

Protection, Reconstruction and Recovery Fund to provide assistance to coastal states for coastal conservation, mitigation and resource protection activities, or other purposes, based on the allocation formula provided in Section 31 of the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act that is funded \$10 billion from the following sources or any combination of funds thereof—

(A) Receipts deposited into the Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Fund that exceed estimates of the Congressional Budget Office for the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 at the time of enactment;

(B) Receipts (including bonus bids, rents, royalties, and payments associated with royalties in kind) from the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, if the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate reports a bill, and such measure is enacted, to establish oil exploration and production in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge;

(C) Receipts equal to the amount of receipts received by the United States government attributable to offshore energy production (including bonus bids, rents, royalties, and payments associated with royalties in kind) for each year that exceed estimates of the Congressional Budget Office as of March 16, 2006; and

(2) that committee is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974;

the chairman of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate may make the appropriate adjustments in allocations and aggregates to the extent that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2007 and for the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2011.

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant journal clerk proceeded to call the roll.

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 President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

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

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.

The amendment (No. 3165) was agreed to.

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. CONRAD. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

EXECUTIVE CALENDAR

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that after the passage of the budget—I like that—the Senate proceed to executive session and proceed to two consecutive votes on the confirmation of the following judicial nominations on the Executive Calendar: Calendar No. 547, Jack Zouhary to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Ohio; and Calendar No. 548, Stephen G. Larson to be United States District Judge for the Central District of Cali-

fornia; further, that prior to the first vote the two Senators from Ohio be given 1 minute each, and prior to the second vote the Senators from California be given 1 minute each; that following these votes the President be immediately notified of the Senate's action and the Senate then resume legislative session.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, reserving the right to object, is time also reserved before each vote for the chairman of the Judiciary Committee and ranking member?

Mr. GREGG. There was not. But I will be happy to ask for that.

Mr. LEAHY. One minute each prior; and I wonder if the distinguished Senator from New Hampshire would be willing to amend his unanimous consent to make it in order to ask for the yeas and nays at this point on both votes.

Mr. GREGG. I have no objection.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection?

Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered en bloc.

AMENDMENTS NOS. 3031, 3089, 3170, AND 3171, EN BLOC

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the following amendments be considered en bloc and that the motions to reconsider be laid upon the table: A Levin amendment relative to ATP; a Salazar amendment relative to the LWCF. I further ask unanimous consent that the following amendments which have not been filed be considered and agreed to en bloc, and the motions to reconsider be laid on the table: A Conrad-Gregg amendment on tax cap; and a Gregg-Conrad amendment for Senator BYRD on mine safety.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? Without objection, it is so ordered.

The amendments were agreed to, as follows:

AMENDMENT NO. 3031

(Purpose: Provide funding for the Advanced Technology Program to help ensure America's competitive advantage and fully offset with reductions in function 920)

On page 15, line 21, increase the amount by \$140,000,000.

On page 15, line 22, increase the amount by \$21,000,000.

On page 16, line 1, increase the amount by \$98,000,000.

On page 16, line 5, increase the amount by \$21,000,000.

On page 27, line 23, decrease the amount by \$140,000,000.

On page 27, line 24, decrease the amount by \$21,000,000.

On page 28, line 2, decrease the amount by 98,000,000.

On page 28, line 5, decrease the amount by \$21,000,000.

AMENDMENT NO. 3089

(Purpose: Restore \$100 million to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Stateside Grant Program. Paid for by closing corporate tax loopholes)

On page 3, line 13, increase the amount by \$25,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 3, line 17, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 3, line 19, increase the amount by \$10,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, increase the amount by \$5,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, increase the amount by \$25,000,000.

On page 4, line 2, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 4, line 3, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 4, line 4, increase the amount by \$10,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, increase the amount by \$5,000,000.

On page 4, line 13, increase the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 5, line 4, increase the amount by \$25,000,000.

On page 5, line 6, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$10,000,000.

On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by \$5,000,000.

On page 13, line 21, increase the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 13, line 22, increase the amount by \$25,000,000.

On page 14, line 1, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 14, line 5, increase the amount by \$30,000,000.

On page 14, line 9, increase the amount by \$10,000,000.

On page 14, line 13, increase the amount by \$5,000,000.

On page 53, line 1, increase the amount by \$100,000,000.

On page 53, line 2, increase the amount by \$25,000,000.

AMENDMENT NO. 3170

(Purpose: To provide an additional \$500 million to enhance the ability of the Internal Revenue Service to collect taxes owed but not paid voluntarily)

On page 4, line 13, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.

On page 5, line 4, increase the amount by \$340,000,000.

On page 5, line 6, increase the amount by \$14,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$9,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, decrease the amount by \$340,000,000.

On page 5, line 21, decrease the amount by \$14,000,000.

On page 5, line 23, decrease the amount by \$9,000,000.

On page 6, line 8, increase the amount by \$340,000,000.

On page 6, line 10, increase the amount by \$354,000,000.

On page 6, line 12, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.

On page 6, line 14, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.

On page 6, line 16, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.

On page 6, line 22, increase the amount by \$340,000,000.

On page 6, line 24, increase the amount by \$354,000,000.

On page 7, line 2, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.
 On page 7, line 4, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.
 On page 7, line 6, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.
 On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by \$363,000,000.
 On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by \$340,000,000.
 On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by \$14,000,000.
 On page 26, line 8, increase the amount by \$9,000,000.
 On page 53, line 1, increase the amount by \$137,000,000.
 On page 53, line 2, increase the amount by \$128,000,000.
 On page 55, line 13, strike \$274,000,000 and insert \$500,000,000.

AMENDMENT NO. 3171

(Purpose: To provide \$184 million over five years for the Mine Safety and Health Administration to hire additional mine safety inspectors)

On page 4, line 13, increase the amount by \$37,000,000.
 On page 4, line 15, increase the amount by \$38,000,000.
 On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by \$41,000,000.
 On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by \$43,000,000.
 On page 4, line 21, increase the amount by \$46,000,000.
 On page 5, line 4, increase the amount by \$33,000,000.
 On page 5, line 6, increase the amount by \$37,000,000.
 On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by \$40,000,000.
 On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by \$42,000,000.
 On page 5, line 12, increase the amount by \$45,000,000.
 On page 5, line 19, decrease the amount by \$33,000,000.
 On page 5, line 21, decrease the amount by \$37,000,000.
 On page 5, line 23, decrease the amount by \$40,000,000.
 On page 5, line 25, decrease the amount by \$42,000,000.
 On page 6, line 2, decrease the amount by \$45,000,000.
 On page 6, line 8, increase the amount by \$33,000,000.
 On page 6, line 10, increase the amount by \$70,000,000.
 On page 6, line 12, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.
 On page 6, line 14, increase the amount by \$152,000,000.
 On page 6, line 16, increase the amount by \$197,000,000.
 On page 6, line 22, increase the amount by \$33,000,000.
 On page 6, line 24, increase the amount by \$70,000,000.
 On page 7, line 2, increase the amount by \$110,000,000.
 On page 7, line 4, increase the amount by \$152,000,000.
 On page 7, line 6, increase the amount by \$197,000,000.
 On page 19, line 24, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.
 On page 19, line 25, increase the amount by \$32,000,000.
 On page 20, line 3, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.
 On page 20, line 4, increase the amount by \$35,000,000.
 On page 20, line 7, increase the amount by \$37,000,000.
 On page 20, line 8, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.

On page 20, line 11, increase the amount by \$37,000,000.
 On page 20, line 12, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.
 On page 20, line 15, increase the amount by \$38,000,000.
 On page 20, line 16, increase the amount by \$37,000,000.
 On page 26, line 24, increase the amount by \$1,000,000.
 On page 26, line 25, increase the amount by \$1,000,000.
 On page 27, line 3, increase the amount by \$2,000,000.
 On page 27, line 4, increase the amount by \$2,000,000.
 On page 27, line 7, increase the amount by \$4,000,000.
 On page 27, line 8, increase the amount by \$4,000,000.
 On page 27, line 11, increase the amount by \$6,000,000.
 On page 27, line 12, increase the amount by \$6,000,000.
 On page 27, line 15, increase the amount by \$8,000,000.
 On page 27, line 16, increase the amount by \$8,000,000.
 On page 53, line 1, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.
 On page 53, line 2, increase the amount by \$32,000,000.
 On page 53, line 4, increase the amount by \$36,000,000.
 On page 53, line 7, increase the amount by \$37,000,000.

Mr. GREGG. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be dispensed with.

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

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, we are very close to being able to move toward final passage, but we still have a number of amendments to dispose of. If we can just have the patience of the body for a few more minutes, we can dispose of these final amendments and move toward final passage.

First of all, I think it is important to thank colleagues—dozens of colleagues—who have given their amendments in the last hour—we appreciate it very much—and others who were able to work with us to get their amendments agreed to as the chairman has just reviewed.

The next amendment is Senator ENSIGN. We ask colleagues to give the Senator from Nevada their attention.

AMENDMENT NO. 3166

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. President, I send an amendment to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

The Senator from Nevada [Mr. ENSIGN] proposes an amendment numbered 3166.

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that reading of the amendment be dispensed with.

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

The amendment is as follows:

(Purpose: To deny funds in FY2007 for the United Nations Human Rights Council, which the United States just voted against because countries found complicit in sustained human rights abuses are eligible for Council membership. Savings redirected to border security)

On page 10, line 20, decrease the amount by \$4,000,000.

On page 10, line 21, decrease the amount by \$4,000,000.

On page 24, line 24, increase the amount by \$4,000,000.

On page 24, line 25, increase the amount by \$4,000,000.

Mr. ENSIGN. Mr. President, just very briefly, this amendment has to do with funding for the United Nations Human Rights Council which I believe is worse than the discredited United Nations Commission on Human Rights.

Members will not be selected primarily on the basis of their commitment to human rights, even countries under Security Council sanctions for human rights violations or terrorism.

The United States has been a member of the United States Commission on Human Rights since 1947, with one exception. That will no longer be the case. Due to a rotating membership, the United States will be ineligible for the Human Rights Council membership every 6 years. So our country, which has been at the forefront of promoting human rights, would periodically lose its seat but still be required to cover 22 percent of the United Nations Human Rights Council cost.

I am proud of the United States and how we have stood firm and opposed creation of this fatally flawed council. We need to make sure we are not funding this council, and that is exactly what our amendment does. It takes away the funding from the Human Rights Council and puts it toward border security.

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, this amendment reduces the international account by \$4 million. That is what it does. We have no assurance that it will actually take money from the Human Rights Council, although that is the intention of the Senator. The fact is, it reduces the international account by \$4 million and increases the 750 account by a like amount.

I yield the remainder of my time to the Senator from Maryland.

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. President, I urge my colleagues to vote against this amendment. The United States did not get all the changes it wanted made with respect to the Human Rights Council, but very significant changes were made. And under Secretary Burns, they have indicated that the administration intends to work with those changes to try to improve that situation. We have a real problem with respect to that Human Rights Council. But changes are being made. They are being made in the right direction.

I very much oppose this amendment. I hope my colleagues will vote against it.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. All time has expired. The question is on agreeing to the amendment.