

Budget estimates of new (obligational) authority, fiscal year 2001	15,829,432
House bill, fiscal year 2001	13,346,313
Senate bill, fiscal year 2001	14,807,818
Conference agreement, fiscal year 2001	14,941,168
Conference agreement compared with:	
New budget (obligational) authority, fiscal year 2000	-1,512,267
Budget estimates of new (obligational) authority, fiscal year 2001	-888,264
House bill, fiscal year 2001	+1,594,855
Senate bill, fiscal year 2001	+133,350

SONNY CALLAHAN,
JOHN EDWARD PORTER,
FRANK R. WOLF,
RON PACKARD,
JOE KNOLLENBERG,
JACK KINGSTON,
JERRY LEWIS,
ROGER F. WICKER,
BILL YOUNG,
NANCY PELOSI,
NITA M. LOWEY,
JESSE JACKSON, Jr.,
CAROLYN C. KILPATRICK,
MARTIN OLAV SABO,
DAVE OBEY,

(except for cap adjustment),

Managers on the Part of the House.

MITCH MCCONNELL,
ARLEN SPECTER,
JUDD GREGG,
RICHARD SHELBY,
ROBERT F. BENNETT,
BEN NIGHTHORSE
CAMPBELL,
KIT BOND,
TED STEVENS,
PATRICK LEAHY,
FRANK R. LAUTENBERG,
TOM HARKIN,
BARBARA A. MIKULSKI,
PATTY MURRAY,
ROBERT C. BYRD,

Managers on the Part of the Senate.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. PICKETT) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. PICKETT. addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extension of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Florida (Mr. CANADY) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. CANADY of Florida addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from California (Mr. HORN) is recognized for 5 minutes.

(Mr. HORN. addressed the House. His remarks will appear hereafter in the Extensions of Remarks.)

THANKS FOR THE KIND AND
GENEROUS WORDS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. PORTER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Mr. PORTER. Madam Speaker, one of the reasons I want to rise tonight is to commend you, Madam Speaker, and to thank you from the bottom of my heart for the special order that you held for me last week and for the very kind and generous words that were spread across the RECORD of this wonderful institution about my service here. You brought together many of our Illinois colleagues, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. LAHOOD), the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. SHIMKUS), the gentleman from Nebraska (Mr. EWING), on our side, the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. CRANE), and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. HYDE) as well; the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. RUSH), the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. COSTELLO), and the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. LIPINSKI) on the other side of the aisle; together with others, the gentleman from Arkansas (Mr. DICKEY), a member of my subcommittee, the gentleman from New Jersey (Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN), the gentlewoman from New York (Mrs. MALONEY), the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. REGULA), the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. HOBSON), the gentleman from California (Mr. LANTOS), the co-chairman of the Congressional Human Rights Caucus with me; the gentleman from New York (Mr. GILMAN), my long time friend, so many of my colleagues that I am so indebted to for the very wonderful words that they spoke about my service in Congress; together with messages from our Illinois Governor, George Ryan, who was elected at the same time I was to the Illinois General Assembly 28 years ago in 1972; my endorsed candidate for the Tenth Congressional District seat and my former chief of staff Mark Kirk, two of my former AA's in Washington, Rob Bradner and Gordon McDougall; former State Senator Dave Backhausen, Senator Kathy Parker, Representative Jeff Schoenberg, Representative Beth Carlson, and our senior Illinois Senator also elected in the class of 1972 in Springfield and my long time friend Adeline Geocaris, together with messages from both of my staffs. It was very, very heart warming for me to sit down. I didn't have a chance to actually listen but I do have a videotape. For me, Madam Speaker, to be able to sit down and read through all the wonderful words that were said I can never thank you enough for providing the leadership and putting that together in my behalf. I will always remember it and remember you very, very fondly.

Let me add that I did not realize until I came to the floor that there was a special order tonight for TILLIE FOWLER. TILLIE is one of the great people, I was going to say one of the great ladies, but one of the great people of this House of Representatives. She has

the quality that I believe is most important in a public official, that is, she is quietly effective. She gets things done for the people of her district and her State and this country. We are truly losing a great leader. Madam Speaker, she has made only one mistake in the entire time she has been in this House of Representatives, and that mistake was in term-limiting herself. I wish that she was staying for many, many terms to come. Unfortunately, she has committed to only four terms and is observing that promise that she made to her constituents. We will miss her a great deal.

Madam Speaker, I wanted to take some time. I have been a Member of this body for 21 years. I would not have gotten here and had the opportunity to serve my constituents and my country except for the great efforts of very close friends of mine that started me on a path a long time ago that led to my service here in Congress.

I want to refer to these friends by name, a group within the Young Republicans of Evanston, a very powerful body once in the Republican Party in Illinois, 450 members strong. Republican candidates for governor would come to get the endorsement of our Young Republican group, and Paul Brown and Cordy Overgaard, Bob Barr and Bill Carey, Tom Gooding, Ted Ritter, Peter Sawers, Arnold Winfield, Don Grossman, Reed Bradford, Paul Gerding, Marv Juliar and many others; their wives Margo Brown, Gail Overgaard, Carol Carey, Joyce Gooding and Joanne Ritter, Mary Sawers and Bonnie Lytle and her husband, Jay, Florence Winfield and Sue Grossman, now very recently deceased and we miss her very much; Sherry Bradford and Barb Juliar and Ellen Gerding, all of them came together, Trish Barr, all of them came together to help me get elected to this office and I am indebted to each one of them.

FAREWELL TO CONGRESSWOMAN
TILLIE FOWLER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under a previous order of the House, the gentlewoman from Texas (Ms. GRANGER) is recognized for 5 minutes.

Ms. GRANGER. Madam Speaker, it is with mixed emotions that I address my colleagues this evening. On the one hand, I am sad to see my friend and colleague, TILLIE FOWLER, retire from Congress. On the other hand, I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with someone like her, someone who has consistently placed the needs of our country at the top of her priority list. TILLIE FOWLER is a role model and a devoted public servant.

Her career has been a series of firsts: first woman and first Republican-elected president of the Jacksonville City Council, first member elected to the majority leadership from Florida, and first woman member and now chair of the House Page Board. I admire her many accomplishments, her work