



## The Money Monitor

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### **Week of July 19-23, 2004**

Net five-year cost of House authorizations passed by the House *this week*:  
**\$964,500,000.00\***

H.R. 4492	To amend the Omnibus Parks and Public Lands Management Act of 1996 to extend the authorization for certain national heritage areas	\$22.0 million
H.R. 1156	To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to increase the ceiling on the Federal share of the costs of phase I of the Orange County, CA, Regional Water Reclamation Project	\$60.0 million
H.R. 1014	Gateway Communities Cooperation Act	\$100.0 million
H.R. 2619	Kilauea Point National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act	\$18.0 million
H.R. 2991	Inland Empire Regional Water Recycling Initiative	\$30.0 million
H.R. 3785	To authorize the exchange of certain land in Everglades National Park	\$3.5 million
H.R. 3819	Lewis and Clark National Historical Park Designation Act	\$7.5 million
H.R. 142	To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Inland Empire regional water recycling project, to authorize the Secretary to carry out a program to assist agencies in projects to construct regional brine lines in California, and to authorize the Secretary to participate in the Lower Chino Dairy Area desalination demonstration and reclamation project	\$120.0 million
H.R. 4170	Department of the Interior Volunteer Recruitment Act	\$2.5 million
H.R. 1587	Viet Nam Human Rights Act	\$14.0 million
H.R. 4259	Department of Homeland Security Financial Accountability Act	\$20.0 million
S. 741	Minor Use and Minor Species Animal Health Act	\$71.0 million
H.R. 4011	North Korean Human Rights Act	\$496.0 million

**TOTAL FIVE-YEAR COST OF THIS WEEK'S AUTHORIZATIONS** **\$964.5 million\***

*Year-to-date total* of net five-year costs of House-passed authorizations:  
**\$679,133,480,000.00\*\***

\*This figure does not include the authorizations contained in the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2004, Part IV (**H.R. 4916**), which passed the House on July 22, 2004.

\*\*This figure does not include the authorizations contained in the Child Nutrition Improvement and Integrity Act (**H.R. 3873**), which passed the House on March 24, 2004, in the Energy Policy Act (**H.R. 4503**), which passed the House on June 15, 2004, in the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2004, Part III (**H.R. 4635**) and the Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act (**S. 2507**), both of which passed the House during the week of June 21-25, 2004, or in the Surface Transportation Extension Act of 2004, Part IV (**H.R. 4916**), which passed the House during the week of July 19-23, 2004. When CBO completes its estimates of these authorizations, the RSC will update The Money Monitor accordingly.

Net five-year change in House-passed mandatory spending *this week*:  
**\$2,799,000,000.00**

H.R. 4625	Soda Ash Royalty Reduction Act	\$15.0 million
H.R. 4879	Military Housing Improvement Act	<u>\$2,784.0 million</u>

THIS WEEK'S NET FIVE-YEAR CHANGE IN MANDATORY SPENDING \$2,799.0 million

**Bills for which cost estimates were not previously available**

S. 2507	Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act	<u>\$184.0 million</u>
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TOTAL FOR EARLIER BILLS \$184.0 million

*Year-to-date* net five-year change in House-passed mandatory spending:  
**\$95,513,800,000.00**

Net one-year cost of appropriations passed by the House *this week*:  
**Fiscal Year 2004: \$0.00**  
**Fiscal Year 2005: \$10,563,000,000.00**

Note: [The Money Monitor does not track conference reports—only bills as they first pass the House.](#)

H.R. 4850	District of Columbia Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005 (federal funds)	\$560.0 million
H.R. 4837	Military Construction Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005	<u>\$10,003.0 million</u>

TOTAL ONE-YEAR COST OF THIS WEEK'S FY2005 APPROPRIATIONS \$10,563.0 million

*Year-to-date total* of net one-year costs of appropriations passed during the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Session of the 108<sup>th</sup> Congress:

**Fiscal Year 2004: \$0.00**

**Fiscal Year 2005: \$586,080,500,000.00<sup>#</sup>**

<sup>#</sup>This figure includes \$25.78 billion in contingent emergency appropriations for FY2005 and has been adjusted to account for previously unrecorded overages in the Agriculture, Interior, and Energy & Water Appropriations Bills.

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Net five-year revenue change by House bills passed *this week*:

**-\$7,231,000,000.00**

H.R. 4840	To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to simplify the taxation of businesses	-\$7,178.0 million
H.R. 4842	United States-Morocco Free Trade Implementation Act	<u>-\$53.0 million</u>

THIS WEEK'S NET FIVE-YEAR CHANGE IN REVENUES - \$7,231.0 million

*Year-to-date* net five-year revenue change by House-passed bills:

**-\$167,526,500,000.00**

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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 net cost, bills that would result in no significant net 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. The figures for revenue changes are from “**static**” estimates by the Joint Committee on Taxation or the Congressional Budget Office. That is, they do not take into account the stimulative effects that tax cuts and certain other revenue reductions have on the national economy.

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

**Neither the costs of conference reports nor the costs of bills that have already been recorded under substantively similar House-passed legislation are 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—yet BEFORE Senate passage). **In short, “The Money Monitor” tracks the House’s original monetary intent each calendar year.**

Most estimates are provided by the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), though some are provided by the Joint Committee on Taxation, the referring House committee, or RSC staff calculations.

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