Washington, D.C.—U.S. Congressman Mike Pence voted today against the conference report on H.R. 2055, the consolidated appropriations act for fiscal year 2012. Pence's statement follows:

"While I am grateful that Congress found a way to fund our national defense and other vital government programs before the end of the fiscal year, it is unfortunate that the process resulted in one more 1,000 page bill spending nearly $1 trillion.

"The American people deserve better. The American people want us to change the way we spend the people's money. While I support many of the important programs in this legislation, I do not support business as usual in Washington, D.C., and therefore I opposed this conference report."

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