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SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

SUMMARY

The conference report on the fiscal year 2001 supplemental provides for new discretionary budget authority [BA] of \$6.544 billion in fiscal year 2001. This consists of \$8.327 billion in new BA, partly offset by \$1.783 billion in rescissions of previously enacted BA. Of the net new budget authority provided by the bill, \$5.834 billion is related to

national defense. Significantly, the conference report contains neither emergency-designated new budget authority nor rescissions of previously enacted emergency-designated budget authority.

The major elements of the bill are as follows:

The Fiscal Year 2001 Supplemental Summarized (Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Authority, in Millions of Dollars)	
Total New Budget Authority	8,327.3
Defense	6,915.7
Nondefense	1,411.6
Rescissions	-1,783.5
Net Budget Authority Increase	6,543.8

COMPLIANCE WITH THE BUDGET ACT

The conference report on the fiscal year 2002 budget resolution (H.Con.Res. 83) accommodated a fiscal year 2001 supplemental of \$6.545 billion in new BA. Hence, the conference report is in compliance with the Congressional Budget Act, which stipulates that reported spending bills

must be within the appropriate budget totals and allocations of the most recent budget resolution. In addition, it is anticipated that the bill will not breach the statutory spending caps, which are enforced by automatic spending cuts, under Office of Management and Budget scoring.

RESCISSIONS

The bill contains \$1.783 billion in rescissions of fiscal year 2001 BA. Of that amount, \$1.082 billion is from national defense accounts. A substantial amount the nondefense rescissions in this bill consists of BA that arguably would not otherwise have been spent. This is clearly the case for

the rescission of unobligated balances in the Department of Housing and Urban Development's section 8 program (\$114.3 million), and the airport improvement program in the Transportation Department (\$30 million). For other rescissions, such as the emergency oil and gas guaranteed

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loan program (\$114.8 million), the resulting outlay savings are negligible. It is also worth noting that this particular rescission was also contained as an offset for the

Commerce, Justice, State appropriations bill for 2001 that recently passed the House. The major rescissions in the legislation are as follows:

Rescissions in the Conference Report on the Fiscal Year 2001 Supplemental (Fiscal Year 2001 Budget Authority, in Millions of Dollars)	
Program or Purpose	Amount
Overseas Contingency Operations Transfer Fund	-200.0
Procurement, Defensewide	-759.5
Research and Development, Defensewide	-7.0
Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Defense	-68.4
Military Construction	-46.8
Agricultural Conservation Program	-45.0
Emergency Oil and Gas Guaranteed Loan Program	-114.8
Employment and Training Services	-262.5
HUD Housing Certificate Fund (Section 8)	-114.3
All Other	-165.2
Total	-1,783.5

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