

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT—BUDGET YEAR TOTAL 2006—Continued

[In billions of dollars]

Committee	Direct spending jurisdiction		Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts	
	Budget Authority	Outlays	Budget Authority	Outlays
Intelligence	0.000	0.000	0.245	0.245
Veterans' Affairs	1.293	1.353	36.198	36.108
Indian Affairs	0.559	0.547	0.000	0.000
Small Business	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
Unassigned to Committee	-496.329	-484.403	0.000	0.000
Total	721.281	675.697	531.782	512.469

SENATE COMMITTEE BUDGET AUTHORITY AND OUTLAY ALLOCATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET ACT—5-YEAR TOTAL: 2006–2010

[In billions of dollars]

Committee	Direct spending jurisdiction		Entitlements funded in annual appropriations acts	
	Budget Authority	Outlays	Budget authority	Outlays
Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry	111.747	111.108	341.876	260.136
Armed Services	494.585	494.199	0.200	0.270
Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs	74.258	9.668	0.000	-0.028
Commerce, Science, and Transportation	68.875	40.886	5.076	5.054
Energy and Natural Resources	19.461	18.898	0.268	0.277
Environment and Public Works	180.812	9.994	0.000	0.000
Finance	5515.613	5527.427	2424.576	2423.728
Foreign Relations	63.726	60.966	0.794	0.794
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs	402.936	387.261	99.879	99.879
Judiciary	32.071	31.766	2.941	2.979
Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions	68.205	62.245	21.289	20.734
Rules and Administration	0.366	0.323	0.640	0.639
Intelligence	0.000	0.000	1.314	1.314
Veterans' Affairs	6.327	6.498	185.814	185.182
Indian Affairs	2.555	2.682	0.000	0.000
Small Business	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

SAN JUAN NATIONAL FOREST CENTENNIAL MONTH

Mr. SALAZAR. Mr. President, I rise today in recognition of one of our great national treasures. Next week, while the Senate is in recess, we will celebrate 100 years of the San Juan National Forest in my great State of Colorado. The people of southwestern Colorado will be celebrating this anniversary, as they should. I rise to underscore that I believe all Americans should celebrate this important milestone.

The San Juan National Forest was created 100 years ago on June 3, 1905, through Presidential proclamation by President Theodore Roosevelt. When you see it, you know why President Roosevelt set aside this remarkable place. It is located in southwestern Colorado on the western slope of the Continental Divide in one of America's most magnificent landscapes. The San Juan covers nearly 2 million acres, in an area more than 120 miles wide and 60 miles long. This unique scene includes alpine lakes, canyons, rapids, waterfalls, historic mines, and broad variations in elevation including mountain peaks of over 14,000 feet high.

Not only is it beautiful, but its rich history is deeply intertwined with the history of this great country. The San Juan was originally the homeland of the Ute Indians as well as an area that was frequented by the Navajo and Apache Tribes as well. Many pioneers who were looking for routes to the West traveled through the San Juan. Some of these individuals remained there establishing mining sites which contributed to development and a growing community.

The San Juan National Forest benefits the communities of southwestern Colorado through the supply of timber,

minerals, oil and gas, grazing pastures, recreation, clean water and air and other natural resources.

All of these amenities offered by the San Juan National Forest are important to the quality of life and economic well being of southwestern Coloradans; this has been the case for the past 100 years, it is the case today, and hopefully will be true for the next 100 years.

I urge all citizens of Colorado and our Nation to join in the centennial celebration of the San Juan National Forest through the many activities scheduled for June 1–4, 2005, to celebrate this special place and show appreciation for our national forests.

Finally, this year also marks the centennial of the U.S. Forest Service, the Federal agency which manages the San Juan and 154 other National Forests across our country. I want to thank the dedicated men and women of our Forest Service for their extraordinary work and continued commitment to our precious lands.

NATIONAL FOSTER CARE MONTH

Ms. LANDRIEU. Mr. President, today I rise to bring your attention to National Foster Care Month. As we celebrate this National Foster Care Month, we must remember how far we have come, we must also remember how far we still have to go. In my 27 years as a public servant, I have had the opportunity to meet thousands of children in foster care. I have personally witnessed the sheer joy they find in having a "forever family," and the utter pain when they do not. I firmly believe that there is no such thing as an unwanted child, merely unfound families. Let me tell you a story about one of these extraordinary children. A few years ago, a young woman named Sarah, who

spent 14 of her 19 years of life in foster care, was asked by a Member of Congress what the word "permanency" meant to her. She said, "many people in the system wrongly think that permanency means staying in one place for a long time, but to me, permanency means having someone to call when I am not sure if I should wash my new white skirt with a blue shirt, or to take me to Karate lessons, or to cry with me when I break up with my boyfriend."

For those of us who have had that kind of permanency in our lives, living without it seems unfathomable. But the fact remains that each year, over 100,000 children in the United States are dreaming of that kind of permanency, 25,000 children leave the foster care system without ever having found it, and almost 600,000 go to bed every night wondering if they ever will find it. Every child deserves the opportunity to be in a loving family where they are nurtured, comforted, and protected. Adoption gives children who have been abandoned, orphaned, or abused a second chance to find happiness in a secure and supportive family.

Over the past decade, the number of children being adopted has risen dramatically, and according to the 2000 Census Special Report, over 2 million children today live in adoptive homes. In the last year alone, over 6,500 children have been listed on the web page of Adopt US Kids and 1,500 of these children have found families through this process.

In closing, I would like to share with you something said in the award winning book, *There Are No Children Here*, about foster care children. "By the time they enter adolescence, they have contended with more terror than most of us confront in a lifetime. They have