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THE SENATE HAS PASSED A BUDGET-CUTTING MEASURE SPONSORED BY SENATOR BYRD OF WEST VIRGINIA AND MYSELF. THIS WILL REDUCE THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION BY APPROXIMATELY 100 MILLION DOLLARS.

THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR INVOLVED WAS THE OVERWHELMING PASSAGE OF THE AMENDMENT, 58-15. THROUGHOUT THIS WEEK I HAVE BEEN INTRODUCING BUDGET CUTTING MEASURES AND WITH EACH ONE SUPPORT AMONG OTHER SENATORS HAS GROWN.

TODAY WE FINALLY HAVE A VICTORY AND I SEE IT AS A TAXPAYERS VICTORY IN THE BATTLE AGAINST INFLATION. THE SIZE OF THE VOTE IN A CLEAR INDICATION THAT SENATORS CAN BE CONVINCED OF THE NEED FOR FEDERAL RESTRAINT AND IT MEANS TAXPAYERS HAVE REASON TO HOPE FOR MORE VICTORIES THIS YEAR IN THE FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION.