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We are pleased that the Senate’s omnibus comedy spending bill was scutteled by senators. After all, the bill was rushed and did include acres and acres of earmarks totaling several billion dollars, but it also included the bill full of earmarks — and both parties did it in a manner reminiscent of the perpetual tirp in ear that we listen to the American people, who are tired of the practice, which too often involves confu in perks to special inter-es or big businesses w\n\nthat would benefit from future cam campaign.

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Having said all this, we take no pleasure in the coming of Republican senators taking credit for killing the omnibus bill. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, a Democrat, was correct when he said of his Republican colleagues’ “hypocrites” pressing for the bill. It was a bill punging against the earmarks, many of which they request- ed. It is hypocrisy to denounce sin, or any action perceived as wrong, while engaging in same sin or act.

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