

## H.R. 2209, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS, 1998 SPENDING COMPARISONS—CONFERENCE REPORT—Continued

(Fiscal year 1998, in millions of dollars)

	Defense	Nondefense	Crime	Mandatory	Total
Outlays .....		2,262		92	2,354
Senate-passed bill:					
Budget authority .....		2,286		92	2,378
Outlays .....		2,269		92	2,361
CONFERENCE REPORT COMPARED TO:					
Senate 302(b) allocation:					
Budget authority .....		—36			—36
Outlays .....		—86			—86
President's request:					
Budget authority .....		—135			—135
Outlays .....		—101			—101
House-passed bill:					
Budget authority .....		—10			—10
Outlays .....		—11			—11
Senate-passed bill:					
Budget authority .....		—35			—35
Outlays .....		—18			—18

Note.—Details may not add to totals due to rounding. Totals adjusted for consistency with current scorekeeping conventions.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question now occurs on agreeing to the conference report. The yeas and nays have been ordered. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 90, nays 10, as follows:

(Rollcall Vote No. 257 Leg.)

## YEAS—90

Abraham	Feingold	Lugar
Akaka	Feinstein	Mack
Ashcroft	Ford	McCain
Baucus	Frist	McConnell
Bennett	Glenn	Mikulski
Biden	Gorton	Moseley-Braun
Bingaman	Graham	Moynihan
Bond	Grams	Murkowski
Boxer	Grassley	Murray
Breaux	Gregg	Nickles
Bryan	Hagel	Reed
Bumpers	Harkin	Reid
Byrd	Hatch	Robb
Campbell	Helms	Roberts
Chafee	Hollings	Rockefeller
Cleland	Hutchinson	Roth
Cochran	Hutchison	Santorum
Collins	Inouye	Sarbanes
Conrad	Jeffords	Sessions
Coverdell	Johnson	Smith (OR)
Craig	Kempthorne	Snowe
D'Amato	Kennedy	Specter
Daschle	Kerrey	Stevens
DeWine	Kerry	Thomas
Dodd	Landrieu	Thompson
Domenici	Lautenberg	Thurmond
Dorgan	Leahy	Torricelli
Durbin	Levin	Warner
Enzi	Lieberman	Wellstone
Faircloth	Lott	Wyden

## NAYS—10

Allard	Gramm	Shelby
Brownback	Inhofe	Smith (NH)
Burns	Kohl	
Coats	Kyl	

The conference report was agreed to.

Mr. BENNETT. I move to reconsider the vote and I move to lay it on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1998

The Senate continued with the consideration of the bill.

## AMENDMENT NO. 1250

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Madam President, I ask unanimous consent when the Senate resumes the Wyden amendment No. 1250, there be 20 minutes equally di-

vided remaining, and following the conclusion or yielding back of time, the amendment be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table, all without further action or debate.

Mr. WYDEN. Reserving the right to object.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Oregon is recognized.

Mr. WYDEN. Madam President, I do not intend to object. I have had a chance to discuss this with the majority leader who has been gracious in offering me his time on this matter.

I ask only that the further discussion of this amendment take place at a time when the majority leader could be on the floor and he and I could discuss this briefly. I believe the proposals he has made with respect to holds are constructive. This proposal goes one step further, to have public disclosure of holds.

I ask only that the majority leader, at a time convenient with his schedule, be allowed to participate in that 20-minute discussion so he and I could briefly discuss that.

With that, I have no objection.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there further objection? If not, without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. MCCAIN. Madam President, I must applaud the actions of the chairman of the D.C. Appropriations Subcommittee, Senator FAIRCLOTH, for his restraint in putting together this bill.

The bill is the first step in implementing the National Capital Revitalization and Self-Government Improvement Act that Congress passed this summer. This bill provides the funding necessary to carry out that act, and includes several provisions that will ensure fiscal responsibility and adherence to the act.

In reviewing this bill, I have found only one section in the report language that causes some concern. On page 31 of the report, the following language appears:

The Committee is aware of the need for an adult and pediatric heart transplant program at a not-for-profit academic medical center servicing this Nation's Capital. The D.C. metropolitan area is the only major metropolitan area that does not have an academic medical center with a heart transplant program. Since this not-for-profit medical cen-

ter has recently enhanced its capabilities by the additional of a nationally and internationally renowned cardiovascular surgeon and a nationally known pediatric cardiologist, the Committee strongly recommends that the State health planning and development agency approve the certificate of need application for a nonprofit academic medical center in the District of Columbia that has an approved lung transplant program.

I am sure my colleagues are aware of the likely result of this type of language in an Appropriations Committee report. Although not bound to do so, I would expect that the State health planning and development agency will feel pressured to approve the application of this academic facility. Although that may not be an inappropriate decision, I continue to believe it is inappropriate for Congress to direct these types of decisions on a case-by-case basis, rather than assessing the broader requirements for health facilities in the District of Columbia. I would hope the committee would see fit to withdraw this near-directive and allow the agency to make decisions based on the criteria it has developed for all such matters.

Again, this bill is free of the types of earmarks that we have seen in virtually every other appropriations measure to come before the Senate this year.

As the last appropriations measure to come before the Senate for debate, perhaps this is a welcome sign of things to come as we turn to the appropriations conference reports.

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Madam President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

UNANIMOUS-CONSENT AGREEMENT—AMENDMENT  
NO. 1249

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, on behalf of the leader, I ask unanimous consent that debate on amendment No. 1249 begin at 12 noon on Thursday and the time between noon and 5 p.m. be equally divided in the usual form. I further ask that at 5 p.m. the amendment

be laid aside until Tuesday, September 30, and a cloture vote occur on the amendment at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, September 30, with the mandatory quorum under rule XXII being waived, and the time between 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Tuesday be equally divided between Senators COATS and KENNEDY. I further ask that no second-degree amendments be in order to amendment No. 1249 prior to the cloture vote.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### CLOTURE MOTION

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, I send a cloture motion to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The cloture motion having been presented under rule XXII, the Chair directs the clerk to read the motion.

The bill clerk read as follows:

#### CLOTURE MOTION

We, the undersigned Senators, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, hereby move to bring to a close debate on the pending COATS amendment numbered 1249 to S. 1156:

Senators Trent Lott, Dan Coats, Richard Shelby, Mitch McConnell, Connie Mack, Lauch Faircloth, James Inhofe, Alfonse D'Amato, Rod Grams, John Warner, Pat Roberts, Chuck Hagel, Ted Stevens, John McCain, Susan Collins, and Sam Brownback.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

Mr. FAIRCLOTH. Mr. President, on behalf of the leader, I ask unanimous consent that there now be a period of morning business with Senators permitted to speak for up to 5 minutes each.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### THE VERY BAD DEBT BOXSCORE

Mr. HELMS. Mr. President, at the close of business yesterday, Tuesday, September 23, 1997, the Federal debt stood at \$5,382,650,076,978.81. (Five trillion, three hundred eighty-two billion, six hundred fifty million, seventy-six thousand, nine hundred seventy-eight dollars and eighty-one cents)

One year ago, September 23, 1996, the Federal debt stood at \$5,192,406,000,000. (Five trillion, one hundred ninety-two billion, four hundred six million)

Five years ago, September 23, 1992, the Federal debt stood at \$4,042,399,000,000. (Four trillion, forty-two billion, three hundred ninety-nine million)

Ten years ago, September 23, 1987, the Federal debt stood at \$2,354,292,000,000. (Two trillion, three hundred fifty-four billion, two hundred ninety-two million)

Fifteen years ago, September 23, 1982, the Federal debt stood at \$1,110,216,000,000 (One trillion, one hundred ten billion, two hundred sixteen million) which reflects a debt increase of more than \$4 trillion—\$4,272,434,076,978.81 (Four trillion, two

hundred seventy-two billion, four hundred thirty-four million, seventy-six thousand, nine hundred seventy-eight dollars and eighty-one cents) during the past 15 years.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

#### EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting a treaty and sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The nominations received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

#### REPORT OF THE NOTICE RELATIVE TO THE CONTINUATION OF THE EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO UNITA—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT—PM 68

The PRESIDING OFFICER laid before the Senate the following message from the President of the United States, together with an accompanying report; which was referred to the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

#### *To the Congress of the United States:*

Section 202(d) of the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)) provides for the automatic termination of a national emergency unless, prior to the anniversary date of its declaration, the President publishes in the *Federal Register* and transmits to the Congress a notice stating that the emergency is to continue in effect beyond the anniversary date. In accordance with this provision, I have sent the enclosed notice, stating that the emergency declared with respect to the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola ("UNITA") is to continue in effect beyond September 26, 1997, to the *Federal Register* for publication.

The circumstances that led to the declaration on September 26, 1993, of a national emergency have not been resolved. The actions and policies of UNITA pose a continuing unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States. United Nations Security Council Resolution 864 (1993) continues to oblige all Member States to maintain sanctions. Discontinuation of the sanctions would have a prejudicial effect on the Angolan peace process. For these reasons, I have determined that it is necessary to maintain in force the broad authorities necessary to apply economic pressure to UNITA to reduce its ability to pursue its aggressive policies of territorial acquisition.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, September 24, 1997.

#### MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE

At 12:02 p.m., a message from the House of Representatives, delivered by Mr. Hays, one of its reading clerks, announced that the House has passed the following bill, with an amendment, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 871. An act to establish the Oklahoma City National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System; to designate the Oklahoma City Memorial Trust, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bill, with amendments, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

S. 996. An act to provide for the authorization of appropriations in each fiscal year for arbitration in United States district courts.

The message further announced that the House has passed the following bill, without amendment:

S. 1000. An act to designate the United States courthouse at 500 State Avenue in Kansas City, Kansas, as the "Robert J. Dole United States Courthouse."

The message further announced that the House agrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 1420) to amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to improve the management of the National Wildlife Refuge System, and for other purposes.

The message also announced that the House disagrees to the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2107) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints Mr. REGULA, Mr. MCDADE, Mr. KOLBE, Mr. SKEEN, Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina, Mr. NETHERCUTT, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. WAMP, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. YATES, Mr. MURTHA, Mr. DICKS, Mr. SKAGGS, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, and Mr. OBEY as the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message further announced that the House disagrees to the amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 2264) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, and agrees to the conference asked by the Senate on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses thereon; and appoints Mr. PORTER, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. BONILLA, Mr. ISTOOK, Mr. MILLER of Florida, Mr. DICKEY, Mr. WICKER, Mrs. NORTHUP, Mr. LIVINGSTON, Mr. OBEY, Mr. STOKES, Mr. HOYER, Ms. PELOSI, Mrs. LOWEY, and Ms. DELAURIO as the managers of the conference on the part of the House.

The message also announced that the House has passed the following bills, in which it requests the concurrence of the Senate:

H.R. 29. An act to designate the Federal building located at 290 Broadway in New