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# H. RES. 1492

Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 30, 2010

Mr. SPRATT submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Budget, and in addition to the Committee on Rules, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## RESOLUTION

Providing for budget enforcement for fiscal year 2011.

1       *Resolved,*

2       (a) BUDGET ENFORCEMENT.—For the purposes of  
3 budget enforcement:

4           (1) BUDGET ALLOCATIONS.—The following allo-  
5 cations shall be the allocations made pursuant to  
6 section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of  
7 1974 to the Committee on Appropriations and shall  
8 be enforceable under section 302(f)(1) of that Act:

9           (A) FISCAL YEAR 2010.—In addition to  
10 amounts allocated under the concurrent resolu-

tion on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13), the allocation for new discretionary budget authority to the Committee on Appropriations shall be increased up to \$538,000,000 for program integrity initiatives listed in section 422(a) of S. Con. Res. 13. The outlay allocation for fiscal year 2010 and fiscal year 2011 shall be adjusted accordingly.

(B) FISCAL YEAR 2011.—

(i) New discretionary budget authority, \$1,121,000,000,000.

(ii) Discretionary outlays, \$1,314,000,000,000.

(iii) New mandatory budget authority, \$765,584,000,000.

(iv) Mandatory outlays, \$755,502,000,000.

(2) DISCRETIONARY SPENDING ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS.—The provisions of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13) shall remain in force and effect in the House, except that the references in section 424 (point of order against advance appropriations) to fiscal years 2010 and 2011 shall be references to fiscal years 2011 and 2012, respectively.

1 (b) PAY-AS-YOU-GO ALIGNMENT.—

2 (1) Paragraph (a) of clause 10 of rule XXI of  
3 the Rules of the House of Representatives is amend-  
4 ed to read as follows:

5 “(a)(1) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (c),  
6 it shall not be in order to consider any bill, joint resolu-  
7 tion, amendment, or conference report if the provisions of  
8 such measure affecting direct spending and revenues have  
9 the net effect of increasing the on-budget deficit or reduc-  
10 ing the on-budget surplus for either the period com-  
11 prising—

12 “(A) the current year, the budget year, and the  
13 four years following that budget year; or

14 “(B) the current year, the budget year, and the  
15 nine years following that budget year.

16 “(2) The effect of such measure on the deficit or sur-  
17 plus shall be determined on the basis of estimates made  
18 by the Committee on the Budget relative to baseline esti-  
19 mates supplied by the Congressional Budget Office con-  
20 sistent with section 257 of the Balanced Budget and  
21 Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 and consistent  
22 with sections 3(4), 3(8), and 4(c) of the Statutory Pay-  
23 As-You-Go Act of 2010.

24 “(3) For the purpose of this clause, the terms ‘budget  
25 year’, ‘current year’, and ‘direct spending’ have the mean-

1 ings given those terms in section 250 of the Balanced  
 2 Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, ex-  
 3 cept that the term ‘direct spending’ shall include provi-  
 4 sions in appropriation Acts that make outyear modifica-  
 5 tions to substantive law as described under section 3(4)(C)  
 6 of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010.”.

7 (2) ADDITIONAL ENFORCEMENT PROVISIONS.—

8 For the purposes of the Congressional Budget Act  
 9 of 1974 or the concurrent resolution on the budget  
 10 for fiscal year 2010 (S. Con. Res. 13)—

11 (A) section 421 of S. Con. Res. 13 shall no  
 12 longer apply to the consideration of bills, joint  
 13 resolutions, amendments, or conference reports;

14 (B) the chairman of the Committee on the  
 15 Budget may exclude the effect of any “current  
 16 policy adjustment” as provided in section 4(c)  
 17 of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010  
 18 from a determination of the budgetary effects  
 19 of any provision in a bill, joint resolution,  
 20 amendment, or conference report; and

21 (C) the terms “budget year”, “current  
 22 year”, and “direct spending” have the mean-  
 23 ings given those terms in section 250 of the  
 24 Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Con-  
 25 trol Act of 1985, except that the term “direct

1 spending” shall include provisions in appropria-  
2 tion Acts that make outyear modifications to  
3 substantive law as described under section  
4 3(4)(C) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of  
5 2010.

6 (c) SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON DEFICIT REDUC-  
7 TION.—

8 (1) FINDINGS.—The House finds that—

9 (A) passage of the Statutory Pay-As-You-  
10 Go Act of 2010, passage of legislation to reform  
11 the defense acquisition system, and passage of  
12 health care reform legislation reducing the def-  
13 icit represented valuable contributions to fiscal  
14 responsibility;

15 (B) strengthening the economy and cre-  
16 ating jobs are critical to reducing the long-term  
17 deficit;

18 (C) fiscally responsible investments in edu-  
19 cation, including the retention of high-quality  
20 teachers in the classroom, help to lay the foun-  
21 dation for a stronger economy;

22 (D) the discretionary levels for 2011 in-  
23 cluded in this resolution represent a reduction  
24 below the President’s comparable budgetary re-

quest, and further contribute to fiscal discipline;  
and

(E) defending our country requires necessary investments and reforms to strengthen our military—including providing sufficient resources to aggressively pursue implementation of GAO recommendations to achieve efficiencies, and evaluating defense plans to ensure weapons systems that were developed to counter Cold War-era threats are not redundant and applicable to 21st century threats.

(2) SENSE OF THE HOUSE ON DEFICIT REDUCTION.—It is the sense of the House that—

(A) by 2015 the Federal budget should be in primary balance—meaning that outlays in the Federal budget shall equal receipts during a fiscal year, not counting outlays for debt service payments;

(B) the debt-to-GDP ratio should be stabilized at an acceptable level once the economy recovers;

(C) not later than September 15, 2010, the chairs of committees should submit for printing in the Congressional Record findings that identify changes in law that help achieve deficit re-

duction by reducing waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, promoting efficiency and reform of government, and controlling spending within Government programs those committees may authorize;

(D) prior to the adjournment of the 111th Congress, any recommendations made by the National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform and approved by the Senate should be brought to a vote in the House of Representatives; and

(E) any deficit reduction achieved by the enactment of such legislation should be used for deficit reduction only and should not be available to offset the costs of future legislation.

(d) RESERVE FUND FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION.—

Upon enactment of legislation containing recommendations in the final report of the National Commission on Fiscal Responsibility and Reform, established by Executive Order 13531 on February 18, 2010, that decreases the deficit for either time period provided in clause 10 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the chairman of the Committee on the Budget shall, for the purposes of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010, exclude any net deficit reduction from his determination

1 of the budgetary effects of such legislation, to ensure that  
2 the deficit reduction achieved by that legislation is used  
3 only for deficit reduction and is not available as an offset  
4 for any subsequent legislation.

5 (e) HOUSE RULE XXVIII.—Nothing in this resolu-  
6 tion shall be construed to engage rule XXVIII of the Rules  
7 of the House of Representatives.

