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- § 301(a)(3)                    (3) the surplus<sup>136</sup> or deficit<sup>137</sup> in the budget;
- § 301(a)(4)                    (4) new budget authority,<sup>138</sup> budget outlays,<sup>139</sup> direct loan obligations, and primary loan guarantee commitments for each major functional category,<sup>140</sup> based on allocations of the total levels set forth pursuant to paragraph (1);
- § 301(a)(5)                    (5) the public debt;<sup>141</sup>
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<sup>136</sup> Section 3(7) defines "surplus." *See supra* p. 17.

<sup>137</sup> Section 3(6) defines "deficit." *See supra* p. 16.

<sup>138</sup> Section 3(2) defines "budget authority." *See supra* pp. 11-13.

<sup>139</sup> Section 3(1) defines "budget outlays." *See supra* p. 11.

<sup>140</sup> Section 911(b) of title 42 of the United States Code provides for a separate major functional category for Medicare. Note that the content of that functional category changed in fiscal year 1993. *See infra* note 1651.

Section 802, as originally enacted, while not addressing the congressional budget, did address the alteration of functional categories in the President's budget. *See infra* note 939. The substance of section 802 is codified at section 1104(c) of title 31 of the United States Code, which now states:

(c) When the President makes a basic change in the form of the budget, the President shall submit with the budget information showing where items in the budget for the prior fiscal year are contained in the present budget. However, the President may change the functional categories in the budget only in consultation with the Committees on Appropriations and on the Budget of both Houses of Congress. Committees of the House of Representatives and Senate shall receive prompt notification of all such changes.

31 U.S.C. § 1104(c) (1988).

<sup>141</sup> The public debt limit is set at 31 U.S.C. § 3101 (Supp. III 1991), *amended* by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993, Pub. L. No. 103-66, § 13411, 107 Stat. 312 (1993). The Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 raised the limit to \$4.9 trillion. *Id.*

Rule XLIX of the Rules of the House of Representatives provides that the House automatically passes a joint resolution increasing the statutory limit on the public debt (continued...)