

The Money Monitor

...keeping track of how Washington wants to spend your money

Week of December 31, 2001-January 4, 2002

The House was out of session this week.

**The Money Monitor accounts for House bills only.
The costs of conference reports will be reported in a separate statement in January.**

Five-year cost of House authorizations passed *this week*:

\$0.00

Year-to-date total of five-year costs of House authorizations:

\$599,970,700,000.00*

Five-year cost of House mandatory spending passed *this week*:

\$0.00

Year-to-date total of five-year costs of House mandatory spending:

\$141,260,500,000.00**

One-year cost of House appropriations passed *this week*:

\$0.00

Year-to-date total of one-year costs of House appropriations:

\$710,051,900,000.00

*The year-to-date total for House authorizations does not reflect the costs of **H.R. 3525**, the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act; **H.R. 2561**, the Living American Hero Appreciation Act; **H.R. 3504**, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act with respect to qualified organ procurement organizations; or **H.R. 3487**, the Nurse Reinvestment Act. Cost estimates are not yet available. When such estimates become available, the RSC will update "The Money Monitor" accordingly.

The year-to-date total for House mandatory spending does not include the costs of **H.R. 3525, the Enhanced Border Security and Visa Entry Reform Act; or **H.R. 2561**, the Living American Hero Appreciation Act. Cost estimates are not yet available. When such estimates become available, the RSC will update “The Money Monitor” accordingly.

An authorization explicitly allows funding for a certain program and / or directs a federal agency to take a certain action. Authorizations express the House's intent to spend, however, actual funding is provided through the annual appropriations process. **Authorizations that would result in no net cost, net *decreases* or neutrality in mandatory spending, private-sector costs from federal mandates, and tax cuts (or other reductions in federal revenue) are not reported here.**

Mandatory spending directly establishes an appropriation. No subsequent action is required for the money to be spent.

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