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To authorize the transfer of certain earmarked funds to accounts for operations and activities in Iraq and Afghanistan.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

DECEMBER 12, 2007

Mr. DEMINT introduced the following bill; which was read the first time

DECEMBER 13, 2007

Read the second time and placed on the calendar

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER CERTAIN EAR-**
2 **MARKED FUNDS TO ACCOUNTS FOR OPER-**
3 **ATIONS AND ACTIVITIES IN IRAQ OR AF-**
4 **GHANISTAN.**

5 (a) **AUTHORITY.**—Notwithstanding any other provi-
6 sion of law, the Secretary of Defense may transfer the
7 amount of any congressionally directed spending item in
8 or in connection with the Department of Defense Appro-
9 priations Act, 2008 (division A of Public Law 110–116)
10 to one or more of the accounts specified in subsection (b)
11 for purposes of operations and activities in Iraq or Af-
12 ghanistan.

13 (b) **COVERED ACCOUNTS.**—The accounts specified in
14 this subsection are the accounts as follows:

15 (1) The accounts of the Department of De-
16 fense.

17 (2) The accounts of the Department of State.

18 (3) The accounts of the United States Agency
19 for International Development.

20 (4) The account of any other department or
21 agency of the United States Government conducting
22 operations or activities in Iraq or Afghanistan, but
23 only for the purpose of funding such operations or
24 activities.

25 (c) **EFFECT OF TRANSFER.**—

1 (1) MERGER WITH ACCOUNT TO WHICH TRANS-
2 FERRED.—Any amount transferred under subsection
3 (a) to an account specified in subsection (b) shall be
4 merged with amounts in such account that are avail-
5 able for operations or activities in Iraq or Afghanis-
6 tan, and shall available for the same purposes, and
7 subject to the same conditions and limitations, as
8 amounts in such account that are available for oper-
9 ations or activities in Iraq or Afghanistan.

10 (2) EFFECT ON ACCOUNTS.—A transfer of an
11 amount under subsection (a) to an account specified
12 in subsection (b) shall be deemed to increase the
13 amount provided for such account by an amount
14 equal to the amount transferred.

15 (3) TERMINATION OF CONGRESSIONAL DI-
16 RECTED SPENDING ITEM.—Upon the transfer under
17 subsection (a) of the amount of a congressionally di-
18 rected spending item, the budget authority, credit
19 authority, or other spending authority for such item
20 in the amount as so directed shall have no further
21 force or effect.

22 (d) CONGRESSIONALLY DIRECTED SPENDING ITEM
23 DEFINED.—In this section, the term “congressionally di-
24 rected spending item” means a provision or report lan-
25 guage included primarily at the request of a Member of

1 Congress providing, authorizing, or recommending a spe-
2 cific amount of discretionary budget authority, credit au-
3 thority, or other spending authority for a contract, loan,
4 loan guarantee, grant, loan authority, or other expenditure
5 with or to an entity, or targeted to a specific State, local-
6 ity, or Congressional district other than through a statu-
7 tory or administrative formula-driven or competitive
8 award process.

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