

Senate Approves FY 2012 Agriculture/FDA, Commerce, Justice Science, and Transportation/HUD Appropriations Legislation

WASHINGTON, DC – The U.S. Senate has approved, by a vote of 69 to 30, H.R. 2112, the Fiscal Year 2012 Agriculture, Rural Development, FDA and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The bill, as amended, includes the FY 2012 Commerce, Justice, Science and Related Agencies, and Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations bills.

Statement by Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Daniel K. Inouye (D-Hawaii):

“I am very pleased that the Senate has acted on this critical legislation. These bills are focused on a number of basic priorities: job creation, public safety, nutrition, housing, and transportation. It is bipartisan, fiscally responsible, and reflects the input of senators on both sides of the aisle.

“It is my hope and my intention to move forward with additional appropriations bills this week, and to demonstrate to the American people that Congress is able to complete its work in a responsible manner. I urge my colleagues to continue in the current bipartisan spirit as we seek to move additional bills in the coming weeks. Building on the progress we have made this week will make it less likely that we will be forced to resort to an omnibus or year-long Continuing Resolution down the road.”

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