

CBO ESTIMATE FOR RULES COMMITTEE PRINT 115-71—ENERGY AND WATER, LEGISLATIVE BRANCH, AND MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2019 (DISCRETIONARY SPENDING ONLY)

		Fiscal Year 2019 Appropriations, in Millions of Dollars				
		Constrained by the Caps ^a			Cap Adjustments ^b	Total ^a
Subcommittee		Defense	Nondefense	Total	OCO/GWOT	
Energy and Water (Division A)	BA:	22,300	22,400	44,700	0	44,700
	O:	21,676	22,809	44,485	0	44,485
Legislative Branch (Division B)	BA:	0	3,811	3,811	0	3,811
	O:	0	3,926	3,926	0	3,926
Military Construction, VA (Division C)	BA:	10,332	85,667	95,999	921	96,920
	O:	8,373	80,938	89,311	0	89,311
Total	BA:	32,632	111,878	144,510	921	145,431
	O:	30,049	107,673	137,722	0	137,722

Source: Congressional Budget Office.

BA = budget authority; O = outlays; OCO/GWOT = Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism; VA = Veterans Affairs.

Divisions A-C of Rules Committee Print 115-71 (RCP 115-71), the Energy and Water, Legislative Branch, and Military Construction and Veterans Affairs Appropriations Act, 2019, contain the text of three of the twelve annual appropriations bills for fiscal year 2019, and are substantively identical to the following bills reported in the House of Representatives: H.R. 5985 (Energy and Water); H.R. 5894 (Legislative Branch); H.R. 5786 (Military Construction, VA).

- a. In fiscal year 2019, most discretionary budget authority is subject to limits as described in the Budget Control Act of 2011 (P.L. 112-25), as amended by the Bipartisan Budget Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-123). For fiscal year 2019 those limits total \$1,244,000 million—\$647,000 million for defense programs (statutorily referred to as the “revised security” category) and \$597,000 million for nondefense programs (statutorily referred to as the “revised nonsecurity” category). The authority to determine whether funding provided for fiscal year 2019 exceeds those caps—that is, whether a sequestration is required—and if so, how to make the necessary reductions in budget authority rests with the Office of Management and Budget.
- b. Designated pursuant to section 251(b)(2) of the Deficit Control Act; the spending limits for fiscal year 2019 would be adjusted to accommodate these amounts.