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including a payment, expenditure, receipt of funds from the sale of an asset, and the collection of revenues and other receipts, shall not be treated as causing a reduction in the deficit for the fiscal year from which the transfer was made except to the extent that such transfer reduces the sum of the deficits for the two fiscal years by at least \$100,000,000. For purposes of this section, an action shall be considered to have been transferred when the action is taken in a different fiscal year and such change in the year is not —

(1) a necessary but secondary result of a significant policy change;

(2) to provide for contingencies; or

(3) to achieve savings made possible by or through changes in requirements or greater efficiency of operations.

(b) For purposes of the application of this section to the Congressional Budget and Impoundment Control Act of 1974, the level of outlays and the deficit for a fiscal year shall be determined on the basis of estimates made by the Committee on the Budget of the House of Representatives or the Senate, as the case may be.

H.J. Res. 324, 100th Cong., 1st Sess. (July 31, 1987) (as received in the House with Senate amendments).

The conference report describes the section:

7. Prohibition Against Counting Certain Actions
as Savings

Current Law

Under current practice, the deficit for a fiscal year can be reduced by transferring certain actions by the Federal Government between that fiscal year and another fiscal year, even if the deficit for the other fiscal year is increased as a result.

Senate Amendment

The Senate amendment (Section 225) provides that a transfer of any action by the Federal Government — including payments, expenditures, asset sales, and the collection of revenues and receipts — from one fiscal year to an adjacent fiscal year shall not be treated as reducing the deficit for the fiscal year from which the transfer is made unless, as a result of the transfer, the deficit for the period covered by both fiscal years is reduced by at least \$100 million.

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