

Washington - Today, Rep. Lee Terry (R-NE) released the following statement after the House of Representatives passed H.J.Res 44, a continuing resolution which will provide funds to keep the government operating at the current spending level until March 18, while providing \$4 billion in spending reductions.

The spending bill must now be passed by the Senate and signed into law before midnight, March 4, to avoid a government shutdown.

**"If we are going to get our fiscal house in order, we have to stop spending money we don't have. Two weeks ago, the House passed the largest spending cut in generations, but America is still waiting for the Senate to take action.**

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**"The measure we passed today will allow all government agencies and programs to continue to function until we can send an overall funding bill to the President for the rest of the fiscal year which cuts spending, reduces our debt, and makes a significant dent in our nation's \$1.5 trillion deficit," Terry said.**

