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Washington D.C. - Congressman John P. Murtha, Chairman of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, issued the following statement in reaction to the House's failure to override the President's veto of H.R. 976, the Children's Health Insurance Bill. The vote to override the President's veto failed by 273-156.

"I'm appalled that Republicans in Congress have no objection to spending \$120 billion a year in Iraq but refuse to provide an additional \$7 billion a year to provide the poorest children in our country with health care. It is both immoral and wrong for the richest country in the world to ignore the health care needs of 10 million of our children."