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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
2 *concurring),*

3 **SECTION 1. CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET**
4 **FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008.**

5 (a) DECLARATION.—The Congress determines and
6 declares that the concurrent resolution on the budget for
7 fiscal year 2007 is revised and replaced and that this is
8 the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year

1 2008, including appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal
 2 years 2009 through 2012.

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1 **TITLE I—RECOMMENDED** 2 **LEVELS AND AMOUNTS**

3 **SEC. 101. RECOMMENDED LEVELS AND AMOUNTS.**

4 The following budgetary levels are appropriate for
5 each of fiscal years 2007 through 2012:

6 (1) FEDERAL REVENUES.—For purposes of the
7 enforcement of this resolution:

8 (A) The recommended levels of Federal
9 revenues are as follows:

10 Fiscal year 2007: \$1,904,706,000,000.

11 Fiscal year 2008: \$2,050,797,000,000.

12 Fiscal year 2009: \$2,106,926,000,000.

13 Fiscal year 2010: \$2,163,721,000,000.

14 Fiscal year 2011: \$2,394,551,000,000.

15 Fiscal year 2012: \$2,597,096,000,000.

1 (B) The amounts by which the aggregate
2 levels of Federal revenues should be adjusted
3 are as follows:

4 Fiscal year 2007: \$0.

5 Fiscal year 2008: \$0.

6 Fiscal year 2009: \$0.

7 Fiscal year 2010: \$0.

8 Fiscal year 2011: \$0.

9 Fiscal year 2012: \$0.

10 (2) NEW BUDGET AUTHORITY.—For purposes
11 of the enforcement of this resolution, the appropriate
12 levels of total new budget authority are as follows:

13 Fiscal year 2007: \$2,380,614,000,000.

14 Fiscal year 2008: \$2,495,291,000,000.

15 Fiscal year 2009: \$2,516,301,000,000.

16 Fiscal year 2010: \$2,569,952,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2011: \$2,684,936,000,000.

18 Fiscal year 2012: \$2,716,188,000,000.

19 (3) BUDGET OUTLAYS.—For purposes of the
20 enforcement of this resolution, the appropriate levels
21 of total budget outlays are as follows:

22 Fiscal year 2007: \$2,300,065,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2008: \$2,465,888,000,000.

24 Fiscal year 2009: \$2,565,305,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2010: \$2,600,718,000,000.

1 Fiscal year 2011: \$2,691,358,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2012: \$2,700,809,000,000.

3 (4) DEFICITS (ON-BUDGET).—For purposes of
4 the enforcement of this resolution, the amounts of
5 the deficits (on-budget) are as follows:

6 Fiscal year 2007: −\$395,359,000,000.

7 Fiscal year 2008: −\$415,091,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2009: −\$458,379,000,000.

9 Fiscal year 2010: −\$436,997,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2011: −\$296,807,000,000.

11 Fiscal year 2012: −\$103,713,000,000.

12 (5) DEBT SUBJECT TO LIMIT.—Pursuant to
13 section 301(a)(5) of the Congressional Budget Act
14 of 1974, the appropriate levels of the debt subject to
15 limit are as follows:

16 Fiscal year 2007: \$8,927,000,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2008: \$9,461,000,000,000.

18 Fiscal year 2009: \$10,036,000,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2010: \$10,591,000,000,000.

20 Fiscal year 2011: \$11,001,000,000,000.

21 Fiscal year 2012: \$11,231,000,000,000.

22 (6) DEBT HELD BY THE PUBLIC.—The appro-
23 priate levels of debt held by the public are as follows:

24 Fiscal year 2007: \$5,042,000,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2008: \$5,269,000,000,000.

1 Fiscal year 2009: \$5,524,000,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010: \$5,743,000,000,000.

3 Fiscal year 2011: \$5,805,000,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2012: \$5,663,000,000,000.

5 **SEC. 102. MAJOR FUNCTIONAL CATEGORIES.**

6 The Congress determines and declares that the ap-
 7 propriate levels of new budget authority and outlays for
 8 fiscal years 2007 through 2012 for each major functional
 9 category are:

10 (1) National Defense (050):

11 Fiscal year 2007:

12 (A) New budget authority,
 13 \$525,797,000,000.

14 (B) Outlays, \$534,270,000,000.

15 Fiscal year 2008:

16 (A) New budget authority,
 17 \$506,995,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$514,401,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2009:

20 (A) New budget authority,
 21 \$534,705,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$524,384,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2010:

24 (A) New budget authority,
 25 \$545,171,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$536,433,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2011:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$550,944,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$547,624,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2012:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$559,799,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$548,169,000,000.

10 (2) International Affairs (150):

11 Fiscal year 2007:

12 (A) New budget authority,
13 \$28,795,000,000.

14 (B) Outlays, \$31,308,000,000.

15 Fiscal year 2008:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$34,675,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$33,096,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2009:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$35,428,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$32,557,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2010:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$35,623,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$32,687,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2011:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$36,083,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$33,006,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2012:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$36,530,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$33,613,000,000.

10 (3) General Science, Space, and Technology
11 (250):

12 Fiscal year 2007:

13 (A) New budget authority,
14 \$25,079,000,000.

15 (B) Outlays, \$24,516,000,000.

16 Fiscal year 2008:

17 (A) New budget authority,
18 \$27,611,000,000.

19 (B) Outlays, \$26,472,000,000.

20 Fiscal year 2009:

21 (A) New budget authority,
22 \$28,641,000,000.

23 (B) Outlays, \$28,411,000,000.

24 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority,
2 \$29,844,000,000.

3 (B) Outlays, \$29,485,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2011:

5 (A) New budget authority,
6 \$31,103,00,000.

7 (B) Outlays, \$30,089,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2012:

9 (A) New budget authority,
10 \$32,438,000,000.

11 (B) Outlays, \$31,367,000,000.

12 (4) Energy (270):

13 Fiscal year 2007:

14 (A) New budget authority,
15 \$2,943,000,000.

16 (B) Outlays, \$1,369,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2008:

18 (A) New budget authority,
19 \$3,240,000,000.

20 (B) Outlays, \$1,092,000,000.

21 Fiscal year 2009:

22 (A) New budget authority,
23 \$3,051,000,000.

24 (B) Outlays, \$1,454,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority,
2 \$3,136,000,000.

3 (B) Outlays, \$1,641,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2011:

5 (A) New budget authority,
6 \$3,228,000,000.

7 (B) Outlays, \$1,697,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2012:

9 (A) New budget authority,
10 \$3,307,000,000.

11 (B) Outlays, \$1,997,000,000.

12 (5) Natural Resources and Environment (300):

13 Fiscal year 2007:

14 (A) New budget authority,
15 \$31,332,000,000.

16 (B) Outlays, \$32,919,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2008:

18 (A) New budget authority,
19 \$32,813,000,000.

20 (B) Outlays, \$34,864,000,000.

21 Fiscal year 2009:

22 (A) New budget authority,
23 \$33,529,000,000.

24 (B) Outlays, \$35,332,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority,
2 \$34,483,000,000.

3 (B) Outlays, \$35,574,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2011:

5 (A) New budget authority,
6 \$35,152,000,000.

7 (B) Outlays, \$35,952,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2012:

9 (A) New budget authority,
10 \$36,194,000,000.

11 (B) Outlays, \$36,543,000,000.

12 (6) Agriculture (350):

13 Fiscal year 2007:

14 (A) New budget authority,
15 \$21,471,000,000.

16 (B) Outlays, \$19,738,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2008:

18 (A) New budget authority,
19 \$20,381,000,000.

20 (B) Outlays, \$19,549,000,000.

21 Fiscal year 2009:

22 (A) New budget authority,
23 \$20,933,000,000.

24 (B) Outlays, \$20,059,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority,
2 \$21,138,000,000.

3 (B) Outlays, \$20,112,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2011:

5 (A) New budget authority,
6 \$21,156,000,000.

7 (B) Outlays, \$20,436,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2012:

9 (A) New budget authority,
10 \$21,402,000,000.

11 (B) Outlays, \$20,863,000,000.

12 (7) Commerce and Housing Credit (370):

13 Fiscal year 2007:

14 (A) New budget authority,
15 \$5,515,000,000.

16 (B) Outlays, −\$3,522,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2008:

18 (A) New budget authority,
19 \$9,158,000,000.

20 (B) Outlays, \$1,985,000,000.

21 Fiscal year 2009:

22 (A) New budget authority,
23 \$9,973,000,000.

24 (B) Outlays, \$996,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority,
2 \$13,775,000,000.

3 (B) Outlays, \$3,460,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2011:

5 (A) New budget authority,
6 \$8,822,000,000.

7 (B) Outlays, \$1,931,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2012:

9 (A) New budget authority,
10 \$8,822,000,000.

11 (B) Outlays, \$1,097,000,000.

12 (8) Transportation (400):

13 Fiscal year 2007:

14 (A) New budget authority,
15 \$81,282,000,000.

16 (B) Outlays, \$74,739,000,000.

17 Fiscal year 2008:

18 (A) New budget authority,
19 \$82,657,000,000.

20 (B) Outlays, \$80,802,000,000.

21 Fiscal year 2009:

22 (A) New budget authority,
23 \$76,343,000,000.

24 (B) Outlays, \$83,948,000,000.

25 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority,
2 \$77,261,000,000.

3 (B) Outlays, \$86,127,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2011:

5 (A) New budget authority,
6 \$78,289,000,000.

7 (B) Outlays, \$87,018,000,000.

8 Fiscal year 2012:

9 (A) New budget authority,
10 \$79,169,000,000.

11 (B) Outlays, \$88,761,000,000.

12 (9) Community and Regional Development
13 (450):

14 Fiscal year 2007:

15 (A) New budget authority,
16 \$15,717,000,000.

17 (B) Outlays, \$28,281,000,000.

18 Fiscal year 2008:

19 (A) New budget authority,
20 \$15,032,000,000.

21 (B) Outlays, \$22,017,000,000.

22 Fiscal year 2009:

23 (A) New budget authority,
24 \$13,928,000,000.

25 (B) Outlays, \$20,474,000,000.

1 Fiscal year 2010:

2 (A) New budget authority,
3 \$14,129,000,000.

4 (B) Outlays, \$19,220,000,000.

5 Fiscal year 2011:

6 (A) New budget authority,
7 \$14,328,000,000.

8 (B) Outlays, \$17,649,000,000.

9 Fiscal year 2012:

10 (A) New budget authority,
11 \$14,528,000,000.

12 (B) Outlays, \$15,131,000,000.

13 (10) Education, Training, Employment, and
14 Social Services (500):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$92,780,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$92,224,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$92,461,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$91,119,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$96,810,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$93,978,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,

4 \$98,333,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$96,041,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,

8 \$98,409,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$97,276,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,

12 \$98,654,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$96,909,000,000.

14 (11) Health (550):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,

17 \$267,892,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$268,197,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,

21 \$286,767,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$286,261,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,

25 \$307,842,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$305,984,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$325,885,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$325,716,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$347,621,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$346,553,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$370,780,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$369,739,000,000.

14 (12) Medicare (570):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$365,152,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$370,180,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$389,586,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$389,696,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$416,731,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$416,382,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$442,369,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$442,589,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$489,100,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$489,109,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$468,828,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$486,440,000,000.

14 (13) Income Security (600):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$360,365,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$364,204,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$379,927,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$383,546,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$391,073,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$393,458,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$401,429,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$402,422,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$417,016,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$416,907,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$402,874,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$402,130,000,000.

14 (14) Social Security (650):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$19,089,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$19,089,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$19,644,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$19,644,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$21,518,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$21,518,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$23,701,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$23,701,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$27,009,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$27,009,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$29,898,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$29,898,000,000.

14 (15) Veterans Benefits and Services (700):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$73,896,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$72,342,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$85,192,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$82,772,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$87,787,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$87,681,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,

4 \$90,414,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$89,710,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,

8 \$96,033,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$95,410,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,

12 \$93,325,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$92,599,000,000.

14 (16) Administration of Justice (750):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,

17 \$45,504,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$44,659,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,

21 \$46,940,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$46,155,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,

25 \$46,111,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$47,311,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$47,168,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$47,504,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$48,379,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$48,164,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$49,610,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$49,207,000,000.

14 (17) General Government (800):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$18,193,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$18,574,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$18,614,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$18,998,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$19,264,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$19,328,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$19,886,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$19,765,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$20,647,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$20,370,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$21,359,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$21,193,000,000.

14 (18) Net Interest (900):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$344,431,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$344,431,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$369,454,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$369,454,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2009:

24 (A) New budget authority,
25 \$389,194,000,000.

1 (B) Outlays, \$389,194,000,000.

2 Fiscal year 2010:

3 (A) New budget authority,
4 \$413,140,000,000.

5 (B) Outlays, \$413,140,000,000.

6 Fiscal year 2011:

7 (A) New budget authority,
8 \$431,192,000,000.

9 (B) Outlays, \$431,192,000,000.

10 Fiscal year 2012:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 \$442,528,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, \$442,528,000,000.

14 (19) Allowances (920):

15 Fiscal year 2007:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$785,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$755,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2008:

20 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

21 (B) Outlays, \$30,000,000.

22 Fiscal year 2009:

23 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

24 (B) Outlays, \$0.

25 Fiscal year 2010:

1 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

2 (B) Outlays, \$0.

3 Fiscal year 2011:

4 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

5 (B) Outlays, \$0.

6 Fiscal year 2012:

7 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

8 (B) Outlays, \$0.

9 (20) Undistributed Offsetting Receipts (950):

10 Fiscal year 2007:

11 (A) New budget authority,
12 −\$69,714,000,000.

13 (B) Outlays, −\$69,714,000,000.

14 Fiscal year 2008:

15 (A) New budget authority,
16 −\$70,979,000,000.

17 (B) Outlays, −\$70,979,000,000.

18 Fiscal year 2009:

19 (A) New budget authority,
20 −\$66,560,000,000.

21 (B) Outlays, −\$66,569,000,000.

22 Fiscal year 2010:

23 (A) New budget authority,
24 −\$66,933,000,000.

25 (B) Outlays, −\$66,933,000,000.

1 Fiscal year 2011:

2 (A) New budget authority,
3 −\$69,575,000,000.

4 (B) Outlays, −\$69,595,000,000.

5 Fiscal year 2012:

6 (A) New budget authority,
7 −\$71,857,000,000.

8 (B) Outlays, −\$71,860,000,000.

9 (21) Overseas Deployments and Other Activi-
10 ties (970):

11 Fiscal year 2007:

12 (A) New budget authority,
13 \$124,310,000,000.

14 (B) Outlays, \$31,506,000,000.

15 Fiscal year 2008:

16 (A) New budget authority,
17 \$145,163,000,000.

18 (B) Outlays, \$114,914,000,000.

19 Fiscal year 2009:

20 (A) New budget authority,
21 \$50,000,000,000.

22 (B) Outlays, \$109,425,000,000.

23 Fiscal year 2010:

24 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

25 (B) Outlays, \$42,324,000,000.

1 Fiscal year 2011:

2 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

3 (B) Outlays, \$13,561,000,000.

4 Fiscal year 2012:

5 (A) New budget authority, \$0.

6 (B) Outlays, \$4,485,000,000.

7 **TITLE II—RESERVE FUNDS**

8 **SEC. 201. RESERVE FUND FOR THE STATE CHILDREN'S** 9 **HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM.**

10 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
 11 tion (or an amendment to or a conference report sub-
 12 mitted on such a bill or joint resolution) reported from
 13 the Committee on Energy and Commerce that increases
 14 new budget authority that would result in no more than
 15 \$50,000,000,000 in outlays for fiscal years 2008 through
 16 2012 for expanding coverage and improving children's
 17 health through the State Children's Health Insurance Pro-
 18 gram (SCHIP) under title XXI of the Social Security Act
 19 and the program under title XIX of such Act (commonly
 20 known as medicaid), the chairman of the Committee on
 21 Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in alloca-
 22 tions of the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in
 23 budget authority and outlays of other committees as may
 24 be necessary pursuant to such adjustment for the Com-
 25 mittee on Energy and Commerce, and budgetary aggre-

1 gates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint resolu-
 2 tion (as amended, in the case of an amendment) in the
 3 form placed before the House by the Committee on Rules
 4 would not increase the deficit or decrease the surplus for
 5 the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 and the pe-
 6 riod of fiscal years 2007 through 2017. The adjustments
 7 may be made whenever a rule providing for consideration
 8 of such a bill or joint resolution is filed, such a bill or
 9 joint resolution is placed on any calendar, or an amend-
 10 ment is offered or considered as adopted or a conference
 11 report is submitted on such a bill or joint resolution.

12 **SEC. 202. RESERVE FUND FOR REFORM OF THE ALTER-**
 13 **NATIVE MINIMUM TAX.**

14 In the House, with respect to any bill or joint resolu-
 15 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
 16 on) that provides for reform of the Internal Revenue Code
 17 of 1986 by reducing the tax burden of the alternative min-
 18 imum tax on middle-income families, the chairman of the
 19 Committee on the Budget may make the appropriate ad-
 20 justments in allocations of a committee or committees and
 21 budgetary aggregates, but only to the extent that such
 22 bills or joint resolutions (as amended, in the case of an
 23 amendment) in the form placed before the House by the
 24 Committee on Rules would not increase the deficit or de-
 25 crease the surplus for the period of fiscal years 2007

1 through 2012 and the period of fiscal years 2007 through
 2 2017. The adjustments may be made whenever a rule pro-
 3 viding for consideration of such bills or joint resolutions
 4 is filed, such bills or joint resolutions are placed on any
 5 calendar, or an amendment is offered or considered as
 6 adopted or a conference report is submitted on such bills
 7 or joint resolutions.

8 **SEC. 203. RESERVE FUND TO PROVIDE FOR MIDDLE-IN-**
 9 **COME TAX RELIEF AND ECONOMIC EQUITY.**

10 In the House, with respect to any bill or joint resolu-
 11 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
 12 on) that provides for tax relief for middle-income families
 13 and taxpayers and enhanced economic equity, such as ex-
 14 tension of the child tax credit, extension of marriage pen-
 15 alty relief, extension of the 10 percent individual income
 16 tax bracket, modification of the Alternative Minimum Tax,
 17 elimination of estate taxes on all but a minute fraction
 18 of estates by reforming and substantially increasing the
 19 unified credit, extension of the research and experimen-
 20 tation tax credit, extension of the deduction for State and
 21 local sales taxes, and a tax credit for school construction
 22 bonds, the chairman of the Committee on the Budget may
 23 make the appropriate adjustments in allocations of a com-
 24 mittee or committees and budgetary aggregates, but only
 25 to the extent that such bills or joint resolutions (as amend-

1 ed, in the case of an amendment) in the form placed before
2 the House by the Committee on Rules would not increase
3 the deficit or decrease the surplus for the period of fiscal
4 years 2007 through 2012 and the period of fiscal years
5 2007 through 2017. The adjustments may be made when-
6 ever a rule providing for consideration of such bills or joint
7 resolutions are filed, such bills or joint resolutions are
8 placed on any calendar, or an amendment is offered or
9 considered as adopted or a conference report is submitted
10 on such bills or joint resolutions.

11 **SEC. 204. RESERVE FUND FOR AGRICULTURE.**

12 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
13 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
14 on) that provides for the reauthorization of the programs
15 of the Food Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002
16 or prior Acts, authorizes similar programs, or both, that
17 increases new budget authority by no more than
18 \$20,000,000,000 for the period of fiscal years 2007
19 through 2012, the chairman of the Committee on the
20 Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in alloca-
21 tions of a committee or committees and budgetary aggre-
22 gates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint resolu-
23 tion (as amended, in the case of an amendment) in the
24 form placed before the House by the Committee on Rules
25 would not increase the deficit or decrease the surplus for

1 the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 and the pe-
2 riod of fiscal years 2007 through 2017. The adjustments
3 may be made whenever a rule providing for consideration
4 of such a bill or joint resolution is filed, such a bill or
5 joint resolution is placed on any calendar, or an amend-
6 ment is offered or considered as adopted or a conference
7 report is submitted on such a bill or joint resolution.

8 **SEC. 205. RESERVE FUND FOR HIGHER EDUCATION.**

9 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
10 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
11 on) that makes college more affordable through reforms
12 to the Higher Education Act of 1965, the chairman of
13 the Committee on the Budget may make the appropriate
14 adjustments in allocations of a committee or committees
15 and budgetary aggregates, but only to the extent that such
16 bill or joint resolution (as amended, in the case of an
17 amendment) in the form placed before the House by the
18 Committee on Rules would not increase the deficit or de-
19 crease the surplus for the period of fiscal years 2007
20 through 2012 and the period of fiscal years 2007 through
21 2017. The adjustments may be made whenever a rule pro-
22 viding for consideration of such a bill or joint resolution
23 is filed, such a bill or joint resolution is placed on any
24 calendar, or an amendment is offered or considered as

1 adopted or a conference report is submitted on such a bill
2 or joint resolution.

3 **SEC. 206. RESERVE FUND FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MEDI-**
4 **CARE.**

5 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
6 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
7 on) that improves the medicare program for beneficiaries
8 and protects access to care, through measures such as in-
9 creasing the reimbursement rate for physicians while pro-
10 tecting beneficiaries from associated premium increases
11 and making improvements to the prescription drug pro-
12 gram under part D, the chairman of the Committee on
13 the Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in allo-
14 cations of a committee or committees and budgetary ag-
15 gregates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint reso-
16 lution (as amended, in the case of an amendment) in the
17 form placed before the House by the Committee on Rules
18 would not increase the deficit or decrease the surplus for
19 the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 and the pe-
20 riod of fiscal years 2007 through 2017. The adjustments
21 may be made whenever a rule providing for consideration
22 of such a bill or joint resolution is filed, such a bill or
23 joint resolution is placed on any calendar, or an amend-
24 ment is offered or considered as adopted or a conference
25 report is submitted on such a bill or joint resolution.

1 **SEC. 207. RESERVE FUND FOR CREATING LONG-TERM EN-**
2 **ERGY ALTERNATIVES.**

3 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
4 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
5 on) that fulfills the purposes of section 301(a) of H.R.
6 6, the Clean Energy Act of 2007:

7 (1) The chairman of the Committee on Budget
8 may make the appropriate adjustments in allocations
9 of a committee or committees and budgetary aggre-
10 gates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint
11 resolution (as amended, in the case of an amend-
12 ment) would not increase the deficit or decrease the
13 surplus for the period of fiscal years 2007 through
14 2012 and the period of fiscal years 2007 through
15 2017. The adjustments made under this paragraph
16 may be made whenever a rule is filed for a bill or
17 joint resolution that attributes the offsets included
18 in H.R. 6 to the bill or joint resolution.

19 (2) The chairman of the Committee on the
20 Budget may make appropriate adjustments to the
21 allocations provided for under section 302(a) of the
22 Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to the Committee
23 on Appropriations to the extent a bill or joint resolu-
24 tion in the form placed before the House by the
25 Committee on Rules provides budget authority for
26 purposes set forth in section 301(a) of H.R. 6 in ex-

1 cess of the amounts provided for those purposes in
2 fiscal year 2007. Any adjustments made under this
3 paragraph shall not include revenues attributable to
4 changes in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and
5 shall not exceed the receipts estimated by the Con-
6 gressional Budget Office that are attributable to
7 H.R. 6 for the year in which the adjustments are
8 made.

9 **SEC. 208. RESERVE FUND FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING.**

10 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
11 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
12 on) that provides for an affordable housing fund, offset
13 by reforming the regulation of certain government-spon-
14 sored enterprises, the chairman of the Committee on the
15 Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in alloca-
16 tions of a committee or committees and budgetary aggre-
17 gates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint resolu-
18 tion (as amended, in the case of an amendment) in the
19 form placed before the House by the Committee on Rules
20 would not increase the deficit or decrease the surplus for
21 the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 and the pe-
22 riod of fiscal years 2007 through 2017. The adjustments
23 may be made whenever a rule providing for consideration
24 of such a bill or joint resolution is filed, such a bill or
25 joint resolution is placed on any calendar, or an amend-

1 ment is offered or considered as adopted or a conference
2 report is submitted on such a bill or joint resolution.

3 **SEC. 209. RESERVE FUND FOR EQUITABLE BENEFITS FOR**
4 **FILIPINO VETERANS OF WORLD WAR II.**

5 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
6 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
7 on) that would provide for or increase benefits to Filipino
8 veterans of World War II, their survivors and dependents,
9 the chairman of the Committee on the Budget may make
10 the appropriate adjustments in allocations of a committee
11 or committees and budgetary aggregates, but only to the
12 extent that such bill or joint resolution (as amended, in
13 the case of an amendment) in the form placed before the
14 House by the Committee on Rules would not increase the
15 deficit or decrease the surplus for the period of fiscal years
16 2007 through 2012 and the period of fiscal years 2007
17 through 2017. The adjustments may be made whenever
18 a rule providing for consideration of such a bill or joint
19 resolution is filed, such a bill or joint resolution is placed
20 on any calendar, or an amendment is offered or considered
21 as adopted or a conference report is submitted on such
22 a bill or joint resolution.

1 **SEC. 210. RESERVE FUND FOR SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS**
2 **AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT**
3 **REAUTHORIZATION.**

4 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
5 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
6 on) that provides for the reauthorization of the Secure
7 Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act
8 (Public Law 106–393), the chairman of the Committee
9 on the Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in
10 allocations of a committee or committees and budgetary
11 aggregates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint
12 resolution (as amended, in the case of an amendment) in
13 the form placed before the House by the Committee on
14 Rules would not increase the deficit or decrease the sur-
15 plus for the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 and
16 the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2017. The adjust-
17 ments may be made whenever a rule providing for consid-
18 eration of such a bill or joint resolution is filed, such a
19 bill or joint resolution is placed on any calendar, or an
20 amendment is offered or considered as adopted or a con-
21 ference report is submitted on such a bill or joint resolu-
22 tion.

23 **SEC. 211. RESERVE FUND FOR RECEIPTS FROM THE BON-**
24 **NEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION.**

25 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
26 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-

1 on) that prohibits the Bonneville Power Administration
2 from making early payments on its Federal Bond Debt
3 to the Department of the Treasury, the chairman of the
4 Committee on Budget may make the appropriate adjust-
5 ments in allocations of a committee or committees and
6 budgetary aggregates, but only to the extent that such bill
7 or joint resolution (as amended, in the case of an amend-
8 ment) in the form placed before the House by the Com-
9 mittee on Rules would not increase the deficit or decrease
10 the surplus for the period of fiscal years 2007 through
11 2012 and the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2017.
12 The adjustments may be made whenever a rule providing
13 for consideration of such a bill or joint resolution is filed,
14 such a bill or joint resolution is placed on any calendar,
15 or an amendment is offered or considered as adopted or
16 a conference report is submitted on such a bill or joint
17 resolution.

18 **SEC. 212. RESERVE FUND FOR TRANSITIONAL MEDICAL AS-**
19 **SISTANCE.**

20 In the House, with respect to a bill or a joint resolu-
21 tion (or an amendment thereto or conference report there-
22 on) that extends the Transitional Medical Assistance pro-
23 gram, included in title 19 of the Social Security Act,
24 through fiscal year 2008, the chairman of the Committee
25 on Budget may make the appropriate adjustments in allo-

1 cations of a committee or committees and budgetary ag-
 2 gregates, but only to the extent that such bill or joint reso-
 3 lution (as amended, in the case of an amendment) in the
 4 form placed before the House by the Committee on Rules
 5 would not increase the deficit or decrease the surplus for
 6 the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012 and the pe-
 7 riod of fiscal years 2007 through 2017. The adjustments
 8 may be made whenever a rule providing for consideration
 9 of such a bill or joint resolution is filed, such a bill or
 10 joint resolution is placed on any calendar, or an amend-
 11 ment is offered or considered as adopted or a conference
 12 report is submitted on such a bill or joint resolution.

13 **TITLE III—BUDGET** 14 **ENFORCEMENT**

15 **SEC. 301. PROGRAM INTEGRITY INITIATIVES.**

16 (a) ADJUSTMENTS TO DISCRETIONARY SPENDING
 17 LIMITS.—

18 (1) CONTINUING DISABILITY REVIEWS AND
 19 SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME REDETERMINA-
 20 TIONS.—If a bill or joint resolution is reported mak-
 21 ing appropriations for fiscal year 2008 that appro-
 22 priates \$264,000,000 for continuing disability re-
 23 views and Supplemental Security Income redeter-
 24 minations for the Social Security Administration,
 25 and provides an additional appropriation of up to

1 \$213,000,000 and the amount is designated for con-
2 tinuing disability reviews and Supplemental Security
3 Income redeterminations for the Social Security Ad-
4 ministration, then the allocation to the House Com-
5 mittee on Appropriations shall be increased by the
6 amount of the additional budget authority and out-
7 lays flowing from that budget authority for fiscal
8 year 2008.

9 (2) INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE TAX COMPLI-
10 ANCE.—If a bill or joint resolution is reported mak-
11 ing appropriations for fiscal year 2008 that appro-
12 priates up to \$6,822,000,000 to the Internal Rev-
13 enue Service and the amount is designated to im-
14 prove compliance with the provisions of the Internal
15 Revenue Code of 1986 and provides an additional
16 appropriation of up to \$406,000,000, and the
17 amount is designated to improve compliance with the
18 provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986,
19 then the allocation to the House Committee on Ap-
20 propriations shall be increased by the amount of the
21 additional budget authority and outlays flowing from
22 that budget authority for fiscal year 2008.

23 (3) HEALTHCARE FRAUD AND ABUSE CONTROL
24 PROGRAM.—If a bill or joint resolution is reported
25 making appropriations for fiscal year 2008 that ap-

1 appropriates up to \$183,000,000 and the amount is
 2 designated to the healthcare fraud and abuse control
 3 program at the Department of Health and Human
 4 Services, then the allocation to the House Committee
 5 on Appropriations shall be increased by the amount
 6 of additional budget authority and outlays flowing
 7 from that budget authority for fiscal year 2008.

8 (4) UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE IMPROPER
 9 PAYMENTS.—If a bill or joint resolution is reported
 10 making appropriations for fiscal year 2008 that ap-
 11 propriates \$10,000,000 for unemployment insurance
 12 improper payment reviews for the Department of
 13 Labor, and provides an additional appropriation of
 14 up to \$40,000,000 and the amount is designated for
 15 unemployment insurance improper payment reviews
 16 for the Department of Labor, then the allocation to
 17 the House Committee on Appropriations shall be in-
 18 creased by the amount of the additional budget au-
 19 thority and outlays flowing from that budget author-
 20 ity for fiscal year 2008.

21 (b) PROCEDURE FOR ADJUSTMENTS.—

22 (1) IN GENERAL.—

23 (A) CHAIRMAN.—After the reporting of a
 24 bill or joint resolution, or the offering of an
 25 amendment thereto or the submission of a con-

ference report thereon, the chairman of the Committee on the Budget shall make the adjustments set forth in subparagraph (B) for the incremental new budget authority in that measure (if that measure meets the requirements set forth in paragraph (2)) and the outlays flowing from that budget authority.

(B) MATTERS TO BE ADJUSTED.—The adjustments referred to in subparagraph (A) are to be made to—

(i) the allocations made pursuant to the appropriate concurrent resolution on the budget pursuant to section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974; and

(ii) the budgetary aggregates as set forth in this resolution.

(c) OVERSIGHT OF GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE.—

In the House, all committees are directed to review programs within their jurisdiction to root out waste, fraud, and abuse in program spending, giving particular scrutiny to issues raised by Government Accountability Office reports. Based on these oversight efforts and committee performance reviews of programs within their jurisdiction, committees are directed to include recommendations for improved governmental performance in their annual views

1 and estimates reports required under section 301(d) of the
2 Congressional Budget Act of 1974 to the Committee on
3 the Budget.

4 **SEC. 302. ADVANCE APPROPRIATIONS.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—In the House, except as provided
6 in subsection (b), a bill or joint resolution making a gen-
7 eral appropriation or continuing appropriation, or an
8 amendment thereto may not provide for advance appro-
9 priations.

10 (b) ADVANCE APPROPRIATION.—In the House, an
11 advance appropriation may be provided for fiscal year
12 2009 or 2010 for programs, projects, activities, or ac-
13 counts identified in the joint explanatory statement of
14 managers accompanying this resolution under the heading
15 “Accounts Identified for Advance Appropriations” in an
16 aggregate amount not to exceed \$25,558,000,000 in new
17 budget authority.

18 (c) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term “advance
19 appropriation” means any new discretionary budget au-
20 thority provided in a bill or joint resolution making gen-
21 eral appropriations or any new discretionary budget au-
22 thority provided in a bill or joint resolution continuing ap-
23 propriations for fiscal year 2008 that first becomes avail-
24 able for any fiscal year after 2008.

1 **SEC. 303. OVERSEAS DEPLOYMENTS AND EMERGENCY**
2 **NEEDS.**

3 (a) OVERSEAS DEPLOYMENTS AND RELATED ACTIVI-
4 TIES.—In the House, any bill or joint resolution or amend-
5 ment offered or considered as adopted or a conference re-
6 port thereon, that makes appropriations for fiscal year
7 2008 or fiscal year 2009 for overseas deployments and re-
8 lated activities, and such amounts are so designated pur-
9 suant to this subsection, then new budget authority, out-
10 lays or receipts resulting therefrom shall not count for the
11 purposes of titles III and IV of the Congressional Budget
12 Act of 1974.

13 (b) EMERGENCY NEEDS.—In the House, any bill or
14 joint resolution, or amendment offered or considered as
15 adopted or conference report thereon, that makes appro-
16 priations for nondefense discretionary amounts, and such
17 amounts are designated as necessary to meet emergency
18 needs, then the new budget authority, outlays, or receipts
19 resulting therefrom shall not be counted for the purposes
20 of titles III and IV of the Congressional Budget Act of
21 1974.

22 **SEC. 304. APPLICATION AND EFFECT OF CHANGES IN ALLO-**
23 **CATIONS AND AGGREGATES.**

24 (a) APPLICATION.—Any adjustments of allocations
25 and aggregates made pursuant to this resolution shall—

(c) COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET DETERMINATIONS.—For purposes of this resolution, the levels of new budget authority, outlays, direct spending, new entitlement authority, revenues, deficits, and surpluses for a fiscal year or period of fiscal years shall be determined on the basis of estimates made by the Committee on the Budget.

21 Upon the enactment of a bill or joint resolution pro-
22 viding for a change in concepts or definitions, the chair-
23 man of the Committee on the Budget shall make adjust-
24 ments to the levels and allocations in this resolution in
25 accordance with section 251(b) of the Balanced Budget

1 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (as in effect
2 on September 30, 2002).

3 **SEC. 306. COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 13301 OF THE BUDG-**
4 **ET ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1990.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—In the House and the Senate, not-
6 withstanding section 302(a)(1) of the Congressional
7 Budget Act of 1974 and section 13301 of the Budget En-
8 forcement Act of 1990, the joint explanatory statement
9 accompanying the conference report on any concurrent
10 resolution on the budget shall include in its allocation
11 under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of
12 1974 to the Committee on Appropriations amounts for the
13 discretionary administrative expenses of the Social Secu-
14 rity Administration.

15 (b) SPECIAL RULE.—In the House, for purposes of
16 applying section 302(f) of the Congressional Budget Act
17 of 1974, estimates of the level of total new budget author-
18 ity and total outlays provided by a measure shall include
19 any discretionary amounts provided for the Social Security
20 Administration.

21 **SEC. 307. EXERCISE OF RULEMAKING POWERS.**

22 Congress adopts the provisions of this title—

23 (1) as an exercise of the rulemaking power of
24 the House and as such they shall be considered as
25 part of the rules of the House, and such rules shall

1 supersede other rules only to the extent that they
2 are inconsistent therewith; and

3 (2) with full recognition of the constitutional
4 right of the House to change those rules at any
5 time, in the same manner, and to the same extent
6 as in the case of any other rule of the House.

7 **TITLE IV—POLICY**

8 **SEC. 401. POLICY ON MIDDLE-INCOME TAX RELIEF.**

9 It is the policy of this resolution to minimize fiscal
10 burdens on middle-income families and their children and
11 grandchildren. It is the policy of this resolution to provide
12 immediate relief for the tens of millions of middle-income
13 households who would otherwise be subject to the Alter-
14 native Minimum Tax (AMT) under current law in the con-
15 text of permanent, revenue-neutral AMT reform. Further-
16 more, it is the policy of this resolution to support extension
17 of middle-income tax relief and enhanced economic equity
18 through policies such as—

- 19 (1) extension of the child tax credit;
- 20 (2) extension of marriage penalty relief;
- 21 (3) extension of the 10 percent individual in-
22 come tax bracket;
- 23 (4) elimination of estate taxes on all but a
24 minute fraction of estates by reforming and substan-
25 tially increasing the unified tax credit;

1 (5) extension of the research and experimen-
2 tation tax credit;

3 (6) extension of the deduction for State and
4 local sales taxes;

5 (7) extension of the deduction for small busi-
6 ness expensing; and

7 (8) enactment of a tax credit for school con-
8 struction bonds.

9 This resolution assumes the cost of enacting such policies
10 is offset by reforms within the Internal Revenue Code of
11 1986 that promote a fairer distribution of taxes across
12 families and generations, economic efficiency, higher rates
13 of tax compliance to close the “tax gap”, and reduced tax-
14 payer burdens through tax simplification.

15 **SEC. 402. POLICY ON DEFENSE PRIORITIES.**

16 It is the policy of this resolution that—

17 (1) recommendations of the National Commis-
18 sion on Terrorist Attacks Upon the United States
19 (commonly referred to as the 9/11 Commission) to
20 fund cooperative threat reduction and nuclear non-
21 proliferation programs at a level commensurate with
22 the risk is a high priority, and the President’s budg-
23 et should have requested sufficient funding for these
24 programs;

1 (2) ensuring that the TRICARE fees for mili-
2 tary retirees under the age of 65 remain at current
3 levels;

4 (3) funds be provided for increasing pay to en-
5 sure retention of experienced personnel and for im-
6 proving military benefits in general;

7 (4) the Missile Defense Agency should be fund-
8 ed at an adequate but lower level and the elimi-
9 nation of space-based interceptor development will
10 ensure a more prudent acquisition strategy, yet still
11 support a robust ballistic missile defense program;

12 (5) satellite research, development, and procure-
13 ment be funded at a level below the amount re-
14 quested for fiscal year 2008, which amounts to a 26
15 percent increase above the current level, but at a
16 level sufficient to develop new satellite technologies
17 while ensuring a more prudent acquisition strategy;

18 (6) sufficient resources be provided to imple-
19 ment Government Accountability Office (GAO) rec-
20 ommendations, such as improving financial manage-
21 ment and contracting practices at the Department of
22 Defense (DOD), and that substantial savings should
23 result from the identification of billions of dollars of
24 obligations and disbursements and Government over-

1 charges for which the Department of Defense cannot
2 account;

3 (7) that the Department of Defense should do
4 a more careful job of addressing the 1,378 Govern-
5 ment Accountability Office recommendations made
6 to the Department of Defense and its components
7 over the last six years that have yet to be imple-
8 mented, which could produce billions of dollars in
9 savings; and

10 (8) accruing all savings from the actions rec-
11 ommended in paragraphs (4) through (7) should be
12 used to fund higher priorities within Function 050
13 (Defense), and especially those high priorities identi-
14 fied in paragraphs (1) through (3) and to help fund
15 recommendations of the bipartisan “Walter Reed
16 Commission” (the President’s Commission on Care
17 for America’s Returning Wounded Warriors) and
18 other United States Government investigations into
19 military healthcare facilities and services.

20 **SEC. 403. POLICY ON COLLEGE AFFORDABILITY.**

21 It is the policy of this resolution that the reconcili-
22 ation directive to the Committee on Education and Labor
23 shall not be construed to reduce any assistance that makes
24 college more affordable for students, including but not lim-

1 ited to assistance to student aid programs run by non-
 2 profit state agencies.

3 **TITLE V—SENSE OF THE HOUSE**

4 **SEC. 501. SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON SERVICEMEMBERS'** 5 **AND VETERANS' HEALTH CARE AND OTHER** 6 **PRIORITIES.**

7 It is the sense of the House that—

8 (1) the House supports excellent health care for
 9 current and former members of the United States
 10 Armed Services, who have served well and honorably
 11 and have made significant sacrifices for this Nation;

12 (2) this resolution provides \$43,055,000,000 in
 13 discretionary budget authority for 2008 for Function
 14 700 (Veterans Benefits and Services), including vet-
 15 erans' health care, which is \$6,598,000,000 more
 16 than the 2007 level, \$5,404,000,000 more than the
 17 Congressional Budget Office's baseline level for
 18 2008, and \$3,506,000,000 more than the Presi-
 19 dent's budget for 2008;

20 (3) this resolution provides funding to imple-
 21 ment, in part, recommendations of the bi-partisan
 22 “Walter Reed Commission” (the President's Com-
 23 mission on Care for America's Returning Wounded
 24 Warriors) and other United States Government in-

1 vestigations into military and veterans health care
2 facilities and services;

3 (4) this resolution assumes the rejection of the
4 enrollment fees and co-payment increases in the
5 President's budget;

6 (5) this resolution provides additional funding
7 above the President's inadequate budget levels for
8 the Department of Veterans Affairs to research and
9 treat veterans' mental health, post-traumatic stress
10 disorder, and traumatic brain and spinal cord inju-
11 ries; and

12 (6) this resolution provides additional funding
13 above the President's inadequate budget levels for
14 the Department of Veterans Affairs to improve the
15 speed and accuracy of its processing of disability
16 compensation claims, including funding to hire addi-
17 tional personnel above the President's requested
18 level.

19 **SEC. 502. SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON THE INNOVATION**
20 **AGENDA: A COMMITMENT TO COMPETITIVE-**
21 **NESS TO KEEP AMERICA #1.**

22 (a) It is the sense of the House to provide sufficient
23 funding that our Nation may continue to be the world
24 leader in education, innovation and economic growth. This
25 resolution provides \$450,000,000 above the President's

1 requested level for 2008, and additional amounts in subse-
2 quent years in Function 250 (General Science, Space and
3 Technology) and Function 270 (Energy). Additional in-
4 creases for scientific research and education are included
5 in Function 500 (Education, Employment, Training, and
6 Social Services), Function 550 (Health), Function 300
7 (Environment and Natural Resources), Function 350 (Ag-
8 riculture), Function 400 (Transportation), and Function
9 370 (Commerce and Housing Credit), all of which receive
10 more funding than the President requested.

11 (b) America's greatest resource for innovation resides
12 within classrooms across the country. The increased fund-
13 ing provided in this resolution will support important ini-
14 tiatives to educate 100,000 new scientists, engineers, and
15 mathematicians, and place highly qualified teachers in
16 math and science K–12 classrooms.

17 (c) Independent scientific research provides the foun-
18 dation for innovation and future technologies. This resolu-
19 tion will put us on the path toward doubling funding for
20 the National Science Foundation, basic research in the
21 physical sciences across all agencies, and collaborative re-
22 search partnerships; and toward achieving energy inde-
23 pendence through the development of clean and sustain-
24 able alternative energy technologies.

1 **SEC. 503. SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON HOMELAND SECURITY.**

2 It is the sense of the House that—

3 (1) this resolution assumes additional homeland
4 security funding above the President's requested
5 level for 2008 and every subsequent year;

6 (2) this resolution assumes funding above the
7 President's requested level for 2008, and additional
8 amounts in subsequent years, in the four budget
9 functions: Function 400 (Transportation), Function
10 450 (Community and Regional Development), Func-
11 tion 550 (Health), and Function 750 (Administra-
12 tion of Justice) that fund most nondefense homeland
13 security activities; and

14 (3) the homeland security funding provided in
15 this resolution will help to strengthen the security of
16 our Nation's transportation system, particularly our
17 ports where significant security shortfalls still exist
18 and foreign ports, by expanding efforts to identify
19 and scan all high-risk United States-bound cargo,
20 equip first responders, strengthen border patrol, and
21 increase the preparedness of the public health sys-
22 tem.

23 **SEC. 504. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING THE ONGOING**
24 **NEED TO RESPOND TO HURRICANES**
25 **KATRINA AND RITA.**

26 It is the sense of the House that:

1 (1) Critical needs in the Gulf Coast region
 2 should be addressed without further delay. The
 3 budget resolution creates a reserve fund that would
 4 allow for affordable housing that may be used to
 5 focus on areas devastated by Hurricanes Katrina
 6 and Rita, as well as new funding for additional re-
 7 covery priorities.

8 (2) Additional oversight and investigation is
 9 needed to ensure that recovery efforts are on track,
 10 develop legislation to reform the contracting process,
 11 and better prepare for future disasters. Those ef-
 12 forts should be made in close consultation with resi-
 13 dents of affected areas. The budget resolution pro-
 14 vides additional 2007 funding for the Federal Emer-
 15 gency Management Agency, some of which may be
 16 used for this purpose.

17 **SEC. 505. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING LONG-TERM**
 18 **SUSTAINABILITY OF ENTITLEMENTS.**

19 (a) FINDINGS.—The House finds the following:

20 (1) The aging of the United States population
 21 is going to put unprecedented pressure on the Na-
 22 tion's retirement and health care systems.

23 (2) The long-term strength of social security
 24 would be improved through a fiscally responsible pol-
 25 icy of reducing the deficit and paying down the debt

1 that has accumulated since 2001, thus reducing debt
2 service payments and freeing up billions of dollars
3 that can be dedicated to meeting social security's ob-
4 ligations.

5 (3) A policy of reducing and eventually elimi-
6 nating the deficit and paying down the debt is a key
7 factor in improving the long-term strength of the
8 economy as a whole, because a lower debt burden
9 frees up resources for productive investments that
10 will result in higher economic growth, provide a
11 higher standard of living for future generations, and
12 enhance the Nation's ability to meet its commit-
13 ments to its senior citizens.

14 (4) The most significant factor affecting the
15 Nation's entitlement programs is the rapid increase
16 in health care costs. The projected increasing costs
17 of medicare and medicaid are not unique to these
18 programs but rather are part of a pattern of rising
19 costs for the health sector as a whole.

20 (b) SENSE OF THE HOUSE.—It is the sense of the
21 House that the growing cost of entitlements should be ad-
22 dressed in a way that is fiscally responsible and promotes
23 economic growth, that addresses the causes of cost growth
24 in the broader health care system, and that protects bene-

1 ficiaries without leaving a legacy of debt to future genera-
2 tions.

3 **SEC. 506. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING THE NEED TO**
4 **MAINTAIN AND BUILD UPON EFFORTS TO**
5 **FIGHT HUNGER.**

6 (a) FINDINGS.—The House finds the following:

7 (1) More than 35 million individuals (12.4 mil-
8 lion of them children) are food insecure, uncertain of
9 having, or unable to acquire enough food. 10.8 mil-
10 lion Americans are hungry because of lack of food.

11 (2) Despite the critical contributions of the De-
12 partment of Agriculture nutrition programs and par-
13 ticularly the food stamp program that significantly
14 reduced payment error rates while increasing enroll-
15 ment to partially mitigate the impact of recent in-
16 creases in the poverty rate, significant need remains.

17 (3) Nearly 25 million people, including nine
18 million children and three million seniors, sought
19 emergency food assistance from food pantries, soup
20 kitchens, shelters, and local charities last year.

21 (b) SENSE OF THE HOUSE.—It is the sense of the
22 House that the Department of Agriculture programs that
23 help fight hunger should be maintained and that the
24 House should seize opportunities to enhance those pro-
25 grams to reach people in need and to fight hunger.

1 **SEC. 507. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING AFFORDABLE**
2 **HEALTH COVERAGE.**

3 (a) FINDINGS.—The House finds the following:

4 (1) More than 46 million Americans, including
5 nine million children, lack health insurance. People
6 without health insurance are more likely to experi-
7 ence problems getting medical care and to be hos-
8 pitalized for avoidable health problems.

9 (2) Most Americans receive health coverage
10 through their employers. A major issue facing all
11 employers is the rising cost of health insurance.
12 Small businesses, which have generated most of the
13 new jobs annually over the last decade, have an es-
14 pecially difficult time affording health coverage, due
15 to higher administrative costs and fewer people over
16 whom to spread the risk of catastrophic costs. Be-
17 cause it is especially costly for small businesses to
18 provide health coverage, their employees make up a
19 large proportion of the nation's uninsured individ-
20 uals.

21 (b) SENSE OF THE HOUSE.—It is the sense of the
22 House that legislation consistent with the pay-as-you-go
23 principle should be adopted that makes health insurance
24 more affordable and accessible, with attention to the spe-
25 cial needs of small businesses, and that lowers costs and
26 improves the quality of health care by encouraging inte-

1 gration of health information technology tools into the
2 practice of medicine, and promoting improvements in dis-
3 ease management and disease prevention.

4 **SEC. 508. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING EXTENSION**
5 **OF THE STATUTORY PAY-AS-YOU-GO RULE.**

6 It is the sense of the House that in order to reduce
7 the deficit Congress should extend PAYGO in its original
8 form in the Budget Enforcement Act of 1990.

9 **SEC. 509. SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON LONG-TERM BUDG-**
10 **ETING.**

11 It is the sense of Congress that the determination of
12 the congressional budget for the United States Govern-
13 ment and the President's budget request should include
14 consideration of the Financial Report of the United States
15 Government, especially its information regarding the Gov-
16 ernment's net operating cost, financial position, and long-
17 term liabilities.

18 **SEC. 510. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING PAY PARITY.**

19 It is the sense of the House that rates of compensa-
20 tion for civilian employees of the United States should be
21 adjusted at the same time, and in the same proportion,
22 as are rates of compensation for members of the uni-
23 formed services.

1 **SEC. 511. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING WASTE,**
2 **FRAUD, AND ABUSE.**

3 It is the sense of the House that all committees
4 should examine programs within their jurisdiction to iden-
5 tify wasteful and fraudulent spending. To this end, section
6 301 of this resolution includes cap adjustments to provide
7 appropriations for three programs that accounted for a
8 significant share of improper payments reported by Fed-
9 eral agencies in 2006: Social Security Administration Con-
10 tinuing Disability Reviews, the Medicare/Medicaid Health
11 Care Fraud and Abuse Control Program, and Unemploy-
12 ment Insurance. Section 301 also includes a cap adjust-
13 ment for the Internal Revenue Services for tax compliance
14 efforts to close the \$300,000,000,000 tax gap. In addition,
15 the resolution's deficit-neutral reserve funds require au-
16 thorizing committees to cut lower priority and wasteful
17 spending to accommodate new high-priority entitlement
18 benefits. Finally, section 301 of the resolution directs all
19 committees to review the performance of programs within
20 their jurisdiction and report recommendations annually to
21 the Committee on the Budget as part of the views and
22 estimates process required by section 301(d) of the Con-
23 gressional Budget Act.

24 **SEC. 512. SENSE OF THE HOUSE REGARDING THE IMPOR-**
25 **TANCE OF CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT.**

26 It is the sense of the House that—

1 (1) additional legislative action is needed to en-
 2 sure that States have the necessary resources to col-
 3 lect all child support that is owed to families and to
 4 allow them to pass 100 percent of support on to
 5 families without financial penalty; and

6 (2) when 100 percent of child support payments
 7 are passed to the child, rather than administrative
 8 expenses, program integrity is improved and child
 9 support participation increases.

10 **SEC. 513. SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON STATE VETERANS**
 11 **CEMETERIES.**

12 It is the sense of the House that the Federal Govern-
 13 ment should pay the plot allowance for the interment in
 14 a State veterans cemetery of any spouse or eligible child
 15 of a veteran, consistent with the pay-as-you-go principle.

16 **TITLE VI—RECONCILIATION**

17 **SEC. 601. RECONCILIATION.**

18 (a) INSTRUCTIONS.—The House Committee on Edu-
 19 cation and Labor shall report changes in laws to reduce
 20 the deficit by \$75,000,000 for the period of fiscal years
 21 2007 through 2012.

22 (b) MANDATORY SAVINGS.—Not later than Sep-
 23 tember 10, 2007, the House Committee on Education and
 24 Labor shall submit its recommendations to the House of
 25 Representatives.

1 (c) SUBMISSION OF REVISED ALLOCATIONS.—Upon
2 the submission to the House of a reconciliation bill or con-
3 ference report thereon, that complies with this reconcili-
4 ation instruction, the chairman of the Committee on the
5 Budget may file with the House appropriately revised allo-
6 cations and budgetary aggregates. Such revisions shall be
7 considered to be the allocations and aggregates established
8 by the concurrent resolution on the budget pursuant to
9 section 301 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974.

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Attest:

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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2007, establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2009 through 2012.