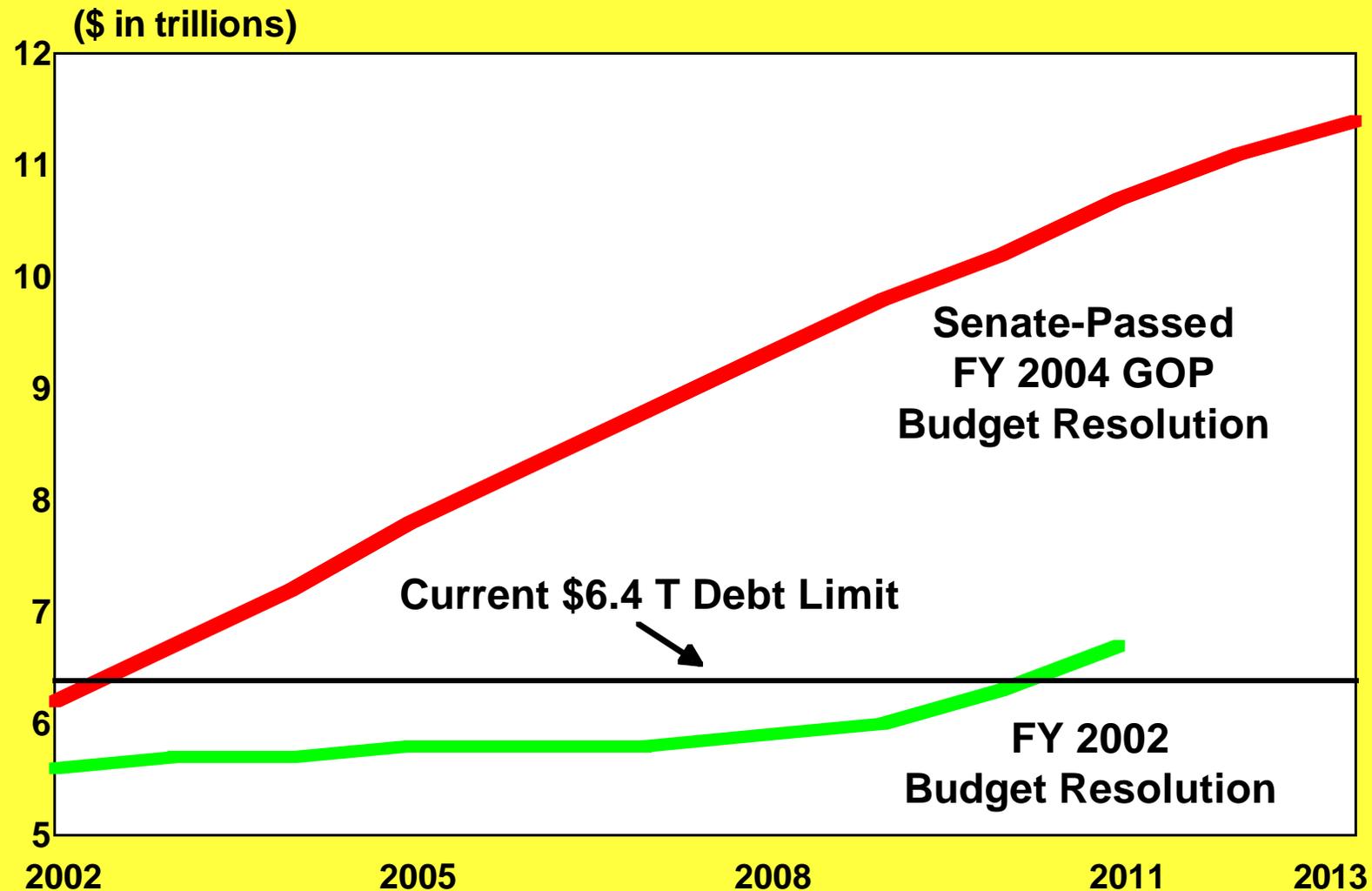


Gross Federal Debt (FY 2002-2013)



Source: Senate Budget Committee

Senate GOP Debt Limit Increase*

“The National Debt Ceiling of the United States shall be increased by the total amount of funds appropriated by Act of Congress for the Department of Defense, Department of Homeland Security or any other Agency of government to prosecute the war against terrorism, the war in Afghanistan, the war in Iraq, since September 11, 2001.”

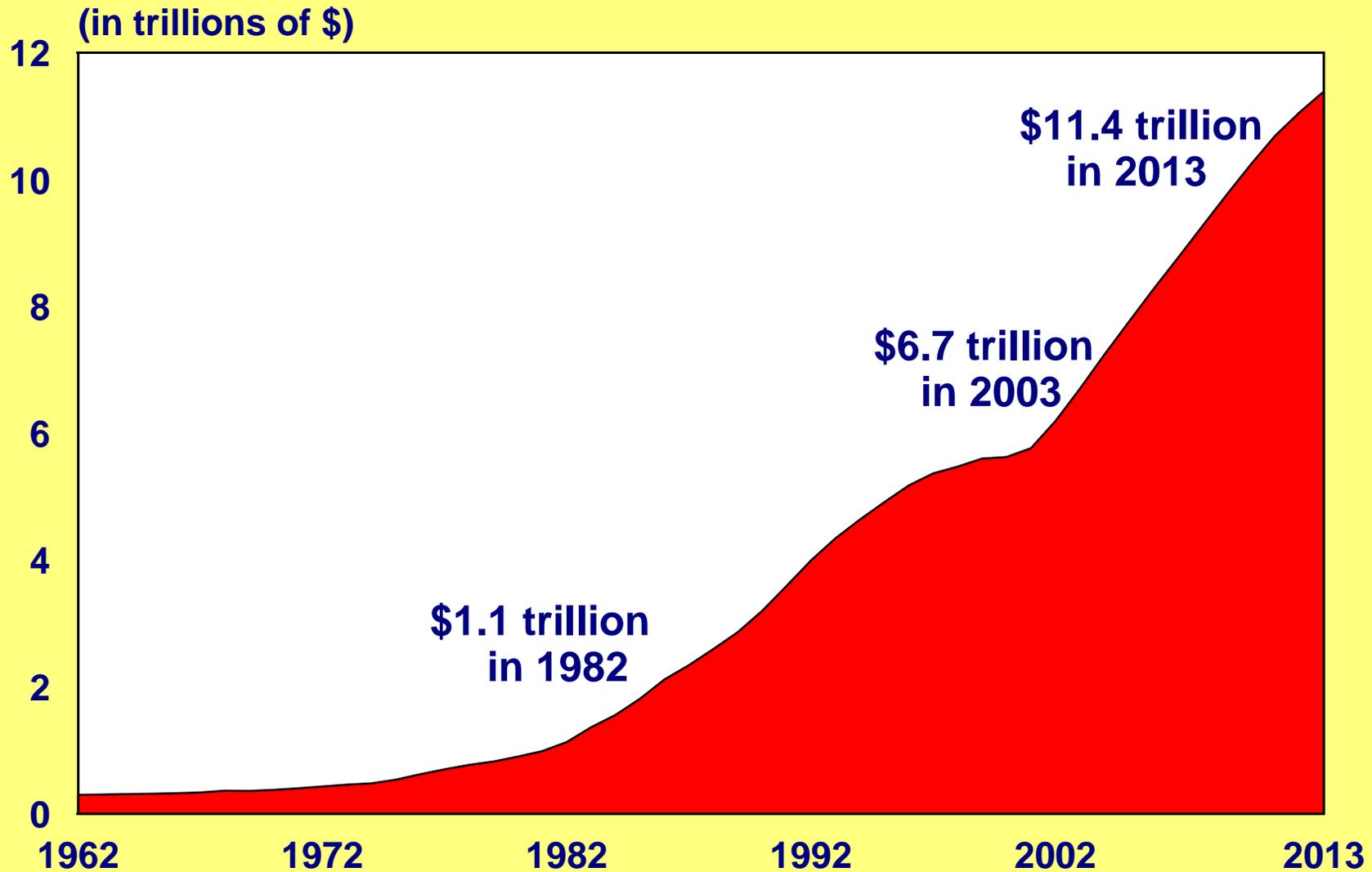
***Sen. Stevens' amendment, eventually withdrawn, during Senate consideration of FY 03 supplemental.**

Selected Spending Since 9/11 Terrorist Attacks
(\$ billions)

FY 2001	
Emergency Response Fund (P.L. 107-38).....	40.0
FY 2002	
Defense.....	320.7
Military Construction.....	10.6
Homeland Defense activities.....	20.1
Supplemental	
DoD.....	13.4
Homeland Defense.....	4.2
FY 2003	
Defense.....	354.8
Military Construction.....	10.5
Defense Matters in C.R.....	10.0
Homeland Defense activities.....	23.6
Supplemental to support operations in Iraq.....	78.7
Total.....	886.7

Gross Federal Debt

Assuming Enactment of Senate GOP Budget



Source: CBO, Senate Budget Committee

April

Bush Administration on Importance of Paying Down Debt

“...(M)y budget pays down a record amount of national debt. We will pay off \$2 trillion of debt over the next decade. That will be the largest debt reduction of any country, ever. Future generations shouldn't be forced to pay back money that we have borrowed. We owe this kind of responsibility to our children and grandchildren.”

**–President George W. Bush
Radio Address
March 3, 2001**

Republican Debt-O-Meter

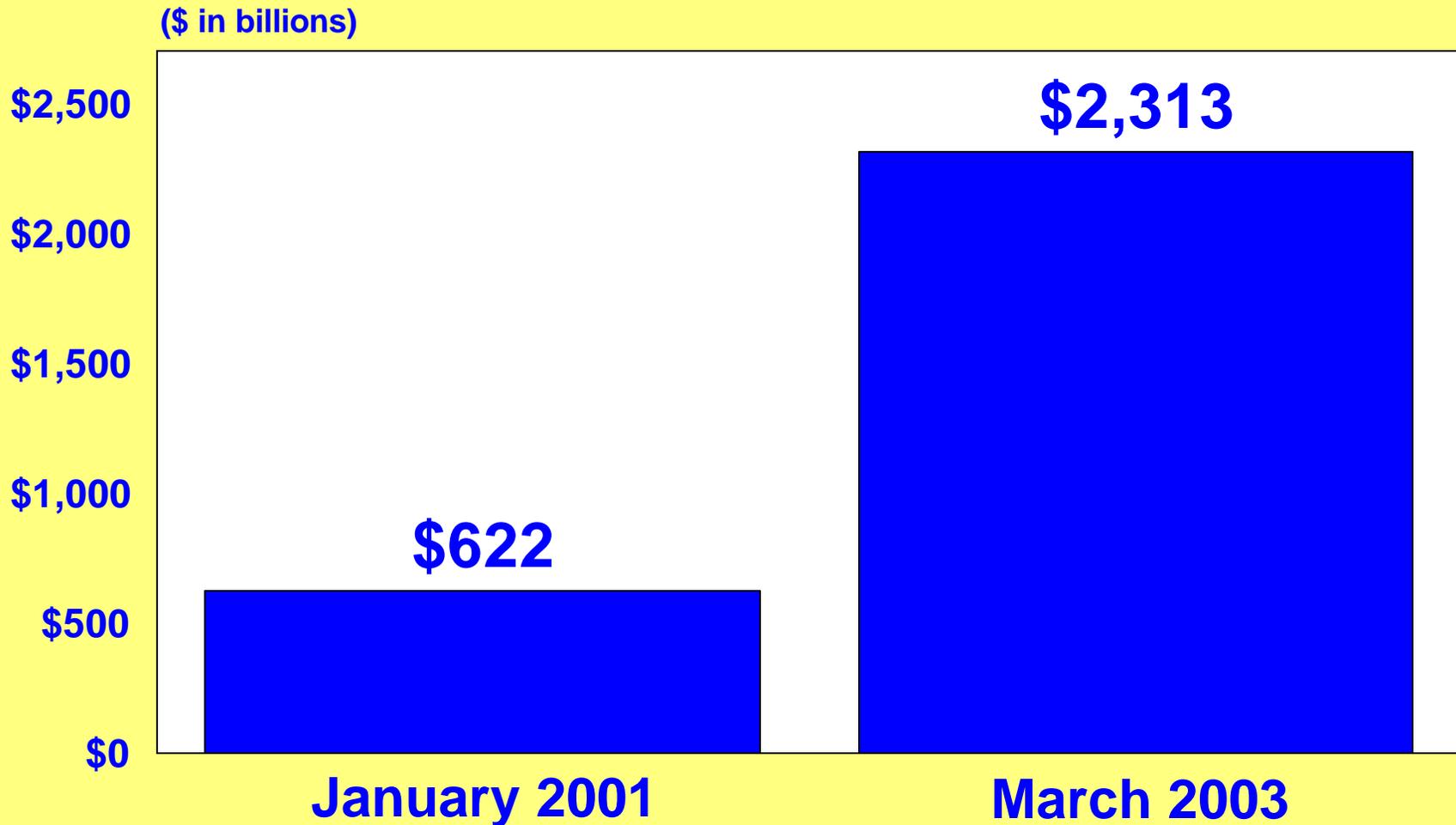
Publicly-held debt in billions of dollars

		<u>2008 Projection</u>
Bush Takes Office	January 2001	\$36
President's FY 02 Budget	April 2001	\$1,242
Bush Tax Cut Passes	August 2001	\$1,632
President's FY 03 Budget	February 2002	\$3,273
President's FY 04 Budget	March 2003	\$5,051

Source: CBO and OMB

Total Federal Interest Costs Increase by \$1.7 Trillion

January 2001 versus March 2003 with President's Policies, FY 2002-11



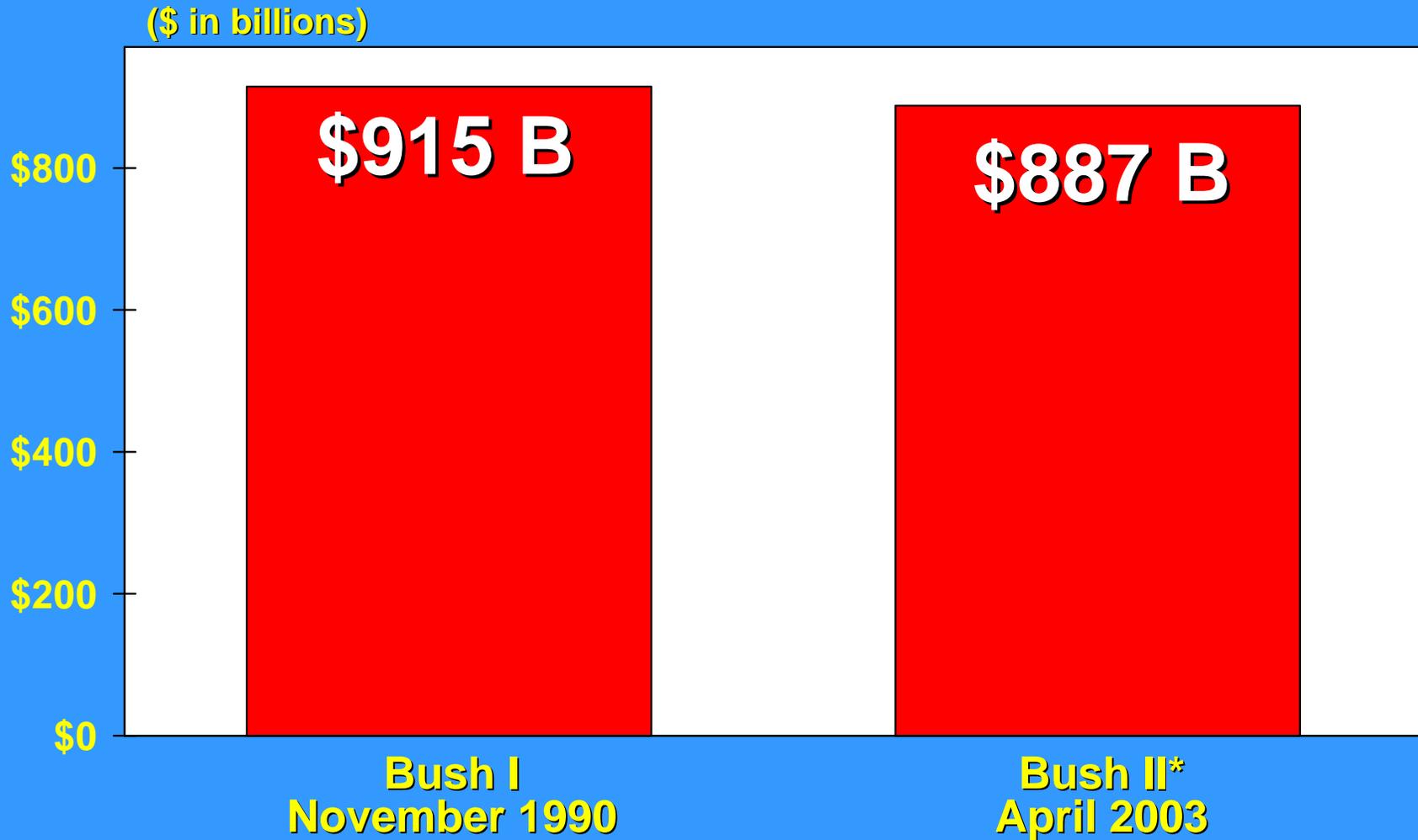
Source: CBO

President Bush Promises to Not Pass on Problems

“This country has many challenges. We will not deny, we will not ignore, we will not pass along our problems to other Congresses, to other presidents and other generations.”

**–President George W. Bush
State of the Union Address
January 28, 2003**

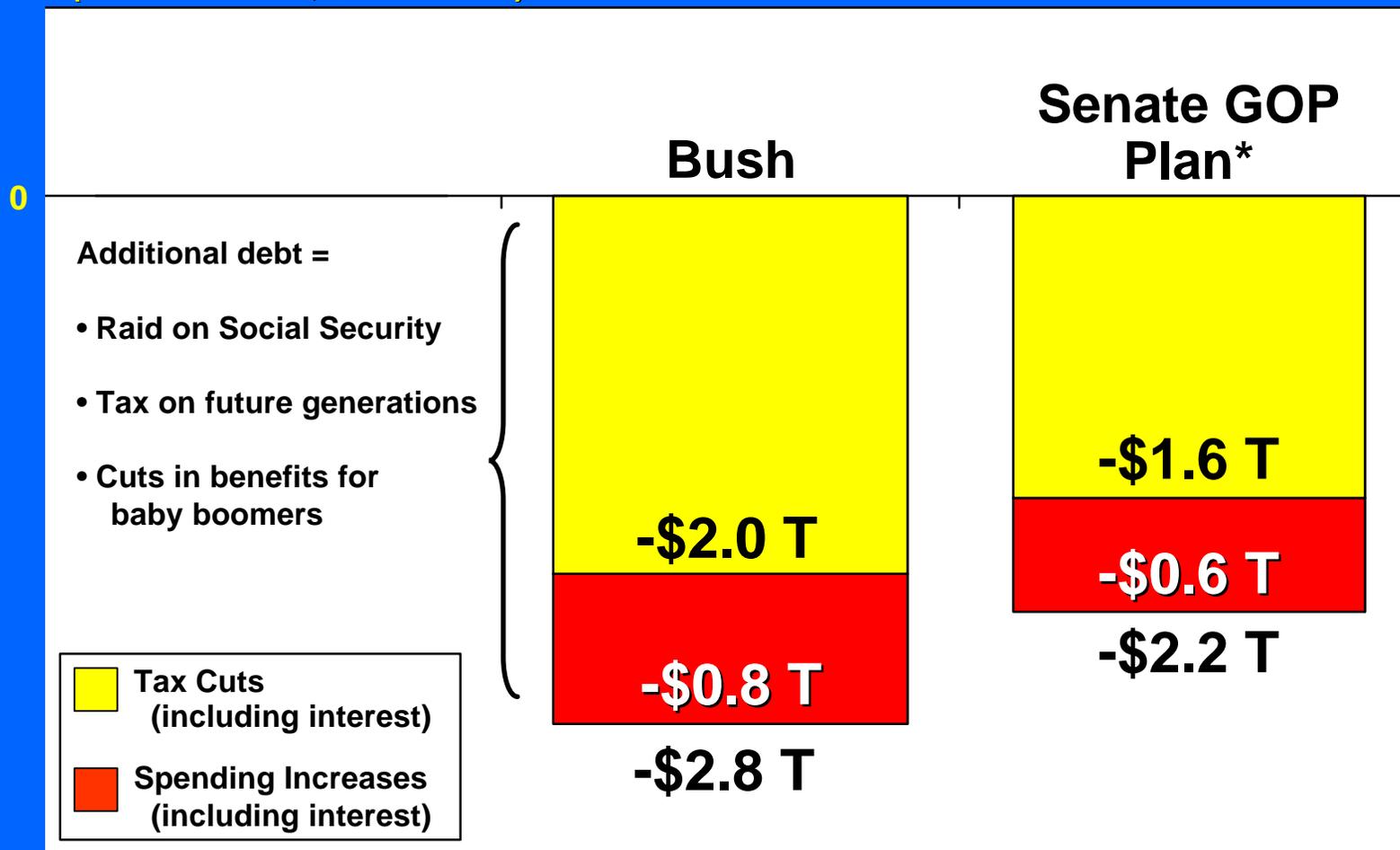
Largest Increases in Debt Limit



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Bush and Senate GOP Plans Add Trillions to Debt

(FYs 2003-2013, \$ in trillions)



*As amended

Source: Senate Budget Committee