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ATR WILL RATE THE CLOTURE VOTE FOR THE FY06 DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS CONFERENCE REPORT

The Senate will vote on the FY2006 Defense Appropriations Conference Report, which includes a provision to open a portion of the Arctic National Wildlife Reserve (ANWR): a necessity by the American people for domestic energy and job production. Before the vote for passage, Senators will vote on cloture, which will determine the fate of not only ANWR, but U.S. defense funding for the next year.

In the wake of Hurricane Katrina, it has become increasingly evident that America must harness and develop more of its own domestic oil supply. Requiring more domestic energy will create new jobs, lower gas prices, and boost economic growth. The ANWR provision is expected to raise \$2.4 billion by producing more than 10.4 billion barrels of oil.

Developing America's energy resources promotes our energy security.

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