

FISCAL YEAR 2001 HOUSE CURRENT LEVEL REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 27, 2001

(In millions of dollars)

	Budget Authority	Outlays	Revenues	Surplus
Enacted before 2000:				
Revenues	0	0	1,514,800	
Permanents and other spending legislation	961,064	916,715	0	
Appropriation legislation	0	266,010	0	
Offsetting, receipts	-297,807	-297,807	0	
Total, enacted before 2000:	663,257	884,918	1,514,800	n.a.
Enacted in 2000:				
Authorizing legislation:				
An act to amend the Food Stamp Act of 1977 (P.L. 106-171)	1	1	0	
Omnibus Parks Technical Corrections Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-176)	8	6	0	
Wendell H. Ford Aviation Investment & Reform Act (P.L. 106-181)	3,200	0	-2	
Civil Asset Forfeiture Reform Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-185)	-114	-75	-115	
Trade and Development Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-200)	-47	-47	-442	
Agricultural Risk Protection Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-224)	3,060	2,165	0	
Valles Caldera Preservation Act (P.L. 106-248)	-1	-1	0	
Griffith Project Prepayment and Conveyance Act (P.L. 106-249)	-103	-103	0	
Semipostal Authorization Act (P.L. 106-253)	-2	-2	0	
Long-Term Care Security Act (P.L. 106-265)	3	3	0	
Security Assistance Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-280)	6	6	0	
Lincoln County Land Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-298)	-3	-3	0	
An act to provide personnel flexibilities available for GAO (P.L. 106-303)	0	0	0	
Children's Health Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-310)	2	2	0	
An act to increase fees to employers who are petitioners (P.L. 106-311)	0	-64	0	
American Competitiveness in the 21st Century Act (P.L. 106-313)	0	-126	0	
Black Hills National forest and Rocky Mountain Research Station Improvement Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-329)	-1	-1	0	
Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-354)	15	15	0	
An act to amend Title 5, United States Code, on Thrift Savings Plans (P.L. 106-361)	-3	-3	-6	
An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey property (P.L. 106-366)	-5	-5	0	
National Museum of the American Indian Commemorative Coin Act (P.L. 106-375)	-3	-3	0	
An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey facilities (P.L. 106-376)	-2	-2	0	
Victims of Trafficking and Violence Protection Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-388)	342	342	0	
An act to authorize the Bureau of Reclamation to provide cost sharing (P.L. 106-392)	23	8	0	
County Schools Funding Revitalization Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-393)	21	21	0	
Federal Employees Health Benefits Children's Equity Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-394)	-1	-1	0	
Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act of 2001 (P.L. 106-398)	-22	-22	0	
Veteran's Compensation COLA Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-413)	380	349	0	
Alaska Native and American Indian Direct Reimbursement Act (P.L. 106-417)	9	9	0	
Veterans' Benefits and Health Care Improvements Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-419)	154	154	0	
National Transportation Safety Board Amendments Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-424)	12	12	0	
Santo Domingo Pueblo Claims Settlement Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-425)	8	8	0	
Arizona National Forest Improvement Act of 1999 (P.L. 106-438)	-5	-5	0	
Grain Standards and Warehouse Improvement Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-472)	1	1	0	
An act to amend the Harmonized Tariff Schedule to modify rates of duty (P.L. 106-476)	0	0	-26	
Palmetto Bend Conveyance Act (P.L. 106-512)	-42	-42	0	
An act to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (P.L. 106-519)	0	0	-153	
Water Resources Development Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-541)	2	2	0	
Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2001 (P.L. 106-554)	4,568	4,480	-139	
An act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study (P.L. 106-566)	5	5	0	
Omnibus Indian Advancement Act (P.L. 106-568)	8	8	0	
American Homeownership and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-569)	-13	-13	-68	
Federal Physicians Comparability Allowance Amendments of 2000 (P.L. 106-571)	-3	-3	1	
Installment Tax Correction Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-573)	0	0	-1,120	
Total, authorizing legislation	11,458	7,076	-2,070	
Appropriations Acts:				
Agriculture and Rural Development Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-387)	77,830	42,663	0	
Commerce, Justice, State Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-553)	37,812	25,437	0	
Defense Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-259)	287,806	188,945	0	
District of Columbia Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-522)	440	408	0	
Energy and Water Development Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-377)	23,598	15,129	0	
Foreign Operations Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-429)	14,945	5,457	0	
Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-291)	18,905	11,912	0	
Labor, HHS, Education Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-554)	289,432	227,557	0	
Legislative Branch Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-554)	2,577	2,207	3	
Military Construction Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-246)	4,932	-3,582	0	
Transportation Appropriations Act, 2001 (P.L. 106-346)	18,834	21,236	-460	
Treasury, Postal Service, General Government Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-554)	29,964	25,342	0	
Veterans Affairs; HUD Appropriations, 2001 (P.L. 106-377)	103,577	62,961	0	
An act making further continuing appropriations for Fiscal Year 2001 (P.L. 106-426)	7	7	0	
An act making further continuing appropriations for Fiscal Year 2001 (P.L. 106-520)	7	7	0	
Consolidated Appropriations 2001 (P.L. 106-554)	15	-115	0	
Total, appropriations act:	910,681	626,171	-457	
Total, enacted in 2000:	922,139	633,247	-2,527	n.a.
Entitlements and Mandatories:				
Budget resolution baseline estimates of appropriated entitlements and other mandatory programs not yet enacted	-17,123	238	0	n.a.
Total Current Level ^a	1,563,641	1,515,063	1,512,273	-2,790
Total Budget Resolution	1,537,861	1,506,048	1,503,200	-2,848
Current Level Over Budget Resolution	25,780	9,015	9,073	0
Current Level Under Budget Resolution	0	0	0	58
Memorandum:				
Revenues, 2001-2005:				
House Current Level	0	0	8,155,727	n.a.
House Budget Resolution	0	0	8,022,400	n.a.
Current Level Over Budget Resolution	0	0	133,327	n.a.
2001 Advances:				
FY 2002 House Current Level	23,159	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
FY 2003 House Current Level	365	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
FY 2001 House Budget Resolution	23,500	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Current Level Over Budget Resolution	24	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

Notes: P.L. = Public Law; n.a. = not applicable.

^a For purposes of enforcing section 311 of the Congressional Budget Act in the House, the budget resolution does not include \$3,380 million in budget authority or \$3,340 million in outlays for Social Security administrative expenses. As a result, current level excludes these items. In addition, for comparability purposes, current level budget authority excludes \$1,252 million that was appropriated for mass transit.

PUBLICATION OF THE RULES OF THE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS' AFFAIRS 107TH CONGRESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gen-

tleman from New Jersey (Mr. SMITH) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to the provisions of Rule XI of the rules of the House, I submit for printing in the RECORD the Rules of the Committee on Vet-

erans' Affairs as adopted by the committee on February 14, 2001.

COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE
107TH CONGRESS

(Adopted February 14, 2001)

RULE 1—APPLICABILITY OF HOUSE RULES

The Rules of the House are the rules of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs and its subcommittees so far as applicable, except that a motion to recess from day to day is a privileged motion in Committees and Subcommittees. Each subcommittee of the Committee is a part of the Committee and is subject to the authority and direction of the committee and to its rules so far as applicable.

RULE 2—COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND HEARINGS

Regular and Additional Meetings

(a)(1) The regular meeting day for the Committee shall be at 10 a.m. on the second Wednesday of each month in such place as the Chairman may designate. However, the Chairman may dispense with a regular Wednesday meeting of the Committee.

(2)(A) The Chairman of the Committee may call and convene, as he considers necessary, additional meetings of the Committee for the consideration of any bill or resolution pending before the Committee or for the conduct of other Committee business. The Committee shall meet for such purpose pursuant to the call of the Chairman.

(B) The Chairman shall notify each member of the Committee of the agenda of each regular and additional meeting of the Committee at least 24 hours before the time of the meeting, except under circumstances the Chairman determines to be of an emergency nature. Under such circumstances, the Chairman shall make an effort to consult the ranking minority member, or in such member's absence, the next ranking minority party member of the Committee.

Public Announcement

(b)(1) The Chairman, in the case of a hearing to be conducted by the Committee, and the subcommittee Chairman, in the case of a hearing to be conducted by a subcommittee, shall make public announcement of the date, place, and subject matter of any hearing to be conducted on any measure or matter at least one week before the commencement of that hearing unless the Committee or the subcommittee determines that there is good cause to begin the hearing at an earlier date. In the latter event, the Chairman or the Subcommittee Chairman, as the case may be, shall consult with the ranking minority member and make such public announcement at the earliest possible date. The clerk of the Committee shall promptly notify the Daily Clerk of the Congressional Record and the Committee scheduling service of the House Information Resources as soon as possible after such public announcement is made.

(2) Meetings and hearings of the Committee and each of its subcommittees shall be open to the public unless closed in accordance with clause 2(g) of House rule XI.

Quorum and Rollcalls

(c)(1) A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for business and a majority of the members of any subcommittee shall constitute a quorum thereof for business, except that two members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of taking testimony and receiving evidence.

(2) No measure or recommendation shall be reported to the House of Representatives unless a majority of the Committee was actually present.

(3) There shall be kept in writing a record of the proceedings of the Committee and each of its subcommittees, including a record of the votes on any question on which

a recorded vote is demanded. The result of each such record vote shall be made available by the Committee for inspection by the public at reasonable times in the offices of the Committee. Information so available for public inspection shall include a description of the amendment, motion, order or other proposition and the name of each member voting for and each member voting against such amendment, motion, order, or proposition, and the names of those members present but not voting.

(4) A record vote may be demanded by one-fifth of the members present or, in the apparent absence of a quorum, by any one member. With respect to any record vote on any motion to amend or report, the total number of votes cast for and against, and the names of those members voting for and against, shall be included in the report of the Committee on the bill or resolution.

(5) No vote by any member of the Committee or a subcommittee with respect to any measure or matter may be cast by proxy.

Calling and Interrogating Witnesses

(d)(1) Committee and subcommittee members may question witnesses only when they have been recognized by the Chairman of the Committee or subcommittee for that purpose, and only for a 5-minute period until all members present have had an opportunity to question a witness. The 5-minute period for questioning a witness by any one member may be extended only with the unanimous consent of all members present. The questioning of witnesses in both Committee and subcommittee hearings shall be initiated by the Chairman, followed by the ranking minority party member and all other members alternating between the majority and minority. Except as otherwise announced by the Chairman at the beginning of a hearing, members who are present at the start of the hearing will be recognized before other members who arrive after the hearing has begun. In recognizing members to question witnesses in this fashion, the Chairman shall take into consideration the ratio of the majority to minority members present and shall establish the order of recognition for questioning in such a manner as not to disadvantage the members of the majority.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (1) regarding the 5-minute rule, the Chairman after consultation with the ranking minority member may designate an equal number of members of the Committee or subcommittee majority and minority party to question a witness for a period not longer than 30 minutes. In no event shall the Chairman allow a member to question a witness for an extended period under this rule until all members present have had the opportunity to ask questions under the 5-minute rule. The Chairman after consultation with the ranking minority member may permit Committee staff for its majority and minority party members to question a witness for equal specified periods of time.

(3) So far as practicable: (A) each witness who is to appear before the Committee or a subcommittee shall file with the clerk of the Committee, at least 48 hours in advance of the appearance of the witness, a written statement of the testimony of the witness and shall limit any oral presentation to a summary of the written statement; and (B) each witness appearing in a non-governmental capacity shall include with the written statement of proposed testimony a curriculum vitae and a disclosure of the amount and source (by agency and program) of any Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) received during the current fiscal year or either of the two preceding fiscal years.

(4) When a hearing is conducted by the Committee or a subcommittee on any measure or matter, the minority party members on the Committee shall be entitled, upon request to the Chairman of a majority of those minority members before the completion of the hearing, to call witnesses selected by the minority to testify with respect to that measure or matter during at least one day of the hearing thereon.

Media Coverage of Proceedings

(e) Any meeting of the Committee or its subcommittees that is open to the public shall be open to coverage by radio, television, and still photography in accordance with the provisions of clause 4 of House rule XI.

Subpoenas

(f) Pursuant to clause 2(m) of House rule XI, a subpoena may be authorized and issued by the Committee or a subcommittee in the conduct of an investigation or series of investigations or activities, only when authorized by a majority of the members voting, a majority being present.

RULE 3—GENERAL OVERSIGHT RESPONSIBILITY

(a) In order to assist the House in:

(1) Its analysis, appraisal, evaluation of (A) the application, administration, execution, and effectiveness of the laws enacted by the Congress, or (B) conditions and circumstances which may indicate the necessity or desirability of enacting new or additional legislation, and

(2) its formulation, consideration and enactment of such modifications or changes in those laws, and of such additional legislation, as may be necessary or appropriate, the Committee and its various subcommittees, consistent with their jurisdiction as set forth in Rule 4, shall have oversight responsibilities as provided in subsection (b).

(b)(1) The Committee and its subcommittees shall review and study, on a continuing basis, the applications, administration, execution, and effectiveness of those laws, or parts of laws, the subject matter of which is within the jurisdiction of the Committee or subcommittee, and the organization and operation of the Federal agencies and entities having responsibilities in or for the administration and execution thereof, in order to determine whether such laws and the programs thereunder are being implemented and carried out in accordance with the intent of the Congress and whether such programs should be continued, curtailed, or eliminated.

(2) In addition, the Committee and its subcommittees shall review and study any conditions or circumstances which may indicate the necessity or desirability of enacting new or additional legislation within the jurisdiction of the Committee or subcommittee (whether or not any bill or resolution has been introduced with respect thereto), and shall on a continuing basis undertake future research and forecasting on matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee or subcommittee.

(3) Not later than February 15 of the first session of a Congress, the Committee shall meet in open session, with a quorum present, to adopt its oversight plans for that Congress for submission to the Committee on House Administration and the Committee on Government Reform, in accordance with the provisions of clause 2(d) of House rule X.

RULE 4—SUBCOMMITTEES

Establishment and Jurisdiction of Subcommittees

(a)(1) There shall be three subcommittees of the Committee as follows:

(A) Subcommittee on Health, which shall have legislative, oversight and investigative jurisdiction over veterans' hospitals, medical care, and treatment of veterans.

(B) Subcommittee on Benefits, which shall have legislative, oversight and investigative jurisdiction over compensation, general and special pensions of all the wars of the United States, life insurance issued by the Government on account of service in the Armed Forces, cemeteries of the United States in which veterans of any war or conflict are or may be buried, whether in the United States or abroad, except cemeteries administered by the Secretary of the Interior, burial benefits, education of veterans, vocational rehabilitation, veterans' housing programs, readjustment of servicemen to civilian life, and soldiers' and sailors' civil relief.

(C) Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, which shall have authority over matters that are referred to the subcommittee by the Chairman of the full Committee for investigation and appropriate recommendations. Provided, however, That the operations of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations shall in no way limit the responsibility of the other subcommittees on the Committee on Veterans' Affairs for carrying out their oversight duties. This subcommittee shall not have legislative jurisdiction and no bills or resolutions shall be referred to it.

In addition, each subcommittee shall have responsibility for such other measures or matters as the Chairman refers to it.

(2) Any vacancy in the membership of a subcommittee shall not affect the power of the remaining members to execute the functions of that subcommittee.

Referral to Subcommittees

(b)(1) The Chairman of the Committee may refer a measure or matter, which is within the general responsibility of more than one of the subcommittees of the Committee, as the Chairman deems appropriate.

(2) In referring any measure or matter to a subcommittee, the Chairman of the Committee may specify a date by which the subcommittee shall report thereon to the Committee.

Powers and Duties

(c)(1) Each subcommittee is authorized to meet, hold hearings, receive evidence, and report to the full Committee on all matters referred to it or under its jurisdiction. Subcommittee chairmen shall set dates for hearings and meetings of their respective subcommittees after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee and other subcommittee chairmen with a view toward avoiding simultaneous scheduling of Committee and subcommittee meetings or hearings whenever possible.

(2) Whenever a subcommittee has ordered a bill, resolution, or other matter to be reported to the Committee, the Chairman of the subcommittee reporting the bill, resolution, or matter to the full Committee, or any member authorized by the subcommittee to do so shall notify the Chairman and the ranking minority party member of the Committee of the Subcommittee's action.

(3) A member of the Committee who is not a member of a particular subcommittee may sit with the subcommittee during any of its meetings and hearings, but shall not have authority to vote, cannot be counted for a quorum, and cannot raise a point of order at the meeting or hearing.

(4) Each subcommittee of the Committee shall provide the Committee with copies of such records of votes taken in the subcommittee and such other records with respect to the subcommittee as the Chairman of the Committee deems necessary for the Committee to comply with all rules and regulations of the House.

RULE 5—TRANSCRIPTS AND RECORDS

(a)(1) There shall be a transcript made of each regular and additional meeting and

hearing of the Committee and its subcommittees. Any such transcript shall be a substantially verbatim account of remarks actually made during the proceedings, subject only to technical, grammatical, and typographical corrections authorized by the person making the remarks involved.

(2) The Committee shall keep a record of all actions of the Committee and each of its subcommittees. The record shall contain all information required by clause 2(e)(1) of House rule XI and shall be available for public inspection at reasonable times in the offices of the Committee.

(3) The records of the Committee at the National Archives and Records Administration shall be made available for public use in accordance with House rule VII. The Chairman shall notify the ranking minority member of any decision, pursuant to clause 3(b)(3) or clause 4(b) of the rule, to withhold a record otherwise available, and the matter shall be presented to the Committee for a determination on written request of any member of the Committee.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. GIBBONS (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of official business.

Mr. TERRY (at the request of Mr. ARMEY) for today on account of official business.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MENENDEZ) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. KAPTUR, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SHERMAN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GREEN of Texas, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. WU, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MINK of Hawaii, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MILLER of Florida) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. MILLER of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. FOLEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. COMBEST, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. HORN) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. HORN, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Member (at the request of Mr. OWENS) to revise and extend his remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. NUSSLE, for 5 minutes, today.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. OWENS. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 p.m.), the House adjourned until tomorrow, Thursday, March 1, 2001, at 10 a.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

1023. A letter from the Principal Deputy Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense, transmitting the National Defense Stockpile Annual Materials Plan (AMP) for fiscal year 2002 and revisions to the fiscal year 2001 AMP, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 98d; to the Committee on Armed Services.

1024. A letter from the Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, transmitting the Corporation's report entitled, "Use Of Plain Language In FDIC Rulemakings Pursuant To Section 722 Of The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act of 1999"; to the Committee on Financial Services.

1025. A letter from the Deputy Executive Secretary to the Department, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's "Major" final rule—Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information (RIN: 0991-AB08) received February 13, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

1026. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Notification of justification of defense articles, services, and military education and training furnished under section 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to provide assistance to countries that participated in the Economic Community of West Africa States' Peacekeeping Force (ECOMOG), pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2318(b)(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

1027. A letter from the Acting Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting Notification of justification of defense articles, services, and military education and training furnished under section 506 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to Mexico, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2318(b)(2); to the Committee on International Relations.

1028. A letter from the Auditor, District of Columbia, transmitting a report entitled, "Fiscal Year 1999 Annual Report on Advisory Neighborhood Commissions," pursuant to D.C. Code section 47—117(d); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1029. A letter from the Secretary, Mississippi River Commission, Department of the Army, Department of Defense, transmitting a copy of the annual report in compliance with the Government in the Sunshine Act covering the calendar year 2000, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b(j); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1030. A letter from the Chairman, Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, transmitting the 2000 Annual Report of the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission, pursuant to 16 U.S.C. 715b; to the Committee on Resources.

1031. A letter from the Trial Attorney, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Department's final rule—Track Safety Standards: Delay of Effective Date [Docket No. RST-90-1, Notice No. 13] (RIN: 2130-AB32) received February 2, 2001, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.