

and to his only Republican boss, then-Sen. Chuck Hagel (Neb.).

He bounced from there into the office of Sen. Patrick J. Leahy (Vt.), the top Democrat on the Judiciary Committee, spending several months there in 2000 and again in 2004. There, he saw up close how senior senators have to focus on one significant policy arena at the expense of others.

“There’s this sort of policy triage that senators have to engage in, which is: They can’t possibly devote themselves equally to three major committee assignments,” Baker said.

Several years later, Baker’s Rutgers connection paid off.

Reid’s longtime senior aide Susan McCue was a Rutgers alumna, connecting Baker with Reid, which led to tours with the majority leader in 2008 and 2012, as well as a brief stint during the 2014 lame-duck session. These past four months were Baker’s first stint with Reid in the minority.

With his Reid partnership ending, Baker is returning to another semester of “American Government” this fall at Rutgers.

“I at least come out of it with fresh anecdotes for my undergraduates,” Baker said. “I mean, I just don’t want to ever be in a position of mentioning a name and they look at me blankly.”

BUDGET COMMITTEE COST ESTIMATE—S. 2844

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I offer for the RECORD the Budget Committee’s cost estimate of S. 2844, the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2017.

The reported measure provides \$56.5 billion in discretionary budget authority for fiscal year 2017, which will result in new outlays of \$46.3 billion. When outlays from prior-year budget authority are taken into account, non-emergency discretionary outlays for the bill will total \$120.5 billion.

The reported bill matches its section 302(b) allocation set forth in S. Rept. 114-238 for budget authority for both the security and nonsecurity categories and is below the 302(b) allocation for outlays by \$10 million.

The bill contains emergency-designated appropriations, which are effectively exempt from budget enforcement. The Budget Act provides a mechanism to prevent abuse of the emer-

gency designation in the form of the 314(e) point of order, which allows any Senator to challenge whether the appropriation is actually needed for an emergency. Specifically, the bill transfers to the community planning and development account previously appropriated emergency-designated Housing and Urban Development spending for administrative costs related to disaster relief efforts. This transfer does not change budget authority, but increases outlays by \$1 million. I will adjust the allocations by this amount unless a challenge to the use of the emergency designation is successful, which would occur if fewer than 60 Senators agree that the appropriation is needed for an emergency purpose.

I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the table displaying the Budget Committee scoring of the bill.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 2844, 2017 TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT APPROPRIATIONS—SPENDING COMPARISONS—SENATE-REPORTED BILL
(Fiscal Year 2017, \$ millions)

	Budget Authority		Outlays	
	Security	Nonsecurity	Total	Total
Senate-reported bill	275	56,199	56,474	120,461
Senate 302(b) allocation	275	56,199	56,474	120,471
2016 Enacted	210	57,391	57,601	120,469
President’s request	211	51,781	51,992	118,800
SENATE-REPORTED BILL COMPARED TO:				
Senate 302(b) allocation	0	0	0	-10
2016 Enacted	65	-1,192	-1,127	-8
President’s request	64	4,418	4,482	1,661

Note: Details may not add to totals due to rounding. Includes emergency-designated spending.

BUDGET COMMITTEE COST ESTIMATE—S. 2806

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, I offer for the RECORD the Budget Committee’s cost estimate of S. 2806, the Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act for fiscal year 2017.

The reported measure provides \$75.1 billion in discretionary budget author-

ity for fiscal year 2017, which will result in discretionary outlays of \$83.1 billion.

The reported bill matches its section 302(b) allocation set forth in S. Rept. 114-238 for budget authority for both the security and nonsecurity categories, and is below the 302(b) allocation for outlays by \$10 million.

The bill is not subject to any budget-related points of order.

I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the table displaying the Budget Committee scoring of the bill.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 2806, 2017 MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS—SPENDING COMPARISONS—SENATE-REPORTED BILL
(Fiscal Year 2017, \$ millions)

	Budget Authority		Outlays	
	Security	Nonsecurity	Total	Total
Senate-reported bill	7,930	75,100	83,030	83,141
Senate 302(b) allocation	7,930	75,100	83,030	83,151
2016 Enacted	8,171	71,698	79,869	79,813
President’s request	7,443	75,254	82,697	83,778
SENATE-REPORTED BILL COMPARED TO:				
Senate 302(b) allocation	0	0	0	-10
2016 Enacted	-241	3,402	3,161	3,328
President’s request	487	-154	333	-637

Note: Details may not add to totals due to rounding. Excludes Overseas Contingency Operations funding in President’s request.

BUDGETARY REVISIONS

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, section 251 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 establishes statutory limits on discretionary spending and allows for various adjustments to those limits, while sections 302 and 314(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 allow the chairman of the Budget Committee to establish and make revisions to allocations, aggregates, and levels consistent with

those adjustments. The Senate will soon consider Senate amendment No. 3896, filed by Senator COLLINS. This amendment includes the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017, as reported by the Committee on Appropriations. The amendment includes a provision related to the Department of Housing and Urban Development’s administrative costs for disaster relief activities that results in

\$1 million in outlays. This provision is designated as an emergency pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Deficit Control Act of 1985. The inclusion of this designation makes this spending eligible for an adjustment under the Congressional Budget Act.

As a result, I am increasing the budgetary aggregate for 2017 by \$1 million in outlays. I am also increasing the