

RSC Continuing Resolution for FY 2011

Real Fiscal Stewardship for the Whole Year

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With the next fiscal year little more than a week away, the Democrat Congress has yet to enact any of the twelve FY 2011 appropriations bills needed to keep the government running beyond this month. Consequently, the Democrats plan to pass a short-term continuing resolution (with potentially billions of extraneous new spending attached), and then to finish the FY 2011 process at some later date with an omnibus that will increase domestic spending by \$99 billion compared to FY 2008 spending levels.

The RSC proposes this responsible solution ([H.J.Res. 96](#)) to close out this year's appropriations process by providing for a full-year continuing resolution for FY 2011 that protects defense and veterans spending, while returning all other discretionary spending to FY 2008 levels—the amounts in effect prior to this Congress's spending spree. Additionally, the plan will defund Obamacare, prohibit any FY 2011 appropriations from being used for earmarks, and protect all of the pro-life and other values riders.

HOLD NON-SECURITY DISCRETIONARY SPENDING AT FY 2008 LEVELS

- The RSC plan provides a full year continuing resolution for the 9 non-security spending bills at the FY 2008 levels that were in effect less than two years ago. Over a full year, this policy would save \$99 billion (compared to the Democrat spending plan).

PROTECT DEFENSE, MILITARY-VETERANS, AND HOMELAND SECURITY

- The legislation provides for the FY 2011 funding levels for the Defense (as passed by subcommittee), Homeland Security (as passed by subcommittee), and Military Construction-Veterans (as passed by the House) bills.

DEFUND OBAMACARE

- The RSC plan prevents any of the funds from being used to carry out any provision of the Democrat government takeover of health care.
- In addition, the RSC continuing resolution prevents any funds from being used to defend the health care law against any lawsuit challenging any provision of the act.

FY 2011 EARMARK MORATORIUM

- The RSC plan prevents any FY 2011 appropriations from being used for congressional earmarks (consistent with the House GOP moratorium).

PROTECTION OF VALUES RIDERS

- The resolution provides funding for the non-security spending bills (including the State-Foreign Ops bill) on the same terms as FY 2008. This means that, among other things, all pro-life riders are protected, such as the ban on DC abortion funding.

NO EXTRANEOUS "EMERGENCY" SPENDING

- The Democrats will reportedly attempt to include billions of new spending, outside of the regular appropriations process, in the short term continuing resolution. The RSC continuing resolution provides for none of this additional spending.