

Moore, decided July 1, 2003 or Glassroth v. Moore, 229 F. Supp. 2d 1067 (M. D. Ala. 2002).
Amendment offered by Mr. OSE:

At the end of the bill after the last section (preceding the short title) insert the following new title:

TITLE VIII—ADDITIONAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 801. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used in violation of section 212(a)(10)(C) of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

Amendment offered by Mr. RUSH:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

TITLE VIII—ADDITIONAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. _____. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for the sentencing phase of any Federal prosecution in which the penalty of death is sought by the United States.

Amendment offered by Mr. WELDON of Florida:

None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under by this act may be used to issue patents on claims directed to or encompassing a human organism.

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"None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under by this act may be used to approve a patent application for a human organism.

Amendment offered by Mr. FOSSELLA:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

LIMITATION ON UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTIONS TO CERTAIN UNITED NATIONS ENTITIES

SEC. _____. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for a United States contribution to any United Nations commission, organization, or affiliated agency that is chaired or presided over by a country, the government of which the Secretary of State has determined, for purposes of section 6(j)(1) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. 2405(j)(1)), has repeatedly provided support for acts of international terrorism. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to pay expenses for any United States delegation to any United Nations commission, organization, or affiliated agency described in the preceding sentence.

Amendment offered by Mr. TANCREDO:

At the end of the bill after the last section (preceding the short title) insert the following new title:

TITLE VIII—ADDITIONAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 801. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Department of State to assist any foreign government in the development of consular identification cards.

Amendment offered by Mr. TANCREDO:

At the end of the bill (before the short title), insert the following:

TITLE VIII—ADDITIONAL GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 801. None of the funds made available in this Act for "DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE—OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS—STATE AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE" may be used to assist any State or local government entity or official that prohibits or restricts any government entity or official from sending to, or receiving from, the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement

of the Department of Homeland Security information regarding the citizenship or immigration status of an individual, as prohibited under section 642(a) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996 (8 U.S.C. 1373(a)).

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Without objection, further reading of the amendments is dispensed with.

There was no objection.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the original request of the gentleman from Florida?

There was no objection.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days in which to revise and extend their remarks on H.R. 2799 and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Virginia?

There was no objection.

DEPARTMENTS OF COMMERCE, JUSTICE, AND STATE, THE JUDICIARY, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2004

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 326 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill, H.R. 2799.

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IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the consideration of the bill (H.R. 2799) making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2004, and for other purposes, with Mr. HASTINGS of Washington in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. Pursuant to the rule, the bill is considered as having been read the first time.

Under the rule, the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF) and the gentleman from New York (Mr. SERRANO) each will control 30 minutes.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Virginia (Mr. WOLF).

Mr. WOLF. Mr. Chairman, I yield myself 10 minutes.

I am pleased to begin consideration of H.R. 2799, the Departments of Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary and related agencies appropriations bill for fiscal year 2004. This bill provides funding for programs whose impact ranges from the safety of people in their homes and communities, to the conduct of diplomacy around the world, to predicting the weather from satellites in outer space. The bill before the House today reflects a delicate balance of needs and requirements. We

have drafted what I consider a responsible bill for fiscal year 2004 spending levels for the Departments and agencies under the subcommittee's jurisdiction. We have had to carefully prioritize the funding in this bill and make hard choices about how to spend scarce resources.

The bill before the House today recommends a total of \$37.9 billion in discretionary funding, which is \$700 million above the enacted level for fiscal year 2003 and \$237 million above the President's request. For the Department of Justice, the bill provides \$20.15 billion in discretionary funding, which is \$1.15 billion above the request.

The bill includes funding for Federal law enforcement agencies to perform traditional law enforcement duties and fight terrorism. The bill also provides more than \$1 billion above the request to support State and local law enforcement crime-fighting efforts. It includes \$4.64 billion for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, an increase of \$424 million above fiscal year 2003 and the same as the President's request. This funding will support almost 2,500 new agents and analysts in the FBI to improve counterterrorism and counterintelligence efforts and to continue fighting violent crime, drugs, corporate fraud, and cybercrime.

The bill includes \$80 million for high-priority FBI technology needs and funding above the request for language translation and training programs. \$2.16 billion is provided for the Drug Enforcement Administration, an increase of \$237 million above fiscal year 2003 and \$57 million above the comparable request to fight drug crime. The amount includes a transfer of the interagency crime and drug enforcement program under the DEA to consolidate drug law enforcement efforts, \$25 million to establish a drug intelligence fusion center to allow agencies to share realtime investigative data, and funding above the request to support 939 new positions, including 434 new DEA and FBI agents. \$3.5 billion is provided for proven State and local law enforcement crime-fighting programs, which is \$1.2 billion above the request.

When combined with funding provided in the homeland security bill, the committee is providing more than \$2 billion above the request for State and local crime control and domestic preparedness funding. The bill restores funds for programs that were proposed to be eliminated, including \$500 million for the Byrne formula program, \$400 million for the local law enforcement block grant program, and \$400 million for SCAAP.

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The bill also includes \$179 million dollars for DNA backlog elimination and crime lab upgrades, which is very important to the administration; and \$388 million for violence against women prevention and prosecution programs, and \$462 million for juvenile delinquency prevention and accountability programs.