

spending would topple the economy. And additionally, it's non-unique because fiscal discipline on AmeriCorps is weak in the status quo. From Alex Wayne, CQ staff, 6/19, "Senate Bill Defies Bush on Abstinence, Spending," *Congressional Quarterly Weekly*: "The bill is the largest domestic spending measure, divvying up \$149.2 billion in discretionary spending among the three large departments it covers, plus several smaller agencies such as the Social Security Administration and AmeriCorps. Bush requested a fiscal 2008 Labor, HHS, Education appropriations bill totaling no more than \$140.9 billion in discretionary spending."

And additionally, extend the analysis on the solvency that we solve for the economy faster and our time frame is important. In turn, the plan aids economic growth in two key ways. First extend our Malcolm et al. domestic potentiality evidence. The evidence is so explicit we'll quote it: "The case for diversity is the single most important determining factor in U.S. economic growth." This is because the plan helps resolve crucial worker shortages that can only be restored through domestic education. And second, extend our Gottschalk cultural competence evidence that American competence is key to competing in foreign markets. And our Malcolm, Chubin, and Jesse evidence in 2004 indicates an increase in education of underprivileged kids is necessary to increase domestic talent to sustain U.S. national security. Unless domestic talent is increased by the plan, a terrorist attack will be inevitable. And our turn outweighs their link arguments because our evidence is so specific.

CROSS-EXAMINATION OF SARAH WEINER (SHAWNEE MISSION WEST HIGH SCHOOL) BY STEPHANIE SPIES (GLENBROOK NORTH HIGH SCHOOL)

Q: How long does it take to translate a person that is involved in a summer activity into talent that they can put back into the economy to make us a competitive economy?

A: We say that immediately—as soon as these children are old enough to have jobs they will be giving back to the economy.

Q: Wouldn't it at least take a whole summer?

A: It will take three months of a summer.

Q: So what do you think will have a faster and larger impact on the economy: kids learning to be civilly engaged and then down the line becoming scientists, thus making us more competitive, or spending \$100 million on a domestic issue when we are overstretched in Iraq and Afghanistan?

A: We have two answers; first, the last part of your question proves that this is non-unique. We are spending billions and billions of dollars in Iraq and Afghanistan, and we have not seen this collapse.