



Bills Signed into Law **December 2003**

Total number of bills and resolutions signed into law in December 2003: 62

Total costs of bills signed into law in December 2003:

- **Authorizations over five years: \$64.1 billion***
- **Net increase in mandatory spending over five years: \$122.9 billion****
- **Appropriations for fiscal year 2003: \$0**
- **Appropriations for fiscal year 2004: \$27.8 billion**
- **Net change in federal revenue over five years: +\$705.0 million**

*Not including the authorizations contained in H.R. 1 (Public Law 108-173), the Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act. A CBO cost estimate for the authorizations in this law is not yet complete.

**Not including the mandatory spending contained in S. 1929 (Public Law 108-197), the Mental Health Parity Reauthorization Act of 2003. A CBO cost estimate for this law is not yet complete.

H.R. 2754

Public Law 108-137

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2004

Signed into law: December 1, 2003

Cost: Appropriates \$27.8 billion in fiscal year 2004

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill:

<http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/EnergyWaterFY04CR.pdf>

S. 1066

Public Law 108-138

To correct a technical error from Unit T-07 of the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System

Signed into law: December 1, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111703.pdf>

S.J.Res. 18

Public Law 108-139

Commending the Inspectors General for their efforts to prevent and detect waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement, and to promote economy, efficiency, and effectiveness in the Federal Government during the past 25 years

Signed into law: December 1, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111703.pdf>

S.J.Res. 22

Public Law 108-140

Recognizing the Agricultural Research Service of the Department of Agriculture for 50 years of outstanding service to the Nation through agricultural research

Signed into law: December 1, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111703.pdf>

S. 1590

Public Law 108-141

James E. Davis Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 1, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111703.pdf>

S. 254

Public Law 108-142

Kaloko-Honokohau National Historical Park Addition Act

Signed into law: December 2, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$3 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111803.pdf>

S. 867

Public Law 108-143

Ronald Reagan Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 2, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111803.pdf>

S. 1718

Public Law 108-144

Senator James B. Pearson Post Office Designation Act

Signed into law: December 2, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111803.pdf>

H.R. 3182

Public Law 108-145

Adoption Promotion Act

Signed into law: December 2, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$245 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB10803.pdf>

H.R. 23

Public Law 108-146

Tornado Shelters Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$5 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB72103.pdf>

H.R. 1683

Public Law 108-147

Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB52003.pdf>

H.R. 1904

Public Law 108-148

Healthy Forests Restoration Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$4.2 billion over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112103a.pdf>

H.R. 2744

Public Law 108-149

David Bybee Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB102803.pdf>

H.R. 3175

Public Law 108-150

Richard D. Watkins Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB102803.pdf>

H.R. 3379

Public Law 108-151

Francis X. McCloskey Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB110503.pdf>

S. 117

Public Law 108-152

Florida National Forest Land Management Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

S. 189

Public Law 108-153

21st Century Nanotechnology Research and Development Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$3.7 billion over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112003.pdf>

S. 286

Public Law 108-154

Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities Prevention Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$418 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

S. 650

Public Law 108-155

Pediatric Research Equity Act

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$7 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

S. 1685

Public Law 108-156

Basic Pilot Extension Act of 2003

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$9 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

S. 1720

Public Law 108-157

To provide for Federal court proceedings in Plano, Texas

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

S. 1824

Public Law 108-158

Overseas Private Investment Corporation Amendments Act of 2003

Signed into law: December 3, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$203 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

H.R. 2622

Public Law 108-159

Fair and Accurate Credit Transactions Act

Signed into law: December 4, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$7 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB91003A.pdf>

H.R. 421

Public Law 108-160

To reauthorize the United States Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$20 million over five years

H.R. 1367

Public Law 108-161

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to conduct a loan repayment program regarding the provision of veterinary services in shortage situations

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$27 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111703.pdf>

H.R. 1821

Public Law 108-162

To award a congressional gold medal to Dr. Dorothy Height in recognition of her many contributions to the Nation

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$30,000

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB101503.pdf>

H.R. 3038

Public Law 108-163

Health Care Safety Net Amendments Technical Corrections Act

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB10103.pdf>

H.R. 3140

Public Law 108-164

Fairness to Contact Lens Consumers Act

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

H.R. 3166

Public Law 108-165

John G. Dow Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB11403.pdf>

H.R. 3185

Public Law 108-166

Hugh Gregg Post Office Building Designation Act

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111703.pdf>

H.R. 3349

Public Law 108-167

To authorize salary adjustments for Justices and judges of the United States for fiscal year 2004

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$24 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB110503.pdf>

S. 579

Public Law 108-168

National Transportation Safety Board Reauthorization

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$266 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on a related bill (H.R. 1527):
<http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB51503.pdf>

S. 1152

Public Law 108-169

United States Fire Administration Reauthorization Act of 2003

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$335 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112103.pdf>

S. 1156

Public Law 108-170

Department of Veterans Affairs Long-Term Care and Personnel Authorities
Enhancement Act

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$461 million over five years and increases mandatory spending by \$28 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112103.pdf>

S. 1768

Public Law 108-171

National Flood Insurance Program Reauthorization Act

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

S. 1895

Public Law 108-172

To temporarily extend the programs under the Small Business Act and the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 through March 15, 2004

Signed into law: December 6, 2003

Cost: No significant cost above the baseline to taxpayers

H.R. 1

Public Law 108-173

Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act

Signed into law: December 8, 2003

Cost: Increases mandatory spending by \$121.4 billion over five years and increases revenues by \$700 million over five years. A CBO cost estimate for the authorizations contained in this law is not yet available.

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill:

<http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/MedicareCRSummary03.pdf>

H.R. 3348

Public Law 108-174

To reauthorize the ban on undetectable firearms

Signed into law: December 9, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB110503.pdf>

H.R. 1828

Public Law 108-175

Syria Accountability and Lebanese Sovereignty Restoration Act

Signed into law: December 12, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112003.pdf>

H.R. 2115

Public Law 108-176

Vision 100 - Century of Aviation (FAA) Reauthorization Act

Signed into law: December 12, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$48.7 billion over five years, increases mandatory spending by \$1.4 billion over five years, and increases revenues by \$5 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB61103.pdf>

H.R. 2417

Public Law 108-177

Intelligence Authorization Act for FY2004

Signed into law: December 13, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$355.5 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112003.pdf>

H.R. 1437

Public Law 108-178

To improve the United States Code

Signed into law: December 15, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB72103.pdf>

H.R. 1813

Public Law 108-179

Torture Victims Relief Reauthorization Act

Signed into law: December 15, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$81 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111903.pdf>

H.R. 3287

Public Law 108-180

To award congressional gold medals posthumously on behalf of Reverend Joseph A. DeLaine, Harry and Eliza Briggs, and Levi Pearson

Signed into law: December 15, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$46,500

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111803.pdf>

H.J.Res. 80

Public Law 108-181

Appointing the day for the convening of the second session of the One Hundred Eighth Congress

Signed into law: December 15, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

S. 459

Public Law 108-182

Hometown Heroes Survivors Benefits Act

Signed into law: December 15, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

H.R. 2297

Public Law 108-183

Veterans Benefits Act of 2003

Signed into law: December 16, 2003

Cost: Reduces mandatory spending by \$1 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112003.pdf>

H.R. 3491

Public Law 108-184

National Museum of African-American History and Culture Act

Signed into law: December 16, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$303 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB111803.pdf>

H.J.Res. 82

Public Law 108-185

Making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year 2004

Signed into law: December 16, 2003

Cost: No increased spending above the baseline

S. 811

Public Law 108-186

American Dream Downpayment Act

Signed into law: December 16, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$2.7 billion over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB12803.pdf>

S. 877

Public Law 108-187

Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing (CAN-SPAM) Act

Signed into law: December 16, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

H.J.Res. 63

Public Law 108-188

Compact of Free Association Amendments Act

Signed into law: December 17, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$312 million over five years and increases mandatory spending by \$165 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB112003.pdf>

H.R. 100

Public Law 108-189

Servicemembers Civil Relief Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$4 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB12803.pdf>

H.R. 622

Public Law 108-190

Coconino/Tonto National Forest Land Exchange

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB12803.pdf>

H.R. 1006

Public Law 108-191

Captive Wildlife Safety Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$20 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB12803.pdf>

H.R. 1012

Public Law 108-192

Carter G. Woodson Home National Historic Site Establishment Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$900,000 over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB12803.pdf>

H.R. 2620

Public Law 108-193

Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$212 million over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB11403.pdf>

S. 686

Public Law 108-194

Poison Control Center Enhancement and Awareness Act Amendments of 2003

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$155 million over five years

S. 1680

Public Law 108-195

Defense Production Reauthorization Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$1.3 billion over five years

RSC Legislative Bulletin on this bill: <http://johnshadegg.house.gov/rsc/LB12803.pdf>

S. 1683

Public Law 108-196

Federal Law Enforcement Pay and Benefits Parity Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: Authorizes \$500,000 over five years

S. 1929

Public Law 108-197

Mental Health Parity Reauthorization Act of 2003

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: CBO has not yet completed its cost estimate for this bill.

S. 1947

Public Law 108-198

Preserving Independence of Financial Institution Examinations Act

Signed into law: December 19, 2003

Cost: No significant cost to taxpayers

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