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The House and Senate are wrapping up work on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. A vote is expected tomorrow in the House, followed by a vote in the Senate. The President would like to sign the bill on Monday.

The bill language is still coming out in pieces but here is a preliminary summary of spending provisions in the bill:

**Investments in Infrastructure include:**

Infrastructure Improvements

- **\$7.2 billion for Broadband** to increase broadband access and usage in unserved and underserved areas of the Nation, which will better position the U.S. for economic growth, innovation, and job creation.
- **\$2.75 billion for the Department of Homeland Security** to secure the homeland and promote economic activity, including \$1 billion for airport baggage and checkpoint security, \$430 million for construction of border points of entry, \$210 million for construction of fire stations, \$300 million for port, transit, and rail security, \$280 million for border security technology and communication, and \$240 million for the Coast Guard.
- **\$4.6 billion in funding for the Corps of Engineers.**
- **\$1.2 billion for VA hospital and medical facility construction and improvements**, long-term care facilities for veterans, and improvements at VA national cemeteries.
- **\$3.1 billion for repair, restoration and improvement of public facilities at** on public and tribal lands.
- **\$4.2 billion for Facilities Sustainment, Restoration and Modernization** to be used to invest in energy efficiency projects and to improve the repair and modernization of Department of Defense facilities to include Defense Health facilities.
- **\$2.33 billion for Department of Defense Facilities** including quality of life and family-friendly military improvement projects such as family housing, hospitals, and child care centers.
- **\$2.25 billion through HOME and the Low Income Housing Tax Credit program to fill financing gaps caused by the credit freeze and get stalled housing development projects moving.**
- **\$1 billion for the Community Development Block Grant** program for community and economic

development projects including housing and services for those hit hard by tough economic times.

- **\$1 billion for the Bureau of Reclamation** to provide clean, reliable drinking water to rural areas and to ensure adequate water supply to western localities impacted by drought.

#### Transportation

- **\$27.5 billion is included for highway investments**
- **\$8.4 billion for investments in public transportation.**
- **\$1.5 billion for competitive grants to state and local governments for transportation investments.**
- **\$1.3 billion for investments in our air transportation system.**
- **\$9.3 billion for investments in rail transportation**, including Amtrak, High Speed and Intercity Rail.

#### Public Housing

- **\$4 billion to the public housing capital fund** to enable local public housing agencies to address a \$32 billion backlog in capital needs -- especially those improving energy efficiency in aging buildings.
- **\$2 billion for full-year payments to owners receiving Section 8 project-based rental assistance.**
- **\$2 billion for the redevelopment of abandoned and foreclosed homes.**

#### Environmental Clean-Up/Clean Water

- **\$6 billion is directed towards environmental cleanup of former weapon production and energy research sites.**
- **\$6 billion for local wastewater and drinking water infrastructure improvements.**
- **\$1.2 billion for EPA's nationwide environmental cleanup programs, including Superfund.**
- **\$1.28 billion to support \$3.8 billion in loans and grants for needed water and waste disposal facilities in rural areas.**

#### **Investments in Education and Training include:**

- **\$53.6 billion for the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund**, including \$39.5 billion to local school districts using existing funding formulas, which can be used for preventing cutbacks, preventing layoffs, school modernization, or other purposes; \$5 billion to states as bonus grants for meeting key performance measures in education; and \$8.8 billion to states for high priority needs such as public safety and other critical services, which may include education and for modernization, renovation and repairs of public school facilities and institutions of higher education facilities.
- **\$13 billion for Title 1** to help close the achievement gap and enable disadvantaged students to reach their potential.
- **\$3.95 billion for job training** including State formula grants for adult, dislocated worker, and youth programs (including \$1.2 billion to create up to one million summer jobs for youth).

#### **Investments in Energy include:**

- **\$4.5 billion for repair of federal buildings** to increase energy efficiency using green technology.
- **\$11 billion for smart-grid related activities**, including work to modernize the electric grid.

**- \$5 billion for the Weatherization Assistance Program.**

As soon as we have definitive information on other details of the bill we will send it out to you.

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