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S. 462

To prohibit the expenditure of appropriated funds on the United States International Space Station Freedom Program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

FEBRUARY 25 (legislative day, JANUARY 5), 1993

Mr. BUMPERS (for himself, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SASSER, Mr. COHEN, and Mr. BRYAN) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations

A BILL

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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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Deficit Reduction
5 Through Space Station Freedom Termination Act of
6 1993”.

7 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

8 The Congress finds that—

1 (1) the Federal budget deficit has grown
2 to such an extent that it poses a serious short-,
3 medium-, and long-term threat to the health of the
4 United States economy;

5 (2) the gross interest costs on the National debt
6 now exceed defense expenditures in the Federal
7 budget and are one of the fastest-growing compo-
8 nents in the Federal budget;

9 (3) the American people are demanding serious
10 and fundamental changes in the Federal Govern-
11 ment's management of spending priorities and over-
12 all fiscal stewardship;

13 (4) Federal Government programs that are not
14 absolutely necessary to the health and well-being of
15 the American people must be closely scrutinized for
16 possible funding reduction or elimination;

17 (5) many experts in the scientific community
18 are convinced of the general lack of technical merit
19 of the United States International Space Station
20 Freedom Program and are opposed to the program;
21 and

22 (6) termination of the United States Inter-
23 national Space Station Freedom Program would
24 save the Federal Government tens of billions of
25 dollars.

1 **SEC. 3. TERMINATION OF THE SPACE STATION PROGRAM.**

2 (a) PROHIBITION.—Effective 90 days after the date
3 of enactment of this section, no appropriated funds shall
4 be available to carry out the provisions of section 106 of
5 the National Aeronautics and Space Administration
6 Authorization Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 2451 note).

7 (b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding the provisions of
8 subsection (a), not to exceed \$500,000,000 of such funds
9 referred to in subsection (c) may be used in terminating
10 the United States International Space Station Freedom
11 Program.

12 (c) UNEXPENDED FUNDS.—Subject to the provisions
13 of subsection (b), any funds appropriated for use on the
14 United States International Space Station Freedom Pro-
15 gram that remain unexpended and unobligated 90 days
16 after the date of enactment of this section shall be credited
17 to the general revenues of the United States Treasury.

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