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Buried inside President Bush's 2008 budget resolution released last week is a provision that would shift control over how anti-violence programs are funded from the legislative to the executive branch. The provision has key lawmakers, as well as advocates in the domestic violence community, up in arms because it would give the Department of Justice, rather than Congress, discretion over how to spend federal dollars earmarked to combat domestic violence and sexual assault. "It's a nightmare," said Jill Morris, public policy director at the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence, an advocacy organization based in Denver.'

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