

American Parity Amendment

The Administration's postwar request would build more housing, rebuild more schools and go further in providing health care for more pregnant women in Iraq than for Americans.



Housing

Iraq—20,000 houses rehabilitated¹

America—5,000 new housing units²



Schools

Iraq—Books and supplies provided for 12,500 schools; resources to enroll 4 million children; rebuilding or renovation of 25,000 schools

America—28,000 kids will be eliminated from Head Start, no funds are allotted for school modernization, teacher-quality programs are cut 10%, and 40 educational initiatives are zeroed out under the House Republican budget.³

¹ All Iraq cites from USAID reports cited in *Wall Street Journal* articles "U.S. is Quietly Soliciting Bids for Rebuilding Postwar Iraq" 3/10/03, and "Bush Has an Audacious Plan to Rebuild Iraq Within a Year" 3/17/03

² Testimony: HUD Secretary Martinez, House Financial Services Committee DATE

³ "Summary and Analysis of the 2004 House Republican Budget" House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, pg. 13.



Health Care

Iraq—Provide 13 million people access to basic health services; one hospital in every major city; maternity care for 100% of the population.

America—Not one new dollar for 42 million working uninsured⁴



Major Infrastructure

Iraq—Repair of nearly 3,000 miles of major roads.

America—Highway funding in America cut \$6 billion over the next 10 years.⁵

Iraq—Complete reconstruction of only deep-water port.

America—The President's budget cuts the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers funding by 10%.⁶

⁴ Ibid. Pg. 12.

⁵ Ibid. Pg. 20.

⁶ "Summary and Analysis of President Bush's 2004 Budget" House Budget Committee, Democratic Caucus, pg. 60