

Hoyer Meek (FL) Schiff  
 Inslee Meeks (NY) Schwartz  
 Israel Michaud Scott (GA)  
 Jackson (IL) Miller (NC) Scott (VA)  
 Jackson-Lee Miller, George Serrano  
 (TX) Mollohan Sestak  
 Jefferson Moore (KS) Shea-Porter  
 Johnson (GA) Moore (WI) Sherman  
 Johnson (IL) Moran (VA) Sires  
 Johnson, E. B. Murphy (CT) Slaughter  
 Jones (NC) Murphy, Patrick Smith (WA)  
 Jones (OH) Murtha Solis  
 Kagen Nadler Spratt  
 Kanjorski Napolitano Stark  
 Kaptur Neal (MA) Stupak  
 Kennedy Oberstar Sutton  
 Kildee Obey Tauscher  
 Kind Olver Thompson (CA)  
 Kucinich Ortiz Thompson (MS)  
 Langevin Pallone Tierney  
 Larsen (WA) Pascrell Towns  
 Larson (CT) Pastor Udall (CO)  
 Lee Payne Udall (NM)  
 Levin Pelosi Van Hollen  
 Lewis (GA) Perlmutter Velázquez  
 Loebssack Price (NC) Visclosky  
 Lofgren, Zoe Rahall Wasserman  
 Lowey Rangel Schultz  
 Lynch Reyes Waters  
 Mahoney (FL) Rothman Watson  
 Malone (NY) Roybal-Allard Watt  
 Markey Ruppersberger Waxman  
 Matsui Rush Weiner  
 McCarthy (NY) Ryan (OH) Welch (VT)  
 McCollum (MN) Sánchez, Linda Wexler  
 McDermott T. Woolsey  
 McGovern Sanchez, Loretta Wu  
 McNearney Sarbanes Wynn  
 McNulty Schakowsky Yarmuth

## NOT VOTING—23

Becerra Hastert LaHood  
 Clarke Hayes Lantos  
 Clay Hinojosa Paul  
 Coble Hunter Saxton  
 Crenshaw Jindal Skelton  
 Davis, Jo Ann Johnson, Sam Tancredo  
 Delahunt Kilpatrick Young (AK)  
 Goode Klein (FL)

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE  
 The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). There are 2 minutes remaining in this vote.

□ 2220

Ms. GIFFORDS, Mr. AL GREEN of Texas and Ms. SOLIS changed their vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the Senate bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on the bill just passed.

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

There was no objection.

## THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, the unfinished business is the question on agreeing to the Speaker’s approval of the Journal.

The question is on the Speaker’s approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker pro tempore announced that the ayes appeared to have it.

Mr. WALDEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, on that I demand the yeas and nays. The yeas and nays were ordered. The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 205, nays 187, not voting 40, as follows:

[Roll No. 837]

## YEAS—205

Abercrombie Green, Al Murtha  
 Ackerman Green, Gene Nadler  
 Allen Grijalva Napolitano  
 Altmore Gutierrez Neal (MA)  
 Andrews Hall (NY) Oberstar  
 Arcuri Hare Obey  
 Baca Harman Oliver  
 Baird Hastings (FL) Ortiz  
 Baldwin Herseth Sandlin Pallone  
 Barrow Higgins Pascrell  
 Bean Hill Pastor  
 Berkley Hinckley Payne  
 Berman Hirono Perlmutter  
 Berry Hodes Pomeroy  
 Bishop (GA) Holt Price (NC)  
 Bishop (NY) Honda Rahall  
 Blumenauer Hooley Rangel  
 Boren Hoyer Reyes  
 Boswell Inslee Rodriguez  
 Boyd (FL) Israel Ross  
 Boyd (KS) Jackson (IL) Roybal-Allard  
 Brady (PA) Jackson-Lee Ruppersberger  
 Braley (IA) (TX) Rush  
 Brown, Corrine Jefferson Ryan (OH)  
 Johnson, E. B. Johnson (GA) Salazar  
 Jones (OH) Jones (NC) Sarbanes  
 Carson Kagen Schiff  
 Castor Kildee Schwartz  
 Chandler Kind Scott (GA)  
 Cleaver Kucinich Scott (VA)  
 Clyburn Lampson Serrano  
 Cohen Langevin Shea-Porter  
 Conyers Larsen (WA) Sherman  
 Cooper Larson (CT) Sires  
 Costa Lee Slaughter  
 Costello Levin Smith (WA)  
 Courtney Lewis (GA) Snyder  
 Cramer Lipinski Space  
 Crowley Loebssack Spratt  
 Cummings Lofgren, Zoe Stark  
 Davis (AL) Lowey Sutton  
 Davis (CA) Lynch Tanner  
 Davis (IL) Mahoney (FL) Tauscher  
 Davis, Lincoln Maloney (NY) Taylor  
 DeFazio Markey Thompson (MS)  
 DeGette Marshall Tierney  
 DeLauro Matheson Towns  
 Dicks Matsui Udall (CO)  
 Dingell McCarthy (NY) Van Hollen  
 Doggett McCollum (MN) Velázquez  
 Doyle McDermott  
 Ellison McGovern  
 Ellsworth McIntyre  
 Emanuel McNearney Wasserman  
 Engel McNulty Schultz  
 Eshoo Meek (FL) Waters  
 Etheridge Meeks (NY) Watson  
 Farr Melancon Watt  
 Fattah Michaud Waxman  
 Filner Miller (NC) Weiner  
 Frank (MA) Miller, George Welch (VT)  
 Giffords Mollohan Wexler  
 Gillibrand Moore (KS) Wilson (OH)  
 Gillmor Moore (WI) Woolsey  
 Gonzalez Moran (VA) Wynn  
 Gordon Murphy, Patrick Yarmuth

## NAYS—187

Aderholt Boustany Carter  
 Akin Brady (TX) Castle  
 Alexander Broun (GA) Chabot  
 Bachmann Brown (SC) Cole (OK)  
 Barrett (SC) Brown-Waite, Conaway  
 Bartlett (MD) Ginny Cubin  
 Barton (TX) Buchanan Cuellar  
 Biggert Burgess Culberson  
 Bilbray Burton (IN) Davis (KY)  
 Bilarakis Buyer Davis, David  
 Bishop (UT) Calvert Davis, Tom  
 Blackburn Camp (MI) Deal (GA)  
 Blunt Campbell (CA) Dent  
 Boehner Cannon Diaz-Balart, L.  
 Bonner Cantor Diaz-Balart, M.  
 Bono Capito Donnelly  
 Boozman Carney Doolittle

Drake Feeney LaTourette  
 Dreier Ferguson Lewis (CA)  
 Duncan Grijalva Lewis (KY)  
 Ehlers Emerson Linder Rogers (MI)  
 Emerson LoBiondo Rohrabacher  
 Everett Lucas Ros-Lehtinen  
 Fallon Lungren, Daniel Roskam  
 Feeney E. Royce  
 Ferguson Flake Manzullo  
 Flake Forbes Marchant  
 Forbes Fortenberry McCarthy (CA)  
 Fortenberry Fossella McCaul (TX)  
 Gilchrest Foxx McCotter  
 Gingrey Gohmert Shadegg  
 Goodlatte Gohmert Shays  
 Granger Gallegly McHenry  
 Graves Garrett (NJ) McHugh  
 Gerlach Hoblach Shimkus  
 Gilchrest Hoblach Shuler  
 Gingrey Hensarling McKeon  
 Goodlatte Hobson Mitchell  
 Graves Hobson Simpson  
 Gerlach Hobson Smith (NE)  
 Gilchrest Hobson Smith (NJ)  
 Gingrey Hensarling Smith (TX)  
 Goodlatte Hobson Souder  
 Granger Hobson Stearns  
 Graves Hobson Stupak  
 Gerlach Hobson Sullivan  
 Gilchrest Hobson Terry  
 Gingrey Hobson Murphy, Tim  
 Goodlatte Hobson Musgrave  
 Granger Hobson Thompson (CA)  
 Hoblach Hobson Thornberry  
 Hobson Hobson Myrick  
 Hobson Hobson Neugebauer  
 Hobson Hobson Tiahrt  
 Hobson Hobson Tibor  
 Hobson Hobson Tiber  
 Hobson Hobson Upton  
 Hobson Hobson Walberg  
 Hobson Hobson Pickering  
 Hobson Hobson Walder (OR)  
 Hobson Hobson Pitts  
 Hobson Hobson Walsh (NY)  
 Hobson Hobson Platts  
 Hobson Hobson Poe  
 Hobson Hobson Porter  
 Hobson Hobson Pearce  
 Hobson Hobson Turner  
 Hobson Hobson Pence  
 Hobson Hobson Upton  
 Hobson Hobson Putnam  
 Hobson Hobson Wicker  
 Hobson Hobson Radanovich  
 Hobson Hobson Kline (MN)  
 Hobson Hobson Ramstad  
 Hobson Hobson Regula  
 Hobson Hobson Lamborn  
 Hobson Hobson Rehberg  
 Hobson Hobson Latham  
 Hobson Hobson Reichert

## NOT VOTING—40

Bachus Hayes Peterson (MN)  
 Baker Hinojosa Peterson (PA)  
 Becerra Holden Renzi  
 Boucher Hulshof Rothman  
 Clarke Hunter Sánchez, Linda  
 Clay Jindal T.  
 Coble Johnson, Sam Sanchez, Loretta  
 Crenshaw Kilpatrick Saxton  
 Davis, Jo Ann Klein (FL) Shuster  
 Delahunt Knollenberg Skeitton  
 Edwards LaHood Lantos Tancredo  
 English (PA) Lantos Wu  
 Goode Murphy (CT) Young (AK)  
 Hastert Paul

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (during the vote). Members are advised 2 minutes remain in this vote.

□ 2237

Mrs. MUSGRAVE changed her vote from “yea” to “nay.”

So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

## PROVIDING FOR AN ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE TWO HOUSES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair lays before the House a Senate concurrent resolution.

The Clerk read as follows:

S. CON. RES. 43

*Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That when the Senate recesses or adjourns on any day from Friday, August 3, 2007, through Friday, August 31, 2007, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand recessed or adjourned until 12 noon on Tuesday, September*

4, 2007, or such other time on that day as may be specified by its Majority Leader or his designee in the motion to recess or adjourn, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first; and that when the House adjourns on any legislative day from Friday, August 3, 2007, through Wednesday, August 8, 2007, on a motion offered pursuant to this concurrent resolution by its Majority Leader or his designee, it stand adjourned until 2 p.m. on Tuesday, September 4, 2007, or until the time of any reassembly pursuant to section 2 of this concurrent resolution, whichever occurs first.

SEC. 2. The Majority Leader of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, or their respective designees, acting jointly after consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate and the Minority Leader of the House, shall notify the Members of the Senate and House, respectively, to reassemble at such place and time as they may designate if, in their opinion, the public interest shall warrant it.

The Senate concurrent resolution was concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

#### GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. MURTHA. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material on H.R. 3222, and that I may include tabular material on the same.

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

There was no objection.

#### DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2007

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of today and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 3222.

□ 2240

#### IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 3222) making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008, and for other purposes, with Mr. Ross in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the order of the House of today, the bill is considered read the first time.

Mr. MURTHA. Mr. Chairman, the President requested \$463.1 billion in total FY 2008 new budget authority for the Department of Defense and intelligence community programs that fall under the purview of the Defense Subcommittee. This is an increase of about \$43.3 billion over last year's enacted level—a 10.3 percent increase in nominal terms. The lion's share of the increase over FY 2007, some 80 percent, was allocated to operation and maintenance and procurement programs. DoD's research and development program re-

quest is the same as last year's level, a decrease in real terms due to several major programs having completed their R&D phase and moved into full-fledged production.

The Committee's reported bill meets its budget authority allocation of \$459.6 billion for FY 2008. This figure is a little more than \$3.5 billion below the President's budget request. Nonetheless, the Committee bill provides an increase for Defense of \$39.7 billion over the FY 2007 enacted level, or about 9.5 percent in nominal growth. With respect to outlays, the Committee bill is roughly \$2.9 billion below the allocation.

In general, meeting the budget authority allocation required shifting funding for certain programs between the FY 2008 base budget bill and the FY 2008 war supplemental, to be considered in September. This largely affected appropriations for the Department's operation and maintenance activities. The bill recommends an overall reduction to the operation and maintenance accounts of some \$5.7 billion below the request. Nonetheless, the bill fully funds home-station training, equipment maintenance, and other key military readiness programs covered in these accounts. Finally, notwithstanding a slight reduction to the military personnel pay accounts, all other major program activities, such as weapons procurement and R&D, are funded at or above the President's request.

Meeting the allocation also required deferring consideration of several high profile programs until the FY 2008 war supplemental is taken up. These include:

##### The Basic Allowance for Housing shortfall.

The ground forces' strategic reserve readiness and equipment rehabilitation and recapitalization.

The purchase of at least ten C-17 cargo aircraft, \$2.5 billion, and MRAP vehicles, \$4 billion or more.

The purchase of additional Blackhawk MEDEVAC helicopters.

The Department's Global Train and Equip program.

The Defense Health Program "efficiency wedge" shortfall.

#### FUNDING STRATEGY

For some time now, the Committee has expressed considerable concern over the erosion of DoD's fiscal discipline. That erosion is reflected primarily in the Department's use of supplemental funding to cover what were once considered to be base budget costs, particularly weapons modernization and force structure costs. As such, the Committee endeavored to begin restoring traditional funding criteria to the FY 2008 Defense base bill, and will do so when considering the upcoming war supplemental. Thus, recommendations for the base bill sustain non-war-related activities and prepare for future threats by funding enduring personnel benefits, force structure initiatives, such as Army modularity and "Grow-the-Force" programs, infrastructure improvements, home-station training, and weapons modernization programs. Conversely, recommendations for the FY 2008 supplemental will be tailored to funding those programs and incremental costs that are arguably related to the war.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

The Committee's recommendations achieve a balance between preparing units for near-term deployments, supporting our military members and their families, and modernizing

our forces to meet future threats. Highlights of the Committee's recommendations are:

**Supporting Our Troops and Their Families:** First and foremost, the Committee recommends robust funding for programs important to the health, well-being, and readiness of our forces. In addition, the Committee proposes several initiatives that address issues raised by troops, their families, and Department of Defense officials in testimony before the Committee and visits to military bases in the United States and overseas.

Funding of about \$2.2 billion is recommended to cover the full cost of a 3.5 percent military pay raise, as approved in the House's version of the Fiscal Year 2008 National Defense Authorization bill.

Under their "grow-the-force" initiatives, the Army and Marine Corps propose to add 7,000 and 5,000 new troops, respectively. The personnel costs of these increases are fully covered in the bill, as are the associated equipping and outfitting costs. For the Army the equipping costs for these new troops amount to more than \$4 billion; for the Marines the costs exceed \$2 billion.

Home-stationing training, optempo, and flying-hour costs are funded at robust levels. All told, the Committee's recommendations provide for a 13 percent increase in funding for these activities over last year's level.

The military services' force structure and basing infrastructure are in a state of transition. The Army, in particular, has been forced to manage significant changes in force structure, known as Army Modularity, base closures, and a global repositioning of forces, all while meeting the demands of war. Based on detailed information provided by the Army, the Committee recommends an important new initiative to assist the service in meeting this challenge. The Committee proposes adding \$1.3 billion to the Army's facilities sustainment and restoration budget request to offset the growing infrastructure costs associated with the global repositioning of its forces. These funds will be used to fix barracks, improve child care facilities, and enhance community services at Army bases throughout the United States, Europe, and Korea. Funding for each project is itemized in the Committee report, consistent with the information provided by the Army. This funding, however, will only partially cover the Army's needs. As such, the Committee will address additional infrastructure cost requirements—particularly military construction costs—during consideration of the fiscal year 2008 emergency supplemental request. Further, the Committee intends to work with all the military services to better understand and respond to their basing and infrastructure needs during this time of upheaval.

Another initiative proposed by the Committee directly responds to the needs of our military families. Total funding of \$2.9 billion is recommended for the military's family advocacy programs, childcare centers, and dependent's education programs. This amount is an increase of \$558 million over the Administration's request, with most of the increase allocated to DoD's family advocacy programs. This program provides counseling, education, and support to military families affected by the demands of war, and episodes of child or spouse abuse.

The Committee's recommendations continue its long tradition of supporting the Department's health programs. The Committee proposes several initiatives and additional funding