

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. Jo Bonner (R-AL) today made the following statement after the U.S. House of Representatives passed H.R. 1591, the Iraq War Supplemental, by a vote of 218-212:

*“Unfortunately, the war supplemental Democrats brought to the House floor today ties the hands of the Commander in Chief and includes billions of dollars in additional funding that has no relationship to the war effort – or our troops – whatsoever.”*

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*“While some of this money may be for worthy causes, including some that would directly benefit my constituents in Alabama, I could not, with a clear conscience, vote for what I know is a Trojan horse.” This spending bill undercuts the ability of our troops to accomplish their mission by tying needed funding to arbitrary deadlines – not successful completion of their mission.*

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*“Rather than giving our soldiers the resources the generals in charge of this mission say they need to have every chance for success, House Democrats have, instead, handed our brave men and women in uniform a white flag.” I am truly saddened by today’s vote.”*