

and the environment through scientifically objective and unbiased risk assessments and through the consideration of costs and benefits in major rules, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

PERMISSION FOR CERTAIN COMMITTEES TO SIT TOMORROW, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1995, DURING 5-MINUTE RULE

Mr. WALKER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that the following committees and their subcommittees be permitted to sit tomorrow while the House is meeting in the Committee of the Whole House under the 5-minute rule.

The Committee on Agriculture;

The Committee on Banking and Financial Services;

The Committee on Government Reform and Oversight;

The Committee on House Oversight;

The Committee on the Judiciary;

The Committee on National Security;

The Committee on Small Business; and

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure;

It is my understanding that the minority has been consulted and that there is no objection to these requests.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

Ms. WATERS. Mr. Speaker, reserving the right to object, we have consulted with the ranking member on our side and have no objection to this request.

Mr. Speaker, I withdraw my reservation of objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Pennsylvania?

There was no objection.

SPECIAL ORDERS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 1995, and under a previous order of the House, the following Members will be recognized for 5 minutes each.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Tennessee [Mr. DUNCAN] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. DUNCAN addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from New York [Mr. OWENS] is recognized for 5 minutes.

[Mr. OWENS addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.]

COMMUNICATION FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET REGARDING CURRENT LEVELS OF SPENDING AND REVENUES FOR FISCAL YEARS 1995-1999

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. KASICH] is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. KASICH. Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the Committee on the Budget and pursuant to sections 302 and 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, I am submitting for printing in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD an updated report on the current levels of on-budget spending and revenues for fiscal year 1995 and for the 5-year period fiscal year 1995 through fiscal year 1999.

This report is to be used in applying the fiscal year 1995 budget resolution (H. Con. Res. 218), for legislation having spending or revenue effects in fiscal years 1995 through 1999.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET,
Washington, DC, February 27, 1995.

Hon. NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker, House of Representatives,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: To facilitate application of sections 302 and 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, I am transmitting a status report on the current levels of on-budget spending and revenues for fiscal year 1995 and for the 5-year period fiscal year 1995 through fiscal year 1999.

The term "current level" refers to the amounts of spending and revenues estimated for each fiscal year based on laws enacted or awaiting the President's signature as of February 27, 1995.

The first table in the report compares the current level of total budget authority, outlays, and revenues with the aggregate levels set by H. Con. Res. 218, the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 1995. This comparison is needed to implement section 311(a) of the Budget Act, which creates a point of order against measures that would breach the budget resolution's aggregate levels. The table does not show budget authority and outlays for years after fiscal year 1995 because appropriations for those years have not yet been considered.

The second table compares the current levels of budget authority, outlays, and new entitlement authority of each direct spending committee with the "section 602(a)" allocations for discretionary action made under H. Con. Res. 218 for fiscal year 1995 and for fiscal years 1995 through 1999. "Discretionary action" refers to legislation enacted after adoption of the budget resolution. This comparison is needed to implement section 302(f) of the Budget Act, which creates a point of order against measures that would breach the section 602(a) discretionary action allocation of new budget authority or entitlement authority for the committee that reported the measure. It is also needed to implement section 311(b), which exempts committees that comply with their allocations from the point of order under section 311(a). The section 602(a) allocations printed in the conference report on H. Con. Res. 218 (H. Rept. 103-490) have been revised to reflect the changes in committee jurisdiction as specified in the Rules of the House of Representatives adopted on January 4, 1995.

The third table compares the current levels of discretionary appropriations for fiscal year 1995 with the revised "section 602(b)" suballocations of discretionary budget authority and outlays among Appropriations subcommittees. This comparison is also needed to implement section 302(f) of the Budget Act, since the point of order under that section also applies to measures that would breach the applicable section 602(b) suballocation. The revised section 602(b) suballocations were filed by the Appropriations Committee on September 1, 1994.

The aggregate appropriate levels and allocations reflect the adjustments required by section 25 of H. Con. Res. 218 relating to additional funding for the Internal Revenue Service compliance initiative.

Sincerely,

JOHN R. KASICH,
Chairman.

REPORT TO THE SPEAKER FROM THE COMMITTEE ON THE BUDGET

STATUS OF THE FISCAL YEAR 1995 CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ADOPTED IN HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 218

REFLECTING ACTION COMPLETED AS OF FEBRUARY 22, 1995

[On-budget amounts, in millions of dollars]

	Fiscal year 1995	Fiscal year 1995-99
Appropriate level (as set by H. Con. Res. 218):		
Budget Authority	1,238,705	6,892,705
Outlays	1,217,605	6,767,805
Revenues	977,700	5,415,200
Current level:		
Budget Authority	1,236,489	NA
Outlays	1,217,181	NA
Revenues	978,466	5,384,858
Current level over (+)/under (-) appropriate level:		
Budget Authority	-2,216	NA
Outlays	-424	NA
Revenues	766	-30,342

Note.—NA=Not applicable because annual appropriations acts for fiscal years 1997 through 1999 will not be considered until future sessions of Congress.

BUDGET AUTHORITY

Enactment of measures providing more than \$2.216 billion in new budget authority for FY 1995 (if not already included in the current level estimate) would cause FY 1995 budget authority to exceed the appropriate level set by H. Con. Res. 218.

OUTLAYS

Enactment of measures providing new budget or entitlement authority that would increase FY 1995 outlays by more than \$.424 billion (if not already included in the current level estimate) would cause FY 1995 outlays to exceed the appropriate level set by H. Con. Res. 218.

REVENUES

Enactment of any measures producing any net revenue loss of more than \$766 million in FY 1995 (if not already included in the current level estimate) would cause FY 1995 revenues to fall below the appropriate level set by H. Con. Res. 218.

Enactment of any measure producing any net revenue loss for the period FY 1995 through FY 1999 (if not already included in the current level estimate) would cause revenues for that period to fall further below the appropriate level set by H. Con. Res. 218.

DIRECT SPENDING LEGISLATION—COMPARISON OF CURRENT LEVEL WITH COMMITTEE ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO BUDGET ACT SECTION 602(a)

[Fiscal years, in millions of dollars]

	1995			1995-1999		
	BA	Outlays	NEA	BA	Outlays	NEA
House committee:						
Agriculture:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	4,861
Current level	499	-155	0	497	-152	0
Difference	499	-155	0	497	-152	-4,861
National Security:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	42	34	0	221	210	82
Difference	42	34	0	221	210	82
Banking, Finance and Urban Affairs:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	-25	-25	0	-75	-75	0
Difference	-25	-25	0	-75	-75	0
Economic and Educational Opportunities:						
Allocation	0	0	309	0	0	5,943
Current level	8	-13	297	104	81	1,674
Difference	8	-13	-12	104	81	-4,269
Commerce:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	0	0	0	0	0	0
Difference	0	0	0	0	0	0
International Relations:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	5	4	0	11	11	0
Difference	5	4	0	11	11	0
Government Reform & Oversight:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	0	0	0	4	4	-3
Difference	0	0	0	4	4	-3
House Oversight:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	0	0	0	0	0	0
Difference	0	0	0	0	0	0
Resources:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	-8	-5	4	0	-2	4
Difference	-8	-5	4	0	-2	4
House committee:						
Judiciary:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	-59	-59	0	-6	-6	0
Difference	-59	-59	0	-6	-6	0
Transportation and Infrastructure:						
Allocation	2,161	0	0	64,741	0	0
Current level	2,161	0	0	4,375	0	0
Difference	0	0	0	-60,366	0	0
Science:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	0	0	0	0	0	0
Difference	0	0	0	0	0	0
Small Business:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Current level	0	0	0	0	0	0
Difference	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veterans' Affairs:						
Allocation	0	0	340	0	0	5,743
Current level	2	2	334	3	3	1,888
Difference	2	2	-6	3	3	-3,855
Ways and Means:						
Allocation	0	0	0	0	0	214
Current level	44	-37	98	-3,674	-5,711	-3,655
Difference	44	-37	98	-3,674	-5,711	-3,869
Total authorized:						
Allocation	2,161	0	649	64,741	0	16,761
Current level	2,669	-254	733	1,460	-5,637	-10
Difference	508	-254	84	-63,281	-5,637	-16,771

DISCRETIONARY APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995—COMPARISON OF CURRENT LEVEL WITH SUBALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO BUDGET ACT SECTION 602(b)

[In millions of dollars]

	Revised 602(b) suballocations (September 21, 1994)				Current level				Difference			
	General purpose		Violent crime		General purpose		Violent crime		General purpose		Violent crime	
	BA	0	BA	0	BA	0	BA	0	BA	0	BA	0
Agriculture, Rural Development	13,397	13,945	0	0	13,396	13,945	0	0	-1	0	0	0
Commerce, Justice, State	24,031	24,247	2,345	667	24,001	24,247	2,345	667	-30	0	0	0
Defense	243,432	250,515	0	0	243,430	250,463	0	0	-2	-52	0	0
District of Columbia	720	722	0	0	712	714	0	0	-8	-8	0	0
Energy and Water Development	20,493	20,888	0	0	20,493	20,884	0	0	0	-4	0	0
Foreign Operations	13,785	13,735	0	0	13,634	13,735	0	0	-151	0	0	0
Interior	13,521	13,916	0	0	13,517	13,916	0	0	-4	0	0	0
Labor, HHS and Education	69,978	69,819	38	8	69,978	69,819	38	7	0	0	0	-1
Legislative Branch	2,368	2,380	0	0	2,367	2,380	0	0	-1	0	0	0
Military Construction	8,837	8,553	0	0	8,836	8,525	0	0	-1	-28	0	0
Transportation	13,704	36,513	0	0	13,694	36,513	0	0	-10	0	0	0
Treasury-Postal Service	11,741	12,256	40	28	11,575	12,220	39	28	-166	-36	-1	0
VA-HUD-Independent Agencies	70,418	72,781	0	0	70,417	72,780	0	0	-1	-1	0	0
Reserve	2,311	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2,311	-6	0	0
Grand total	508,736	540,276	2,423	703	506,050	540,141	2,422	702	-2,686	-135	-1	-1

U.S. CONGRESS,
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,
Washington, DC, February 22, 1995.

Hon. JOHN KASICH,
Chairman, Committee on the Budget,
House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to section 308(b) and in aid of section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act, as amended, this letter and supporting detail provide an up-to-date tabulation of the on-budget current levels of new budget authority, estimated outlays, and estimated revenues for fiscal year 1995. These estimates are compared to the appropriate levels for those items contained in the 1995 Concurrent Resolution on the Budget (H. Con. Res. 218), and are current through February 21, 1995. A summary of this tabulation follows:

(In millions of dollars)

	House current level	Budget resolution (H. Con. Res. 218)	Current level +/- resolution
Budget authority	1,236,489	1,238,705	- 2,216
Outlays	1,217,181	1,217,605	- 424
Revenues:			
1995	978,466	977,700	766
1999	5,384,858	5,415,200	- 30,342

This is my first report for the first session of the 104th Congress.

Sincerely,

JAMES L. BLUM
(For Robert D. Reischauer, Director).

PARLIAMENTARIAN STATUS REPORT, 104TH CONGRESS,
1ST SESSION, HOUSE ON-BUDGET SUPPORTING DETAIL
FOR FISCAL YEAR 1995 AS OF CLOSE OF BUSINESS
FEBRUARY 21, 1995

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget authority	Outlays	Revenues
Enacted in Previous Sessions			
Revenues			978,466
Permanents and other spending legislation	750,343	706,271	
Appropriation legislation	738,096	757,783	
Offsetting receipts	(250,027)	(250,027)	
Total previously enacted	1,238,412	1,214,027	978,466
Entitlements and Mandatories			
Budget resolution baseline estimates of appropriated entitlements and other mandatory programs not yet enacted	(1,923)	3,154	
Total current level ¹	1,236,489	1,217,181	978,466
Total budget resolution	1,238,705	1,217,605	977,700
Amount remaining:			
Under budget resolution	2,216	424	
Over budget resolution			766

¹ In accordance with the Budget Enforcement Act, the total does not include \$1,394 million in budget authority and \$6,466 in outlays for funding of emergencies that have been designated as such by the President and the Congress, and \$877 million in budget authority and \$935 million in outlays for emergencies that would be available only upon an official budget request from the President designating the entire amount requested as an emergency requirement.

Notes: Numbers in parentheses are negative. Detail may not add due to rounding.

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 1995, the gentleman from Mississippi [Mr. THOMPSON] is recognized for 60 minutes as the designee of the minority leader.

Mr. THOMPSON. Tonight, Mr. Speaker, several of my colleagues and I will talk on affirmative action.

Last week, as you know, we started talking about it, Congressman CLYBURN and some others, and we will be moving forward as the night goes on.

What I would like to do, though, is start until my colleagues come to say

that as most of us know, this is a real difficult issue that is grasping the whole country. We would like to make sure that as the dialog continues that everyone would look upon affirmative action as something that clearly is the litmus test for us all.

Congressman CLYBURN, who is coming in as I talk, will lead the discussion on the historical approach to affirmative action along with some other Members.

Mr. Speaker, it is important for us to realize that affirmative action is a key discussion going on. In all States, there are discussions taking place saying whether or not this country is color-blind or whether or not we should move forward with affirmative action at all. Clearly it is a divisive issue. It is an issue that all of us are concerned about.

The Congressional Black Caucus, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, all organizations of good will, have started looking at this issue and are very concerned about it. Clearly what we would like to do tonight, and my colleague the gentleman from South Carolina [Mr. CLYBURN] is here, is begin the discussion on historical perspective around affirmative action in this country and from that we will move forward.

Mr. Speaker, I yield to my colleague, the gentleman from South Carolina [Mr. CLYBURN], after which time I will retain the hour.

Mr. CLYBURN. I thank my good friend, the gentleman from Mississippi [Mr. THOMPSON], for getting us started on this discussion this evening.

Mr. Speaker, all weekend I listened to the various talk shows, I listened to all of the Sunday morning newscasts, and in every instance we heard people discussing this issue of affirmative action, whether or not we have reached a point in our existence when affirmative action is no longer needed.

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Let me begin, Mr. Speaker, by looking at affirmative action, where it got started and what it is all about, and why it was ever necessary in the first place.

Affirmative action, to begin with, is grounded in an executive order, Executive Order 11246, which was signed by President John F. Kennedy, signed by President Lyndon Johnson, and all Presidents since.

Now, the whole purpose of this executive order was to move beyond the passive notion that we should not discriminate on the basis of one's color and, of course, it is interesting that in a subsequent executive order, the issue of sex was added as well. Now, what the attempts were, they were simply methods to say we cannot just say that we would no longer discriminate. We have to mix some affirmative efforts to go out and let people know that there will no longer be discrimination, that they are welcome to come in and apply for jobs, they are welcome to come in and apply for Federal contracts, and that

they will be treated fairly and given an opportunity to participate in the mainstream of the economic activity of our society.

And so throughout the years there has been discussion as to whether or not affirmative action really works. In the early 1980's this discussion became pretty loud and, of course, the then Reagan administration undertook to look at affirmative action and to see whether or not it worked and then to find out whether or not it unnecessarily trammled upon the rights of other citizens, and so the administration brought in a Dr. Jonathan Leonard, a professor from California, who looked at the affirmative action programs and made a report that these programs did, in fact, work.

But, secondarily, he found that there was no proof, no facts to sustain the allegations that these programs unnecessarily trammled on the rights of white men as well as other citizens. It seemed as if this was not good enough, and so this administration undertook a second study. This time it was done by OFCCP, the Office of Federal Contracts and Compliance, and in this instance, the results were the same, that the programs worked, that they did, in fact, bring people into the mainstream of economic opportunity, people who had not been allowed to participate before, and again, secondarily, that these programs did not, in fact, unfairly trammel upon the rights of white men.

And so then we continued with this executive order all the way down until the present day. Now, along the way, there have been those who have participated in this program of affirmative action, many of them very serious, others a little bit disingenuous.

We have had people who have put programs together knowing full well that they were not legitimate programs, in an attempt to undercut, to discredit, to in some way bring embarrassment and shame upon a noble effort to bring people into the mainstream of the economic activity of our society. And then there have been others who, out of a notion to do right, have been very, very anxious and, in some instances, overly so, and they, too, have brought programs into being which did not pass judicial muster.

Let me give you an example. In my other life, I ran a State agency in South Carolina, the South Carolina Human Affairs Commission, and part of my responsibility at that agency was to do the affirmative action coordination and planning for the State of South Carolina. And I remember one instance when a school district from the upper part of the State began to have a little trouble. These things usually come about because of one hiring decision that was made and did not go the way somebody wanted it to go, and in this particular instance, they had begun to have problems in their communities, and then they asked me to come up and to help them with it and