



YEO Tele-Conference:

No Child Left Behind

From Impact to Action

Agenda

- Welcome
- Moderator
 - Angela Garretson,**
School Board President, Hillside, New Jersey
- Speakers
 - Roberto Rodriguez,**
Senior Education Advisor to US Senator Edward Kennedy
 - Donna Harris-Aikens,**
NEA, Education Policy and Practice
 - Tanya Clay House,**
People For the American Way, Public Policy Director
- Q & A

Angela Garretson



- President, Board of Education
- Hillside, New Jersey

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Will “No Child Left Behind” Be Left Behind?



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National Education Association

Of Politics, Policies, and Process...

**What happened in
2007?**

**What's our
CURRENT reality
in 2008?**



NEA MESSAGE: GET IT RIGHT

- **Our message in summer and fall 2007:
Reject the Miller draft, slow down and
get it right.**

**“Nation’s Largest Education Association
Urges House Committee to Reject Draft
Language for Reauthorization of No
Child Left Behind Law.”**

<http://www.nea.org/newsreleases/2007/nr070910.html>

ESEA Reauthorization Status:

- **HOUSE:**

- **1,000+ page draft bill released by Chairman Miller (D-CA) and Ranking Republican McKeon (R-CA) in late August/early September 2007.**
- **Drew opposition from House Republicans; President Bush mentioned veto – both said draft “weakens” accountability.**
- **House Democrats wanted more changes.**
- **Miller lacked votes to move package.**

ESEA Reauthorization Status:

- **Senate:**
 - **Chairman Kennedy (D-MA) and Ranking Republican Enzi (R-WY) released drafts of “smaller” titles of ESEA in mid-October 2007.**
 - **Drafts DID NOT include proposals for accountability, teacher quality, or other controversial parts of legislation.**

NCLB Funding – Fiscal Year '08

- **Bush vetoed original bill on 11/13/07— included 6.84% increase for NCLB programs (\$1.6 billion increase).**
- **House veto override vote failed 277-141 (2 votes short of needed 2/3^{rds}) on 11/15/07.**
- **Final omnibus appropriations bill in December increased NCLB by \$939 million (4.0%).**
- **We lost almost \$700 million in NCLB \$ due to veto!**

NCLB Funding – Fiscal Year '08

□ NCLB selected programs funding:

- Title I grants: +\$1.06 billion (+8.3%)
- Title I School Improvement Grants: +\$366 million (+293%)
- Reading First: -\$636 million (-61.8%)
- Teacher Quality State Grants: +\$48 million (+1.7%)
- 21st Century Community Learning Centers (After school program): +\$100 million (+10.2%)
- English Language Acquisition State Grants: +\$31.4 million (+4.7%)

NCLB Funding - Fiscal Year '09

- **President Bush's FY 09 budget released on February 4, 2008.**
- **Increases overall NCLB funding by only 0.5%. HOWEVER, that includes \$300 million for new private school voucher program.**
- **Thus, funding for current NCLB programs is actually reduced by \$180 million (-0.7%).**

NCLB Funding - Fiscal Year '09

- **Selected NCLB programs to be cut or eliminated:**
 - **Even Start: eliminated**
 - **Education Technology State Grants: eliminated**
 - **After School: cut 26%** and turned into voucher program
 - **Gifted and Talented: eliminated**
 - **Native Hawaiian and Alaska Native Education: eliminated**
 - **Arts Education: eliminated**
 - **Parent Information Centers: eliminated**
 - **Safe and Drug-Free Schools State Grants: cut 66%**

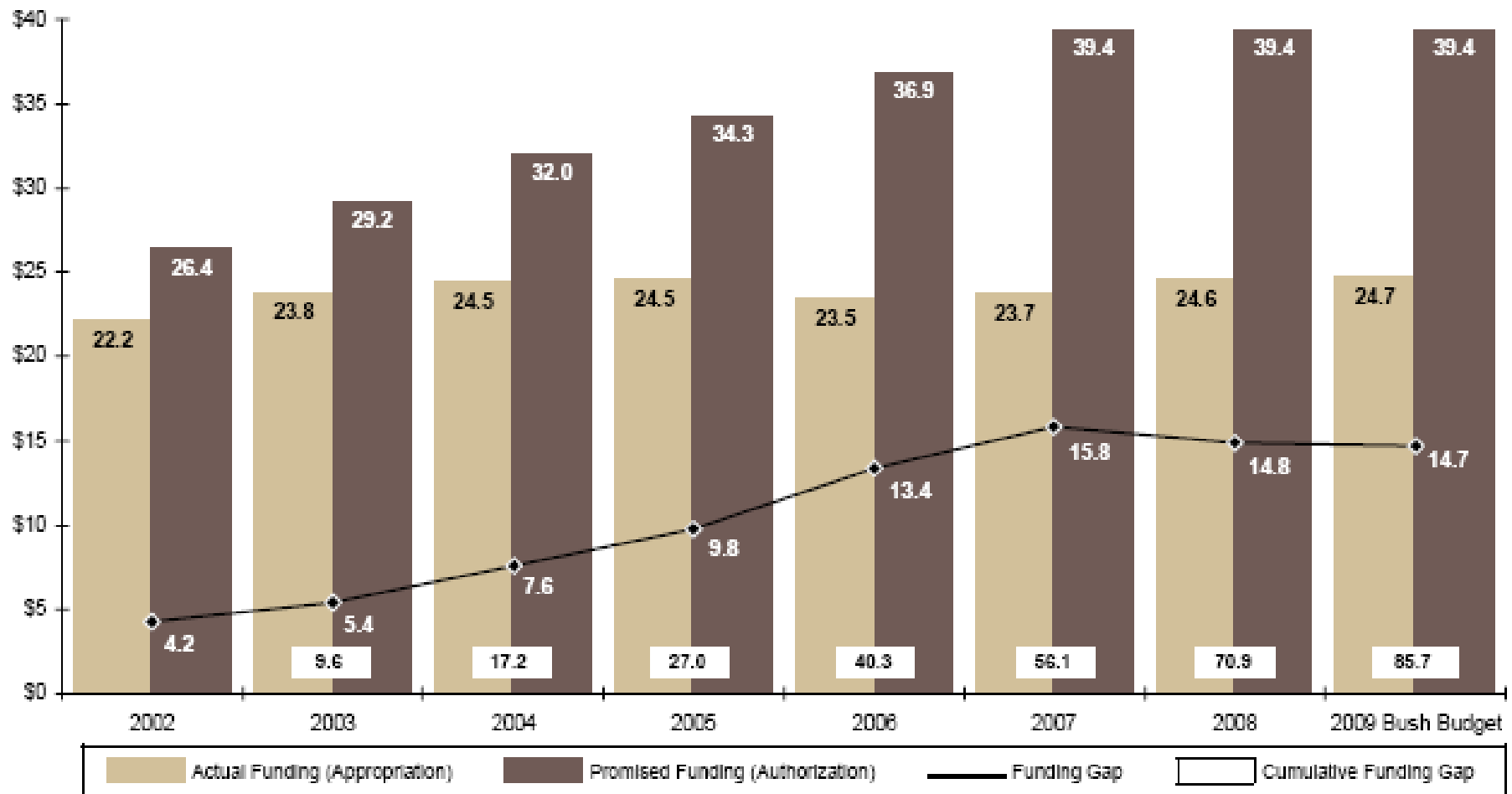
NCLB Funding - Fiscal Year '09

- **Expectation of continued gridlock on funding between Bush and Democrats.**
- **Continuing Resolution likely until February 2009, with final funding to be resolved under new President.**

FUNDING GAP: No Child Left Behind

Funding Promised in the Law vs. Funding Actually Received, FY 2002-09

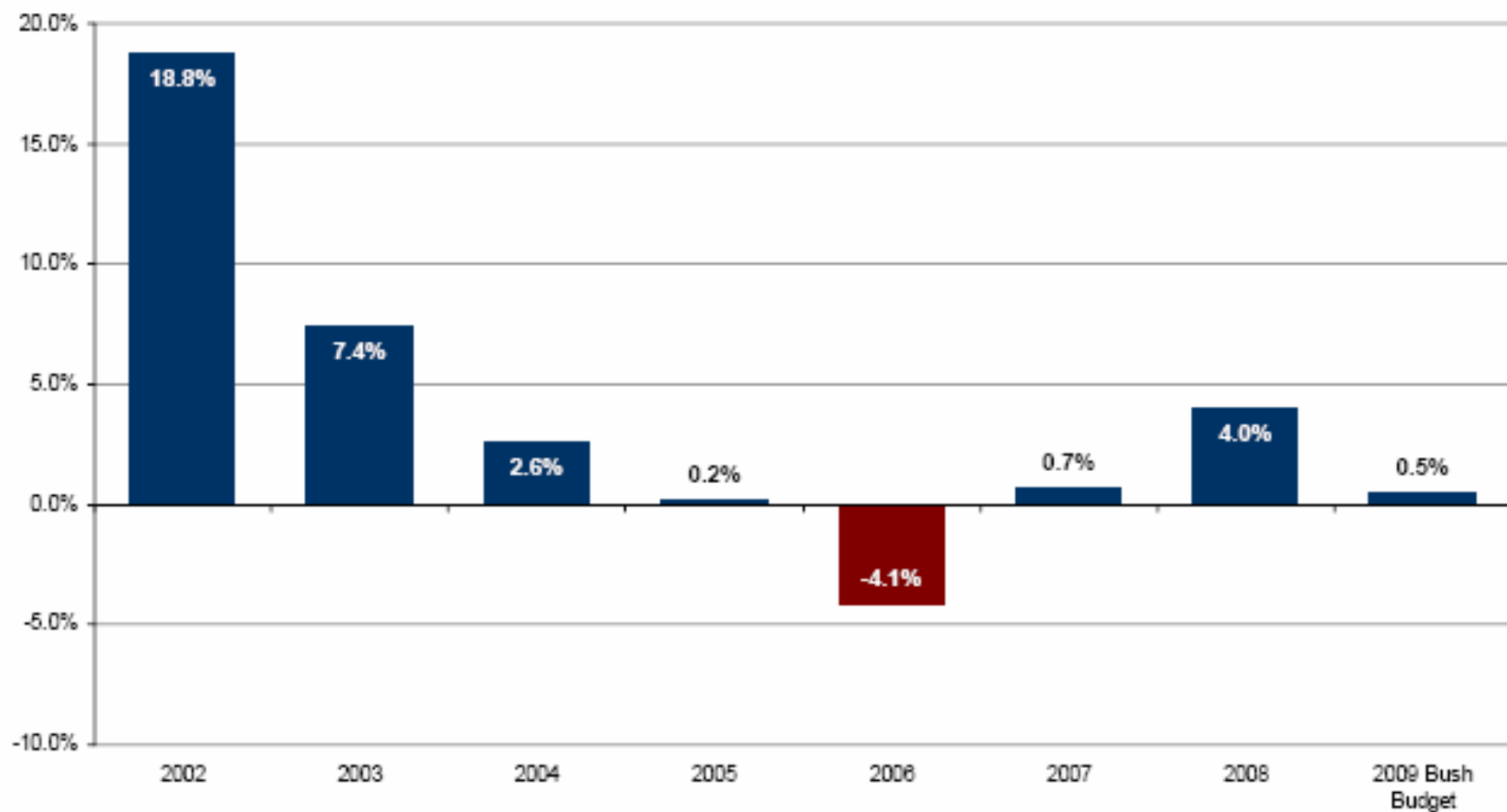
(in billions)



Source: U.S. Department of Education. NCLB funding amounts represent all federal education programs authorized or otherwise amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110). Authorization amounts are from the NCLB Act. The authorized amounts in fiscal years 2008 and 2009 are based on the fiscal year 2007 level, the last year authorized under NCLB. For more information, contact Tom Zembar at 202.822.7109 or TZembar@nea.org. Updated February 4, 2008.

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Percentage Change in Funding by Fiscal Year, 2002-09



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State-by-State Information

- State-by-State Look at Funding Gaps (FY 2002 – 2008):

www.nea.org/lac/funding/images/NCLBFundingGapState.pdf

- State-by-State Look at NCLB Implementation:

www.nea.org/nclbaction/states/index.html

Reauthorization: Next Steps

- **Chance of bill being signed into law in 2008 are slim to none.**
- **If no reauthorization this year, then current law stays in place through annual appropriations.**

NEA ESEA Priorities

1. Federal government should serve as partner to support state efforts to transform schools.
2. Ensure ALL children have access to 21st century education.
3. Revamp accountability system to correctly identify schools in need of aid and provide a system of effective interventions.
4. Provide teachers/staff with support and resources.

NEA ESEA Priorities

4. Require states to detail how they will remedy inequities in educational tools, opportunities, and resources.
5. Respect state and local collective bargaining for school employees.
6. Expand targeted programs that support unique populations.
7. The federal government should serve as a clearinghouse for research and promising practices.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- **Visit your local school to see impact of NCLB.**
- **Hold a town hall meeting on education issues.**
- **Support NEA's ESEA reauthorization priorities.**
- **Support substantial increases in federal funding for critical programs such as Title I, teacher quality state grants (includes paraprofessionals), afterschool, special education.**

NEA'S Blog:



<http://nclbchange.wordpress.com/>

NEA's Newsletter:



▶ **ESEA/NCLB UPDATE**
news you can use

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More Information:

www.nea.org/esea

www.nea.org/lac

Tanya Clay House



- People For the American Way, Public Policy Director



PFAW Letter

- What do you want in the letter to Congress?
- Those that want to sign on should contact Alisha Morgan at amorgan@pfaw.org, she will send your name to PFAW.

A stylized graphic of the American flag is positioned on the left side of the slide. It features a blue field with white stars and a white field with blue stripes, rendered in a modern, geometric style.

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