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The Money Monitor

...keeping track of how Washington wants to spend your money Week of April 9-13, 2001

The House was out of session this week.

Five-year cost of House authorizations passed *this week*: **\$0.00**

Year-to-date total of five-year costs of House authorizations: \$1,121,400,000.00

Five-year cost of House mandatory spending passed *this week*: **\$0.00**

Year-to-date total of five-year costs of House mandatory spending: \$16,000,000,000.00

An authorization 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 that would result in no net cost are not reported here.

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

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