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Price Responds to White House Threats to Cut Homeland Security Funding

WASHINGTON – Today, Congressman David Price (D-NC), Chairman of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Homeland Security, issued the following response to reports indicating that the Bush Administration plans to make significant cuts to homeland security funding in the FY 2009 budget:

“News reports indicate that OMB appears to be trying to balance the budget on the backs of our nation’s first responders, and reportedly over adamant protests by the Department of Homeland Security. I would hope the President has enough sense to reject this wrongheaded proposal. A bipartisan majority in Congress has consistently supported robust investments in terrorist preparedness and response programs. And with intelligence reports warning of a heightened risk of terrorist attacks here at home, I find it hard to fathom how anyone could recommend cuts to these programs.”

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The White House and Congress are currently in a standoff over the 11 remaining FY 2008 Appropriations bills. For more information on how the President and Congress differ on Homeland Security Appropriations, [click here](#).