

Tom Coburn

AMENDMENT NO. _____

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Purpose: To save at least \$7.3 billion by terminating leftover congressional earmark ^{accounts.} ~~accounts.~~

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. COBURN

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1 At the end of title V, add the following:

2 **SEC. __. TERMINATING LEFTOVER**

3 **CONGRESSIONAL EARMARK ACCOUNTS.**

4 (a) In General.—Any language specifying an earmark in an appropriations Act for fiscal
5 year 2010, or in a committee report or joint explanatory statement accompanying such an
6 Act, shall have no legal effect.

7 (b) Definition.—For purposes of this section, the term “earmark” means a congressional
8 earmark or congressionally directed spending item, as defined in clause 9(e) of rule XXI
9 of the Rules of the House of Representatives and paragraph 5(a) of rule XLIV.

1 (c) Reduction Required.—Any funds appropriated in fiscal year 2011 to any program
2 shall be reduced by the total amount of congressional earmarks or congressionally
3 directed spending items contained within a committee report or joint explanatory
4 statement accompanying such an Act that provided appropriations to the program in
5 fiscal year 2010.

6 (d) Rescission.—The amounts reduced by subsection (c) are rescinded and returned to the
7 Treasury.

8 (e) Prior Law.—Subsections (c) and (d) shall not apply to any programs or accounts that
9 were reduced in the same manner by Public Law 112–4 or any other bill that takes effect
10 prior to date of enactment of this Act.