



The Money Monitor

...keeping track of how Washington wants to spend your money

Week of July 30-August 3, 2001

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

\$23,202,500,000.00

H.R. 100	(National Science Education Act)	\$181.0 million
H.R. 1858	(To make improvements in math and science education)	\$1,568.0 million
H.R. 2603	(U.S-Jordan Free Trade Act)	\$0.5 million
H.R. 2540	(Veterans Benefits Act)	\$980.0 million*
H.R. 4	(Securing America's Future Energy Act)	\$20,000.0 million**
H.R. 2501	(Appalachian Regional Development Act)	\$473.0 million

THIS WEEK'S TOTAL OF FIVE-YEAR COSTS \$23,202.5 million***

Year-to-date total of five-year costs of House authorizations:

\$199,044,100,000.00

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

\$13,822,000,000.00

H.R. 1140	(Railroad Retirement and Survivors Act)	\$13,822.0 million
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THIS WEEK'S TOTAL OF FIVE-YEAR COSTS \$13,822.0 million***

Year-to-date total of five-year costs of House mandatory spending:

\$40,303,300,000.00

One-year cost of House appropriations passed *this week*:

\$87,675,500,000.00

H.R. 2620	(FY2002 Veterans Affairs—Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act)	\$85,434.0 million
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H.AMDT. 247	(FY2002 Veterans Affairs—Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act—Hastings Amendment)	\$1.0 million
H.AMDT. 273	(FY2002 Veterans Affairs—Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act—Bishop Amendment)	\$1.5 million
H.R. 2647	(FY2002 Legislative Branch Appropriations Act)	\$2,239.0 million
THIS WEEK'S TOTAL OF ONE-YEAR COSTS		\$87,675.5 million

Year-to-date total of one-year costs of House appropriations:
\$238,033,700,000.00

*Most of this figure comes from transferring \$806 million from mandatory spending to spending subject to annual appropriation.

**Estimation based on a preliminary CBO analysis.

***The Patients Bill of Rights (H.R. 2563) passed the House this week. A preliminary analysis by the CBO shows this legislation as having no net cost to the federal government. If a subsequent CBO analysis shows otherwise, the “Money Monitor” will be updated accordingly.

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, net *decreases* in mandatory spending, private-sector costs from federal mandates, and tax cuts (or other reductions in federal revenue) 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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