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DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Appropriations, 2007	\$47,121,000
Budget estimate, 2008	58,693,000
Committee recommendation	53,193,000

The Committee recommendation provides \$53,193,000 for Departmental Management Salaries and Expenses, of which \$2,000,000 is for the National Medal of Technology. The recommendation is \$6,072,000 above the fiscal year 2007 enacted level and \$5,500,000 below the budget request.

Within Departmental Management, the Salaries and Expenses account provides funding for the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, and support staff. Responsibilities involve policy development and implementation affecting United States and international activities, as well as, establishing internal goals and operations of the Department.

HCHB RENOVATION AND MODERNIZATION

Appropriations, 2007	
Budget estimate, 2008	\$4,300,000
Committee recommendation	5,100,000

The Committee recommendation provides \$5,100,000 for the HCHB Renovation. Within the funds provided the following congressionally directed project is funded: \$800,000 is for the National Aquarium, Washington, DC, for HCHB rental payments and cost of planning and design of new space within HCHB (Mikulski).

UNITED STATES TRAVEL AND TOURISM PROMOTION

Appropriations, 2007	\$3,949,000
Budget estimate, 2008	
Committee recommendation	

The Committee recommendation provides no funding for United States Travel and Tourism Promotion as requested by the administration.

The Committee directs the Secretary to submit a report to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and Commerce regarding the use of fiscal year 2004, fiscal year 2005, and fiscal year 2006 funding provided to the Travel and Tourism Promotion Advisory Board. The report shall detail what actions have been taken to stimulate tourism in the United States. The report shall be submitted to the Committees no later than February 1, 2008.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Appropriations, 2007	\$22,592,000
Budget estimate, 2008	23,426,000
Committee recommendation	23,426,000

The Committee recommendation provides \$23,426,000. The recommendation is \$834,000 above the fiscal year 2007 enacted level and the same as the budget request.