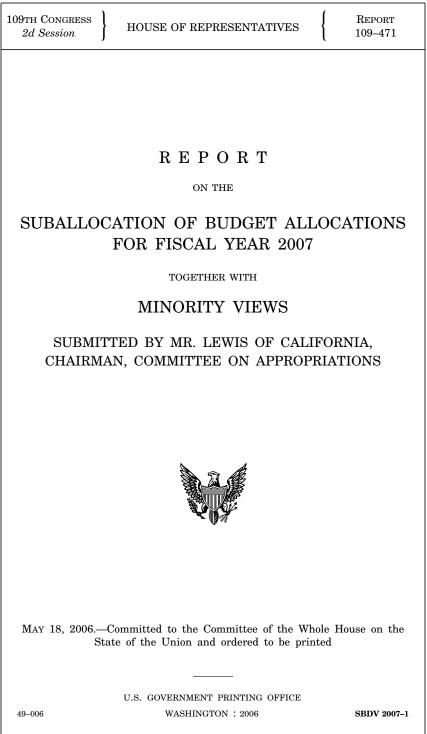
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LETTER OF SUBMITTAL

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS, Washington, DC, May 18, 2006.

Hon. J. DENNIS HASTERT, The Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: By direction of the Committee on Appropriations, I submit herewith the Committee's report on the suballocation of budget allocations for fiscal year 2007. This report is consistent with the "Allocation of Spending Authority to House Appropriations Committee" presented in H. Rpt. 109–402, the report to accompany H. Con. Res. 376, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal year 2007. The Committee in distributing our allocation among the 11

The Committee, in distributing our allocation among the 11 regular appropriations bills, has remained within the allocation's totals.

Sincerely,

JERRY LEWIS, Chairman.

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109TH CONGRESS 2d Session

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Report 109–471

REPORT ON THE SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

MAY 18, 2006.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. LEWIS of California, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT

together with

MINORITY VIEWS

SUBALLOCATION OF BUDGET ALLOCATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2007

The Committee on Appropriations submits the following report on the suballocation of budget allocations for fiscal year 2007 pursuant to section 302(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974. This report is consistent with the "Allocation of Spending Authority to House Appropriations Committee" presented in H. Rept. 109– 402, the report to accompany H. Con. Res. 376, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for the fiscal year 2007.

SUBALLOCATIONS TO SUBCOMMITTEES FISCAL YEAR 2007 BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAYS [In millions of dollars]

Subcommittee	Discretionary	Mandatory	Total
Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug			
Administration:			
Budget authority	17,812	70,945	88,75
Outlays	19,519	52,946	72,46
Defense:			
Budget authority	377,357	251	377,608
Outlays	392,375	251	392,62
Energy and Water Development:			
Budget authority	30,017		30,01
Outlays	31,414	5	31,41
Foreign Operations:			
Budget authority	21,300	39	21,33
Outlays	23,408	39	23,44
Homeland Security:			
Budget authority	32,080	1,017	33,09
Outlays	38,730	1,014	39,74
Interior-Environment:			
Budget authority	25,889	54	25,94
Outlays	26,906	58	26,96
Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education:			
Budget authority	141,930	444,429	586,35
Outlays	146,631	445,140	591,77
Legislative:			
All except Senate:			.
Budget authority	3,047	99	3,14
Outlays	3,089	99	3,18
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Budget authority	983	23	1,00
Outlays	924	23	94
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Budget authority Outlays	4,030 4,013	122 122	4,15
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Military Quality of Life-Veterans Affairs:	04 705	20 200	494.00
Budget authority	94,705	36,388	131,09
Outlays	88,728	36,284	125,01

SUBALLOCATIONS TO SUBCOMMITTEES FISCAL YEAR 2007 BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAYS Continued [In millions of dollars]

Subcommittee	Discretionary	Mandatory	Total
Science-State-Justice-Commerce:			
Budget authority	59,836	354	60,190
Outlays	62,143	365	62,508
Transportation-Treasury-HUD-The Judiciary-DC:			
Budget authority	67,822	19,927	87,749
Outlays	129,844	19,922	149,766
Grand total:			
Budget authority	872,778	573.526	1,446,304
Outlays	,	556,146	1,519,857
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FULL COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to the provisions of clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives, the results of each roll call vote on an amendment or on the motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and those voting against, are printed below:

ROLL CALL NO. 1

Date: May 9, 2006 Measure: Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations, FY 2007 Motion by: Mr. Obey Description of Motion: To amend the suballocations to increase total discretionary spending by \$14,242,000,000. Results: Rejected 25 yeas to 37 nays.

Members Voting Yea

Members Voting Nay

Mr. Berry Mr. Bishop Mr. Boyd Mr. Clyburn Mr. Cramer Ms. DeLauro Mr. Dicks Mr. Edwards Mr. Farr Mr. Hinchey Mr. Hoyer Mr. Jackson Ms. Kaptur Ms. Kilpatrick Mrs. Lowey Mr. Moran Mr. Obey Mr. Olver Mr. Pastor Mr. Price Mr. Rothman Ms. Roybal-Allard Mr. Sabo Mr. Serrano Mr. Visclosky

Mr. Aderholt Mr. Alexander Mr. Bonilla Mr. Carter Mr. Crenshaw Mr. Culberson Mr. DeLay Mr. Doolittle Mrs. Emerson Mr. Frelinghuysen Mr. Goode Ms. Granger Mr. Hobson Mr. Istook Mr. Kingston Mr. Kirk Mr. Knollenberg Mr. Kolbe Mr. LaHood Mr. Latham Mr. Lewis Mrs. Northup Mr. Peterson Mr. Regula Mr. Rehberg Mr. Rogers Mr. Sherwood Mr. Simpson Mr. Sweeney Mr. Taylor Mr. Tiahrt Mr. Walsh Mr. Wamp Dr. Weldon Mr. Wicker Mr. Wolf Mr. Young

FULL COMMITTEE VOTES

Pursuant to the provisions of clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives, the results of each roll call vote on an amendment or on the motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and those voting against, are printed below:

ROLL CALL NO. 2

Date: May 9, 2006 Measure: Report on the Suballocation of Budget Allocations for Fiscal Year 2007 Motion by: Mr. Regula Description of Motion: To approve the suballocations. Results: Adopted 37 yeas to 25 nays.

Members Voting Yea
Mr. Aderholt
Mr. Alexander
Mr. Bonilla
Mr. Carter
Mr. Crenshaw
Mr. Culberson
Mr. DeLay
Mr. Doolittle
Mrs. Emerson
Mr. Frelinghuysen
Mr. Goode
Ms. Granger
Mr. Hobson
Mr. Istook
Mr. Kingston
Mr. Kirk
Mr. Knollenberg
Mr. Kolbe
Mr. LaHood
Mr. Latham
Mr. Lewis
Mrs. Northup
Mr. Peterson
Mr. Regula
Mr. Rehberg
Mr. Rogers
Mr. Sherwood
Mr. Simpson
Mr. Sweeney
Mr. Taylor
Mr. Tiahrt
Mr. Walsh
Mr. Wamp Dr. Weldon
Mr. Wicker
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Mr. Berry Mr. Bishop Mr. Boyd Mr. Clyburn Mr. Cramer Ms. DeLauro Mr. Dicks Mr. Edwards Mr. Farr Mr. Hinchey Mr. Hoyer Mr. Jackson Ms. Kaptur Ms. Kilpatrick Mrs. Lowey Mr. Moran Mr. Obey Mr. Olver Mr. Pastor Mr. Price Mr. Rothman Mr. Sabo Mr. Serrano Mr. Visclosky

Members Voting Nay

MINORITY VIEWS OF HON. DAVID R. OBEY

RETURNING THE CONGRESS TO PAYING-AS-YOU-GO

The House Republican budget is misguided and irresponsible. It shirks our responsibility to make key investments in our country's future and squanders billions of dollars on unaffordable and unfair tax cuts skewed to benefit the most prosperous one percent of Americans.

Their budget provides over \$40 billion in tax cuts for people who make over \$1 million a year but does not include the funding necessary to make life easier for middle class families trying to send their kids to college or find and keep affordable healthcare. It does not make critical investments in energy research, infrastructure, and scientific research to keep America #1 in the world.

Their budget would cut domestic discretionary programs by \$9.4 billion relative to current services. While these cuts will cause serious damage to important domestic programs, they will have little impact on the \$348 billion deficit their budget is projected to create. The Senate knows these cuts are unrealistic and added \$3.2 billion to domestic discretionary spending. House Appropriators agreed and moved \$7.2 billion from defense and foreign assistance programs into domestic programs.

But even with these moves in the House:

• the bill that funds the Department of Energy and the Army Corps of Engineers is cut by \$172 million mid-energy crisis and post-Katrina;

• funding for veterans and military families is so tight the Republican subcommittee chair needed an "emergency" budget gimmick to pay for \$507 million of routine construction projects in that bill;

• the Interior and the Environment bill cuts the Clean Water State Revolving fund by nearly 50 percent over three years, and funding for lands acquisition by 85 percent since 2001;

• the Labor, HHS, and Education bill does not keep up with the inflation;

• and the Homeland Security bill will be \$164 million below the request unless the subcommittee makes up for user fees the President had in his budget but knew Congress would never pass.

House Appropriations Democrats offered a responsible amendment to the Republican allocations based on two beliefs:

1. the needs of the nation and the needs of middle-class families should come before tax cuts for the most well-off; and,

2. Congress must return to the pay-as-you-go requirements that produced balanced budgets under President Clinton for the first time in a generation. The Democratic amendment to subcommittee allocations represents a fiscally disciplined, balanced approach based on the Democratic budget alternative offered by Mr. Spratt. It would provide \$13 billion in additional funding for key domestic investments, fully fund shortfalls in defense health programs and military family housing, and reduce the deficit by \$13 billion by scaling back the supersized average tax cut for those making more than \$1 million a year from \$114,172 to \$38,918—almost \$18,000 higher than the average tax cut for those making between \$500,000 and \$1 million a year.

This amendment will be the framework for amendments to appropriations bills throughout the year.

The Democratic amendment makes the following changes to subcommittee allocations:

• Agriculture: Adding \$500 million to biofuels research and rural development.

• Energy and Water: Adding \$1.0 billion to address our nation's energy crisis by increasing investments in conservation, new sources of energy such as clean coal technology, biofuels and other alternative sources, and energy research and development.

• Homeland Security: Adding \$2.0 billion to improve security at our borders, enhance port security, equip and train first responders, and expand our ability to detect bombs on airplanes.

• Interior and the Environment: Adding \$800 million to preserve open spaces, improve services and facilities at our national parks, refuges, and forests, and ensure communities have access to clean water.

• Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education: Adding \$4.7 billion to improve educational opportunities for our children, help American workers stay competitive in the global economy, support medical research, improve access to health care and protect the public health, and provide heating assistance for our most needy.

• Military Quality of Life: Adding \$1.8 billion to fund critical improvements in the veterans medical care system, including shorter waiting times at VA health care facilities, expanded supply and quality of prosthetics, modernized health facilities, and enhanced mental health services to address needs resulting from wartime deployments.

• Science, State, Justice: Adding \$600 million to sustain assistance to state and local law enforcement including increased funding to fight methamphetamine, restore funding for technology development, enhance scientific research, and support programs that improve the competitiveness of American small business.

• Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development: Adding \$1.7 billion for Community Development Block Grants, Amtrak, community airports, and to provide housing for the most vulnerable Americans, including the elderly and disabled.

The Democratic amendment also would provide \$735 million to eliminate the health care tax on military retirees and \$507 million to fully pay for the 24 routine military construction projects requested by the President but that the Republicans would move from the regular budget to an emergency measure.

In contrast to the Republican budget, this approach would meet our responsibility to invest in America's future strength in a fiscally and socially responsible manner. Unfortunately, it was de-feated on a party-line vote. This is particularly ironic given that the next day, the Majority pushed a bill through the House that provides taxpayers with incomes greater than \$1 million per year tax cuts of \$42,000, while families with incomes of \$50,000 a year would only get on average a \$46 tax cut.

DAVID R. OBEY.