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Appropriations Committee Adopts New Fiscal Year Funding Levels

WASHINGTON, D.C. . The U.S. Senate Committee on Appropriations on Thursday approved funding levels for legislation that will help to meet the nation's most pressing priorities.

The funding levels provide the funds that are necessary to meet the highest priorities in this country. We will invest wisely in our nation, and build a solid foundation for our future, Committee Chairman Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., explained.

Governments do not make families successful. Families do that on their own. But we help to create the tools for their success. Jobs. Health care. Education. Clean and safe drinking water. Infrastructure. Safe streets. Protections from terrorist attack. These are the priorities that will be reflected in the 2008 funding bills, Byrd said.

The allocations for the appropriations subcommittees total a little more than two percent above the Administration's discretionary budget.

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Figures in Millions	Enacted FY 2007	President's Request FY 2008	Senate 302(b)	vs. FY 2007
SENATE SUBCOMMITTEES				
TOTAL DISCRETIONARY				
Agriculture.....	17,677	17,719	18,709	+1,032
Commerce, Justice, Science....	50,344	51,241	54,418	+4,074
Defense.....	419,612	462,879	459,332	+39,720
Energy & Water Development..	30,298	30,473	32,273	+1,975
Financial Services, Gen'l Gov't	19,615	21,388	21,394	+1,779
Homeland Security.....	33,734	34,191	36,439	+2,705
Interior, Environment.....	26,405	25,650	27,150	+745
Labor-HHS-Education.....	144,522	140,284	149,236	+4,714
Legislative Branch.....	3,773	4,331	4,051	+278
Military Construction & VA.....	49,752	60,743	64,745	+14,993
State, Foreign Operations.....	31,277	34,943	34,243	+2,966
Transportation, HUD.....	47,538	47,963	51,063	+3,525
Total.....	874,547	931,805	953,053	+78,506

Table provides Fiscal 2008 Senate Appropriations Subcommittee Allocations