

President's budget would slash domestic programs

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Policy Priorities says, "One possible inference is that the compassion is only supposed to last through the election." Kogan, a 20-year veteran of the House Budget Committee, cites Title 1, the education program that sends federal money directly to school districts with high concentrations of low-income students, as an example of what he calls Bush's sleight of hand.

"The president is proposing an increase from \$13.846 billion in fiscal year '04 to \$15.205 billion in fiscal year '05. And he's touting the increases. This is one of the increases that he deliberately leaked before the State of the Union," Kogan says. "The next year, 2006, the number is cut from \$15.205 billion to \$14.818 billion."

Kogan says he was able to find about the budget shenanigans only by examining additional documents from the Congressional Budget Office.

"They removed from their budget documents all the tables that would show this," says Kogan, who also worked for the Congressional Research Service prior to joining the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities. "It's virtually unheard of for [a president] to change budget documents to hide information that had previously been made avail-

able."

Kogan says it was a deliberate effort to conceal cuts.

"The tables that they chopped off in 2005 were tables that in previous years, going back many, many years, had always shown account level detail year-by-year for the budget year and the subsequent four years," he explains. "They had to have deliberately decided to go throughout the budget and cut every place where these numbers would appear so you wouldn't get them."

The president's proposed

\$401 billion military budget, drew criticism from the Congressional Black Caucus.

"Defense spending will go up 7 percent, homeland security 10 percent, while President Bush proposed spending for education, health care and other social needs will go up only 1 percent. It won't even keep pace with inflation," Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. (D-Ill.) said. "Brace yourself. Hard times are ahead."

The Pentagon requests \$401.7 billion, not including

extra funds for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan. When the \$87.5 billion wartime budget passed in November runs out, officials have estimated that billions more will likely be needed. Those figures are not part of the budget sub-

mitted by Bush.

"President Bush's 2005 budget clearly demonstrates that he does not understand the challenges facing most Americans," Rep. Denise L. Majette (D-Ga.) said. "Instead of presenting Congress with a budget that

creates jobs, strengthens education, takes care of veterans and provides health care for every American, his priorities include making the millionaire's tax cut permanent and big giveaways for the drug companies and HMOs."



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