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BLACKBURN REINTRODUCES SPENDING CUT LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Representative Marsha Blackburn (R-7th) reintroduced yesterday three bills she had authored during the 108th Congress to enact across the board reductions in non-defense, non-homeland discretionary spending. The legislation includes one, two, and five percent cuts. Savings are estimated between \$4 and \$22 billion in a single year.

Representatives Eric Cantor and Jeb Hensarling joined Blackburn as original cosponsors of the three bills.

"Across the board spending reductions would create significant savings while allowing agencies to determine what they can most afford to cut," Blackburn said. "This approach will cut through the partisan wrangling over specific projects. We shouldn't allow the push for spending reductions to get bogged down in debate. I believe this approach is one we should all be able to support. In Tennessee I proposed similar cuts in spending and we've seen those reductions work."

H.R. 3903, 3904, and 3906 would make one, two, and five percent reductions respectively.

"I believed these cuts were necessary several years ago, and I believe they're necessary now. Fortunately we've made progress in putting our spending concerns on the priority list."

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