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Order of Business: The bill is scheduled to be considered on July 27, 2010 under a motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill.

Summary: The bill provides \$45.5 billion of new discretionary spending, and \$13.4 billion of new mandatory spending. The most notable components of this spending are listed in the tables below:

Defense Funding Levels:

In millions

Dept Defense	Senate
Military Personnel	1,787
Operation and Maintenance	20,982
Afghanistan Security Forces Fund	2,604
Iraq Security Forces Fund	1,000
Procurement	3,832
Mine Resistant Ambush Protected Fund	1,123
Research, Development, Test and Evaluation	274
Defense Working Capital Funds	1,135
Defense Health Program	33
Drug Interdiction Activities	94

Non-Defense Funding Levels:

In millions

	Senate
Dept Agriculture	
Emergency Forest Restoration Program	18
Food for Peace Title II Grants	150

Dept Commerce	
Economic Development Administration	54
NOAA	50
National Academy of Sciences	1
Army Corps of Engineers	217
Emergency Drought Relief	10
Dept Treasury	
Office of Inspector General	2
Financial Crisis Inquiry Commission	2
International Affairs Technical Assistance	7
Dept Homeland Security	
Coast Guard	66
FEMA	5,100
U.S. Citizenship and Immigration	11
Dept Labor	
Departmental Management	18
Dept HHS	
Public Health Emergency Fund	220
Federal Mine Safety Commission	4
FDA	2
Leg Branch	
Capitol Police	13
Military Construction	
Army	242
Air Force	407
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance	8
Dept Veterans Affairs	
Veterans Benefits Administration	13,377
Dept State	
Diplomatic and Consular Programs	1,261
Office of the Inspector General	4
Embassy Security, Construction, etc.	79
International Peacekeeping Activities	97
International Broadcasting Activities	3
Agency for International Development	8
Bilateral Economic Assistance	45
International Disaster Assistance	460
Economic Support Fund	2,490
Migration and Refugee Assistance	165
International Narcotics Control	1,034
Foreign Military Financing Program	100
Dept Housing	
Community Development Fund	100
Dept Interior	
Office of Secretary	29

Dept Justice	
Legal Activities	10
EPA	2

Other Items:

- The legislation rescinds \$111.5 million of funding from the Digital-to-Analog Converter Box Program.
- Rescinds approximately \$73 million of Department of Defense funding.
- Rescinds approximately \$11 million of Homeland Security funding.
- Rescinds \$25 million of unobligated balances from Safety Belt Performance Grants program.
- Rescinds \$44 million of unobligated balances from the Consumer Assistance to Recycle and Save Program.
- Allows advances on the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, up to a maximum of \$100 million for each advance, to respond to the oil spill in the Gulf.
- Designates all spending as emergency.

Potential Conservative Concern: Some conservatives may be concerned that the legislation increases the deficit, and does not contain offsets for some of the non-war related spending.

Committee Action: A very dissimilar version of the legislation passed the House on March 24, 2010 by a vote of [239-175](#). The Senate passed its version of the bill on May 27, 2010 by a vote of [67-28](#). The House subsequently, on July 1, 2010, passed another version of the bill that the Senate failed to enact cloture on (see the RSC Legislative Bulletin [here](#)).

Administration Position: The Administration [issued](#) a Statement of Administration Policy (SAP) in favor of the Senate-passed bill on May 24, 2010.

Does the Bill Expand the Size and Scope of the Federal Government?: Yes, the bill increases federal spending by approximately \$59 billion.

Does the Bill Contain Any New State-Government, Local-Government, or Private-Sector Mandates?: No CBO report listing any such mandates is available.

Does the Bill Comply with House Rules Regarding Earmarks/Limited Tax Benefits/Limited Tariff Benefits?: No committee report citing any potential earmarks is available.

Constitutional Authority: No statement of constitutional authority is available.

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