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## The Money Monitor

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## Week of May 19-23, 2003

Net five-year cost of House authorizations passed by the House *this week*: \$402,125,000,000.00

| H.R. 1925 | Runaway, Homeless, and Missing Children Protection   |                     |
|-----------|--|---------------------|
|           | Act  | \$751.0 million     |
| H.R. 1904 | Healthy Forests Restoration Act                      | \$350.0 million     |
| H.R. 1588 | National Defense Authorization for Fiscal Year 2004, |                     |
|           | as amended on the House floor                        | \$401,024.0 million |
|           |  |                     |

TOTAL FIVE-YEAR COST OF THIS WEEK'S AUTHORIZATIONS \$402,125.0 million

*Year-to-date total* of net five-year costs of House-passed authorizations: \$495,337,400,000.00\*

## Net five-year change in House-passed mandatory spending *this week*: \$8,352,000,000.00

| H.R. 1257 | Selected Reserve Home Loan Equity Act                | -\$5.0 million    |
|-----------|--|-------------------|
| H.R. 1588 | National Defense Authorization for Fiscal Year 2004, |                   |
|           | as amended on the House floor                        | \$462.0 million   |
| H.R. 2185 | Unemployment Compensation Amendments of 2003         | \$7,895.0 million |
|           |  |                   |

THIS WEEK'S NET FIVE-YEAR CHANGE IN MANDATORY SPENDING \$8,352.0 million

*Year-to-date* net five-year change in House-passed mandatory spending: \$24,227,100,000.00

<sup>\*</sup>This figure does <u>not</u> include the authorizations contained in **H.R. 6** (the Energy Policy Act of 2003), which passed during the week of April 7-11, 2003. When a cost estimate becomes available, the RSC will update The Money Monitor accordingly.

Net one-year cost of appropriations passed by the House *this week*:

Fiscal Year 2003: \$0.00 Fiscal Year 2004: \$0.00

Year-to-date total of net one-year costs of House-passed appropriations:

Fiscal Year 2003: \$475,395,300,000.00 Fiscal Year 2004: \$4,400,000,000.00

Net five-year revenue change by House bills passed *this week*: \$1,010,000,000.00

H.R. 2185 Unemployment Compensation Amendments of 2003 \$1,010.0 million

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL FIVE-YEAR REVENUE CHANGE \$1,010.0 million

<u>NOTE</u>: "The Money Monitor" only tracks bills as they <u>first</u> pass the House. Conference reports, such as that for the economic growth package (H.R. 2), are <u>not</u> included in "The Money Monitor," since in most cases that would entail double-counting the same costs.

*Year-to-date* net five-year revenue change by House-passed bills: -\$301,622,500,000.00

An authorization (otherwise known as "discretionary spending") explicitly allows funding for a certain program and / or directs a federal agency to take a certain action. Authorizations express the House's *intent* to spend, however, actual funding is provided through the annual appropriations process. Authorizations with no <u>net</u> cost, bills that would result in no significant <u>net</u> change in mandatory spending or federal revenue, and private-sector costs from federal mandates are not reported here.

Mandatory spending directly establishes an appropriation. No subsequent action is required for the money to be spent.

All numbers in "The Money Monitor" are positive unless otherwise indicated.

The costs of conference reports are not recorded here. "The Money Monitor" only accounts for the costs of bills as they first pass the House (with the exception of bills that contain major cost-related changes upon subsequent House passage).

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