the planet. Results will be compared with previous analysis from the Voyager era,²⁷¹ when coincidentally, the unemployment rate was lower.

38. Reducing Menopausal Hot Flashes Through Yoga (Winston-Salem, NC) - \$294,958

In 1966, His Holiness Sri Swami Sachidanandaji Maharaj created the practice of Integral Yoga,²⁷² a branch of yoga with a significant spiritual emphasis. Now, researchers at Wake Forest University have received nearly \$300,000 to study whether Integral Yoga "can be an effective method to reduce the frequency and/or severity of hot flashes" in menopausal women.²⁷³ "The goal of Integral Yoga, and the birthright of every individual, is to realize the spiritual unity behind all the diversities in the entire creation and to live harmoniously as members of one universal family."²⁷⁴ A total of 60 post-menopausal women who experience more than seven hot flashes a day are being recruited to participate.²⁷⁵



39. Research: Marketing Video Games to the Elderly (Raleigh, NC and Atlanta, GA) - \$12 million

North Carolina State University and Georgia Institute of Technology research scientists received \$770,858 and \$427,824, respectively, in stimulus grants from the National Science Foundation for collaborative research into how video games, such as Nintendo Wii's Boom Blox,²⁷⁶ can help improve mental health for the elderly.²⁷⁷ "Results will aid designers who currently have little knowledge of the interface and game-play needs of older players."²⁷⁸ According to the overseers of the study, "One of our main goals is to produce guidelines for producing games for older adults."²⁷⁹

40. Contractor Gets Millions In Stimulus Funds Despite Lawsuits and Numerous Federal Probes (\$8.5 million)

On October 25, 2009, the San Diego Union-Tribune reported that the Department of Homeland Security was conducting a criminal investigation into two companies that were involved in debris removal following the 2007 California wildfires, one of them being Granite Construction Company.²⁸⁰ Yet, on February 8, 2010, Granite Construction Company reportedly received a stimulus contract worth more than \$6.5 million to do work on "24.4 miles of Wawona Road (Highway 41) through Yosemite National Park."²⁸¹ Granite Construction Company boasts on its website that it is "equally effective at building both large and small jobs from small site developments to massive billion-dollar federal projects."²⁸² What is missing from the "About Us" section on its website is that "the company faces three federal probes after The San Diego Union-Tribune exposed questionable billing of [San Diego] for wildfire cleanup."²⁸³ Following the 2007 California wildfires, the city of San Diego hired Granite Construction and another contractor to remove the rubble and debris left behind by homes victimized by the disaster.²⁸⁴ The San Diego Union-Tribune conducted a private investigation of the removal process in mid-2008, where they alleged that Granite Construction "removed questionable quantities of debris, overcharged for materials, billed for work they didn't perform, provided receipts that didn't back up their charges and cost [San Diego] millions more than stated in their contracts."²⁸⁵ "Possible criminal fraud and misuse of taxpayer money prompted FEMA to ask the Inspector General for an investigation, sources told the Union-Tribune in May 2009. In October 2008, the city [San Diego] sued Granite, alleging they knowingly overcharged for services and falsified records, and, as a result, owe more than \$2 million."²⁸⁶ That case is now on hold until the criminal investigation is completed.²⁸⁷

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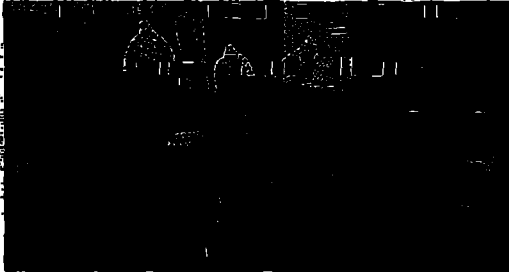
41. Improving Privacy on Social Networking Websites (Durham, NC) - \$498,176²⁸⁸

Researchers at Duke University in North Carolina have received a grant from the National Science Foundation worth almost a half million dollars for investigating new networking approaches for improved privacy and functionality for social networking websites such as Facebook and MySpace.²⁸⁹ A local reporter interviewed the NSF program manager overseeing the project and asked about the seemingly large award. He replied that the NSF considered reducing the amount of the award, but chose not to in consideration of engineering challenges of the project which "merited the significant sum."²⁹⁰ Taxpayers might share the view of a student, who was also interviewed, who asked, "...you kind of choose to make a Facebook, to why should [NSF] be investing all this money?"²⁹¹

42. Band Shell Mural Gets Fresh Paint Job (Helena, MT) - \$18,500

The Capital City Band enjoys playing its Thursday night concerts at Veterans Memorial Park in Helena, Montana, but of late, it has found itself frustrated by subpar acoustics in the band shell.²⁹² Unfortunately, the park's budget would not cover the costs of a structural engineer and installation of the tiles.²⁹³ Nevertheless, the Helena Parks and Recreation Department decided to use \$18,500 in stimulus funding to commission a new mural for the band shell interior, for which only "exterior paint" may be used "to minimize affecting the structural and historical integrity of the bandshell."²⁹⁴ The current mural, which depicts trees with leaves made by many local children's painted hand prints, was painted ten years ago.²⁹⁵ The local Parks & Recreation director said, "we want it to be a design that reflects some of Helena's icons and Helena's personality as a community" its history and environment. We want it to be visually seen ... from a distance."²⁹⁶

43. Microchips Track Citizen Use of Recycling Bins (Dayton, OH) - \$500,000



Residents of Dayton, Ohio, are being encouraged to recycle more, using their new blue, 96-gallon, microchip-embedded bins that will be paid for with stimulus dollars.²⁹⁷ The microchips, which use radio frequency identification technology, are installed in the bin handles, and will be used by the city to track citizen participation in the recycling program.²⁹⁸ In addition to paying for at least 8,000 bins and equipping collection trucks to read the microchips, \$500,000 will pay for a

consultant to design a campaign promoting recycling for Dayton.²⁹⁹ The half-million dollars is part of a \$16 million Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant received by the City.³⁰⁰ Dayton is also buying an additional 1,300 recycling bins with a \$42,000 grant from Montgomery County and \$18,000 of its own funds.³⁰¹

44. Ferry Boat Company Serving Island of 600 Gets Terrorism Prevention Grant (Beaver Island, MI) - \$30,000

Known to its 600 inhabitants as "America's Emerald Isle," Beaver Island, Michigan is most people's idea of a remote vacation destination.³⁰² The island will also benefit from a \$30,000 terrorism prevention grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.³⁰³ Funding will flow to the Beaver Island Boat Company, which makes 375 round trips per year to and from the island,³⁰⁴ and operates from April until Christmas, serving 40,000 passengers a year, or just over 100 passengers a day.³⁰⁵ It is not clear how the money will help protect against terrorism, however, given that it will be spent to upgrade navigational

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equipment; the grant does not identify what security devices it will buy.³⁰⁶ Funding will also be used to keep unauthorized people away from restricted areas; but, added general manager Margo Merks, "There are already background checks on all existing mariners and anyone new to the industry to verify who they say they are."³⁰⁷

45. Understanding Perceptions of the Economic Stimulus (Dallas, TX & Houston, TX) - \$193,956

If stimulus advocates aim to please the American voter, they should probably talk to the researchers at Rice University, Houston³⁰⁸ and the University of Texas, Dallas, where the National Science Foundation shelled out stimulus dollars to study people's perceptions of the stimulus.³⁰⁹ Specifically, the study's results are to be used to "estimate the impact of stimulus funds on the perceptions of citizens and the choices of local community decision makers."³¹⁰ It would probably be a safe bet that if citizens knew that stimulus funds were being used to fund research on their perception on the stimulus, it would sway them in a negative direction.

46. Agency Spends Nearly \$1 Million on Overhead Instead of Jobs Programs (California) - \$940,000

California Inspector General Laura Chick found that the Tulare County Workforce Investment Board (WIB) spent nearly \$1 million on overhead costs like "rent, equipment and utility bills" instead of helping kids and adults find jobs.³¹¹ According to the report, the proper amount of overhead should have only been \$60,000, since the WIB is just a pass-through to the subcontractors actually providing the services.³¹² The Tulare County WIB received a total of \$6.8 million in stimulus dollars and of this amount spent, more than 20 percent went to overhead,³¹³ leaving Ms. Chick to comment, "If you took at that as a percentage [of the total funds], that's a huge chunk."³¹⁴ Of the WIB's accounting practices, the Inspector General commented, "In my mind, they have failed Basic Accounting 101."³¹⁵

47. Snowmaking and Chairlifts at Mt. Snow (West Dover, VT) - \$25 million

Mount Snow may have opened 55 years ago³¹⁶ with just two chairlifts, two ropetows, and seven trails, but these days it has blossomed into one of New England's premier outdoor park destinations that hosts festivals, conferences, weddings, and of course vacationers looking to bike in the summer or ski in the winter.³¹⁷ Having received a \$25 million³¹⁸ zero-bond loan from the Vermont Economic Development Agency, which itself received \$135 million in bond authority under the Recovery Act,³¹⁹ Mt. Snow will use the stimulus dollars to replace the Summit Local and Sunbrook chairlifts, construct a 120-million-gallon storage pond for snowmaking, and install additional snowmaking fan guns.³²⁰ Mount Snow was pursuing the chairlift renovations when they learned that government stimulus funds were available for ski area capital improvements.³²¹ Mount Snow's Director of Planning hopes the new lifts solve at least one important problem, "The Sunbrook area is underutilized and three great terrain back there. This new lift will encourage people to ski or ride more at Sunbrook."³²²

48. SBA Contracts Evade Competition Rules - \$4.3 million

Rules were made to be broken, especially if you are in a hurry and can't be bothered. At least that seemed to be the case at the Small Business Administration (SBA) when it spent more than \$4 million on contracts to improve its computer systems, of which \$4.3 million was stimulus funds.³²³ The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provided the agency with \$20 million to improve information technology systems, but \$4.3 million awarded to Copper River Information Technology and DRT Strategies has come under heavy fire from the SBA Inspector General. The SBA Inspector General report stated, "In our opinion, the contract awards appeared to be pushed through the Agency, without obtaining the proper

signatures and clearance for the acquisition plan.³²⁴ For the contracts with both firms, they were awarded without competition and designated as small business set-asides under the 8(a) program.³²⁵ Because proper procedures had not been followed, the SBA Inspector General concluded, "the contracting officer should not have awarded the contracts to Copper River and DRT."³²⁶ Among the problems cited in the report, SBA "awarded the contract without legal clearance," "did not establish measurable outcomes for the project," and "because the procurement . . . was awarded non-competitively, the contracting officer did not publicize the procurement."³²⁷

49. Stimulus Turns Local Business's Waterfront into Sandbox (Lancaster, VA) —\$450,000

Restaurant Owner Ron Edwards relies heavily on his waterfront dock for business. Located at the confluence of Greenvale Creek and the Rappahannock River in Virginia, his restaurant, the Upper Deck, was a common stop for boaters looking to get a bite to eat.³²⁸ As a seasonal restaurant, more than 60 percent of his customers are boaters,³²⁹ making any impediment to his docks a serious problem. Unfortunately, after a stimulus project got underway to help boaters, Mr. Edwards was left wondering if his business would survive.



The Upper Deck has become a popular destination, hosting events for some notable officials over the years, such as the retirement party of Jack Douglas, the noted FBI profiler.³³⁰ Jack Crawford, the FBI character featured in the movie *Silence of the Lambs*, was based on Douglas.³³¹

For years, sediment buildup was making the local marina, down river from the Upper Deck, virtually impassable.³³² As a result, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers allocated \$450,000³³³ in stimulus money to dredge the marina to a depth of seven feet.³³⁴ Along the way, the Corps moved 17,000 cubic yards of dredged material and placed it on a beach upstream.³³⁵ While they believed that would solve the problem, it only made things worse for Edwards' boating customers. The water currents pushed the dredged materials back down river, creating a sandbar around his dock.³³⁶ With his dock rendered useless, Mr. Edwards explains, "last year, a 34-foot sailboat could park at the dock. Now you could only tie a pony to it."³³⁷

50. Tour Boat Showcases High Life In Hyannis (Cape Cod, MA) - \$43,214

Kids ride free on Hyannis Harbor Tours in Cape Cod, Massachusetts,³³⁸ and with the help of the Homeland Security Department, are also a little more secure. The Federal Emergency Management Agency provided the tour boat company with a \$43,214³³⁹ terrorism prevention grant.³⁴⁰ Hyannis Harbor Tours specializes in one-hour cruises around the harbor that give riders a chance to cruise "past the historic Kennedy compound" aboard the 99 year old Maine Coastal Steamer *Prudence*.³⁴¹ Aboard the sleepy tour boat, one guide noted that few people paid attention to his commentary until he mentions Cape Cod's most famous family: "No one listens until you say 'Kennedy.'³⁴²

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51. Program Gets Money It Doesn't Need - \$362 million

When a federal agency says that one of its programs has too much money, it is the surest sign that the program has too much money. The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act allocated \$400 million for Women Infant and Children (WIC) program, on top of the programs regular allotment, to ensure the payments during the economic downturn.³⁴³ What made it unusual, however, was that WIC already has a \$125 million "contingency reserve fund" that Congress replenishes each year.³⁴⁴ According to an April 2010 report of the United States Department of Agriculture Inspector General, only \$38 million out of the \$400 million was spent in 2009, and WIC administrators do not expect to need any of the remaining funds in 2010.³⁴⁵ Program officials told the IGA investigators that they didn't expect to get that much money in the first place.³⁴⁶

52. Over Budget Perry Hill School Renovation Gets Stimulus Grant While Teachers Get Pink Slips (Shelton, CT) - \$175,800

At least a few teachers in Shelton, Connecticut may wonder if they might still have a job if not for cost overruns on a local school renovation or why stimulus money is being used to bail out the project, not save their jobs. Renovations of Perry Hill School in Shelton are \$15 million over budget³⁴⁷ at the same time the school district is laying off dozens of employees,³⁴⁸ including 27 teachers, because of ongoing budget woes.³⁴⁹ To help make up for the overruns, the town was forced to transfer \$750,000 from its general fund,³⁵⁰ including approximately \$176,000 in stimulus funds from the Department of Energy, which will be used for a cooling system.³⁵¹

53. School in Need of New Roof And HVAC Instead Gets Concession Stand (Montross, VA) - \$22,000

Washington and Lee High School in Montross, Virginia has a leaky roof and poorly functioning HVAC system,³⁵² which is why the school was provided resources for ... a new concession stand? That was the reaction of at least one local member of the Westmoreland County Board of Supervisors, Russ Culver, who noted that, "the concession stand is not a necessity as far as educating the county's children."³⁵³ County officials received a \$22,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture for the concession stand.³⁵⁴ Culver noted that the same county funds used to supplement the construction of a concession stand were needed to fix the high school's roof and HVAC system.³⁵⁵ School board member, Rosemary Mahan, disputed this point and noted that, in addition to other problems, the concession stand is "an eyesore" and "the first thing that visitors see when they come to athletic events at the high school."³⁵⁶ Board of Supervisors Chairman Woody Hynson ultimately prevailed in approving the measure, however, offering his own rationale: "I think we all know that a new concession stand is necessary and that we need to find a way to get the price down. People like those french fries that were told are so bad for us, and nobody buys more hot dogs than I do at one time."³⁵⁷

54. Law and Order: Spanish Empire (Miami, FL) - \$59,845

Apparently, modern America is not the only litigious society. Researchers at Florida International University received nearly \$80,000 to document and provide statistical analysis regarding the rise of colonial lawsuits in the Spanish Empire.³⁵⁸ The study will "compare five regions - Mexico City and Oaxaca, Mexico; Lima and Trujillo, Peru; and Castile, Spain - to reveal that colonial women, slaves, and Indians entered the courts at a pace that outstripped even the overall rise in civil suits, using new legal concepts to sue husbands, masters, and native leaders."³⁵⁹ The project "systematically explores the options litigants faced in the larger field of the court system: who could sue whom, where, when, and over what?"³⁶⁰ The grant recipient has already delivered one paper based on the taxpayer-funded

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research to the American Historical Association annual meeting in San Diego and paid for participation in a conference last month in Mexico.³⁵¹

55. Airport Receives \$800,000 To Improve Wildlife Fence (West Lafayette, IN) - \$665,880³⁵²

Incidents of wildlife strikes at the Purdue University Airport in West Lafayette, Indiana are extremely rare, but that didn't stop stimulus money from being used to fix the problem. Without a commercial carrier for more than six years, the airport has only had 14 reported incidents of an aircraft striking wildlife since 1990, of which thirteen were birds.³⁵³ Officials also suspect that an airplane may have struck a skunk in 2006.³⁵⁴ Yet, the airport will be replacing its entire current eight-foot perimeter fence with an eleven-foot fence using a Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) grant worth over \$665,000.³⁵⁵ In 2004, the FAA issued guidance recommending airports have 10-12 foot fence to keep deer off aircraft movement areas, with the exception that "in some cases an airport may be able to use an 8-foot chain link fence with 3 strand barbed outriggers depending upon the amount of deer activity."³⁵⁶ There are no reported deer incidents at Purdue Airport.³⁵⁷

56. State-of-the-Art Animal Shelter Given Energy Upgrade (Roswell, NM) - \$195,500

Roswell, New Mexico may be known as the site of the most famous alleged alien landing in American history, but now it will also be home to an energy-efficient animal control shelter. The Department of Energy provided the City of Roswell with nearly \$200,000 to make "energy upgrades" to the new shelter.³⁵⁸ This comes at the same time that the city council plans to write off more than \$2.2 million in uncollected debts owed to the city from unpaid utility bills, loans and library fines.³⁵⁹ In 2008, however, an effort was made to provide some funding for the new shelter when the city council asked permission from the State of New Mexico to transfer \$100,000 away from the International UFO Museum project.³⁶⁰

The new facility will feature "[a] specially-designed, energy-efficient HVAC system for animal shelters," noted Roswell animal control official, Mike Matthews, "and we use low-flow toilets to save water usage."³⁶¹ Electric bills were averaging \$385 a month to cool the shelter; the new facility is larger than the old one, and electric bills are not expected to go down.³⁶²

57. High School Baseball Field Canopy, Concession Stand Repaired (Choctaw, MS) - \$189,000

Fans of the Choctaw Central High School Mighty Warriors may enjoy a baseball game a little more next season, after stimulus funds help spruce up their team's field. Nearly \$190,000 will be spent to paint a metal canopy in use at the baseball field,³⁶³ along with repairing and replacing a retaining wall behind the concession stand to protect the field.³⁶⁴ The school is run by the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, using revenue from the Pearl River Resort-home to Silver Star and Golden Moon casinos which the tribe owns.³⁶⁵ The Choctaws have been embroiled in a controversy over the proposed construction of a new \$17 million casino,³⁶⁶ which has some Mississippi officials questioning whether it is a good idea.³⁶⁷

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58. 14 Flat Screen Televisions for the State Department (NY, VT, GA, TX, CA) - \$36,924

State Department officials took full advantage of their stimulus dollars and stocked up on 14 flat screen televisions. Ranging in size from 42 inches to 55 inches, the department paid Allied Contract nearly \$37,000 for the Toshiba sets, along with wall mounts to hang them neatly in the office.³⁷⁸ A quick price check, however, raises serious questions about whether they got such a good deal. The award was made on July 9, 2010, but the same new equipment on RitzCamera.com would cost much less. Ten 42-inch Toshiba flat screen models cost \$1,084.84 apiece, with shipping, for a total of \$11,849.40. Four 55-inch screens were available for \$1,522.94 apiece, with shipping, for a total of \$6,091.76.³⁷⁹ All remaining purchases were mounts to hang the televisions on the wall, with the grand total of all equipment coming to less than \$18,000. That would leave nearly \$19,000 left over and a lot of questions about whether or not the State Department is a good shopper.

59. Commerce Department Gets Makeover, Moves Aquarium Dear (Washington, DC) - \$185 million

When it was built in 1931, the Herbert C. Hoover Building (HCHB) was the largest building in the world. Now it is one of the largest stimulus recipients in the United States. Housing approximately 3,500 federal employees at the Department of Commerce, the White House Visitor Center, and the National Aquarium, the HCHB has received over \$185 million in federal stimulus dollars as part of a decade-long, \$693 million, 8-phase project to renovate and "green" the building.³⁸⁰ Elements of this massive effort include renovating unused office space for temporarily rotating groups of up to 400 Commerce employees at a time and ripping out walls to install 15 miles of insulation.³⁸¹ Notably, the project also moves the National Aquarium from the northeast side of the building to the south side, allowing for a dedicated entrance and more room for additional displays.³⁸⁴



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60. Planting Palm Trees (Fresno, CA) - \$341,000

Traveling on the west side of Fresno, California, you may find your way onto Kearney Boulevard, named after the early 20th century entrepreneur and millionaire Theo Kearney.³⁸⁵ The boulevard extends 11 miles from the west side of downtown Fresno towards Kerman, California.³⁸⁶ The County of Fresno recently awarded a landscaping firm a \$341,000 contract, funded by stimulus dollars, to plant 54 Washingtonia Robusta palm trees along six miles of the road between Marks and Westlawn Avenues.³⁸⁷ Taxpayers outside of Fresno may wonder why this road is in need of beautification. Although it is an historic boulevard leading to the historic Kearny Mansion and surrounding park, it is a two-lane rural road for most of its length and is already known for being lined with palm trees.³⁸⁸ The winning bid for the contract came in lower than

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the county engineer's original estimate as a result of lower than anticipated cost for the palm trees.³⁸⁹ Taxpayers may rest easier knowing that the palm trees came in at just \$4,000 a piece.³⁹⁰

61. Booze Business In Colorado Gets Stimulus Loans (Colorado) - \$5 million

Colorado liquor distilleries, breweries and wineries are getting \$5 million in stimulus-backed business loans.³⁹¹ According to the Colorado Recovery Act website, some of the alcohol-related recipients include \$1.1 million for Stranahans Colorado Whiskey.³⁹² The store, which claims to be the first whiskey distiller in the state, describes its whiskey this way: "It's not often you can bottle up the Rockies, or cup your hands in a mountain stream."³⁹³ Another recipient was the Fort Collins Brewery, which received \$14 million.³⁹⁴ In contrast other Colorado agencies will not lease property to alcohol related businesses.³⁹⁵

62. Second Least Busy Train Stop In New York Given Twice What It Needs to Renovate Station (Rouses Point, NY) - \$833,000³⁹⁸

The train station at Rouses Point (pop. 2,277)³⁹⁷ in New York is undergoing a \$670,000 renovation, leaving some taxpayers wondering why more than twice that amount was awarded to the project.³⁹⁸ While the train station is a registered historic landmark, it is making new history with this renovation.³⁹⁹ Plans to turn the station into a museum and waiting area to accompany the Amtrak stop were moved forward by an \$833,000 transportation stimulus grant.⁴⁰⁰ In the past, the station also received a \$95,000 earmark,⁴⁰¹ providing a total of \$928,500 now available to restore the old building. In addition to all of that, a \$600,000 award from Amtrak was used to make the station's platform compliant with the Americans with Disability Act,⁴⁰² all amounting to around \$1.5 million to renovate the train station. However, during 2009, Amtrak only made two stops a day here and only 1,046 people got off or on a train at this stop during the entire year, making it the second least busy station in New York.⁴⁰³



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back. This effort will help raise awareness of how insects contribute to our lives (focusing on positive contributions) and why natural history collections are critical to understanding and documenting biodiversity trends.⁴⁴³

69. Addiction Studies Program for Journalists (Winston-Salem, NC) - \$266,505

Wake Forest University is using \$266,505 in stimulus funds to continue its annual science education workshops for reporters.⁴⁴⁴ "These workshops employ an interactive, problem-based format that engages the skills and knowledge of working journalists. Participants will have ample time to interact with program faculty." Internationally known scientists, teachers of journalism, award-winning journalists from the print and broadcast media, and others who have made important contributions to the drug-abuse field.⁴⁴⁵

70. The American Museum of Ceramic Art (Pomona, CA) - \$50,000

A museum in Pomona, California received \$50,000 in stimulus money for an Administrative & Membership Manager and Assistant Curator.⁴⁴⁶ "Exhibitions and programming at the American Museum of Ceramic Art will embrace a wide number of topics - all relating to clay. Within this broadly diverse community, it is their goal to increase the aesthetic appreciation of clay as an art form and to assist their audience in unraveling the creative thinking behind the making of ceramic objects. At the same time, AMOCA aims to provide confirmed clay enthusiasts with encouragement, camaraderie and exhibition opportunity."⁴⁴⁷

71. Bus Station Art (Los Angeles, CA) - \$1 million

If you want to experience art in Los Angeles, look no further than the local bus stop. That's because transit agencies have been purchasing art for bus stops and train stations and for construction fences to "creat[e] a sense of place and engag[e] transit riders."⁴⁴⁸ Now the transit authority will use a portion of the just over \$1 million of stimulus funds to purchase art for 49 bus stations along the Harbor and El Monte transit way "to enhance the customer experience" and to incorporate "unique artworks...designed to make transit a more attractive alternative."⁴⁴⁹

72. Studying Whether a Soda Tax Will Stimulate Health (Chicago, IL) - \$52,005

The current administration has previously discussed taxing soda and other sugary drinks as "an idea we should be exploring."⁴⁵⁰ While it is hard to disagree that soda and other sugary drinks are contributing factors to the national obesity epidemic, it is easy to disagree whether federal dollars should be used to study the relationship between taxes and obesity.⁴⁵¹ All the same, the University of Illinois received more than half a million dollars to do just that.⁴⁵²

73. Big Bang—Little Stimulus (Tucson, AZ) - \$34,964

Researchers at the University of Arizona received over \$300,000 in stimulus grant money to examine computer simulations to follow the formation of galaxies through the period 1-2 billion years after the Big Bang.⁴⁵³ The grant will also help the principal investigator develop a course in astronomy for non-astronomy majors to be presented at the University of Cape Coast in Ghana.⁴⁵⁴ So far, the project has created one-quarter of a job, according to reporting by the school.⁴⁵⁵

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74. There's an App for That: Stimulus Funds for iPods (Salt Lake City, UT) - \$1 million

"About 1,600 students at Kearns High School in Utah will get iPod touches next school year, thanks to a federal stimulus Enhancing Education Through Technology grant.⁴⁵⁶ They will use the devices during class, take them home after school, and according to one student, get to keep them if they graduate on-time.⁴⁵⁷ "I think that will be the coolest thing ever," said a student. "I think that might be a little initiative for those who are thinking of not graduating to graduate, kind of a going-away present."⁴⁵⁸ "[T]eachers will be trained to use the iPods to engage students so their attention doesn't wander."⁴⁵⁹

75. The Meteorite Hunters of Antarctica (Cleveland, OH) - \$600,801

In some parts of the country you have a better chance of seeing a meteor shower than getting a job. Case Western Reserve University received economic stimulus money to search Antarctica for space rocks through its Antarctic Search for Meteorites Program (ANSMET).⁴⁶⁰ Since 1978, "ANSMET has recovered over 17,500 meteorite specimens from locations along the Transantarctic Mountains."⁴⁶¹ "But after more than 30 years of scouring Antarctica for meteorites, the easiest spots to reach have been picked over, requiring the ANSMET teams to go farther afield for specimens," according to the principal investigator.⁴⁶²



76. Field Trip to Study Dinosaur Eggs in China (Bozeman, MT) - \$141,002⁴⁶³

This past spring, nine students from Montana State University (MSU) were given a six-week, all-expense paid trip to China, funded by the National Science Foundation.⁴⁶⁴ MSU received a grant to send students to work with researchers at the Natural History Museum in Hangzhou studying various dinosaur eggs and other fossils.⁴⁶⁵ In a conversation with a local resident of Wuzhen, one of the students said "I told him that I was here to study dinosaur eggs. He replied with, 'Bloody hell! That's the sort of

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thing you just can't make up⁴⁶⁶ While there, the students spent six weeks examining and cataloging the eggs. As recorded on the group's blog, however, they were still able to take plenty of time to let their hair down hiking on the Great Wall, spending a day at the Xixi National Wetland Park, exploring several small towns, visiting the opera, and touring the Tiantai temples.⁴⁶⁷ Not to worry though, according to one student blogger, "Believe it or not from previous blog posts, we have been hard at work doing research."⁴⁶⁸

77. Ice Skating Rinks Just Getting Warmed Up (Woodbury & Eagan, MN) - \$18 million

When it comes to keeping the local ice rink up to date, Woodbury, Minnesota does not plan to just skate by. Woodbury has allocated more than \$2.3 million⁴⁶⁹ to upgrade its heating systems at a local ice rink, using \$503,900 in stimulus funding.⁴⁷⁰ Funding was provided by the Department of Energy through the energy efficiency block grant program to help install a geothermal heating and cooling system that would, among other things, "prevent heat from the roof from warming the ice surface," and "provide heat for the west rink spectators."⁴⁷¹ The City of Woodbury hired Harris Mechanical Services to study possible avenues for moving forward with the project.⁴⁷² Not surprisingly, the company came forward with a recommendation that it be hired to perform a \$2.4 million retrofit for the Eisenberg Sports Center.⁴⁷³ Harris was ultimately hired, but not before City Administrator Clinton Gridley noted that the project carried certain downsides, including that it "does not utilize the competitive bidding process" and "replaces equipment that has not reached its useful lifespan."⁴⁷⁴ Harris was also able to land a similar deal in Eagan, Minnesota to install a geothermal heat pump for the ice rink in Eagan Civic Arena.⁴⁷⁵ For this project, the Department of Energy contributed more than \$1.3 million,⁴⁷⁶ covering about a third of the project's overall cost.⁴⁷⁷

78. Helping Drinkers Control Their Alcohol Consumption With Creative Labeling (San Diego, CA) - \$497,117⁴⁷⁸

Can people at bars be persuaded of the benefits of moderate drinking?⁴⁷⁹ Researchers at San Diego State University think so, as they plan to spend almost half a million dollars to research whether better nutritional and alcohol content labeling will affect consumption of alcoholic beverages.⁴⁸⁰ The research includes field experiments to test the "effectiveness of different disclosure strategies under various levels of natural drunkenness."⁴⁸¹ Indeed, according to one local columnist, "most of the research, not surprisingly, will be done in and around the university campus and the bars and nightclubs of Pacific Beach."⁴⁸²



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79. High-End Boutique Hotel Built Where None Is Needed (Buffalo, NY) - \$6 million

Visiting Manhattanites will feel right at home in Buffalo at a new chic downtown boutique hotel being built with the help of a \$6 million tax-exempt bond backed by federal stimulus funds.⁴⁸³ Local restaurateur Mark Croce is building a "true boutique hotel experience, as high-end as they come."⁴⁸⁴ Unfortunately Buffalo hotels have a history of dependence on subsidies and an even longer history of struggling financially. According to one local newspaper, "practically every hotel in and around downtown Buffalo was built with public subsidies, and most of them are treading water—at best."⁴⁸⁵ The Buffalo News reported last year that, "For nearly 30 years, politicians have poured more than \$65 million into downtown Buffalo hotels - an average of more than \$50,000 per room. The strategy produced five hotels - and a lot of red ink."⁴⁸⁶ There are plenty of folks who think downtown Buffalo has enough hotels. The former president of the local conventions bureau stated in 2008 that "based on the current market demand, [Buffalo has] a sufficient number of rooms in the downtown core."⁴⁸⁷



80. Wildlife Refuge Gets Fancy New Visitors Center (Bismarck, ND) - \$6.1 million⁴⁸⁸

The almost 15,000-acre⁴⁸⁹ Audubon National Wildlife Refuge, located about an hour north of Bismarck, North Dakota is visited by fewer than 80 people a day on average.⁴⁹⁰ However, that hasn't prevented the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from spending over \$6 million to build a new administration and visitor center for the refuge.⁴⁹¹ While the old building was over 50 years old, the new building will be built to special energy efficient specifications and will include a 1038-square-foot multipurpose room and 884-square-foot exhibit hall.⁴⁹²

81. "Hot Glass" Cool Art (Tacoma, WA) - \$50,000

The Museum of Glass in Tacoma,⁴⁹³ Washington received \$50,000 in stimulus money to retain two part-time educational interpreters who will entertain visitors by explaining how glass is made in the museum's "hot shop."⁴⁹⁴ One hot shop interpreter says of the job, "I get to watch glass get blown all day. It's a pretty sweet gig."⁴⁹⁵ However, the Museum website notes that it may not be experiencing an economic hardship after all. "In this time of economic uncertainty, our attendances are on the rise, among both adults and school groups. There is increased traffic on our website and live stream of the Hot Shop."⁴⁹⁶ The website also lists its current membership at 3,800 households⁴⁹⁷ who pay anywhere between \$50 and over \$100 in annual fees.⁴⁹⁸ The Museum's fiscal year 2008 net assets are listed at approximately \$29.6 million.⁴⁹⁹

82. False Start on Head Start (New Haven, CT) - \$381,313

Perhaps the pre-schoolers were the ones in charge of accounting for tax dollars at the New Haven Head Start office. The New Haven Board of Education improperly allocated \$510,000 and failed to comply with federal Head Start and Early Head Start performance standards, including one on health screenings of children, according to a recent report from the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.⁵⁰⁰ The report further found that the board met only three of the six performance standards reviewed, and that the deficiencies were largely due to inadequate procedures and accounting systems.⁵⁰¹

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83. Bureaucracy Gives Low-Income Housing Luxury Costs (Rochester, NY) - \$3.3 million

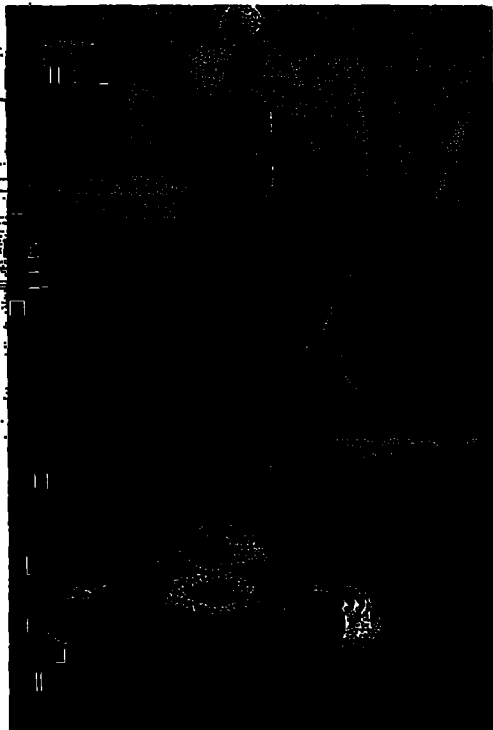


One of north Rochester's poorest and most crime-riddled neighborhoods is getting an expensive facelift, with 23 new homes built with stimulus money. In the El Camino Estates development along Conkey Avenue, the median value of existing houses are less than \$50,000.⁵²² The new stimulus funded neighboring houses will cost six times that to build. At an average cost of \$300,000, the 23 new houses being built for rental to low-income families range from 1,200 to 1,700 square feet, a mere fraction of the space the same dollar amount would buy in some of Rochester's wealthiest suburbs.⁵²³ Why the high cost for low-income rental properties in such a rough part of town? According to the developers and the non-profit community development corporation they are working with, it is

the red tape that comes from the combination of tax credits, state and local money, federal stimulus dollars and a large bureaucratic mess.⁵²⁴

84. Stimulus Funds Going to the Dogs (Ithaca, NY)⁵²⁵ - \$296,385

Cornell University scientists have received \$296,385 in stimulus funds to study dog domestication.⁵²⁶ Researchers believe that there is common understanding of where dogs descended from, but the progression from there to Lassie is poorly understood.⁵²⁷ They point out that much of the research has focused on breed dogs, but the diverse populations of semi-rural village dogs are likely an important key for understanding dog domestication.⁵²⁸ A previous Cornell study found that North Africa was probably the origin of dog domestication.⁵²⁹ In that study, the scientists examined the genetic markers of 318 African dogs and then performed the same test on mixed breed American dogs and street dogs in Puerto Rico.⁵³⁰ The new study will likely to [sic] challenge current theories of dog origins and develop village dogs into a useful system for the study of domestication, speciation, behavior and morphology.⁵³¹



85. Let's Polka at the International Accordion Festival (San Antonio, TX) - \$25,000

The 2009 International Accordion Festival in San Antonio, Texas received a \$25,000 grant⁵³² for an event it promised would be "simply amazing" and a "celebration of all things squeezebox."⁵³³

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Visitors got to experience the "hippest and most happening accordion music from around the world... [and] [e]njoy performances, workshops, open mics and jam sessions on multiple stages with the finest accordionists in the planet.⁵⁵⁴ While the Festival has grown in popularity over the years, it has fallen under some criticism for getting tax dollars in a time of tight budgets. Defending the Festival, organizer Pat Jasper shot back at what she perceived to be a wrongheaded anti-accordion bias, "The expression of disdain for accordions pins [critics] for what they are, which is cultural elites."⁵⁵⁵

86. Preserve and Rehabilitate FDR's Home (Hyde Park, NY) - \$4.6 million

The National Park Service has awarded \$4,572,000 for repairs on Franklin D. Roosevelt's Hyde Park, New York residence and carriage house.⁵⁵⁶ According to the National Park Service, repairs will include painting the shutters the home's original shade of hunter green and removing trees to be replaced with historic varieties.⁵⁵⁷ FDR's home, however, has in recent years received over \$19 million in additional funding for renovations,⁵⁵⁸ surely making it one of the most expensive home projects in history.

87. Study: Does Retirement Help or Hurt Marriage? (Los Angeles, CA) - \$174,661

Is it better to retire and spend more time with your spouse, or just keep working? Researchers at UCLA are pursuing the answer to this question with a \$174,661 grant from the National Institute on Aging.⁵⁵⁹ They plan to study the correlation between couples transitioning into retirement, the health of their marriage, and the resulting effect on their physiological health. Participants will be subject to two laboratory assessments once before and after retirement that will examine their marital and physical health including discussions about retirement and problems in the relationship.⁵⁶⁰ Sixty couples over the age of 60 who are expecting to retire in the near term will participate in the study.⁵⁶¹



88. Army Corps of Engineers Cleaning Up Their Act in West Virginia (Burnsville, WV) - \$650,000

At Burnsville Dam in West Virginia, the Army Corps of Engineers is spending stimulus funds for a company to clean its bathrooms, offices and the campgrounds.⁵⁶² Air Molds LLC out of Troy, Ohio was awarded a contract for up to \$650,000 for restroom cleaning and other grounds services.⁵⁶³ Work is taking place at the Bulltown Campground and Corps offices at the Burnsville Dam in West Virginia.⁵⁶⁴ So far, almost \$50,000 in invoices for this work have been paid for with stimulus funds out of the Corps' Civil Works program.⁵⁶⁵ Across the nation, the Corps of Engineers has been funding much more substantial repairs and equipment upgrade priorities through its Civil Work program.⁵⁶⁶

89. Coordinating Traffic Lights (Sebring, FL) - \$11 million

Nothing is more annoying than hitting every red light. The Florida Energy and Climate Commission, created by the governor of Florida in 2008,⁵⁶⁷ has given the Highlands County Commission more than a million dollar grant to do something about just that problem.⁵⁶⁸ The Commission is installing a fiber-optic cable so that 14 traffic lights are better coordinated, thus reducing fuel emissions from vehicles on the road.⁵⁶⁹ The county engineer told a reporter that the lights are "already hard-wired, but [this] will make [them] better."⁵⁷⁰

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90. Agency Fails to Target Counties with Highest Unemployment - \$145 million

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), an agency of the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), misdirected much of a \$145 million allotment it received for watershed operations and flood protection projects, according to the Agency's Inspector General.⁵³¹ Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, all federal agencies were supposed to prioritize funding for counties that were the most financially distressed and "to assist those most impacted by the recession."⁵³² Despite saying that regional unemployment was a factor in choosing projects, NRCS allocated about \$59 million for 76 projects to counties with unemployment below the national average.⁵³³ For example, a flood control project for Miah Creek for Dale County in Alabama, an area with 18 percent unemployment, was dropped, while other counties with employment well below the national average got their projects, the USDA Inspector General reported.⁵³⁴

91. Health Insurance Grants go Unused (Washington, DC) - \$142 million

The Recovery Act designated \$150 million for use by the Department of Labor's Health Coverage Tax Credit (HCTC) National Emergency Grants (NEG) program,⁵³⁵ though much of it may not have had the intended effect. The program pays for up to 80 percent of health insurance coverage for eligible Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) participants⁵³⁶ and Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (PBGC) recipients until they are able to get their coverage through the IRS-HCTC program.⁵³⁷ The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) is responsible for administering the program. As the number of TAA eligible Americans ballooned to 201,000 and eligible PBGC retirees at 744,000 in 2009, only six states took advantage of the HCTC program through three grants for just \$8 million.⁵³⁸ Why were so few eligible individuals being served by the program? Because as the Department of Labor's Office of Inspector General reported in March, over thirty percent of states were never aware of the program.⁵³⁹ While the ETA did make some outreach efforts to the states, they were largely ineffective and as a result funds were not spent quickly, as intended by the Recovery Act. At the end of the day, the American taxpayers were on the hook for \$142 million of duplicative efforts that those eligible to receive were never even told about.

92. Whistleblower Alleges Fraud at Company Administering Child Care Funds (Kilgore, TX) - \$215 million

A whistleblower has alleged that a large government contractor may have fraudulently used stimulus money to evade federal rules in a program to help working parents pay for child care.⁵⁴⁰ The Recovery Act included over \$2 billion for Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF), which allows states to provide free or subsidized child care to working parents.⁵⁴¹ By accepting stimulus grant awards, however, the states are prohibited from supplanting state child care funds.⁵⁴² In Texas, which received \$214,900,000, the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC)⁵⁴³ partnered with both local governments and outside organizations. In Smith County, it worked with the East Texas Council of Governments (ETCOG) and Arbor Res-Care, which the whistleblower alleged misused stimulus funding. The lawsuit filed in Smith County alleges that caseworkers at Arbor Res-Care were instructed to wrongfully use ARRA funds to supplant CCDF funds. According to the suit, within a month of beginning the ARRA-funded program, caseworkers realized that parents did not want to participate in the program if federal rules were followed and so the rules were not followed. Caseworkers also allegedly realized that Arbor Res-Care and the ETCOG would not be able to spend the money they had been allocated in time, so caseworkers were told to use stimulus money for all applicants, which was strictly prohibited.⁵⁴⁴ Tyler Kicok, an accountant for Res Care, took a decidedly negative view of the situation as well, noting, "They were moving funds—they were using ARRA money to pay for things they were not supposed to pay for... They were trying to play with numbers to keep units to meet their budget targets."⁵⁴⁵

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93. NIH Spends Stimulus Money to Promote the Impact of Its Stimulus Projects (Silver Spring, MD) - \$363,760⁵⁴⁶

When does a federal project cross the line from simple self-promotion into propoganda? Palladian Partners Inc. of Silver Spring, Maryland was awarded \$363,760 to promote the good things being done with stimulus money by the National Institutes of Health (NIH).⁵⁴⁷ The project requires Palladian to develop "web-based real life stories that underscore job and infrastructure creation and accelerated ARRA research findings."⁵⁴⁸ Indeed, interested citizens can go to the NIH Recovery Act website and learn about the \$12.2 million stimulus grant NIH is spending on "Facebook for Scientists"⁵⁴⁹ and another story on how "Researchers Pull in Big Bucks Under Recovery Act."⁵⁵⁰

94. Restored Lighthouse Gets More Funding for More Restoration (Jupiter, FL) - \$442,950⁵⁵¹

While the Jupiter Inlet National Historic Lighthouse is 150 years old, at least one local preservationist may have an exaggerated sense of its importance. James D. Snyder, Board Chairman of the Loxahatchee River Historical Society said about a recent sesquicentennial event for the lighthouse, it "celebrates our unique 5,000-year-old history."⁵⁵² The lighthouse in Florida was recently designated an outstanding natural area.⁵⁵³ Local officials complained that, despite this new designation, there was no funding to go along with it.⁵⁵⁴ That is, until the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) awarded the Loxahatchee River Historical Society two stimulus grants for building and habitat restoration.⁵⁵⁵ But according to the BLM, the lighthouse went through a complete \$958,000 restoration beginning in 1999.⁵⁵⁶ According to the Historical Society, the stimulus funds for building restoration will be split between interior painting and restoration of a small building next door to the lighthouse that was formerly used as a workshop and Coast Guard housing.⁵⁵⁷

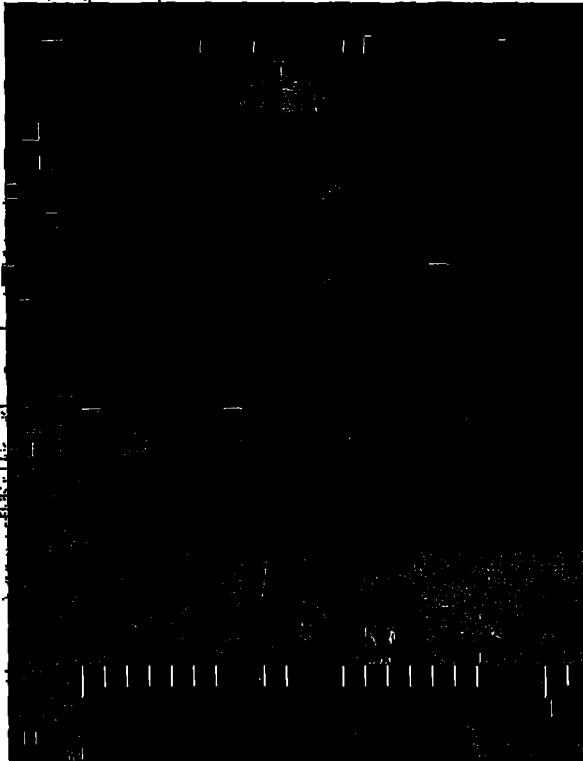


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95. A Better Way to Freeze Rat DNA (Columbia, MO) - \$180,935

For many years, scientists have found laboratory rats to be good test subjects for studying human disease. One problem, however, is that once you deep-freeze rat sperm, it apparently becomes less useful when unfrozen. Solution: study the freezing process for rat sperm. Calling it an "urgent need,"⁵⁵⁸ scientists at the University of Missouri received stimulus funds "to develop freezing protocols for epididymal rat sperm which would allow reconstitution of genetics by using standard artificial insemination and in-

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vitro fertilization methods.⁶⁵⁹ The scientists note that "[o]ver the last few years, our laboratory has generated ample amount of data related with optimal sperm handling."⁶⁶⁰

96. Money for Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control to Ineligible Recipients - \$2.8 million

A January 2010 audit by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Inspector General revealed that more than \$5.7 million in stimulus funds were improperly awarded by the Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control (OHHLHC).⁶⁶¹ For example, the City of Greenville, North Carolina and Healthy Homes Resources received \$1.9 million and \$874,821, respectively, even though they did not meet the required application thresholds to receive funding.⁶⁶² The audit determined that the OHHLHC did not have adequate controls to ensure that only qualified applicants were selected to receive grant funds.⁶⁶³ One of the HUD Inspector General's recommendations was for the Director of OHHLHC to rescind the money and award the funds to qualified applicants.⁶⁶⁴ The Director of OHHLHC did not concur with this recommendation for the City of Greenville, but agreed to rescind the remaining unobligated balance on the Healthy Homes Resources grant.⁶⁶⁵

97. The Wheels on the Stimulus Go Round and Round (Clearfield, PA) - \$1.4 million

Fullington Auto Bus Company provides luxury tours to destinations such as Penn State football games,

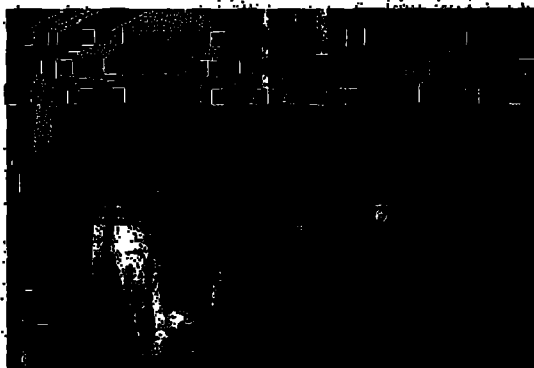


and has recently been the recipient of more than a million dollars in stimulus funding.⁶⁶⁶ The company plans to purchase a brand new 57-passenger luxury bus to add to its 50 luxury motorcoach fleet.⁶⁶⁷ The new luxury bus is expected to transport passengers from Harrisburg to a handful of small towns across the state of Pennsylvania.⁶⁶⁸ Carrying a \$500,000 price tag, the bus local officials touted as the "future of intercity transportation" has seats, direct outlets, Wi-Fi, personally controlled air vents, and closing overhead storage bins available for use.⁶⁶⁹ Approximately 80 percent of the funds used for the bus came from stimulus dollars awarded to

the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation.⁶⁷⁰ Fullington Trailways also received a \$1 million stimulus award from the Department of Transportation of neighboring state New York.⁶⁷¹ In recent years, the company has been on the receiving end of anti-terrorism grants from the Department of Homeland Security in excess of \$200,000⁶⁷² to install GPS tracking systems in all of the buses.⁶⁷³

98. Artists Get New Digs (Wilton, CT and Philadelphia, PA) - \$184,850

The National Park Service (NPS) and the City of Philadelphia love their artists. So much so, they combined to spend over half a million dollars to provide them with artistic space. At the Weir Farm in Wilton, \$184,850 is going to turn what local media describe as "an old garage" into an Art Studio to be used for personal or professional work by artists participating in the Weir Farms "Artist-in-Residence" program.⁶⁷⁴ Despite public



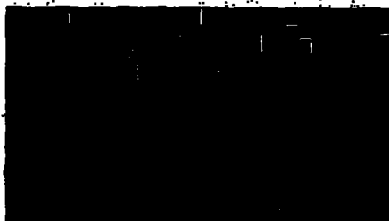
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funding, the NPS superintendent at the facility said the issue of visitor access to the studio had not yet been decided.⁵⁷⁵ Less than 150 miles away just down Interstate 95, Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter awarded over \$500,000 through the Creative Industry Workforce Grants program.⁵⁷⁶ Eight Philadelphia arts-related organizations received various amounts of the money, with over half of it going toward "artist workspace."⁵⁷⁷

99. What's With the Lights? (Euless, TX) —\$454,200

The sport of softball recently celebrated its 122nd anniversary,⁵⁷⁸ but playing in the glow of stimulus funded lights—now that's something completely new. The City of Euless, Texas earmarked almost half a million dollars in federal stimulus funds received from an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant⁵⁷⁹ for the replacement of ball field lighting at its Softball World facility.⁵⁸⁰ The facility hosts games and tournaments most nights and charges teams entry fees.⁵⁸¹ One would think that the teams using the fields should just pay higher fees for the light renovations instead of the American taxpayer, most of whom will never see Euless, Texas, no matter how bright the new lights are.



100. Alcohol Studies Summer School for High School and College Students (New York, NY) - \$12,437

In a time when jobs are hard to come by, several high school and college students have gotten federal funding to inspire their scientific curiosity. Columbia University received \$12,437 to provide summer research experiences in the field of alcohol epidemiology for three high school students and three college students.⁵⁸² One of the goals of the program is to "inspire the students' scientific curiosity by allowing them to visit cutting-edge laboratories and hospital operating rooms."⁵⁸³

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Manchin signs bill releasing \$293m from stimulus

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - West Virginia is injecting another \$293.6 million from its share of federal stimulus funding into the state's economy.

Gov. Joe Manchin signed legislation Friday that divvies up the amount among several dozen agencies.

More than \$126 million will help the Medicaid, foster care, child support enforcement, food stamp and independent living programs.

The state Department of Education is earmarked for \$72 million, with \$40 million benefiting its aid for exceptional children program.

The Department of Environmental Protection will get \$35.6 for its projects. Other recipients include Military Affairs and Public Safety, the Crime Victims Compensation Fund and public transit.

Road projects received \$40 million in stimulus last month.

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DATE-INTRO: APRIL 8, 2009

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SYNOPSIS: Makes supplementary appropriations to various funds and agencies, including the Crime Victims Compensation Fund, the Safe Drinking Water Treatment Fund, the Division of Forestry, the State Department of Education, the State Police, the Division of Public Transit, the Division of Rehabilitation Services, the Division of Human Services, and the Division of Environmental Protection.

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2009 Bill Text WV S.B. 771

VERSION: Enacted

VERSION-DATE: April 17, 2009

SYNOPSIS: AN ACT making a supplementary appropriation of federal funds out of the Treasury from the balance of federal moneys remaining unappropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to the Crime Victims Compensation Fund, fund 8738, fiscal year 2009, organization 2300, to the Governor's Office - Office of Economic Opportunity, fund 8797, fiscal year 2009, organization 0100, to the Governor's Office - Commission for National and Community Service, fund 8800, fiscal year 2009, organization 0100, to the Department of Agriculture, fund 8736, fiscal year 2009, organization 1400, to the Division of Forestry, fund 8703, fiscal year 2009, organization 0305, to the State Department of Education, fund 8712, fiscal year 2009, organization 0402, to the State Department of Education - School Lunch Program, fund 8713, fiscal year 2009, organization 0402, to the State Department of Education - Aid for Exceptional Children, fund 8715, fiscal year 2009, organization 0402, to the State Board of Rehabilitation - Division of Rehabilitation Services, fund 8734, fiscal year 2009, organization 0922, Division of Environmental Protection, fund 8708, fiscal year 2009, organization 0313, Division of Health - Central Office, fund 8802, fiscal year 2009, organization 0506, Division of Health - West Virginia Safe Drinking Water Treatment, fund 8824, fiscal year 2009, organization 0506, to the West Virginia Health Care Authority, fund 8851, fiscal year 2009, organization 0507, to the Division of Human Services, fund 8722, fiscal year 2009, organization 0511, to the Adjutant General - State Militia, fund 8726, fiscal year 2009, organization 0603, to the West Virginia State Police, fund 8741, fiscal year 2009, organization 0612, to the Division of Criminal Justice Services, fund 8803, fiscal year 2009, organization 0620, to the Division of Public Transit, fund 8745, fiscal year 2009, organization 0805, to the Bureau of Senior Services, fund 8724, fiscal year 2009, organization 0508, to the Workforce West Virginia - Workforce Investment Act, fund 8749, fiscal year 2009, organization 0323, to the Division of Human Services - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, fund 8816, fiscal year 2009, organization 0511, and to the Division of Human Services - Child Care and Development, fund 8817, fiscal year 2009, organization 0511, all supplementing and amending the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009.

WHEREAS, The Governor has established the availability of federal funds now available for expenditure in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, which are hereby appropriated by the terms of this supplementary appropriation bill; therefore

TEXT: Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8738, fiscal year 2009, organization 2300, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

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TITLE II --APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

LEGISLATIVE

271-Crime Victims Compensation Fund

(WV Code Chapter 14)

Fund 8738 FY 2009 Org 2300

Act- Federal Ivity Funds

3a Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 348,230

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8797, fiscal year 2009, organization 0100, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

EXECUTIVE

273-Governor's Office -

Office of Economic Opportunity

(WV Code Chapter 5)

Fund 8797 FY 2009 Org 0100

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 5,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8800, fiscal year 2009, organization 0100, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

EXECUTIVE

274-Governor's Office -

Commission for National and Community Service

(WV Code Chapter 5)

Fund 8800 FY 2009 Org 0100

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 150,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8736, fiscal year 2009, organization 1400, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

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Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

EXECUTIVE

276-Department of Agriculture

(WV Code Chapter 19)

Fund 8736 FY 2009 Org 1400

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 716,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8703, fiscal year 2009, organization 0305, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

282-Division of Forestry

(WV Code Chapter 19)

Fund 8703 FY 2009 Org 0305

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 2,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8712, fiscal year 2009, organization 0402, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

290-State Department of Education

(WV Code Chapters 18 and 18A)

Fund 8712 FY 2009 Org 0402

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 32,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8713, fiscal year 2009, organization 0402, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

291-State Department of Education -

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School Lunch Program

(WV Code Chapters 18 and 18A)

Fund 8713 FY 2009 Org 0402

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 325,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8715, fiscal year 2009, organization 0402, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

293-State Department of Education -

Aid for Exceptional Children

(WV Code Chapters 18 and 18A)

Fund 8715 FY 2009 Org 0402

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 40,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8734, fiscal year 2009, organization 0932, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE ARTS

298-State Board of Rehabilitation -

Division of Rehabilitation Services

(WV Code Chapter 18)

Fund 8734 FY 2009 Org 0932

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 1,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8708, fiscal year 2009, organization 0313, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

300-Division of Environmental Protection

(WV Code Chapter 22)

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Fund 8708 FY 2009 Org 0313

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 35,602,400

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8802, fiscal year 2009, organization 0506, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

302-Division of Health -

Central Office

(WV Code Chapter 16)

Fund 8802 FY 2009 Org 0506

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 4,256,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8824, fiscal year 2009, organization 0506, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

303-Division of Health

West Virginia Safe Drinking Water Treatment

(WV Code Chapter 16)

Fund 8824 FY 2009 Org 0506

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 5,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8851, fiscal year 2009, organization 0507, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

304-West Virginia Health Care Authority

(WV Code Chapter 16)

Fund 8851 FY 2009 Org 0507

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2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 50,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8722, fiscal year 2009, organization 0511, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES

306-Division of Human Services

(WV Code Chapters 9, 48 and 49)

Fund 8722 FY 2009 Org 0511

4a Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 126,367,951

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8726, fiscal year 2009, organization 0603, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

AND PUBLIC SAFETY

308-Adjutant General - State Militia

(WV Code Chapter 15)

Fund 8726 FY 2009 Org 0603

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 4,535,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8741, fiscal year 2009, organization 0612, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

AND PUBLIC SAFETY

311-West Virginia State Police

(WV Code Chapter 15)

Fund 8741 FY 2009 Org 0612

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 485,386

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8803, fiscal year 2009,

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organization 0620, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

AND PUBLIC SAFETY

315-Division of Criminal Justice Services

(WV Code Chapter 15)

Fund 8803 FY 2009 Org 0620

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 8,192,846

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8745, fiscal year 2009, organization 0805, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

319-Division of Public Transit

(WV Code Chapter 17)

Fund 8745 FY 2009 Org 0805

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 4,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8724, fiscal year 2009, organization 0508, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 6. Appropriations of federal funds.

BUREAU OF SENIOR SERVICES

321-Bureau of Senior Services

(WV Code Chapter 29)

Fund 8724 FY 2009 Org 0508

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 340,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8749, fiscal year 2009, organization 0323, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 7. Appropriations from federal block grants.

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330-Workforce West Virginia -

Workforce Investment Act

Fund 8749 FY 2009 Org 0323

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 3,777,679

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8816, fiscal year 2009, organization 0511, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 7. Appropriations from federal block grants.

338-Division of Human Services -

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Fund 8816 FY 2009 Org 0511

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 12,000,000

And that the total appropriation for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2009, to fund 8817, fiscal year 2009, organization 0511, be supplemented and amended by adding a new item of appropriation as follows:

TITLE II--APPROPRIATIONS.

Sec. 7. Appropriations from federal block grants.

339-Division of Human Services -

Child Care and Development

Fund 8817 FY 2009 Org 0511

2 Federal Economic Stimulus 891 \$ 6,523,500

The purpose of this supplementary appropriation bill is to supplement, increase and add an item of appropriation in the aforesaid accounts for the designated spending units for expenditure during the fiscal year 2009.
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Stimulus wish lists State's project list long

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State officials say there are \$970 million worth of road projects in West Virginia that could use federal stimulus money.

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In just about every corner of West Virginia, there's a public project that's ready to go if money is available.

In all, the state has identified more than \$2 billion worth of "shovel ready" projects that have been reported to the state's congressional leadership in hopes of getting a piece of the vast economic stimulus package being pushed by President Barack Obama.

West Virginia's list ranges from small infrastructure projects to hugely expensive road projects. They're called "shovel ready" because each could be under way within 180 days if money was available.

Gov. Joe Manchin's office provided the entire 13-page list of state projects to the Daily Mail through a Freedom of Information Act request.

It does not include most of the projects proposed by city and county officials, including those in Kanawha and Putnam counties, who've begun making lists of their own. Their lists also are likely to be submitted to the state's congressional delegation, if they haven't already, and the projects could either be funded directly from the federal government or could receive a portion of money from the state's allotment. They include everything from Kanawha County's requests for funding for a new library to South Charleston's request for money to upgrade a railroad overpass.

More than 360 projects are specified on the state's list pertaining to water and sewer and other infrastructure; roads and bridges; the West Virginia Turnpike; prisons and public safety; and other renovations.

The majority of the projects are for water, sewer and other infrastructure improvements. More than 170 projects fall into this category.

The most expensive item is the expansion of broadband Internet to parts of the state where it doesn't exist. This project, which Gov. Joe Manchin has been pushing for some time, is estimated to cost about \$40 million.

Manchin last year signed a bill into law that puts the expansion of broadband project on track to be completed by 2010.

The other projects mainly have to do with water and sewer upgrades. The multitude of the projects, and their widespread distribution, seem to illustrate a deterioration of state water and sewer systems.

In Kanawha County, there are more than \$29 million in requests for maintenance and upgrades for sanitary boards and public service districts in the Upper Kanawha Valley, Chelyan, St. Albans, South Charleston and the Elk Valley.

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Statewide, there are many smaller projects - \$3 million and under - listed for public service districts and for waterline extensions to areas of the state that aren't served.

Kathy Cosco, spokeswoman for the state Department of Environmental Protection, said roughly 20 to 25 percent of the households in West Virginia have no public water service and almost 45 percent are not connected to a public sewer system.

Some of the larger projects include water and sewer upgrades for the municipalities of Wayne and Elkins. Wayne can use \$12.7 million, and Elkins can use \$28 million.

Elkins Mayor Judith Guye said her city has to build a new water plant and replace waterlines, some of which are 100 years old.

Guye said the water plant was built in the 1920s and is fast deteriorating. She said a wall of the plant recently began to collapse, and the city had to pony up a lot of money to repair the wall. But those repairs gave the plant only another four years of life, she said.

The waterlines are prone to leaks. Guye said the city has improved on being able to detect where leaks occur, but they continue cropping up.

"It's always a problem with the old lines," she said.

She said the city supplies water to customers of three outlying public service districts.

"So it's not only city residents but a good bit of Randolph County," Guye said.

If the city would have to borrow all the money for its water projects, she said it would have to substantially raise water rates on citizens.

When it comes to state transportation, the big-ticket items of the more than 120 roads and bridge projects include: the Coalfields Expressway, U.S. 35; East Beckley Bypass; Corridor H; upgrades to W.Va. routes 10 and 9; widening W.Va. 2 from Parkersburg to St. Mary's; upgrading the Winfield toll bridge; and work on King Coal Highway.

The most expensive projects involve widening W.Va. 9 to four lanes and finishing Corridor H in Grant County.

The W.Va. 9 project - meant to accommodate a growing population in the Eastern Panhandle - is estimated to cost about \$102 million, while the Corridor H project should cost about \$89 million.

Locally, rehabilitating the Winfield toll bridge could cost about \$20 million.

The Fort Hill Bridge and the connecting on and off ramps could use about \$12 million worth of repairs, according to the list.

Officials with the West Virginia Turnpike - who have long lamented a lack of funds to maintain the road - have listed 156.5 lane miles that need paving at a cost of \$152 million. Counting its two northbound and two southbound lanes, the 88-mile Turnpike has about 352 lane miles of pavement.

Two bridges on the Turnpike - the Bluestone and Yeager - need painted, which would cost about \$2 million. A widening project in Beckley is estimated to cost about \$70 million.

In the public safety category, the state Division of Corrections says it can use money for projects like completing a work camp and upgrading the sewerage at Huttonsville Correctional Center.

Also on that list include \$24.5 million worth of projects to extend the taxiway and upgrade the avionics shop at the Eastern West Virginia Regional Airport in Martinsburg.

The state parks system says it can use about \$8.6 million for projects like fixing the roofs of the Blackwater and Cacapon lodges; upgrading drainage for the golf course at Canaan Valley; building a recreation center at Chief Logan; and expanding the lodge at Twin Falls.

There are about \$17.4 million worth of projects at the state Capitol Complex. Restoration of the exterior of the East and West wings of the Capitol is expected to cost about \$5 million, while renovations and upgrades to buildings 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7 could use about \$12.4 million.

The city of Nitro says it can use about \$500,000 to build a new public boat-launching site with a 50-vehicle parking lot, boat ramp, courtesy dock and associated facilities.

There are also five items in the list for \$14.7 million to build a new veterans' cemetery in Institute.

Another \$8 million could be useful to create temporary jobs through U.S. Fish and Wildlife Conservation to address a "substantial backlog" of maintenance at wildlife management areas, fish hatcheries and shooting ranges in the state.

Stimulus package projects

State officials have compiled a detailed list of projects, worth more than \$2 billion, that could quickly get started if West Virginia gets a portion of the federal government's proposed economic stimulus package.

In this region, requests include:

\$224 million Paving and maintenance on the W.Va. Turnpike, including

\$2 million for painting the Yeager and Bluestone bridges

and \$70 million to widen highway in the Beckley area.

\$38 million Construction on U.S. 35

\$29.7 million Maintenance and upgrades for sanitary boards and public

service districts based in the Upper Kanawha Valley,

Chalyan, St. Albans, South Charleston and the Elk Valley.

\$20 million Renovations to the Winfield toll bridge

\$17.4 million Renovations at the Capitol Complex including exterior

restorations to east and west wings and upgrades in

buildings 1, 4, 5, 6 and 7.

\$14.7 million New veterans' cemetery in Institute.

\$12 million Repairs to the Fort Hill Bridge (Interstate 64)

\$500,000 To city of Nitro, construction of a new public boat launch,

ramp, dock, other facilities, including 50-vehicle parking lot.

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Legislators want stimulus answers

By Kate Long

CHARLESTON, W.Va. -- As Gov. Joe Manchin runs for the U.S. Senate, legislators are escalating their efforts to find out how his administration plans to spend federal stimulus dollars.

"It has become a time-sensitive thing," House of Delegates Majority Leader Brent Boggs said Tuesday. "Should the governor move on to other endeavors, we need that information. It would be very difficult for the person who's acting governor to come in and find all the necessary information."

Since early 2009, the Obama administration has awarded \$2.3 billion in stimulus money to West Virginia. The Manchin administration is responsible for spending \$1.05 billion of it.

Last week, Manchin officials said that although they have spent only 40 percent of the dollars under their control, they have obligated 97 percent.

"Obligated" means the work is under contract, Manchin policy chief Jim Pitrolo said.

"Then we should be able to get a list of those contracts," Nancy Guthrie, chairwoman of the House stimulus committee, said Tuesday. "We've been asking for that information since May, but they haven't given it to us.

"There's no reason for this to be cloaked in secrecy," she said. "They're using the money for many fine projects, from all I can tell. But it's gotten beyond the point where 'trust us' is a sufficient answer."

If a state does not spend its allocation by the federal deadlines, the state loses the money, she said. Deadlines begin this fall and stretch into 2015, depending on the program.

The administration has not spent more than \$600 million, Guthrie noted. "If they have those dollars obligated, we need that information. Obligated to whom? How much? Which counties?"

Today, the legislative leadership will ask Jim Pitrolo, Manchin's policy chief, to provide details, Boggs said. Pitrolo will attend the meeting of the Joint Committee on Government and Finance, which includes the House Speaker, Senate President, and heads of major committees.

Legislators in other states received that information months ago, Michael Bird, federal affairs counsel for the National Conference of State Legislatures, said Tuesday.

"In states I know about, where the legislature is really active, that information is out there for everybody to see," Bird said. "There's no benefit to hiding this stuff."

By June, only one other state -- Alaska -- had spent its stimulus dollars more slowly than West Virginia had, according to a report released last week by Federal Funds Information for States in Washington, D.C.

Bird said slowness is not necessarily a problem if a state has solid plans for its unspent dollars. Some projects -- like West Virginia's statewide broadband project -- require extensive planning, he said. "So it depends on the progress deadlines and the plans for spending the money."

Many West Virginia projects require considerable preparation: sewer, water and highways projects and others. If the contracts are in order, Bird said, West Virginia may be in good position. "They have salved it away, which may mean they are sitting in good position to withstand continued economic downturns."

On Monday, the Gazette asked Pitrolo for a list of contracts for unspent dollars. "It would be difficult to assemble," he said, because each agency keeps its own information. "We're working on it," he said.

Among legislators, he said, only "one young lady" has been asking for that information, referring to Guthrie.

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Gov. Manchin pitches \$215M in stimulus road and bridge projects across West Virginia

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - The Manchin administration has trimmed West Virginia's wish list of road and bridge projects to 109 ready-to-go items eligible for incoming federal stimulus dollars.

The new roster totals \$215.2 million, slightly more than West Virginia's estimated share of stimulus highway funding. The total is divided somewhat equally among the state's three congressional districts.

About \$97 million, or 45 percent, would help expand West Virginia's highway corridor system. Another \$83 million would resurface 37 stretches of road.

Nearly \$40 million is dedicated to cleaning, painting, replacing or pouring new concrete on 57 bridges. The remaining projects would address rock slides and other safety issues, including the building of truck climbing lanes. There's also a \$2 million grant program for each congressional district.

Bid requests for all 109 items are scheduled to be advertised between this week and late May. Sixteen of them, totaling more than \$20 million, are slated to go out before Friday.

West Virginia's overall share of the federal stimulus is estimated at nearly \$1.8 billion. About \$323.6 million of that is devoted to the highway projects and other key infrastructure work, and is also meant to create or save jobs.

That infrastructure funding also includes \$80.7 million for water, sewer and storm system projects. The Department of Environmental Protection must submit a plan by Friday for spending that portion, Manchin Public Policy Director Lara Ramsburg said Tuesday.

DEP Secretary Randy Huffman told the House Finance Committee later Tuesday that his agency would seek public comment on that plan through March, and assign the funds to eligible projects by Aug. 17. Those will all either begin construction or be under contract by Feb. 18, 2010, he said.

State forestry officials also sent proposed job-creating projects last week to their federal counterparts, who are armed with stimulus funds to be distributed regionally, Ramsburg added. More than 77 percent of the state's 24,230 square miles are forest land.

Broadband Internet access is also under the infrastructure umbrella, but Ramsburg said its specifics are still being worked out. The governor's office will soon post details of all the various infrastructure projects on its web site, she said.

Gov. Joe Manchin said he told President Barack Obama at Monday's White House meeting with governors that he planned to embrace the stimulus' chief goal and create as many jobs as possible.

Manchin cited the letter that the unprecedented federal spending measure mandates each governor sign, that

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requires them to account for what they and their states do with the money.

"He told us point-blank, 'I'm going to hold you responsible,'" Manchin told The Associated Press. "I want to be one of the first to sign it, to let them know that we're on board and committed."

West Virginia boasts the nation's ninth-lowest unemployment rate as of December, at 4.9 percent when adjusted for seasonal hiring trends. It also does not need stimulus funds to balance its budget either this year or next, unlike most other states.

"We are in a most enviable position," Manchin said. "That means we can truly plan to navigate through these troubled times in the most prudent way possible."

But Manchin said he is reviewing whether the money marked for state budgets — West Virginia's share is estimated at \$286.5 million — can be held in reserve for future use.

While the state expects to balance the 2009-2010 budget being crafted during the ongoing legislative session, officials have forecast a \$243.9 million gap between revenues and spending for the budget year that begins July 1, 2010.

Manchin began briefing lawmakers on the planned infrastructure spending Tuesday, at a closed-door meeting with the House's majority Democrats. He plans to meet with Senate Democrats on Wednesday, and Republican from both chambers Thursday. A House committee formed to oversee the stimulus, meanwhile, expects to meet Wednesday over Manchin's road and bridge list.

Manchin told AP that the list, compiled by state highways officials, reflects the criteria set by the federal legislature: that they be completed in three years, and are in economically distressed areas.

"I haven't asked for anything to be put in there," Manchin said. "I trust the people that are overseeing these things."

The governor also noted around 70 percent of the state's roads don't qualify for the stimulus funds because they cannot otherwise receive federal dollars.

"It's going to move pretty quickly," Manchin said of the money influx. "That's why the federal government is using the vehicles they are using."

At least 49 counties would see work funded by the stimulus. Raleigh County tops the list at \$33.5 million, mostly for expanding the East Beckey Bypass. That \$32 million project is the largest on the list.

Jefferson County is in line for the next-highest amount, \$29 million to expand state Route 9 between the Shenandoah River Bridge and the Virginia state line.

The stimulus bill requires the federal government to apportion the highway money by March 10. As with other states, West Virginia must dedicate half its share of those dollars to specific projects by mid-June. It must obligate the rest within one year or lose the balance to other states, though that deadline can be extended under special circumstances.

When talk of stimulus legislation began last year, the administration compiled a roster of 139 eligible road and bridge projects totaling \$970 million for stimulus funding. The revised list, released now that the final bill has been signed, appears to include at least 31 of those previously proposed items.

House Finance Chairman Harry Keith White, D-Mingo, said lawmakers will take up a measure this week to ensure the state can start spending highway stimulus funds during the current budget year. He also said both that funding and the money DEP will oversee should free up state dollars for additional projects. Some of these "second tier" projects won't necessarily launch as quickly as those funded by the stimulus, he added.

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State ready for stimulus money

By Mannix Porterfield

CHARLESTON — West Virginia doesn't need President Obama's stimulus dollars, but Gov. Joe Manchin has no intention of turning the money down.

In fact, the Department of Transportation plans to formally file its wish list Friday of "shovel ready" road projects so the dirt can fly as soon as all the paperwork is completed.

"West Virginia is in a very envious position," Manchin said Tuesday after updating a Democratic caucus in the House chamber.

"We're not counting on stimulus money. We're among less than a handful of states that doesn't need the money to take care of services people depend on."

Blessed with a surplus, Manchin said, the state is prepared to maintain its services through the fiscal year.

Even so, the state isn't about to reject the stimulus money.

The exact amount is hard to define. Manchin said he has seen numbers ranging from \$1.3 billion to \$1.8 billion.

"No, you can't," he said when asked if the state would refuse the stimulus since its finances are strong.

"From this standpoint, it's helping. It's going to help highways, do a lot we haven't been able to do. It's going to help a lot of people sustain the work they already have or find new jobs. So there are a lot of good things."

Manchin spoke with the president this past weekend at the White House and donned dress shoes for the first time since breaking the small toe on his left foot in a workout.

"I cringed the whole time, but I made it," he laughed.

From the bundle destined for this state, about \$210 million is set aside for road projects and the remainder goes toward water and sewer projects and education, he said.

"I'm totally committed to helping this president be successful in trying to keep this economy moving forward and trying to turn it around," he said.

Each of the three congressional districts should get some \$70 million in highway funding.

"It has to be federally approved and has to be shovel ready," the governor said.

"That limits the scope of what we can do. There's not a whole lot of flexibility in these projects. We've already identified them and the federal government has already approved them."

Yet, if something has been omitted and a greater need arises, "then it's a work in progress," Manchin said.

"But it's very transparent and based around jobs and the safety of our citizens," he added.

"The president was very adamant — total transparency, no politics, no earmarks. We do what needs to be done and what's right."

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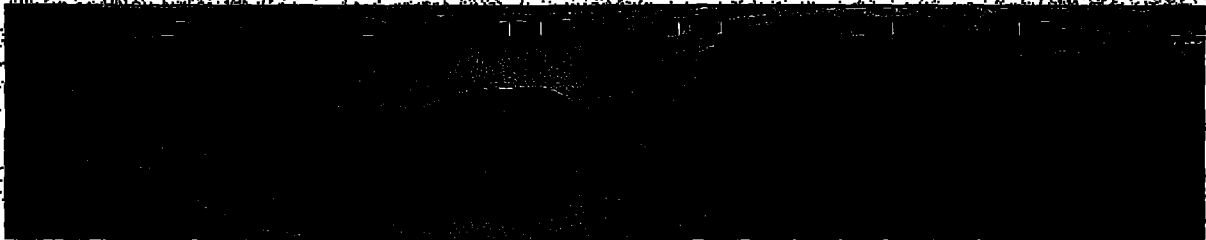
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Governor Manchin Announces More Than \$6 Million in ARRA Grants

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10/15/2009 CHARLESTON-Governor Joe Manchin, along with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) & the West Virginia Division of Highways, this week announced the awarding of 26 projects as part of the 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act totaling approximately \$6.3 million.

These grants will provide West Virginia communities with funding assistance for the design and development non-traditional projects such as improving safety for pedestrians and bicyclists through the construction of sidewalks and trails.

Listed by county, grant recipients for 2009 ARRA funding include:

BERKELEY

\$329,000 to the City of Martinsburg for the Martinsburg Town Square Pedestrian Plaza

BROOKS

\$200,000 to the City of Wellburg for the Wellburg Sidewalks 2009

CABELL

\$160,000 to the City of Huntington for the Downtown Huntington Pedestrian Corridor

FAYETTE

\$200,000 to the City of Mount Hope for the Mount Hope Sidewalks and Lighting 2009

\$154,173 to the Town of Fayetteville for the New River Pedestrian Bridge Gateway Improvements

\$250,000 to the City of Oak Hill for the White Oak Rail Trail Paving 2009

GREENBRIER

\$138,000 to the Town of Rainelle for the Rainelle "Kanawha Boulevard" Sidewalks

\$250,000 to the City of Roncoverts for the Roncoverts Main Street Sidewalks 2009

GREENBRIER/FAYETTE

\$264,000 to the Greenbrier County Commission for the Meadow River Rail Trail

HARRISON

\$425,721 to the City of Clarksburg for the Clarksburg Historic Downtown Sidewalks 2009

JEFFERSON

\$180,000 to the Corporation of Bolivar for the Bolivar School Sidewalks

\$500,000 to the City of Ranson for the Ranson Fifth Avenue Streetscape Improvements

KANAWHA

\$525,000 to the Charleston Urban Renewal Authority for the Charleston Washington Street West Streetscape

\$300,000 to the West Virginia Division of Highways for the Flinn Sidewalks

LINCOLN

\$80,000 to Lincoln County Schools for the Lincoln County Pedestrian Walkway Bridge

LOGAN

\$180,000 to the Town of Man for the Man Sidewalks 2009

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\$400,000 to the City of Pleasant Valley for the Pleasant Valley Sidewalks 2009 (Pleasant Valley Road)

MERCER

\$250,000 to the City of Princeton for the Princeton Sidewalks 2009

MINERAL

\$240,000 to the Town of Carpenters for the Carpenters Rail Trail 2009

MONONGALIA

\$450,000 to the Town of Granville for the Granville Main Street Streetscape

PLEASANT

\$238,000 to the City of St. Marys for the St. Marys Washington Street Sidewalks 2009

RALEIGH

\$48,500 to the Town of Mabscott for the Mabscott Sidewalks

RANDOLPH

\$220,000 to the Davis and Elkins College for the Davis and Elkins College Campus Improvements

ROANE

\$120,000 to the City of Spencer for the Spencer Sidewalks 2009

WEBSTER

\$63,172 to the Town of Addison/Webster Springs for the Baker's Island Trail

WOOD

\$200,000 to the City of Parkersburg for the Little Kanawha Connector Trail

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State Web site to track stimulus spending

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Gov. Joe Manchin announced the launch Monday of a new, easier-to-use Web site to allow West Virginians to track the \$1.8 billion of federal stimulus funds that will be coming into the state over the next three years.

The Web site, www.recovery.wv.gov (<http://www.recovery.wv.gov>), will provide continuous updates on where stimulus dollars are being directed.

"I wanted this Web site to be easy to navigate and to contain as much overall program and county-specific information as possible, so our residents could see what types of projects are being funded," Manchin said Monday.

Visitors can search by program - for instance, the site's link for transportation shows \$210 million for highways, \$18.3 million for public transit, and \$3.3 million for airports, and provides a list of the road and bridge construction or repair projects designated for stimulus funding - or search by county.

A search of Kanawha County shows \$19.09 million designated to date, with \$15.4 million in public education grants and \$3.63 million for road and bridge projects.

Manchin public policy director Lara Ramsburg, who is overseeing the state's stimulus spending, said the site will be updated frequently, as agencies get more information on specific stimulus.

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Manchin seeks more Medicaid stimulus funds

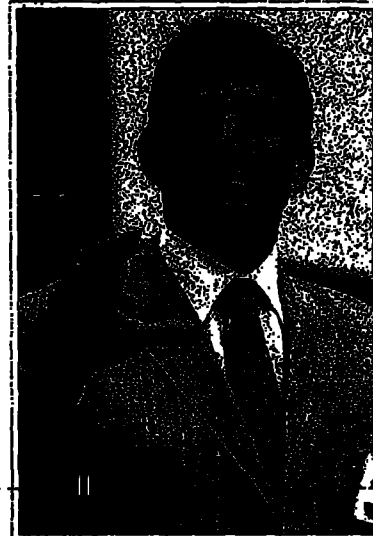
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CHARLESTON -- Gov. Joe Manchin is appealing to Congress to keep federal stimulus dollars flowing into state Medicaid programs.

The National Governors Association wants to extend a temporary funding boost set to expire in December.

Manchin co-signed a letter from NGA that cites the "length and depth of the recession" in asking U.S. House and Senate leaders to continue the enhanced matching rate until mid-2011. That's when most states complete the next budget year.

"Additional federal Medicaid funds were critical for helping states avoid certain tax increases and cuts to core services that would have otherwise been necessary to balance state budgets," the Feb. 4 letter from Manchin and Vermont Gov. James Douglas said.



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Gov. Joe Manchin is seen in this July 9, 2009 file photo at the Cabell County Courthouse.

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Douglas chairs the NGA, while Manchin is vice chair and in line to head the organization later this year. Their letter also requests greater leeway for states in managing these health insurance programs.

Medicaid can consume large shares of state spending, and West Virginia is among those states fearing a looming funding shortfall. The state's program mainly covers poor children and the disabled.

While seeking more for Medicaid, Manchin continues to question whether either taxpayers or Congress would support another round of stimulus legislation, spokesman Matt Turner said. The governor instead suggests a loan program that would reward states with zero interest if repaid within a certain time, Turner said.

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Stimulus surge soon, Manchin says



Laurence Pierce

Within weeks, \$112 million stimulus dollars will flow to the public schools and higher education, so math teacher Kim Landers of Piedmont Elementary -- and about 39,000 other public school employees -- will not face layoffs or furloughs.

By Kate Long

CHARLESTON, W.Va. -- Gov. Joe Manchin pledged last week that hundreds of millions more stimulus dollars will soon flow through West Virginia's economy.

By April 1, West Virginia had spent only 20 percent of its \$1.4 billion in stimulus contracts, grants and loans, according to new federal data released last week. The national average is 31 percent.

"There is absolutely going to be a tremendous increase, with everything that is pending right now, everything that is in the paper mill waiting to be approved," Manchin told the Gazette last week.

The state can lose stimulus dollars for most programs if they are not spent or obligated by June 30, 2011.

"That's not going to happen," WBEH's said. "By the end of the 2011 fiscal year, we will have obligated and spent every stimulus penny allotted [to West Virginia]."

He did not dispute the 20 percent figure, but said that number will be much higher six -- or even three -- months from now.

"We have obligated a whole lot more than that [20 percent]," he said, meaning that contracts have been signed. "We're on top of it."

More than half of West Virginia's stimulus work is under contract, Manchin said. "We're being very careful."

As of April 1, 27 percent of West Virginia's stimulus projects had not started. Another 35 percent were less than 50 percent complete, according to the federal stimulus Web site, www.recovery.gov. But 16 percent were more than 50 percent completed and 21 percent were complete.

"The Legislature would love to have specific information about all those contracts," said Delegate Nancy Guthrie, chairwoman of the House stimulus committee. "It would be reassuring."

Beyond the Division of Highways, she said, "We haven't been able to get current information about what the contracts are, how far along they are, and who got them, county by county, which projects are not yet under contract."

Manchin asked his state stimulus coordinator this week to put more information on West Virginia's stimulus Web site, www.recovery.wv.gov. As of Friday, the site contains considerable information from www.recovery.gov, the federal site.

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State to receive funding for high-speed Internet

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U.S. Commerce Secretary Gary Locke is expected to announce today that West Virginia will receive economic stimulus money to expand high-speed Internet broadband across the state.

Locke has scheduled a 1 p.m. press conference in Wheeling to announce the funding. Gov. Joe Manchin and U.S. Sen. Jay Rockefeller are scheduled to attend.

West Virginia's Department of Commerce has requested \$126.3 million in broadband funds.

The money would be used to expand broadband in schools, libraries, hospitals, public safety agencies and jails. The project would add 900 miles of fiber-optic lines in West Virginia.

Several telecommunications companies opposed the state's broadband grant application, saying state officials failed to show the project would benefit "unserved" and "underserved" areas.

Those same companies applied for broadband stimulus funding.

Congress has allocated \$7.2 billion to improve broadband service across the U.S.

The federal government received 1,400 grant applications during the first round of requests.

So far, most of the broadband grant money has gone to smaller projects that serve specific communities.

Earlier this month, Frontier Communications' request for \$55 million in stimulus funding for broadband projects was rejected.

Frontier has said it will have a better chance of receiving the stimulus money if the state Public Service Commission approves the company's plans to purchase more than 617,000 Verizon telephone access lines in West Virginia.

Frontier said it remains committed to spend \$39 million to expand broadband in West Virginia, even without the federal funds.

Frontier will have a chance to reapply for broadband grant funds during a second round of federal stimulus funding.

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Funding Will Launch Intermodal Project to Create Jobs, Strengthen Nation's Infrastructure

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Feb. 17 /PRNewswire-USNewswire/ -- CSX today congratulated Ohio Governor Ted Strickland, Maryland Governor Martin O'Malley, Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell, Virginia Governor Bob McDonnell, West Virginia Governor Joe Manchin and the National Gateway coalition on the award of \$98 million in Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) grant money. The funds will go immediately to construction projects that enhance the use of fuel efficient and environmentally-friendly freight rail.

"The entire National Gateway coalition has shown extraordinary vision, dedication and commitment," said Michael Ward, chairman, president, and chief executive officer of CSX. "Supporting this investment creates jobs now and improves America's transportation system and competitive advantage over the long-haul."

By creating a more efficient double-stack cleared rail corridor between East Coast sea ports and consumption centers and Midwest distribution centers, the National Gateway will yield an estimated \$22 in public benefits for every dollar of public money invested. This public-private partnership will create greater capacity for goods moving in and out of the Midwest, reducing transit times between coastal ports and major population centers by 24 to 48 hours; reduce highway congestion and transportation emissions; and create over 50,000 jobs.

Double-stack clearances allow trains to carry nearly twice as much freight on the same number of trains. Already, trains can move a ton of freight more than 436 miles on a single gallon of fuel, making rail transportation three times more fuel-efficient than over-the-road alternatives. The increased freight capacity will improve the nation's economy and environment.

The National Gateway is supported by a broad coalition that includes governors and regional officials across six states, more than three dozen members of Congress, three port authorities, and a large number of global shippers, ocean carriers, business organizations and environmental groups.

The TIGER Discretionary Grant program is part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. The federal funds will help complete the \$842 million project, to which sponsoring states have pledged \$189 million and CSX has contributed \$395 million.

CSX Corporation, based in Jacksonville, Fla., is one of the leading transportation companies, providing rail, intermodal and rail-to-truck transload services. The company's transportation network spans 21,000 miles with service to 23 eastern states and the District of Columbia, and connects to more than 70 ocean, river, and lake ports. More information about CSX Corporation and its subsidiaries is available at the company's web site, www.csx.com (<http://www.csx.com>).

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Manchin calls for lower business taxes, more construction

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West Virginia's business climate has improved in recent years, but more should be done to lower taxes, Gov. Joe Manchin said Wednesday.

In his State of the State address, Manchin said he would recommend a constitutional amendment that would reduce taxes on commercial and industrial properties.

Such an amendment would require a statewide public vote.

"This will help to create better jobs," the governor said. "This is about more than cutting taxes. It's about fair and progressive taxation that meets our state's needs and allows us to compete and prosper."

Manchin also touted judicial reforms, including a proposal to allow full appellate review by the state Supreme Court of all final decisions issued by circuit courts across the state.

Steve Roberts, president the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce, said that change and others proposed by the governor Wednesday night would help bolster the state's economy.

"It sets a great tone," Roberts said. "There was super emphasis on educational improvement, tax reduction and legal fairness. This is great news for our children and our state's future."

Manchin said federal stimulus money had provided a "much-needed shot in the arm" to West Virginia, but the funds won't address all of the state's challenges.

"West Virginia is a top state for putting stimulus dollars to work on our highways, and for building water and sewer lines," the governor said. "We are working hard with limited resources and have planned an aggressive construction program for 2010."

That's exactly what Steve White of the Affiliated Construction Trades group wanted to hear.

"We're concerned about funding for infrastructure - roads, bridges, schools, water and sewer," said White, executive director of the labor group. "We have high needs in all those areas. You can't cut your way to prosperity."

White said industrial project construction at chemical and power plants has flattened out this year. He added that the federal stimulus package has been a "lifesaver" for many road and bridge construction jobs.

"Ironically, West Virginia has fared well compared to the rest of the country, but it's getting worse," said White. "There's a lot of uncertainty out there right now as far as what this year will bring."

White questioned Manchin's desire to reduce taxes on commercial and industrial properties through a constitutional amendment - a proposal that his group's members likely wouldn't support.

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"Before you're going to cut, you have to find replacement [funds], and they haven't found a replacement," White said. "The question is who will make up the money? And the answer too often ends up to be working families."

West Virginia's economy is expected to lose 2,200 jobs this year, even though employment may pick up steam during the second half of 2010 as the national economy rebounds.

Manufacturing jobs are expected to stabilize - a stark contrast to the massive layoffs recorded from 2003 to 2008. Last year alone, the state lost 5,900 manufacturing jobs amid the recession.

Overall, the state lost 22,600 jobs from the second quarter of 2008 to the second quarter of 2009. The state's unemployment rate doubled over the past year.

Only two sectors showed an increase in jobs - government and health care.

Although West Virginia's economy fared better than most state's last year, Manchin had few positives to point to.

A year ago this month, Century Aluminum announced it was shutting down its smelter, putting 650 employees out of work.

One of the few bright notes: Last fall, the Boy Scouts of America decided to build a national scouting center in Fayette County and invest \$300 million in the project. The Scouts plan to build a high-adventure base, Jamboree Center, summer camp and leadership center.

"They chose us as their centerpiece for the next 100 years of scouting in America," Manchin said Wednesday night. "It gives us an unprecedented opportunity to showcase West Virginia to business leaders and tourists, as well. I truly believe this can be a game changer for the state of West Virginia."

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To All Agency Procurement Officers:

Recently, the Purchasing Division has become aware of the expedited requirements imposed on the use of SEP/ARRA Federal Stimulus funds. These funds provide an unprecedented opportunity to accomplish many state goals, but the requirements for use of the funds have also created an unanticipated volume of work for the state.

Because of this factor, I am authorizing the suspension of standard purchasing procedures for projects utilizing Federal Stimulus funds and invoking the emergency purchasing procedures as set forth in the *West Virginia Code* §5A-3-15, the *Code of State Rules* §148-1-7.6 and Section 8.6 of the *Purchasing Division Procedures Handbook* (see attached).

Emergency purchasing procedures allow state agencies, after receiving approval from this office, to seek and obtain bids for the work as well as all other necessary approvals and then submit that information to the Purchasing Division for award of the contract.

We believe this emergency declaration will permit state agencies to use SEP/ARRA Federal Stimulus funds in the most expeditious manner to obtain maximum benefit for the state of West Virginia.

Below are general guidelines to follow in processing an emergency purchase using SEP/ARRA funds, if you believe time will not allow for these purchases to move through the normal purchasing process:

- 1) Submit a written request to the Purchasing Division via e-mail at purchasing.requisitions@wv.gov to attain emergency approval for your purchase. To identify that the solicitation is for an emergency stimulus project, please note in the subject line of the email the following: "Stimulus Project." This request must include the timelines imposed on the use of the funds – preferably through original documentation from the granting authority. Additionally, the request must provide the following information: agency name, project title, project

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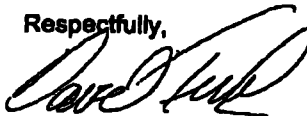
description, anticipated bid opening date, contact person, email address, and telephone number. Please note the Purchasing Division will confirm the bid opening date with the agency once emergency approval has been granted.

- 2) Once approval has been granted from the Purchasing Division to process the purchase as an emergency, the agency may solicit bids for the project.
- 3) The Purchasing Division will publicly post the project on a web page, www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/stimulus.html, that has been established for these time-sensitive stimulus projects. This web page is accessible to all vendors, regardless of their vendor registration status. These solicitations must be advertised on this web page for a minimum of two weeks prior to the bid opening to give ample time for prospective vendors to respond.
- 4) It is important to consider conducting a pre-bid conference if you believe the project warrants this step. Pre-bid conferences are typically used with construction projects.
- 5) After receiving the bids for your project, the agency is to select the lowest bidder meeting specifications as the apparent successful vendor for the contract.
- 6) Necessary insurance, licenses, bond documents, and other required verifications and certifications should be requested from the apparent successful vendor. Many of the forms can be found at:
<http://www.state.wv.us/admin/purchase/vrc/pforms.htm>
- 7) Following the receipt of all necessary documentation, this information is to be forwarded to the Purchasing Division for processing and final approval. The documentation to be forwarded to the Purchasing Division includes all bids, insurance, licenses, bonds, other verification and certifications, and a letter of recommendation for award noting the apparent successful vendor.

Please note that if there is not an imminent deadline for use of the stimulus funds, these procurements should be handled through normal purchasing process.

The Purchasing Division is available to assist you in every step of this process. Please do not hesitate to contact your assigned buyer with any questions. Thank you.

Respectfully,



David Tincher, Director
Purchasing Division

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West Virginia Code § 5A-3-15

§5A-3-15. Emergency purchases in open market

The director may authorize, in writing, a state spending unit to purchase in the open market, without filing requisition or estimate, specific commodities for immediate delivery to meet bona fide emergencies arising from unforeseen causes, including delays by contractors, delays in transportation and unanticipated volume of work. A report of any such purchase, together with a record of the competitive bids upon which it was based, shall be submitted at once to the director by the head of the state spending unit concerned, together with a full account of the circumstances of the emergency: Provided, That the director may waive the need for the record of competitive bids. Such report shall be entered on a record and shall be open to public inspection.

Code of State Rules 148CSR1

7.6. Emergency Procurement

The Director or an appointed designee shall review a spending unit's written request and issue written approval or disapproval for emergency purchases exceeding \$25,000. An "Emergency Situation" requiring a purchase of commodities, services or printing must be the result of unforeseen events or circumstances, including delays by contractors, delays in transportation, or an unanticipated volume of work. Emergency purchases are not used for hardship resulting from neglect, poor planning, or lack of organization by the spending unit. Competitive bids shall be obtained if possible.

Purchasing Division Procedures Handbook

8.6 Emergency Purchases: In accordance with the *West Virginia Code* §5A-3-15, purchases may be necessary to be made when unforeseen causes arise; however, emergency purchases are not used for hardship resulting from neglect, poor planning or lack of organization by the spending unit.

An emergency purchase is a purchase which can be made only after the Purchasing Director, exercising sound judgment and discretion, concludes in good faith and upon reasonable and sufficient grounds that some unforeseen or unexpected circumstance has suddenly created a situation requiring that commodities or services be immediately purchased by a state spending unit and the Purchasing Director in writing authorizes such a purchase. A report of any such purchase, together with a record of competitive bids upon which it was based, is to be submitted to the Purchasing Director.

When an emergency situation occurs during normal business hours, verbal approval of the Purchasing Director or his/her designee must be obtained prior to making a purchase or execution of any work. A written explanation must be provided immediately

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via facsimile which should include the estimated cost. If an emergency occurs after business hours, on a holiday or weekend, the state agency may proceed with the emergency purchase and provide immediate written justification of the action to the Purchasing Director on the first working day following the emergency.

A minimum of three (3) bids shall be obtained, if possible. Original, signed written bids shall be attached to the *Purchase Requisition*, and submitted to the Purchasing Division with a letter of justification or a copy of the Director's or designee's written approval.

Agencies must first examine mandatory contracts and other internal sources for availability of the product or service and utilize such. For information on mandatory contracts and internal sources, see Section 4: Acquisition Planning, 4.6 Define Sources.

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Manchin announces stimulus Web site

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - Gov. Joe Manchin has announced the launch of a new Web site providing West Virginians information about economic stimulus money the state is receiving from the federal government.

Manchin says it's important for the state to be as transparent as possible about where the money is going.

The site contains a search feature and allows people to view information by topic or by county. The site will be updated as new information becomes available. Users also will be able to sign up for e-mail updates, RSS feeds or Twitter to stay apprised of developments.

The Web site is <http://www.recovery.wv.gov> [<http://www.recovery.wv.gov>].

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More Than \$1.6 Billion in Stimulus Funds Coming to W.Va.

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CHARLESTON - More than \$1.6 billion in federal money is on the way to West Virginia through an economic stimulus bill signed by President Barack Obama Feb. 17, with one elected official saying the money will save or create 20,000 jobs in the Mountain State.

The bill approved by Congress contains \$787 billion in spending and tax breaks meant to stimulate an economy now deep in recession. Among the spending items are billions for "shovel ready" infrastructure projects and health care initiatives. Tax breaks for individuals and families also are in the bill.

More than \$1.6 billion of that money will come to West Virginia, according to Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va. That includes \$351 million in job investments, \$551 million for education and technical training, and \$664 million in health care for low-income families.

Families also will pay less in taxes with a \$400-per-individual/\$800-per-couple tax credit. Lowering the threshold for the child tax credit from \$12,000 to \$3,000 is expected to benefit more than 200,000 West Virginia families.

"We simply couldn't wait for the economy to fix itself," Rockefeller said in a news release. "There is far too much at stake, far too many jobs already lost in our state and far too many families struggling right now."

Rockefeller said the infrastructure funding alone should save or create as many as 20,000 jobs in West Virginia. The Obama administration estimated the package would create or save 3.5 million jobs across the nation during the next two years and lift more than 2 million people out of poverty.

State officials across the nation have eagerly waited for the funding as they sought to plug huge budget deficits. West Virginia hasn't experienced the same budget problems, but state leaders still looked forward to the money.

Gov. Joe Manchin said his office crafted its proposed state budget for the upcoming fiscal year not relying on any federal funding from the stimulus package. At the same time, his office is looking at implementing several health care reforms using the money and may delay a proposed hike in the state's tobacco tax if it has enough funding for the reforms.

The AARP is among the advocates of the stimulus package. David Bloom, AARP's senior vice president of government relations and advocacy, was following the bill closely as lawmakers hammered out the details in the days leading up to its passage.

"West Virginia is an oasis compared to what is going on around the country," he said. "It is probably ironic for West Virginians to think of it that way, but there are many states that are in dire, dire shape. We've never seen a fiscal picture this bleak."

Included in the stimulus package for West Virginia is a temporary \$450 million increase in Medicaid funding, \$163 million in additional food stamp support, more than \$20 million for community block grants to help the unemployed make rental and utility payments, \$585,000 for the school lunch program and \$289,000 for Meals on Wheels.

Also in the bill is more than \$19 billion in bonus Medicaid and Medicare payments nationwide for physicians and doctors who adopt electronic health care technologies in their offices. West Virginia lawmakers hope to use the state's share of the money to implement an electronic health care system, which was one of the major recommendations of a task force that spent last year exploring health care reforms.

Sloane said many states already have taken steps to implement such programs in anticipation of federal funding.

"It is not like we're starting from Jump Street," he said. "They've been talking about this for a number of years now."

Education is the next largest recipient after health care. Public schools, colleges and universities will receive \$219 million to help stabilize budget shortfalls. The state will receive an additional \$156 million in school construction bonds over two years to build and renovate schools in such a way that they will be energy efficient and promote technology.

The state will get \$210 million for road, bridge and highway construction and repair, \$62 million to provide clean drinking water to communities and nearly \$20 million for water and sewer infrastructure.

Other details of the plan include:

- * a "making work pay" tax cut of up to \$400 for individuals earning below \$75,000 per year and up to \$800 for couples earning below \$150,000;
- * expanding the earned-income tax credit to families with three or more children, helping an estimated 50,000 West Virginia families;
- * giving tax relief to 86,000 West Virginians by preventing them from paying the Alternative Minimum Tax;
- * \$3.4 billion for clean coal research and development nationwide;
- * \$70 million to make West Virginia buildings more energy efficient;
- * lowering COBRA health care premiums by 65 percent for unemployed West Virginians for up to nine months; COBRA recipients will be responsible for only 35 percent of COBRA premium costs;
- * \$3.2 million in State Employment Service Grants to match unemployed individuals to job openings through state employment service agencies and provide customized reemployment services;
- * \$3.6 million in Dislocated Workers State Grants to meet the needs of skilled workers;
- * raising the weekly unemployment compensation benefit by \$25 and temporarily suspending federal income taxes on the first \$2,400 of unemployment assistance.

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Tech park decision expected soon Manchin will make choice on Dow offer by Friday; says his main concern is keeping jobs

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See more photos of the South Charleston Tech Park.

Gov. Joe Manchin said he will decide by Friday whether the state will accept Dow Chemical Co.'s gift of three buildings and 258 acres at the South Charleston Technology Park.

Manchin said his main concern is keeping the 485 jobs that are currently in the park.

Chuck Lawrence, executive director of the state Department of Administration's Real Estate Division, said that when existing park revenue is subtracted from expenses, it currently costs \$7.8 million a year to operate the park.

"Everything we're thinking about centers around how to put downward pressure on the cost," he said. "Our goal is cash-flow neutral."

Manchin said that if the state were to accept Dow's gift, "We would blow through \$800,000 a month at the current rate if we don't get this down quick. That doesn't sit well with me. We've got to stop the hemorrhaging immediately if we decide to move forward."

Lawrence said, "When you have a negative cash flow, you have to increase revenue or reduce your costs."

Renting all of Building 740, a 130,000-square-foot lab building that is 35 percent occupied; and filling Building 2000, a 199,000-square-foot office building that is 30 percent occupied, would increase revenue, Lawrence said. Mothballing Building 770, which contains labs but is now vacant, would reduce costs by \$4.2 million.

These changes could reduce the negative cash flow to about \$100,000 a year, Lawrence said.

Some of the offices that would be moved into Building 2000 have been identified. They include the Higher Education Policy Commission and the community and technical college system. Neither Manchin nor the others at Tuesday's meeting discussed other offices that might be moved.

Manchin said state laboratories would be moved to the park if it makes economic sense. That would include the state Department of Agriculture's labs that are now at the Guthrie Center. It might include the state Department of Health and Human Resource's Office of Laboratory Services, which is now at 167 Eleventh Ave. in South Charleston.

The governor said many organizations and entities are pitching in to try to make the park work for the state. He said the city of South Charleston has committed to maintaining the park's road system and treating the park's sewage "as part of their donation to this park."

Kanawha Commissioner Dave Hardy said he will propose the Charleston Area Alliance contribute \$250,000 to the project when the alliance's board has a special meeting Friday.

In addition to operating expenses, there are capital expenditures to consider. Lawrence said the park's buildings were analyzed using three scenarios:

n "Must be done." It would cost an estimated \$8.9 million to make necessary improvements, such as bringing the buildings into compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act.

n "Should be done." It would cost an additional \$17.8 million to do what should be done.

n "Nice to do." Lawrence said improvements that would be nice - but are not absolutely necessary - would cost an additional \$14.4 million.

The total cost to do everything would be \$75.3 million, he said.

The Higher Education Policy Commission distributed a fact sheet that says its staff is preparing to ask the state Economic Development Authority for \$30 million for building improvements.

Other sources of funding were not specifically identified, although ManchIn said there are numerous opportunities to obtain federal stimulus money for building improvements and energy research and Higher Education Policy Commission Chancellor Brian Noland said his agency hopes to attract more federal research money.

ManchIn said he wouldn't make a decision yet because of several unresolved concerns:

He said he wants assurances that the 150 Dow Chemical jobs currently at the park will remain there if the state accepts the company's gift.

ManchIn also said he is negotiating with Duke Energy to either change the terms or buy out the park's steam contract.

Duke has 15 years remaining on a contract to provide steam to the park. The steam is used to heat the buildings and conduct experiments. Under the current contract, Duke gets a \$430,000 annual capital fee and a \$1.5 million annual maintenance fee. Lawrence's staff estimates it would cost \$4.4 million to buy out the contract.

ManchIn, Lawrence, Dow Chemical, and Noland used maps, photos, fact sheets and spreadsheets to brief stakeholders and the media about the park. All three Kanawha County Commissioners were in attendance. The meeting took place late Tuesday morning in a large conference room in Building 2000.

Following the presentations, ManchIn went around the room asking stakeholders to speak. Each one got up, thanked the governor for his leadership, said they would support his plans for the park and wished him well in making his decision.

During a question-and-answer session, Kanawha Commission President Kent Carper said he couldn't imagine anyone in the room wanting to see the park's buildings bulldozed. Carper asked if it is absolutely critical that the Higher Education Policy Commission move quickly if the state takes over the park.

It was reported over the weekend that moving the commission and the Council for Community and Technical College Education to the park would cost the owner of Boulevard Tower in Charleston \$458,616 a year in lost rent.

The governor said, "I would think it would be within one year."

ManchIn said, "We've probably spent more time, effort, and due diligence on this as any other single project. It is so complex. There is so much opportunity. But with that comes a lot of challenges."

The governor concluded, "We can help ourselves or wait for someone else. We can criticize everything or take a transparent look. You're seeing everything in front of you that we have to make a decision except for Duke Energy, and I want to make sure Dow will keep its 150 people up here."

Nearly everyone who spoke had hopes for reviving the park.

Manchin said he recently invited Steven Chu, secretary of the U.S. Department of Energy, to tour the park. "I said we have the possibility of acquiring a piece of property that could be very unique for the state and the country," Manchin recalled. Chu agreed to come and bring some of his staff, the governor said.

Lawrence said that by accepting Dow's gift, the state would receive three buildings and land with a total value of about \$24 million. The property would become even more valuable if the state succeeded in making the park vibrant again, he said.

If Dow's gift was accepted but the state's plans did not work out, the state could try getting its investment back by selling the buildings and land, Lawrence said. "At the end of the day I feel our back side is protected by the value of the gift," he said. "If we have to extricate ourselves, I think we can get our money back."

A deadline agreed to by Dow Chemical and the state for a decision about the future of the park passed earlier this month but Dow promised Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., it won't turn off the utilities or start tearing down buildings until March 1.

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Gov. Joe Manchin said he will decide by Friday whether the state will accept Dow Chemical Co.'s gift of three buildings and 258 acres at the South Charleston Technology Park. At left are Kanawha County Commissioners Hoppy Shores, Kent Carper and Dave Hardy.

Manchin said Tuesday his concern is keeping the 485 jobs that are currently in the technology park, above.

Building 740 is the main building in the park and home to some research companies.

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Kristy Dillon holds up a beaker as part of research she is doing in a lab in Building 740 at the park. Dillon does research for Progenesis Technologies, LLC. The company uses green technology to produce biopolymers through genetic engineering of bacteria.

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LEGISLATIVE LOOKAHEAD Manchin working on tax relief, health care Governor says state must brace for more job losses

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Gov. Joe Manchin doesn't expect the state to raise most types of taxes this year, but said West Virginia must brace for more unemployment as the nation's economy worsens.

Over the past six months, studying budget estimates has been "like a roller coaster," Manchin said Thursday at the annual Legislative Lookahead conference sponsored by the Associated Press.

Still, he hopes West Virginia will not have to raise general-revenue taxes.

"The average person will not feel the pinch," he said...

But the governor plans to introduce legislation that would increase revenues for the state's unemployment compensation fund if joblessness reaches critical levels. The state's current fund can handle up to 8 percent unemployment, he said.

West Virginia's December jobless rate was 4.4 percent, according to figures from Workforce West Virginia.

Manchin called 8 percent "a horrible rate" and said he doesn't expect the state to reach that level, but he pointed to the pending closure of Century Aluminum's Ravenswood plant as evidence of the global downturn's local effect.

"It happened in spite of everything that was done," he said, referring to negotiations between the company, Appalachian Power Co. and state and federal officials.

Next week, Manchin will outline his legislative agenda when he gives his State of the State Address. On Thursday, he alluded to some goals but offered few details when speaking to reporters at the gathering at Marshall University Graduate College.

For instance, the governor said he would seek "more [tax] relief for working people" and would aggressively pursue a health care plan.

He also plans to introduce an alternative energy portfolio, he said.

Manchin said he supports President Barack Obama's \$800 billion-plus stimulus package, but added, "This country wasn't built on handouts."

"I'm not looking to the federal government to be a provider," he said.

The governor may consider expanding Medicaid, but is probably being cautious about federal stimulus money because it likely would last only two years, two state legislators said after Manchin's session with reporters.

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"He's very guarded, and we are, too," said Sen. Roman Prezioso, D-Marion, chairman of the Senate Health and Human Resources Committee.

Prezioso and his House counterpart, Delegate Don Perdue, D-Wayne, have led the Roadmap to Health Project, a state health-reform initiative launched last year. About 14 percent of West Virginians are uninsured.

Next week, they will unveil up to four bills based on the roadmap project's recommendations.

While Macchin said he doesn't support general-revenue tax hikes, one of the bills would raise the state's cigarette tax from 55 cents to the national average of \$1.20. That would raise \$110 million to treat and prevent chronic diseases, Prezioso and Perdue said.

Another bill would require restaurant chains to post nutritional information on menus.

"We're going to leave the mom-and-pop stores out of it," Prezioso said.

Separate from the Roadmap to Health Project, Perdue told the Gazette he also plans to push for a 1-cent increase in the beer tax to fund substance-abuse treatment programs. His proposal would raise \$2.5 million, he said.

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W.Va. share of federal stimulus package estimated at \$1.4B; includes Medicaid, school projects

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - West Virginia could get a \$1.4 billion slice of the federal stimulus legislation now under debate before Congress, if the latest proposal reaches President Barack Obama.

A group that tracks federal funding for states provided the estimate, drawn from the House version of the \$825 billion stimulus package.

West Virginia's share appears to fall short of the \$2.2 billion worth of ready-to-go projects that Gov. Joe Manchin recently outlined to the new administration. But the proposed bill would give West Virginia the 12th-highest amount when the funding is compared to state populations, according to the figures provided by Federal Funds Information for States.

The estimate includes \$253 million to boost Medicaid funding over the next two years. The funding will temporarily increase the rate by which the state draws down matching federal dollars for the health care program for the poor and disabled. The rate is now just under \$3 for every dollar in state money.

The extra Medicaid funding also aims to help West Virginia cover residents thrown out of work by the ongoing recession, according to an analysis for the pending legislation by the National Conference of State Legislatures.

The biggest chunk of the state's estimated share, more than \$539 million, is for education-related needs. Of that, \$101 million would be earmarked for K-12 construction projects. Another \$351 million is part of a national "State Fiscal Stabilization Fund" meant to help both public schools and higher education while also providing for "incentive grants and an innovation fund," the NCSL analysis said.

Manchin spokesman Matt Turner noted that at least some of the proposed education funding was not requested by the state in its \$2.2 billion wish list. Other categories in the state's roster of projects deemed eligible for stimulus, also differ from what's before Congress, Turner observed.

The state had asked for \$970 million for highway-related projects, and \$673.9 million for such other infrastructure needs as water and sewer. The roads portion of the state's estimated share from the House bill is \$243.5 million, while \$114 million is earmarked for water projects.

The Federal Funds Information for States estimate for West Virginia also counts \$70.4 million for weatherization, \$4.3 million for displaced workers and \$13.5 million for child care.

The full House is expected to vote on the \$825 billion plan Wednesday, while Senate committees are scheduled to focus on that chamber's version on Tuesday. Turner said the end result for West Virginia could vary greatly from the \$1.4 billion estimate.

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While some Democratic allies complain the stimulus package -- already unprecedented in size -- is too small, his biggest challenge comes from Republicans who believe the measure leans too heavily toward government spending and does too little to cut taxes.

Already \$350 billion has gone out to banks and financial institutions under the just-departed Bush administration, and the second \$350 billion instalment is now in the hands of the Obama administration, which is promising tougher standards on how the money is used.

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Federal stimulus plan may likely delay revamping of West Virginia's road fund picture

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - The far-reaching federal stimulus plan expected from President-elect Barack Obama will likely delay any serious overhaul of West Virginia's State Road Fund.

Lawmakers discussing state highway funding on Monday said they should wait to see just what the estimated \$775 billion package might provide for Mountain State road projects.

"All states are holding back on what they're going to do," said Senate Finance Chairman Walt Helmick, D-Pocahontas.

Obama has proposed spending the \$775 billion over two years to help the nation avert a prolonged recession. About \$475 billion of the funding would cover an array of infrastructure-related projects, including those involving roads and bridges.

Gov. Joe Manchin has outlined \$2.2 billion in projects that would qualify for funds under the proposed terms of the stimulus. About \$970 million of the state's total reflects road- and bridge-related projects, with \$224 million of that coming from the West Virginia Turnpike.

But Helmick also estimate that needed repair, maintenance and building projects are about two to three years behind schedule, for lack of money. An economist updating an earlier study on the road fund's future told lawmakers at Monday's interim meeting that the fund continues to struggle to keep up with demand.

Tom Witt, director of the Bureau of Business and Economic Research at West Virginia University, said several factors bedevil the fund. They include a drop in overall vehicle registrations and the advent of alternative energy vehicles.

The main source of state money for West Virginia roads, the fund comes mainly from taxes on gasoline and diesel fuel fees on both new and transferred registrations.

Witt said the road fund's options include hiking those taxes and fees, and perhaps linking the latter to inflation rates. West Virginia has the 13th-highest gas taxation in the country, according to October figures from the American Petroleum Institute. Witt cited the 12 other states with higher rates.

Witt also said the state should study an alternative to fuel taxes that more accurately charges for using the state's roads. He noted that Oregon has been testing methods to track miles driven by individual vehicles.

West Virginia has some bright spots in its revenue and spending forecasts, Witt said. Lower gas prices should increase consumption, while falling prices for building materials amid the national recession should ease the cost of road projects.

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The road fund is also reaped \$311 million so far this budget year, or \$2.4 million more than projected. It is expected to reach \$638 million in revenues when budget year ends June 30.

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Reject Part Of 'Stimulus'

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President Barack Obama has embarked on a "don't rock the boat" campaign over the \$787 billion "stimulus" program. He is using meetings with governors and members of Congress, among others, in an effort to gloss over some of the package's more glaring deficiencies.

One of them is that billions of dollars in "stimulus" money could reduce the number of jobs in the United States. That is why Gov. Joe Manchin should consider turning down part of the money directed to West Virginia.

If he does think about just saying no to the money, Manchin will not be alone. Other governors, including Bobby Jindal of Louisiana and Mark Sanford of South Carolina, are joining in a giant flow in the "stimulus" - from the perspective of states and employers.

Billions of "stimulus" dollars are earmarked for state unemployment compensation programs. West Virginia is to receive \$33.4 million for the purpose. But so much of the "stimulus" money comes with strings attached.

In the case of money to provide benefits for the unemployed, the strings are more like ropes - nooses, garbages - to be dropped around the necks of employers.

States accepting the "stimulus" money for unemployment compensation must agree to expand eligibility for benefits. One expansion would require paying benefits to part-time workers, even if a state's program does not allow that now.

It has been pointed out that complying with the "stimulus" requirement would make states' unemployment compensation programs more expensive. Once the "stimulus" money runs out they would have to fund the additional benefits themselves. That would mean increasing premiums companies pay for unemployment compensation.

In the long run, increasing those premiums would make it more difficult for employers to remain competitive. Some would have to lay off workers, or, at the very least, not hire new ones in the future.

Many states, with their unemployment compensation programs underfunded drastically, have little choice but to accept the "stimulus" money. West Virginia is different. Our unemployment compensation fund maintains a healthy - though decreasing - balance.

Instead of adding West Virginia companies with a new burden in the future, Manchin and other state leaders should turn down the "stimulus" money earmarked for unemployment compensation programs.

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Manchin Wants To Do Bidding

Governor seeks change as stimulus dollars arrive

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WHEELING - For nearly two decades, West Virginia has not been required to seek bids for design work on infrastructure projects paid for with federal dollars, according to Gov. Joe Manchin - and that can result in the design phase of such projects costing half as much as the actual construction of a road, bridge or a water or sewer line.

Now, just as West Virginia officials prepare to accept \$2.8 billion in federal economic stimulus funding, Manchin is proposing legislation that would require pre-qualification and competitive bidding among firms seeking to do engineering and design work in the state.

"I thought we always did bid," Manchin said. "I thought the state's standards were so rigid everybody had to comply."

But he said a federal law from 1998 allows states to institute a qualification process for firms wanting to do work paid for with federal dollars. After this, the state officials can "kind of give it out" to whomever they want, according to Manchin.

"We started looking at how we could get the biggest bang for our buck, and we decided that we had to change the process," Manchin said.

Most federal projects require some matching dollars from the state, even if that amounts to only 10 percent or 20 percent of the total cost of the project, he noted.

Under Manchin's plan, the engineering work for such projects would be paid for with the state's matching funds. Engineering work would then be subject to the state's bidding criteria.

"Then we can use the federal money to actually construct or do something," Manchin said. "That's what we're doing."

He cited one recent project as an example of the current problem: the building of a small bridge that cost \$1.4 million was based on design plans that cost \$750,000 of the total amount.

"That may be a bit of an extreme, but for many of our projects the engineering accounts for 25 to 30 percent of the projected costs," Manchin said. "In the real world, I don't think you pay that much for engineering costs."

He admitted that he has other concerns about the process.

"A tell-tale sign is how many people who actually used to be on the Division of Highways selection committee - when they retired - went to work for these large companies they oversaw," Manchin said.

Manchin also hopes his involvement in the appropriation of stimulus money won't be "overpoliticized" by legislators who feel slighted because their districts haven't received the funding they sought.

"I have not driven one road or bridge," Manchin said. "I have not

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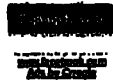
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chosen one water or sewer line - nor do I intend to. But I understand the legislative process. They all want to take something home, and there's not enough money to do what needs to be done."

Every legislator thinks their projects are more important than all of the others, Manchin acknowledged.

"I've let the professionals decide," he said. "There's a process to go through."

An accounting of all federal infrastructure dollars to be spent in West Virginia is to be recorded on the governor's Web site at wv.gov.org.

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WVa leaders wary of shoring budget with stimulus

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - As West Virginia faces the prospect of shrinking revenues, Gov. Joe Manchin and lawmakers said Thursday that they want to avoid plugging any budget gaps with federal stimulus dollars.

Nonetheless, legislative leaders add that the stimulus money could help with any one-time spending proposed in the budget bill.

"That could free up general revenue for other purposes, if it's done in a way that's non-base-building," said House Finance Chairman Harry Keith White.

The Manchin administration may reduce the amount of general tax revenue it estimates will be available to fund the upcoming budget. General revenues have missed the mark the last two months by a combined \$92.2 million, though officials still predict that this budget year will end June 30 without any shortfall - despite a worsening economy.

A revised estimate would likely prompt cuts to Manchin's proposed 2008-2010 spending plan. It relies on nearly \$4 billion from general revenue, slightly less than this year's. The next budget starting July 1 must be passed before the Legislature leaves in April.

West Virginia's share of the stimulus, estimated at nearly \$1.8 billion, has already started to flow into the state. But lawmakers and Manchin say they don't want to tap those temporary funds to close budget gaps that will only reappear next year.

"Our goal remains to use the stimulus funds to create jobs and build our infrastructure, and not to patch holes in our budget," said Manchin spokesman Matt Turner.

White, D-Mingo, agrees, as does Senate Finance Chairman Walt Helmick, D-Pocahontas. But besides reviewing the budget bill for one-time items, White said committee staff are checking for programs and agencies to trim.

"We're looking for any wiggle room," White said. "But overall, I'd say we're in a holding pattern, waiting to see how the governor is going to revise his revenue estimate."

White also noted signs that Manchin continues to urge his cabinet secretaries to find savings within their budget areas. Turner touted the conservative fiscal approach of Manchin, who began his second term in January, for West Virginia avoiding budget deficit threats that have bedeviled all but a handful of states.

Turner also said that the governor still hopes to hold on to stimulus funds for the 2010-2011 budget, when the state has forecast a funding gap of \$125 million and counting.

"We would like to be able to have the flexibility to use these one-time funds to address any shortfalls that may arise in our future budget years due to economic conditions, but we don't anticipate needing to do that in this year's

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budget," Turner said. "We're waiting on more information on what our options may be before determining our plans for that portion of the stimulus money."

Turner referred to a portion of the massive federal spending measure meant to stabilize state budgets, particularly the large shares consumed by public schools and colleges. West Virginia's slice of that section is \$268 million, U.S. Sen. Jay Rockefeller, D-W.Va., and state schools Superintendent Steve Paine told reporters Thursday.

During the conference call, Paine said the schools system has yet to suffer the sort of recession-related job losses that would trigger stimulus funding for that part of the state budget. He said those dollars will instead fuel a major effort to improve the classroom skills of teachers.

"We're going to use this money to do what we're calling 'building the back porch' in West Virginia, to provide that place for teachers to engage in research-based professional development," Paine said. "This is perfect money for a two-year infusion, a very intense infusion."

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Manchin: Oil and Gas Must be Part of Nation's Energy Mix

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CHARLESTON—During the past few weeks, volatility in natural gas market prices has been a cause of concern in West Virginia.

Since early February, the natural gas spot price at Henry Hub, a pricing point for natural gas futures, has dropped 33 cents per million Btus, or about 7 percent.

But the oil and natural gas industry in the Mountain State has a bright future, Gov. Joe Manchin told the West Virginia Independent Oil and Natural Gas Association during its winter meeting Feb. 26.

"Gas has a strong future," he said. "It will help meet the needs of the future."

During his keynote address, Manchin touted his Alternative and Renewable Energy Bill, which is pending before the West Virginia Legislature.

West Virginia is an extraction state, Manchin said. Coal, oil and natural gas are part of the energy mix here. Because of recent strength in those markets, the state is in better shape financially than most.

"With the challenges that are coming here, we're in pretty good shape," the governor said.

He pointed to how a lot of states will have to use their share of the recently passed federal economic stimulus package to cover budget shortfalls. The Mountain State, he said, will not have to do that. In fact, much of that money will not be touched for a couple of years.

"We won't have to draw down on some of the money until 2011," Manchin said.

The state is projected to have a small surplus through at least 2010, he said. Manchin vowed to not expand existing, state programs or create new ones with the stimulus money.

"We're not going to create new programs or expand existing ones," Manchin said. "This will go away, and it should go away."

The stimulus money is intended to be a bridge to help states weather the economic storm for the next two or three years, he said.

Although oil and gas prices are down now, Manchin urged the group to stay positive because the markets eventually will rebound.

And that will be good news for the state, said Charlie Burd, president of WVIONGA. Today, the industry faces a number of big challenges, including gathering issues and pipeline safety.

At the meeting, the association posted information about the industry's contributions to the West Virginia economy. According to WVIONGA, the oil and natural gas industry generates a total of \$1.1 billion in labor income and \$4.9 billion in industrial output. The average wage in the industry is \$63,162.

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In 2007, the industry paid \$80.2 million in severance taxes and \$78.1 million in property taxes.

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HAMLIN – Members of Lincoln County's legislative delegation have been busy the past week after passage by Congress of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). Area legislators said they are working closely with members of Governor Joe Manchin's administration in designating public works projects that can be funded by the ARRA. Delegate Ralph Rodighiero was particularly concerned last week, when he learned that the governor's office did not include funding for State Route 10 between Man and Logan in the proposed funding package.

"We (legislators) have been told we are going to have some input into which projects are picked," said the Logan delegate, whose district includes most of Lincoln County. "But we were just given this highway list and told to either support it or we might not get anything," said Rodighiero. Rodighiero said he was particularly concerned about the Route 10 funding. "My constituents are calling, asking me if I am not aware of how bad off Route 10 is between Man and Logan. Of course I know. But I wasn't asked about what projects to fund, no matter what the papers say."

Manchin last week announced the launch of a new Web page comprising "West Virginia Stimulus Information" at www.wv.gov.org. The Web page aims to give constituents up-to-date information about the stimulus dollars that the State of West Virginia receives from the federal government through passage of the ARRA. The governor's communications office plans to update the stimulus information on the Web page, as that information is finalized and available.

As of this past weekend, a small number of Lincoln County projects were listed among those submitted for consideration for funding. When reviewed by a Lincoln Journal reporter, Saturday, the Web page offered information on three specific departments of state government, the Department of Transportation, Department of Commerce and the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP).

State Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin of Logan, whose district includes Lincoln County, said he is "very hopeful that the stimulus, over a period of time, will have a real impact in Lincoln County and the other counties of the district."

Tomblin pointed out that some projects that will be funded were already receiving some state money. "Hopefully, the stimulus will help free up some state money so we can use it on other worthy projects," Tomblin added.

Transportation

According to the Web page, when planning the list of highway projects to be completed with funds from the ARRA, congress gave specific direction for expenditures. "The directive from Congress was to invest in transportation and other infrastructure that will provide long-term economic benefits through projects that could be 'shovel ready' within 120 days of enactment and are federal-aid eligible projects," the statement said. According to the wv.gov.org site, in West Virginia, approximately 30 percent of the road system is eligible for federal aid funding, thus narrowing the list of potential projects eligible for the economic recovery funding.

Among the projects listed in the West Virginia Economic Recovery Proposal (Transportation) is one Lincoln County project, specifically Little Coal River, bridge cleaning and painting, at a cost of \$1.684 million. This bridge is located on United States Route 119 (Corridor G), according to Delegate Josh Stowers, another Lincoln County legislative representative.

Many of the projects listed in the proposal are resurfacing projects, along with bridge replacements, safety, corridor expansion and slides. The proposal broadly apportions funding equally between the state's three congressional districts. District 1's projects would cost \$73.3 million. District 2's projects would cost \$89.5 million and District 3's projects would cost \$72.3 million. Lincoln County is located within the 3rd Congressional District. The most costly project in the 3rd Congressional District would be the East Beckley Bypass Road, at a cost of \$32 million.

Commerce

The site also provides information on possible forestry projects, noting that, on February 17, the West Virginia Division of Forestry was asked to identify and provide a list by noon on February 19

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of specific projects in West Virginia that would create forestry-related jobs with ARRA funding focused on USDA Forest Service State and Private Forestry authorities. "We have no knowledge at this point as to whether or not any of these proposals will receive funding," notes the wv.gov site. One of the project areas submitted would potentially benefit all counties. Entitled "Reforestation of Damaged Mine Lands," the project is categorized as one that would pertain to "related ecosystem/watershed enhancement. A total of \$5 million was sought in the form of a direct grant to the state. The submission suggests that the project would be ready for commencement within 90 to 120 days, last two years and would employ 120.

"This project would employ about 20 contractors and 120 employees to reforest damaged mine lands across the State of West Virginia. Approximately 10,000 acres would be selected and ripped, then fertilized and planted with this project money, promoting healthier watersheds, restoring damaged ecosystems, and sequestering carbon via new forest establishment.

Environmental Protection

The Web page information pertaining to the Department of Environmental Protection notes that funds in the amount of approximately \$61 million were authorized to be used by the State of West Virginia under the ARRA. "The (U.S.) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will award this money in a federal grant to the WV Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program," notes the Website. It is further noted that, in order to be approved to use these funds, the DEP was required to file a supplement to its Intended Use Plan for federal fiscal year 2009.

A Draft Intended Use Plan, dealing with the use of ARRA funds, was reviewed by a Lincoln Journal reporter this past weekend. The cover page of the document notes its submission to the EPA last Friday, February 27.

The submission includes a list of projects (Appendix A) that had already been recommended to pursue Clean Water State Revolving Fund money by the West Virginia Infrastructure and Jobs Development Council (WVJDC). No Lincoln County projects are listed in Appendix A.

Appendix B includes a list of projects recommended by the WVJDC to pursue other funding sources. This also includes no Lincoln County projects.

However, listed among the alphabetical list of "potential stimulus sewer projects" (Appendix C, a complete list of all known projects) is a Lincoln County project, listed as Town of West Hamlin, at a cost of \$1,128,700.

The Lincoln Journal will continue to monitor submissions for stimulus funding and updates at the state's stimulus Web page.

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Beckley is getting a new sewer line that is paid for in part by the federal government.

The city was awarded \$2.4 million in federal economic stimulus funds earlier this year to build a \$7 million line to serve 301 customers. That money typically would have been a low-interest loan from the West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, but the loan was automatically forgiven under the terms of the stimulus bill.

Beckley was one of 28 communities that received the special loan for sewer and water projects. All of the projects were ready to launch almost as soon as the money came in, thus providing work in lean economic times.

"Here are 28 different communities where work had to be contracted out," DEP spokeswoman Kathy Cosco said.

West Virginia has spent more than \$351 million in federal stimulus funds since Congress passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in February, according to figures provided by Gov. Joe Manchin's office.

Lawmakers set aside \$1.8 billion for the state in the bill, although only \$1.2 billion is in actual funding. The rest is largely in the form of tax breaks. Most of the money spent so far has been on Medicaid, although highways and infrastructure make up a significant part.

The White House claims the bill will result in 20,000 jobs created or saved in West Virginia. So far, it has created more than 2,400 jobs in the state, according to federal figures. However, media organizations and critics of the administration have noted those figures are not always based on real bodies but rather on sometimes overly optimistic projections.

Whatever the case, the stimulus bill has pumped \$351 million into the state economy that wasn't there before. Local economists said that's bound to have an effect.

"It is really too early to make that determination as to total impact as it is recirculating through the economy," Marshall University economist Cal Kent said. "But, of course, the bottom line it is very positive for the economy."

More than two-thirds of the money spent so far has been funneled through the state Department of Health and Human Resources, according to government figures. Highways received the next largest chunk of funding, with more than \$63 million going to roads and bridges.

Nationwide, roughly a quarter of the \$280 billion from the recovery act has been spent by states, according to a U.S. Government Accountability Office report. More than half of the funds spent have gone to health programs, particularly Medicaid. Another 29 percent went to help shore up state education funds and job training.

More than \$551 million in the act went to education and training in West Virginia. The state Department of Education so far has spent nearly \$14 million in stimulus funds, while Workforce West Virginia has spent a little less than \$6 million.

West Virginia University economist Tom Witt said he believes the money has had a positive impact. Some

companies may have been able to use government contracts to hire people or keep employees they otherwise would have let go.

That's certainly better than the alternative, according to Witt.

"So in the absence of a stimulus , we would've probably had a more severe recession or outright depression," he said.

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Our views Promises are fun; cutting back is not Today's legislators have to exercise the sense their predecessors lacked

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DESPITE the fact that West Virginia has never really had a strong economy, state officials in the past promised people benefits as if there were no tomorrow - workers compensation benefits, lucrative pension formulas, state-paid health care in retirement, etc., etc., etc.

When huge government programs are concerned, it can take a long time for tomorrow to arrive.

But here it is, and with it a legislative season in which the public's representatives will have to face unpleasant realities:

The state still has billions of dollars worth of unfunded pension liabilities. Modern legislators have thrown as many assets as they could at that problem in recent years, only to face heartbreaking setbacks.

The recession delivered yet another challenge on that front. The state has been counting on a 7.5 percent return on the invested assets of its various pension plans. Instead, these plans have lost a bundle.

A state reeling from a recession must find an additional \$145 million this year to shore up its pension funds this year.

The state also has a \$7.8 billion unfunded liability for retiree health care - and no more chance of coming into \$7.8 billion than of mixing green cheese on the moon.

State Sen. Brooks McCabe, D-Kanawha, leads a panel tasked by Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin, D-Logan, with proposing corrective legislation.

Obviously, West Virginians couldn't have funded these promises even with a string of good years. The recession makes the situation worse still.

Increasing competition from other states also means lottery revenues will stay flat.

All this adds up to a situation in which state leaders must act.

Gov. Joe Manchin has ordered all executive-branch agencies to prepare to cut spending by 3 percent to 4 percent. State Budget Director Mike McKown has said federal stimulus money will soften some of that blow, but not all of it.

Long-ago legislators, out of touch with reality, set today's legislators up for unpleasant but necessary reckonings. They will have to be as responsible as their predecessors were irresponsible.

It won't be fun, but it will be respected work.



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State recognized for efficient use of ARRA funds for water projects

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West Virginia is among the nation's leaders in putting to work its wastewater infrastructure American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds. It has been recognized by the U.S. House of Representatives' Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

In a letter to West Virginia Gov. Joe Manchin, Committee Chairman Jim Oberstar praised the state for its aggressive efforts in quickly getting all 39 of wastewater-related projects under construction and for the roughly 300 jobs those projects created or sustained.

Worth \$139 million, the 39 projects in 22 West Virginia counties are being funded through the state's Clean Water State Revolving Fund, with the help of \$100 million in federal stimulus (ARRA) money. The state Department of Environmental Protection administers West Virginia's State Revolving Fund.

West Virginia is one of a handful of states that has all of its ARRA wastewater projects under construction. In fact, three of West Virginia's projects have been completed – sewer system upgrades in the towns of Elkins and Mason and a wastewater treatment plant improvement in the town of Belle. Close to \$10 million in federal stimulus dollars helped pay for those three projects.

"The 39 projects will provide additional water pollution control benefits to close to 198,000 West Virginia citizens, so we're pleased that construction is moving quickly," said Mike Johnson, program manager for the State Revolving Fund. "Our ability to put the projects out to bid, get them under contract and begin construction in a timely manner resulted because of the tireless efforts of the entire State Revolving Fund staff."

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure performs oversight of the transportation and infrastructure provisions of the ARRA to ensure that the funds provided are invested quickly, efficiently and in harmony with the job-creating purpose of the Act.

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\$101 MILLION Stimulus could be windfall for state schools

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New schools. Stronger reading and math programs. More money to serve students with disabilities.

This is what local education officials say West Virginia would receive if the U.S. Senate approves President Barack Obama's economic stimulus bill.

They call it the most significant increase in federal education spending in many years. Kanawha County, for instance, could receive an extra \$10.2 million this year for construction projects alone.

"It would certainly be a windfall for the state," said David Sneed, chief of architectural services for the state School Building Authority.

"Construction has actually started to slow down a bit. This would definitely be a boost for West Virginia."

A final draft of the House version of the stimulus bill lists the amount each county could receive for Title I, disability services and school construction.

Under the House bill, Kanawha County Schools would receive \$4.4 million for Title I and nearly \$4 million to increase funding for services that fall under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Add that to the \$10.2 million for construction, and Kanawha County schools have been earmarked a total of \$18.6 million, the most for any county in West Virginia.

Sneed said each county's construction dollars would funnel through the School Building Authority, as required by state law.

A list of school projects that could be under construction within 180 days was first submitted to Gov. Joe Manchin's office and then to the White House, Sneed said.

In March, the School Building Authority will consider these "shovel ready" construction projects along with several other long-term proposals, Sneed said.

"This would definitely be a shot in the arm for construction here in West Virginia," Sneed said. "It'll just spread our money around to other counties who would have just not gotten funding."

Bleachers but no new school

In all, \$101 million has been earmarked for kindergarten through 12th-grade construction in West Virginia, according to The Associated Press.

Kanawha County's new elementary school project on Charleston's West Side would not use the new money, as county officials secured \$8.5 million from the School Building Authority last year, Sneed said. Site preparation for

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the new school is underway at the corner of Florida Street and Kanawha Boulevard West. It will consolidate students from Chandler and Glenwood elementary schools.

Still, the county has more than its share of building needs, said Chuck Wilson, facilities planner and lead architect for Kanawha County Schools.

"We've got dozens of shovel-ready projects, renovation-style projects," Wilson said. "It'd be tough to come up with brand new projects and get 'em ready [within 180 days]."

Wilson plans to replace several heating, ventilation and air conditioning units at Andrew Jackson Middle School, where parents complained in September that dusty, dirty conditions made some students sick.

"We could eat all that money in [heating and cooling] alone. We've got a roof crisis. Windows are ancient," Wilson said. "We've got high school gym floors that have been sanded so many times the nails are showing through. Bleachers at the middle schools need desperate attention."

In March, Wilson expects to ask the School Building Authority for a planning grant to help build a second elementary school on Charleston's West Side, which would close J.E. Robins and Watts elementary schools.

The grant would give Kanawha County "much-needed time" to start planning for the new school with community residents, hire architects and contractors and run a bond election if necessary, Wilson said.

Although he hopes the School Building Authority eventually would help pay for the second West Side school, a bond might be needed to chip in the money Kanawha County would have to raise.

"Unless some of this federal money could be used for our share," Wilson said.

A solution for Bonham Elementary, which has been burdened by flooding and other problems, would likely be tied into the second West Side school project, he said. If closed, Bonham students could be sent to other schools, where additions to those buildings might be needed.

Close to full funding for Title I

Pam Padon, Title I director for Kanawha County Schools, said federal funding for Title I actually decreased by \$800,000 in the current fiscal year because a U.S. Census count showed a drop in the number of county residents who lived in poverty from 2005 to 2007.

Title I offers extra reading and math help to students who attend the highest-poverty schools. That's in addition to the regular instruction they receive during the school day. Some elementary students in Title I schools also receive after-school services.

Padon called the proposed stimulus bill the biggest boon for Title I in "quite a long while. And, perhaps, we might even get close to fully funded."

She expects the \$4.4 million would fund new employees and bolster services at the county's 26 Title I elementary schools.

"Right off the bat, as President Obama signs this, we'll look at reallocating this money to schools," she said.

Under the House plan, Fayette County has been earmarked for \$5.7 million this year for construction, Title I and disability services. Putnam County would see \$3.1 million; Roane County, \$1.8 million; Jackson County, \$2.4 million; Lincoln County, \$3.3 million; and Boone County, \$2.7 million.

The House bill calls for even more federal dollars for Title I and disability services in 2010, but not construction.

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Kanawha County and surrounding counties would receive millions for school construction, reading and math programs and disability services.

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Gov. Manchin asked the Legislature and all state agencies to shave 2 percent from next year's spending, to help West Virginia cope with shrinking revenue in the national recession.

Let's see - where might some savings be squeezed out?

How about the \$35,000 raise the governor got this year, thanks to a 2005 law boosting constitutional officers in graduated steps?

Or the \$5,000 raise that all legislators get for 2009 - a hike lawmakers voted for themselves last year? Counting 134 senators and delegates, that totals two-thirds of a million dollars. And they also gave themselves a handsome boost in daily expense allowance.

What about the \$2 million new state aircraft that the pilot-governor and his Administration Department crave?

Or the \$3.6 million slated for renovating the vacant Holy-Grove mansion, which has no current purpose?

Is it too late to save anything on the State Museum remodeling that originally was to cost \$6 million, but the tab soared to almost \$18 million over many years?

Surely, imaginative minds in the Legislature can see ways to save taxpayer money.

Luckily, all the lavish spending on the Governor's Mansion - marble bathtubs, leather poker tables, giant outdoor tent, proposed million-dollar entertainment wing - involves private donations from corporations seeking political influence. Taxpayers are spared.

Meanwhile, Ohio and a few states seem almost ready to launch construction projects and create jobs under the federal emergency stimulus plan designed to offset the recession. Statehouse columnist Phil Kabler reports that West Virginia highway officials are stampeding such contracts. We hope it puts thousands to work, triggering a flood of paychecks that will brighten the economy and generate more state revenue, perhaps reducing the need to shave the state budget.

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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAY AWARDS \$5.5 MILLION IN ROUND FOUR OF RECOVERY, REINVESTMENT CONTRACTS

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CHARLESTON, W.Va., May 13 – The West Virginia Department of Transportation issued the following news release:

Various types of bridge work (cleaning and painting, bridge replacement and bridge overlays) leads the \$5,533,523.91 in contracts awarded during the fourth round of the Recovery and Reinvestment Act award meeting held recently by the West Virginia Division of Highways according to Secretary of Transportation Paul Mattox.

"Transportation infrastructure is vital to our state and its residents," Gov. Joe Manchin said. "With these bridge cleaning and painting contracts, West Virginia should start seeing our state's stimulus dollars at work more and more in the coming days. I have been and will remain committed to using our stimulus funds in a responsible, transparent manner."

"The West Virginia Division of Highways continues to demonstrate our commitment to spend the ARRA funds responsibly," Mattox said. "This latest round of projects is no different as we begin a focus on bridge work."

The bridge cleaning and painting contracts awarded were:

~~BRAXTON-\$1,019,910.00 to Abbs & Svoboda, Inc. of Prior Lake, Minnesota for the northbound and southbound lanes of the Kerton Meadows Sr. Bridge 6.64 miles south of US 19 along I-79~~

CABELL-\$149,285.00 to Seminole Equipment, Inc. of Tarpon Springs, Florida for the Madison Avenue Overpass Bridge .2 miles north of I-64 along US 52

GREENBRIER-\$579,385.00 to Seminole Equipment, Inc. of Tarpon Springs, Florida for the Mountain Avenue Bridges both east and west 4.05 miles east of County Route 60/14 along I-64

LINCOLN-\$695,285.00 to Seminole Equipment, Inc. of Tarpon Springs, Florida for the Little Coal River Bridges both north and south just north of County Route 8 along US 119

MERCER-\$271,220.00 to Seminole Equipment, Inc. of Tarpon Springs, Florida for the East River Mountain Tunnel Overpass Bridge 0.15 mile west of County Route 290/1 along US 52

PENDLETON-\$149,285 to Seminole Equipment, Inc. of Tarpon Springs, Florida for the 4-U Bridge .05 miles south of US 33 along County Route 9

A \$1,338,087.80 contract was awarded to Ohio-West Virginia Excavating Co. of Powhatan Pt., Ohio for the replacement of the Shaphord Bridge spanning Fish Creek 1.0 mile west of County 86/1 along County 74 in Marshall County.

The sole resurfacing contract in the amount of \$1,332,541.11 was awarded to West Virginia Paving, Inc. of Dunbar for 1.94 miles Muddlety Road in Fockler Branch, .03 miles south of 43/1 to .20 miles north of County 43/1,

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along US 19 in Nicholas County. For more information please contact: Sarabjit Jagirdar, Email:-
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W.Va. reaction to recent economic crisis suggests lessons learned

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Recently a friend drew my attention to a book about West Virginia history that is of more than historical importance to the situation the state and nation are facing today.

The book is *An Appalachian New Deal: West Virginia in the Great Depression* by Jerry Bruce Thomas. Thomas is a native of Southern West Virginia and a recently retired professor of history at Shepherd University.

While it couldn't be more timely, the book came out in 1998 and is unfortunately out of print now, although copies can be found at several state public libraries. According to Thomas, a new paperback version may soon be available from West Virginia University Press.

My advice: check out and/or buy the book. It could just as easily be titled: "How A State Government Should NOT Respond to a Serious Economic Crisis."

It probably wouldn't surprise many readers to learn that Depression-like conditions hit West Virginia earlier and harder than many other areas. Times were particularly hard in the coalfields and on subsistence farms by the late 1920s, even before the stock market crash - and they only got worse afterward.

Many politicians at the state and federal level were of the Hoover variety, having no idea of how to respond to a crisis of that magnitude other than mumble platitudes about self-correcting markets and how all would be well in the long run. But as the great British economist John Maynard Keynes observed, "Long run is a misleading guide to current affairs. In the long run we are all dead."

By the summer of 1933, Thomas writes that "twelve counties had at least 45 percent unemployed, and most of those hardest hit were counties that relied heavily on subsistence agriculture - such as Lincoln, with a startling 84 percent, and Wayne, with 70 percent. The coal mining counties Raleigh, Mercer, Marion, and Mingo all had more than 40 percent unemployed."

Traditional forms of assistance to the unemployed and destitute relied on private charities or county poor farms, where impoverished children were frequently forced to share beds with unrelated adults.

The limited ability of state and county governments to respond was hampered by the passage of the Tax Limitation Amendment in 1932. Although motivated in part by a tax revolt aimed at helping distressed small farmers, the main beneficiaries were major corporate landowners.

It was interesting to me to see who came off looking pretty good and who didn't. To his credit, Republican Gov. William Conley, who served from 1929 to 1933, stood out from leaders of both parties in recognizing the need for federal and state action.

Ironically, his Democratic successors, while basking in new President Franklin Roosevelt's popularity, were more hidebound in their approach and stonewalled many New Deal efforts when federal help finally arrived after the

1932 election. They often withheld cooperation, refused or delayed state relief spending or matching funds for recovery efforts or were engaged in fighting over turf and patronage.

Alice Davis, a relief worker with the American Friends Service Committee, which operated relief operations throughout the state, urged the state to take stronger action to help families hit by long-term joblessness to get on back on their feet.

At one point, she was so appalled by the conditions of these families and the stinginess of the state response that she said, "I sometimes think that it would be kinder to let them all starve quickly rather than to keep them barely alive for years and then turn them loose with permanent disabilities due to malnutrition."

Throughout the New Deal era, a power struggle raged within the state Democratic Party between the more conservative statehouse faction and pro-New Dealers. The latter won decisively only after the 1940 elections. By then, it wasn't long before what Roosevelt called "Doctor New Deal" was replaced by "Doctor Win the War."

In the end, New Deal programs had a huge effect on West Virginia families, providing meaningful work to thousands and building huge chunks of the state's infrastructure that we are still using today. But things would have been much better sooner with a stronger response.

Fortunately, so far at least, the current recession doesn't approach the level of the 1930s and some of its effects on people have been partially blunted by the legacy of such New Deal programs as unemployment compensation and Social Security.

It's also nice to see that state elected leaders have responded more positively so far to recovery efforts. Gov. Manchin and the Legislature acted in April to ensure the solvency of the state's unemployment compensation system and in recent weeks have taken advantage of federal stimulus funding to avoid drastic cuts in education and social services, a road not taken in the 1930s.

There is more to be done, such as take advantage of stimulus funds to expand unemployment insurance to people seeking part time work and those who lose jobs due to domestic violence or other compelling family reasons, but we seem to be doing better this time around.

I hope we continue to avoid the mistakes of the past. Mark Twain once observed that while history doesn't repeat itself, it sometimes rhymes. I suggest we change that tune.

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Gov. Manchin sees W.Va. enduring recession, seeks to better schools, anti-crime efforts

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - Limited by recession-weakened revenues, Gov. Joe Manchin launched a legislative agenda Wednesday he said would improve education, public safety and the business climate in West Virginia while keeping government finances stable.

Manchin's 68th State of the State address since taking office also included one proposal to ease business property taxes. Another would offer public funds to 2012's state Supreme Court candidates.

Addressing a House of Delegates chamber packed with state officials and guests, the governor renewed last year's call for changes to the public school calendar. He asked lawmakers to help him centralize the state's vehicle fleet, and for all West Virginians to take part in this year's Census.

The Mountain State lost more than 21,000 jobs last year, administration officials estimate, and the recession has also prompted cuts to general revenue spending. Manchin cited signs that his policies have helped weather the storm.

Aided by fellow Democrats and their legislative majorities, the governor has favored bulking up reserves over starting or expanding programs. The Legislature expects to balance the new budget without the tax hikes or employee layoffs forced elsewhere.

"Our welcome centers and rest stops have stayed open, our state offices have normal operating hours, our social services continue and we are paying our bills on time," the governor said to applause. "When I look at West Virginia, I see a state of responsible financial planning, not a state of economic turmoil."

But Republican lawmakers advocate aggressive tax cuts and greatly reduced spending, arguing that taxpayers need the money more. While supportive of some of the proposals, House Minority Leader Tim Armstead said he heard rosy optimism rather than a blueprint for the future.

"We're going to have to go beyond what was outlined in tonight's speech if we're going to move our economy forward and put more West Virginians back to work," said Armstead, R-Kanawha.

Given the tough economic times, Senate President Earl Ray Tomblin said it's no surprise Manchin's speech was short on new or surprising proposals.

"It's an election year, it's his second term and without a whole lot of money, there's not much reason to grow," the Logan County Democrat said.

Manchin also celebrated the multimillion-dollar investment by the Boy Scouts of America in the new Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve at the New River Gorge.

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Manchin earned repeated applause for his praise of coal's role in the state's fortunes. He invoked his administration's recent efforts to improve mine safety and rescue resources, and decried those who "want to villainize this resource." The governor has been at odds with the Obama administration over cap-and-trade climate legislation and renewed scrutiny of the permitting process.

The governor wants lawmakers to increase spending on prison space, while expanding parole options for nonviolent offenders convicted of crimes not involving children. He called for doubling the six-trooper Crimes Against Children Unit. Arguing that vacant and rundown properties can harbor illegal activity, Manchin also said cities should be allowed to collect fees from absentee owners.

To improve education, Manchin proposed more flexible borrowing by the School Building Authority. He asked West Virginia's technical and four-year colleges and universities to freeze tuition rates for the coming year. He also set a goal of winning "Race to the Top" education funding offered by the federal stimulus.

If the state fails to secure some of that \$5 billion in the first round, Manchin vowed to pull the Legislature into special session later this year to make any necessary changes. Cities could also place liens on fire insurance proceeds from destroyed buildings under a related proposal.

The governor thanked one special guest, actress and Charleston native Jennifer Garner. He pledged \$1 million to the Save the Children group she has championed, for its work in the state's rural counties.

The property tax change would require voters to amend the state constitution. While aiming to lower rates on commercial and industrial inventory property, Manchin's proposal would also weigh the resulting impact on county revenues.

The court-related measures emerge from the recent study Manchin commissioned to assess the state's judicial system: Besides a public financing pilot project, Manchin adopted his call for a committee to recommend appointees for future judicial vacancies.

Manchin also announced that the state Supreme Court will propose changes to its policies meant to "ensure there will be full appellate review by the Court of all final decisions on the merits issued by the circuit courts." Such has been a sticking point with business groups and others.

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Manchin asks governors to quit relying on stimulus He argues that states will get too used to spending federal money without strings attached

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Gov. Joe Manchin has some advice for his fellow governors: Quit relying on federal stimulus money to balance their budgets.

Manchin is immediate past president of the Council of State Governments. He recently was chairman of the Democratic Governors Association and president of the Southern Governors Association. He will become chairman of the National Governors Association in July.

"Governors are telling me, 'We can't make it unless we get more stimulus,'" Manchin told leaders of West Virginia's natural gas industry last week.

He said the problem is, "I know if you send me more without any strings, I'll keep depending on it.

"I've said every state is becoming more dependent on the federal government," Manchin said. "We have a National Governor's Association meeting every year at the White House. They're doing everything they know to do. The only problem is, if you give me something, the first year I'm appreciative. Then the next year, I'm expecting it. If I don't get it the third year, I'm mad. It's just human nature..."

"I've told my fellow governors we've got to get out of this. Rather than me waiting around to see how much you're going to send me, I should ask, 'Have I set my priorities straight?' 'Does the constitution require this spending?' 'Is it required by law?' We adjust laws every day. 'Is it required by an executive order?'"

President Barack Obama on Monday proposed a \$3.8 trillion budget for the 2011 financial year that includes \$25.5 billion to help state governments offset their funding of the Medicaid program for the poor.

West Virginia has been meeting its financial obligations. Late last year, Manchin imposed a 3.4 percent spending cut. The state has been getting some stimulus help. As of Dec. 31, West Virginia had received \$1.2 billion and had spent more than \$410 million of it.

"We're at 8.6 percent unemployment in West Virginia; the nation is over 10 percent," Manchin said last week. "Did the stimulus help us from going deeper in the hole? I don't think there's an appetite for a second round."

Manchin said the revenues of the states aren't expected to bounce back until 2014.

"So whatever state you're from, if you think they're coming back soon, they're not," he said. "What that says is, you'd better have a course to navigate through this. Otherwise you'll be panicky and trying to fill holes. This is the last year I can use stimulus."

Rather than giving more money to the states hit hard by the recession, Manchin is proposing a federal loan program.

"I said, 'Give me the ability to borrow from the federal government for zero percent for the next three years. If I can't pay you back in three, let me borrow at the same rate the federal government is borrowing from the Treasury.' That would be better than just giving the money away to the states, he said.

Manchin noted that California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger has said California needs an additional \$28 billion in federal stimulus money.

"I say if California is such a good state, why don't you raise our ceiling on tax-free bonds we can put on the market? Let's find out how many people want to invest in your state. We politicians don't have the will to make tough decisions. If nobody will buy your bonds, you'd better get your financial house in order or somebody else will eat your lunch."

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\$130M for state Internet growth Stimulus to add wireless towers, fiber-optic lines

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West Virginia is getting \$130 million in economic stimulus money to expand high-speed broadband Internet access across the state, U.S. Commerce Secretary Gary Locke announced Thursday.

The stimulus grant money includes \$126.3 million to expand broadband in schools, libraries, hospitals, public safety agencies and jails. The project also would add wireless cell towers and 2,409 miles of fiber-optic lines in West Virginia.

Another \$4.4 million will pay to establish "cyber cafes" at 60 volunteer fire and rescue squad stations in Southern West Virginia.

"This major funding is a real game-changer in West Virginia," said Sen. Jay Rockefeller, chairman of the Senate Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, which oversees broadband initiatives. "This funding is about universal access to the Internet, so that no West Virginian is ever left behind."

The \$126.3 million grant will be used to improve Internet access speeds at 474 schools, 176 libraries, 53 public safety offices, 184 hospital and medical offices, and 34 jails. Eleven planning and development councils, all 55 county courthouses in the state, and the National Radio Astronomy Observatory in Green Bank also will share the stimulus money.

The funds will ensure that every K-12 school in the state has high-speed Internet access, said Rockefeller, D-W.Va.

The money also will make broadband more affordable for about 700,000 households and 110,000 businesses in West Virginia, the senator said.

"This is about staying competitive at a time when nations around the globe have invested billions in state-of-the-art technology," Rockefeller said. "Most importantly, this is about creating much needed good-paying high-tech jobs and economic growth ..."

Locke announced the broadband stimulus funding during a press conference Thursday in Wheeling.

The money is part of \$4.7 billion included in the 2009 economic stimulus package.

Locke said the broadband improvements would help rural West Virginians work out of their homes, and allow them to sell goods and services.

"West Virginia has such a great project," Locke said. "It's the only project...that covers the entire state. It's going to provide a foundation for long-term economic growth."

Rockefeller said the statewide upgrade will significantly increase broadband speeds at homes and offices

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throughout the state. The senator compared the broadband improvements to the construction of the interstate highway system.

"This announcement was one of the two or three most important economic development announcements that's ever been made in West Virginia," Rockefeller said. "It's a huge step forward for West Virginia."

Rep. Alan Mollohan, D-W.Va., said broadband expansion will bolster West Virginia's "new economy."

"It provides the opportunity for diversification," he said.

Gov. Joe Manchin said state officials have been working on a proposal to expand broadband access statewide for the past three or four years.

"We are shovel-ready," Manchin said. "We're going to show the rest of the country how we can connect rural areas. Everyone is going to benefit from this."

The \$4.4 million grant will pay for computer facilities and broadband access at volunteer fire stations in Mingo, McDowell, Wyoming, Boone, Pocahontas and Fayette counties. Each fire and rescue squad will receive 11 computer stations.

The computers also will be available to the general public, said Rep Nick Rahall, D-W.Va., and "digital literacy" classes will be offered.

"It's checkers over the cracker barrel meeting cyberspace," said Rahall, referring to playing the popular board game. "It makes sense to use our [fire] stations, which are often used for community events anyway, as cyber cafes for training for everyone in the family on practical uses of the Internet."

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West Virginia could get 14,400 jobs from federal stimulus bill's road funding, industry says

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - West Virginia could see 14,400 jobs created by the highway slice of the pending federal stimulus legislation, state lawmakers were told Monday.

An industry official cited U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics figures to offer the estimate, which includes 3,840 jobs that would come directly from hiring for road and bridge projects.

Mike Clowser, executive director of the state contractors' association, said the state should expect 16 direct jobs for every \$1 million received. West Virginia's estimated \$1.1 billion share of stimulus funding, in the latest Senate version of the bill, includes \$240 million for highways.

Clowser said the state stands to gain an equal number of indirect jobs among materials suppliers, equipment dealers and the hauling industry. The balance of the jobs estimate comes from dollars spent by all these workers at businesses such as grocery stores and other retailers.

West Virginia's expected share of highway stimulus funding would cover a fraction of the \$970 million worth of ready-to-go road and bridge projects that Gov. Joe Manchin outlined for the Obama administration earlier this year. Manchin listed 139 such projects, with 45 on the West Virginia Turnpike and the rest on the Division of Highways' road system.

The list largely reflects preservation efforts — repairing, cleaning and painting bridges and repaving roads, said Marvin Murphy, the division's chief highway engineer. Most of these projects could begin within 90 days of the state receiving the money, and the rest starting within 180 days, Murphy told Monday's joint interim committee meeting.

Murphy also noted that most of the projects would rely on contractors. Clowser said his group is ready for the call.

"Our members are pretty confident that there is capacity in the industry...that we can create jobs immediately," Clowser said. "We'll be able to start building as soon as the funding is available."

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Stimulus may only delay inevitable cuts for West Virginia

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. — West Virginia is again counting on federal stimulus dollars to avoid painful cuts to state spending, but the coming weeks will show whether those funds are only delaying the inevitable.

Gov. Joe Manchin will soon send the Legislature his latest five-year forecast of state government finances. The last one, issued in February, predicted that available revenues would increasingly fail to keep pace with projected growth in spending.

It estimated budget gaps that would begin in 2011 at nearly \$244 million and then widen to more than \$370 million by 2014. But those were calculated before the full brunt of the national recession hit West Virginia.

The economic downturn has only worsened the state's fiscal picture. It forced lawmakers to trim \$197 million from the current budget before they passed it in May. It also prompted the midyear, 3.4 percent cuts that Manchin ordered last week for all executive branch agencies.

This year's budget includes \$3.7 billion backed by general tax revenues, and the governor's office and cabinet departments get 95 percent of that. West Virginia's stimulus share offset \$81 million of May's cuts.

Administration officials expect it will provide a similar amount to soften the blow of last week's order, which reacts to a recently projected \$120 million shortfall in general tax revenues.

The stimulus share will also likely help lawmakers with yet another round of belt-tightening.

The new budget that Manchin will propose later this month reduces spending by 5 percent for all administration agencies except public education, which will see a 4 percent trim.

But House Finance Chairman Harry Keith White, D-Mingo, noted last week that the stimulus requires states to spend the bulk of their shares by 2011. If Manchin's new five-year forecast continues to predict widening shortfalls in the general revenue portion of the budget, the governor and legislators must soon find another strategy for keeping things balanced.

Better positioned than most other states, West Virginia's alternative options include \$168 million in revenues left unspent from prior budget years. There's also the state's emergency reserves, which topped \$541 million in November.

There are some silver linings as well.

State budget officials estimate that general revenue will finally resume growth during the 2012 fiscal year.

Manchin also announced late last week that December's general revenues exceeded their estimates by around \$32 million. That more than eclipses the \$13.7 million year-to-date shortfall under which the month had begun, allowing the state to start January \$19 million in the black.

But West Virginia's overall financial picture has White's Senate counterpart seeing serious, permanent cuts to state spending on the horizon.

"The stimulus will keep it off for a little while, but the process will start," said Senate Finance Chairman Walt Helmick. "I can't speak for the entire Legislature. I can speak for the Senate. I can tell you, that appetite is there."

The question remains where.

Public Education consumes 48 percent of this year's general revenue budget. The Department of Health and Human Resources, which oversees Medicaid and an array of other safety net programs, takes another 22 percent. With those spending areas considered among the state's top priorities, the list of potential, meaningful targets shrinks.

Neither White nor Helmick suggested any candidates for that list.

But Helmick said that does not mean that this tough process should not start with the 60-day regular session that begins Jan. 13.

"We have to be prepared for cuts," the Pocahontas County Democrat said. "They're very much aware of it, every member of the (Senate) Finance Committee.

"They're willing to do the difficult things that need to be done."



Recession, stimulus overshadow WVa session so far

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CHARLESTON, W.Va. (AP) - The West Virginia Legislature is approaching the midpoint of a 60-day session framed by the unprecedented federal stimulus package and the recession that prompted it.

The first bill to pass underscores the situation. Legislation allowing highways projects to spend \$40 million from the stimulus this fiscal year was sent to Gov. Joe Manchin on Wednesday.

The Senate and House of Delegates exchanged 50 bills as of Wednesday, on par with recent prior sessions, out of more than 1,830 bills introduced. Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Jeff Kessler said so far there's been more talk than action, but that's normal for the first half of any session.

"It's like coffee percolating," the Marshall County Democrat said. "You just turn on the stove and wait for the water to heat up."

Kessler expects relatively quick movement on bills in the coming weeks, especially on key Manchin plans like his proposal to arrange for temporary tax-like assessments on both employers and workers if the state's unemployment compensation fund dips below \$180 million.

Thursday is Day 30, and Manchin's first legislative agenda of his second term remains largely intact. He's proposed 25 measures. Their topics range from consolidating gambling agencies and capping PROMISE college scholarships to mandating minimum alternative energy sources by 2025 and helping veterans pay for college.

The Senate Education Committee has amended Manchin's bid to lengthen the public school calendar, but has kept its goal of ensuring at least 180 instruction days. Another Senate panel has given some flexibility to industrial plants required under the governor's proposal to require rapid reporting of significant accidents.

The gloomy economy has forced some changes. Lawmakers expect Manchin by Friday to reduce his revenue estimate for the budget year that begins July 1. He has already called for a 2 percent cut to the nearly \$4.3 billion in general tax revenue and lottery spending in his budget bill, which he introduced at the session's start last month.

"Our primary responsibility is to pass a balanced budget, within the limits of the revenue estimate set by the governor, said House Speaker Rick Thompson, D-Wayne. "(The economy) makes it tougher to do some of the things that many of us think need to be done to improve the jobs climate, improve the business climate."

The weakening fiscal picture has also likely killed at least one of Manchin's bills, a proposed bonus-like payment to teachers and state workers drawn from any budget surplus this year.

Thompson said both the budget concerns and the stimulus funding have captured the session's focus so far. Some estimates suggest West Virginia could get nearly \$1.8 billion from the massive spending measure, including \$210 million for highways projects, \$450 million for Medicaid and \$517 million for education programs.

Thompson has appointed a committee to oversee the flow of stimulus funds.

"The actions by the federal government is unlike anything we've seen," Thompson said. "A lot of the delegates would like to do what we need to, to be prepared in case things get worse or better."

But both Manchin and lawmakers remain wary of apply stimulus dollars toward anything in the state budget except one-time costs. The session ends April 11.

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4. [111th] [H.R.4987](#) : Reclaiming Our American Dollars Act
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5. [111th] [H.R.5297](#) : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Frank, Barney](#) [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)
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6. [111th] [H.R.5452](#) : Native American Economic Advisory Council Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 5/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

7. [111th] H.R.5618: Restoration of Emergency Unemployment Compensation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McDermott, Jim [WA-7] (introduced 6/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/14/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 459.

8. [111th] H.R.5679: End the Stimulus Advertisement Act

Sponsor: Rep Schock, Aaron [IL-18] (introduced 7/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 7/2/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

9. [111th] H.R.6213: To address the reporting requirement burden on small businesses, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 9/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Appropriations, and the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

10. [111th] H.R.6403: American Recovery and Reinvestment Rescissions Act

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, Jerry [CA-41] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (29)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

11. [111th] H.R.6408: To allow States to return certain funds made available for high speed rail and intercity rail projects to the general fund of the Treasury for Federal budget deficit reduction.

Sponsor: Rep Sensenbrenner, F. James, Jr. [WI-5] (introduced 11/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

12. [111th] H.R.6514: Protecting Jobs in Your State Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Latta, Robert E. [OH-5] (introduced 12/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

13. [111th] H.AMDT.755 to H.R.5850 Amendment sought to reduce spending in the bill by \$10.52 billion which represents the uncommitted funds from the \$61.7 billion in 2009 stimulus funds that were appropriated for transportation and housing related programs.

Sponsor: Rep Neugebauer, Randy [TX-19] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 House amendment not agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Neugebauer amendment (A013) Failed by recorded vote: 177 - 247 (Roll no. 492).

14. [111th] S.2981 : Reevaluate and Redirect the Stimulus Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

15. [111th] S.2997 : A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for the update under the Medicare physician fee schedule for years beginning with 2010 and to sunset the application of the sustainable growth rate formula, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Wicker, Roger F. [MS] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

16. [111th] S.3331 : Native American Economic Advisory Council Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 5/7/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Indian Affairs

Latest Major Action: 5/7/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

17. [111th] S.3401 : ACCESS ADAP Act

Sponsor: Sen Burr, Richard [NC] (introduced 5/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Major Action: 5/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

18. [111th] S.3643 : Oil Spill Response Improvement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen McConnell, Mitch [KY] (introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (13)

Latest Major Action: 7/26/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 483.

19. [111th] S.3779 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 9/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and

referred to the Committee on the Budget.

20. [111th] S.4006 : ACCESS ADAP Act

Sponsor: [Sen Burr, Richard](#) [NC] (introduced 12/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Latest Major Action: 12/4/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 672.

21. [111th] S.AMDT.3390 to H.R.4213 To provide an emergency benefit of \$250 to seniors, veterans, and persons with disabilities in 2010 to compensate for the lack of cost-of-living adjustment for such year, to provide an offset using unobligated stimulus funds, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Burr, Richard](#) [NC] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Amendment SA 3390 ruled out of order by the chair.

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Radio Script: Announcer: "Washington politicians are on a spending spree. Bigger Government. Earmarks. Bailouts and debt have pushed our country to the brink. Pennsylvanians need relief.

"Barack Obama and Washington politicians don't get it. They want higher taxes and bigger government. Pat Toomey has a commonsense plan to get Pennsylvania back to work. Cut the red tape, so Pennsylvania small businesses are free to create jobs. Cut the spending. No more earmarks and no more bailouts. Toomey wants to end deficit spending- and return money to families and job creators. The Toomey plan - getting Pennsylvania working again.

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Express Advocacy Analysis: As can be seen, this communication does not contain any terms that expressly advocate the election or defeat of any clearly identified federal candidate, and, therefore, does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(a). See Buckley, 424 U.S. at 44 n. 52.

Also, this communication does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

The issues discussed in this advertisement pertain to the size of the federal government, job creation, curbing bureaucracy, and fiscal issues such as taxes, spending, earmarks, and government bailouts. The issues of the size of federal government, job creation, and other government fiscal issues are central to AJS's mission and were topics of debate in Pennsylvania and the U.S. Senate at the time this communication aired and continue to be debated to this day. The communication specifically requests that the viewer contact Mr. Toomey to discuss this issue. See MUR 5634 OGC Report # 2 at 16. Moreover, the communication does not refer to Pat Toomey as a candidate, reference an election, or exhort the public to campaign for or contribute to Mr. Toomey. See 72 Fed. Reg. 5604. Accordingly, the communication does not contain an electoral portion that is

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unmistakable, unambiguous and suggestive of only one meaning and does not constitute express advocacy under 11 C.F.R. § 100.22(b).

Functional Equivalent Analysis: This communication also qualifies for the safe harbor under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(a) because it is susceptible of a reasonable interpretation other than as an appeal to vote for or against a clearly identified federal candidate. First, it does not mention any election, candidacy, political party, opposing candidate, or voting by the general public. Second, it does not take a position on Mr. Toomey's character, qualifications, or fitness for office. Third, it focuses on job creation, size of government, fiscal discipline, and lower taxes — all legislative and executive issues — and urges the public to adopt a particular position and contact Mr. Toomey with respect to these issues. 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(b).

Even if the communication did not qualify for the safe harbor, it is still a permissible electioneering communication under 11 C.F.R. § 114.15(c). Here, there is no indicia of express advocacy because the communication does not mention any election, candidacy, political party, opposing candidate or voting by the general public and takes no position on any candidate's or officeholder's character, qualifications or fitness for office. *Id.* § 114.15(c)(1). The communication includes content that would support a determination that it has an interpretation other than as an appeal to vote for Mr. Toomey because it focuses on public policy issues, urges the public to contact him about the issue, and includes a call to action urging something other than voting for or contributing to Mr. Toomey — namely, to call him. § 114.15(c)(2). The balancing test in § 114.15(c) clearly indicates that this is a permissible electioneering communication.

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1. [111th] H.R.4458 : I-WERC Act

Sponsor: Rep Weiner, Anthony D. [NY-9] (Introduced 1/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 3/1/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

2. [111th] H.R.4513 : Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (Introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Financial Services; House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy.

3. [111th] H.R.4529 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (Introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (14)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Rules; House Budget; House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

4. [111th] H.R.4549 : Small Business Innovation to Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Tonko, Paul [NY-21] (Introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Small Business; House Science and Technology

Latest Major Action: 1/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Small Business, and in addition to the Committee on Science and Technology, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

5. [111th] H.R.4553 : 21st Century Buy American Act

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Christopher S. [CT-5] (Introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (17)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6. [111th] H.R.4564 : Emergency Jobs Program and Assistance for Families Extension Act

Sponsor: Rep McDermott, Jim [WA-7] (Introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (95)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support.

7. [111th] H.R.4565 : Rural Jobs Tax Credit Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

8. [111th] H.R.4585 : Small Business Job Creation Tax Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Maloney, Carolyn B. [NY-14] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

9. [111th] H.R.4592 : Energy Jobs for Veterans Act
Sponsor: Rep Teague, Harry [NM-2] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs
House Reports: 110-453
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

10. [111th] H.R.4620 : Small Business Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 2/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

11. [111th] H.R.4634 : Transparency in Job Loss from Fishery Closures Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Brown, Henry E., Jr. [SC-1] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (7)
Committees: House Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 2/25/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

12. [111th] H.R.4655 : Small Business Expansion and Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Bright, Bobby [AL-2] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

13. [111th] H.R.4677 : Protecting Employees and Retirees in Business Bankruptcies Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Conyers, John, Jr. [MI-14] (introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (58)
Committees: House Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Forwarded by Subcommittee to Full Committee (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 8 - 4 .

14. [111th] H.R.4680 : Jobs Momentum Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Ellsworth, Brad [IN-8] (Introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

15. [111th] H.R.4687 : Low Income Housing Tax Credit Exchange Expansion and Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Linda T. [CA-39] (Introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (15)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

16. [111th] H.R.4688 : Community Reintegration and Crime Prevention Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (Introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

17. [111th] H.R.4692 : National Manufacturing Strategy Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Lipinski, Daniel [IL-3] (Introduced 2/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (60)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Budget; Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
House Reports: 110-574 Part 1
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

18. [111th] H.R.4693 : Military Spouse Job Continuity Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Dahlkemper, Kathleen A. [PA-3] (Introduced 2/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (81)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

19. [111th] H.R.4730 : Tax Credits for Jobs Now Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schauer, Mark H. [MI-7] (Introduced 3/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

20. [111th] H.R.4740 : Jobs for Urban Sustainability in America Act
Sponsor: Rep Cohen, Steve [TN-9] (Introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (8)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

21. [111th] H.R.4746 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent pending tax increases, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Neugebauer, Randy [TX-19] (introduced 3/3/2010) Cosponsors (76)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

22. [111th] H.R.4769 : Creating Jobs From Innovative Small Businesses Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (introduced 3/4/2010) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

23. [111th] H.R.4770 : Create Jobs by Expanding the R&D Tax Credit Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (introduced 3/4/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

24. [111th] H.R.4779 : Small Business Jobs and Tax Relief Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Pomeroy, Earl [ND] (introduced 3/4/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

25. [111th] H.R.4788 : Aviation Jobs Outsourcing Prevention Act

Sponsor: Rep Bishop, Timothy H. [NY-1] (introduced 3/9/2010) Cosponsors (95)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Aviation.

26. [111th] H.R.4812 : Local Jobs for America Act

Sponsor: Rep Miller, George [CA-7] (introduced 3/10/2010) Cosponsors (163)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

27. [111th] H.R.4819 : Expanding Opportunities for Older Americans Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Richardson, Laura [CA-37] (introduced 3/10/2010) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

28. [111th] H.R.4830 : Women and Workforce Investment for Nontraditional Jobs

Sponsor: Rep Polis, Jared [CO-2] (introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (59)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

29. [111th] H.R.4841 : Small Business Tax Relief and Job Growth Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Velazquez, Nydia M. [NY-12] (introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

30. [111th] H.R.4848 : Tax Cut Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 3/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

31. [111th] H.R.4849 : Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (17)
Committees: House Ways and Means; Senate Finance
House Reports: 110-447
Latest Major Action: 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

32. [111th] H.R.4850 : American Job Creation and Investment Act
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (77)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

33. [111th] H.R.4853 : Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-312 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

34. [111th] H.R.4872 : Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 3/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Budget
House Reports: 110-443
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-152 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: The bill makes a number of health-related financing and revenue changes to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act enacted by H.R.3590 and modifies higher education assistance provisions.

35. [111th] H.R.4878 : Tax Cut Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

36. [111th] H.R.4880 : Copper Basin Jobs Act

Sponsor: Rep Kirkpatrick, Ann [AZ-1] (introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

37. [111th] H.R.4899 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/21/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 110-188
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-212 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

38. [111th] H.R.4914 : Coastal Jobs Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr. [NJ-6] (introduced 3/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (79)
Committees: House Natural Resources; House Science and Technology
Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

39. [111th] H.R.4920 : Employing Youth for the American Dream Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Rush, Bobby L. [IL-1] (introduced 3/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (44)
Committees: House Education and Labor; House Ways and Means; House Natural Resources; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

40. [111th] H.R.4965 : Targeted Job Creation and Business Investment Act
Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

41. [111th] H.R.4976 : Internet Gambling Regulation and Tax Enforcement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep McDermott, Jim [WA-7] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

42. [111th] H.R.5013 : Implementing Management for Performance and Related Reforms to Obtain Value in Every Acquisition Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Andrews, Robert E. [NJ-1] (introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)
Committees: House Armed Services; House Oversight and Government Reform; Senate Armed Services
House Reports: 110-465 Part 1
Latest Major Action: 4/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

43. [111th] H.R.5038 : Fair Access to Credit and Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

44. [111th] H.R. 5084 : America Recruits Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Scott [NY-20] (introduced 4/20/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/21/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

45. [111th] H.R. 5089 : Business Incubator Promotion Act

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Tim [OH-17] (introduced 4/21/2010) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

46. [111th] H.R. 5116 : America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Gordon, Bart [TN-6] (introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (101)

Committees: House Science and Technology; House Education and Labor; Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation

House Reports: 110-478 Part 1

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-358 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

47. [111th] H.R. 5119 : Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Lujan, Ben Ray [NM-3] (introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Judiciary; House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

48. [111th] H.R. 5120 : Veteran Employment Assistance Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Smith, Adam [WA-9] (introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (41)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; House Education and Labor; House Small Business; House Energy and Commerce; House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

49. [111th] H.R. 5134 : Groundwork USA Trust Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Tsongas, Niki [MA-5] (introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Natural Resources; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

50. [111th] H.R. 5136 : National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011

Sponsor: Rep Skelton, Ike [MO-4] (by request) (introduced 4/26/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Homeland Security

House Reports: 110-491, 110-491 Part 2

Latest Major Action: 6/28/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 447.

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51. [111th] H.R.5156 : Clean Energy Technology Manufacturing and Export Assistance Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Matsui, Doris O. [CA-5] (introduced 4/27/2010) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Energy and Commerce; Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation

House Reports: 110-572 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

52. [111th] H.R.5174 : Fuel Cell Industrial Vehicle Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Tonko, Paul [NY-21] (introduced 4/28/2010) Cosponsors (11)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

53. [111th] H.R.5193 : StartUp Visa Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Maloney, Carolyn B. [NY-14] (introduced 4/29/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

54. [111th] H.R.5204 : 21st Century Full Employment and Training Act

Sponsor: Rep Conyers, John, Jr. [MI-14] (introduced 5/4/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

55. [111th] H.R.5269 : To express the sense of Congress that Federal job training programs that target older adults should work with nonprofit organizations that have a record of success in developing and implementing research-based technology curriculum designed specifically for older adults.

Sponsor: Rep Clay, Wm. Lacy [MO-1] (introduced 5/11/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

56. [111th] H.R.5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) Cosponsors (20)

Committees: House Financial Services

House Reports: 110-499

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

57. [111th] H.R.5312 : Reciprocal Government Procurement with China Creates American Jobs Act

Sponsor: Rep Schauer, Mark H. [MI-7] (introduced 5/13/2010) Cosponsors (20)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the

Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

58. [111th] H.R. 5360 : HELP Veterans Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (Introduced 5/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-626

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

59. [111th] H.R. 5381 : Motor Vehicle Safety Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce

House Reports: 110-536

Latest Major Action: 7/14/2010 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 307.

60. [111th] H.R. 5396 : Green Energy Efficient Roofs and Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Pascrell, Bill, Jr. [NJ-8] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

61. [111th] H.R. 5409 : Residential Construction Lending Act

Sponsor: Rep Miller, Brad [NC-13] (Introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (11)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

62. [111th] H.R. 5420 : Incentives for Successful Companies Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Perlmutter, Ed [CO-7] (Introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

63. [111th] H.R. 5452 : Native American Economic Advisory Council Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Young, Don [AK] (Introduced 5/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

64. [111th] H.R. 5476 : Building Star Energy Efficiency Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 5/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

65. [111th] H.R. 5406 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

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Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 247 - 170 (Roll no. 363).
Latest Action: 6/17/2010 Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1436, H.R. 5486 is laid on the table.

66. [111th] H.R.5519 : Gulf Coast Jobs Preservation Act
Sponsor: Rep Cassidy, Bill [LA-6] (introduced 6/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (46)
Committees: House Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

67. [111th] H.R.5551 : To require the Secretary of the Treasury to make a certification when making purchases under the Small Business Lending Fund Program.
Sponsor: Rep Kosmas, Suzanne M. [FL-24] (introduced 6/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 6/25/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 443.

68. [111th] H.R.5558 : Older Americans' Job Opportunities Blueprint Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (introduced 6/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 9/13/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

69. [111th] H.R.5622 : Stop Outsourcing and Create American Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 6/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

70. [111th] H.R.5631 : Gulf Coast Conservation Corps Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Hastings, Alcee L. [FL-23] (introduced 6/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (10)
Committees: House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Major Action: 10/13/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

71. [111th] H.R.5637 : American Jobs Matter Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Christopher S. [CT-5] (introduced 6/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (11)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

72. [111th] H.R.5663 : Robert C. Byrd Miner Safety and Health Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Miller, George [CA-7] (introduced 7/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (55)

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Committees: House Education and Labor; House Judiciary

House Reports: 110-579 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 334.

73. [111th] H.R.5678 : Universal Access to Methamphetamine Treatment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Carnahan, Russ [MO-3] (introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

74. [111th] H.R.5708 : Urban Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Towns, Edolphus [NY-10] (introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 10/13/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

75. [111th] H.R.5749 : Offshore Worker Whistleblower Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Miller, George [CA-7] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 10/13/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

76. [111th] H.R.5767 : Innovative Technologies Investment Incentive Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Van Hollen, Chris [MD-8] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

77. [111th] H.R.5789 : SDHV Energy Efficiency Standards for America Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Carnahan, Russ [MO-3] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

78. [111th] H.R.5797 : Small Manufacturers Export Initiative Act

Sponsor: Rep Larsen, Rick [WA-2] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Science and Technology

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation.

79. [111th] H.R.5855 : Johnson Space Center Workforce Stability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Green, Al [TX-9] (introduced 7/26/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 10/13/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

80. [111th] H.R.5871 : SEED Act

Sponsor: Rep Carnahan, Russ [MO-3] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

81. [111th] H.R.5878 : Economic Fair Treatment and Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Clyburn, James E. [SC-6] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 10/13/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

82. [111th] H.R.5883 : Renewable Energy Jobs and Security Act

Sponsor: Rep Inslee, Jay [WA-1] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Science and Technology; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

83. [111th] H.R.5893 : Investing in American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 House floor actions. Status: The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.

Latest Action: 7/29/2010 POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - Pursuant to clause 2c of rule 19, the Chair postponed further proceedings on H.R. 5893 until a time to be announced.

84. [111th] H.R.5897 : Economic Revitalization and Innovation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (14)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

House Reports: 110-652 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 390.

85. [111th] H.R.5901 : Real Estate Jobs and Investment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Crowley, Joseph [NY-7] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-366 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

86. [111th] H.R.5933 : Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (125)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity.

87. [111th] H.R.5940 : Save U.S. Manufacturing and Jobs Act

Sponsor: Rep Aderholt, Robert B. [AL-4] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (15)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

88. [111th] H.R.5980 : Bring Jobs Back to America: Strategic Manufacturing & Job Repatriation Act

Sponsor: Rep Wolf, Frank R. [VA-10] (Introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Judiciary; House Ways and Means; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Science and Technology

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation.

89. [111th] H.R.5984 : CHEF Act

Sponsor: Rep Richardson, Laura [CA-37] (introduced 7/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 9/20/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

90. [111th] H.R.6025 : Manufacturing Reinvestment Account Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep DeLauro, Rosa L. [CT-3] (Introduced 7/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (10)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

91. [111th] H.R.6060 : American Textile Technology Innovation and Research for Exportation (ATTIRE) Act

Sponsor: Rep Price, David E. [NC-4] (Introduced 7/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Science and Technology

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation.

92. [111th] H.R.6097 : American Job Builders Tax Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Herger, Wally [CA-2] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

93. [111th] H.R.6108 : To strike certain provisions of Public Law 111-226 relating to Texas and the Education Jobs Fund.

Sponsor: Rep Burgess, Michael C. [TX-26] (introduced 9/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (19)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

94. [111th] H.R.6132 : Veterans Benefits and Economic Welfare Improvement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs; Senate Veterans' Affairs

House Reports: 110-630

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

95. [111th] H.R.6141 : Marcellus Shale On-the-Job Training Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 9/15/2010) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

96. [111th] H.R.6165 : Life Sciences Jobs and Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schwartz, Allyson Y. [PA-13] (introduced 9/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

97. [111th] H.R.6174 : Linked Learning Pathways Affording College and Career Success Act
Sponsor: Rep Chu, Judy [CA-32] (introduced 9/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Early Childhood, Elementary, and Secondary Education.

98. [111th] H.R.6191 : To amend the Small Business Jobs Act of 2010 to include certain construction and land development loans in the definition of small business lending.
Sponsor: Rep Miller, Brad [NC-13] (introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: House Financial Services; Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

99. [111th] H.R.6219 : Small Business Jobs Amendments Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (introduced 9/28/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 9/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

100. [111th] H.R.6231 : American Jobs Through Exports Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (introduced 9/28/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 9/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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101. [111th] H.R.6246 : Rural Energy Communities Development Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Pomeroy, Earl](#) [ND] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Agriculture; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Rural Development, Biotechnology, Specialty Crops, and Foreign Agriculture.

102. [111th] H.R.6262 : Jobs Through Procurement Act
Sponsor: [Rep Hare, Phil](#) [IL-17] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (6)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Armed Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

103. [111th] H.R.6299 : Jobs Through Environmental Safeguarding and Streamlining Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Richardson, Laura](#) [CA-37] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Major Action: 9/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

104. [111th] H.R.6323 : To exempt gain from the sale of certain C corporation stock from the capital gains rate increase resulting from the sunset of the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.
Sponsor: [Rep Crowley, Joseph](#) [NY-7] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

105. [111th] H.R.6330 : Preserving American Income on Dividends Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Garrett, Scott](#) [NJ-5] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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106. [111th] H.R.6339 : Veteran Medic Corpsmen Physician Assistant Demonstration Program Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Herseeth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

107. [111th] H.R.6349 : To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for greater transparency in the conversion of Department of Defense functions previously performed by contractors to performance by Department of Defense employees, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 10/20/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

108. [111th] H.R.6358 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide for a zero percent capital gains rate for individuals and corporations.

Sponsor: Rep Mack, Connie [FL-14] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

109. [111th] H.R.6367 : Restore American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Judiciary; House Administration; House Rules; House Natural Resources; House Appropriations; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

110. [111th] H.R.6395 : To amend the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline Act with respect to certain requirements for construction job training program grants.

Sponsor: Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 9/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials.

111. [111th] H.R.6415 : Tax Relief Certainty Act

Sponsor: Rep Pence, Mike [IN-6] (introduced 11/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

112. [111th] H.R.6430 : Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 11/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

113. [111th] H.R.6462 : Healthy Food Financing Initiative
Sponsor: Rep Schwartz, Allyson Y. [PA-13] (introduced 11/30/2010) Cosponsors (6)
Committees: House Agriculture
Latest Major Action: 11/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Agriculture.

114. [111th] H.R.6467 : Middle Class Tax Relief Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 12/1/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

115. [111th] H.R.6495 : Robert C. Byrd Mine Safety Protection Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Miller, George [CA-7] (introduced 12/3/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 12/8/2010 Failed of passage/not agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 214 - 193 (Roll no. 616).

116. [111th] H.R.6514 : Protecting Jobs in Your State Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Latta, Robert E. [OH-5] (introduced 12/9/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 12/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

117. [111th] H.R.6522 : End Tax Uncertainty Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Bachmann, Michele [MN-6] (introduced 12/15/2010) Cosponsors (9)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

118. [111th] H.R.6523 : Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Rep Skelton, Ike [MO-4] (introduced 12/15/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Armed Services; House Budget
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-383 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: See the [Committee Print of the House Armed Services Committee](#) for additional details of the agreed to version of the bill.

119. [111th] H.R.6538 : Permanent Tax Relief Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Mack, Connie [FL-14] (introduced 12/16/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the

House Committee on Ways and Means.

120. [111th] H.CON.RES.328: Expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the successful and substantial contributions of the amendments to the patent and trademark laws that were initially enacted in 1980 by Public Law 96-517 (commonly referred to as the "Bayh-Dole Act") on the occasion of the 30th anniversary of its enactment.

Sponsor: Rep Conyers, John, Jr. [MI-14] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: House Judiciary; Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

121. [111th] H.RES.1179: Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that biotechnology firms meeting small business standards are critical to the United States, its people and its economy because they create new medicines, services, and jobs and meet unmet needs related to populations and patients with infectious and chronic diseases, including those of medically underserved populations.

Sponsor: Rep Davis, Danny K. [IL-7] (introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

122. [111th] H.RES.1204: Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4899) making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Perlmutter, Ed [CO-7] (introduced 3/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Rules

House Reports: 11-454

Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 233 - 191 (Roll no. 179).

123. [111th] H.RES.1205: Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 4849) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, extend the Build America Bonds program, provide other infrastructure job creation tax incentives, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Cardoza, Dennis A. [CA-18] (introduced 3/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Rules

House Reports: 11-455

Latest Major Action: 3/23/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 233 - 187 (Roll no. 173).

124. [111th] H.RES.1317: Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the value-added tax in addition to existing Federal taxes is a massive tax increase that will result in hardships for United States families and job-creating small business and will stunt economic recovery.

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 4/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

125. [111th] H.RES.1380 : Applauding the State of Arizona for asserting its 10th amendment rights, protecting its citizens, and safeguarding its jobs, and calling upon the Administration to act immediately to enforce our Nation's Immigration laws.
Sponsor: Rep Barrett, J. Gresham [SC-3] (introduced 5/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 7/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

126. [111th] H.RES.1386 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to prohibit Members from negotiating for a job involving lobbying activities.
Sponsor: Rep Foster, Bill [IL-14] (introduced 5/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 5/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

127. [111th] H.RES.1396 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the importance of increasing the funding of Job Corps, AmeriCorps, and the Peace Corps.
Sponsor: Rep McDermott, Jim [WA-7] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (8)
Committees: House Education and Labor; House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

128. [111th] H.RES.1436 : Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5486) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes; and providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5297) to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Pingree, Chellie [ME-1] (introduced 6/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules
House Reports: 11-506
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 228 - 186 (Roll no. 359).
Latest Action: 6/15/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

129. [111th] H.RES.1487 : Waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep McGovern, James P. [MA-3] (introduced 6/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules
House Reports: 11-516
Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by recorded vote: 237 - 189 (Roll no. 407).
Latest Action: 6/30/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

130. [111th] H.RES.1500 : Providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 4899) making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep McGovern, James P. [MA-3] (introduced 7/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules

House Reports: 11-522

Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 215 - 210 (Roll no. 420).

Latest Action: 7/1/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

131. [111th] H.RES.1562: Recognizing the importance of trade to job creation and the United States economy and calling for the immediate implementation of the United States-Colombia Trade Promotion Agreement, United States-Panama Free Trade Agreement, and United States-Korea Free Trade Agreement.

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors (7)**

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

132. [111th] H.RES.1568: Providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5893) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to create jobs through increased investment in infrastructure, to eliminate loopholes which encourage companies to move operations offshore, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Hastings, Alcee L. [FL-23] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Rules

House Reports: 11-577

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 233 - 182 (Roll no. 486).

Latest Action: 7/29/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

133. [111th] H.RES.1598: Expressing support for the designation of the month of October as National Work and Family Month.

Sponsor: Rep McCarthy, Carolyn [NY-4] (introduced 7/30/2010) **Cosponsors (10)**

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 12/2/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by recorded vote (2/3 required): 412 - 0 (Roll no. 599).

Latest Action: 12/2/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

134. [111th] H.RES.1640: Providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 5297) to create the Small Business Lending Fund Program to direct the Secretary of the Treasury to make capital investments in eligible institutions in order to increase the availability of credit for small businesses, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Pingree, Chellie [ME-1] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Rules

House Reports: 11-621

Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 226 - 186 (Roll no. 536).

Latest Action: 9/23/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

135. [111th] H.RES.1649: Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to establish the Committee on Regulatory Review and American Jobs.

Sponsor: Rep Posey, Bill [FL-15] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Rules

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

136. [111th] H.AMDT.555 to H.R.4061 Amendment requires the President's report to Congress on the cybersecurity needs of the Federal Government to examine the current security clearance and job suitability requirements that may serve as a deterrent to hiring an adequately trained cyberworkforce.

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Loretta [CA-47] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Sanchez, Loretta amendment (A011) Agreed to by voice vote.

137. [111th] H.AMDT.656 to H.R.5136 Amendment ensures that the spouse, children and parents of a deployed or deploying member of the Armed Forces, who are not covered under the Family Medical Leave Act, have the ability to take at least two weeks of unpaid leave from their job in order to address issues that arise over the course of a deployment cycle.

Sponsor: Rep Smith, Adam [WA-9] (introduced 5/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Smith (WA) amendment (A003) Agreed to by voice vote.

138. [111th] S.2952 : Strengthening Our Economy Through Employment and Development Act

Sponsor: Sen Franken, Al [MN] (introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

139. [111th] S.2967 : Boosting Entrepreneurship and New Jobs Act

Sponsor: Sen Cardin, Benjamin L. [MD] (introduced 1/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

140. [111th] S.2973 : Small Business Job Creation Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 2/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/1/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

141. [111th] S.2981 : Reevaluate and Redirect the Stimulus Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

142. [111th] S.3001 : America Recruits Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Warner, Mark R. [VA] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and

referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

143. [111th] S.3014 : American Job Creation and Investment Act
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 2/22/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

144. [111th] S.3024 : Job Impact Analysis Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 2/23/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

145. [111th] S.3029 : StartUp Visa Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 2/24/2010) Cosponsors (2)
Committees: Senate Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

146. [111th] S.3033 : Protecting Employees and Retirees in Business Bankruptcies Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 2/24/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

147. [111th] S.3069 : American Renewable Energy Jobs Act
Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 3/3/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

148. [111th] S.3079 : Building Star Energy Efficiency Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Merkley, Jeff [OR] (introduced 3/4/2010) Cosponsors (13)
Committees: Senate Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 3/11/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

149. [111th] S.3084 : Export Promotion Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Klobuchar, Amy [MN] (introduced 3/5/2010) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Senate Reports: 11-289
Latest Major Action: 9/13/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 560.

150. [111th] S.3103 : Small Business Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 3/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

151. [111th] S.3157 : Create Jobs and Save Benefits Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 3/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 3/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

152. [111th] S.3206 : Keep Our Educators Working Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (29)
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 4/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

153. [111th] S.3224 : Radiation Exposure Compensation Act Amendments of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Udall, Tom [NM] (introduced 4/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)
Committees: Senate Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 4/19/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

154. [111th] S.3228 : Small Business Innovation to Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 4/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship
Latest Major Action: 4/20/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

155. [111th] S.3231 : GREEN Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 4/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (12)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 4/20/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

156. [111th] S.3234 : Veteran Employment Assistance Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (introduced 4/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)
Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs
Senate Reports: 11-285
Latest Major Action: 9/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 556.

157. [111th] S.3272 : Close the Revolving Door Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 4/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Latest Major Action: 4/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

158. [111th] S.3305 : Big Oil Bailout Prevention Unlimited Liability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (Introduced 5/4/2010) Cosponsors (23)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Senate Reports: 11-249
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders.
Calendar No. 518.

159. [111th] S.3326 : Job Creation and Affordable Housing Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Cantwell, Maria [WA] (Introduced 5/6/2010) Cosponsors (10)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 5/6/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

160. [111th] S.3331 : Native American Economic Advisory Council Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (Introduced 5/7/2010) Cosponsors (2)
Committees: Senate Indian Affairs
Latest Major Action: 5/7/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

161. [111th] S.3340 : NIST Grants for Energy Efficiency, New Job Opportunities, and Business Solutions Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Udall, Tom [NM] (introduced 5/11/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

162. [111th] S.3379 : Pollution and Costs Reduction Act
Sponsor: Sen Boxer, Barbara [CA] (introduced 5/17/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 5/17/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

163. [111th] S.3385 : American Energy and Western Jobs Act
Sponsor: Sen Bennett, Robert F. [UT] (Introduced 5/19/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: Senate Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 5/19/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

164. [111th] S.3396 : Supply Star Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (Introduced 5/24/2010) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: Senate Energy and Natural Resources
Senate Reports: 11-319
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders.
Calendar No. 605.

165. [111th] S.3447 : Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Improvements Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Akaka, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 5/27/2010) Cosponsors (35)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs; House Veterans' Affairs; House Armed Services; House Budget

Senate Reports: 11-346

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-377 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

166. [111th] S.3459 : On-the-Job Training Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Shaheen, Jeanne [NH] (introduced 6/7/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Major Action: 6/7/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

167. [111th] S.3471 : Native American Employment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 6/9/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: Senate Indian Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs.

168. [111th] S.3500 : Local Jobs for America Act

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

169. [111th] S.3501 : American Job Protection Act

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 6/17/2010) Cosponsors (14)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/17/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

170. [111th] S.3513 : Bonus Depreciation Extension to Create Jobs Act

Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 6/21/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

171. [111th] S.3517 : Claims Processing Improvement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Akaka, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 6/22/2010) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: Senate Veterans' Affairs

Senate Reports: 11-354

Latest Major Action: 11/29/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 654.

172. [111th] S.3528 : Coastal Jobs Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 6/24/2010) Cosponsors (11)

Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

173. [111th] S.3529 : AMERICA Works Act
Sponsor: Sen Hagan, Kay [NC] (introduced 6/24/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

174. [111th] S.3535 : Next Generation Energy Security Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Burr, Richard [NC] (introduced 6/24/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

175. [111th] S.3545 : Gulf of Mexico Economic Recovery and Job Impact Analysis Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Landrieu, Mary L. [LA] (introduced 6/29/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Small Business and Entrepreneurship
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

176. [111th] S.3570 : Hydropower Improvement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Murkowski, Lisa [AK] (introduced 7/13/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Energy and Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 7/13/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

177. [111th] S.3582 : Military Spouse Job Continuity Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 7/14/2010) Cosponsors (6)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 7/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

178. [111th] S.3605 : America COMPETES Reauthorization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Rockefeller, John D., IV [WV] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (8)
Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Senate Reports: 11-363
Latest Major Action: 12/10/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 687.

179. [111th] S.3606 : Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Kohl, Herb [WI] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 11-221
Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 464.

180. [111th] S.3608 : Fuel Cell Industrial Vehicle Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 7/19/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

181. [111th] S.3618 : Enabling the Nuclear Renaissance Act

Sponsor: Sen Volnovich, George V. [OH] (introduced 7/20/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

182. [111th] S.3644 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (introduced 7/23/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 11-230

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 482.

188. [111th] S.3662 : National Manufacturing Strategy Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

184. [111th] S.3663 : Clean Energy Jobs and Oil Company Accountability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 493.

185. [111th] S.3675 : Small Business Jobs Preservation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Whitehouse, Sheldon [RI] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

186. [111th] S.3686 : Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 8/2/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 11-243

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 504.

187. [111th] S.3688 : International Professional Exchange Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 8/2/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Foreign Relations

Senate Reports: 11-383

Latest Major Action: 12/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General

Orders. Calendar No. 727.

188. [111th] S.3712 : Economic Growth and Jobs Protection Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Cornyn, John [TX] (introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors (2)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

189. [111th] S.3720 : Marcellus Shale On-the-Job Training Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

190. [111th] S.3768 : A bill to eliminate certain provisions relating to Texas and the Education Jobs Fund.
Sponsor: Sen Hutchison, Kay Bailey [TX] (introduced 9/13/2010) **Cosponsors (1)**
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 9/13/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

191. [111th] S.3772 : Paycheck Fairness Act
Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 9/13/2010) **Cosponsors (33)**
Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Senate floor actions. Status: Cloture on the motion to proceed to the bill not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 58 - 41. Record Vote Number: 249.

192. [111th] S.3773 : Tax Hike Prevention Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen McConnell, Mitch [KY] (introduced 9/13/2010) **Cosponsors (27)**
Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 562.

193. [111th] S.3785 : Commercial Space Jobs and Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Nelson, Bill [FL] (introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors (1)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

194. [111th] S.3787 : Upstate Works Act
Sponsor: Sen Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [NY] (introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

195. [111th] S.3793 : Job Creation and Tax Cuts Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 9/16/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Latest Major Action: 9/20/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar

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196. [111th] [S.3816](#) : Creating American Jobs and Ending Offshoring Act

Sponsor: [Sen Durbin, Richard](#) [IL] (introduced 9/21/2010) **Cosponsors** (8)

Latest Major Action: 9/28/2010 Senate floor actions. Status: Cloture on the motion to proceed to the bill not invoked in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 45; Record Vote Number: 242.

197. [111th] [S.3849](#) : Job Preservation for Parents in Poverty Act

Sponsor: [Sen Kerry, John F.](#) [MA] (introduced 9/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (14)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 9/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

198. [111th] [S.3887](#) : A bill to provide for a continuation and expansion of the Wounded Warrior Careers Demonstration program, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bennet, Michael F.](#) [CO] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Armed Services

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

199. [111th] [S.3912](#) : HARVEST Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Chambliss, Saxby](#) [GA] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

200. [111th] [S.3932](#) : CIR Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Menendez, Robert](#) [NJ] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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201. [111th] S.3937 : Suburban Core Opportunity, Restoration, and Enhancement (SCORE) Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Gillibrand, Kirsten E.](#) [NY] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

202. [111th] S.3975 : Tax Relief Certainty Act

Sponsor: [Sen DeMint, Jim](#) [SC] (introduced 11/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 11/19/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 651.

203. [111th] S.3986 : A bill to amend the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Act of 1994 to establish in the Department of Agriculture a Healthy Food Financing Initiative.

Sponsor: [Sen Gillibrand, Kirsten E.](#) [NY] (Introduced 11/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

Latest Major Action: 11/30/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

204. [111th] S.4009 : Fairness for Texas Schools Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Hutchison, Kay Bailey](#) [TX] (introduced 12/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

Latest Major Action: 12/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

205. [111th] S.4018 : Life Sciences Jobs and Investment Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr.](#) [PA] (Introduced 12/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

206. [111th] S.4049 : Forest Jobs and Recreation Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Sen Tester, Jon](#) [MT] (introduced 12/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Energy and Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 12/18/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

207. [111th] S.4059 : Choice Neighborhoods Initiative Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (introduced 12/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 12/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

208. [111th] S.CON.RES.60 : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.
Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

209. [111th] S.RES.540 : A resolution honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small businesses in the United States during "National Small Business Week", beginning May 23, 2010.
Sponsor: Sen Landrieu, Mary L. [LA] (introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (13)
Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

210. [111th] S.RES.618 : A resolution designating October 2010 as "National Work and Family Month".
Sponsor: Sen Lincoln, Blanche L. [AR] (introduced 9/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (8)
Committees: Senate Judiciary
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

211. [111th] S.AMDT.3365 to H.R.4213 To require the Comptroller General to report to Congress on the causes of job losses in New England and the Midwest over the past 20 years and to suggest possible remedies.
Sponsor: Sen Whitehouse, Sheldon [RI] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (6)
Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3365 as modified agreed to in Senate by Unanimous Consent.

212. [111th] S.AMDT.3382 to H.R.4213 To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow companies to utilize existing alternative minimum tax credits to create and maintain American jobs through new domestic investments, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (8)
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3382 agreed to in Senate by Voice Vote.

213. [111th] S.AMDT.3639 to H.R.4872 To ensure that no State experiences a net job loss

as a result of the enactment of the SAFRA Act.

Sponsor: [Sen Thune, John](#) [SD] (introduced 3/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Motion to table amendment SA 3639 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 55 - 43. Record Vote Number: 76.

214. [111th] S.AMDT.4179 to H.R.4899 To allow the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to create or save jobs by providing interest relief on certain outstanding disaster loans relating to damage caused by the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes or the 2008 Gulf Coast hurricanes.

Sponsor: [Sen Landrieu, Mary L.](#) [LA] (introduced 5/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Proposed amendment SA 4179 withdrawn in Senate.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4560](#) : Earmark Performance and Accountability Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr.](#) [MD-1] (introduced 2/2/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (1)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

2. [111th] [H.R.4831](#) : Earmark Reform Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Gingrey, Phil](#) [GA-11] (introduced 3/11/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 3/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] [H.R.4983](#) : Transparency in Government Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Quigley, Mike](#) [IL-5] (introduced 3/25/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (1)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Rules; House Administration; House Judiciary; House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

4. [111th] [H.R.5136](#) : National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: [Rep Skelton, Ike](#) [MO-4] (by request) (introduced 4/26/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (1)
Committees: House Armed Services; House Homeland Security
House Reports: [110-491](#), [110-491](#) Part 2
Latest Major Action: 6/28/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 447.

5. [111th] [H.R.5258](#) : Earmark Transparency Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Cassidy, Bill](#) [LA-6] (introduced 5/11/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (25)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

6. [111th] H.R.5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (Introduced 5/13/2010) Cosponsors (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: 110-499
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

7. [111th] H.R.5320 : Assistance, Quality, and Affordability Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (Introduced 5/18/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; Senate Environment and Public Works
House Reports: 110-524
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

8. [111th] H.R.5442 : Electric Drive Vehicle Deployment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Markey, Edward J. [MA-7] (introduced 5/27/2010) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Science and Technology; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

9. [111th] H.R.5730 : Surface Transportation Earmark Rescission, Savings, and Accountability Act
Sponsor: Rep Markey, Betsy [CO-4] (introduced 7/14/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 8/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

10. [111th] H.R.5775 : Grant Accessibility and Transparency Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (Introduced 7/19/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

11. [111th] H.R.5822 : Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (Introduced 7/22/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 110-559
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 494.

12. [111th] H.R.5850 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Olver, John W. [MA-1] (introduced 7/26/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 110-564

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 503.

13. [111th] H.R.5997 : Anti-Pork Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Turner, Michael R. [OH-3] (introduced 7/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

14. [111th] H.R.6186 : Cutting Earmarks And Savings Enforcement (CEASE) Act

Sponsor: Rep Posey, Bill [FL-15] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

15. [111th] H.R.6523 : Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011

Sponsor: Rep Skelton, Ike [MO-4] (introduced 12/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Armed Services; House Budget

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-383 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: See the [Committee Print of the House Armed Services Committee](#) for additional details of the agreed to version of the bill.

16. [111th] H.R.6546 : Transportation Infrastructure Improvements on Federal Lands Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Hirono, Mazie K. [HI-2] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

17. [111th] H.J.RES.96 : Making full-year continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011 at lower, previous year levels, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (77)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

18. [111th] H.CON.RES.281 : Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2020.

Sponsor: Rep Jordan, Jim [OH-4] (introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (52)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

19. [111th] H.RES.1101 : Establishing an earmark moratorium for fiscal year 2011.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (Introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

20. [111th] H.RES.1147 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require a Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner to hold an explanatory public meeting prior to the submission of congressional earmark requests.
Sponsor: Rep Speler, Jackie [CA-12] (Introduced 3/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

21. [111th] H.RES.1176 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to ban congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, and limited tariff benefits.
Sponsor: Rep Hodes, Paul W. [NH-2] (Introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

22. [111th] H.RES.1177 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to prohibit congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, and limited tariff benefits.
Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (Introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (0)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

23. [111th] H.RES.1193 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 397 - 0, 12 Present) (Roll No. 131).

24. [111th] H.RES.1220 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 406 - 1, 15 Present (Roll no. 187).

25. [111th] H.RES.1221 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to increase openness and transparency in the annual appropriations process as it relates to earmarks.
Sponsor: Rep Chaffetz, Jason [UT-3] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules; House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

26. [111th] H.RES.1255 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 4/15/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 385 - 0, 18 Present (Roll no. 206).

27. [111th] H.RES.1287 : Raising a question of the privileges of the House.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 4/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 House floor actions. Status: On motion to refer Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 402 - 0, 17 Present (Roll no. 218).

28. [111th] H.RES.1289 : Expressing the sense of the House that Democratic Members of the House should join Republican Members of the House in a total ban on earmarks for one year, that total discretionary spending should be reduced by the amount saved by earmark moratoriums, and that a bipartisan, bicameral committee should be created to review and overhaul the budgetary, spending, and earmark processes.
Sponsor: Rep Goodlatte, Bob [VA-6] (introduced 4/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (165)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

29. [111th] H.RES.1502 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives respecting the treatment of earmarks in conferences between the House and the Senate.
Sponsor: Rep Akin, W. Todd [MO-2] (introduced 7/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (19)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

30. [111th] H.RES.1542 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to require that Members' official websites include congressional earmark requests and video presentations for requests submitted to committees.
Sponsor: Rep Pingree, Chellie [ME-1] (introduced 7/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Standards of Official Conduct
Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Standards of Official Conduct.

31. [111th] H.RES.1579 : Establishing an earmark moratorium for fiscal year 2011.
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

32. [111th] H.AMDT.547 to H.R.4061 An amendment numbered 3 printed in House Report 111-410 to prohibit the earmarking of funds authorized for grants in the bill.
Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the

Flake amendment (A003) Agreed to by recorded vote: 396 - 31 (Roll no. 35).

33. [111th] H.AMDT.586 to H.R.4247 Amendment adds 2 new sections to the measure relating to the presumption of Congress that grants awarded under the bill will be awarded using competitive procedures and relating to a prohibition on earmarks.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (Introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment (A002) Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 391 - 24 (Roll no. 81).

34. [111th] H.AMDT.589 to H.R.3644 An amendment to the Capps amendment in the nature of a substitute printed in Part B of House Report 111-445 to prohibit earmarking in the funds authorized for appropriations in the legislation.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (Introduced 3/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment to the Capps Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 376 - 37, 1 Present (Roll no. 139).

35. [111th] H.AMDT.632 to H.R.5019 Amendment prohibits any of the funds authorized in the bill from being used for a Congressional earmark.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (Introduced 5/6/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 5/6/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment (A006) Agreed to by voice vote.

36. [111th] H.AMDT.721 to H.R.5114 Amendment prohibits earmarking of funds made available for grants.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 House amendment agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Flake amendment (A004) Agreed to by recorded vote: 423 - 3 (Roll no. 444).

37. [111th] H.AMDT.734 to H.R.5822 An amendment numbered 6 printed in House Report 111-570 to prohibit funding for all of the member-requested earmarks for military construction projects.

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 By unanimous consent, the Flake amendment was withdrawn.

38. [111th] S.2990: A bill to establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: Senate Rules and Administration

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

39. [111th] S.3026: Fiscal Freeze Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bayh, Evan [IN] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

40. [111th] S.3267 : Fire Grants Reauthorization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Dodd, Christopher J. [CT] (introduced 4/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; House Homeland Security
Senate Reports: 110-235
Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 488.

41. [111th] S.3335 : Earmark Transparency Act
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Senate Reports: 110-365
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 692.

42. [111th] S.3454 : National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Sen Levin, Carl [MI] (introduced 6/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Armed Services
Senate Reports: 110-201
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Senate Committee on Armed Services. Hearings held prior to introduction and/or referral. Hearings printed: S.Hrg. 111-701, pt. 1.

43. [111th] S.3455 : Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Sen Levin, Carl [MI] (introduced 6/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 6/4/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 415.

44. [111th] S.3475 : Clean Up Earmarks Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 6/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Rules and Administration
Latest Major Action: 6/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

45. [111th] S.3566 : Maritime Administration Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011
Sponsor: Sen Lautenberg, Frank R. [NJ] (introduced 7/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
Senate Reports: 110-382
Latest Major Action: 12/21/2010 By Senator Rockefeller from Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation filed written report. Report No. 111-382.

46. [111th] S.3615 : Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Johnson, Tim [SD] (introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 110-226
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 469.

47. [111th] S.3644 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (Introduced 7/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 110-230

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 482.

48. [111th] S.3800 : Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (Introduced 9/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 110-295

Latest Major Action: 9/16/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 571.

49. [111th] S.3939 : Earmark Reform and Federal Spending Transparency and Accountability Act of 2011

Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (Introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Rules and Administration

Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

50. [111th] S.AMDT.3368 to H.R.4213 To provide for the rescission of unused transportation earmarks and to establish a general reporting requirement for any unused earmarks.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (Introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Amendment SA 3368 ruled non-germane by the chair.

51. [111th] S.AMDT.3454 to H.R.1586 To establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (Introduced 3/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (10)

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Motion to table amendment SA 3454 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 68 - 29. Record Vote Number: 50.

52. [111th] S.AMDT.3470 to H.R.1586 To provide for the rescission of unused transportation earmarks and to establish a general reporting requirement for any unused earmarks.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (Introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3470 as modified agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 87 - 11. Record Vote Number: 51.

53. [111th] S.AMDT.3475 to H.R.1586 To prohibit earmarks in years in which there is a deficit.

Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (Introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Senate amendment not agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3475 not agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 26 - 70. Record Vote Number: 60.

54. [111th] S.AMDT.4697 to S.510 To establish an earmark moratorium for fiscal years 2011, 2012, and 2013.

Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 11/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Latest Major Action: 11/30/2010 Coburn motion to suspend Rule XXII to permit the consideration of amendment SA 4697 not agreed to by Yea-Nay Vote. 39 - 56. Record Vote Number: 255.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4631](#) : To amend section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide certain information regarding companies in which the Government holds stock, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Alexander, Rodney](#) [LA-5] (Introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

2. [111th] [H.R.4653](#) : Accurate Accounting of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Act

Sponsor: [Rep Garrett, Scott](#) [NJ-5] (Introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (54)

Committees: House Budget; House Ways and Means; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] [H.R.4681](#) : Congressional Accountability Pay Act

Sponsor: [Rep Forbes, J. Randy](#) [VA-4] (Introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

4. [111th] [H.R.4762](#) : Congressional Pay Cut for Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: [Rep Burton, Dan](#) [IN-5] (Introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

5. [111th] [H.R.4943](#) : Informed Taxpayers' Federal Government Annual Reporting Act of 2010

Sponsor: [Rep McCarthy, Kevin](#) [CA-22] (Introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (28)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

6. [111th] H.R. 5564 : Judgment Evading Foreign States Accountability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McMahon, Michael E. [NY-13] (introduced 6/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Foreign Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

7. [111th] H.R. 5903 : Restoration of State Sovereignty Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Culberson, John Abney [TX-7] (introduced 7/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [111th] H.R. 5971 : Zimbabwe Renewal Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Payne, Donald M. [NJ-10] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (35)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

9. [111th] H.R. 6096 : Reduce Our Deficits Act

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

10. [111th] H.R. 6296 : Stop Iran's Nuclear Weapons Program Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Sherman, Brad [CA-27] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Ways and Means; House Judiciary; House Financial Services; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 12/20/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Immigration, Citizenship, Refugees, Border Security, and International Law.

11. [111th] H.R. 6417 : To prohibit Federal funding of certain public radio programming, to provide for the transfer of certain public radio funds to reduce the public debt, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 11/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the

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12. [111th] S.4008 : Stop Iran's Nuclear Weapons Program Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (Introduced 12/3/2010) **Cosponsors (1)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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1. [111th] H.R.4482 : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

2. [111th] H.R.4762 : Congressional Pay Cut for Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: Rep Burton, Dan [IN-5] (introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] H.R.4834 : Student Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: Rep Schauer, Mark H. [MI-7] (introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 4/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Higher Education, Lifelong Learning, and Competitiveness.

4. [111th] H.R.5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: 110-499
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-240 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

5. [111th] H.R.5339 : Disposal of Excess Federal Lands Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Chaffetz, Jason [UT-3] (introduced 5/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (25)
Committees: House Natural Resources
Latest Major Action: 5/21/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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6. [111th] H.R.5536 : Debt Buy-Down Act

Sponsor: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 6/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (34)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

7. [111th] H.R.5622 : Stop Outsourcing and Create American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 6/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [111th] H.R.5752 : Transparent and Sustainable Budget Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

9. [111th] H.R.5943 : Community Recovery and Enhancement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

10. [111th] S.3496 : Debt Buy-Down Act

Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (introduced 6/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

11. [111th] S.3676 : Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Leahy, Patrick J. [VT] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 110-237

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 496.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4681](#): Congressional Accountability Pay Act
Sponsor: [Rep Forbes, J. Randy](#) [VA-4] (introduced 2/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Administration; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on House Administration, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

2. [111th] [H.R.4933](#): Global HEALTH Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Lee, Barbara](#) [CA-9] (introduced 3/24/2010) **Cosponsors** (21)
Committees: House Foreign Affairs; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and in addition to the Committee on Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

3. [111th] [H.R.4943](#): Informed Taxpayers' Federal Government Annual Reporting Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep McCarthy, Kevin](#) [CA-22] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (28)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

4. [111th] [H.R.5035](#): National Shipbuilding Budget Policy Act
Sponsor: [Rep Wittman, Robert J.](#) [VA-1] (introduced 4/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)
Committees: House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 4/28/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces.

5. [111th] [H.R.5323](#): Save America's Future Economy Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Smith, Lamar](#) [TX-21] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (65)
Committees: House Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

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6. [111th] H.R.5363 : Preventing Waste, Fraud, and Abuse Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schrader, Kurt [OR-5] (introduced 5/20/2010) Cosponsors (36)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

7. [111th] H.R.5779 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Agriculture Program Act
Sponsor: Rep Himes, James A. [CT-4] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Agriculture
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities and Risk Management.

8. [111th] H.R.5780 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Energy Program Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Natural Resources; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Science and Technology
Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Environment.

9. [111th] H.R.5784 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Defense Programs Act
Sponsor: Rep Welch, Peter [VT] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Committees: House Armed Services
Latest Major Action: 9/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

10. [111th] S.2982 : International Violence Against Women Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 2/4/2010) Cosponsors (35)
Committees: Senate Foreign Relations
Latest Major Action: 12/21/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 725.

11. [111th] S.3104 : A bill to permanently authorize Radio Free Asia, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Lugar, Richard G. [IN] (introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: Senate Foreign Relations
Senate Reports: 110-214
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-202 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

12. [111th] S.AMDT.3303 to H.J.RES.45 To rescind \$120 billion in Federal spending by consolidating duplicative government programs, cutting wasteful Washington spending, and returning billions of dollars of unspent money.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 1/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Proposed amendment SA 3303 (Division IV) under the order of 12/22/2009, not having achieved 60 votes in the affirmative, the division was withdrawn in Senate.

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13. [111th] S.AMDT.4231 to H.R.4899 To pay for the costs of supplemental spending by reducing waste, inefficiency, and unnecessary spending within the Federal Government.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (Introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Motion to table amendment SA 4231 agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 45. Record Vote Number: 169.

14. [111th] S.AMDT.4331 to H.R.4213 To pay for the cost of this act by reducing wasteful, inefficient, excessive and duplicative government spending.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (Introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 6/23/2010 SA 4331 (Division XX) fell when the motion to concur in the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (HR 4213) with an amendment (SA 4369) tabled.

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Sponsor: Rep Braley, Bruce L. [IA-1] (Introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

7. [111th] H.R.4637 : Help Small Businesses Start and Grow Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (Introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Small Business; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Small Business, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [111th] H.R.4730 : Tax Credits for Jobs Now Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schauer, Mark H. [MI-7] (Introduced 3/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

9. [111th] H.R.4742 : SAVE Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Kind, Ron [WI-3] (Introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

10. [111th] H.R.4746 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to prevent pending tax increases, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Neugebauer, Randy [TX-19] (Introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (76)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

11. [111th] H.R.4770 : Create Jobs by Expanding the R&D Tax Credit Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (Introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

12. [111th] H.R.4777 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide an exemption for employer payroll taxes during 2010 for wages with respect to the employment of new hires and to provide a credit for retaining employees.
Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (Introduced 3/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

13. [111th] H.R.4841 : Small Business Tax Relief and Job Growth Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Velazquez, Nydia M. [NY-12] (Introduced 3/12/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/12/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

14. [111th] H.R.4849: Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (17)

Committees: House Ways and Means; Senate Finance

House Reports: 110-447

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

15. [111th] H.R.4850: American Job Creation and Investment Act

Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (77)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

16. [111th] H.R.4851: Continuing Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Financial Services; House Judiciary; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-157 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

17. [111th] H.R.4853: Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-312 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

18. [111th] H.R.4965: Targeted Job Creation and Business Investment Act

Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

19. [111th] H.R.4994: Medicare and Medicaid Extenders Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, John [GA-5] (introduced 4/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (20)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-309 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

20. [111th] H.R.5075: Middle Class Tax Relief Act

Sponsor: Rep Adler, John H. [NJ-3] (introduced 4/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

21. [111th] H.R.5077 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the alternative minimum tax exemption amount and index such amount for inflation.
Sponsor: Rep Hall, John J. [NY-19] (Introduced 4/20/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 4/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

22. [111th] H.R.5109 : Small Business Bill of Rights
Sponsor: Rep Kirk, Mark Steven [IL-10] (Introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Small Business; House Financial Services; House Rules; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Judiciary; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 5/27/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

23. [111th] H.R.5147 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (Introduced 4/27/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-161 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

24. [111th] H.R.5160 : Haiti Economic Lift Program Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (Introduced 4/28/2010) Cosponsors (52)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-171 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

25. [111th] H.R.5239 : Homeowner Tax Assistance Act
Sponsor: Rep Boswell, Leonard L. [IA-3] (Introduced 5/6/2010) Cosponsors (2)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 5/6/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

26. [111th] H.R.5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Frank, Barney [MA-4] (Introduced 5/13/2010) Cosponsors (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: 110-499
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

27. [111th] H.R.5486 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 6/9/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 247 - 170 (Roll no. 363).
Latest Action: 6/17/2010 Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1436, H.R. 5486 is laid on the table.

28. [111th] H.R.5557 : Back to School Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (Introduced 6/17/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 6/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

29. [111th] H.R.5611 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010, Part II

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 6/28/2010) Cosponsors (6)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-197 [GPO: Text, PDF]

30. [111th] H.R.5612 : Geothermal Energy Investment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Blumenauer, Earl [OR-3] (introduced 6/28/2010) Cosponsors (14)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 6/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

31. [111th] H.R.5622 : Stop Outsourcing and Create American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep McNerney, Jerry [CA-11] (introduced 6/29/2010) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

32. [111th] H.R.5705 : Electric Vehicle Advancement Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Tim [OH-17] (introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

33. [111th] H.R.5744 : Revitalizing American Manufacturing Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Yarmuth, John A. [KY-3] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

34. [111th] H.R.5764 : Responsible Estate Tax Act

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Linda T. [CA-39] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (5)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

35. [111th] H.R.5793 : Close Foreign Tax Loopholes: Make it in America Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Garamendi, John [CA-10] (introduced 7/20/2010) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

36. [111th] H.R.5893 : Investing in American Jobs and Closing Tax Loopholes Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 7/28/2010) Cosponsors (20)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 House floor actions. Status: The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
Latest Action: 7/29/2010 POSTPONED PROCEEDINGS - Pursuant to clause 2c of rule 19, the Chair postponed further proceedings on H.R. 5893 until a time to be announced.

37. [111th] H.R.5955 : Stopping the Excessive Growth of the Federal Government Act
Sponsor: Rep Graves, Sam [MO-6] (Introduced 7/29/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

38. [111th] H.R.5982 : Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 7/30/2010) Cosponsors (24)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Failed of passage/not agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 241 - 154 (Roll no. 514).

39. [111th] H.R.6099 : Automatic IRA Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Neal, Richard E. [MA-2] (Introduced 8/10/2010) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

40. [111th] H.R.6121 : Renewable Energy Investment Incentive Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (Introduced 9/14/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce
Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

41. [111th] H.R.6165 : Life Sciences Jobs and Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Schwartz, Allyson Y. [PA-13] (Introduced 9/22/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

42. [111th] H.R.6190 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010, Part III
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-249 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

43. [111th] H.R.6201 : 21st Century Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Donna F. [MD-4] (Introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (4)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means:

44. [111th] H.R.6222 : National Opportunity and Community Renewal Act

Sponsor: Rep McGovern, James P. [MA-3] (Introduced 9/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

45. [111th] H.R.6291 : Freight FOCUS Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Richardson, Laura [CA-37] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 9/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

46. [111th] H.R.6312 : Heavy Truck Tax Fairness Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Blumenauer, Earl [OR-3] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

47. [111th] H.R.6323 : To exempt gain from the sale of certain C corporation stock from the capital gains rate increase resulting from the sunset of the Jobs and Growth Tax Relief Reconciliation Act of 2003.

Sponsor: Rep Crowley, Joseph [NY-7] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

48. [111th] H.R.6367 : Restore American Jobs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Judiciary; House Administration; House Rules; House Natural Resources; House Appropriations; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

49. [111th] H.R.6415 : Tax Relief Certainty Act

Sponsor: Rep Pence, Mike [IN-6] (Introduced 11/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

50. [111th] H.R.6455 : American Opportunity Tax Credit Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Fattah, Chaka [PA-2] (Introduced 11/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 11/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

51. [111th] H.R.6467 : Middle Class Tax Relief Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 12/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

52. [111th] H.R.6473 : Airport and Airway Extension Act of 2010, Part IV

Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (Introduced 12/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-329 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

53. [111th] H.R.6517 : Omnibus Trade Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (Introduced 12/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-344 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

54. [111th] H.R.6522 : End Tax Uncertainty Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Bachmann, Michele [MN-6] (Introduced 12/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 12/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

55. [111th] H.R.6538 : Permanent Tax Relief Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Mack, Connie [FL-14] (Introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 12/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

56. [111th] H.J.RES.83 : Approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Crowley, Joseph [NY-7] (Introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (21)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-210 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

57. [111th] H.RES.1245 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the Value Added Tax is a massive tax increase that will cripple families on fixed income and only further push back America's economic recovery.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (Introduced 4/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (35)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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58. [111th] H.RES.1317 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the value-added tax in addition to existing Federal taxes is a massive tax increase that will result in hardships for United States families and job-creating small business and will stunt economic recovery.

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (introduced 4/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

59. [111th] H.RES.1346 : Opposing the imposition of a value-added tax.

Sponsor: Rep Herger, Wally [CA-2] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (113)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

60. [111th] H.RES.1481 : Supporting the goals and ideals of "National Save for Retirement Week", including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy.

Sponsor: Rep Schwartz, Allyson Y. [PA-13] (introduced 6/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 7/28/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.

Latest Action: 7/28/2010 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

61. [111th] S.2955 : A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide a temporary payroll increase tax credit for certain employers.

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Referred to Senata committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Coromittee on Finance.

62. [111th] S.2965 : Commission for Fiscal Sustainability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

63. [111th] S.2973 : Small Business Job Creation Tax Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 2/1/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/1/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

64. [111th] S.2983 : Hire Now Tax Cut Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

65. [111th] S.3014 : American Job Creation and Investment Act
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors (5)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

66. [111th] S.3018 : Bipartisan Tax Fairness and Simplification Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Wyden, Ron [OR] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors (4)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

67. [111th] S.3083 : Main Street Revitalization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bennett, Robert F. [UT] (introduced 3/5/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

68. [111th] S.3090 : A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to expand the availability of the saver's credit and to make the credit refundable.
Sponsor: Sen Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [NY] (introduced 3/9/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

69. [111th] S.3125 : Superfund Polluter Pays Act
Sponsor: Sen Nelson, Bill [FL] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

70. [111th] S.3533 : Responsible Estate Tax Act
Sponsor: Sen Sanders, Bernard [VT] (introduced 6/24/2010) **Cosponsors (4)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

71. [111th] S.3535 : Next Generation Energy Security Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Burr, Richard [NC] (introduced 6/24/2010) **Cosponsors (1)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 6/24/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

72. [111th] S.3706 : Americans Want to Work Act
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 8/4/2010) **Cosponsors (12)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

73. [111th] S.3738 : Clean Energy Technology Leadership Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (Introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

74. [111th] S.3760 : Automatic IRA Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

75. [111th] S.3773 : Tax Hike Prevention Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen McConnell, Mitch [KY] (introduced 9/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 562.

76. [111th] S.3785 : Commercial Space Jobs and Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Nelson, Bill [FL] (introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

77. [111th] S.3788 : Geothermal Energy Investment Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Wyden, Ron [OR] (introduced 9/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

78. [111th] S.3845 : National Opportunity and Community Renewal Act
Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (introduced 9/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

79. [111th] S.3876 : A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to extend and modify the alternative fuel vehicle refueling property credit.
Sponsor: Sen Wyden, Ron [OR] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

80. [111th] S.3934 : Gulf Coast Oil Recovery Zone Tax Relief and Economic Recovery Act
Sponsor: Sen Wicker, Roger F. [MS] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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81. [111th] S.3935 : Advanced Energy Tax Incentives Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Blngaman, Jeff [NM] (Introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors (2)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

82. [111th] S.3975 : Tax Relief Certainty Act

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (Introduced 11/18/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Latest Major Action: 11/19/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 651.

83. [111th] S.4018 : Life Sciences Jobs and Investment Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Casey, Robert P., Jr. [PA] (Introduced 12/9/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

84. [111th] S.4055 : Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (Introduced 12/22/2010) **Cosponsors (4)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

85. [111th] S.J.RES.35 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to a balanced budget.

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (Introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

86. [111th] S.CON.RES.60 : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (Introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

87. [111th] S.RES.649 : A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of "National Save for Retirement Week", including raising public awareness of the various tax-preferred retirement vehicles and increasing personal financial literacy.

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (Introduced 9/27/2010) **Cosponsors (2)**

Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

88. [111th] S.AMDT.3724 to H.R.4851 Expressing the sense of the Senate that the Value Added Tax is a massive tax increase that will cripple families on fixed income and only further push back America's economic recovery and the Senate opposes a Value Added Tax.
Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (Introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 4/15/2010 Senate amendment agreed to. Status: Amendment SA 3724 as modified agreed to in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 85 - 13. Record Vote Number: 115.

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1. [111th] [H.R.4848](#) : Tax Cut Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 3/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

2. [111th] [H.R.4853](#) : Tax Relief, Unemployment Insurance Reauthorization, and Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Oberstar, James L.](#) [MN-8] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 11t-312 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

3. [111th] [H.R.4878](#) : Tax Cut Job Creation Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Young, Don](#) [AK] (introduced 3/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

4. [111th] [H.R.6105](#) : HIRE Now Tax Cut Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Tonko, Paul](#) [NY-21] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

5. [111th] [H.AMDT.786](#) to [H.R.4853](#) Amendment sought to strike Title III of the Senate amendment to H.R. 4583 and insert a new Title III providing two years of estate tax relief at 2009 levels. In calendar years 2011 and 2012, the estate tax exemption amount would be \$3.5 million (\$7 million total for a married couple) and the maximum tax rate on estates would be 45%. The amendment sought to provide estates from decedents in 2010 with the ability to elect to be treated under the 2009 levels or to be treated under current law for tax purposes. Such election would have allowed estates to receive a step up in basis on inherited property rather than the 2010 carryover basis rules. The exemption level and rate would have been consistent with the estate tax proposal included in the President's FY2010 and FY2011 Budgets. Under the Senate amendment to H.R. 4583, the bill would provide two years of estate tax relief with a \$5 million estate tax exemption (\$10 million total for a married couple)

and a maximum rate of 35%. The amendment would have affected 6,600 estates in 2011 which would receive an average additional tax cut of more than \$1.5 million under the Senate bill.

Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 12/16/2010 House amendment not agreed to. Status: On agreeing to the Levin amendment (A001) Failed by recorded vote: 194 - 233, 1 Present (Roll no. 646).

6. [111th] S.2983 : Hire Now Tax Cut Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

7. [111th] S.3623 : HIRE Now Tax Cut Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

8. [111th] S.3706 : Americans Want to Work Act

Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 8/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (12)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

9. [111th] S.3793 : Job Creation and Tax Cuts Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 9/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 9/20/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 572.

10. [111th] S.CON.RES.60 : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

11. [111th] S.AMDT.3391 to H.R.4213 To provide for a 6-month employee payroll tax rate cut, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Sen Brown, Scott P. [MA] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2010 Amendment SA 3391 ruled out of order by the chair.

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1. [111th] H.R. 4849 : Small Business and Infrastructure Jobs Tax Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Levin, Sander M.](#) [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (17)
Committees: House Ways and Means; Senate Finance
House Reports: [110-447](#)
Latest Major Action: 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

2. [111th] H.R. 5297 : Small Business Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: [Rep Frank, Barney](#) [MA-4] (introduced 5/13/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (20)
Committees: House Financial Services
House Reports: [110-499](#)
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-240 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

3. [111th] H.R. 5486 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for small business job creation, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: [Rep Levin, Sander M.](#) [MI-12] (introduced 6/9/2010) [Cosponsors](#) (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On passage Passed by recorded vote: 247 - 170 (Roll no. 363).
Latest Action: 6/17/2010 Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1436, H.R. 5486 is laid on the table.

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1. H.R.1 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 1/26/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (9)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Conference Report: 111-16 (in Congressional Record H1307-1516)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-5 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

2. H.R.113 : To provide for audits of programs, projects, and activities funded through earmarks.

Sponsor: Rep Fortenberry, Jeff [NE-1] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (14)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

3. H.R.311 : Spending Reform Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Brady, Kevin [TX-8] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (18)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

4. H.R.377 : To make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (23)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

5. H.R.378 : To make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (25)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

6. H.R.381 : To make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security discretionary spending for fiscal year 2009.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (21)

Committees: House Appropriations

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Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

7. H.R.598 : To provide for a portion of the economic recovery package relating to revenue measures, unemployment, and health.

Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (Introduced 1/16/2009) **Cosponsors (2)**

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Science and Technology; House Education and Labor; House Financial Services

House Reports: 111-8 Part 1, 111-8 Part 2

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2009 Supplemental report filed by the Committee on Ways and Means, H. Rept. 111-8, Part II.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

8. H.R.629 : Energy and Commerce Recovery and Reinvestment Act

Sponsor: Rep Waxman, Henry A. [CA-30] (Introduced 1/22/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor; House Science and Technology

House Reports: 111-7 Part 1

Latest Major Action: 1/27/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 3.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

9. H.R.679 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (Introduced 1/26/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

House Reports: 111-4

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 1.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

10. H.R.737 : State Temporary Economic Priority (STEP) Act

Sponsor: Rep Hoekstra, Peter [MI-2] (Introduced 1/28/2009) **Cosponsors (7)**

Committees: House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 1/29/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

11. H.R.826 : Cluster-Based Economy Enhancement Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep McHugh, John M. [NY-23] (Introduced 2/3/2009) **Cosponsors (4)**

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

12. H.R.852 : Re-Build America Bond Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Sanchez, Loretta [CA-47] (introduced 2/4/2009) **Cosponsors (5)**

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure

Latest Major Action: 2/5/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

13. H.R.861 : Strategic Targeted American Recovery and Transition Act

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 2/4/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

14. H.R.943 : Truth in Accounting Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Bachmann, Michele [MN-6] (introduced 2/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

15. H.R.1105 : Omnibus Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 2/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-8 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: An explanatory statement was submitted by Mr. Obey, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations "as if it were a joint explanatory statement of a committee of conference." It appears in two 2/23/2009 Congressional Record documents on pages: [H1653-H2088](#) and [H2089-H2599](#). See also the House Appropriations [committee print](#).

16. H.R.1294 : Congressional Accountability and Line-Item Veto Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (introduced 3/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (26)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

17. H.R.1390 : Earmark Accountability and Reform Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (introduced 3/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

18. H.R.1557 : SAFE Commission Act

Sponsor: Rep Cooper, Jim [TN-5] (introduced 3/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (118)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/17/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

19. H.R.1648 : Fiscal Integrity Through Transparency and Technology (FITT) Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep McCotter, Thaddeus G. [MI-11] (introduced 3/19/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules; House

Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

20. H.R.1814 : Taxpayer Empowerment and Advocacy Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Barrett, J. Gresham [SC-3] (Introduced 3/31/2009) **Cosponsors** (8)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

21. H.R.2116 : Fiscal Honesty and Accountability Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Hill, Baron P. [IN-9] (Introduced 4/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (54)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 4/27/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

22. H.R.2169 : Limitation on Government Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (Introduced 4/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

23. H.R.2226 : Warren County National Debt Reduction Act

Sponsor: Rep Turner, Michael R. [OH-3] (Introduced 5/4/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

24. H.R.2346 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (Introduced 5/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-105; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-151 (In Congressional Record H6683-6741)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-32 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

25. H.R.2365 : Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep DeFazio, Peter A. [OR-4] (Introduced 5/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (71)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the

Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

26. H.R.2429 : Consumer Price Index for Elderly Consumers Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Gonzalez, Charles A. [TX-20] (introduced 5/14/2009) **Cosponsors** (25)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

27. H.R.2832 : Taxpayer Repayment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

28. H.R.2842 : To rescind all stimulus funds that remain unobligated.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (30)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

29. H.R.2847 : Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act

Sponsor: Rep Mollohan, Alan B. [WV-1] (introduced 6/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: 111-149; **Senate Reports:** 111-34

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-147 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Pursuant to H.Res. 976, the House modified the Commerce-Justice-Science Appropriations Act, 2010, H.R. 2847, substituting the "Jobs for Main Street Act, 2010" as Division A of the Act and the "Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009" as Division B. (Regular appropriations for FY2010 for activities funded in the C-J-S Appropriations Act were included in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010; see Division B of P.L. 111-117.) The report of the House Rules Committee on H.Res. 976 (H.Rept. 111-380, p. 5) summarized the matter included in Division A of the Act concerning the Troubled Asset Relief Program (TARP); infrastructure, employment, and public investment programs; unemployment insurance; COBRA; small business loans; the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage; the child tax credit; surface transportation; and certain civil rights claims.

30. H.R.2892 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Price, David E. [NC-4] (introduced 6/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

House Reports: 111-157; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-298 (in Congressional Record H11195-11257)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-83 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

31. H.R.2920 : Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Hoyer, Steny H. [MD-5] (introduced 6/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (169)

Committees: House Budget; Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

32. H.R.2942 : Highway Trust Fund Reclamation Act
Sponsor: Rep Diaz-Balart, Mario [FL-25] (introduced 6/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (22)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

33. H.R.2996 : Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Dicks, Norman D. [WA-6] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations
House Reports: 111-180; **Senate Reports:** 111-38; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-316 (in Congressional Record H11871-11983)
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-88 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: Division A is the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. Division B is the Further Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2010, continuing appropriations through 12/18/2009.

34. H.R.3007 : Local Fiscal Assistance Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Kanjorski, Paul E. [PA-11] (introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (6)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 10/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Government Management, Organization, and Procurement.

35. H.R.3081 : Continuing Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Lowey, Nita M. [NY-18] (introduced 6/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-187
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-242 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]
Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/3/2010.

36. H.R.3140 : Reducing Barack Obama's Unsustainable Deficit Act
Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (90)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Energy and Commerce; House Appropriations; House Ways and Means; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Veterans' Affairs
Latest Major Action: 7/10/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

37. H.R.3170 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Serrano, Jose E. [NY-16] (introduced 7/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-202
Latest Major Action: 7/20/2009 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 115.

38. H.R.3183 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Pastor, Ed [AZ-4] (introduced 7/13/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-203; **Latest Conference Report:** 111-278 (in Congressional Record

H10150-10358)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-85 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

39. H.R.3288 : Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Olver, John W.](#) [MA-1] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: [111-218](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-69](#); **Latest Conference Report:** [111-366](#)
(in Congressional Record [H13631-14080](#), [H14081-14369](#))

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-117 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: The conference report on the bill includes provisions for 6 of the 12 FY2010 appropriations: Transportation-HUD; Commerce-Justice-Science; Financial Services; Labor-HHS; Military Construction-VA; and State-Foreign Operations.

40. H.R.3293 : Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: [Rep Obey, David R.](#) [WI-7] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; Senate Appropriations

House Reports: [111-220](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-66](#)

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 149.

41. H.R.3298 : Discretionary Spending Control Act of 2009

Sponsor: [Rep Jordan, Jim](#) [OH-4] (introduced 7/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/22/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

42. H.R.3357 : To restore sums to the Highway Trust Fund, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rangel, Charles B.](#) [NY-15] (introduced 7/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-46 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

43. H.R.3366 : Illegal Garnishment Prevention Act

Sponsor: [Rep Gordon, Bart](#) [TN-6] (introduced 7/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Veterans' Affairs

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs.

44. H.R.3442 : To amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to establish discretionary spending caps for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2013.

Sponsor: [Rep Hodes, Paul W.](#) [NH-2] (introduced 7/31/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

45. H.R.3696 : To prohibit recipients of TARP assistance from funding ACORN, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Bachus, Spencer [AL-6] (introduced 10/1/2009) Cosponsors (28)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

46. H.R.3772 : Children's Budget Act
Sponsor: Rep Davis, Danny K. [IL-7] (introduced 10/8/2009) Cosponsors (15)
Committees: House Budget
Latest Major Action: 10/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

47. H.R.3964 : Spending, Deficit, and Debt Control Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 10/29/2009) Cosponsors (24)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Appropriations; House Oversight and Government Reform; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 10/29/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, Appropriations, Oversight and Government Reform, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

48. H.R.4110 : TARP Sunset Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Paulsen, Erik [MN-3] (introduced 11/18/2009) Cosponsors (68)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

49. H.R.4157 : Ensure TARP Expires Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 11/19/2009) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

50. H.R.4171 : TARP Sunset and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Teague, Harry [NM-2] (introduced 12/2/2009) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/2/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

51. H.R.4198 : Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Berkley, Shelley [NV-1] (introduced 12/3/2009) Cosponsors (7)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/3/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

52. H.R.4219 : National Commission on American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Wilson, Joe [SC-2] (introduced 12/8/2009) Cosponsors (25)
Committees: House Education and Labor
Latest Major Action: 1/4/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Workforce Protections.

53. H.R.4249 : Commission On Reforming Entitlement Spending Act
Sponsor: Rep McHenry, Patrick T. [NC-10] (introduced 12/9/2009) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 12/9/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

54. H.R.4262 : CAP the DEBT Act
Sponsor: Rep Scalise, Steve [LA-1] (introduced 12/10/2009) Cosponsors (84)
Committees: House Rules; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/10/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

55. H.R.4308 : Deficit Reduction Check-Off Act
Sponsor: Rep Posey, Bill [FL-15] (introduced 12/15/2009) Cosponsors (21)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

56. H.R.4314 : To permit continued financing of Government operations.
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 12/15/2009) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-123 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

57. H.R.4315 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Burgess, Michael C. [TX-26] (introduced 12/15/2009) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

58. H.R.4385 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Meek, Kendrick B. [FL-17] (introduced 12/16/2009) Cosponsors (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 12/16/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

59. H.R.4408 : Within Our Means Budget (WOMB) Act of 2009
Sponsor: Rep Gohmert, Louie [TX-1] (introduced 12/19/2009) Cosponsors (22)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

60. H.R.4479 : Tighten Washington's Belt Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Forbes, J. Randy [VA-4] (Introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

61. H.R.4481 : Deficit Reduction Act of 2009

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (Introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

62. H.R.4482 : Pay It Back Act

Sponsor: Rep Lance, Leonard [NJ-7] (Introduced 1/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Financial Services; House Ways and Means; House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Financial Services, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

63. H.R.4529 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Paul [WI-1] (Introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (14)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Rules; House Budget; House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

64. H.R.4560 : Earmark Performance and Accountability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (Introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

65. H.R.4631 : To amend section 1105 of title 31, United States Code, to require that annual budget submissions of the President to Congress provide certain information regarding companies in which the Government holds stock, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Alexander, Rodney [LA-5] (Introduced 2/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

66. H.R.4646 : Debt Free America Act

Sponsor: Rep Fattah, Chaka [PA-2] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Rules; House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, Rules, and Appropriations, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

67. H.R.4653 : Accurate Accounting of Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac Act
Sponsor: Rep Garrett, Scott [NJ-5] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (54)
Committees: House Budget; House Ways and Means; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Financial Services, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

68. H.R.4666 : Cluster-Based Economy Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/24/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

69. H.R.4691 : Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Rangel, Charles B. [NY-15] (introduced 2/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services; House Small Business; House Judiciary; House Budget
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-144 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

70. H.R.4851 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Levin, Sander M. [MI-12] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (4)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Budget; House Education and Labor; House Energy and Commerce; House Financial Services; House Judiciary; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-157 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

71. H.R.4856 : Forecast for the Future Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Donnelly, Joe [IN-2] (introduced 3/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (41)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

72. H.R.4871 : Spending Reduction Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (introduced 3/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (48)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as

fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

73. H.R.4883 : STRONG Budget Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Barton, Joe [TX-6] (introduced 3/18/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

74. H.R.4899 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/21/2010) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget; Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-188

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-212 [GPO: Text, PDF]

75. H.R.4921 : Budget Enforcement Legislative Tool Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Minnick, Walter [ID-1] (introduced 3/24/2010) Cosponsors (34)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

76. H.R.4989 : Social Security and Medicare Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Murphy, Tim [PA-18] (introduced 3/25/2010) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

77. H.R.5008 : Targeted Deficit Reduction Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Markey, Betsy [CO-4] (introduced 4/13/2010) Cosponsors (43)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

78. H.R.5089 : Business Incubator Promotion Act

Sponsor: Rep Ryan, Tim [OH-17] (introduced 4/21/2010) Cosponsors (7)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Financial Services

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management.

79. H.R.5157 : War on Debt Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Owens, William L. [NY-23] (introduced 4/27/2010) Cosponsors (3)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 4/27/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

80. H.R.5258 : Earmark Transparency Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Cassidy, Bill [LA-6] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (25)

Committees: House Rules; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

81. H.R.5275 : Seniors Purchasing Power Protection Act

Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

82. H.R.5305 : CPI for Seniors Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Duncan, John L. Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 5/13/2010) **Cosponsors** (6)

Committees: House Education and Labor

Latest Major Action: 6/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

83. H.R.5323 : Save America's Future Economy Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Smith, Lamar [TX-21] (introduced 5/18/2010) **Cosponsors** (65)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

84. H.R.5453 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Heller, Dean [NV-2] (introduced 5/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (48)

Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Appropriations; House Education and Labor; House Financial Services; House Budget; House Small Business; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce, Appropriations, Education and Labor, Financial Services, the Budget, Small Business, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

85. H.R.5454 : Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (by request) (introduced 5/28/2010)

Cosponsors (41)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 5/28/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be

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subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

86. H.R. 5540 : To make 2 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (Introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (9)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

87. H.R. 5541 : To make 1 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (Introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

88. H.R. 5542 : To make 5 percent across-the-board rescissions in non-defense, non-homeland-security, and non-veterans-affairs discretionary spending for each of the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Blackburn, Marsha [TN-7] (Introduced 6/16/2010) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

89. H.R. 5568 : Stop Waste by Eliminating Excessive Programs Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Nye, Glenn C. [VA-2] (Introduced 6/22/2010) Cosponsors (39)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 6/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

90. H.R. 5679 : End the Stimulus Advertisement Act

Sponsor: Rep Schock, Aaron [IL-18] (Introduced 7/1/2010) Cosponsors (16)

Committees: House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 7/2/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

91. H.R. 5745 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Rep Lewis, Jerry [CA-41] (Introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (21)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Budget

Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

92. H.R. 5752 : Transparent and Sustainable Budget Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (Introduced 7/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Ways and Means, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

93. H.R. 5775 : Grant Accessibility and Transparency Enhancement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Sestak, Joe [PA-7] (Introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform; House Budget; House Rules
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and in addition to the Committees on the Budget, and Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

94. H.R. 5782 : Reduce and End our Deficits Using Commonsense Eliminations in the Treasury and OPIC Programs Act
Sponsor: Rep Adler, John H. [NJ-3] (introduced 7/20/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Financial Services; House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 7/20/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committees on Financial Services, and Foreign Affairs, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

95. H.R. 5850 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Rep Olver, John W. [MA-1] (introduced 7/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
House Reports: 111-564
Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 503.

96. H.R. 5874 : United States Patent and Trademark Office Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010
Sponsor: Rep Mollohan, Alan B. [WV-1] (Introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-224 [[GPO: Text](#), [PDF](#)]

97. H.R. 5935 : BUILD Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Michaud, Michael H. [ME-2] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Appropriations
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

98. H.R. 5954 : Truth in Spending Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Giffords, Gabrielle [AZ-8] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (35)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

99. H.R.6096 : Reduce Our Deficits Act

Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 8/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations; House Natural Resources

Latest Major Action: 8/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on Natural Resources, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

100. H.R.6300 : State and Local Spending Will Help Save America Act of 2010

Sponsor: Rep Kucinich, Dennis J. [OH-10] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform

Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

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101. H.R.6367 : Restore American Jobs Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Moran, Jerry [KS-1] (introduced 9/29/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Ways and Means; House Energy and Commerce; House Education and Labor; House Judiciary; House Administration; House Rules; House Natural Resources; House Appropriations; House Financial Services; House Transportation and Infrastructure
Latest Major Action: 11/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions.

102. H.R.6401 : Biennial Budgeting and Appropriations Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Dreier, David [CA-26] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: House Budget; House Rules; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committees on Rules, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

103. H.R.6403 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Rescissions Act
Sponsor: Rep Lewis, Jerry [CA-41] (introduced 11/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (29)
Committees: House Appropriations; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 11/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Oversight and Government Reform, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

104. H.R.6406 : To amend the Federal Reserve Act to remove the mandate on the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and the Federal Open Market Committee to focus on maximum employment.
Sponsor: Rep Pence, Mike [IN-6] (introduced 11/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 11/16/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

105. H.R.6550 : National Emergency Employment Defense Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Kucinich, Dennis J. [OH-10] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.

106. H.J.RES.1 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Goodlatte, Bob [VA-6] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (179)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

107. H.J.RES.7 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution to provide for a balanced budget for the United States Government and for greater accountability in the enactment of tax legislation.

Sponsor: Rep Emerson, Jo Ann [MO-8] (introduced 1/7/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

108. H.J.RES.15 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to authorize the line item veto.

Sponsor: Rep Platts, Todd Russell [PA-19] (introduced 1/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

109. H.J.RES.38 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2009, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 3/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-6 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 3/11/2009.

110. H.J.RES.43 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Buchanan, Vern [FL-13] (introduced 4/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

111. H.J.RES.45 : Increasing the statutory limit on the public debt.

Sponsor: No Sponsor (introduced 4/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-139 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

112. H.J.RES.64 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2010, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 1/13/2010 Failed of passage in House over veto. Status: On passage, the objections of the President to the contrary notwithstanding Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 143 - 245, 1 Present (Roll no. 2).

113. H.J.RES.73 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 1/27/2010) **Cosponsors** (9)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 3/1/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

114. H.J.RES.75 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to balance the Federal budget.

Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 2/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (11)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary.

115. H.J.RES.78 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Bright, Bobby [AL-2] (introduced 3/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (42)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

116. H.J.RES.79 : Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to control spending.

Sponsor: Rep Hensarling, Jeb [TX-5] (introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (53)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

117. H.J.RES.89 : Proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Rep Terry, Lee [NE-2] (introduced 6/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Civil Liberties.

118. H.J.RES.96 : Making full-year continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011 at lower, previous year levels, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Price, Tom [GA-6] (introduced 9/22/2010) **Cosponsors** (77)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Appropriations.

119. H.J.RES.101 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 11/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-290 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/18/2010.

120. H.J.RES.105 : Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2011, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: Rep Obey, David R. [WI-7] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Appropriations

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-317 [**GPO:** [Text](#), [PDF](#)]

Note: Continuing appropriations through 12/21/2010.

121. H.CON.RES.85 : Setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2009 and 2011 through 2014.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 3/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

House Reports: 111-60

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On agreeing to the resolution Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 233 - 196 (Roll no. 192).

Latest Action: 4/2/2009 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Note: 2010 budget resolution.

122. H.CON.RES.234 : Expressing the sense of Congress that there should be a freeze on new discretionary non-defense, non-homeland security, non-intelligence spending whenever there is a Federal budget deficit.

Sponsor: Rep Tiahrt, Todd [KS-4] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

123. H.CON.RES.281 : Establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2020.

Sponsor: Rep Jordan, Jim [OH-4] (introduced 5/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (52)

Committees: House Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on the Budget.

124. H.RES.1183 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that public debt as a share of gross domestic product should be stabilized at not more than 60 percent by 2018.

Sponsor: Rep Quigley, Mike [IL-5] (introduced 3/15/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: House Ways and Means

Latest Major Action: 3/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

125. H.RES.1492 : Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

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126. H.RES.1493 : Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

Sponsor: Rep Spratt, John M., Jr. [SC-5] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: House Budget; House Rules

Latest Major Action: 7/1/2010 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: Pursuant to the provisions of H. Res. 1500 , H. Res. 1493 is considered passed House.

127. S.1 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (17)

Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 1.

Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

128. S.2 : Middle Class Opportunity Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (18)

Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 2.

129. S.10 : Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (15)

Latest Major Action: 1/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 10.

130. S.116 : TARP Assistance for Local Governments Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

131. S.154 : A bill to require the Congressional Budget Office and the Joint Committee on Taxation to use dynamic economic modeling in addition to static economic modeling in the preparation of budgetary estimates of proposed changes in Federal revenue law.

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 1/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

132. S.169 : Biennial Budgeting and Appropriations Act

Sponsor: Sen Isakson, Johnny [GA] (introduced 1/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (11)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

133. S.276 : Social Security and Medicare Solvency Commission Act

Sponsor: Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 1/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 1/16/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

134. S.303 : Federal Financial Assistance Management Improvement Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Voinovich, George V. [OH] (introduced 1/22/2009) **Cosponsors** (3)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs; House Oversight and Government Reform
Senate Reports: 111-7
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2009 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Agreed to by voice vote.
Latest Action: 12/15/2009 Message on House action received in Senate and at desk: House amendment to Senate bill.

135. S.323 : Rural Revitalization Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (introduced 1/26/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 1/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

136. S.336 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 1/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-3
Latest Major Action: 1/27/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 19.
Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

137. S.341 : Main Street Manufacturing Communities Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Stabenow, Debbie [MI] (introduced 1/28/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
Latest Major Action: 1/28/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

138. S.350 : American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Baucus, Max [MT] (introduced 1/29/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 1/29/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 20.
Latest Action: 1/30/2009 Star Print ordered on the bill.
Note: For further action, see H.R.1 , which became Public Law 111-5 on 2/17/2009.

139. S.430 : Economic Development Administration Reauthorization Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (introduced 2/12/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 2/12/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

140. S.480 : Regional Economic Recovery Coordination Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 2/25/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 2/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

141. S.524 : Congressional Accountability and Line-Item Veto Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 3/4/2009) Cosponsors (10)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/4/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

142. S.640 : Second Look at Wasteful Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Gregg, Judd [NH] (introduced 3/19/2009) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

143. S.827 : Unclaimed Savings Bond Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Rockefeller, John D., IV [WV] (introduced 4/3/2009) Cosponsors (18)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 4/3/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

144. S.834 : A bill to require that funding for Federal departments and agencies and programs that remain available at the end of a fiscal year shall be used to pay down the Federal debt.

Sponsor: Sen Sessions, Jeff [AL] (introduced 4/20/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 4/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

145. S.897 : Limitation on Government Spending Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 4/24/2009) Cosponsors (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

146. S.907 : Budget Enforcement Legislative Tool Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Carper, Thomas R. [DE] (introduced 4/28/2009) Cosponsors (21)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/28/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

147. S.1042 : Illegal Garnishment Prevention Act

Sponsor: Sen Kohl, Herb [WI] (introduced 5/14/2009) Cosponsors (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

148. S.1054 : Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009

Sponsor: Sen Inouye, Daniel K. [HI] (introduced 5/14/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-20

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 62.

149. S.1056 : SAFE Commission Act

Sponsor: Sen Volnovich, George V. [OH] (Introduced 5/14/2009) **Cosponsors (9)**

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

150. S.1223 : Free Enterprise Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Johanns, Mike [NE] (Introduced 6/10/2009) **Cosponsors (30)**

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 6/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

151. S.1240 : Roadmap for America's Future Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (Introduced 6/11/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

152. S.1298 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Byrd, Robert C. [WV] (Introduced 6/18/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-31

Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 83.

153. S.1323 : Want Not, Waste Not Act

Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (Introduced 6/23/2009) **Cosponsors (4)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

154. S.1432 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (Introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-43

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 102.

155. S.1436 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (Introduced 7/9/2009) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-45

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 104.

156. S.1600 : Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen McCaskill, Claire [MO] (introduced 8/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (8)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

157. S.1613 : Deficit Reduction Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 8/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

158. S.1642 : SAFE Act
Sponsor: Sen Brownback, Sam [KS] (introduced 8/6/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 8/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

159. S.1662 : Business Incubator Promotion Act
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Sherrod [OH] (introduced 9/10/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 9/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

160. S.1683 : Pay It Back Act
Sponsor: Sen Bennet, Michael F. [CO] (introduced 9/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (10)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 9/17/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

161. S.1710 : A bill to prohibit recipients of TARP assistance from funding ACORN, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 9/24/2009) **Cosponsors** (20)
Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs
Latest Major Action: 9/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

162. S.1808 : Control Spending Now Act
Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 10/20/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 10/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

163. S.2778 : Economic Development Revitalization Act of 2009
Sponsor: Sen Boxer, Barbara [CA] (introduced 11/16/2009) **Cosponsors** (6)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Senate Reports: 111-114

Latest Major Action: 1/20/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 254.

164. S.2787 : TARP Sunset Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (Introduced 11/17/2009) **Cosponsors** (21)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 11/17/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

165. S.2846 : United States War Bonds Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Nelson, E. Benjamin [NE] (Introduced 12/8/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

166. S.2853 : Bipartisan Task Force for Responsible Fiscal Action Act of 2009

Sponsor: Sen Conrad, Kent [ND] (Introduced 12/9/2009) **Cosponsors** (27)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/9/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

167. S.2875 : Commission on Measures of Household Economic Security Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (Introduced 12/11/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs

Latest Major Action: 12/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

168. S.2911 : Common Sense Budgeting Act

Sponsor: Sen Sessions, Jeff [AL] (Introduced 12/18/2009) **Cosponsors** (7)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 12/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

169. S.2926 : Economic Fairness for Seniors Act

Sponsor: Sen Lincoln, Blanche L. [AR] (Introduced 12/23/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Finance

Latest Major Action: 12/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

170. S.2952 : Strengthening Our Economy Through Employment and Development Act

Sponsor: Sen Franken, Al [MN] (Introduced 1/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 1/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

171. S.2965 : Commission for Fiscal Sustainability Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Ensign, John [NV] (Introduced 1/28/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

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Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 1/28/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

172. S.2981 : Reevaluate and Redirect the Stimulus Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (Introduced 2/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 2/2/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

173. S.3026 : Fiscal Freeze Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bayh, Evan [IN] (Introduced 2/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 2/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

174. S.3069 : American Renewable Energy Jobs Act

Sponsor: Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (Introduced 3/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (5)

Committees: Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

Latest Major Action: 3/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

175. S.3095 : HELP Act

Sponsor: Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (Introduced 3/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (19)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

176. S.3096 : Economic Disaster Prevention Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Bennett, Robert F. [UT] (Introduced 3/10/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

177. S.3108 : Children's Budget Act

Sponsor: Sen Menendez, Robert [NJ] (Introduced 3/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (8)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

178. S.3153 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (Introduced 3/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Senate floor actions. Status: Motion to proceed to consideration of measure tabled in Senate by Yea-Nay Vote. 59 - 40. Record Vote Number: 106.

179. S.3158 : A bill to require Congress to lead by example and freeze its own pay and fully

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offset the cost of the extension of unemployment benefits and other Federal aid.
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 3/23/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 3/24/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 334.

180. S.3173 : Continuing Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 3/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 3/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

181. S.3335 : Earmark Transparency Act
Sponsor: Sen Coburn, Tom [OK] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (27)
Committees: Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
Senate Reports: 111-365
Latest Major Action: 12/14/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 692.

182. S.3337 : Oil Spill Claims Assistance and Recovery Act
Sponsor: Sen Landrieu, Mary L. [LA] (introduced 5/11/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works
Latest Major Action: 5/11/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

183. S.3420 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

184. S.3421 : Protecting Against Indebting our Descendants through Fully Offset Relief (PAID FOR) Temporary Extension Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Grassley, Chuck [IA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Latest Major Action: 5/26/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 411.

185. S.3423 : Veto Wasteful Spending and Protect Taxpayers Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kerry, John F. [MA] (introduced 5/25/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

186. S.3474 : Reduce Unnecessary Spending Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Feingold, Russell D. [WI] (introduced 6/9/2010) **Cosponsors** (26)
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 6/9/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

187. S.3551 : Fiscally Responsible Relief for Our States Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Brown, Scott P. [MA] (introduced 6/30/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Finance
Latest Major Action: 6/30/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

188. S.3607 : Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Lautenberg, Frank R. [NJ] (introduced 7/19/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-222
Latest Major Action: 7/19/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 466.

189. S.3635 : Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-228
Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 478.

190. S.3636 : Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Mikulski, Barbara A. [MD] (introduced 7/22/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-229
Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 479.

191. S.3644 : Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (introduced 7/23/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-230
Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 482.

192. S.3652 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 7/27/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Budget
Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

193. S.3677 : Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2011
Sponsor: Sen Durbin, Richard [IL] (introduced 7/29/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**
Committees: Senate Appropriations
Senate Reports: 111-238
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 497.

194. S.3686 : Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2011

Sponsor: Sen Harkin, Tom [IA] (introduced 8/2/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Senate Reports: 111-243

Latest Major Action: 8/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 504.

195. S.3761 : A bill to ensure that amounts appropriated to the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 remain available until September 30, 2010.

Sponsor: Sen Dorgan, Byron L. [ND] (introduced 8/5/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Appropriations

Latest Major Action: 8/5/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

196. S.3779 : Deficit Reduction and Budget Reform Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Thune, John [SD] (introduced 9/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 9/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Budget.

197. S.J.RES.20 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which requires (except during time of war and subject to suspension by Congress) that the total amount of money expended by the United States during any fiscal year not exceed the amount of certain revenue received by the United States during such fiscal year and not exceed 28 per cent of the gross national product of the United States during the previous calendar year.

Sponsor: Sen Shelby, Richard C. [AL] (introduced 10/1/2009) **Cosponsors** (2)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

198. S.J.RES.22 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to requiring a balanced budget and granting the President of the United States the power of line-item veto.

Sponsor: Sen LeMieux, George S. [FL] (introduced 12/15/2009) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 12/15/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

199. S.J.RES.27 : A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: Sen DeMint, Jim [SC] (introduced 2/4/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

200. S.J.RES.35 : A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the

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United States relative to a balanced budget.

Sponsor: Sen Hatch, Orrin G. [UT] (introduced 7/21/2010) **Cosponsors (None)**

Committees: Senate Judiciary

Latest Major Action: 7/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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201. [S.J.RES.38](#) : A joint resolution proposing a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Sponsor: [Sen DeMint, Jim](#) [SC] (introduced 8/3/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Latest Major Action: 8/4/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 511.

202. [S.J.RES.42](#) : A joint resolution to extend the continuing resolution until February 18, 2011.

Sponsor: [Sen McConnell, Mitch](#) [KY] (introduced 12/16/2010) **Cosponsors** (16)

Latest Major Action: 12/17/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 703.

203. [S.CON.RES.13](#) : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2010, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2009, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2011 through 2014.

Sponsor: [Sen Conrad, Kent](#) [ND] (introduced 3/27/2009) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Conference Report: [111-89](#) (in Congressional Record [H4474-4836](#))

Latest Major Action: 4/29/2009 Conference report agreed to in Senate. Status: Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 53 - 43. Record Vote Number: 173.

Latest Action: 4/29/2009 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

Note: 2010 budget resolution. Accompanying committee print: [S. Prt. 111-16](#).

204. [S.CON.RES.57](#) : A concurrent resolution establishing an expedited procedure for consideration of a bill returning spending levels to 2007 levels.

Sponsor: [Sen LeMieux, George S.](#) [FL] (introduced 4/14/2010) **Cosponsors** (3)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on the Budget.

205. [S.CON.RES.60](#) : An original concurrent resolution setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2011, revising the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal year 2010, and setting forth the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2012 through 2015.

Sponsor: [Sen Conrad, Kent](#) [ND] (introduced 4/26/2010) **Cosponsors** (None)

Committees: Senate Budget

Latest Major Action: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 358.

206. S.CON.RES.78 : A concurrent resolution honoring the work and mission of the Delta Regional Authority on the occasion of the 10th anniversary of the Federal-State partnership created to uplift the 8-State Delta region.

Sponsor: [Sen Cochran, Thad](#) [MS] (introduced 12/17/2010) **Cosponsors** (1)

Committees: Senate Environment and Public Works

Latest Major Action: 12/22/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Resolution agreed to in Senate without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimous Consent.

Latest Action: 12/23/2010 Message on Senate action sent to the House.

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