

DEMOCRATIC RECORD ON PORT SECURITY

Time After Time, Republicans Have Rejected Democratic Efforts to Increase Investments in Port Security

2005 Vote #187 – May 18, 2005 – H.R. 1817, FY 2006 Homeland Security Authorization

Democrats offered a substitute to the Homeland Security Authorization bill that would have provided an additional \$400 million in funding for port security in FY 2006, including doubling the number of new overseas port inspectors. Unfortunately, Republicans defeated the Democratic substitute by a vote of 196 to 230.

2004 Vote #243 – June 16, 2004 – H.R. 4567, FY 2005 Homeland Security Appropriations

Democrats sought to offer an amendment that would have increased funding for port and container security by \$400 million in FY 2005. Unfortunately, Republicans voted to block consideration of this amendment.

2003 Vote #305 – June 24, 2003 – H.R. 2555, FY 2004 Homeland Security Appropriations

Democrats sought to offer an amendment that would have increased port and maritime security by \$500 million in FY 2004. Unfortunately, Republicans voted to block consideration of this amendment.

2003 Vote #103 – April 3, 2003 – H.R. 1559, FY 2003 Wartime Supplemental

Democrats sought to offer an amendment that would have increased funding to improve port and infrastructure security by \$722 million in FY 2003. Unfortunately, Republicans voted to block consideration of this amendment.

2001 Vote #454 – November 28, 2001 – H.R. 3338, FY 2002 Defense Appropriations/Emergency Supplemental

Democrats sought to offer an amendment that would have increased Coast Guard port security operations by \$165 million and direct grants to individual ports for security assessments and enhancements by \$200 million in FY 2002. Unfortunately, Republicans voted to block consideration of this amendment.

