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SPECIAL REPORT: Senate FY2007 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations and California Implications - November 2006

On July 20, 2006, the Senate Committee on Appropriations released its report and recommendations on S. 3708 making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and related agencies for the fiscal year 2007. The Committee Report to accompany the bill is S.Rpt.109-5287. The House has not acted on its version of the bill (H.R. 5647/H.Rpt. 109-515), which was approved by the House Appropriations Committee on June 13, 2006.

The Senate FY07 bill totals \$605,536,272,000 for Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education and related agencies. \$142,800,000,000 of the total is for current year discretionary funding, including offsets. The total is \$3,995,029,000 less than the amount appropriated in fiscal year 2006.

The following represents a quick analysis of the bill from a California perspective as prepared by the California Institute. We apologize for any errors or omissions in our discussion of these documents, and would appreciate any input/feedback/corrections. The ordering of items generally reflects their presence in the bill and does not mean to imply any relative importance. This appropriations analysis is available on the California Institute web site at (insert URL here), and a printable Adobe Acrobat ("pdf") version is available at (insert URL here).

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Training and Employment Services

The bill recommends \$3,459,832,000 for Training and Employment Services which provides funding primarily for activities under the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). This is \$64,876,000 less than FY 2006, \$15,933,000 more than the House allowance, and \$549,029,000 over the President's request. Specific programmatic funding for some of the larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Adult Employment and Training: \$800 million (-\$64.2 million) [+\$88 million]

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- Dislocated Worker Assistance: \$1.5 billion (+\$4.1 million) [+361 million]
- Community Based Job Training Initiative: \$125 million (N/A) [-\$25 million]
- Youth Training: \$935.5 million (0) [+95 million]
- Responsible Reintegration of Youthful Offenders: \$60 million
- Native Americans: \$50 million (-\$3.7 million) [-\$1.5 million]
- Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers: \$80.6 million (+\$900,000)
- Technical Assistance: \$1.6 million (-\$376,000) [N/A]
- Pilots, Demonstrations, and Research: \$44.8 million (N/A) [+27.1 million]

The Committee recommendation also includes language requiring that funds be provided to the following California organization in the amount specified:

City of San Jose, CA, for job training for the homeless - \$300,000

Community Service Employment for Older Americans

The bill provides funding of \$432 million for Community Service Employment of Older Americans, which is exactly the same as FY06 funding and \$12 million more than the House request.

Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances

The bill includes \$938.6 million for Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances, which is \$27.8 million less than FY06 but exactly the same as the President's request.

State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations

The bill appropriates \$3.4 billion for State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations, which is \$8 million below FY06 funding and \$15 million above the President's request. Within the funding, \$2.5 billion is for unemployment insurance.

Advances To The Unemployment Trust Fund And Other Funds

The committee recommends \$452 million to be set aside in this fund in order to advance to other accounts when the balances are insufficient. This amount matches the President's recommendation but is \$13 million less than FY 06.

Program Administration

The bill appropriates \$184,976,000, \$90,182,000 in general funds for this account, as well as authority to expend \$94,794,000 from the "Employment Security Administration" account of the unemployment trust fund. This is a \$15 million increase from FY 06, but \$26 million less than the President's request.

Employee Benefits Security Administration - Salaries And Expenses

The committee recommends \$143.5 million exactly matching the President's request and increasing the appropriation \$10 million from FY 06.

Employment Standards Administration - Salaries And Expenses

FY 06 granted \$411 million which was exceeded by the committee for FY 07 by \$24 million. The \$435 million recommended by the committee was still \$2 million less than the President's request.

Special Benefits

The committee met the President's request at \$ 230 million, \$7 million less than FY 06. In fiscal year 2007, according to the Committee Report, an estimated 152,000 injured Federal workers or their survivors will file claims; 52,000 will receive long-term wage replacement benefits for job-related injuries, diseases, or deaths. Other Special Benefits programs are: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Special Benefits for Disabled Coal Miners: \$229 million (-\$3 million) [\$0]
- Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation: \$102 million (+\$6 million) [\$0]
- Black Lung Disability Trust Fund: \$1 billion (+\$3 million) [\$0]

Occupational Safety and Health Administration

The Committee recommendation includes \$491.1 million for this account. This is an increase of \$5 million over the House allowance and \$7.5 million over the budget request. This agency is responsible for enforcing the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 in the Nation's workplaces.

Mine Safety And Health Administration- Salaries And Expenses

The Committee recommendation includes \$302 million for this account, an increase of \$14.6 million over the President's request level, and \$25 million more than FY 06. The Committee continues to be concerned by the over 40 percent increase in fatalities experienced in coal mines in the first 6 months of 2006. It was for that reason that the Committee included an additional \$25 million in Public Law 109-234 to recruit, hire, train and equip coal mine inspectors and restore the office to its fiscal year 2001 staffing level.

Bureau of Labor Statistics

The Committee recommends the budget request of \$563 million for this account, \$26 million more than the 2006 comparable level. This includes \$79 million from the "Employment Security Administration" account of the unemployment trust fund, and \$484 million in Federal funds. This recommendation exactly matches the executive request.

Office Of Disability Employment Policy

The Committee recommends \$27.6 million for this account in FY 2007. This is \$7.3 million more than the President's request and the same as FY 2006. The Committee intends that at least 80 percent of these funds shall be used for demonstration and technical assistance grants to develop innovative and effective practices to increase the employment of youth and adults with disabilities.

Departmental Management - Salaries And Expenses

The Committee recommendation includes \$293.4 million for this account, which is \$51.3 million more than the executive budget request and \$4.1 million less than the 2006 comparable level. The primary goal of the Department of Labor is to protect and promote the interests of American workers. The departmental management appropriation finances staff responsible for formulating and overseeing the implementation of departmental policy and management activities in support of that goal.

Office Of Job Corps

For Job Corps, the Committee recommends \$1.6 billion, \$37 million more than the 2006 comparable level. This includes \$28 million for Federal administrative expenses, for 188 full-time equivalent positions; the budget request and House allowance include these administrative costs in the ETA Program Administration account. The Senate recommendation for direct program cost of \$1.6 billion is 1.3 million larger than the executive request.

Veterans Employment and Training

The Committee recommendation includes \$224 million for this account, including \$29 million in general revenue funding and \$19.6 million to be expended from the "Employment Security Administration" account of the unemployment trust fund. This is \$2.7 million more than the 2006 comparable level. For State grants the bill provides \$161.2 million, which includes funding for the Disabled Veterans Outreach Program and the Local Veterans Employment Representative Program. The Committee recommendation includes \$1.9 million, the same as the budget request, for the National Veterans Training Institute [NVTI]. The Committee recommendation includes \$21.8 million for the Homeless Veterans Program, the same as the budget request. Also included is \$7.4 million for the Veterans Workforce Investment Program, the same as the budget request.

Office Of The Inspector General

The bill includes \$75.7 million for this account, \$4.6 million above the 2006 comparable level equal to the presidential request. The Office of the Inspector General [OIG] was created by law to protect the integrity of departmental programs as well as the welfare of beneficiaries served by those programs.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

The bill approves \$6.9 billion in funding for Health Resources and Services Administration, which is \$405 million more than FY06 funding and \$659 million greater than the budget request. The Health Resources and Services Administration supports programs that provide health care to mothers and infants; the under-served, elderly, homeless; migrant farm workers; and disadvantaged minorities.

Bureau of Primary Health Care - Health Centers

The Committee approves funding of \$1.9 billion for the consolidated health centers, which is \$145 million greater than FY06 funding and \$36 million less than the Administration request. The funding for Health Centers helps support the following programs:

- Community Health Centers
- Migrant Health Program
- Health Care for the Homeless
- Public Housing Health Service Grants
- Federal Tort Claims Act for the Health Centers Program
- Alaska Frontier Health Plan and other similar services
- increasing health information technology
- Integrated Health Centers and Nurse-Managed Health Centers
- mental health services
- health services in communities affected by Hurricane Katrina
- School-Based Health Centers
- Native Hawaiian Health Care
- Free Clinics Medical Malpractice Coverage
- Radiation and Exposure Screening and Education Program
- National Hansen's Disease Program
- Black Lung Clinics Bureau of Health Professions

This portion provides for the National Health Service Corps, funding Field Placements and Recruiting as two separate items. The committee provides \$40.2 million for field placement activities, increasing \$20,000 from FY 06 and matching the President's budget request exactly. The recommendation for recruitment is \$85.2 million, \$60,000 increase over FY 06, but also matching the budget request.

Health Professions

The committee provides \$304 million for all health professions programs which is \$7.4 million more than FY 06, but \$144.6 million more than the executive budget request. Specific programmatic funding for some of the larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Training for Diversity, Centers of Excellence: \$11.8 million (\$0) [N/A]
- Health Careers Opportunity Program: \$3.9 million (\$0) [N/A]
- Faculty Loan Repayment: \$1.2 million (\$0) [N/A]
- Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students: \$46.6 million (\$0) [+\$37 million]
- Training in Primary Care Medicine and Dentistry: \$50 million (+\$9.2 million) [N/A]
- Family Medicine Training: \$31 million
 - Area Health Education Centers: \$28.6 million (\$0) [N/A]
 - Allied Health and other Disciplines: \$4 million (+\$43,000) [N/A}
 - Public Health, Preventive Medicine, and Dental Public Health Programs: \$8 million (+\$85,000) [N/A]
- Nursing Workforce Development Programs: \$149.6 million (+\$103,000) [\$0]
- Advanced Education Nursing: \$57 million (+\$40,000) [\$0]
- Nurse Education, Practice and Retention: \$37.3 million (+\$26,000) [\$0]
- Nursing Workforce Diversity: \$16.1 million (+\$11,000) [\$0]
- Nurse Loan Repayment and Scholarship Program: \$31 million (\$+21,000) [\$0]

- Nurse Faculty Loan Program: \$4.7 million (+\$3,000) [\$0]
- Comprehensive Geriatric Education: \$3.3 million (+\$2,000) [\$0]
- Patient Navigator: \$5 million (N/A) [N/A]
- Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education Program: \$200 million (-\$96 million) [+ \$101 million]
- National Practitioner Data Bank: \$15.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Health Care Integrity and Protection Data Bank: \$4 million (\$0) [\$0]

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant

The Committee provides \$693 million for the maternal and child health [MCH] block grant. The fiscal year 2006 comparable level was \$692.5 million and the budget request for fiscal year 2007 was \$693 million. Specific programmatic funding for some of the larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Sickle Cell Anemia Demonstration Program: \$3 million (+\$824,000) [+ \$822,000]
- Traumatic Brain Injury Program: \$8.9 million (+\$6,000) [N/A]
- Healthy Start Initiative: \$101.5 million (+\$70,000) [\$0]
- Universal Newborn Hearing Screening and Early Intervention: \$10 million (+\$206,000)
- Emergency Medical Services for Children: \$20 million (+\$214,000) [N/A]
- Family-To-Family Health Information Centers: \$0 (\$0) [- \$3 million]

HIV/AIDS Bureau

The Committee provides \$2.1 billion for Ryan White AIDS programs. The recommendation includes \$25 million in transfers available under section 241 of the Public Health Service Act. The fiscal year 2006 comparable level was \$2 billion and the budget request for fiscal year 2007 was \$2.1 billion. Specific programmatic funding for some of the larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Emergency Assistance - Title I: \$605.9 million (+\$2.4 million) [+ \$2 million]
- Comprehensive Care Programs - Title II: \$1.2 billion
- Early Intervention Services - Title III: \$195.4 million (+\$2 million) [- \$23.1 million]
- Children, Youth, Women, and Families - Title IV: \$73.2 million (+\$1.5 million) [+ \$1.5 million]
- AIDS Education and Training Centers - Part F: \$35.2 million (+\$524,000) [+ \$500,000]
- AIDS Dental Services - Part F: \$13.5 million (+\$521,000) [+ \$512,000]

Rural Health Policy Development Program

The Committee provides \$8,737,000 for the Rural Health Policy Development Program. The fiscal year 2006 comparable level was \$8,731,000 and the budget request for fiscal year 2007 was \$8,737,000. Funds are used for rural health research centers, the National Advisory Committee on Rural Health, and a reference and information service.

State Offices of Rural Health

\$8.1 million is recommended for this program, \$6,000 more than FY 06 and exactly matching the presidential budget request.

Terrorism Preparedness

The committee provides \$486.6 million for bio-terrorism preparedness.

Family Planning

The committee recommends \$282 million for title X family planning. This is \$196,000 above the FY 06 allotment and matching the request from the president. Title X grants support primary health care services at more than 4,500 clinics nationwide. About 85 percent of family planning clients are women at or below 150 percent of poverty level, according to the Report. Title X of the Public Health Service Act, which established the family planning program, The Report states: "authorizes the provision of a broad range of acceptable and effective family planning methods and preventive health services to individuals, regardless of age or marital status. This includes FDA-approved methods of contraception."

Health Care-Related Facilities and Activities

The Committee provides \$260 million for the construction and renovation (including equipment) of health care-related facilities and other health care-related activities. No funds were provided for these purposes in fiscal year 2006 and the budget request for fiscal year 2007 did not include funding for these activities. These funds are to be used for the following projects and in the following amounts:

- AIDS Healthcare Foundation, Los Angeles, CA for a demonstration of residential and outpatient treatment facilities - \$900,000
- City and County of San Francisco Department of Public Health, CA, for HIV/AIDS Outpatient Services - \$400,000
- County of Riverside, CA, for the Riverside County Regional Medical Center Trauma Center Renovation - \$250,000
- Ed Roberts Campus in Berkeley, CA - \$750,000
- Holy Names University, Oakland, CA, for renovation and equipment of the nursing school - \$150,000
- Saint Francis Memorial Hospital, San Francisco, CA, for the Surgery Suite Expansion - \$200,000
- Venice Family Clinic, Venice, CA, for renovations and equipment at the Pico Health Center - \$200,000

National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program

The Committee provides that \$66.3 million be released from the vaccine injury compensation trust fund in fiscal year 2007, of which \$3,564,000 is for administrative costs. The total fiscal year 2006 comparable level was \$64.5 million and the total budget request for fiscal year 2007 was \$66.3 million.

Centers for Disease Control (CDC)

The Committee provides a program level of \$6.1 billion for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention [CDC]. The fiscal year 2006 comparable program level was \$6.3 billion and the program level budget request from the president was \$6,099,052,000.

Funding for some of the other larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Infectious Diseases: \$1.7 billion (+\$34 million) [-\$51 million]
- Health Promotion: \$967.6 million (+9.5 million) [+\$43 million]
- Environmental Health and Injury Prevention: \$276 million (-\$11 million) [-\$1 million]
- Occupational Safety and Health: \$257 million (-\$5 million) [+ 8 million]
- Global Health: \$368 million (-\$11 million) [-\$11 million]
- Public Health Research: \$31 million (\$0) [N/A]
- Public Health Improvement and Leadership: \$161.7 million (+\$124,000) [\$0]
 - East Los Angeles Community Union (TELACU) Education Foundation, Los Angeles, CA, for a diabetes outreach and prevention program - \$750,000
- Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant: \$100 million (+\$1.1 million)
- Buildings and Facilities: \$100 million (-\$58.2 million) [+\$70.3 million]
- Terrorism: \$1.5 billion (+\$2 million) [-\$79 million]

National Institute of Health

The Committee Report states: “The National Institutes of Health has played a unique and defining role in the advancement of this Nation’s health and well-being, fueling discoveries that have led to life-saving surgical techniques; tools that permit earlier, more accurate diagnosis of disease; and the development of drugs and vaccines that have vastly improved disease treatment and prevention. NIH is a large and complex organization, supported by a community of more than 200,000 scientists at more than 1,700 institutions across the Nation. Nevertheless, its mission is simple and straightforward: to improve and safeguard the health of every American.” Specific programmatic funding for some of the larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President’s request, if available]

- National Cancer Institute: \$4.7 billion (+\$9 million) [+\$45 million]
- National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute: \$2.9 billion (+\$5 million) [+\$23 million]
- National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research: \$389 million (+\$600,000)
- National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases: \$1.7 billion (+\$4 million) [+\$13 million]
- National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke: \$1.5 billion (\$0) [-\$47,000]
- National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases: \$4.3 billion (+\$5.2 million) [\$0]
- National Institute of General Medical Sciences: \$1.9 billion (+\$600,000) [+\$400,000]
- National Institute of Child Health and Development: \$1.2 billion (+\$600,000) [+\$7.1 million]
- National Eye Institute: \$666 million (+\$600,000) [+\$5.5 million]
- National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences: \$641 million (+\$600,000) [+\$4 million]
- National Institute on Aging: \$1 billion (+\$3 million) [+\$11 million]
- National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases: \$508 million (+\$1 million) [+\$4 million]
- National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders: \$395 million (+\$2 million) [+\$4 million]
- National Institute of Nursing Research: \$137 million (+\$600,000) [+\$1.3 million]
- National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism: \$436 million (+\$1 million) [+\$3.3 million]
- National Institute on Drug Abuse: \$1 billion (+\$1 million) [+\$5.5 million]

- National Institute of Mental Health: \$1.4 billion (+\$1 million) [+\$8.7 million]
- National Human Genome Research Institute: \$486 million (+\$600,000) [+\$3.4 million]
- National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering: \$297 million (+\$1 million) [+\$2.8 million]
- National Center for Research Resources: \$1.1 billion (+\$6 million) [+\$6 million]
- National Center for Complementary and Alternative Medicine: \$121 million (+\$600,000) [+\$428,000]
- National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities: \$196.7 million (+\$1.5 million) [+\$2.5 million]
- John E. Fogarty International Center for Advanced Study in the Health Sciences: \$66 million (+\$500,000) [+\$153,000]
- National Library of Medicine: \$315 million (+\$600,000) [+\$2 million]
- Office of the Director: \$687 million (+\$160 million) [+\$20 million]
- Office of Aids Research: Funding for this account is included in the appropriation for each Institute, Center, and Division of the NIH
- Children's Mental Health Services: \$104 million (+\$72,000) [\$0]
- Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH): \$54 million (+\$38,000) [\$0]

Center for Substance Abuse and Treatment

The Committee recommends \$2.1 billion for substance abuse treatment programs. This amount is \$24.8 million below the comparable fiscal year 2006 funding level and \$2.7 million below the administration request. The Committee recommends \$342,666,000 for programs of regional and national significance [PRNS].

- City and County of San Francisco Department of Human Services, CA, for mental health and substance abuse services for the homeless\$400,000
- County of Alameda Health Care Services Agency, CA, for the Detoxification and Recovery Services Center.....\$150,000

Center for Substance Abuse Prevention

The Committee recommends \$196,729,000 for programs to prevent substance abuse, which is \$3,962,000 above the comparable fiscal year 2006 level and \$16,131,000 above the administration request. The Committee has provided \$196,729,000 for programs of regional and national significance [PRNS].

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality

The Committee recommends \$318 million for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality [AHRQ]. This amount is the same as both the comparable funding level for fiscal year 2006 and the administration request.

Grants to States for Medicaid

The Committee recommends \$138 billion for Grants to States for Medicaid. This amount is \$18 billion below than the fiscal year 2006 appropriation and the same as the administration's request and House allowance.

Payments to Health Care Trust Funds

The Committee recommends \$197 billion for Federal payments to health care trust funds. This amount is \$118 million less than the administration's request the same as the House allowance, and is an increase of \$18.3 billion from the fiscal year 2006 appropriation.

Payments to States for Child Support Enforcement and Family Support Programs

The Committee recommends \$2.7 billion for payments to States for child support enforcement and family support programs. This is \$64 million less than FY 06 and \$7 million less than the president's request.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program

The Committee recommends \$2.1 billion for FY 07, \$500,000 more than FY 06 and \$3.8 million more than the president's request.

Refugee and Entrant Assistance

The Committee recommends \$599 million for this program, \$30.5 million more than last year but \$15 million less than the president's request. The Refugee and Entrant Assistance Program is designed to assist States in their efforts to assimilate refugees, asylees, Cuban and Haitian entrants, and adults and minors who are trafficking victims, into American society as quickly and effectively as possible.

Child Care and Development Block Grant

The Committee recommends \$2 billion for fiscal year 2007 for the child care and development block grant. This is \$1.4 million more than FY 06 and the same as the president's request. The child care and development block grant supports grants to States to provide low-income families with financial assistance for child care; for improving the quality and availability of child care; and for establishing or expanding child development programs.

Social Services Block Grant

The Committee recommends \$1.7 billion for the social service block grant, which is identical to last year's funding and the president's request.

Children and Families Services Programs

The Committee recommends \$8.8 billion for fiscal year 2007 for children and families services programs. The recommendation is \$14.4 million more than the funding level for fiscal year 2006 and \$15.5 million more than the 2007 budget request. This appropriation provides funding for programs for children, youth, and families, the developmentally disabled, and Native Americans, as well as Federal administrative costs. Specific programmatic funding for some of the larger programs include: (+/- FY06 funding, if available): [+/- President's request, if available]

- Head Start: \$6.7 billion (+\$3.7 million) [+\$3.8 million]
- Consolidated Runaway and Homeless Youth Program: \$87 million (+\$60,000) [\$0]
- Runaway Youth Prevention Program: \$15 million (+\$10,000) [\$0]
- Child Abuse Programs: \$96.9 million (+\$1.8 million) [+\$1.7 million]
- Abandoned Infants Assistance: \$11.8 million (+\$ 8,000) [\$0]

- Child Welfare Services: \$286.7 million (+\$197,000) [\$0]
- Child Welfare Training: \$7.3 million (+\$5,000) [\$0]
- Adoption Opportunities: \$26.8 million (+\$18,000) [\$0]
- Adoption Incentives: \$29.6 million (+\$11.8 million) [\$0]
- Adoption Awareness: \$12.6 million (+\$9,000) [\$0]
- Compassion Capital Fund: \$54.5 million (-\$9.8 million) [-\$46.5 million]
- Social Services Research: \$22.1 million (+\$10.3 million) [+\$15.9 million]
- Developmental Disabilities: \$172.6 million (+\$1.9 million) [+\$1.8 million]
- Native American Programs: \$44.3 million (+\$30,000) [\$0]
- Community Services: \$694.6 million (+\$551,000) [+\$670 million]
- Battered Women's Shelters: \$124.7 million (-\$86,000) [\$0]
- Mentoring Children of Prisoners: \$40 million (-\$9.4 million) [\$0]
- Independent Living Training Vouchers: \$46.1 million (+\$32,000) [\$0]
- Abstinence Education: \$113.4 million (+\$75,000) [-\$27.7 million]
- Faith-Based Center: \$1.3 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Program Administration: \$186.2 million (+\$3 million) [-\$1.8 million]

Promoting Safe and Stable Families

The bill provides \$420 million for fiscal year 2007 for promoting safe and stable families. The comparable funding level for fiscal year 2006 \$6 million less and the budget request from the president includes \$434.1 million for this program.

Payments to States for Foster Care and Adoption Assistance

The Committee recommends \$5.2 billion for foster care and adoption assistance. This is \$3 million more than FY 06 spending and the same as the president's request.

Administration on Aging

The bill provides \$1.3 billion for aging programs, \$19 million more than FY 06 and \$27 million more than the president's request.

Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund

The Committee provides \$166 million for this fund, which is \$106.9 million above FY 06 spending and \$6.4 million above the administration request

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Education for the Disadvantaged

The Committee recommends an appropriation of \$14.4 billion for Education for the Disadvantaged. This recommendation is \$34 million more than the FY 06 budget but \$2 billion less than the president's request. The programs in the Education for the Disadvantaged account help ensure that poor and low-achieving children are not left behind in the Nation's effort to raise the academic performance of all children and youth. The Report states: "That goal is more pressing than ever since the passage of the No Child Left Behind Act, which incorporates numerous accountability measures into Title I programs, especially Part A grants to local

educational agencies—the largest Federal elementary and secondary education program.” Title I funds are distributed through four formula grants; basic, concentration, targeted, and education finance incentive grants (EFIG). The breakdown of appropriations of reach account is as follows: funding (funding +/- FY06; funding) [+/- budget request]

- Basic: \$6.8 billion (\$0) [\$0]
- Concentration: \$1.3 billion (\$0) [\$0]
- Targeted: \$2.2 billion (\$0) [\$0]
- EFIG: \$2.2 billion (\$0) [\$0]

School Improvement Grants

The Committee recommends \$100 million for the School Improvement Grants program which is \$100 million less than the President’s budget request.

Reading First State Grants

The bill includes \$1 billion for the Reading First State Grants program, \$29.2 million less than FY 06 and the President’s request.

Early Reading First

The Committee recommends \$100 million for the Early Reading First Program, \$3.1 million less than the President’s request and FY 06 funding.

Striving Readers

The bill includes \$35 million for the Striving Readers initiative which is \$5.3 million more than FY 06 funding but \$65 million less than the President’s request.

Migrant Education Program

The Committee recommends \$386.5 million for the Migrant Education program, about the same as FY 06 funding and the budget request.

High School Equivalency Program

The bill includes \$18.5 million for the high school equivalency program (HEP) the same as FY 06 funding and the budget request.

College Assistance Migrant Program

The Committee recommends \$15.3 million for the College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP), which is the same amount as the funding for FY 06 and the budget request.

Impact Aid

The bill includes \$1.2 billion for impact aid for the Department of Education which is equivalent to FY 06 funding and the President’s budget request.

School Improvement Programs

The Committee recommends funding of \$5 billion for School Improvement Programs, which is \$225 million less than FY 06 and \$27 million more than the President’s request. Within this

account, funding of specific programs is as follows: funding (+/- FY06) [funding +/- budget request]:

- State Grants for Improving Teacher Quality: \$2.7 billion (-\$140 million) [-\$140 million]
- Early Childhood Educator Professional Development: \$14.5 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Mathematics and Science Partnerships: \$195 million (+\$12.9 million) [+12.9 million]
- Innovative Education Program Strategies State Grants: \$0 (+\$99 million) [\$99 million]
- Educational Technology State Grants: \$272.2 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Supplemental Education Grants: \$18.8 million (+\$823,000) [+823,000]
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers: \$981 million (\$0) [\$0]
- State Assessments and Enhanced Assessment Instruments: \$407.5 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Javits Gifted and Talented Education: \$5 million (-\$4.5 million) [-\$4.5 million]
- Foreign Language Assistance: \$26.1 million (+\$4.4 million) [+3.4 million]
- Education for Homeless Children and Youth: \$61.8 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Training and Advisory Services: \$7.1 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Rural Education: \$168.9 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Comprehensive Centers: \$56.2 million (\$0) [\$0]

Indian Education

The bill provides \$118.6 million for Indian Education programs, which is the same as FY 06 funding and the President's request.

Innovation and Improvement

The Committee funds Innovation and Improvement at \$989.9 million, which is \$53.5 million greater than FY 06 and \$139 million more than the President's request. Included in this account is funding for: funding (+/- FY06) [+/- budget request]

- Troops-to-Teachers: \$14.6 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Transition to Teaching \$44.4 million (\$0) [\$0]
- National Writing Project: \$25 million (+\$3.5 million) [+3.5 million]
- Teaching of Traditional American History: \$121 million (+\$1.3 million) [+71 million]
- School Leadership: \$14.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Charter Schools Grants: \$214.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Voluntary Public School Choice: \$26.2 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Magnet Schools Assistance: \$106.6 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Fund for the Improvement of Education: \$238.8 million (+\$49.3 million) [+134.8 million]

Safe Schools and Citizenship Education

The Committee recommends \$653 million for activities to promote Safe Schools and Citizenship Education, which is \$76 million less than FY 06 funding and \$387 million more than the President's budget request.

English Language Acquisition

The bill funds \$669 million for English language acquisition, which is \$1,000 less than FY 06 but equal to the President's request.

Special Education

The bill provides \$11.6 billion for Special Education programs, which is \$43 million less than FY06 funding and \$87 million less than the Administration's request. Funding for this account exists under programs authorized by the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Funding (+/- FY06) [+/- budget request]

- Grants to States (part B of IDEA): \$10.5 billion (\$0) [-\$100 million]
- Preschool Grants: \$380.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Grants for Infants and Families (part C of IDEA): \$436.4 million (\$0) [\$0]
- State Personnel Development: \$0 (-\$50.1 million) [\$0]
- Technical Assistance and Dissemination: \$48.9 million (\$0) [N/A]
- Personnel Preparation: \$89.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Parent Information Centers: \$25.7 million (\$0) [N/A]
- Technology and Media Services: \$38.4 million (\$0) [+\$7.4 million]

Rehabilitation Services and Disability Research

This bill funds Rehabilitation Services and Disability Research at \$3.2 billion, which is \$124 million more than FY06 and \$68 million more than the Administration's budget request. Under this account, funds are allocated for: funding (+/- FY06) [+/- budget request]

- Vocational Rehabilitation State Grants: \$2.8 billion (+\$117 million) [\$0]
- Client Assistance: \$11.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Training: \$38.4 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Demonstration and Training Programs: \$12.6 million (+\$6.1 million) [\$6.1 million]
- Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers: \$2.2 million (\$0) [-\$2.2 million]
- National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research: \$106.7 million (\$0) [\$0]

Vocational and Adult Education

The Committee recommendation funds \$1.8 billion, which is \$93 million less than FY 06 and \$1.3 billion more than the Administration's request.

Student Financial Assistance

The bill fund Student Financial Assistance at \$14.4 billion, which is \$438 million less than FY 06 and \$741 million more than the President's request. Funding within this account is appropriated as follows: funding (+/- FY06) [+/- budget request]

- Federal Pell Grant Program: \$12.6 billion (N/A) [N/A]
- Federal Work-Study Programs: \$980.3 million (N/A) [N/A]
- Federal Perkins Loans: \$0 (\$0) [\$0]
- Leveraging Educational Assistance Partnership Program (LEAP): \$64.9 million (\$0) [\$0]

Student Aid Administration

The bill provides \$713.7 million for the Student Aid Administration account, which is \$595 million more than FY06 funding but \$20 million less than the Administration's budget request.

Higher Education

The Committee recommends \$2 billion for higher education programs, \$52 million more than FY06 and \$94.3 million more than the President's request. This account includes funding for the following programs: funding (+/- FY06 funding) [+/- budget request]

- Aid for Institutional Development: \$505.8 million (\$0) [+\$2.6 million]
- Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSI) - \$94.9 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Strengthening Historically Black Colleges and Universities: \$238 million (\$0) [\$0]
- International Education and Foreign Language Studies: \$105.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education: \$80.5 million (+\$58.6 million) [+\$58.6 million]
- Deaf West Theater, North Hollywood, CA, for cultural experiences for the deaf - \$600,000
- Sweetwater Education Foundation, Chula Vista, CA, for administration of the Compact for Success program - \$100,000
- University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, for science center equipment - \$200,000
- Minority Science and Engineering Improvement: \$8.7 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Tribally Controlled Postsecondary Vocational Institutions: \$7.3 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Federal TRIO programs: \$828.1 million (\$0) [+\$452 million]
- Gaining Early Awareness and Readiness for Undergraduate Programs (GEARUP): \$303.4 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Byrd Honors Scholarships: \$41 million (+\$410,000) [+\$410,000]
- Javits Fellowships: \$9.6 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need (GANN): \$30 million (\$0) [\$0]
- Teacher Quality Enhancement Grants: \$57 million (-\$2.8 million) [+\$57million]
- Child Care Access Means Parents in Schools: \$15.8 million (\$0) [\$0]

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