

Report on Markup of H.R.2519

Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1994 (Pub. L. 103-121, approved 10/27/93)

in the

Senate Committee on Appropriations
Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Subcommittee

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A key Senate Appropriations subcommittee approved legislation [H.R. 2519] providing \$22.96 billion in fiscal 1994 for the Commerce, Justice and State departments and related agencies, up \$260 million from the House's version and \$332 million less than 1993 levels.

The legislation would provide: \$9.42 billion for the Justice Department, a 4.5 percent increase over 1993 levels, including \$431 million for state drug prevention grants, \$25 million for community policing programs, \$1.9 billion for the federal prison system, \$819 million for U.S. attorneys' salaries, and \$2.39 billion for the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Under the plan, the State Department would receive \$4.13 billion, a \$242 million decrease from 1993 levels, including \$10 million to revamp its current visa processing system, \$905 million to cover the U.S.'s contribution to the United Nations and other international organizations, \$251 million for United States Information Agency cultural outreach programs, and \$28 million for the so-called Radio/TV MARTI -- which broadcasts American programs to Cuba.

The plan would allocate roughly \$3.4 billion to the Commerce Department, up \$300 million from fiscal 1993, including \$251 million for the International Trade Administration and \$339 million for the Economic Development Administration. The bill also contains \$213 million to guarantee \$3.3 billion worth of Small Business Administration loans.

The Judiciary branch would receive \$2.65 billion, up \$122 million from fiscal 1993, under the plan.

The Commerce, Justice, State and Judiciary Subcommittee approved the measure by unanimous consent after agreeing to two amendments by unanimous consent.

Senator Pete Domenici, R-N.M., offered two amendments, one requiring the United Nations to give U.S. companies vying for overseas contracts a fairer shake, and the other requiring the UN to deploy an Inspector General to oversee the way the entity spends its monies. They were both approved by unanimous consent.