



**URGENT APPROPRIATIONS ALERT**  
**Lifespan Respite Care Act (P.L. 109-442)**  
**December 2007**

***HOUSE FAILS BY TWO VOTES TO OVERRIDE PRESIDENT'S VETO of the FY08 Labor, HHS, Education funding bill.***

**STATUS:** In November, the House fell two votes short of the 2/3's majority needed to override the President's veto of the FY08 Labor, HHS, Education appropriations bill, which includes \$2 million for Lifespan Respite. House and Senate appropriators will have to negotiate with the White House to trim spending in the overall funding bill in order to reach a compromise. If they fail to reach agreement, Congress may have to resort to level funding for existing programs only in FY08 through a year-long Continuing Resolution.

**ACTION:** Keep up the contacts, emails, phone calls, and especially the face-to-face visits with your Representatives and Senators and urge them NOT TO FORFEIT the \$2 million for Lifespan Respite in funding bill negotiations. This tiny investment would go a long way to save and support the nation's family caregivers and as a result, the backbone of our long-term care system. Most importantly, thank those members who voted YES to override the President's Veto. See how they voted (attached).

To identify your federal legislators, visit [www.congress.org](http://www.congress.org) and type in your zip code. You can cut and paste the message below and send an email here, too. If you prefer to reach your legislators by phone, call 202-224-3121 and ask for the Member's office; then ask for appropriations staff and offer the following message:

**MESSAGE:**

-- Through this Holiday Season, please take a moment to give thanks for the nation's 50 million family caregivers who provide ongoing loving care to their relatives and friends of all ages with chronic and disabling conditions. Providing \$350 billion worth of uncompensated care, family caregivers are the backbone of the nation's long term care system.

-- Here, in our state of \_\_\_\_\_, family caregivers need respite desperately, regardless of the age or disability of the care recipient. [Supplement with personal stories, state data on respite need, including waiting lists, costs, etc.]

-- TAKE ACTION in support of family caregivers. As the FY08 Labor, HHS, and Education funding bill moves forward, urge the House, Senate and White House negotiators to KEEP the tiny \$2 million investment in the Lifespan Respite Care Act already approved by both the House and Senate. We finally have an opportunity to provide the one service -- respite -- family caregivers most frequently request and say they need to go on and at the same time provide significant savings to our long-term care system.

-- Thank you so much if you voted YES to override the President's Veto of the FY 08 Labor, HHS Education appropriations bill, which includes not only funding for Lifespan Respite, but critical health, education, and social service dollars for the nation's most vulnerable families. Your vote counts and will not be forgotten.

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**FINAL VOTE RESULTS FOR ROLL CALL 1122**

(Democrats in roman; Republicans in *italic*; Independents underlined)

<b>H R 3043</b> 2/3 YEA-AND-NAY 15-Nov-2007 9:41 PM Vote to Override the President's Veto of the FY08 Labor, HHS, Ed Appropriations bill	<u>YEAS</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>PRES</u>	<u>NV</u>
DEMOCRATIC	226			7
REPUBLICAN	51	141		8
INDEPENDENT				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>277</b>	<b>141</b>		<b>15</b>

---- YEAS 277 ---

Abercrombie	Green, Gene	Payne
Ackerman	Grijalva	Pelosi
Allen	Gutierrez	Perlmutter
Altmire	Hall (NY)	Peterson (MN)
Andrews	Hare	<i>Peterson (PA)</i>
Arcuri	Harman	<i>Pickering</i>
Baca	Hastings (FL)	<i>Platts</i>
Baird	<i>Hayes</i>	Pomeroy
Baldwin	Herseth Sandlin	<i>Porter</i>
Barrow	Higgins	Price (NC)
Bean	Hill	<i>Pryce (OH)</i>
Becerra	Hinchesy	Rahall
Berkley	Hinojosa	<i>Ramstad</i>
Berman	Hirono	Rangel
Berry	Hodes	<i>Regula</i>
<i>Biggert</i>	Holden	<i>Rehberg</i>
<i>Bilirakis</i>	Holt	<i>Reichert</i>
Bishop (GA)	Honda	Reyes
Bishop (NY)	Hooley	<i>Reynolds</i>
Blumenauer	Hoyer	Richardson
Boren	<i>Hulshof</i>	Rodriguez
Boswell	Inslee	<i>Rogers (AL)</i>
Boucher	Israel	<i>Ros-Lehtinen</i>
Boyd (FL)	Jackson (IL)	Ross
Boyda (KS)	Jackson-Lee (TX)	Rothman
Brady (PA)	Jefferson	Roybal-Allard
Braley (IA)	Johnson (GA)	Ruppersberger
Brown, Corrine	<i>Johnson (IL)</i>	Rush
<i>Buchanan</i>	Johnson, E. B.	Ryan (OH)
Butterfield	Jones (OH)	Salazar
<i>Capito</i>	Kagen	Sánchez, Linda T.
Capps	Kanjorski	Sanchez, Loretta
Capuano	Kaptur	Sarbanes
Cardoza	<i>Keller</i>	Schakowsky
Carnahan	Kennedy	Schiff
Carney	Kildee	Schwartz
<i>Castle</i>	Kilpatrick	Scott (GA)
Castor	Kind	Scott (VA)
Chandler	<i>Kirk</i>	Serrano
Clarke	Klein (FL)	Sestak
Clay	Lampson	<i>Shays</i>

Cleaver	Langevin	Shea-Porter
Clyburn	Lantos	Sherman
Cohen	Larsen (WA)	Shuler
Conyers	Larson (CT)	<i>Simpson</i>
Cooper	<i>LaTourette</i>	Sires
Costa	Lee	Skelton
Costello	Levin	Slaughter
Courtney	Lewis (GA)	<i>Smith (NJ)</i>
Cramer	Lipinski	Smith (WA)
Crowley	<i>LoBiondo</i>	Snyder
Cuellar	Loebsack	Solis
Cummings	Lofgren, Zoe	Space
Davis (AL)	Lowey	Spratt
Davis (CA)	Mahoney (FL)	Stupak
Davis (IL)	Maloney (NY)	Sutton
Davis, Lincoln	Markey	Tanner
DeFazio	Marshall	Tauscher
DeGette	Matheson	Taylor
Delahunt	Matsui	Thompson (CA)
DeLauro	McCarthy (NY)	Thompson (MS)
<i>Dent</i>	McCollum (MN)	Tierney
<i>Diaz-Balart, L.</i>	McDermott	Towns
<i>Diaz-Balart, M.</i>	McGovern	Tsongas
Dicks	<i>McHugh</i>	<i>Turner</i>
Dingell	McIntyre	Udall (CO)
Doggett	McNerney	Udall (NM)
Donnelly	McNulty	<i>Upton</i>
Edwards	Meek (FL)	Velázquez
<i>Ehlers</i>	Meeks (NY)	Visclosky
Ellison	Melancon	<i>Walden (OR)</i>
Ellsworth	Michaud	<i>Walsh (NY)</i>
Emanuel	<i>Miller (MI)</i>	Walz (MN)
<i>Emerson</i>	Miller (NC)	Wasserman Schultz
Engel	Miller, George	Waters
<i>English (PA)</i>	Mitchell	Watson
Eshoo	Mollohan	Watt
Etheridge	Moore (KS)	Waxman
Farr	Moore (WI)	Weiner
Fattah	Moran (VA)	Welch (VT)
<i>Ferguson</i>	Murphy (CT)	Wexler
Filner	Murphy, Patrick	<i>Whitfield</i>
<i>Fortenberry</i>	<i>Murphy, Tim</i>	<i>Wilson (NM)</i>
Frank (MA)	Murtha	Wilson (OH)
<i>Frelinghuysen</i>	Nadler	<i>Wolf</i>
<i>Gerlach</i>	Napolitano	Woolsey
Giffords	Neal (MA)	Wu
<i>Gilchrest</i>	Obey	Wynn
Gillibrand	Olver	Yarmuth
Gonzalez	Ortiz	<i>Young (AK)</i>
Gordon	Pallone	<i>Young (FL)</i>
<i>Graves</i>	Pascrell	
Green, Al	Pastor	

<i>Aderholt</i>	<i>Forbes</i>	<i>Mica</i>
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<i>Akin</i>	<i>Fossella</i>	<i>Miller (FL)</i>
<i>Alexander</i>	<i>Fox</i>	<i>Miller, Gary</i>
<i>Bachmann</i>	<i>Franks (AZ)</i>	<i>Moran (KS)</i>
<i>Bachus</i>	<i>Gallegly</i>	<i>Musgrave</i>
<i>Baker</i>	<i>Garrett (NJ)</i>	<i>Myrick</i>
<i>Barrett (SC)</i>	<i>Gingrey</i>	<i>Neugebauer</i>
<i>Bartlett (MD)</i>	<i>Gohmert</i>	<i>Nunes</i>
<i>Barton (TX)</i>	<i>Goode</i>	<i>Pearce</i>
<i>Bilbray</i>	<i>Goodlatte</i>	<i>Pence</i>
<i>Bishop (UT)</i>	<i>Granger</i>	<i>Petri</i>
<i>Blackburn</i>	<i>Hall (TX)</i>	<i>Pitts</i>
<i>Blunt</i>	<i>Hastert</i>	<i>Poe</i>
<i>Boehner</i>	<i>Hastings (WA)</i>	<i>Price (GA)</i>
<i>Bonner</i>	<i>Heller</i>	<i>Putnam</i>
<i>Boozman</i>	<i>Hensarling</i>	<i>Radanovich</i>
<i>Boustany</i>	<i>Herger</i>	<i>Renzi</i>
<i>Brady (TX)</i>	<i>Hobson</i>	<i>Rogers (KY)</i>
<i>Broun (GA)</i>	<i>Hoekstra</i>	<i>Rogers (MI)</i>
<i>Brown (SC)</i>	<i>Hunter</i>	<i>Rohrabacher</i>
<i>Brown-Waite, Ginny</i>	<i>Inglis (SC)</i>	<i>Roskam</i>
<i>Burgess</i>	<i>Issa</i>	<i>Royce</i>
<i>Burton (IN)</i>	<i>Johnson, Sam</i>	<i>Ryan (WI)</i>
<i>Buyer</i>	<i>Jones (NC)</i>	<i>Sali</i>
<i>Calvert</i>	<i>Jordan</i>	<i>Saxton</i>
<i>Camp (MI)</i>	<i>King (IA)</i>	<i>Schmidt</i>
<i>Campbell (CA)</i>	<i>King (NY)</i>	<i>Sensenbrenner</i>
<i>Cannon</i>	<i>Kingston</i>	<i>Sessions</i>
<i>Cantor</i>	<i>Kline (MN)</i>	<i>Shadegg</i>
<i>Carter</i>	<i>Knollenberg</i>	<i>Shimkus</i>
<i>Chabot</i>	<i>Kuhl (NY)</i>	<i>Shuster</i>
<i>Coble</i>	<i>Lamborn</i>	<i>Smith (NE)</i>
<i>Cole (OK)</i>	<i>Latham</i>	<i>Smith (TX)</i>
<i>Conaway</i>	<i>Lewis (CA)</i>	<i>Souder</i>
<i>Crenshaw</i>	<i>Lewis (KY)</i>	<i>Stearns</i>
<i>Culberson</i>	<i>Linder</i>	<i>Sullivan</i>
<i>Davis (KY)</i>	<i>Lucas</i>	<i>Tancredo</i>
<i>Davis, David</i>	<i>Lungren, Daniel E.</i>	<i>Terry</i>
<i>Davis, Tom</i>	<i>Manzullo</i>	<i>Thornberry</i>
<i>Deal (GA)</i>	<i>Marchant</i>	<i>Tiahrt</i>
<i>Doolittle</i>	<i>McCarthy (CA)</i>	<i>Tiberi</i>
<i>Drake</i>	<i>McCaul (TX)</i>	<i>Walberg</i>
<i>Dreier</i>	<i>McCotter</i>	<i>Wamp</i>
<i>Duncan</i>	<i>McCrery</i>	<i>Weldon (FL)</i>
<i>Fallin</i>	<i>McHenry</i>	<i>Westmoreland</i>
<i>Feeney</i>	<i>McKeon</i>	<i>Wicker</i>
<i>Flake</i>	<i>McMorris Rodgers</i>	<i>Wilson (SC)</i>

---- NOT VOTING 15 ---

<i>Bono</i>	<i>Jindal</i>	<i>Oberstar</i>
<i>Carson</i>	<i>Kucinich</i>	<i>Paul</i>
<i>Cubin</i>	<i>LaHood</i>	<i>Stark</i>
<i>Doyle</i>	<i>Lynch</i>	<i>Van Hollen</i>
<i>Everett</i>	<i>Mack</i>	<i>Weller</i>