

HR 2559

Military Construction Appropriations Act, 2004

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Sponsor

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Party: Republican • **State:** MI • **Chamber:** House

Cosponsors

No cosponsors are listed for this bill.

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Appropriations Committee	House	Reported Original Measure	Jun 23, 2003

Subjects & Policy Tags

Policy Area:

Armed Forces and National Security

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
108 HRES 429	Procedurally related	Nov 5, 2003: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
108 S 1357	Related document	Jul 11, 2003: See also H.R. 2559.
108 HRES 298	Procedurally related	Jun 26, 2003: Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

(This measure has not been amended since the Conference Report was filed in the House on November 4, 2003. The summary of that version is repeated here.)

Military Construction Appropriations Act, 2004 - Appropriates funds for FY 2004 for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure functions administered by the Department of Defense (DOD), namely: (1) military construction for the Army, Navy, and Air Force, DOD, the Army and Air National Guards, and the Army, Naval, and Air Force reserves; (2) the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Security Investment Program; (3) family housing construction and related operation and maintenance for the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force; (4) family housing construction and operation and maintenance, defense-wide; (5) the Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund; and (6) the Department of Defense Base Closure Account 1990.

Specifies restrictions and authorizations regarding the use of funds appropriated in this Act and in other military construction appropriations Acts.

(Sec. 113) Directs the Secretary of Defense to notify the appropriate congressional committees 30 days in advance of the plans and scope of any military exercise involving U.S. personnel if construction costs are anticipated to exceed \$100,000.

(Sec. 118) Provides for the transfer of lapsed unobligated military construction and family housing funds into the Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Defense account.

(Sec. 119) Directs the Secretary to report to the congressional appropriations committees on actions proposed by DOD to encourage other member nations of NATO, Japan, Korea, and other U.S. allies bordering the Arabian Sea to assume a greater share of the common defense burden of such nations and the United States.

(Sec. 122) Prohibits this Act's funds from being obligated for Partnership for Peace programs in the new independent states of the former Soviet Union.

(Sec. 123) Requires the Secretary of the military department concerned, before issuing any solicitation for a contract with the private sector for military family housing, to notify the congressional defense committees of any guarantee (including the making of mortgage or rental payments and the extent and likelihood of Federal liability) proposed to be made by the Secretary to the private party under the contract involved in the event of: (1) the closure or realignment of the installation for which housing is provided under the contract; (2) a reduction in force of units stationed at such installation; or (3) the extended deployment overseas of units stationed at such installation.

(Sec. 127) Prohibits the obligation or expenditure for missile defense studies of any funds appropriated for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program.

(Sec. 128) Establishes the Commission on the Review of the Overseas Military Facility Structure of the United States to study and report to the President and Congress on matters relating to the U.S. military facility structure overseas. Requires the report to include a proposal for an overseas basing strategy to meet current and future DOD missions. Terminates the Commission 45 days after its report. Earmarks funds from this Act for the Commission.

Actions Timeline

- **Nov 22, 2003:** Signed by President.
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- **Nov 22, 2003:** Became Public Law No: 108-132.
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- **Nov 13, 2003:** Presented to President.
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- **Nov 12, 2003:** Conference report agreed to in Senate: Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 98 - 0. Record Vote Number: 448.(consideration: CR S14494-14496)
- **Nov 12, 2003:** Senate agreed to conference report by Yea-Nay Vote. 98 - 0. Record Vote Number: 448. (consideration: CR S14494-14496)
- **Nov 12, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Rule H. Res. 429 passed House.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Mr. Knollenberg brought up conference report H. Rept. 108-342 for consideration under the provisions of H. Res. 429. (consideration: CR H10389-10393, H10425-10426)
- **Nov 5, 2003:** DEBATE - The House proceeded with one hour of debate on the conference report to accompany H.R. 2559.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** The previous question was ordered without objection.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** PROCEEDINGS POSTPONED - At the conclusion of debate the Speaker announced that pursuant to clause X of rule XX, the yeas and nays were ordered. The Speaker announced that pursuant to clause VIII of rule XX, further proceedings on the question of adoption of the conference report were postponed until later in the legislative day.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** The House proceeded to consider the conference report H.Rept. 108-342 as unfinished business.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Conference report agreed to in House: On agreeing to the conference report Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 417 - 5 (Roll no. 606).(consideration: CR H10425-10426)
- **Nov 5, 2003:** On agreeing to the conference report Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: 417 - 5 (Roll no. 606). (consideration: CR H10425-10426)
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Motions to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Conference committee actions: Conference held.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Conference held.
- **Nov 5, 2003:** Conference papers: message on House action held at the desk in Senate.
- **Nov 4, 2003:** Conference report filed: Conference report H. Rept. 108-342 filed.(text of conference report: CR H10253-10281)
- **Nov 4, 2003:** Conference report H. Rept. 108-342 filed. (text of conference report: CR H10253-10281)
- **Nov 4, 2003:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 429 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of the conference report to H.R. 2559. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read.
- **Nov 4, 2003:** Conference papers: Senate report and manager's statement held at the desk in Senate.
- **Nov 4, 2003:** Conference committee actions: Conferees agreed to file conference report.(consideration: CR H10253-10281)
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- **Sep 16, 2003:** Mr. Knollenberg moved that the House disagree to the Senate amendment, and agree to a conference.
- **Sep 16, 2003:** On motion that the House disagree to the Senate amendment, and agree to a conference Agreed to without objection. (consideration: CR H8228)
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Sep 16, 2003:** The Speaker appointed conferees: Knollenberg, Walsh, Aderholt, Granger, Goode, Vitter, Kingston, Crenshaw, Young (FL), Edwards, Farr, Boyd, Bishop (GA), Dicks, and Obey.
- **Sep 16, 2003:** The Speaker appointed conferees
- **Sep 16, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jul 14, 2003:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 11, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate in lieu of S.1357 with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 91 - 0. Record Vote Number: 274.(consideration: CR S9279-9283; text as passed Senate: CR S9280-9283)

- **Jul 11, 2003:** Passed Senate in lieu of S.1357 with an amendment by Yea-Nay Vote. 91 - 0. Record Vote Number: 274. (consideration: CR S9279-9283; text as passed Senate: CR S9280-9283)
- **Jul 11, 2003:** Senate insists on its amendment, asks for a conference, appoints conferees Hutchison; Burns; Craig; DeWine; Brownback; Stevens; Feinstein; Inouye; Johnson; Landrieu; Byrd.
- **Jul 11, 2003:** See also S.1357.
- **Jul 10, 2003:** Measure laid before Senate by unanimous consent. (consideration: CR 7/11/2003 S9227-9234)
- **Jul 10, 2003:** Senate struck all after the Enacting Clause and substituted the language of S. 1357.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Rules Committee Resolution H. Res. 298 Reported to House. Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2559 with 1 hour of general debate. Previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motions except motion to recommit with or without instructions. Measure will be read by paragraph. Bill is open to amendments.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Rule H. Res. 298 passed House.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Considered under the provisions of rule H. Res. 298. (consideration: CR H5979-5990)
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Rule provides for consideration of H.R. 2559.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union pursuant to H. Res. 298 and Rule XXIII.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** The Speaker designated the Honorable Charles F. Bass to act as Chairman of the Committee.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** GENERAL DEBATE - The Committee of the Whole proceeded with one hour of general debate on H.R. 2559.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** DEBATE - Pursuant to H. Res. 298 the Committee of the Whole proceeded with debate on the Obey amendment under the five-minute rule.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** The House rose from the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union to report H.R. 2559.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** The previous question was ordered pursuant to the rule.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Mr. Obey moved to recommit with instructions to Appropriations. (consideration: CR H5989-5990)
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Point of order conceded and sustained against the motion to recommit with instructions.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Mr. Knollenberg raised a point of order against the motion to recommit with instructions. Mr. Knollenberg stated that the amendment contained in the instructions sought to change existing law and as such, constituted legislation in an appropriations bill. Conceded and Sustained by the Chair.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Mr. Obey moved to recommit to Appropriations.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** On motion to recommit Failed by voice vote. (text: CR H5989)
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Passed/agreed to in House: On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 428 - 0 (Roll no. 325).
- **Jun 26, 2003:** On passage Passed by the Yeas and Nays: 428 - 0 (Roll no. 325).
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
- **Jun 26, 2003:** Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 177.
- **Jun 23, 2003:** Introduced in House
- **Jun 23, 2003:** The House Committee on Appropriations reported an original measure, H. Rept. 108-173, by Mr. Knollenberg.
- **Jun 23, 2003:** The House Committee on Appropriations reported an original measure, H. Rept. 108-173, by Mr. Knollenberg.
- **Jun 23, 2003:** Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 88.