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HOUSE BUDGET PLAN CALLS FOR DEEP CUTS IN KEY LOW-INCOME ENTITLEMENT PROGRAMS

State-by-State Table Shows How Benefits and Services in Each State Would Be Affected

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The budget plan passed by the House on March 21 includes deep reductions in low-income entitlement programs. The plan includes \$265 billion in entitlement cuts between 2004 and 2013. Some \$165 billion in cuts would be made to key low-income programs such as Medicaid, the State Children's Health Insurance Program, SSI, EITC, Food Stamps, TANF, child nutrition programs, foster care and adoption programs, child care, and the Social Services Block Grant.¹ The House budget plan would *require* the committees with jurisdictions over these programs to craft legislation that achieve the level of overall cuts specified in the budget resolution. The committees, however, would get to decide *how* to achieve this level of cuts.

The following table provides estimates of how the cuts in key low-income mandatory programs would be distributed among states. (Not every affected program is shown, so the table does not include the full \$165 billion in cuts.) These estimates were calculated based on the House budget committee tables that show the level of cuts each committee would be required to achieve and the cuts that would be required by budgetary "function." (A budgetary "function" is a group of programs with similar overall goals. For example, Function 600 is the "income security" function and includes programs such as TANF, the child care block grant, and SSI — all programs that assist low-income individuals meet basic needs.) Because the Budget Committee provides no further guidance to the committees with jurisdiction over these programs, these estimates assume that all programs within a particular budgetary function would be cut by the same percentage. This assumption is consistent with statements of the chairman of the House Budget Committee, Rep. Jim Nussle, describing how the entitlement reductions in the House budget were designed.

The cuts also are assumed to be distributed by state in the same proportion as spending in that program is distributed by state. For example, if residents in a particular state now receive five percent of total SSI benefits provided nationally, then residents in that state are assumed here to absorb five percent of the total cuts made to SSI.

¹ See "House Budget Plan Calls For Cuts In Key Domestic Entitlement Programs: Cuts Average Four Percent Over Ten Years, Grow Deeper Each Year" by Richard Kogan, Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, March 20, 2003.

**Total Cuts In Major Low-Income Mandatory Programs Under the House Budget Plan
2004-2013**

	Medicaid & SCHIP	SSI	EITC	Food Stamps	TANF	Child Nutrition	Foster Care and Adoption Asst.	Child Care	Social Services Block Grant	TOTAL CUTS IN BENEFITS AND SERVICES TO LOW-INCOME FAMILIES
Alabama	\$1,360,800,000	\$405,900,000	\$363,300,000	\$278,300,000	\$50,300,000	\$108,100,000	\$20,000,000	\$18,800,000	\$10,300,000	\$2,615,800,000
Alaska	\$306,200,000	\$22,600,000	\$17,600,000	\$41,700,000	\$34,000,000	\$15,800,000	\$9,400,000	\$3,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$452,400,000
Arizona	\$1,850,900,000	\$218,800,000	\$249,800,000	\$255,900,000	\$118,700,000	\$109,200,000	\$46,000,000	\$23,100,000	\$12,300,000	\$2,884,600,000
Arkansas	\$1,046,900,000	\$205,000,000	\$195,100,000	\$175,500,000	\$30,300,000	\$66,400,000	\$28,300,000	\$9,100,000	\$6,200,000	\$1,762,800,000
California	\$9,738,000,000	\$3,934,800,000	\$1,676,500,000	\$1,235,800,000	\$1,799,400,000	\$750,700,000	\$758,500,000	\$133,100,000	\$79,900,000	\$20,106,600,000
Colorado	\$814,700,000	\$140,800,000	\$146,400,000	\$116,800,000	\$72,100,000	\$54,100,000	\$37,200,000	\$15,600,000	\$10,200,000	\$1,407,900,000
Connecticut	\$1,129,400,000	\$133,000,000	\$94,900,000	\$103,400,000	\$128,600,000	\$44,200,000	\$82,900,000	\$17,300,000	\$7,900,000	\$1,741,700,000
Delaware	\$209,700,000	\$30,900,000	\$35,000,000	\$27,600,000	\$15,600,000	\$15,000,000	\$8,800,000	\$4,400,000	\$1,800,000	\$348,700,000
Dist. Columbia	\$496,900,000	\$57,100,000	\$37,300,000	\$52,100,000	\$44,600,000	\$15,600,000	\$30,200,000	\$3,300,000	\$1,300,000	\$738,600,000
Florida	\$4,059,300,000	\$998,800,000	\$967,900,000	\$594,200,000	\$300,100,000	\$314,800,000	\$136,300,000	\$56,100,000	\$38,000,000	\$7,465,400,000
Georgia	\$2,378,200,000	\$483,900,000	\$563,800,000	\$423,900,000	\$177,400,000	\$222,300,000	\$58,500,000	\$38,900,000	\$19,400,000	\$4,366,300,000
Hawaii	\$285,000,000	\$63,800,000	\$41,900,000	\$99,600,000	\$47,700,000	\$23,800,000	\$19,100,000	\$5,300,000	\$2,800,000	\$589,100,000
Idaho	\$367,200,000	\$46,900,000	\$57,500,000	\$43,200,000	\$17,100,000	\$22,600,000	\$7,800,000	\$4,900,000	\$3,100,000	\$570,200,000
Illinois	\$2,849,700,000	\$723,600,000	\$545,100,000	\$634,700,000	\$281,900,000	\$226,100,000	\$251,000,000	\$59,100,000	\$28,900,000	\$5,600,300,000
Indiana	\$1,793,600,000	\$235,300,000	\$252,900,000	\$277,700,000	\$99,700,000	\$93,100,000	\$45,600,000	\$27,900,000	\$14,200,000	\$2,839,900,000
Iowa	\$863,600,000	\$97,300,000	\$94,300,000	\$88,400,000	\$63,400,000	\$49,400,000	\$39,600,000	\$11,100,000	\$6,800,000	\$1,313,800,000
Kansas	\$654,600,000	\$93,100,000	\$99,200,000	\$78,000,000	\$49,100,000	\$52,700,000	\$29,900,000	\$11,600,000	\$6,200,000	\$1,074,500,000
Kentucky	\$1,641,400,000	\$456,500,000	\$211,900,000	\$270,700,000	\$87,400,000	\$98,800,000	\$42,700,000	\$17,700,000	\$9,400,000	\$2,836,500,000
Louisiana	\$2,085,400,000	\$440,700,000	\$409,000,000	\$386,300,000	\$87,200,000	\$147,700,000	\$52,700,000	\$18,300,000	\$10,300,000	\$3,637,500,000
Maine	\$630,900,000	\$71,400,000	\$49,800,000	\$65,900,000	\$37,600,000	\$20,000,000	\$33,000,000	\$4,300,000	\$3,000,000	\$916,000,000
Maryland	\$1,289,400,000	\$246,500,000	\$218,800,000	\$155,100,000	\$110,400,000	\$82,700,000	\$78,500,000	\$24,500,000	\$12,400,000	\$2,218,400,000
Massachusetts	\$2,677,100,000	\$497,500,000	\$170,700,000	\$152,200,000	\$221,400,000	\$96,600,000	\$61,200,000	\$36,300,000	\$14,800,000	\$3,927,700,000
Michigan	\$2,745,800,000	\$609,000,000	\$390,500,000	\$455,900,000	\$373,700,000	\$146,800,000	\$167,900,000	\$40,700,000	\$23,100,000	\$4,953,400,000
Minnesota	\$1,565,700,000	\$167,600,000	\$135,500,000	\$145,500,000	\$129,100,000	\$93,500,000	\$66,900,000	\$23,500,000	\$11,500,000	\$2,338,900,000
Mississippi	\$1,455,600,000	\$315,600,000	\$294,400,000	\$199,900,000	\$46,200,000	\$99,700,000	\$15,600,000	\$10,500,000	\$6,600,000	\$2,444,100,000
Missouri	\$2,037,300,000	\$290,200,000	\$270,600,000	\$321,800,000	\$104,600,000	\$103,900,000	\$66,500,000	\$25,600,000	\$13,000,000	\$3,233,500,000
Montana	\$272,700,000	\$35,300,000	\$44,500,000	\$40,200,000	\$22,500,000	\$17,600,000	\$10,000,000	\$3,700,000	\$2,100,000	\$448,600,000
Nebraska	\$507,700,000	\$52,400,000	\$62,000,000	\$53,200,000	\$28,000,000	\$38,000,000	\$19,900,000	\$9,400,000	\$4,000,000	\$774,500,000

Nevada	\$330,500,000	\$66,800,000	\$87,700,000	\$64,900,000	\$23,000,000	\$26,200,000	\$13,400,000	\$6,400,000	\$4,900,000	\$623,800,000
New Hampshire	\$343,200,000	\$30,100,000	\$34,700,000	\$24,400,000	\$18,600,000	\$12,000,000	\$9,400,000	\$5,200,000	\$2,900,000	\$480,500,000
New Jersey	\$2,534,600,000	\$414,200,000	\$311,300,000	\$244,100,000	\$194,700,000	\$113,400,000	\$60,400,000	\$33,400,000	\$19,600,000	\$3,925,800,000
New Mexico	\$856,100,000	\$119,100,000	\$129,200,000	\$105,300,000	\$63,900,000	\$64,400,000	\$18,500,000	\$8,800,000	\$4,200,000	\$1,369,600,000
New York	\$12,705,100,000	\$1,970,300,000	\$977,500,000	\$1,074,000,000	\$1,177,300,000	\$415,300,000	\$401,400,000	\$94,900,000	\$44,000,000	\$18,859,800,000
North Carolina	\$2,882,600,000	\$450,800,000	\$478,600,000	\$367,200,000	\$163,100,000	\$179,600,000	\$58,300,000	\$52,800,000	\$19,000,000	\$4,652,000,000
North Dakota	\$197,400,000	\$18,400,000	\$23,100,000	\$22,900,000	\$12,700,000	\$14,100,000	\$6,100,000	\$2,700,000	\$1,500,000	\$298,900,000
Ohio	\$3,793,600,000	\$686,500,000	\$476,600,000	\$509,200,000	\$350,800,000	\$161,300,000	\$222,200,000	\$61,600,000	\$26,300,000	\$6,288,100,000
Oklahoma	\$1,139,800,000	\$186,100,000	\$203,300,000	\$196,400,000	\$71,300,000	\$87,600,000	\$19,400,000	\$20,500,000	\$8,000,000	\$1,932,500,000
Oregon	\$1,103,800,000	\$140,600,000	\$132,000,000	\$219,200,000	\$80,900,000	\$60,000,000	\$34,800,000	\$17,500,000	\$8,000,000	\$1,796,700,000
Pennsylvania	\$4,406,900,000	\$842,400,000	\$462,000,000	\$507,300,000	\$346,700,000	\$169,300,000	\$229,500,000	\$54,700,000	\$28,400,000	\$7,047,100,000
Rhode Island	\$503,400,000	\$80,300,000	\$39,400,000	\$43,700,000	\$45,800,000	\$16,900,000	\$13,500,000	\$5,600,000	\$2,500,000	\$751,000,000
South Carolina	\$1,512,700,000	\$264,300,000	\$287,400,000	\$233,000,000	\$48,200,000	\$101,400,000	\$23,400,000	\$14,600,000	\$9,400,000	\$2,494,400,000
South Dakota	\$219,600,000	\$29,800,000	\$31,900,000	\$31,700,000	\$10,600,000	\$16,900,000	\$4,900,000	\$2,700,000	\$1,800,000	\$349,800,000
Tennessee	\$2,350,100,000	\$409,400,000	\$352,300,000	\$361,500,000	\$102,700,000	\$116,700,000	\$31,000,000	\$31,800,000	\$13,300,000	\$3,768,800,000
Texas	\$5,691,000,000	\$970,500,000	\$1,492,100,000	\$1,044,200,000	\$259,700,000	\$570,600,000	\$113,600,000	\$86,300,000	\$49,400,000	\$10,277,500,000
Utah	\$459,300,000	\$53,700,000	\$75,600,000	\$60,300,000	\$41,200,000	\$46,400,000	\$19,800,000	\$13,100,000	\$5,300,000	\$774,700,000
Vermont	\$277,400,000	\$31,700,000	\$20,500,000	\$24,200,000	\$22,800,000	\$9,000,000	\$13,000,000	\$3,300,000	\$1,400,000	\$403,400,000
Virginia	\$1,222,300,000	\$329,800,000	\$304,700,000	\$232,000,000	\$76,300,000	\$106,000,000	\$45,000,000	\$27,200,000	\$16,600,000	\$2,359,900,000
Washington	\$1,684,900,000	\$298,500,000	\$202,500,000	\$219,400,000	\$194,900,000	\$95,000,000	\$36,700,000	\$34,700,000	\$13,900,000	\$2,780,400,000
West Virginia	\$779,600,000	\$196,100,000	\$92,800,000	\$129,800,000	\$53,100,000	\$41,900,000	\$17,800,000	\$8,000,000	\$4,200,000	\$1,323,300,000
Wisconsin	\$1,635,700,000	\$220,000,000	\$163,100,000	\$143,200,000	\$153,300,000	\$78,300,000	\$81,500,000	\$24,800,000	\$12,500,000	\$2,512,400,000
Wyoming	\$114,700,000	\$14,400,000	\$20,600,000	\$15,000,000	\$10,500,000	\$8,900,000	\$2,300,000	\$2,500,000	\$1,100,000	\$190,100,000
United States	\$94,000,000,000	\$18,900,000,000	\$14,100,000,000	\$12,700,000,000	\$8,100,000,000	\$5,900,000,000	\$3,700,000,000	\$1,300,000,000	\$663,000,000	\$159,323,600,000

NOTES:

1. The distribution of the cuts in each of these programs is based on the state-by-state distribution of program spending or funding in a recent year. The Medicaid/SCHIP figures are based on projections for 2003 spending. The distribution of the SSI and foster care and adoption program cuts were based on 2000 spending. The child care and TANF cuts were based on block grant *funding allocations* for 2002. The child nutrition cuts were based on 2001 spending. Food stamp cuts were based on 2002 spending. EITC cuts were based on the EITCs which were claimed in 2001 (for tax year 2000). The SSBG cuts were based on 2003 *funding allocations*.

2. Totals may not add due to rounding and the cuts assumed to be absorbed by U.S. territories.