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To reauthorize and reform the national service laws.

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Mrs. MCCARTHY of New York (for herself, Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, Mr. SESTAK, Mr. HARE, Mr. ANDREWS, Mr. TONKO, Mr. POLIS of Colorado, Ms. HIRONO, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. SABLAN, Mr. KILDEE, Mr. HINOJOSA, and Mr. COURTNEY) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.**

4 (a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the
5 “Generations Invigorating Volunteerism and Education
6 Act” or the “GIVE Act”.

7 (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for
8 this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE
ACT OF 1990

Sec. 1001. References.

Subtitle A—Amendments to Subtitle A (General Provisions)

Sec. 1101. Purposes; sense of Congress.

Sec. 1102. Definitions.

Subtitle B—Amendments to Subtitle B (Learn and Serve America)

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Sec. 1202. Higher education provisions and Campuses of Service.

Sec. 1203. Innovative programs and research.

Subtitle C—Amendments to Subtitle C (National Service Trust Program)

Sec. 1301. Prohibition on grants to Federal agencies; limits on Corporation costs.

Sec. 1302. Required and eligible national service programs.

Sec. 1303. Types of positions.

Sec. 1304. Conforming repeal relating to training and technical assistance.

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Sec. 1308. State selection of programs.

Sec. 1309. National service program assistance requirements.

Sec. 1310. Consideration of applications.

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Sec. 1501. Purpose.

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Sec. 1504. Summer national service program.

Sec. 1505. Team leaders.

Sec. 1506. Training.

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Sec. 1508. Authorized benefits for Corps members.

Sec. 1509. Permanent cadre.

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Sec. 1511. Other departments.

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- Sec. 1515. Definitions.
- Sec. 1516. Terminology.

Subtitle F—Amendments to Subtitle F (Administrative Provisions)

- Sec. 1601. Family and medical leave.
- Sec. 1602. Additional prohibitions on use of funds.
- Sec. 1603. Notice, hearing, and grievance procedures.
- Sec. 1604. Resolution of displacement complaints.
- Sec. 1605. State Commissions on National and Community Service.
- Sec. 1606. Evaluation and accountability.
- Sec. 1607. Technical amendment.
- Sec. 1608. Partnerships with schools.
- Sec. 1609. Rights of access, examination, and copying.
- Sec. 1610. Additional administrative provisions.

Subtitle G—Amendments to Subtitle G (Corporation for National and
Community Service)

- Sec. 1701. Terms of office.
- Sec. 1702. Board of Directors authorities and duties.
- Sec. 1703. Chief executive officer compensation.
- Sec. 1704. Authorities and duties of the Chief Executive Officer.
- Sec. 1705. Delegation to States.
- Sec. 1706. Chief financial officer compensation.
- Sec. 1707. Nonvoting members; personal services contracts.
- Sec. 1708. Donated services.
- Sec. 1709. Study to examine and increase service programs for displaced workers.
- Sec. 1710. Study to evaluate the effectiveness of a centralized electronic citizenship verification system.

Subtitle H—Amendments to Subtitle H

- Sec. 1801. Technical amendments to subtitle H.
- Sec. 1802. Repeals.
- Sec. 1803. New Fellowships.
- Sec. 1804. Innovative and model program support.
- Sec. 1805. Clearinghouses.

Subtitle I—Training and Technical Assistance

- Sec. 1821. Training and technical assistance.

Subtitle J—Repeal of Title III (Points of Light Foundation)

- Sec. 1831. Repeal.

Subtitle K—Amendments to Title V (Authorization of Appropriations)

- Sec. 1841. Authorization of appropriations.

TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO THE DOMESTIC VOLUNTEER
SERVICE ACT OF 1973

- Sec. 2001. References.

Subtitle A—Amendments to Title I (National Volunteer Antipoverty
Programs)

- Sec. 2101. Purpose.
- Sec. 2102. Purpose of the VISTA program.
- Sec. 2103. Applications.
- Sec. 2104. VISTA programs of national significance.
- Sec. 2105. Terms and periods of service.
- Sec. 2106. Support Service.
- Sec. 2107. Sections repealed.
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- Sec. 2109. Financial assistance.

Subtitle B—Amendments to Title II (National Senior Volunteer Corps)

- Sec. 2201. Change in name.
- Sec. 2202. Purpose.
- Sec. 2203. Grants and contracts for volunteer service projects.
- Sec. 2204. Foster Grandparent Program grants.
- Sec. 2205. Senior Companion Program grants.
- Sec. 2206. Promotion of National Senior Service Corps.
- Sec. 2207. Technical amendments.
- Sec. 2208. Programs of national significance.
- Sec. 2209. Additional provisions.
- Sec. 2210. Authority of Director.

Subtitle C—Amendments to Title IV (Administration and Coordination)

- Sec. 2301. Nondisplacement.
- Sec. 2302. Notice and hearing procedures.
- Sec. 2303. Definitions.
- Sec. 2304. Protection against improper use.

Subtitle D—Amendments to Title V (Authorization of Appropriations)

- Sec. 2401. Authorization of appropriations for VISTA and other purposes.
- Sec. 2402. Authorization of appropriations for National Senior Service Corps.

TITLE III—AMENDMENTS TO OTHER LAWS

- Sec. 3101. Inspector General Act of 1978.

TITLE IV—TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO TABLES OF CONTENTS

- Sec. 4101. Table of contents for the National and Community Service Act of 1990.

TITLE V—EFFECTIVE DATE

- Sec. 5101. Effective date.
- Sec. 5102. Service assignments and agreements.

TITLE VI—CONGRESSIONAL COMMISSION ON CIVIC SERVICE

- Sec. 6101. Short title.
- Sec. 6102. Findings.
- Sec. 6103. Establishment.
- Sec. 6104. Duties.
- Sec. 6105. Membership.
- Sec. 6106. Director and Staff of Commission; Experts and Consultants.
- Sec. 6107. Powers of Commission.

Sec. 6108. Reports.
Sec. 6109. Termination.

1 **TITLE I—AMENDMENTS TO NA-**
2 **TIONAL AND COMMUNITY**
3 **SERVICE ACT OF 1990**

4 **SEC. 1001. REFERENCES.**

5 Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in
6 this title an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms
7 of an amendment to, or repeal of, a provision, the ref-
8 erence shall be considered to be made to a provision of
9 the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42
10 U.S.C. 12501 et seq.).

11 **Subtitle A—Amendments to**
12 **Subtitle A (General Provisions)**

13 **SEC. 1101. PURPOSES; SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

14 (a) PURPOSES.—Section 2(b) (42 U.S.C. 12501(b))
15 is amended—

16 (1) in paragraph (2), by striking “community
17 throughout” and inserting “community and service
18 throughout the varied and diverse communities of”;

19 (2) in paragraph (4), by inserting after “in-
20 come,” the following: “geographic location,”;

21 (3) in paragraph (6), by inserting after “exist-
22 ing” the following: “national”;

23 (4) in paragraph (7)—

1 (A) by striking “programs and agencies”
2 and inserting “programs, agencies, and commu-
3 nities”; and

4 (B) by striking “and” at the end;

5 (5) in paragraph (8), by striking the period and
6 inserting a semicolon; and

7 (6) by adding at the end the following:

8 “(9) recognize and increase the impact of social
9 entrepreneurs and other nonprofit community orga-
10 nizations in addressing national and local challenges;

11 “(10) increase public and private investment in
12 nonprofit community organizations that are effec-
13 tively addressing national and local challenges and
14 to encourage such organizations to replicate and ex-
15 pand successful initiatives;

16 “(11) leverage Federal investments to increase
17 State, local, business, and philanthropic resources to
18 address national and local challenges;

19 “(12) encourage national service efforts to ad-
20 dress pressing national challenges, such as improv-
21 ing education for low-income students, increasing en-
22 ergy conservation, and improving the health, well-
23 being, and economic opportunities of the neediest in-
24 dividuals in the Nation;

1 “(13) expand and strengthen service-learning
2 programs through year-round opportunities, includ-
3 ing during the summer months, to improve the edu-
4 cation of children and youth and to maximize the
5 benefits of national and community service, in order
6 to renew the ethic of civic responsibility and the
7 spirit of community to children and youth through-
8 out the United States;

9 “(14) assist in coordinating and strengthening
10 Federal and other service opportunities, including
11 opportunities for participation in emergency and dis-
12 aster preparedness, relief, and recovery;

13 “(15) increase service opportunities for our Na-
14 tion’s retiring professionals, including such opportu-
15 nities for those retiring from the science, technical,
16 engineering, and mathematics professions to improve
17 the education of our Nation’s youth and keep Amer-
18 ica competitive in the global knowledge economy,
19 and to further utilize the experience, knowledge, and
20 skills of older Americans;

21 “(16) encourage the continued service of the
22 alumni of the national service programs, including
23 service in times of national need;

24 “(17) support institutions of higher education
25 that engage students in community service activities,

1 provide service-learning courses, and encourage or
2 assist graduates to pursue careers in public service
3 in the nonprofit or government sector; and

4 “(18) encourage members of the Baby Boom
5 generation to partake in service opportunities.”.

6 (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—The Act is amended by
7 inserting after section 2 the following:

8 **“SEC. 3. SENSE OF CONGRESS.**

9 “It is the sense of Congress that the number of par-
10 ticipants in the programs authorized under subtitle C, in-
11 cluding the Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA) and
12 the National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC), should
13 grow to reach 250,000 participants by 2014.”.

14 **SEC. 1102. DEFINITIONS.**

15 Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 12511) is amended—

16 (1) by redesignating—

17 (A) paragraphs (21) through (29) as para-
18 graphs (28) through (36), respectively;

19 (B) paragraphs (9) through (20) as para-
20 graphs (15) through (26), respectively;

21 (C) paragraphs (7) and (8) as paragraphs
22 (10) and (11), respectively; and

23 (D) paragraphs (3) through (6) as para-
24 graphs (5) through (8), respectively;

1 (2) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(3) APPROVED SUMMER OF SERVICE POSI-
4 TION.—The term ‘approved summer of service posi-
5 tion’ means a position in a program described under
6 section 119(c)(8) for which the Corporation has ap-
7 proved the provision of a summer of service edu-
8 cational award as one of the benefits to be provided
9 for successful service in the position.

10 “(4) BABY BOOM GENERATION.—The term
11 ‘Baby Boom generation’ means the generation that
12 consists of individuals born during the period begin-
13 ning with 1946 and ending with 1964.”;

14 (3) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated), by
15 striking “described in section 122”;

16 (4) in paragraph (7) (as so redesignated), by
17 striking “church or other”;

18 (5) by inserting after paragraph (8) (as so re-
19 designated) the following:

20 “(9) DISADVANTAGED YOUTH.—The term ‘dis-
21 advantaged youth’ includes those youth who are eco-
22 nomically disadvantaged and one or more of the fol-
23 lowing:

24 “(A) Who are out-of-school youth, includ-
25 ing out-of-school youth who are unemployed.

1 “(B) Who are in or aging out of foster
2 care.

3 “(C) Who have limited English proficiency.

4 “(D) Who are homeless or who have run
5 away from home.

6 “(E) Who are at-risk to leave school with-
7 out a diploma.

8 “(F) Who are former juvenile offenders or
9 at risk of delinquency.

10 “(G) Who are individuals with a dis-
11 ability.”;

12 (6) by inserting after paragraph (11) (as so re-
13 designated) the following:

14 “(12) COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATION.—The
15 term ‘community-based organization’ means a public
16 or private nonprofit organization that—

17 “(A) has experience with meeting unmet
18 human, educational, environmental, or public
19 safety needs; and

20 “(B) meets other such criteria as the Chief
21 Executive Officer may establish.

22 “(13) HISPANIC-SERVING INSTITUTION.—The
23 term ‘Hispanic-serving institution’ has the meaning
24 given such term in section 502(a) of the Higher
25 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1101a(a)).

1 “(14) HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE OR UNI-
2 VERSITY.—The term ‘historically black college or
3 university’ means a part B institution, as defined in
4 section 322 of the Higher Education Act of 1965
5 (20 U.S.C. 1101a(a)).”;

6 (7) in paragraph (19) (as so redesignated), by
7 striking “section 101(a) of the Higher Education
8 Act of 1965” and inserting “sections 101(a) and
9 102(a)(1) of the Higher Education Act of 1965”;

10 (8) in paragraph (23)(B) (as so redesignated),
11 by striking “program in which the participant is en-
12 rolled” and inserting “organization receiving assist-
13 ance under the national service laws through which
14 the participant is enrolled in an approved national
15 service position”;

16 (9) by inserting after paragraph (26) (as so re-
17 designated) the following:

18 “(27) QUALIFIED ORGANIZATION.—The term
19 ‘qualified organization’ means a public or private
20 nonprofit organization with experience working with
21 school-age youth that meets such criteria as the
22 Chief Executive Officer may establish.”;

23 (10) in paragraph (28)(B) (as so redesign-
24 ated)—

1 (A) by striking “602” and inserting
2 “602(3)”; and

3 (B) by striking “1401” and inserting
4 “1401(3)”; and

5 (11) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(37) PREDOMINANTLY BLACK INSTITUTION.—

7 The term ‘predominantly black institution’ has the
8 meaning given such term in section 318 of the High-
9 er Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1059e).

10 “(38) TRIBALLY CONTROLLED COLLEGE OR

11 UNIVERSITY.—The term ‘tribally controlled college
12 or university’ has the meaning given such term in
13 section 2 of the Tribally Controlled College or Uni-
14 versity Assistance Act of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 1801).

15 “(39) MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPU-

16 LATION.—The term ‘medically underserved popu-
17 lation’ has the meaning given that term in section
18 330(b)(3) of the Public Health Service Act (42
19 U.S.C. 254b(b)(3)).

20 “(40) VETERAN.—The term ‘veteran’ means

21 any individual who has engaged in the active duty
22 in the United States Army, Navy, Air Force, or
23 Coast Guard and was released under a condition
24 other than dishonorable.”.

1 **Subtitle B—Amendments to Sub-**
2 **title B (Learn and Serve Amer-**
3 **ica)**

4 **SEC. 1201. SCHOOL-BASED ALLOTMENTS.**

5 Part I of subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et
6 seq.) is amended to read as follows:

7 **“PART I—PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY AND**
8 **SECONDARY STUDENTS**

9 **“SEC. 111. ASSISTANCE TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND IN-**
10 **DIAN TRIBES.**

11 “(a) PURPOSE.—School-based service learning pro-
12 grams promote service-learning as a strategy to—

13 “(1) support high-quality service-learning
14 projects that engage students in meeting community
15 needs with demonstrable results, while enhancing
16 students’ academic and civic learning; and

17 “(2) support efforts to build institutional capac-
18 ity, including the training of educators, and to
19 strengthen the service infrastructure to expand serv-
20 ice opportunities.

21 “(b) ALLOTMENTS TO STATES, TERRITORIES, AND
22 INDIAN TRIBES.—The Corporation, in consultation with
23 the Secretary of Education, may make allotments to State
24 educational agencies, Territories, and Indian tribes to pay
25 for the Federal share of—

1 “(1) planning and building the capacity within
2 the State, Territory, or Indian tribe to implement
3 service-learning programs that are based principally
4 in elementary and secondary schools, including—

5 “(A) providing training for teachers, su-
6 pervisors, personnel from community-based
7 agencies (particularly with regard to the re-
8 cruitment, utilization, and management of par-
9 ticipants), and trainers, to be conducted by
10 qualified individuals or organizations that have
11 experience with service-learning;

12 “(B) developing service-learning curricula,
13 consistent with State or local academic content
14 standards, to be integrated into academic pro-
15 grams, including an age-appropriate learning
16 component that provides participants an oppor-
17 tunity to analyze and apply their service experi-
18 ences;

19 “(C) forming local partnerships described
20 in paragraph (2) or (4) to develop school-based
21 service-learning programs in accordance with
22 this part;

23 “(D) devising appropriate methods for re-
24 search and evaluation of the educational value

1 of service-learning and the effect of service-
2 learning activities on communities;

3 “(E) establishing effective outreach and
4 dissemination of information to ensure the
5 broadest possible involvement of community-
6 based agencies with demonstrated effectiveness
7 in working with school-age youth in their com-
8 munities; and

9 “(F) establishing effective outreach and
10 dissemination of information to ensure the
11 broadest possible participation of schools
12 throughout the State, with particular attention
13 to schools identified for school improvement
14 under title I of the Elementary and Secondary
15 Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et
16 seq.);

17 “(2) implementing, operating, or expanding
18 school-based service-learning programs, which may
19 include paying for the cost of the recruitment, train-
20 ing, supervision, placement, salaries, and benefits of
21 service-learning coordinators, through distribution of
22 Federal funds by State educational agencies, Terri-
23 tories, and Indian tribes made available under this
24 part to projects operated by local partnerships
25 among—

1 “(A) local educational agencies; and

2 “(B) 1 or more community partners that—

3 “(i) shall include a public or private
4 nonprofit organization that—

5 “(I) has a demonstrated expertise
6 in the provision of services to meet
7 unmet human, education, environ-
8 mental, or public safety needs;

9 “(II) will make projects available
10 for participants, who shall be stu-
11 dents; and

12 “(III) was in existence at least 1
13 year before the date on which the or-
14 ganization submitted an application
15 under section 113; and

16 “(ii) may include a private for-profit
17 business, private elementary or secondary
18 school, or Indian tribe (except that an In-
19 dian tribe distributing funds to a project
20 under this paragraph is not eligible to be
21 part of the partnership operating that
22 project);

23 “(3) planning of school-based service-learning
24 programs, through distribution by State educational
25 agencies, Territories, and Indian tribes of Federal

1 funds made available under this part to local edu-
2 cational agencies and Indian tribes, which planning
3 may include paying for the cost of—

4 “(A) the salaries and benefits of service-
5 learning coordinators; or

6 “(B) the recruitment, training, supervision,
7 and placement of service-learning coordinators
8 who may be participants in a program under
9 subtitle C or receive a national service edu-
10 cational award under subtitle D, who may be
11 participants in a project under section 201 of
12 the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42
13 U.S.C. 5001), or who may participate in a
14 Youthbuild program under section 173A of the
15 Workforce Investment Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C.
16 2918a),

17 who will identify the community partners described
18 in paragraph (2)(B) and assist in the design and im-
19 plementation of a program described in paragraph
20 (2);

21 “(4) implementing, operating, or expanding
22 school-based service-learning programs to utilize
23 adult volunteers in service-learning to improve the
24 education of students, through distribution by State

1 educational agencies, Territories, and Indian tribes
2 of Federal funds made available under this part to—

3 “(A) local educational agencies;

4 “(B) Indian tribes (except that an Indian
5 tribe distributing funds under this paragraph is
6 not eligible to be a recipient of those funds);

7 “(C) public or private nonprofit organiza-
8 tions; or

9 “(D) partnerships or combinations of local
10 educational agencies and entities described in
11 subparagraph (B) or (C); and

12 “(5) developing civic engagement programs that
13 promote a better understanding of—

14 “(A) the principles of the Constitution, the
15 heroes of American history (including military
16 heroes), and the meaning of the Oath of Alle-
17 giance;

18 “(B) promote a better understanding of
19 how the Nation’s government functions; and

20 “(C) promote a better understanding of
21 the importance of service in the Nation’s char-
22 acter.

23 “(c) CONSULTATION WITH SECRETARY OF EDU-
24 CATION.—The Corporation is authorized to enter into

1 agreements with the Secretary of Education for initiatives
2 that may include—

3 “(1) Identification and dissemination of re-
4 search findings on service-learning and scientifically
5 valid research based practices; and

6 “(2) Provision of professional development op-
7 portunities that—

8 “(A) improve the quality of service-learn-
9 ing instruction and delivery for teachers both
10 pre-service and in-service, personnel from com-
11 munity-based agencies and youth workers; and

12 “(B) create and sustain effective partner-
13 ships between local education agencies, commu-
14 nity-based organizations, businesses, and other
15 stakeholders.

16 “(d) DUTIES OF SERVICE-LEARNING COORDI-
17 NATOR.—A service-learning coordinator referred to in
18 paragraph (2) or (3) of subsection (b) shall provide serv-
19 ices that may include—

20 “(1) providing technical assistance and informa-
21 tion to, and facilitating the training of, teachers and
22 assisting in the planning, development, execution,
23 and evaluation of service-learning in their class-
24 rooms;

1 “(2) assisting local partnerships described in
2 subsection (b) in the planning, development, and
3 execution of service-learning projects, including sum-
4 mer of service programs; and

5 “(3) carrying out such other duties as the re-
6 cipient of assistance under this part may determine
7 to be appropriate.

8 “(e) **RELATED EXPENSES.**—An entity that receives
9 financial assistance under this part may, in carrying out
10 the activities described in subsection (b), use such assist-
11 ance to pay for the Federal share of reasonable costs re-
12 lated to the supervision of participants, program adminis-
13 tration, transportation, insurance, and evaluations and for
14 other reasonable expenses related to the activities.

15 **“SEC. 112. ALLOTMENTS.**

16 “(a) **INDIAN TRIBES AND TERRITORIES.**—Of the
17 amounts appropriated to carry out this part for any fiscal
18 year, the Corporation shall reserve an amount of not less
19 than 2 percent and not more than 3 percent for payments
20 to Indian tribes, the United States Virgin Islands, Guam,
21 American Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern
22 Mariana Islands, to be allotted in accordance with their
23 respective needs.

24 “(b) **ALLOTMENTS THROUGH STATES.**—After reserv-
25 ing the amount under subsection (a), the Corporation shall

1 use the remainder of the funds appropriated to carry out
2 this part for any fiscal year as follows:

3 “(1) ALLOTMENTS.—

4 “(A) SCHOOL-AGE YOUTH.—From 50 per-
5 cent of such remainder, the Corporation shall
6 allot to each State an amount that bears the
7 same ratio to 50 percent of such remainder as
8 the number of school-age youth in the State
9 bears to the total number of school-age youth of
10 all States.

11 “(B) ALLOCATION UNDER ELEMENTARY
12 AND SECONDARY EDUCATION ACT OF 1965.—
13 From 50 percent of such remainder, the Cor-
14 poration shall allot to each State an amount
15 that bears the same ratio to 50 percent of such
16 remainder as the allocation to the State for the
17 previous fiscal year under title I of the Elemen-
18 tary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
19 U.S.C. 6311 et seq.) or its successor authority
20 bears to such allocations to all States.

21 “(2) DEFINITION.—Notwithstanding section
22 101, for purposes of this subsection, the term ‘State’
23 means each of the several States, the District of Co-
24 lumbia, and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

1 “(c) REALLOTMENT.—If the Corporation determines
2 that the allotment of a State, Territory, or Indian tribe
3 under this section will not be required for a fiscal year
4 because the State, Territory, or Indian tribe did not sub-
5 mit and receive approval of an application for the allot-
6 ment under section 113, the Corporation shall make the
7 allotment for such State, Territory, or Indian tribe avail-
8 able for grants to community-based organization to carry
9 out service-learning programs as described in section
10 111(b) in such State, Territory, or Indian tribe. After
11 community-based organizations apply for the allotment
12 with an application at such time and in such manner as
13 the Corporation requires and receive approval, the remain-
14 der of such allotment shall be available for reallocation to
15 such other States, Territories, or Indian tribes with ap-
16 proved applications submitted under section 113 as the
17 Corporation may determine to be appropriate.

18 “(d) MINIMUM AMOUNT.—For any fiscal year for
19 which amounts appropriated for this part exceed
20 \$50,000,000, the minimum allotment to each State (as de-
21 fined in subsection (b)(2)) under this section shall be
22 \$65,000.

23 **“SEC. 113. APPLICATIONS.**

24 “(a) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to receive an allot-
25 ment under section 112, a State, acting through the State

1 educational agency, Territory, or Indian tribe shall pre-
2 pare, submit to the Corporation, and obtain approval of,
3 an application at such time and in such manner as the
4 Chief Executive Officer may reasonably require.

5 “(b) CONTENTS.—An application for an allotment
6 under this part shall include—

7 “(1) a proposal for a 3-year plan promoting
8 service-learning, which shall contain such informa-
9 tion as the Chief Executive Officer may reasonably
10 require, including how the applicant will integrate
11 service opportunities into the academic program of
12 the participants;

13 “(2) information about the criteria the State
14 educational agency, Territory, or Indian tribe will
15 use to evaluate and grant approval to applications
16 submitted under subsection (c), including an assur-
17 ance that the State educational agency, Territory, or
18 Indian tribe will comply with the requirement in sec-
19 tion 114(a);

20 “(3) assurances about the applicant’s efforts
21 to—

22 “(A) ensure that students of different
23 ages, races, sexes, ethnic groups, disabilities,
24 and economic backgrounds have opportunities
25 to serve together;

1 “(B) include any opportunities for students
2 enrolled in schools or other programs of edu-
3 cation providing elementary or secondary edu-
4 cation to participate in service-learning pro-
5 grams and ensure that such service-learning
6 programs include opportunities for such stu-
7 dents to serve together;

8 “(C) involve participants in the design and
9 operation of the program;

10 “(D) promote service-learning in areas of
11 greatest need, including low-income or rural
12 areas; and

13 “(E) otherwise integrate service opportuni-
14 ties into the academic program of the partici-
15 pants;

16 “(4) assurances that the applicant will comply
17 with the nonduplication and nondisplacement re-
18 quirements of section 177 and the grievance proce-
19 dures required by section 176.

20 “(c) APPLICATION TO STATE, TERRITORY, OR IN-
21 DIAN TRIBE TO RECEIVE ASSISTANCE TO CARRY OUT
22 SCHOOL-BASED SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Any—

24 “(A) qualified organization, Indian tribe,
25 Territory, local educational agency, for-profit

1 business, private elementary, middle, or sec-
2 ondary school, or institution of higher education
3 that desires to receive financial assistance
4 under this subpart from a State, Territory, or
5 Indian tribe for an activity described in section
6 111(a)(1);

7 “(B) partnership described in section
8 111(a)(2) that desires to receive such assistance
9 from a State, Territory, or Indian tribe or com-
10 munity-based organization described in section
11 111(a)(2);

12 “(C) entity described in section 111(a)(3)
13 that desires to receive such assistance from a
14 State, Territory, or Indian tribe for an activity
15 described in such section;

16 “(D) partnership described in section
17 111(a)(4) that desires to receive such assistance
18 from a State, Territory, or Indian tribe for an
19 activity described in such section; and

20 “(E) agency or partnership described in
21 section 119(c)(8) that desires to receive such
22 assistance, or approved summer of service posi-
23 tions, from a State, Territory, or Indian tribe
24 for an activity described in such section to be

1 carried out through a service-learning program
2 described in section 111,
3 shall prepare, submit to the State educational agen-
4 cy, Territory, community-based organization, or In-
5 dian tribe, and obtain approval of, an application for
6 the program.

7 “(2) SUBMISSION.—Such application shall be
8 submitted at such time and in such manner, and
9 shall contain such information, as the agency, Terri-
10 tory, Indian tribe, or entity may reasonably require.

11 **“SEC. 114. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.**

12 “(a) PRIORITY.—In considering competitive applica-
13 tions under this part, the Corporation shall give priority
14 to innovation, sustainability, capacity building, involve-
15 ment of disadvantaged youth, and quality of programs, as
16 well as other criteria approved by the Chief Executive Offi-
17 cer.

18 “(b) REJECTION OF APPLICATIONS.—If the Corpora-
19 tion rejects an application submitted by a State, Territory,
20 or Indian tribe under section 113 for an allotment, the
21 Corporation shall promptly notify the State, Territory, or
22 Indian tribe of the reasons for the rejection of the applica-
23 tion. The Corporation shall provide the State, Territory,
24 or Indian tribe with a reasonable opportunity to revise and
25 resubmit the application and shall provide technical assist-

1 ance, if needed, to the State, Territory, or Indian tribe
2 as part of the re-submission process. The Corporation
3 shall promptly reconsider such resubmitted application.

4 **“SEC. 115. PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS AND TEACHERS**
5 **FROM PRIVATE SCHOOLS.**

6 “(a) IN GENERAL.—To the extent consistent with the
7 number of students in the State, Territory, or Indian tribe
8 or in the school district of the local educational agency
9 involved who are enrolled in private nonprofit elementary
10 and secondary schools, such State, Territory, Indian tribe,
11 or agency shall (after consultation with appropriate pri-
12 vate school representatives) make provision—

13 “(1) for the inclusion of services and arrange-
14 ments for the benefit of such students so as to allow
15 for the equitable participation of such students in
16 the programs implemented to carry out the objec-
17 tives and provide the benefits described in this part;
18 and

19 “(2) for the training of the teachers of such
20 students so as to allow for the equitable participa-
21 tion of such teachers in the programs implemented
22 to carry out the objectives and provide the benefits
23 described in this part.

24 “(b) WAIVER.—If a State, Territory, Indian tribe, or
25 local educational agency is prohibited by law from pro-

1 viding for the participation of students or teachers from
2 private nonprofit schools as required by subsection (a), or
3 if the Corporation determines that a State, Territory, In-
4 dian tribe, or local educational agency substantially fails
5 or is unwilling to provide for such participation on an equi-
6 table basis, the Chief Executive Officer shall waive such
7 requirements and shall arrange for the provision of serv-
8 ices to such students and teachers. Such waivers shall be
9 subject to the requirements of sections 9503 and 9504 of
10 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (20
11 U.S.C. 7883 and 7884).

12 **“SEC. 116. FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CONTRIBUTIONS.**

13 “(a) FEDERAL SHARE.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the
15 cost of carrying out a program for which assistance
16 is provided under this part—

17 “(A) for new grants, may not exceed 80
18 percent of the total cost for the first year of the
19 grant, 65 percent for the second year, and 50
20 percent for each remaining year; and

21 “(B) for continuing grants, may not exceed
22 50 percent of the total cost of the program.

23 “(2) NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTION.—In pro-
24 viding for the remaining share of the cost of car-

1 rying out such a program, each recipient of assist-
2 ance under this part—

3 “(A) shall provide for such share through
4 a payment in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated,
5 including facilities, equipment, or services; and

6 “(B) may provide for such share through
7 State sources or local sources, including private
8 funds or donated services.

9 “(b) WAIVER.—The Chief Executive Officer may
10 waive the requirements of subsection (a) in whole or in
11 part with respect to any such program for any fiscal year
12 if the Corporation determines that such action would be
13 equitable due to lack of resources at the local level.

14 **“SEC. 117. LIMITATIONS ON USES OF FUNDS.**

15 “Not more than 6 percent of the amount of assist-
16 ance received by an applicant in a fiscal year may be used
17 to pay, in accordance with such standards as the Corpora-
18 tion may issue, for administrative costs, incurred by—

19 “(1) the original recipient; or

20 “(2) the entity carrying out the service-learning
21 program supported with the assistance.”.

22 **SEC. 1202. HIGHER EDUCATION PROVISIONS AND CAM-**
23 **PUSES OF SERVICE.**

24 (a) HIGHER EDUCATION.—Section 119 (42 U.S.C.
25 12561) is redesignated as section 118 and amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a), by inserting after “com-
2 munity service programs” the following: “through
3 service-learning”;

4 (2) in subsection (b)—

5 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
6 by striking “combination” and inserting “con-
7 sortia”;

8 (B) in paragraph (1)—

9 (i) in subparagraph (A), by striking
10 “and” at the end;

11 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by adding
12 “and” at the end; and

13 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
14 lowing:

15 “(C) may coordinate with service-learning
16 curricula being offered in the academic cur-
17 ricula at the institution of higher education or
18 at one or more members of the consortia;”;

19 (3) in subsection (b)(3)—

20 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
21 (A), by striking “teachers at the elementary,
22 secondary, and postsecondary levels” and in-
23 serting “institutions of higher education and
24 their faculty”;

1 (B) in subparagraph (A), by striking “edu-
2 cation of the institution; and” and inserting
3 “curricula of the institution to strengthen the
4 instructional capacity of service-learning at the
5 elementary and secondary levels;”;

6 (C) by redesignating subparagraph (B) as
7 subparagraph (E); and

8 (D) by inserting after subparagraph (A)
9 the following:

10 “(B) including service-learning as a key
11 component of the health professionals curricula,
12 including nursing, pre-medicine, medicine, and
13 dentistry curricula of the institution;

14 “(C) including service-learning as a key
15 component of the criminal justice professionals
16 curricula of the institution;

17 “(D) including service-learning as a key
18 component of the public policy and public ad-
19 ministration curricula of the institution; and”;

20 (4) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e), and (g);

21 (5) by redesignating subsection (f) as (i); and

22 (6) by inserting after subsection (b) the fol-
23 lowing:

24 “(c) SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.—To the extent prac-
25 ticable, the Corporation shall give special consideration to

1 applications submitted by predominantly Black institu-
2 tions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities, His-
3 panic-serving institutions, Tribal Colleges and Univer-
4 sities, and community colleges serving predominantly mi-
5 nority populations.

6 “(d) FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL CONTRIBU-
7 TIONS.—

8 “(1) FEDERAL SHARE.—

9 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of
10 the cost of carrying out a program for which
11 assistance is provided under this part may not
12 exceed 50 percent of the total cost of the pro-
13 gram.

14 “(B) NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTION.—In
15 providing for the remaining share of the cost of
16 carrying out such a program, each recipient of
17 a grant under this part—

18 “(i) shall provide for such share
19 through a payment in cash or in kind, fair-
20 ly evaluated, including facilities, equip-
21 ment, or services; and

22 “(ii) may provide for such share
23 through State sources or local sources, in-
24 cluding private funds or donated services.

1 “(2) WAIVER.—The Chief Executive Officer
2 may waive the requirements of paragraph (1) in
3 whole or in part with respect to any such program
4 for any fiscal year if the Corporation determines
5 that such a waiver would be equitable due to a lack
6 of available financial resources at the local level.

7 “(e) APPLICATION FOR GRANT.—

8 “(1) SUBMISSION.—To receive a grant or enter
9 into a contract under this part, an applicant shall
10 prepare, submit to the Corporation, and obtain ap-
11 proval of, an application at such time, in such man-
12 ner, and containing such information and assurances
13 as the Corporation may reasonably require. In re-
14 questing applications for assistance under this part,
15 the Corporation shall specify such required informa-
16 tion and assurances.

17 “(2) CONTENTS.—An application submitted
18 under paragraph (1) shall contain, at a minimum—

19 “(A) assurances that—

20 “(i) prior to the placement of a partic-
21 ipant, the applicant will consult with the
22 appropriate local labor organization, if any,
23 representing employees in the area who are
24 engaged in the same or similar work as
25 that proposed to be carried out by such

1 program, to prevent the displacement and
2 protect the rights of such employees; and

3 “(ii) the applicant will comply with
4 the nonduplication and nondisplacement
5 provisions of section 177 and the grievance
6 procedures required by section 176; and

7 “(B) such other assurances as the Chief
8 Executive Officer may reasonably require.

9 “(f) PRIORITY.—In making grants and entering into
10 contracts under subsection (b), the Corporation shall give
11 priority to applicants or institutions that submit applica-
12 tions containing proposals that—

13 “(1) demonstrate the commitment of the insti-
14 tution of higher education, other than by dem-
15 onstrating the commitment of the students, to sup-
16 porting the community service projects carried out
17 under the program;

18 “(2) specify the manner in which the institution
19 will promote faculty, administration, and staff par-
20 ticipation in the community service projects;

21 “(3) specify the manner in which the institution
22 will provide service to the community through orga-
23 nized programs, including, where appropriate, clin-
24 ical programs for students in professional schools
25 and colleges;

1 “(4) describe any partnership that will partici-
2 pate in the community service projects, such as a
3 partnership comprised of—

4 “(A) the institution;

5 “(B)(i) a community-based agency;

6 “(ii) a local government agency; or

7 “(iii) a non-profit entity that serves or in-
8 volves school-age youth, older adults, or low-in-
9 come communities; and

10 “(C)(i) a student organization;

11 “(ii) a department of the institution; or

12 “(iii) a group of faculty comprised of dif-
13 ferent departments, schools, or colleges at the
14 institution;

15 “(5) demonstrate community involvement in the
16 development of the proposal and the extent to which
17 the proposal will contribute to the goals of its com-
18 munity partners;

19 “(6) describe research on effective strategies
20 and methods to improve service utilized in the design
21 of the project;

22 “(7) demonstrate a commitment to perform
23 service projects in underserved urban and rural com-
24 munities;

1 “(8) specify that the institution will use such
2 assistance to strengthen the service infrastructure in
3 institutions of higher education;

4 “(9) with respect to projects involving delivery
5 of services, specify projects that involve leadership
6 development of school aged youth; or

7 “(10) describe how service projects and activi-
8 ties are associated with such ideas as housing, eco-
9 nomic development, infrastructure, health care, job
10 training, education, crime prevention, urban plan-
11 ning, transportation technology, and child welfare.

12 “(g) DEFINITION.—Notwithstanding section 101, as
13 used in this part, the term ‘student’ means an individual
14 who is enrolled in an institution of higher education on
15 a full- or part-time basis.

16 “(h) FEDERAL WORK-STUDY.—To be eligible for as-
17 sistance under this part, an institution of higher education
18 must demonstrate that it meets the minimum require-
19 ments under section 443(b)(2) of the Higher Education
20 Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2753(b)(2)) relating to the partici-
21 pation of Federal Work-Study students in community
22 service activities, or has received a waiver of those require-
23 ments from the Secretary of Education.”.

24 (b) CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.—Title I of the National
25 and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12521

1 et seq.) is amended by adding after section 118 (as reded-
2 icated by subsection (a)) at the end the following:

3 **“SEC. 119. CAMPUSES OF SERVICE.**

4 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation, after consulta-
5 tion with the Secretary of Education, may annually des-
6 ignate not more than 25 institutions of higher education
7 as Campuses of Service, from among institutions nomi-
8 nated by State Commissions.

9 “(b) APPLICATIONS FOR NOMINATION.—

10 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible for a nomi-
11 nation to receive designation under subsection (a),
12 and have an opportunity to apply for funds under
13 subsection (d) for a fiscal year, an institution of
14 higher education in a State shall submit an applica-
15 tion to the State Commission at such time, in such
16 manner, and containing such information as the
17 State Commission may require.

18 “(2) CONTENTS.—At a minimum, the applica-
19 tion shall include information specifying—

20 “(A)(i) the number of undergraduate and,
21 if applicable, graduate service-learning courses
22 offered at such institution for the most recent
23 full academic year preceding the fiscal year for
24 which designation is sought; and

1 “(ii) the number and percentage of under-
2 graduate students and, if applicable, the num-
3 ber and percentage of graduate students at
4 such institution who were enrolled in the cor-
5 responding courses described in clause (i), for
6 such preceding academic year;

7 “(B) the percentage of undergraduate stu-
8 dents engaging in and, if applicable, the per-
9 centage of graduate students engaging in activi-
10 ties providing community services, as defined in
11 section 441(c) of the Higher Education Act of
12 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751(c)), during such pre-
13 ceding academic year, the quality of such activi-
14 ties, and the average amount of time spent, per
15 student, engaged in such activities;

16 “(C) for such preceding academic year, the
17 percentage of Federal work-study funds made
18 available to the institution under part C of title
19 IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (42
20 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) that is used to compensate
21 students employed in providing community serv-
22 ices, as so defined, and a description of the ef-
23 forts the institution undertakes to make avail-
24 able to students opportunities to provide such

1 community services and be compensated
2 through such work-study funds;

3 “(D) at the discretion of the institution,
4 information demonstrating the degree to which
5 recent graduates of the institution, and all
6 graduates of the institution, have obtained full-
7 time public service employment in the nonprofit
8 sector or government, with a private nonprofit
9 organization or a Federal, State, or local public
10 agency; and

11 “(E) any programs the institution has in
12 place to encourage or assist graduates of the in-
13 stitution to pursue careers in public service in
14 the nonprofit sector or government.

15 “(c) NOMINATIONS AND DESIGNATION.—

16 “(1) NOMINATION.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—A State Commission
18 that receives applications from institutions of
19 higher education under subsection (b) may
20 nominate, for designation under subsection (a),
21 not more than 3 such institutions of higher
22 education, consisting of—

23 “(i) not more than one 4-year public
24 institution of higher education;

1 “(ii) not more than one 4-year private
2 institution of higher education; and

3 “(iii) not more than one 2-year insti-
4 tution of higher education.

5 “(B) SUBMISSION.—The State Commission
6 shall submit to the Corporation the name and
7 application of each institution nominated by the
8 State Commission under subparagraph (A).

9 “(2) DESIGNATION.—The Corporation shall
10 designate, under subsection (a), not more than 25
11 institutions of higher education from among the in-
12 stitutions nominated under paragraph (1). In mak-
13 ing the designations, the Corporation shall, if fea-
14 sible, designate various types of institutions, includ-
15 ing institutions from each of the categories of insti-
16 tutions described in clauses (i), (ii), and (iii) of para-
17 graph (1)(A).

18 “(d) AWARDS.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Using sums appropriated
20 under section 501(a)(1)(D), the Corporation shall
21 provide an award to institutions designated under
22 subsection (c), to be used by the institutions to de-
23 velop or disseminate service-learning models and
24 best practices regarding service-learning to other in-
25 stitutions of higher education.

1 “(2) PLANS.—To be eligible to receive funds
2 under this subsection, an institution designated
3 under subsection (c) shall submit a plan to the Cor-
4 poration describing how the institution intends to
5 use the funds to encourage or assist those students
6 to pursue public service careers in the nonprofit sec-
7 tor or government.

8 “(3) ALLOCATION.—The Corporation shall de-
9 termine how the funds appropriated under section
10 501(a)(1)(D) for a fiscal year will be allocated
11 among the institutions submitting acceptable plans
12 under paragraph (2). In determining the amount of
13 funds to be allocated to such an institution, the Cor-
14 poration shall consider the number of students at
15 the institution, and the quality and scope of the plan
16 submitted by the institution under paragraph (2)
17 and the institution’s current (as of the date of sub-
18 mission of the plan) strategies to encourage or assist
19 students to pursue public service careers in the non-
20 profit sector or government.

21 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
22 501(a)(1) of the National and Community Service Act of
23 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12681(a)(1)), as amended by section
24 111(d), is further amended—

1 “(1) in subparagraph (A), by striking ‘subpart
2 B of part I’ and inserting ‘subpart B of part I and
3 part III’; and

4 “(2) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(D) PART III.—There is authorized to be
6 appropriated to carry out part III of subtitle B
7 of title I \$\$7,000,000 for each of fiscal years
8 2010 through 2014.’.”.

9 **SEC. 1203. INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH.**

10 Subtitle B of title I (42 U.S.C. 12521 et seq.) is fur-
11 ther amended by adding after part II the following new
12 part:

13 **“PART III—INNOVATIVE SERVICE—LEARNING**
14 **PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH**

15 **“SEC. 120. INNOVATIVE DEMONSTRATION SERVICE-LEARN-**
16 **ING PROGRAMS AND RESEARCH.**

17 “(a) IN GENERAL.—From the amounts appropriated
18 to carry out this part for a fiscal year, the Corporation
19 may make grants and fixed-amount grants (in accordance
20 with section 129(k)) with eligible entities for activities de-
21 scribed in subsection (c).

22 “(b) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this part, the
23 following definitions apply:

24 “(1) ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.—The term ‘eligible
25 entity’ means a State education agency, a State

1 Commission, a Territory, an Indian tribe, an institu-
2 tion of higher education, or a public or private non-
3 profit organization (including community-based or-
4 ganizations), a public or private elementary or sec-
5 ondary school, a local educational agency, or a con-
6 sortia of such entities, where a consortia of two or
7 more such entities may also include a for-profit or-
8 ganization.

9 “(2) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE.—The term
10 ‘youth engagement zone’ means the area in which a
11 youth engagement zone program is carried out.

12 “(3) YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ZONE PROGRAM.—
13 The term ‘youth engagement zone program’ means
14 a service learning program in which members of an
15 eligible partnership described in paragraph (4) col-
16 laborate to provide coordinated school-based or com-
17 munity-based service learning opportunities, to ad-
18 dress a specific community challenge, for an increas-
19 ing percentage of out-of-school youth and secondary
20 school students served by local educational agencies
21 where—

22 “(A) not less than 90 percent of the stu-
23 dents participate in service-learning activities as
24 part of the program; or

1 “(B) service-learning is a mandatory part
2 of the curriculum in all of the secondary schools
3 served by the local educational agency.

4 “(4) ELIGIBLE PARTNERSHIP.—

5 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘eligible
6 partnership’ means—

7 “(i) one or more community-based
8 agencies that have demonstrated records of
9 success in carrying out service-learning
10 programs with disadvantaged students,
11 and that meet such criteria as the Chief
12 Executive Officer may establish; in com-
13 bination with

14 “(ii)(I) one or more local educational
15 agencies for which—

16 “(aa) a high number or percent-
17 age of the students served by the
18 agency, as determined by the Corpora-
19 tion, are disadvantaged students; and

20 “(bb) the graduation rate for the
21 secondary school students served by
22 the agency is less than 70 percent;

23 “(II) a State Commission; or

24 “(III) a State educational agency.

1 “(B) ADDITIONAL ENTITIES.—An eligible
2 partnership may also include—

3 “(i) a local government agency that is
4 not described in subparagraph (A);

5 “(ii) the office of the chief executive
6 officer of a unit of general local govern-
7 ment; or

8 “(iii) an institution of higher edu-
9 cation.

10 “(c) AUTHORIZED ACTIVITIES.—Funds under this
11 part may be used to—

12 “(1) integrate service-learning programs into
13 the science, technology, engineering, and mathe-
14 matics (STEM) curricula at the elementary, sec-
15 ondary, or post-secondary, and post-baccalaureate
16 levels in coordination with practicing or retired
17 STEM professionals;

18 “(2) involve students in service-learning pro-
19 grams focusing on energy conservation in their com-
20 munity, including conducting educational outreach
21 on energy conservation and working to improve en-
22 ergy efficiency in low income housing and in public
23 spaces;

24 “(3) involve students in service-learning
25 projects in emergency and disaster preparedness;

1 “(4) involve students in service-learning
2 projects aimed at improving access to and obtaining
3 benefits from computers and other emerging tech-
4 nologies, including improving such access to individ-
5 uals with disabilities, in low income or rural commu-
6 nities, in senior centers and communities, in schools,
7 in libraries, and in other public spaces;

8 “(5) involve high school age youth in the men-
9 toring of middle school youth while involving all par-
10 ticipants in service-learning to seek to meet unmet
11 human, educational, environmental, public safety, or
12 emergency disaster preparedness needs in their com-
13 munity;

14 “(6) conduct research and evaluations on serv-
15 ice-learning, including service-learning in middle
16 schools, and disseminate such research and evalua-
17 tions widely;

18 “(7) conduct innovative and creative activities
19 as described in section 111(a);

20 “(8) establish or implement summer of service
21 programs during the summer months, including the
22 cost of recruitment, training, and placement of serv-
23 ice-learning coordinators—

1 “(A) for youth who will be enrolled in any
2 grade from grade 6 through grade 12 at the
3 end of the summer concerned;

4 “(B) for community-based service-learning
5 projects that—

6 “(i) shall—

7 “(I) meet unmet human, edu-
8 cational, environmental (including en-
9 ergy conservation and stewardship),
10 emergency and disaster preparedness,
11 and public service needs; and

12 “(II) be intensive, structured, su-
13 pervised, and designed to produce
14 identifiable improvements to the com-
15 munity; and

16 “(ii) may include the extension of aca-
17 demic year service-learning programs into
18 the summer months;

19 “(C) under which any student who com-
20 pletes 100 hours of service in an approved sum-
21 mer of service position, as certified through a
22 process determined by the Corporation through
23 regulations consistent with section 138(f), shall
24 be eligible for a summer of service educational
25 award of not more than \$500 (or, at the discre-

1 tion of the Chief Executive Officer, not more
2 than \$1,000 in the case of a participant who is
3 economically disadvantaged) from funds depos-
4 ited in the National Service Trust and distrib-
5 uted by the Corporation as described in section
6 148; and

7 “(D) subject to the limitation that a stu-
8 dent may not receive more than 2 summer of
9 service educational awards from funds deposited
10 in the National Service Trust;

11 “(9) establish or implement youth engagement
12 zone service learning programs in youth engagement
13 zones for students in secondary school served by
14 local educational agencies where a majority of such
15 students do not participate in service learning activi-
16 ties carried out by eligible partnerships as defined in
17 paragraph (4) that are designed to—

18 “(A) involve all students in secondary
19 school in the local educational agency in service-
20 learning to address a specific community chal-
21 lenge;

22 “(B) improve student engagement, includ-
23 ing student attendance and student behavior,
24 and student achievement, graduation rates, and
25 college-going rates in secondary schools;

1 “(C) involve an increasing percentage of
2 students in secondary school and out-of-school
3 youth in the community in school-based or com-
4 munity based service-learning activities each
5 year, with the goal of involving all students in
6 secondary schools served by the local edu-
7 cational agency and involving an increasing per-
8 centage of the out-of-school youth in service
9 learning activities; and

10 “(D) encourage participants to engage in
11 service throughout their lives; and

12 “(10) carry out any other innovative service-
13 learning programs or research that the Corporation
14 considers appropriate.

15 “(d) PRIORITY.—Priority shall be given to programs
16 that—

17 “(1) involve students and community stake-
18 holders in the design and implementation of the
19 service-learning program;

20 “(2) implement service-learning programs in
21 low-income or rural communities; and

22 “(3) utilize adult volunteers, including tapping
23 the resource of retired and retiring adults, in the
24 planning and implementation of the service-learning
25 programs.

1 “(e) REQUIREMENTS.—

2 “(1) THREE-YEAR TERM.—Each program fund-
3 ed under this part shall be carried out over a period
4 of three years, including one planning year and two
5 additional grant years, with a 1-year extension pos-
6 sible, if the program meets performance measures
7 developed in accordance with section 179(a) and any
8 other criteria determined by the Corporation.

9 “(2) COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.—Each
10 program funded under this part is encouraged to
11 collaborate with other Learn and Serve programs,
12 AmeriCorps, VISTA, and the National Senior Serv-
13 ice Corps.

14 “(3) EVALUATION.—Upon completion of the
15 program, the Corporation shall conduct an inde-
16 pendent evaluation of the program and widely dis-
17 seminate the results to the service community
18 through multiple channels, including the Corpora-
19 tion’s Resource Center or a clearinghouse of effec-
20 tive strategies and recommendations for improve-
21 ment.

22 “(f) MATCHING FUNDS.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of the
24 cost of carrying out a program for which a grant
25 (that is not a fixed-amount grant as described in

1 section 129(k)) is made under this part may not ex-
2 ceed 75 percent of the total cost of the program in
3 the first year of the grant and 50 percent of the
4 total cost of the program in the remaining years of
5 the grant, including if the grant is extended for a
6 fourth year.

7 “(2) NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTION.—In pro-
8 viding for the remaining share of the cost of car-
9 rying out such a program, each recipient of a grant
10 under this part—

11 “(A) shall provide for such share through
12 a payment in cash or in kind, fairly evaluated,
13 including facilities, equipment, or services; and

14 “(B) may provide for such share through
15 State sources or local sources, including private
16 funds or donated services.

17 “(g) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to carry out a
18 program under this part, an entity shall prepare, submit
19 to the Corporation, and obtain approval of, an application
20 at such time and in such manner as the Chief Executive
21 Officer may reasonably require.

22 “(h) FIXED-AMOUNT GRANTS.—For the purposes of
23 this section and subject to the limitation in section 129(k),
24 the Corporation may award fixed-amount grants to carry
25 out a program under this part.”.

1 **Subtitle C—Amendments to Sub-**
2 **title C (National Service Trust**
3 **Program)**

4 **SEC. 1301. PROHIBITION ON GRANTS TO FEDERAL AGEN-**
5 **CIES; LIMITS ON CORPORATION COSTS.**

6 Section 121 (42 U.S.C. 12571) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a), in the matter preceding
8 paragraph (1), by inserting after “subdivisions of
9 States,” the following: “Territories,”;

10 (2) in subsection (b)—

11 (A) in the heading, by striking “AGREE-
12 MENTS WITH FEDERAL AGENCIES” and insert-
13 ing “RESTRICTIONS ON AGREEMENTS WITH
14 FEDERAL AGENCIES”;

15 (B) in paragraph (1)—

16 (i) by striking “a contract or coopera-
17 tive agreement” and inserting “an inter-
18 agency agreement other than a grant”;

19 (ii) by inserting “or otherwise sup-
20 ported” after “program carried out”;

21 (iii) by striking “by the agency.” and
22 inserting “by the agency, including pro-
23 grams under the Public Lands Corps and
24 Urban Youth Corps as described in section
25 122(a)(2).”; and

1 (iv) by striking the second sentence;

2 (C) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
3 ing the following:

4 “(2) PROHIBITION ON GRANTS.—The Corpora-
5 tion may not provide a grant under this section to
6 a Federal agency.”; and

7 (D) in paragraph (3), by striking “receiv-
8 ing assistance under this subsection” and in-
9 serting “operating a national service program”;

10 (3) in subsection (c)(2)(B), by striking “to be
11 provided” and inserting “to be provided or otherwise
12 approved”;

13 (4) in subsection (d)—

14 (A) in the subsection heading, by striking
15 “FIVE” and inserting “SIX”; and

16 (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “5 per-
17 cent” and inserting “6 percent”; and

18 (5) in subsection (e)—

19 (A) in paragraph (1)—

20 (i) by striking “section 140” and in-
21 serting “paragraph (2)”;

22 (ii) by striking “Federal share of the
23 cost” and inserting “Corporation share of
24 the cost, including member living allow-
25 ances, employment-related taxes, health

1 care coverage, and worker's compensation
2 and other necessary operation costs,";

3 (iii) by striking "may not exceed 75
4 percent of such cost." and inserting "may
5 not exceed—"; and

6 (iv) by adding at the end the fol-
7 lowing:

8 "(A) for the first 3 years in which the re-
9 cipient receives such assistance, 76 percent of
10 such cost;

11 "(B) for the fourth through ninth years in
12 which the recipient receives such assistance, a
13 decreasing share of such cost between 76 per-
14 cent and 50 percent, as established by the Cor-
15 poration in regulation; and

16 "(C) for the tenth year (and each year
17 thereafter) in which the recipient receives such
18 assistance, 50 percent of such cost.";

19 (B) by striking paragraph (3);

20 (C) by redesignating paragraph (2) as
21 paragraph (3);

22 (D) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
23 following:

24 "(2) ALTERNATIVE CORPORATION SHARE FOR
25 PROGRAMS IN RURAL OR SEVERELY ECONOMICALLY

1 DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES.—Upon approval by the
2 Corporation, the Corporation share of the cost, in-
3 cluding member living allowances, employment-re-
4 lated taxes, health care coverage, and worker’s com-
5 pensation, of carrying out a national service pro-
6 gram that receives assistance under subsection (a)
7 and that is located in a rural or severely economi-
8 cally distressed community may not exceed—

9 “(A) for the first 6 years in which the re-
10 cipient receives such assistance, 76 percent of
11 such cost;

12 “(B) for the seventh through ninth years
13 in which the recipient receives such assistance,
14 a decreasing share of such cost between 76 and
15 65 percent as established by the Corporation in
16 regulation; and

17 “(C) for the tenth year (and each year
18 thereafter) in which the recipient receives such
19 assistance, 65 percent of such cost.”; and

20 (E) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(5) OTHER FEDERAL FUNDS.—

22 “(A) RECIPIENT REPORT.—A recipient of
23 assistance under section 121 (other than a re-
24 cipient of assistance of a fixed-amount grant)
25 shall report to the Corporation the amount and

1 source of any Federal funds used to carry out
2 the program other than those provided by the
3 Corporation.

4 “(B) CORPORATION REPORT.—The Cor-
5 poration shall report to Congress on an annual
6 basis information regarding each recipient
7 under subparagraph (A) that uses Federal
8 funds other than those provided by the Cor-
9 poration to carry out the program, including
10 amounts and sources of other Federal funds.”.

11 **SEC. 1302. REQUIRED AND ELIGIBLE NATIONAL SERVICE**
12 **PROGRAMS.**

13 Section 122 is amended to read as follows:

14 **“SEC. 122. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS ELIGIBLE FOR**
15 **PROGRAM ASSISTANCE.**

16 “(a) REQUIRED NATIONAL SERVICE CORPS.—The
17 recipient of a grant under section 121(a) and each Federal
18 agency operating or supporting a national service program
19 under section 121(b) shall, directly or through grants or
20 subgrants to other entities, carry out or support the fol-
21 lowing national service corps, as full- or part-time corps,
22 including during the summer months, to address unmet
23 educational, health, veteran, or environmental needs:

24 “(1) EDUCATION CORPS.—An Education Corps
25 that identifies unmet educational needs within com-

1 munities through activities such as those described
2 in subparagraph (A) and meets or exceeds the per-
3 formance indicators under subparagraph (B).

4 “(A) ACTIVITIES.—An Education Corps
5 described in this paragraph may carry out ac-
6 tivities such as—

7 “(i) tutoring, or providing other aca-
8 demic support to students;

9 “(ii) full-time classroom instruction;

10 “(iii) mentoring students, including
11 adult or peer mentoring;

12 “(iv) linking needed integrated serv-
13 ices and comprehensive supports with stu-
14 dents, their families, and their public
15 schools;

16 “(v) improving school climate;

17 “(vi) providing assistance to a school
18 in expanding the school day by strength-
19 ening the quality of staff and expanding
20 the academic programming offered in an
21 expanded learning time initiative, a pro-
22 gram of a 21st century community learn-
23 ing center (as defined in section 4201 of
24 the Elementary and Secondary Education

1 Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7171), or a high-
2 quality after-school program;

3 “(vii) assisting schools and local edu-
4 cational agencies in improving and expand-
5 ing high-quality service-learning programs
6 that keep students engaged in schools by
7 providing service-learning coordinators;

8 “(viii) assisting students in being pre-
9 pared for college-level work;

10 “(ix) involving family members of stu-
11 dents in supporting teachers and students;

12 “(x) conducting a pre-professional
13 training program in which students en-
14 rolled in an institution of higher edu-
15 cation—

16 “(I) receive training in specified
17 fields, which may include classes con-
18 taining service-learning, including
19 early childhood education, elementary
20 and secondary education and other
21 professions such as those in health
22 care, criminal justice, environmental
23 stewardship and conservation or pub-
24 lic safety;

1 “(II) perform service related to
2 such training outside the classroom
3 during the school term and during
4 summer or other vacation periods; and

5 “(III) agree to provide service
6 upon graduation to meet unmet
7 human, educational, environmental, or
8 public safety needs related to such
9 training;

10 “(xi) A campus-based program that is
11 designed to provide substantial service in a
12 community during the school term and
13 during summer or other vacation periods
14 through the use of—

15 “(I) students who are attending
16 an institution of higher education, in-
17 cluding students participating in a
18 work-study program assisted under
19 part C of title IV of the Higher Edu-
20 cation Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 2751
21 et seq.);

22 “(II) teams composed of such
23 students;

1 “(III) teams composed of a com-
2 bination of such students and commu-
3 nity residents; or

4 “(IV) students participating in
5 service-learning programs at an insti-
6 tution of higher education;

7 “(xii) a program that provides special-
8 ized training to individuals in service-learn-
9 ing and places the individuals after such
10 training in positions, including positions as
11 service-learning coordinators, to facilitate
12 service-learning in programs eligible for
13 funding under part I of subtitle B; and

14 “(xiii) providing education or job
15 training services that are designed to meet
16 the needs of rural communities.

17 “(B) EDUCATION CORPS INDICATORS.—
18 The corps indicators for a corps described in
19 this paragraph are—

20 “(i) student engagement, including
21 student attendance and student behavior;

22 “(ii) student academic achievement;

23 “(iii) high school graduation rates;

1 “(iv) rate of college enrollment and
2 continued college enrollment for recipients
3 of a high school diploma;

4 “(v) an additional indicator relating to
5 improving education for students that the
6 Corporation, in consultation with the Sec-
7 retary of Education, establishes for a given
8 year; and

9 “(vi) a local indicator (applicable to a
10 particular eligible entity and on which an
11 improvement in performance is needed) re-
12 lating to improving education for students,
13 proposed by that eligible entity in an appli-
14 cation submitted to, and approved by, a
15 State Commission or the Corporation
16 under this section.

17 “(2) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS.—A Healthy
18 Futures Corps that identifies unmet health needs
19 within communities through activities such as those
20 described in subparagraph (A) and meets or exceeds
21 the performance indicators under subparagraph (B).

22 “(A) ACTIVITIES.—A Healthy Futures
23 Corps described in this paragraph may carry
24 out activities such as—

1 “(i) assisting economically disadvan-
2 taged individuals in navigating the health
3 care system;

4 “(ii) assisting individuals in obtaining
5 access to health care for themselves or
6 their children;

7 “(iii) educating economically dis-
8 advantaged individuals and individuals who
9 are members of medically underserved pop-
10 ulations about, and engaging individuals
11 described in this clause in, initiatives re-
12 garding navigating the health care system
13 and regarding disease prevention and
14 health promotion, with a particular focus
15 on common health conditions, chronic dis-
16 eases, and conditions, for which disease
17 prevention and health promotion measures
18 exist and for which socioeconomic, geo-
19 graphic, and racial and ethnic health dis-
20 parities exist;

21 “(iv) improving health literacy of pa-
22 tients;

23 “(v) providing translation services at
24 clinics and in emergency rooms to improve
25 health care;

1 “(vi) providing services designed to
2 meet the needs of rural communities; and

3 “(vii) assisting in health promotion
4 interventions that improve health status,
5 and helping people adopt and maintain
6 healthy lifestyles and habits to improve
7 health status.

8 “(B) HEALTHY FUTURES CORPS INDICA-
9 TORS.—The corps indicators for a corps de-
10 scribed in this paragraph are—

11 “(i) access to health care among eco-
12 nomically disadvantaged individuals and
13 individuals who are members of medically
14 underserved populations;

15 “(ii) access to health care for unin-
16 sured individuals, including such individ-
17 uals who are economically disadvantaged
18 children;

19 “(iii) participation, among economi-
20 cally disadvantaged individuals and individ-
21 uals who are members of medically under-
22 served populations, in disease prevention
23 and health promotion initiatives, particu-
24 larly those with a focus on addressing com-

1 mon health conditions, addressing chronic
2 diseases, and decreasing health disparities;

3 “(iv) health literacy of patients;

4 “(v) an additional indicator, relating
5 to improving or protecting the health of
6 economically disadvantaged individuals and
7 individuals who are members of medically
8 underserved populations, that the Corpora-
9 tion, in consultation with the Secretary of
10 Health and Human Services and the Di-
11 rector of the Centers for Disease Control
12 and Prevention, establishes for a given
13 year; and

14 “(vi) a local indicator (applicable to a
15 particular eligible entity and on which an
16 improvement in performance is needed) re-
17 lating to improving or protecting the
18 health of economically disadvantaged indi-
19 viduals and individuals who are members
20 of medically underserved populations, pro-
21 posed by that eligible entity in an applica-
22 tion submitted to, and approved by, a
23 State Commission or the Corporation
24 under this section.

1 “(3) CLEAN ENERGY CORPS.—A Clean Energy
2 Corps that identifies unmet environmental needs
3 within communities through activities such as those
4 described in subparagraph (A) and meets or exceeds
5 the performance indicators under subparagraph (B).

6 “(A) ACTIVITIES.—A Clean Energy Corps
7 described in this paragraph may carry out ac-
8 tivities such as—

9 “(i) weatherizing and retrofitting
10 housing units for low-income households to
11 significantly improve the energy efficiency
12 and reduce carbon emissions of such hous-
13 ing units;

14 “(ii) building energy efficient housing
15 units in low-income communities;

16 “(iii) conducting energy audits for
17 low-income households and recommending
18 ways for the households to improve energy
19 efficiency;

20 “(iv) the enhancement of renewable
21 energy production by facilitating the instal-
22 lation or repair of renewable energy tech-
23 nologies;

1 “(v) assisting in emergency oper-
2 ations, such as disaster prevention and re-
3 lief;

4 “(vi) the repair, renovation, or reha-
5 bilitation of an existing infrastructure fa-
6 cility including, but not limited to, rail,
7 mass transportation, ports, inland naviga-
8 tion, schools and hospitals;

9 “(vii) working with schools and youth
10 programs to educate students and youth
11 about ways to reduce home energy use and
12 improve the environment, including con-
13 ducting service-learning projects to provide
14 such education;

15 “(viii) assisting in the development of
16 local recycling programs;

17 “(ix) improving national and State
18 parks, city parks, county parks, forest pre-
19 serves, and trails owned or maintained by
20 the Federal Government or a State, includ-
21 ing planting trees, carrying out reforest-
22 ation, and making trail enhancements;

23 “(x) cleaning and improving rivers
24 maintained by the Federal Government or
25 a State; and

1 “(xi) full-time, year-round youth corps
2 program or full-time summer youth corps
3 program, such as a conservation corps or
4 youth service corps (including youth corps
5 programs under subtitle I, the Public
6 Lands Corps established under the Public
7 Lands Corps Act of 1993, the Urban
8 Youth Corps established under section 106
9 of the National and Community Service
10 Trust Act of 1993, and other conservation
11 corps or youth service corps that performs
12 service on Federal or other public lands or
13 on Indian lands or Hawaiian home lands),
14 that—

15 “(I) undertakes meaningful serv-
16 ice projects with visible public bene-
17 fits, including projects involving urban
18 renewal, sustaining natural resources,
19 or improving human services;

20 “(II) includes as participants
21 youths and young adults between the
22 ages of 16 and 25, inclusive, and at
23 least 50 percent of whom are out-of-
24 school youths and other disadvantaged
25 youths (such as youths with limited

1 basic skills, youths in foster care who
2 are becoming too old for foster care,
3 youths of limited-English proficiency,
4 homeless youths, youths who are indi-
5 viduals with disabilities), and youths
6 who are economically disadvantaged
7 who are between those ages; and

8 “(III) provides those participants
9 who are youths and young adults
10 with—

11 “(aa) crew-based, highly
12 structured, and adult-supervised
13 work experience, life skills, edu-
14 cation, career guidance and coun-
15 seling, employment training, and
16 support services including men-
17 toring; and

18 “(bb) the opportunity to de-
19 velop citizenship values and skills
20 through service to their commu-
21 nity and the United States.

22 “(B) CLEAN ENERGY CORPS INDICA-
23 TORS.—The corps indicators for a corps de-
24 scribed in this paragraph are—

1 “(i) the number of housing units of
2 low-income households weatherized or ret-
3 rofitted to significantly improve energy ef-
4 ficiency and reduce carbon emissions;

5 “(ii) annual energy costs (to deter-
6 mine savings in those costs) at facilities
7 where participants have provided service;

8 “(iii) the number of students and
9 youth receiving education or training in en-
10 ergy-efficient and environmentally con-
11 scious practices;

12 “(iv) the number of national parks,
13 State parks, city parks, county parks, for-
14 est preserves, or trails or rivers owned or
15 maintained by the Federal Government or
16 a State, that are cleaned or improved;

17 “(v) another indicator relating to
18 clean energy that the Corporation, in con-
19 sultation with the Administrator of the En-
20 vironmental Protection Agency and the
21 Secretary of Energy and the Department
22 of Interior, as appropriate, establishes for
23 a given year;

24 “(vi) another indicator relating to
25 education or skill attainment for clean en-

1 ergy jobs that the Corporation, in consulta-
2 tion with the Secretary of Labor, estab-
3 lishes for a given year; and

4 “ (vii) a local indicator (applicable to a
5 particular eligible entity and on which an
6 improvement in performance is needed) re-
7 lating to clean energy, or education or skill
8 attainment for clean energy jobs, proposed
9 by that eligible entity in an application
10 submitted to, and approved by, a State
11 Commission or the Corporation under this
12 section.

13 “(4) VETERANS’ CORPS.—A Veterans’ Corps
14 that identifies unmet needs of veterans through ac-
15 tivities such as those described in subparagraph (A)
16 and meets or exceeds the performance indicators
17 under subparagraph (B).

18 “(A) ACTIVITIES.—A Veterans’ Corps de-
19 scribed in this paragraph may carry out activi-
20 ties such as—

21 “(i) promoting community-based ef-
22 forts to meet the unique needs of military
23 families while a family member is deployed
24 and upon that family member’s return
25 home;

1 “(ii) recruiting veterans, particularly
2 returning veterans, into service opportuni-
3 ties;

4 “(iii) working to assist veterans in de-
5 veloping their educational opportunities,
6 including opportunities for professional
7 certification;

8 “(iv) promoting efforts within the
9 community to serve the needs of veterans
10 and active duty military members;

11 “(v) assisting veterans in developing
12 mentoring relationships with economically
13 disadvantaged students; and

14 “(vi) developing projects to assist dis-
15 abled and older veterans.

16 “(B) VETERANS’ CORPS INDICATORS.—

17 The corps indicators for a corps described in
18 this paragraph are—

19 “(i) the number of housing units cre-
20 ated for veterans;

21 “(ii) the number of veterans who pur-
22 sue educational opportunities;

23 “(iii) the number of veterans receiving
24 professional certification;

1 “(iv) outreach efforts to service orga-
2 nizations serving the needs to veterans;

3 “(v) the number of veterans engaged
4 in service opportunities;

5 “(vi) the number of military families
6 assisted by organizations while the family
7 member is deployed and when the family
8 member returns from deployment;

9 “(vii) the number of economically dis-
10 advantaged students engaged in mentoring
11 relationships with veterans;

12 “(viii) projects designed to meet iden-
13 tifiable public needs with a specific empha-
14 sis on projects in support of veterans, espe-
15 cially disabled and older veterans;

16 “(ix) another indicator relating to
17 education or skill attainment that assists
18 in providing veterans with the skills to ad-
19 dress identifiable public needs, that is ap-
20 proved by the Corporation; and

21 “(x) other additional indicators that
22 improve the lives of veterans and families
23 of individuals deployed in service, that the
24 Corporation, in consultation with the De-

1 partment of Veterans Affairs, establishes
2 for a given year.

3 “(b) ELIGIBLE OPPORTUNITY CORPS PROGRAMS.—

4 The recipient of a grant under section 121(a) and each
5 Federal agency operating or supporting a national service
6 program under section 121(b) shall, directly or through
7 grants or subgrants to other entities, carry out or support
8 full- or part-time national service programs, including
9 summer programs, to address unmet community needs.

10 “(1) ELIGIBLE PROGRAMS.—National service
11 programs under this subsection shall be known as
12 ‘Opportunity Corps’ and may include the following
13 types of national service programs:

14 “(A) A community corps program that
15 meets unmet human, educational, environ-
16 mental, or public safety needs and promotes
17 greater community unity through the use of or-
18 ganized teams of participants of varied social
19 and economic backgrounds, skill levels, physical
20 and developmental capabilities, ages, ethnic
21 backgrounds, or genders.

22 “(B) A professional corps program that re-
23 cruits and places qualified participants in posi-
24 tions—

1 “(i) as teachers, nurses and other
2 health care providers, police officers, early
3 childhood development staff, engineers, or
4 other professionals providing service to
5 meet educational, human, environmental,
6 or public safety needs in communities with
7 an inadequate number of such profes-
8 sionals;

9 “(ii) that may include a salary in ex-
10 cess of the maximum living allowance au-
11 thorized in subsection (a)(3) of section
12 140, as provided in subsection (c) of such
13 section; and

14 “(iii) that are sponsored by public or
15 private employers who agree to pay 100
16 percent of the salaries and benefits (other
17 than any national service educational
18 award under subtitle D) of the partici-
19 pants.

20 “(C) A community service program de-
21 signed to meet the needs of rural communities,
22 using teams or individual placements to address
23 the development needs of rural communities, in-
24 cluding the issues of rural poverty, health care,
25 education, and job training.

1 “(D) A program that seeks to eliminate
2 hunger in communities and rural areas through
3 service in projects—

4 “(i) involving food banks, food pan-
5 tries, and nonprofit organizations that pro-
6 vide food during emergencies;

7 “(ii) involving the gleaning of pre-
8 pared and unprepared food that would oth-
9 erwise be discarded as unusable so that the
10 usable portion of such food may be do-
11 nated to food banks, food pantries, and
12 other nonprofit organizations;

13 “(iii) seeking to address the long-term
14 causes of hunger through education and
15 the delivery of appropriate services; or

16 “(iv) providing training in basic
17 health, nutrition, and life skills necessary
18 to alleviate hunger in communities and
19 rural areas.

20 “(E) An E-Corps program that involves
21 participants who provide services in a commu-
22 nity by developing and assisting in carrying out
23 technology programs which seek to increase ac-
24 cess to technology and the benefits thereof in
25 such community.

1 “(F) A program that engages citizens in
2 public safety, public health, and emergency and
3 disaster preparedness, and may include the re-
4 cruitment and placing of qualified participants
5 in positions to be trainees as law enforcement
6 officers, firefighters, search and rescue per-
7 sonnel, and emergency medical service workers,
8 and may engage Federal, State, and local stake-
9 holders in collaboration to organize more effec-
10 tive responses to issues of public safety and
11 public health, emergencies, and disasters.

12 “(G) A program, initiative, or partnership
13 that seeks to expand the number of mentors for
14 youths (including by recruiting high-school and
15 college-aged individuals to enter into mentoring
16 relationships), including mentors for disadvan-
17 tagged youths, either through provision of direct
18 mentoring services, provision of supportive serv-
19 ices to direct mentoring service organizations
20 (in the case of a partnership), or through the
21 creative utilization of current and emerging
22 technologies to connect youth with mentors.

23 “(H) A program that has the primary pur-
24 pose of re-engaging court-involved youth and
25 adults with the goal of reducing recidivism.

1 “(I) Programs to support the needs of vet-
2 erans or active duty service members and their
3 families, including providing opportunities to
4 participate in service projects.

5 “(J) Such other national service programs
6 addressing unmet human, educational, environ-
7 mental, or public safety needs as the Corpora-
8 tion may designate.

9 “(2) OPPORTUNITY CORPS INDICATORS.—The
10 corps indicators for programs under this subsection
11 are—

12 “(A) financial literacy among economically
13 disadvantaged individuals;

14 “(B) housing units built or improved for
15 economically disadvantaged individuals or low-
16 income families;

17 “(C) economically disadvantaged individ-
18 uals with access to job training and other skill
19 enhancement;

20 “(D) economically disadvantaged individ-
21 uals with access to information about job place-
22 ment services;

23 “(E) a reduced crime rate in the commu-
24 nity where service is provided;

1 “(F) established or improved access to
2 technology in the community where service is
3 provided;

4 “(G) mentor relationships among disadvan-
5 taged youth;

6 “(H) food security among economically dis-
7 advantaged individuals;

8 “(I) service opportunities through the pro-
9 grams described in subparagraphs (A), (B), and
10 (F) for economically disadvantaged individuals;

11 “(J) an additional indicator relating to im-
12 proving economic opportunity for economically
13 disadvantaged individuals that the Corporation,
14 in consultation with the Secretary of Health
15 and Human Services, the Secretary of Labor,
16 and the Attorney General, establishes for a
17 given year;

18 “(K) a local indicator (applicable to a par-
19 ticular eligible entity and on which an improve-
20 ment in performance is needed) relating to im-
21 proving economic opportunity for economically
22 disadvantaged individuals, proposed by that eli-
23 gible entity in an application submitted to, and
24 approved by, a State Commission or the Cor-
25 poration under this section; and

1 “(L) any additional local indicator (appli-
2 cable to a particular eligible entity and on
3 which an improvement in performance is need-
4 ed) that is approved by the Corporation.

5 “(c) PRIORITIES FOR CERTAIN REQUIRED CORPS.—

6 In awarding financial assistance and approved national
7 service positions to eligible entities proposed to carry out
8 the required corps described in subsection (a)—

9 “(1) in the case of a corps described in sub-
10 section (a)(2)—

11 “(A) the Corporation may give priority to
12 such eligible entities that propose to develop
13 policies to provide, and provide, support for
14 participants who, after completing service under
15 this section, will undertake careers to improve
16 performance on health indicators; and

17 “(B) the Corporation shall give priority to
18 such eligible entities that propose to carry out
19 national service programs in medically under-
20 served areas (as designated by the Secretary of
21 Health and Human Services as an area with a
22 shortage of personal health services); and

23 “(2) in the case of a corps described in sub-
24 section (a)(3), the Corporation shall give priority to
25 such eligible entities that propose to recruit individ-

1 uals for the Clean Energy Corps so that significant
2 percentages of participants in the Corps are eco-
3 nomically disadvantaged individuals, and provide to
4 such individuals support services and education and
5 training to develop skills needed for clean energy
6 jobs for which there is current demand or projected
7 future demand.

8 “(d) CONSULTATION ON PERFORMANCE INDICA-
9 TORS.—The Corporation shall consult with the Secretaries
10 of Education, Health and Human Services, Energy, Vet-
11 erans Affairs, Department of Interior, the Administrator
12 of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Attorney
13 General, as appropriate, in developing additional perform-
14 ance indicators for the corps and programs described in
15 subsections (a) and (b).

16 “(e) QUALIFICATION CRITERIA TO DETERMINE ELI-
17 GIBILITY.—

18 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT BY CORPORATION.—The
19 Corporation shall establish qualification criteria for
20 different types of national service programs for the
21 purpose of determining whether a particular national
22 service program should be considered to be a na-
23 tional service program eligible to receive assistance
24 or approved national service positions under this
25 subtitle.

1 “(2) CONSULTATION.—In establishing qualifica-
2 tion criteria under paragraph (1), the Corporation
3 shall consult with organizations and individuals with
4 extensive experience in developing and administering
5 effective national service programs or regarding the
6 delivery of human, educational, environmental, or
7 public safety services to communities or persons.

8 “(3) APPLICATION TO SUBGRANTS.—The quali-
9 fication criteria established by the Corporation under
10 paragraph (1) shall also be used by each recipient of
11 assistance under section 121(a) that uses any por-
12 tion of the assistance to conduct a grant program to
13 support other national service programs.

14 “(4) ENCOURAGEMENT OF INTERGENERA-
15 TIONAL COMPONENTS OF PROGRAMS.—The Corpora-
16 tion shall encourage national service programs eligi-
17 ble to receive assistance or approved national service
18 positions under this subtitle to establish, if con-
19 sistent with the purposes of the program, an inter-
20 generational component of the program that com-
21 bines students, out-of-school youths, disadvantaged
22 youth, and older adults as participants to provide
23 services to address unmet human, educational, envi-
24 ronmental, or public safety needs.

25 “(f) NATIONAL SERVICE PRIORITIES.—

1 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—

2 “(A) BY CORPORATION.—In order to con-
3 centrate national efforts on meeting certain
4 human, educational, environmental, or public
5 safety needs and to achieve the other purposes
6 of this Act, the Corporation, after reviewing the
7 strategic plan approved under section
8 192A(g)(1), shall establish (and may periodi-
9 cally alter) priorities regarding the types of na-
10 tional service programs and corps to be assisted
11 under section 129 and the purposes for which
12 such assistance may be used. In establishing
13 such priorities, the Corporation—

14 “(i) shall select 2 or more of the corps
15 described in subsection (a) to receive as-
16 sistance under section 129(c); and

17 “(ii) may select the corps described in
18 subsection (b) to receive assistance under
19 such section.

20 “(B) BY STATES.—Consistent with para-
21 graph (4), States shall establish, and through
22 the national service plan process described in
23 section 178(e)(1), periodically alter priorities as
24 appropriate regarding the national service pro-
25 grams to be assisted under section 129(a)(1).

1 The State priorities shall be subject to Corpora-
2 tion review as part of the application process
3 under section 130.

4 “(2) NOTICE TO APPLICANTS.—The Corpora-
5 tion shall provide advance notice to potential appli-
6 cants of any national service priorities to be in effect
7 under this subsection for a fiscal year. The notice
8 shall specifically include—

9 “(A) a description of any alteration made
10 in the priorities since the previous notice; and

11 “(B) a description of the national service
12 programs that are designated by the Corpora-
13 tion under section 133(d)(2) as eligible for pri-
14 ority consideration in the next competitive dis-
15 tribution of assistance under section 121(a).

16 “(3) REGULATIONS.—The Corporation shall by
17 regulation establish procedures to ensure the equi-
18 table treatment of national service programs that—

19 “(A) receive funding under this subtitle for
20 multiple years; and

21 “(B) would be adversely affected by annual
22 revisions in such national service priorities.

23 “(4) APPLICATION TO SUBGRANTS.—Any na-
24 tional service priorities established by the Corpora-
25 tion under this subsection shall also be used by each

1 recipient of funds under section 121(a) that uses
2 any portion of the assistance to conduct a grant pro-
3 gram to support other national service programs.

4 “(g) REQUIREMENTS FOR TUTORS.—

5 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in para-
6 graph (2), the Corporation shall require that each
7 recipient of assistance under the national service
8 laws that operates a tutoring program involving ele-
9 mentary or secondary school students certifies that
10 individuals serving in approved national service posi-
11 tions as tutors in such program have—

12 “(A) either—

13 “(i) obtained their high school di-
14 ploma; or

15 “(ii) passed a proficiency test dem-
16 onstrating that such individuals have the
17 skills necessary to achieve program goals;
18 and

19 “(B) have successfully completed pre- and
20 in-service training for tutors.

21 “(2) EXCEPTION.—The requirements in para-
22 graph (1) do not apply to an individual serving in
23 an approved national service position who is enrolled
24 in an elementary or secondary school and is pro-

1 viding tutoring services through a structured, school-
2 managed cross-grade tutoring program.

3 “(h) REQUIREMENTS FOR TUTORING PROGRAMS.—

4 Each tutoring program that receives assistance under the
5 national service laws shall—

6 “(1) offer a curriculum that is high quality, re-
7 search-based, and consistent with the State aca-
8 demic content standards required by section 1111 of
9 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
10 1965 (20 U.S.C. 6311) and the instructional pro-
11 gram of the local educational agency; and

12 “(2) offer high quality, research-based pre- and
13 in-service training for tutors.

14 “(i) CITIZENSHIP TRAINING.—The Corporation shall
15 establish requirements for recipients of assistance under
16 the national service laws relating to the promotion of citi-
17 zenship and civic engagement, that are consistent with the
18 principles on which citizenship programs administered by
19 U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services are based and
20 are appropriate to the age, education, and experience of
21 the program, among individuals enrolled in approved na-
22 tional service positions and approved summer of service
23 positions.

24 “(j) REPORT.—Not later than 60 days after the end
25 of each fiscal year for which the Corporation makes grants

1 under section 121(a), the Corporation shall prepare and
2 submit to Congress a report containing—

3 “(1) information describing how the Corpora-
4 tion allocated financial assistance and approved na-
5 tional service positions among eligible entities pro-
6 posed to carry out national service corps described
7 in that subsection (a) for that fiscal year;

8 “(2) information describing the amount of fi-
9 nancial assistance and the number of approved na-
10 tional service positions the Corporation provided to
11 each national service corps described in subsection
12 (a) for that fiscal year;

13 “(3) a measure of the extent to which the na-
14 tional service corps improved performance on the
15 corresponding indicators; and

16 “(4) information describing how the Corpora-
17 tion is coordinating—

18 “(A) the national service corps funded
19 under subsection (a); with

20 “(B) applicable programs, as determined
21 by the Corporation, carried out under subtitles
22 B of this title, and part A of title I and parts
23 A and B of title II of the Domestic Volunteer
24 Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.,
25 5001, 5011) that improve performance on those

1 indicators or otherwise address identified com-
2 munity needs.”.

3 **SEC. 1303. TYPES OF POSITIONS.**

4 Section 123 (42 U.S.C. 12573) is amended—

5 (1) in paragraph (2)(A) by inserting after “sub-
6 division of a State,” the following: “a Territory,”;
7 and

8 (2) in paragraph (5) by inserting “National”
9 before “Civilian Community Corps”.

10 **SEC. 1304. CONFORMING REPEAL RELATING TO TRAINING**
11 **AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

12 Section 125 (42 U.S.C. 12575) is repealed.

13 **SEC. 1305. ASSISTANCE TO STATE COMMISSIONS; CHAL-**
14 **LENGE GRANTS.**

15 Section 126 (42 U.S.C. 12576) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a)—

17 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking
18 “\$125,000 and \$750,000” and inserting
19 “\$200,000 and \$825,000”; and

20 (B) by striking paragraph (2) and insert-
21 ing the following:

22 “(2) **MATCHING REQUIREMENT.**—In making
23 grants to a State under this subsection, the Cor-
24 poration shall require the State to provide matching

1 funds of \$1 from non-Federal sources for every \$1
2 provided by the Corporation.

3 “(3) ALTERNATIVE.—Notwithstanding para-
4 graph (2), the Chief Executive Officer may permit a
5 State that demonstrates hardship or a new State
6 Commission to use an alternative match as follows:

7 “(A) FIRST \$100,000.—For the first
8 \$100,000 of grant amounts provided by the
9 Corporation, a State shall not be required to
10 provide matching funds.

11 “(B) AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$100,000.—
12 For grant amounts of more than \$100,000 and
13 not exceeding \$200,000 provided by the Cor-
14 poration, a State shall provide \$1 from non-
15 Federal sources for every \$2 provided by the
16 Corporation.

17 “(C) AMOUNTS GREATER THAN \$200,000.—
18 For grant amounts of more than \$200,000 pro-
19 vided by the Corporation, a State shall provide
20 \$1 from non-Federal sources for every \$1 pro-
21 vided by the Corporation.”;

22 (2) in subsection (b), by striking the period and
23 inserting “and to support, including through mis-
24 sion-assignments under the Robert T. Stafford Dis-
25 aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42

1 U.S.C. 5147), nonprofit organizations and public
2 agencies responding to the needs of communities in
3 disasters.”; and

4 (3) in subsection (c)—

5 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “to na-
6 tional service programs that receive assistance
7 under section 121” and inserting “to programs
8 supported under the national service laws”; and

9 (B) by striking paragraph (3) and insert-
10 ing the following:

11 “(3) AMOUNT OF ASSISTANCE.—A challenge
12 grant under this subsection may provide, for an ini-
13 tial 3-year grant period, not more than \$1 of assist-
14 ance under this subsection for each \$1 in cash raised
15 from private sources by the program supported
16 under the national service laws in excess of amounts
17 required to be provided by the program to satisfy
18 matching funds requirements. After an initial 3-year
19 grant period, grants under this subsection may pro-
20 vide not more than \$1 of assistance for each \$2 in
21 cash raised from private sources by the program in
22 excess of amounts required to be provided by the
23 program to satisfy matching funds requirements.
24 The Corporation may permit the use of local or
25 State funds as matching funds if the Corporation

1 determines that such use would be equitable due to
2 a lack of available private funds at the local level.
3 The Corporation shall establish a ceiling on the
4 amount of assistance that may be provided to a na-
5 tional service program under this subsection.”.

6 **SEC. 1306. ALLOCATION OF ASSISTANCE TO STATES AND**
7 **OTHER ELIGIBLE ENTITIES.**

8 Section 129 (42 U.S.C. 12581) is amended to read
9 as follows:

10 **“SEC. 129. PROVISION OF ASSISTANCE AND APPROVED NA-**
11 **TIONAL SERVICE POSITIONS.**

12 “(a) 1-PERCENT ALLOTMENT FOR CERTAIN TERRI-
13 TORIES.—Of the funds allocated by the Corporation for
14 provision of assistance under section 121(a) for a fiscal
15 year, the Corporation shall reserve 1 percent for grants
16 to the United States Virgin Islands, Guam, American
17 Samoa, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana
18 Islands upon approval by the Corporation of an applica-
19 tion submitted under section 130. The amount allotted as
20 a grant to each such Territory under this subsection for
21 a fiscal year shall be equal to the amount that bears the
22 same ratio to 1 percent of the allocated funds for that
23 fiscal year as the population of the Territory bears to the
24 total population of such Territories.

1 “(b) ALLOTMENT FOR INDIAN TRIBES.—Of the
2 funds allocated by the Corporation for provision of assist-
3 ance under section 121(a) for a fiscal year, the Corpora-
4 tion shall reserve at least 1 percent for grants to Indian
5 tribes, including nonprofit organizations applying on be-
6 half of a tribe or tribes, to be allotted by the Corporation
7 on a competitive basis. In the case of a nonprofit organiza-
8 tion applying on behalf of a tribe or tribes such nonprofit
9 organization shall include in its application—

10 “(1) written documentation from such tribe or
11 tribes that such tribe or tribes has approved the ap-
12 plication and authorized such nonprofit organization
13 to submit an application on the behalf of the tribe
14 or tribes; and

15 “(2) certification that the nonprofit organiza-
16 tion will use the grant exclusively to serve members
17 of such tribe or tribes and will, to the maximum ex-
18 tent practicable, do so on tribal lands.

19 “(c) RESERVATION OF APPROVED POSITIONS.—The
20 Corporation shall ensure that each individual selected dur-
21 ing a fiscal year for assignment as a VISTA volunteer
22 under title I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of
23 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.) or as a participant in the
24 Civilian Community Corps Demonstration Program under
25 subtitle E shall receive the national service educational

1 award described in subtitle D if the individual satisfies the
2 eligibility requirements for the award. Funds for approved
3 national service positions required by this paragraph for
4 a fiscal year shall be deducted from the total funding for
5 approved national service positions to be available for dis-
6 tribution under subsections (d) and (e) for that fiscal year.

7 “(d) ALLOTMENT FOR COMPETITIVE GRANTS.—Of
8 the funds allocated by the Corporation for provision of as-
9 sistance under section 121(a) for a fiscal year and subject
10 to section 133(d)(3), the Corporation shall reserve up to
11 62.7 percent for grants awarded on a competitive basis
12 to States for national service programs and to nonprofit
13 organizations seeking to operate a national service pro-
14 gram in 2 or more States.

15 “(e) ALLOTMENT TO CERTAIN STATES ON FORMULA
16 BASIS.—

17 “(1) GRANTS.—Of the funds allocated by the
18 Corporation for provision of assistance under sub-
19 section (a) of section 121 for a fiscal year, the Cor-
20 poration shall make a grant to each of the several
21 States, the District of Columbia, and the Common-
22 wealth of Puerto Rico that submits an application
23 under section 130 that is approved by the Corpora-
24 tion.

1 “(2) ALLOTMENTS.—The amount allotted as a
2 grant to each such State under this subsection for
3 a fiscal year shall be equal to the amount that bears
4 the same ratio to 35.3 percent of the allocated funds
5 for that fiscal year as the population of the State
6 bears to the total population of the several States,
7 the District of Columbia, and the Commonwealth of
8 Puerto Rico, in compliance with paragraph (3).

9 “(3) MINIMUM AMOUNT.—Notwithstanding
10 paragraph (2), the minimum grant made available to
11 each State approved by the Corporation under para-
12 graph (1) for each fiscal year must be at least
13 \$600,000, or 0.5 percent of the amount allocated for
14 the State formula under this section, whichever is
15 greater.

16 “(f) EFFECT OF FAILURE TO APPLY.—If a State or
17 Territory fails to apply for, or fails to give notice to the
18 Corporation of its intent to apply for an allotment under
19 this section, or the Corporation does not approve the appli-
20 cation consistent with section 133, the Corporation may
21 use the amount that would have been allotted under this
22 section to the State or Territory to—

23 “(1) make grants (and provide approved na-
24 tional service positions in connection with such
25 grants) to other community-based organizations

1 under section 121 that propose to carry out national
2 service programs in such State or Territory; and

3 “(2) make a reallocation to other States or Ter-
4 ritories with approved applications submitted under
5 section 130, to the extent community-based organi-
6 zations do not apply as described in paragraph (1).

7 “(g) APPLICATION REQUIRED.—The allotment of as-
8 sistance and approved national service positions to a re-
9 cipient under this section shall be made by the Corpora-
10 tion only pursuant to an application submitted by a State
11 or other applicant under section 130.

12 “(h) APPROVAL OF POSITIONS SUBJECT TO AVAIL-
13 ABLE FUNDS.—The Corporation may not approve posi-
14 tions as approved national service positions under this
15 subtitle for a fiscal year in excess of the number of such
16 positions for which the Corporation has sufficient available
17 funds in the National Service Trust for that fiscal year,
18 taking into consideration funding needs for national serv-
19 ice educational awards under subtitle D based on com-
20 pleted service. If appropriations are insufficient to provide
21 the maximum allowable national service educational
22 awards under subtitle D for all eligible participants, the
23 Corporation is authorized to make necessary and reason-
24 able adjustments to program rules.

1 “(i) SPONSORSHIP OF APPROVED NATIONAL SERV-
2 ICE POSITIONS.—

3 “(1) SPONSORSHIP AUTHORIZED.—The Cor-
4 poration may enter into agreements with persons or
5 entities who offer to sponsor national service posi-
6 tions for which the person or entity will be respon-
7 sible for supplying the funds necessary to provide a
8 national service educational award. The distribution
9 of these approved national service positions shall be
10 made pursuant to the agreement, and the creation
11 of these positions shall not be taken into consider-
12 ation in determining the number of approved na-
13 tional service positions to be available for distribu-
14 tion under this section.

15 “(2) DEPOSIT OF CONTRIBUTION.—Funds pro-
16 vided pursuant to an agreement under paragraph
17 (1) shall be deposited in the National Service Trust
18 established in section 145 until such time as the
19 funds are needed.

20 “(j) RESERVATION OF FUNDS FOR SPECIAL ASSIST-
21 ANCE.—From amounts appropriated for a fiscal year pur-
22 suant to the authorization of appropriations in section
23 501(a)(2) and subject to the limitation in such section,
24 the Corporation may reserve such amount as the Corpora-

1 tion considers to be appropriate for the purpose of making
2 assistance available under section 126.

3 “(k) RESERVATION OF FUNDS TO INCREASE THE
4 PARTICIPATION OF INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.—

5 “(1) RESERVATION.—To make grants to public
6 or private nonprofit organizations to increase the
7 participation of individuals with disabilities in na-
8 tional service and for demonstration activities in fur-
9 therance of this purpose, and subject to the limita-
10 tion in paragraph (2), the Chief Executive Officer
11 shall reserve not less than 1 percent from the
12 amount allocated to carry out program grants under
13 the national service laws.

14 “(2) LIMITATION.—The amount reserved in
15 paragraph (1) may not exceed \$10,000,000.

16 “(3) REMAINDER.—After making grants under
17 subsection (j), excess funds may be used by the
18 Chief Executive Officer for other activities under
19 section 501(a)(2).

20 “(l) AUTHORITY FOR FIXED-AMOUNT GRANTS.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—

22 “(A) AUTHORITY.—From amounts appro-
23 priated for a fiscal year to provide financial as-
24 sistance under the national service laws, the
25 Corporation, subject to the limitation in sub-

1 paragraph (B) may provide assistance in the
2 form of fixed-amount grants in an amount de-
3 termined by the Corporation under paragraph
4 (2) rather than on the basis of actual costs in-
5 curred by a program.

6 “(B) LIMITATION.—Other than fixed-
7 amount grants to support programs described
8 in section 129A, for the 1-year period beginning
9 on the date of enactment of the GIVE Act, the
10 Corporation may provide assistance in the form
11 of fixed-amount grants only to support full-time
12 positions.

13 “(2) DETERMINATION OF AMOUNT OF FIXED-
14 AMOUNT GRANTS.—A fixed-amount grant authorized
15 by this subsection shall be in an amount determined
16 by the Corporation that is—

17 “(A) significantly less than the reasonable
18 and necessary costs of administering the pro-
19 gram receiving the grant; and

20 “(B) based on the amount per individual
21 enrolled in the program receiving the grant,
22 taking into account—

23 “(i) the program’s capacity to manage
24 funds and achieve programmatic results;

1 “(ii) the number of national service
2 positions approved for the program;

3 “(iii) the proposed design of the pro-
4 gram;

5 “(iv) whether the program provides
6 service to or involves the participation of
7 disadvantaged youth or otherwise would
8 reasonably incur a relatively higher level of
9 costs; and

10 “(v) such other factors as the Cor-
11 poration may consider under section 133 in
12 considering applications for assistance.

13 “(3) REQUIREMENTS FOR GRANT RECIPI-
14 ENTS.—In awarding a fixed-amount grant under
15 this subsection, the Corporation—

16 “(A) shall require the grant recipient—

17 “(i) to return a pro rata amount of
18 the grant funds based upon the difference
19 between the number of hours served by a
20 participant and the minimum number of
21 hours for completion of a term of service
22 (as established by the Corporation);

23 “(ii) to report on standardized and
24 other performance measures established by
25 the Corporation;

1 “(iii) to cooperate with any evaluation
2 activities undertaken by the Corporation;
3 and

4 “(iv) to provide assurances that addi-
5 tional funds shall be raised in support of
6 the proposed program, in addition to those
7 received under the national service laws;
8 and

9 “(B) may adopt other terms and condi-
10 tions as it considers necessary or appropriate
11 based on the relative risks (as determined by
12 the Corporation) associated with any applica-
13 tion for a fixed-amount grant.

14 “(4) OTHER REQUIREMENTS NOT APPLICA-
15 BLE.—Limitations on administrative costs and
16 matching fund documentation requirements shall not
17 apply to fixed-amount grants provided in accordance
18 with this subsection.

19 “(5) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in
20 this subsection shall relieve a grant recipient of the
21 responsibility to comply with the requirements of the
22 Single Audit Act (31 U.S.C. 7501 et seq.) or other
23 requirements of Office of Management and Budget
24 Circular A-133.”.

1 **SEC. 1307. ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY.**

2 Part II of subtitle C of title I is amended by inserting
3 after section 129 (42 U.S.C. 12581) the following:

4 **“SEC. 129A. EDUCATION AWARDS ONLY PROGRAM.**

5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—From amounts appropriated for
6 a fiscal year to provide financial assistance under this sub-
7 title and consistent with the restriction in subsection (b),
8 the Corporation may, through fixed-amount grants (in ac-
9 cordance with section 129(k)), provide operational assist-
10 ance to programs that receive approved national service
11 positions but do not receive funds under section 121(a).

12 “(b) LIMIT ON CORPORATION GRANT FUNDS.—
13 Operational support under this section may not exceed
14 \$600 per individual enrolled in an approved national serv-
15 ice position and may reach \$800 per individual if the pro-
16 gram supports at least 50 percent disadvantaged youth.

17 “(c) INAPPLICABLE PROVISIONS.—The provisions
18 under section 129(k)(4) regarding and the living allow-
19 ances and other benefits under sections 131(e) and section
20 140 (other than individualized support services for dis-
21 abled members under section 140(f))”.

22 **SEC. 1308. STATE SELECTION OF PROGRAMS.**

23 Section 130 (42 U.S.C. 12582) is amended—

24 (1) in subsection (a)—

25 (A) by inserting after “State,” the fol-
26 lowing: “Territory,”; and

1 (B) by striking “institution of higher edu-
2 cation, or Federal agency” and inserting “or in-
3 stitution of higher education”;

4 (2) in subsection (b)—

5 (A) in paragraph (9), by striking “section
6 122(c)” and inserting “section 122(d)”; and

7 (B) in paragraph (12), by inserting “mu-
8 nicipalities and county governments in the areas
9 being served,” after “services,”;

10 (3) in subsection (c)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) by striking “jobs or positions” and
13 inserting “proposed positions”; and

14 (ii) by striking “, including” and all
15 that follows through the period at the end
16 and inserting a period;

17 (B) in paragraph (2) by inserting “pro-
18 posed” before “minimum”; and

19 (C) by adding at the end the following:

20 “(3) In the case of a nonprofit organization op-
21 erating programs in 2 or more States, a description
22 of the manner and extent to which the State Com-
23 missions of each State in which the nonprofit organi-
24 zation intends to operate were consulted and the na-
25 ture of the consultation.”;

1 (4) by redesignating subsections (d) through (g)
2 as subsections (e) through (h), respectively and in-
3 serting after subsection (c) the following:

4 “(d) **ADDITIONAL REQUIRED APPLICATION INFOR-**
5 **MATION.**—An application submitted under subsection (a)
6 for programs described in 122(a) shall also contain—

7 “(1) measurable goals, to be used for annual
8 measurements of the program on 1 or more of the
9 corresponding performance indicators;

10 “(2) information describing how the applicant
11 proposes to utilize funds to improve performance on
12 the corresponding performance indicators utilizing
13 participants, including the activities in which such
14 participants will engage to improve performance on
15 those indicators;

16 “(3) information identifying the geographical
17 area in which the eligible entity proposed to carry
18 out the program proposes to use funds to improve
19 performance on the corresponding performance indi-
20 cators including demographic information on the
21 students or individuals, as appropriate, in such area,
22 and statistics demonstrating the need to improve
23 such indicators in such area; and

24 “(4) if applicable, information on how the eligi-
25 ble entity will work with other community-based

1 agencies to carry out activities to improve perform-
2 ance on the corresponding performance indicators
3 using such funds.”;

4 (5) in subsection (f)(2) (as so redesignated) by
5 striking “were selected” and inserting “were or will
6 be selected”;

7 (6) in subsection (g) (as so redesignated)—

8 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “a pro-
9 gram applicant” and inserting “an applicant”;

10 and

11 (B) in paragraph (2)—

12 (i) in the heading, by striking “PRO-
13 GRAM APPLICANT” and inserting “APPLI-
14 CANT”;

15 (ii) in the matter preceding subpara-
16 graph (A), by striking “program appli-
17 cant” and inserting “applicant”;

18 (iii) in subparagraph (A)—

19 (I) by inserting after “subdivision
20 of a State,” the following: “Terri-
21 tory,”; and

22 (II) by striking “institution of
23 higher education, or Federal agency”
24 and inserting “or institution of higher
25 education”; and

1 (iv) in subparagraph (B)—

2 (I) by inserting after “subdivision
3 of a State,” the following: “Terri-
4 tory,”; and

5 (II) by striking “institution of
6 higher education, or Federal agency”
7 and inserting “or institution of higher
8 education”; and

9 (7) in subsection (h) (as so redesignated), by
10 striking the period and inserting “or is already re-
11 ceiving financial assistance from the Corporation.”.

12 **SEC. 1309. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM ASSISTANCE RE-**
13 **QUIREMENTS.**

14 Section 131(c) (42 U.S.C. 12583(c)) is amended—

15 (1) in paragraph (1)—

16 (A) by striking “and” at the end of sub-
17 paragraph (A);

18 (B) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
19 “and” after “program;”; and

20 (C) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(C) municipalities and county govern-
22 ments in the areas being served;”; and

23 (2) by amending paragraph (3) to read as fol-
24 lows:

1 “(3) in the case of a program that is not fund-
2 ed through a State, including programs operated by
3 nonprofit organizations seeking to operate a national
4 service program in 2 or more States—

5 “(A) consult with and coordinate with the
6 State Commission for the State in which the
7 program operates; and

8 “(B) obtain written confirmation (which
9 may be in electronic form) from the State Com-
10 mission that the applicant seeking assistance
11 under this Act has consulted with and coordi-
12 nated with the State Commission when seeking
13 to operate a program in that State.”.

14 **SEC. 1310. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATIONS.**

15 Section 133 (42 U.S.C. 12585) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (c)(6), insert after subpara-
17 graph (E) the following:

18 “(F) Areas that have a mortgage fore-
19 closure rate greater than the national average
20 mortgage foreclosure rate for the most recent
21 12 months for which satisfactory data are avail-
22 able.”;

23 (2) in subsection (b)(2)(B), by striking “jobs
24 or”; and

1 (3) in subsection (d)(2), by adding at the end
2 the following:

3 “(H) programs that recruit veterans, par-
4 ticularly returning veterans, into service oppor-
5 tunities; and

6 “(I) programs that promote community-
7 based efforts to meet the unique needs of mili-
8 tary families while a member of the family is
9 deployed, or when a member of the family re-
10 turns from deployment.”.

11 **SEC. 1311. DESCRIPTION OF PARTICIPANTS.**

12 Section 137 (42 U.S.C. 12591) is amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a)—

14 (A) by striking paragraph (3); and

15 (B) by redesignating paragraphs (4), (5),
16 and (6) as paragraphs (3), (4), and (5), respec-
17 tively;

18 (2) in subsection (b)—

19 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “para-
20 graph (4)” and inserting “paragraph (3)”; and

21 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “between
22 the ages of 16 and 25” and inserting “a 16-
23 year-old out of school youth or an individual be-
24 tween the ages of 17 and 25”; and

1 (3) in subsection (c), by striking “(a)(5)” and
2 inserting “(a)(4)”.

3 **SEC. 1312. SELECTION OF NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICI-**
4 **PANTS.**

5 Section 138 (42 U.S.C. 12592) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a) by striking “conducted by
7 the State” and all that follows through “or other en-
8 tity” and inserting “conducted by the entity”; and

9 (2) in subsection (e)(2)(C) by inserting before
10 the semicolon at the end the following: “, particu-
11 larly those who were considered at the time of their
12 service disadvantaged youth”.

13 **SEC. 1313. TERMS OF SERVICE.**

14 Section 139 (42 U.S.C. 12593) is amended—

15 (1) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “not less
16 than 9 months and”;

17 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by striking “during a
18 period of—” and all that follows through the period
19 at the end and inserting “during a period of not
20 more than 2 years.”;

21 (3) in subsection (b) by inserting at the end the
22 following:

23 “(4) EXTENSION OF TERM FOR DISASTER PUR-
24 POSES.—

1 “(A) An individual in an approved national
2 service position performing service directly re-
3 lated to disaster relief efforts may continue in
4 a term of service for a period of 90 days beyond
5 the period otherwise specified in sections 139(b)
6 and 153(e) or in section 104 of the Domestic
7 Volunteer Service Act of 1973.

8 “(B) Service performed by an individual in
9 an originally agreed to term of service and serv-
10 ice performed under this paragraph shall con-
11 stitute a single term of service for purposes of
12 sections 146 (b) and (c) but may not receive an
13 additional education award under section 141.”;
14 and

15 (4) in subsection (c)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “as
17 demonstrated by the participant” and inserting
18 “as determined by the organization responsible
19 for granting a release, if the participant has
20 otherwise performed satisfactorily and has com-
21 pleted at least 15 percent of the original term
22 of service”;

23 (B) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “pro-
24 vide to the participant that portion of the na-
25 tional service educational award” and inserting

1 “certify the participant’s eligibility for that por-
2 tion of the national service educational award”;
3 and

4 (C) in paragraph (2)(B), by striking “to
5 allow return to the program with which the in-
6 dividual was serving in order”.

7 **SEC. 1314. ADJUSTMENTS TO LIVING ALLOWANCE.**

8 Section 140 (42 U.S.C. 12594) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “para-
11 graph (3)” and inserting “paragraphs (2) and
12 (3)”;

13 (B) by striking paragraph (2);

14 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as (2);

15 (D) by inserting after paragraph (2) (as so
16 redesignated) the following:

17 “(3) FEDERAL WORK-STUDY STUDENTS.—The
18 living allowance that may be provided to an indi-
19 vidual whose term of service includes hours for
20 which the individual receives Federal work study
21 wages shall be reduced by the amount of the individ-
22 ual’s Federal work study award.”; and

23 (E) in paragraph (4), by striking “a re-
24 duced term of service under section 139(b)(3)”

1 and inserting “a term of service that is less
2 than 12 months”;

3 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall include
4 an amount sufficient to cover 85 percent of such
5 taxes” and all that follows through the period at the
6 end and inserting “may be used to pay such taxes.”;

7 (3) in subsection (c)—

8 (A) in paragraph (1) by adding “and” at
9 the end;

10 (B) by striking paragraph (2); and

11 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as (2);

12 (4) in subsection (d)(1), by striking the second
13 sentence; and

14 (5) by striking subsections (g) and (h).

15 **Subtitle D—Amendments to Sub-**
16 **title D (National Service Trust**
17 **and Provision of National Serv-**
18 **ice Educational Awards)**

19 **SEC. 1401. AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS IN THE NATIONAL**
20 **SERVICE TRUST.**

21 Section 145 (42 U.S.C. 12601) is amended—

22 (1) in subsection (a)—

23 (A) in paragraph (1)(B), by striking “sec-
24 tion 148(e)” and inserting “section 148(f)”;

25 and

1 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “pursu-
2 ant to section 196(a)(2)” and inserting “pursu-
3 ant to section 196(a)(2), if the terms of such
4 donations direct that they be deposited in the
5 National Service Trust”; and

6 (2) in subsection (c), by striking “for payments
7 of national service educational awards in accordance
8 with section 148.” and inserting “for—

9 “(1) payments of summer of service educational
10 awards and national service educational awards in
11 accordance with section 148; and

12 “(2) payments of interest in accordance with
13 section 148(f).”.

14 **SEC. 1402. INDIVIDUALS ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE A NA-**
15 **TIONAL SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARD**
16 **FROM THE TRUST.**

17 Section 146 (42 U.S.C. 12602) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (a)—

19 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
20 by striking “if the individual” and inserting “if
21 the organization responsible for an individual’s
22 supervision certifies that the individual”;

23 (B) by striking paragraphs (1), (2), and
24 (3) and inserting the following:

1 “(1) met the applicable eligibility requirements
2 for the position; and

3 “(2)(A) for a full-time or part-time educational
4 award, successfully completed the required term of
5 service described in subsection (b) in an approved
6 national service position; or

7 “(B) for a partial educational award—

8 “(i) satisfactorily performed prior to being
9 granted a release for compelling personal cir-
10 cumstances under section 139(c); and

11 “(ii) served at least 15 percent of the re-
12 quired term of service described in subsection
13 (b); and”;

14 (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
15 paragraph (3);

16 (2) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the
17 following:

18 “(c) LIMITATION ON RECEIPT OF NATIONAL SERV-
19 ICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.—An individual may not re-
20 ceive, in national service educational awards, more than
21 an amount equal to the aggregate value of 2 such awards
22 for full-time service. The aggregate value of summer of
23 service educational awards that an individual receives shall
24 have no effect on the aggregate value of national service
25 educational awards the individual may receive.”;

1 (3) in subsection (d)—

2 (A) in paragraph (1)—

3 (i) by striking “SEVEN-YEAR RE-
4 QUIREMENT” and inserting “IN GEN-
5 ERAL”; and

6 (ii) by striking “An” and inserting
7 “Subject to paragraph (2), an”; and

8 (B) in paragraph (2)—

9 (i) in subparagraph (A) by striking
10 “or” at the end;

11 (ii) in subparagraph (B) by striking
12 the period at the end and inserting “; or”;
13 and

14 (iii) by adding at the end the fol-
15 lowing:

16 “(C) is an individual eligible to receive a
17 summer of service educational award, in which
18 case the individual shall have a 10-year period
19 to use such educational award beginning on the
20 date that the individual completes the term of
21 service that is the basis of such educational
22 award.”; and

23 (4) in subsection (e)(1)—

1 (A) by inserting after “qualifying under
2 this section” the following: “or under section
3 119(c)(8)”; and

4 (B) by inserting after “to receive a na-
5 tional service educational award” the following:
6 “or a summer of service educational award”.

7 **SEC. 1403. DETERMINATION OF THE AMOUNT OF NATIONAL**
8 **SERVICE EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**

9 Section 147 (42 U.S.C. 12603) is amended—

10 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
11 lows:

12 “(a) AMOUNT FOR FULL-TIME NATIONAL SERV-
13 ICE.—Except as provided in subsection (c), an individual
14 described in section 146(a) who successfully completes a
15 required term of full-time national service in an approved
16 national service position shall receive a national service
17 educational award having a value equal to the maximum
18 amount of a Federal Pell Grant that a student eligible
19 under section 401(b)(2)(A) of the Higher Education Act
20 of 1965 may receive for the award year for which the na-
21 tional service position is approved by the Corporation.”;
22 and

23 (2) in subsection (b), by inserting after “for
24 each of not more than 2 of such terms of service”
25 the following: “in the period of one year”.

1 **SEC. 1404. DISBURSEMENT OF EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**

2 Section 148 (42 U.S.C. 12604) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) in paragraph (2), by striking “cost of
5 attendance” and inserting “cost of attendance
6 or other educational expenses”;

7 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “and”;

8 (C) by redesignating paragraph (4) as
9 paragraph (6); and

10 (D) by inserting after paragraph (3) the
11 following:

12 “(4) to pay expenses incurred in enrolling in an
13 educational institution or training establishment that
14 meets the requirements of chapter 36 of title 38,
15 United States Code (38 U.S.C. 3451 et seq.);”;

16 (2) in subsection (b)(1) by inserting after “the
17 national service educational award of the individual”
18 the following: “, or an eligible individual under sec-
19 tion 119(c)(8) who received a summer of service
20 educational award”;

21 (3) in subsection (b)(2) by inserting after “the
22 national service educational award” the following:
23 “or the summer of service educational award, as ap-
24 plicable,”;

25 (4) in subsection (b)(5) by inserting after “the
26 national service educational award” the following:

1 “or the summer of service educational award, as ap-
2 plicable”;

3 (5) in subsection (b)(7)—

4 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “,
5 other than a loan to a parent of a student pur-
6 suant to section 428B of such Act (20 U.S.C.
7 1078–2); and” and inserting a semicolon;

8 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking the
9 period and inserting “; and”; and

10 (C) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(C) any loan (other than a loan described
12 in subparagraph (A) or (B)) determined by an
13 institution of higher education to be necessary
14 to cover a student’s educational expenses and
15 made, insured, or guaranteed by—

16 “(i) an eligible lender, as defined in
17 section 435 of the Higher Education Act
18 of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1085);

19 “(ii) the direct student loan program
20 under part D of title IV of such Act;

21 “(iii) a State agency; or

22 “(iv) a lender otherwise determined by
23 the Corporation to be eligible to receive
24 disbursements from the National Service
25 Trust.”;

1 (6) in subsection (c)(1), by inserting after “na-
2 tional service educational award” the following: “, or
3 an eligible individual under section 119(c)(8) who
4 desires to apply the individual’s summer of service
5 educational award,”;

6 (7) in subsection (c)(2)(A), by inserting after
7 “national service educational award” the following:
8 “or summer of service educational award, as applica-
9 ble,”;

10 (8) in subsection (c)(2)(C)(iii), by inserting
11 after “national service educational awards received
12 under this subtitle” the following: “or summer of
13 service educational awards received under section
14 119(c)(8)”;

15 (9) in subsection (c)(3), by inserting after “na-
16 tional service educational awards” the following:
17 “and summer of service educational awards”;

18 (10) in subsection (c)(5)—

19 (A) by inserting after “national service
20 educational award” the following: “, or summer
21 of service educational award, as applicable,”;

22 and

23 (B) by inserting after “additional” the fol-
24 lowing: “summer of service educational awards
25 and additional”;

1 (11) in subsection (c)(6), by inserting after
2 “national service educational award” the following:
3 “and summer of service educational award”;

4 (12) in subsection (d), by inserting after “na-
5 tional service educational awards” the following:
6 “and summer of service educational awards”;

7 (13) in subsection (f) (as so redesignated), by
8 striking “subsection (b)(6)” and inserting “sub-
9 section (b)(7)”;

10 (14) in subsection (g) (as so redesignated), by
11 striking “Director” and inserting “Chief Executive
12 Officer”.

13 **SEC. 1405. PROCESS OF APPROVAL OF NATIONAL SERVICE**
14 **POSITIONS.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subtitle D of title I (42 U.S.C.
16 12601 et seq.) is further amended by adding at the end
17 the following new section:

18 **“SEC. 149. PROCESS OF APPROVAL OF NATIONAL SERVICE**
19 **POSITIONS.**

20 “(a) TIMING AND RECORDING REQUIREMENTS.—

21 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding subtitles
22 C and D, and any other provision of law, in approv-
23 ing a position as an approved national service posi-
24 tion, the Corporation—

1 “(A) shall approve the position at the time
2 the Corporation—

3 “(i) enters into an enforceable agree-
4 ment with an individual participant to
5 serve in a program carried out under sub-
6 title E of title I of this Act or under title
7 I of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of
8 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4951 et seq.), or a sum-
9 mer of service educational award; or

10 “(ii) except as provided in clause (i),
11 awards a grant to (or enters into a con-
12 tract or cooperative agreement with) an
13 entity to carry out a program for which
14 such a position is approved under section
15 123; and

16 “(B) shall record as an obligation an esti-
17 mate of the net present value of the national
18 service educational award associated with the
19 position, based on a formula that takes into
20 consideration historical rates of enrollment in
21 such a program, and of earning and using na-
22 tional service educational awards for such a
23 program and remain available.

24 “(2) FORMULA.—In determining the formula
25 described in paragraph (1)(B), the Corporation shall

1 consult with the Director of the Congressional Budget
2 Office.

3 “(3) CERTIFICATION REPORT.—The Chief Executive
4 Officer of the Corporation shall annually prepare and submit to the Committee on Education and
5 Labor of the House of Representatives and the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
6 of the Senate a report that contains a certification
7 that the Corporation is in compliance with the requirements of paragraph (1).
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11 “(4) APPROVAL.—The requirements of this
12 subsection shall apply to each approved national
13 service position that the Corporation approves—

14 “(A) during fiscal year 2008; and

15 “(B) during any subsequent fiscal year.

16 “(b) RESERVE ACCOUNT.—

17 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT AND CONTENTS.—

18 “(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—Notwithstanding
19 subtitles C and D, and any other provision of
20 law, within the National Service Trust established under section 145, the Corporation shall
21 establish a reserve account.
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23 “(B) CONTENTS.—To ensure the availability of adequate funds to support the awards
24 of approved national service positions for each
25

1 fiscal year, the Corporation shall place in the
2 account—

3 “(i) during fiscal year 2008, a portion
4 of the funds that were appropriated for fis-
5 cal year 2008 or a previous fiscal year
6 under section 501(a)(2), were made avail-
7 able to carry out subtitle C, D, or E of this
8 title, subtitle A of title I of the Domestic
9 Volunteer Service Act of 1973, or summer
10 of service under section 119(c)(8), and re-
11 main available; and

12 “(ii) during fiscal year 2009 or a sub-
13 sequent fiscal year, a portion of the funds
14 that were appropriated for that fiscal year
15 under section 501(a)(2) and were made
16 available to carry out subtitle C, D, or E
17 of this title, subtitle A of title I of the Do-
18 mestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, or
19 summer of service under section 111(a)(5),
20 and remain available.

21 “(2) OBLIGATION.—The Corporation shall not
22 obligate the funds in the reserve account until the
23 Corporation—

24 “(A) determines that the funds will not be
25 needed for the payment of national service edu-

1 cational awards associated with previously ap-
2 proved national service positions and summer of
3 service educational awards; or

4 “(B) obligates the funds for the payment
5 of national service educational awards for such
6 previously approved national service positions or
7 summer of service educational awards, as appli-
8 cable.

9 “(c) AUDITS.—The accounts of the Corporation re-
10 lating to the appropriated funds for approved national
11 service positions, and the records demonstrating the man-
12 ner in which the Corporation has recorded estimates de-
13 scribed in subsection (a)(1)(B) as obligations, shall be au-
14 dited annually by independent certified public accountants
15 or independent licensed public accountants certified or li-
16 censed by a regulatory authority of a State or other polit-
17 ical subdivision of the United States in accordance with
18 generally accepted auditing standards. A report containing
19 the results of each such independent audit shall be in-
20 cluded in the annual report required by subsection (a)(3).

21 “(d) AVAILABILITY OF AMOUNTS.—Except as pro-
22 vided in subsection (b), all amounts included in the Na-
23 tional Service Trust under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3)
24 of section 145(a) shall be available for payments of na-

1 tional service educational awards or summer of service
2 educational awards under section 148.”.

3 (b) CONFORMING REPEAL.—Section 2 of the
4 Strengthen AmeriCorps Program Act (Public Law 108–
5 145; 117 Stat. 844; 42 U.S.C. 12605) is repealed.

6 **Subtitle E—Amendments to Sub-**
7 **title E (National Civilian Com-**
8 **munity Corps)**

9 **SEC. 1501. PURPOSE.**

10 Section 151 (42 U.S.C. 12611) is amended to read
11 as follows:

12 **“SEC. 151. PURPOSE.**

13 “It is the purpose of this subtitle to authorize the
14 operation of, and support for, residential and other service
15 programs that combine the best practices of civilian serv-
16 ice with the best aspects of military service, including lead-
17 ership and team building, to meet national and community
18 needs. Such needs to be met under such programs include
19 those related to—

20 “(1) natural and other disasters;

21 “(2) infrastructure improvement;

22 “(3) environmental stewardship and conserva-
23 tion;

24 “(4) energy conservation;

25 “(5) urban and rural development; and

1 “(6) other unmet needs consistent with the pur-
2 pose as described in this section.”.

3 **SEC. 1502. PROGRAM COMPONENTS.**

4 Section 152 (42 U.S.C. 12612) is amended—

5 (1) by amending the section heading to read as
6 follows:

7 **“SEC. 152. ESTABLISHMENT OF NATIONAL CIVILIAN COM-
8 MUNITY CORPS PROGRAM.”;**

9 (2) in subsection (a), by striking “Civilian Com-
10 munity Corps Demonstration Program” and insert-
11 ing “National Civilian Community Corps Program”;

12 (3) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps
14 Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-
15 tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;
16 and

17 (B) by striking “a Civilian Community
18 Corps” and inserting “a National Civilian Com-
19 munity Corps”;

20 (4) in the heading of subsection (c), by striking
21 “PROGRAMS” and inserting “COMPONENTS”; and

22 (5) in subsection (c), by striking “program
23 components are residential programs” and all that
24 follows and inserting “programs referred to in sub-
25 section (b) may include a residential component.”.

1 **SEC. 1503. ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS.**

2 Section 153 (42 U.S.C. 12613) is amended—

3 (1) in subsection (a)—

4 (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps
5 Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-
6 tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;
7 and

8 (B) by striking “on Civilian Community
9 Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian
10 Community Corps”;

11 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “if the per-
12 son” and all that follows through the period at the
13 end and inserting “if the person will be at least 18
14 years of age on or before December 31 in the cal-
15 endar year in which the individual enrolls in the pro-
16 gram.”;

17 (3) in subsection (c)—

18 (A) by striking “BACKGROUNDS” and in-
19 serting “BACKGROUNDS”; and

20 (B) by adding at the end the following:
21 “The Director shall take appropriate steps, in-
22 cluding through outreach and recruitment ac-
23 tivities carried out by the chief executive officer,
24 to increase the percentage of participants in the
25 program who are disadvantaged youth toward
26 50 percent of all participants by year 2011. The

1 Director shall report to Congress biennially on
2 such efforts, any challenges faced, and the an-
3 nual participation rates of disadvantaged youth
4 in the program.”; and
5 (4) by striking subsection (e).

6 **SEC. 1504. SUMMER NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAM.**

7 Section 154 (42 U.S.C. 12614) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps
10 Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-
11 tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;
12 and

13 (B) by striking “on Civilian Community
14 Corps” and inserting “on National Civilian
15 Community Corps”; and

16 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “shall be” and
17 all that follows through the period at the end and
18 inserting “shall be from economically and ethnically
19 diverse backgrounds, including youth who are in fos-
20 ter care.”.

21 **SEC. 1505. TEAM LEADERS.**

22 Section 155 (42 U.S.C. 12615) is amended—

23 (1) by amending the section heading to read as
24 follows:

1 **“SEC. 155. NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMUNITY CORPS.”;**

2 (2) in subsection (a)—

3 (A) by striking “Civilian Community Corps
4 Demonstration Program” and inserting “Na-
5 tional Civilian Community Corps Program”;
6 and

7 (B) by striking “the Civilian Community
8 Corps shall” and inserting “the National Civil-
9 ian Community Corps shall”;

10 (3) in subsection (b)—

11 (A) by amending the subsection heading to
12 read as follows:

13 “(b) MEMBERSHIP IN NATIONAL CIVILIAN COMMU-
14 NITY CORPS.—”;

15 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting “Na-
16 tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”;

17 (C) in paragraph (3)—

18 (i) by striking “superintendent” and
19 inserting “campus director”; and

20 (ii) by striking “camp” and inserting
21 “campus”; and

22 (D) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(4) TEAM LEADERS.—The Director may select
24 from Corps members individuals with prior super-
25 visory or service experience to be team leaders within
26 units in the National Civilian Community Corps to

1 perform service that includes leading and super-
2 vising teams of Corps members. Team leaders
3 shall—

4 “(A) be selected without regard to the age
5 limitation under section 153(b);

6 “(B) be members of the National Civilian
7 Community Corps; and

8 “(C) be provided the rights and benefits
9 applicable to Corps members, except that the
10 limitation on the amount of living allowance
11 shall not exceed 10 percent more than the
12 amount established under section 158(b).”;

13 (4) in subsection (d)—

14 (A) by amending the subsection heading to
15 read as follows:

16 “(d) **CAMPUSES.—**”;

17 (B) in paragraph (1)—

18 (i) by amending the paragraph head-
19 ing to read as follows:

20 “(1) **UNITS TO BE ASSIGNED TO CAMPUSES.—**
21 ”;

22 (ii) by striking “in camps” and insert-
23 ing “in campuses”;

24 (iii) by striking “camp” and inserting
25 “campus”; and

1 (iv) by striking “in the camps” and
2 inserting “in the campuses”;

3 (C) by amending paragraph (2) to read as
4 follows:

5 “(2) CAMPUS DIRECTOR.—There shall be a
6 campus director for each campus. The campus direc-
7 tor is the head of the campus.”;

8 (D) in paragraph (3)—

9 (i) by amending the paragraph head-
10 ing to read as follows:

11 “(3) ELIGIBLE SITE FOR CAMPUS.—”; and

12 (ii) by striking “A camp may be lo-
13 cated” and inserting “A campus must be
14 cost-effective and may, upon the comple-
15 tion of a feasibility study, be located”;

16 (5) in subsection (e)—

17 (A) by amending the paragraph heading to
18 read as follows:

19 “(e) DISTRIBUTION OF UNITS AND CAMPUSES.—”;

20 (B) by striking “camps are distributed”
21 and inserting “campuses are cost-effective and
22 are distributed”; and

23 (C) by striking “rural areas” and all that
24 follows through the period at the end and in-
25 serting “rural areas such that each Corps unit

1 in a region can be easily deployed for disaster
2 and emergency response to such region.”; and

3 (6) in subsection (f)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1)—

5 (i) by striking “superintendent” and
6 inserting “campus director”; and

7 (ii) by striking “camp” both places
8 such term appears and inserting “cam-
9 pus”;

10 (B) in paragraph (2)—

11 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
12 graph (A), by striking “superintendent of
13 a camp” and inserting “campus director of
14 a campus”;

15 (ii) in subparagraph (A)—

16 (I) by striking “superintendent”
17 and inserting “campus director”;

18 (II) by striking “superintend-
19 ent’s” and inserting “campus direc-
20 tor’s”; and

21 (III) by striking “camp” each
22 place such term appears and inserting
23 “campus”; and

1 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
2 “superintendent” and inserting “campus
3 director”; and
4 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “camp
5 superintendent” and inserting “campus direc-
6 tor”.

7 **SEC. 1506. TRAINING.**

8 Section 156 (42 U.S.C. 12616) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a)—

10 (A) by inserting “National” before “Civil-
11 ian Community Corps”; and

12 (B) by adding at the end the following:
13 “The Director shall ensure that to the extent
14 practicable, each member of the Corps is
15 trained in CPR, first aid, and other skills re-
16 lated to disaster preparedness and response.”;

17 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting before the
18 period at the end the following: “, including a focus
19 on energy conservation, environmental stewardship
20 or conservation, infrastructure improvement, urban
21 and rural development, or disaster preparedness
22 needs”; and

23 (3) by amending subsection (c)(2) to read as
24 follows:

1 “(2) COORDINATION WITH OTHER ENTITIES.—
2 Members of the cadre may provide, either directly or
3 through grants, contracts, or cooperative agree-
4 ments, the advanced service training referred to in
5 subsection (b)(1) in coordination with vocational or
6 technical schools, other employment and training
7 providers, existing youth service programs, other
8 qualified individuals, or organizations with expertise
9 in training youth, including disadvantaged youth, in
10 the skill areas described in such subsection.”.

11 **SEC. 1507. CONSULTATION WITH STATE COMMISSIONS.**

12 Section 157 (42 U.S.C. 12617) is amended—

13 (1) in subsection (a)—

14 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
15 by inserting “National” before “Civilian Com-
16 munity Corps”;

17 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting before
18 the semicolon the following: “with specific em-
19 phasis on projects in support of infrastructure
20 improvement, disaster relief and recovery, the
21 environment, energy conservation, and urban
22 and rural development”; and

23 (C) in paragraph (2) by striking “service
24 learning” and inserting “service-learning”;

25 (2) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking “and
2 the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
3 ment” and inserting “the Secretary of Housing
4 and Urban Development, the Administrator of
5 the Environmental Protection Agency, the Ad-
6 ministrator of the Federal Emergency Manage-
7 ment Agency, the Secretary of Energy, the Sec-
8 retary of Transportation, and the Chief of the
9 United States Forest Service”;

10 (B) in paragraph (1)(B)—

11 (i) by inserting “community-based or-
12 ganizations and” before “representatives of
13 local communities”; and

14 (ii) by striking “camp” both places
15 such term appears and inserting “cam-
16 pus”; and

17 (C) in paragraph (2), by inserting “State
18 Commissions,” before “and persons involved in
19 other youth service programs.”; and

20 (3) in subsection (c)—

21 (A) in paragraph (1)—

22 (i) by striking “superintendent” both
23 places such term appears and inserting
24 “campus director”; and

1 (ii) by striking “camp” both places
2 such term appears and inserting “cam-
3 pus”; and

4 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “camp
5 superintendents” and inserting “campus direc-
6 tors”.

7 **SEC. 1508. AUTHORIZED BENEFITS FOR CORPS MEMBERS.**

8 Section 158 (42 U.S.C. 12618) is amended—

9 (1) in subsection (a) by inserting “National”
10 before “Civilian Community Corps”; and

11 (2) in subsection (c)—

12 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph
13 (1)—

14 (i) by inserting “National” before
15 “Civilian Community Corps”; and

16 (ii) by inserting before the colon the
17 following: “, as the Director determines
18 appropriate”;

19 (B) in paragraph (6), by striking “Cloth-
20 ing” and inserting “Uniforms”; and

21 (C) in paragraph (7), by striking “Rec-
22 reational services and supplies” and inserting
23 “Supplies”.

24 **SEC. 1509. PERMANENT CADRE.**

25 Section 159 (42 U.S.C. 12619) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)—

2 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
3 by striking “Civilian Community Corps Dem-
4 onstration Program” and inserting “National
5 Civilian Community Corps Program”; and

6 (B) in paragraph (1)—

7 (i) by inserting “including those” be-
8 fore “recommended”; and

9 (ii) by inserting “National” before
10 “Civilian Community Corps”;

11 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting “Na-
12 tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”;

13 (3) in subsection (c)—

14 (A) in paragraph (1)(B)(i), by inserting
15 “National” before “Civilian Community Corps”;

16 and

17 (B) in paragraph (2)—

18 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

19 (I) by striking “The Director
20 shall establish a permanent cadre of”
21 and inserting “The Chief Executive
22 Officer shall establish a permanent
23 cadre that includes the Director and
24 other appointed”; and

- 1 (II) by inserting “National” be-
2 fore “Civilian Community Corps”;
- 3 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
4 “The Director shall appoint the members”
5 and inserting “The Chief Executive Officer
6 shall consider the recommendations of the
7 Director in appointing the other mem-
8 bers”;
- 9 (iii) in subparagraph (C)—
- 10 (I) in the matter preceding clause
11 (i), by striking “the Director” and in-
12 serting “the Chief Executive Officer”;
- 13 (II) in clause (iii) by striking
14 “and” at the end;
- 15 (III) by redesignating clause (iv)
16 as (v); and
- 17 (IV) by inserting after clause (iii)
18 the following:
19 “(iv) give consideration to retired and
20 other former law enforcement, fire, rescue,
21 and emergency personnel, and other indi-
22 viduals with backgrounds in disaster pre-
23 paredness, relief, and recovery; and”;
- 24 (iv) in subparagraph (E)—

- 1 (I) by inserting after “tech-
2 niques” the following: “, including
3 techniques for working with and en-
4 hancing the development of disadvan-
5 taged youth,”; and
- 6 (II) by striking “service learn-
7 ing” and inserting “service-learning”;
8 and
- 9 (C) in the first sentence of paragraph (3),
10 by striking “the members” and inserting “other
11 members”.

12 **SEC. 1510. CONTRACT AND GRANT AUTHORITY.**

13 Section 161 (42 U.S.C. 12621) is amended—

- 14 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “perform any
15 program function under this subtitle” and inserting
16 “carry out the National Civilian Community Corps
17 program”; and

- 18 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “Na-
19 tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”.

20 **SEC. 1511. OTHER DEPARTMENTS.**

21 Section 162 (42 U.S.C. 12622) is amended—

- 22 (1) in subsection (a)—

- 23 (A) in paragraph (1)—

1 (i) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
2 “National” before “Civilian Community
3 Corps”; and

4 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-
5 ing “the registry established by” and all
6 that follows through the semicolon and in-
7 serting “the registry established by section
8 1143a of title 10, United States Code;”;

9 (B) in paragraph (2)(A), by striking “to be
10 recommended for appointment” and inserting
11 “from which individuals may be selected for ap-
12 pointment by the Director”; and

13 (C) in paragraph (3), by inserting “Na-
14 tional” before “Civilian Community Corps”;
15 and

16 (2) by striking subsection (b).

17 **SEC. 1512. ADVISORY BOARD.**

18 Section 163 (42 U.S.C. 12623) is amended—

19 (1) in subsection (a)—

20 (A) by striking “Upon the establishment of
21 the Program, there shall also be” and inserting
22 “There shall be”;

23 (B) by inserting “National” before “Civil-
24 ian Community Corps Advisory Board”; and

1 (C) by striking “to assist” and all that fol-
2 lows through the period at the end and insert-
3 ing “to assist the Corps in responding rapidly
4 and efficiently in times of natural and other
5 disasters. Consistent with the needs outlined in
6 section 151, the Advisory Board members shall
7 help coordinate activities with the Corps as ap-
8 propriate, including the mobilization of volun-
9 teers and coordination of volunteer centers to
10 help local communities recover from the effects
11 of natural and other disasters.”; and

12 (2) in subsection (b)—

13 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (8) and
14 (9) as paragraphs (13) and (14), respectively;

15 (B) by inserting after paragraph (7) the
16 following:

17 “(8) The Administrator of the Federal Emer-
18 gency Management Agency.

19 “(9) The Secretary of Transportation.

20 “(10) The Chief of the United States Forest
21 Service.

22 “(11) The Administrator of the Environmental
23 Protection Agency.

24 “(12) The Secretary of Energy.”; and

1 (C) in paragraph (13), as so redesignated,
2 by striking “industry,” and inserting “public
3 and private organizations,”.

4 **SEC. 1513. EVALUATION.**

5 Section 164 (42 U.S.C. 12624) is amended—

6 (1) in the section heading, by striking “**AN-**
7 **NUAL**”;

8 (2) by striking “annual evaluation” and insert-
9 ing “evaluation before September 30, 2014”;

10 (3) by inserting “National” before “Civilian
11 Community Corps”; and

12 (4) by adding at the end the following: “Upon
13 completing each such evaluation, the Corporation
14 shall transmit to Congress a report on the evalua-
15 tion.”.

16 **SEC. 1514. REPEAL OF FUNDING LIMITATION.**

17 Section 165 (42 U.S.C. 12625) is repealed.

18 **SEC. 1515. DEFINITIONS.**

19 Section 166 (42 U.S.C. 12626) is amended—

20 (1) by striking paragraphs (2), (3), and (9);

21 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (4) through
22 (8) as paragraphs (5) through (9), respectively;

23 (3) by inserting after paragraph (1) the fol-
24 lowing:

1 “(2) CAMPUS DIRECTOR.—The term ‘campus
2 director’, with respect to a Corps campus, means the
3 head of the campus under section 155(d).

4 “(3) CORPS.—The term ‘Corps’ means the Na-
5 tional Civilian Community Corps required under sec-
6 tion 155 as part of the Civilian Community Corps
7 Program.

8 “(4) CORPS CAMPUS.—The term ‘Corps cam-
9 pus’ means the facility or central location estab-
10 lished as the operational headquarters and boarding
11 place for particular Corps units.”;

12 (4) in paragraph (5) (as so redesignated), by
13 striking “Civilian Community Corps Demonstration
14 Program” and inserting “National Civilian Commu-
15 nity Corps Program”;

16 (5) in paragraph (6) (as so redesignated), by
17 inserting “National” before “Civilian Community
18 Corps”;

19 (6) in paragraph (8) (as so redesignated), by
20 striking “The terms” and all that follows through
21 “Demonstration Program” and inserting “The term
22 ‘Program’ means the National Civilian Community
23 Corps Program”; and

24 (7) in paragraph (9) (as so redesignated)—

1 (A) in the heading by striking “SERVICE
2 LEARNING” and inserting “SERVICE-LEARN-
3 ING”; and

4 (B) in the matter preceding subparagraph
5 (A) by striking “service learning” and inserting
6 “service-learning”.

7 **SEC. 1516. TERMINOLOGY.**

8 Subtitle E of title I (42 U.S.C. 12611 et seq.) is
9 amended—

10 (1) by striking the subtitle heading and insert-
11 ing the following:

12 **“Subtitle E—National Civilian
13 Community Corps”;**

14 and

15 (2) in section 160(a) (42 U.S.C. 12620(a)) by
16 inserting “National” before “Civilian Community
17 Corps”.

18 **Subtitle F—Amendments to Sub-**
19 **title F (Administrative Provi-**
20 **sions)**

21 **SEC. 1601. FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE.**

22 Section 171(a)(1) (42 U.S.C. 12631(a)(1)) is amend-
23 ed by striking “with respect to a project” and inserting
24 “with respect to a project authorized under the national
25 service laws”.

1 **SEC. 1602. ADDITIONAL PROHIBITIONS ON USE OF FUNDS.**

2 Section 174 (42 U.S.C. 12634) is amended by adding
3 at the end the following:

4 “(d) REFERRALS FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.—A
5 program may not receive assistance under the national
6 service laws for the sole purpose of referring individuals
7 to Federal assistance programs or State assistance pro-
8 grams funded in part by the Federal Government.”.

9 **SEC. 1603. NOTICE, HEARING, AND GRIEVANCE PROCE-**
10 **DURES.**

11 Section 176 (42 U.S.C. 12636) is amended—

12 (1) in subsection (a)(2)(A), by striking “30
13 days” and inserting “1 or more periods of 30 days
14 not to exceed 90 days in total”; and

15 (2) in subsection (f)—

16 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “A State
17 or local applicant” and inserting “An entity”;
18 and

19 (B) in paragraph (6)—

20 (i) in subparagraph (C), by striking
21 “and”;

22 (ii) by redesignating subparagraph
23 (D) as subparagraph (E); and

24 (iii) by inserting after subparagraph
25 (C) the following:

1 “(D) in a grievance filed by an individual
2 applicant or participant—

3 “(i) the applicant’s selection or the
4 participant’s reinstatement, as the case
5 may be; and

6 “(ii) other changes in the terms and
7 conditions of service; and”.

8 **SEC. 1604. RESOLUTION OF DISPLACEMENT COMPLAINTS.**

9 Section 177 (42 U.S.C. 12637) is amended—

10 (1) in subsections (a) and (b), by striking
11 “under this title” each place it appears and inserting
12 “under the national service laws”;

13 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by striking “employee
14 or position” and inserting “employee, position, or
15 volunteer (other than a participant under the na-
16 tional service laws)”; and

17 (3) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(f) PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT.—

19 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Programs that receive as-
20 sistance under the national service laws shall consult
21 with the parents or legal guardians of children in de-
22 veloping and operating programs that include and
23 serve children.

24 “(2) PARENTAL PERMISSION.—Programs that
25 receive assistance under the national service laws

1 shall, consistent with State law, before transporting
2 minor children, provide the reason for and obtain
3 written permission of the children’s parents.”.

4 **SEC. 1605. STATE COMMISSIONS ON NATIONAL AND COM-**
5 **MUNITY SERVICE.**

6 Section 178 (42 U.S.C. 12638) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (c)(1), by adding at the end
8 the following:

9 “(J) A representative of the volunteer sec-
10 tor.”;

11 (2) in subsection (c)(3), by striking “, unless
12 the State permits the representative to serve as a
13 voting member of the State Commission or alter-
14 native administrative entity”;

15 (3) by striking subsection (e)(1) and inserting
16 the following:

17 “(1) Preparation of a national service plan for
18 the State that—

19 “(A) is developed through an open and
20 public process (such as through regional fo-
21 rums, hearings, and other means) that provides
22 for maximum participation and input from com-
23 panies, organizations, and public agencies using
24 service and volunteerism as a strategy to meet

1 critical community needs, including programs
2 funded under the national service laws;

3 “(B) covers a 3-year period, the beginning
4 of which may be set by the State;

5 “(C) is subject to approval by the chief ex-
6 ecutive officer of the State;

7 “(D) includes measurable goals and out-
8 comes for the State consistent with those for
9 national service programs as described in sec-
10 tion 179(a)(1)(A);

11 “(E) ensures outreach to diverse commu-
12 nity-based agencies that serve under-rep-
13 resented populations, by using established net-
14 works and registries at the State level, or estab-
15 lishing such networks and registries;

16 “(F) provides for effective coordination of
17 funding applications submitted by the State and
18 others within the State under the national serv-
19 ice laws;

20 “(G) is updated annually, reflecting
21 changes in practices and policies that will im-
22 prove the coordination and effectiveness of Fed-
23 eral, State, and local resources for service and
24 volunteerism within the State; and

1 “(H) contains such information as the
2 State Commission considers to be appropriate
3 or as the Corporation may require.”;

4 (4) by redesignating subsections (f) through (j)
5 as subsections (h) through (l), respectively;

6 (5) by inserting after subsection (e) the fol-
7 lowing:

8 “(f) RELIEF FROM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIRE-
9 MENTS.—Upon approval of a State plan submitted under
10 subsection (e)(1), the Chief Executive Officer may waive,
11 or specify alternatives to, administrative requirements
12 (other than statutory provisions) otherwise applicable to
13 grants made to States under the national service laws, in-
14 cluding those requirements identified by a State as imped-
15 ing the coordination and effectiveness of Federal, State,
16 and local resources for service and volunteerism within a
17 State.

18 “(g) STATE PLAN FOR BABY BOOMER AND OLDER
19 ADULT VOLUNTEER AND PAID SERVICE.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding any other
21 provision of this section, to be eligible to receive a
22 grant or allotment under subtitle B or C or to re-
23 ceive a distribution of approved national service posi-
24 tions under subtitle C, a State must work with ap-
25 propriate State agencies and private entities to de-

1 velop a comprehensive State plan for volunteer and
2 paid service by members of the Baby Boom genera-
3 tion and older adults.

4 “(2) MATTERS INCLUDED.—The State plan
5 shall include—

6 “(A) recommendations for public policy ini-
7 tiatives, including how to best tap the popu-
8 lation of members of the Baby Boom generation
9 and older adults as sources of social capital and
10 as ways to address community needs;

11 “(B) recommendations to the State unit on
12 aging on—

13 “(i) a marketing outreach plan to
14 businesses; and

15 “(ii) outreach to—

16 “(I) non-profit organizations;

17 “(II) the State’s Department of
18 Education;

19 “(III) institutions of higher edu-
20 cation; and

21 “(IV) other State agencies; and

22 “(C) recommendations for civic engage-
23 ment and multigenerational activities, such
24 as—

1 “(i) early childhood education, family
2 literacy, and after school programs;

3 “(ii) respite services for older adults
4 and caregivers; and

5 “(iii) transitions for members of the
6 Baby Boom generation and older adults to
7 purposeful work in their post career lives.

8 “(3) KNOWLEDGE INCORPORATED.—The State
9 plan shall incorporate the current knowledge base
10 regarding—

11 “(A) the economic impact of older workers’
12 roles in the economy;

13 “(B) the social impact of older workers’
14 roles in the community; and

15 “(C) the health and social benefits of ac-
16 tive engagement for members of the Baby
17 Boom generation and older adults.

18 “(4) PUBLICATION.—The State plan must be
19 made public and be transmitted to the Chief Execu-
20 tive Officer.”; and

21 (6) in subsection (k)(1) (as redesignated by this
22 section), by striking the period at the end and in-
23 serting “, consistent with section 174(d).”.

24 **SEC. 1606. EVALUATION AND ACCOUNTABILITY.**

25 Section 179 (42 U.S.C. 12639) is amended—

1 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
2 lows:

3 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall provide,
4 directly or through grants or contracts, for the continuing
5 evaluation of programs that receive assistance under the
6 national service laws, including evaluations that measure
7 the impact of such programs, to determine—

8 “(1) the effectiveness of programs receiving as-
9 sistance under the national service laws in achieving
10 stated goals and the costs associated with such, in-
11 cluding—

12 “(A) an evaluation of performance meas-
13 ures, as established by the Corporation in con-
14 sultation with each grantee receiving assistance
15 under the national service laws, which may in-
16 clude—

17 “(i) number of participants enrolled
18 and completing terms of service compared
19 to the stated goals of the program;

20 “(ii) number of volunteers recruited
21 from the community in which the program
22 was implemented;

23 “(iii) if applicable based on the pro-
24 gram design, the number of individuals re-

1 ceiving or benefitting from the service con-
2 ducted;

3 “(iv) number of disadvantaged and
4 under-represented youth participants;

5 “(v) sustainability of project or pro-
6 gram, including measures to ascertain the
7 level of community support for the project
8 or program;

9 “(vi) measures to ascertain the
10 change in attitude toward civic engagement
11 among the participants and the bene-
12 ficiaries of the service; and

13 “(vii) other quantitative and quali-
14 tative measures as determined to be appro-
15 priate by the recipient of assistance; and

16 “(B) review of the implementation plan for
17 reaching such measures described in subpara-
18 graph (A); and

19 “(2) the effectiveness of the structure and
20 mechanisms for delivery of services, such as the ef-
21 fective utilization of the participants’ time, the man-
22 agement of the participants, and the ease with which
23 recipients were able to receive services, to maximize
24 the cost-effectiveness and the impact of such pro-
25 grams.”;

1 (2) in subsection (g)—

2 (A) in paragraph (3), by striking “Na-
3 tional Senior Volunteer Corps” and inserting
4 “National Senior Service Corps”; and

5 (B) in paragraph (9), by striking “to pub-
6 lic service” and all that follows through the pe-
7 riod at the end and inserting “to engage in
8 service that benefits the community.”; and

9 (3) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(j) RESERVED PROGRAM FUNDS FOR ACCOUNT-
11 ABILITY.—In addition to amounts appropriated to carry
12 out this section, the Corporation may reserve up to 1 per-
13 cent of total program funds appropriated for a fiscal year
14 under the national service laws to support program ac-
15 countability activities under this section.

16 “(k) CORRECTIVE PLANS.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A grantee that fails to
18 reach the performance measures in subsection
19 (a)(1)(A) as determined by the Corporation, shall
20 reach an agreement with the Corporation on a cor-
21 rective action plan to achieve the agreed upon per-
22 formance measures.

23 “(2) ASSISTANCE.—

24 “(A) NEW PROGRAM.—For a program that
25 has received assistance for less than 3 years

1 and is failing to achieve the performance meas-
2 ures agreed upon under subsection (a)(1)(A),
3 the Corporation shall—

4 “(i) provide technical assistance to the
5 grantee to address targeted performance
6 problems relating to the performance
7 measures in subsection (a)(1)(A); and

8 “(ii) require quarterly reports from
9 the grantee on the program’s progress to-
10 ward achieving the performance measures
11 in subsection (a)(1)(A) to the appropriate
12 State, Territory, or Indian tribe and the
13 Corporation.

14 “(B) ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS.—For a
15 program that has received assistance for 3
16 years or more and is failing to achieve the per-
17 formance measures agreed upon under sub-
18 section (a)(1)(A), the Corporation shall require
19 quarterly reports from the grantee on the pro-
20 gram’s progress towards achieving performance
21 measures in subsection (a)(1)(A) to the appro-
22 priate State, Territory, or Indian tribe and the
23 Corporation.

24 “(1) FAILURE TO MEET PERFORMANCE LEVELS.—

25 If, after a period for correction as approved by the Cor-

1 poration, a grantee or subgrantee fails to achieve the es-
2 tablished levels of performance, the Corporation shall—

3 “(1) reduce the annual amount of the grant
4 award attributable to the underperforming grantee
5 or subgrantee by at least 25 percent; or

6 “(2) terminate assistance to the underper-
7 forming grantee or subgrantee, consistent with sec-
8 tion 176(a).

9 “(m) REPORTS.—The Corporation shall submit to
10 Congress not later than two years after the date of the
11 enactment of this subsection, and annually thereafter, a
12 report containing information on the number of—

13 “(1) grantees implementing corrective action
14 plans;

15 “(2) grantees for which the Corporation offers
16 technical assistance under subsection (k);

17 “(3) grantees for which the Corporation termi-
18 nates assistance for a program under subsection (l);

19 “(4) entities that expressed interest in applying
20 for assistance under a national service law but did
21 not apply;

22 “(5) entities whose application was rejected;
23 and

24 “(6) grantees meeting or exceeding their per-
25 formance measures in subsection (a).”.

1 **SEC. 1607. TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.**

2 Section 181 (42 U.S.C. 12641) is amended by strik-
3 ing “Section 414” and inserting “Section 422”.

4 **SEC. 1608. PARTNERSHIPS WITH SCHOOLS.**

5 Section 182(b) (42 U.S.C. 12642(b)) is amended to
6 read as follows:

7 “(b) REPORT.—

8 “(1) FEDERAL AGENCY SUBMISSION.—The
9 head of each Federal agency shall prepare and sub-
10 mit to Corporation for Community and National
11 Service a report concerning the implementation of
12 this section, including an evaluation of the perform-
13 ance goals and benchmarks of the partnership pro-
14 grams.

15 “(2) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—The Corporation
16 for National and Community Service shall prepare
17 and submit to the authorizing committees a compila-
18 tion of the information received under paragraph
19 (1).”.

20 **SEC. 1609. RIGHTS OF ACCESS, EXAMINATION, AND COPY-**
21 **ING.**

22 Section 183 (42 U.S.C. 12643) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a)—

24 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
25 by striking “The” and inserting “Consistent
26 with otherwise applicable law, the”; and

1 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting after
2 “local government,” the following: “Territory,”;
3 (2) in subsection (b)—

4 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
5 by striking “The” and inserting “Consistent
6 with otherwise applicable law, the”; and

7 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting after
8 “local government,” the following: “Territory,”;
9 and
10 (3) by adding at the end the following:

11 “(c) INSPECTOR GENERAL.—Consistent with other-
12 wise applicable law, the Inspector General of the Corpora-
13 tion shall have access to, and the right to examine and
14 copy, any books, documents, papers, records, and other
15 recorded information in any form—

16 “(1) within the possession or control of the Cor-
17 poration or any State or local government, Territory,
18 Indian tribe, or public or private nonprofit organiza-
19 tion receiving assistance directly or indirectly under
20 this Act; and

21 “(2) that relates to the duties of the Inspector
22 General under the Inspector General Act of 1978.”.

23 **SEC. 1610. ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS.**

24 Subtitle F of title I (42 U.S.C. 12631 et seq.) is
25 amended by adding at the end the following:

1 **“SEC. 185. SUSTAINABILITY.**

2 “(a) GOALS.—To ensure that recipients of assistance
3 under the national service laws are carrying out sustain-
4 able projects or programs, the Corporation, after collabo-
5 ration with State Commissions and consultation with re-
6 cipients of assistance under the national service laws, may
7 set sustainability goals supported by policies and proce-
8 dures to—

9 “(1) build the capacity of the projects that re-
10 ceive assistance under the national service laws to
11 meet community needs and lessen the dependence on
12 Federal dollars to do so, taking into consideration
13 challenges that programs in underserved rural or
14 urban areas may face;

15 “(2) provide technical assistance to aid the re-
16 cipients of assistance under the national service laws
17 in acquiring and leveraging non-Federal funds for
18 the projects; and

19 “(3) implement measures to ascertain whether
20 the projects are generating sufficient community
21 support.

22 “(b) ENFORCEMENT.—If a recipient does not meet
23 the sustainability goals in subsection (a) for a project, the
24 Corporation may take action as described in sections 176
25 and 179.

1 **“SEC. 186. GRANT PERIODS.**

2 “Unless otherwise specifically provided, the Corpora-
3 tion has authority to make a grant under the national
4 service laws for a period of 3 years.

5 **“SEC. 187. GENERATION OF VOLUNTEERS.**

6 “In making decisions on applications for assistance
7 or approved national service positions under the national
8 service laws, the Corporation shall take into consideration
9 the extent to which the applicant’s proposal will increase
10 the involvement of volunteers in meeting community
11 needs. In reviewing the application for this purpose, the
12 Corporation may take into account the mission of the ap-
13 plicant.

14 **“SEC. 188. LIMITATION ON PROGRAM GRANT COSTS.**

15 “(a) **LIMITATION ON GRANT AMOUNTS.**—Except as
16 otherwise provided by this section, the amount of funds
17 approved by the Corporation in a grant to operate a pro-
18 gram authorized under the national service laws sup-
19 porting individuals serving in approved national service
20 positions may not exceed \$17,000 per full-time equivalent
21 position.

22 “(b) **COSTS SUBJECT TO LIMITATION.**—The limita-
23 tion in subsection (a) applies to the Corporation’s share
24 of member support costs, staff costs, and other costs borne
25 by the grantee or subgrantee to operate a program.

1 “(c) COSTS NOT SUBJECT TO LIMITATION.—The
2 limitation in subsection (a) and (e)(1) shall not apply to
3 expenses that are not included in the program operating
4 grant award.

5 “(d) ADJUSTMENTS FOR INFLATION.—The amount
6 specified in subsections (a) and (e)(1) shall be adjusted
7 each year after 2008 for inflation as measured by the Con-
8 sumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers published by
9 the Secretary of Labor.

10 “(e) WAIVER AUTHORITY AND REPORTING REQUIRE-
11 MENT.—

12 “(1) WAIVER.—The Chief Executive Officer
13 may waive the requirements of this section, up to a
14 maximum of \$19,500, if necessary to meet the com-
15 pelling needs of a particular program, such as excep-
16 tional training needs for a program serving dis-
17 advantaged youth, increased costs relating to the
18 participation of individuals with disabilities, tribal
19 programs or programs located in the Territories and
20 start-up costs associated with a first-time grantee,
21 and up to a maximum of \$22,000 for Tribal residen-
22 tial programs.

23 “(2) REPORTS.—The Chief Executive Officer
24 shall report to Congress annually on all waivers

1 granted under this section, with an explanation of
2 the compelling needs justifying such waivers.

3 **“SEC. 189. AUDITS AND REPORTS.**

4 “The Corporation shall comply with applicable audit
5 and reporting requirements as provided in the Chief Fi-
6 nancial Officers Act of 1990 (31 U.S.C. 501 et seq.) and
7 the Government Corporation Control Act of 1945 (31
8 U.S.C. 9101 et seq.). The Corporation shall report to the
9 Congress any failure to comply with the requirements of
10 such audits.

11 **“SEC. 190. CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS.**

12 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Entities selecting individuals to
13 serve in a position in which the individual receives a Cor-
14 poration grant-funded living allowance, stipend, education
15 award, salary, or other remuneration in a program receiv-
16 ing assistance under the national service laws, shall, sub-
17 ject to regulations and requirements established by the
18 Corporation, conduct criminal history checks for such indi-
19 viduals.

20 “(b) REQUIREMENTS.—A criminal history check
21 shall, except in cases approved for good cause by the Cor-
22 poration, include a name-based search of the National Sex
23 Offender Registry established under the Adam Walsh
24 Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 (42 U.S.C.
25 16901 et seq.) and—

1 “(1) a search of the State criminal registry or
2 repository in the State in which the program is oper-
3 ating and the State in which the individual resides
4 at the time of application; or

5 “(2) a Federal Bureau of Investigation finger-
6 print check.

7 “(c) ELIGIBILITY PROHIBITION.—An individual shall
8 be ineligible to serve in a position described under sub-
9 section (a) if such individual—

10 “(1) refuses to consent to the criminal history
11 check described in subsection (b);

12 “(2) makes a false statement in connection with
13 such criminal history check;

14 “(3) is registered, or is required to be reg-
15 istered, on a State sex offender registry or the Na-
16 tional Sex Offender Registry established under the
17 Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of
18 2006 (42 U.S.C. 16901 et seq.); or

19 “(4) has been convicted of murder, as described
20 in section 1111 of title 18, United States Code.”.

21 **Subtitle G—Amendments to Sub-**
22 **title G (Corporation for Na-**
23 **tional and Community Service)**

24 **SEC. 1701. TERMS OF OFFICE.**

25 Section 192 (42 U.S.C. 12651a) is amended—

1 (1) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the
2 following:

3 “(c) TERMS.—Subject to subsection (e), each ap-
4 pointed member shall serve for a term of 5 years.”; and

5 (2) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(e) SERVICE UNTIL APPOINTMENT OF SUC-
7 CESSOR.—A voting member of the Board whose term has
8 expired may continue to serve for one year beyond expira-
9 tion of the term if no successor is appointed or until the
10 date on which a successor has taken office.”.

11 **SEC. 1702. BOARD OF DIRECTORS AUTHORITIES AND DU-**
12 **TIES.**

13 Section 192A(g) (42 U.S.C. 12651b(g)) is amend-
14 ed—

15 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1) by
16 striking “shall—” and inserting “shall have respon-
17 sibility for setting overall policy for the Corporation
18 and shall—”;

19 (2) in paragraph (1), by inserting before the
20 semicolon at the end the following: “, and review the
21 budget proposal in advance of submission to the Of-
22 fice of Management and Budget and to Congress”;

23 (3) in paragraph (5)—

24 (A) in subparagraph (A) by striking “and”
25 at the end;

1 (B) in subparagraph (B) by inserting
2 “and” at the end; and

3 (C) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(C) review the performance of the Chief
5 Executive Officer annually and forward a report
6 on that review to the President;”;

7 (4) in paragraph (9), by inserting “and” after
8 “Corporation;”;

9 (5) in paragraph (10), by striking “program;
10 and” and inserting “program under a cost share
11 agreement, as determined by the Corporation, in
12 which the funds advanced or received as reimburse-
13 ment shall be credited directly to a current appro-
14 priation; and”; and

15 (6) in paragraph (11), by striking “September
16 30, 1995” and inserting “January 1, 2012”.

17 **SEC. 1703. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION.**

18 Section 193(b) (42 U.S.C. 12651c(b)) is amended by
19 striking the period and inserting “, plus 3 percent.”.

20 **SEC. 1704. AUTHORITIES AND DUTIES OF THE CHIEF EXEC-**
21 **UTIVE OFFICER.**

22 Section 193A (42 U.S.C. 12651d) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (b)—

1 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
2 by striking “shall—” and inserting “, in col-
3 laboration with State Commissions, shall—”;

4 (B) in paragraph (1), by inserting after “a
5 strategic plan” the following: “, including a
6 plan for achieving 50 percent full-time approved
7 national service positions by 2012,”;

8 (C) by redesignating paragraphs (7)
9 through (11) as paragraphs (8) through (12),
10 respectively;

11 (D) by inserting after paragraph (6) the
12 following:

13 “(7) not later than 18 months after the date of
14 enactment of this paragraph, prepare and submit to
15 Congress a report containing information on the ac-
16 tions taken to modify the application procedures and
17 reporting requirements for programs and activities
18 funded under the national service laws, including a
19 description of the consultation procedures with
20 grantees;”;

21 (E) in paragraph (11) (as so redesi-
22 gnated)—

23 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
24 graph (A), by striking “June 30, 1995,”

1 and inserting “June 30 of each even-num-
2 bered year,”; and

3 (ii) in subparagraph (A)(i), by strik-
4 ing “section 122(c)(1)” and inserting “sec-
5 tion 122(d)(1)”;

6 (F) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(13) bolster the public awareness of and re-
8 cruitment efforts for the wide range of service op-
9 portunities for citizens of all ages, regardless of so-
10 cioeconomic status or geographic location, through a
11 variety of methods, including—

12 “(A) print media;

13 “(B) the Internet and related emerging
14 technologies;

15 “(C) television;

16 “(D) radio;

17 “(E) presentations at public or private fo-
18 rums;

19 “(F) other innovative methods of commu-
20 nication; and

21 “(G) outreach to offices of economic devel-
22 opment, State employment security agencies,
23 labor unions and trade associations, local edu-
24 cation agencies, institutions of higher education,
25 agencies and organizations serving veterans and

1 people with disabilities, and other institutions
2 or organizations from which participants for
3 programs receiving assistance from the national
4 service laws can be recruited;

5 “(14) identify and implement methods of re-
6 cruitment to—

7 “(A) increase the diversity of participants
8 in the programs receiving assistance under the
9 national service laws; and

10 “(B) increase the diversity of service spon-
11 sors of programs desiring to receive assistance
12 under the national service laws;

13 “(15) coordinate with organizations of former
14 participants of national service programs for service
15 opportunities that may include capacity building,
16 outreach, and recruitment for programs receiving as-
17 sistance under the national service laws;

18 “(16) collaborate with organizations with dem-
19 onstrated expertise in supporting and accommo-
20 dating individuals with disabilities, including institu-
21 tions of higher education, to identify and implement
22 methods of recruitment to increase the number of
23 participants with disabilities in the programs receiv-
24 ing assistance under the national service laws;

1 “(17) identify and implement recruitment strat-
2 egies and training programs for bilingual volunteers
3 in the National Senior Service Corps under title II
4 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973;

5 “(18) collaborate with organizations which have
6 established volunteer recruitment programs, includ-
7 ing those on the Internet, to increase the recruit-
8 ment capacity of the Corporation;

9 “(19) where practicable, provide application
10 materials in languages other than English for those
11 with limited English proficiency who wish to partici-
12 pate in a national service program;

13 “(20) collaborate with the training and tech-
14 nical assistance programs described in subtitle J and
15 in appropriate paragraphs of section 199N(b);

16 “(21) coordinate the clearinghouses described in
17 section 198F; and

18 “(22) coordinate with entities receiving funds
19 under Subtitle Establishing the Reserve Corps for
20 alumni of the national service programs to serve in
21 emergencies, disasters, and other times of national
22 need;

23 “(23) identify and implement strategies to in-
24 crease awareness among Indian tribes of the types
25 and availability of assistance under the national

1 service laws, increase Native American participation
2 in national service, and collect information on chal-
3 lenges facing Native American communities;

4 “(24) conduct outreach to ensure the inclusion
5 of low-income persons in national service programs
6 and activities authorized under the National Senior
7 Service Corps; and

8 “(25) ensure that outreach, awareness, and re-
9 cruitment efforts are consistent with the Americans
10 with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et
11 seq.) and section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of
12 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794).”;

13 (2) in subsection (c)—

14 (A) in paragraph (9), by striking “and” at
15 the end;

16 (B) by redesignating paragraph (10) as
17 paragraph (11); and

18 (C) by inserting after paragraph (9) the
19 following:

20 “(10) obtain the opinions of peer reviewers in
21 evaluating applications to the Corporation for assist-
22 ance under this title; and”;

23 (3) by adding at the end the following:

24 “(g) AUTHORITY TO CONTRACT WITH A BUSI-
25 NESS.—The Chief Executive Officer may, through con-

1 tracts or cooperative agreements, carry out the marketing
2 duties described in subsection (b)(13), with priority given
3 to those entities who have established expertise in the re-
4 cruitment of disadvantaged youth, members of Indian
5 tribes, and members of the Baby Boom generation.

6 “(h) CAMPAIGN TO SOLICIT FUNDS.—The Chief Ex-
7 ecutive Officer may conduct a campaign to solicit non-
8 Federal funds to support outreach and recruitment of a
9 diverse population of service sponsors of and participants
10 in programs and projects receiving assistance under the
11 national service laws.”.

12 **SEC. 1705. DELEGATION TO STATES.**

13 Consistent with section 193(c)(1) (42 U.S.C.
14 12651d(c)(1)), the Chief Executive Officer may delegate
15 to States specific programmatic authority upon a deter-
16 mination that such a delegation will increase efficiency in
17 the operation or oversight of a program under the national
18 service laws.

19 **SEC. 1706. CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER COMPENSATION.**

20 Section 194(c)(2) (42 U.S.C. 12651e(c)(2)) is
21 amended by striking “level IV of the Executive Schedule”
22 and inserting “level III of the Executive Schedule”.

23 **SEC. 1707. NONVOTING MEMBERS; PERSONAL SERVICES**
24 **CONTRACTS.**

25 Section 195 (42 U.S.C. 12651f) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (c)—

2 (A) in paragraph (2)(B), by inserting after
3 “subdivision of a State,” the following: “Terri-
4 tory,”; and

5 (B) in paragraph (3)—

6 (i) in the heading, by striking “MEM-
7 BER” and inserting “NON-VOTING MEM-
8 BER”; and

9 (ii) by inserting “non-voting” before
10 “member”; and

11 (2) by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 section:

13 “(g) **PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS.**—The Cor-
14 poration may enter into personal services contracts to
15 carry out research, evaluation, and public awareness re-
16 lated to the national service laws.”.

17 **SEC. 1708. DONATED SERVICES.**

18 Section 196(a) (42 U.S.C. 12651g(a)) is amended—

19 (1) in paragraph (1)—

20 (A) by striking subparagraph (A) and in-
21 serting the following:

22 “(A) **ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS.**—
23 Notwithstanding section 1342 of title 31,
24 United States Code, the Corporation may solicit
25 and accept the services of organizations and in-

1 individuals (other than participants) to assist the
2 Corporation in carrying out the duties of the
3 Corporation under the national service laws,
4 and may provide to such individuals the travel
5 expenses described in section 192A(d).”;

6 (B) in subparagraph (B)—

7 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),
8 by striking “Such a volunteer” and insert-
9 ing “A person who is a member of an or-
10 ganization or is an individual covered by
11 subparagraph (A)”;

12 (ii) in clause (i), by striking “a volun-
13 teer” and inserting “such a person”;

14 (iii) in clause (ii), by striking “volun-
15 teers” and inserting “such a person”; and

16 (iv) in clause (iii), by striking “such a
17 volunteer” and inserting “such a person”;

18 and

19 (C) in subparagraph (C)(i), by striking
20 “Such a volunteer” and inserting “Such a per-
21 son”; and

22 (2) by striking paragraph (3).

1 **SEC. 1709. STUDY TO EXAMINE AND INCREASE SERVICE**
2 **PROGRAMS FOR DISPLACED WORKERS.**

3 (a) **PLANNING STUDY.**—The Corporation for Na-
4 tional and Community Service shall conduct a study to
5 identify—

6 (1) specific areas of need for displaced workers;

7 (2) how existing programs and activities carried
8 out under the national service laws could better
9 serve displaced workers and communities that have
10 been adversely affected by plant closings and job
11 losses;

12 (3) prospects for better utilization of skilled
13 workers as resources and volunteers; and

14 (4) methods for ensuring the efficient financial
15 organization of services directed towards displaced
16 workers.

17 (b) **CONSULTATION.**—The study shall be carried out
18 in consultation with the Department of Labor, State labor
19 agencies, and other individuals and entities the Corpora-
20 tion considers appropriate.

21 (c) **REPORT.**—Not later than 1 year after the date
22 of the enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall submit
23 to Congress a report on the results of the planning study
24 required by subsection (a), together with a plan for imple-
25 mentation of a pilot program using promising strategies

1 and approaches for better targeting and serving displaced
2 workers.

3 (d) PILOT PROGRAM.—From amounts made available
4 to carry out this section, the Corporation shall develop and
5 carry out a pilot program based on the findings in the
6 report submitted under subsection (c).

7 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
8 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
9 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
10 2010 through 2014.

11 **SEC. 1710. STUDY TO EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF A**
12 **CENTRALIZED ELECTRONIC CITIZENSHIP**
13 **VERIFICATION SYSTEM.**

14 (a) STUDY.—The Corporation for National and Com-
15 munity Service shall conduct a study to determine the ef-
16 fectiveness of a centralized electronic citizenship
17 verification system which would allow the Corporation to
18 share employment eligibility information with the Depart-
19 ment of Education in order to reduce administrative bur-
20 den and lower costs for member programs. This study
21 shall identify—

22 (1) the costs associated with establishing this
23 program both for the Corporation and for the De-
24 partment of Education;

1 (2) the benefits or detriments of such a system
2 both for the Corporation and for the Department of
3 Education;

4 (3) strategies for ensuring the privacy and secu-
5 rity of member information that is shared between
6 agencies and member organizations;

7 (4) the information that needs to be shared in
8 order to fulfill employment eligibility requirements;
9 and

10 (5) recommendations for implementation of
11 such a program.

12 (b) CONSULTATION.—The study shall be carried out
13 in consultation with the Department of Education and
14 other individuals and entities the Corporation considers
15 appropriate.

16 (c) REPORT.—Not later than 18 months after the
17 date of the enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall
18 submit to Congress a report on the results of the study
19 required by subsection (a), together with a plan for imple-
20 mentation of a pilot program using promising strategies
21 and approaches identified in such study, if the Corporation
22 determines such program to be feasible.

23 (d) PILOT PROGRAM.—From amounts made available
24 to carry out this section, the Corporation shall develop and
25 carry out a pilot program based on the findings in the

1 report submitted under subsection (c), if Congress deems
2 such a program to be feasible.

3 (e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
4 are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
5 such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
6 2010 through 2014.

7 **Subtitle H—Amendments to**
8 **Subtitle H**

9 **SEC. 1801. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS TO SUBTITLE H.**

10 (a) ADDITIONAL CORPORATION ACTIVITIES TO SUP-
11 PORT NATIONAL SERVICE.—Subtitle H is amended by in-
12 serting after the subtitle heading and before section 198
13 the following:

14 **“PART I—ADDITIONAL CORPORATION**
15 **ACTIVITIES TO SUPPORT NATIONAL SERVICE”.**

16 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 198 (42
17 U.S.C. 12653) is amended—

18 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “subsection
19 (r)” and inserting “subsection (g)”;

20 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “to improve
21 the quality” and all that follows through “including”
22 and inserting “to address emergent needs through
23 summer programs and other activities, and to sup-
24 port service-learning programs and national service
25 programs, including”; and

1 (3) by striking subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), (h),
2 (i), (j), (l), (m), and (p) and redesignating sub-
3 sections (g), (k), (n), (o), (q), (r), and (s) as sub-
4 sections (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), and (i), respec-
5 tively.

6 (c) CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN AND SEPTEMBER
7 11TH DAY OF SERVICE.—Section 198 (as amended by
8 subsection (b) (42 U.S.C. 12653) is further amended by
9 adding at the end the following:

10 “(k) CALL TO SERVICE CAMPAIGN.—Not less than
11 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Corporation
12 shall conduct a nationwide ‘Call To Service’ campaign, to
13 encourage all people of the United States, regardless of
14 age, race, ethnicity, religion, or economic status, to engage
15 in full- or part-time national service, long- or short-term
16 public service in the nonprofit sector or government, or
17 volunteering. In conducting the campaign, the Corporation
18 may collaborate with other Federal agencies and entities,
19 State Commissions, Governors, nonprofit and faith-based
20 organizations, businesses, institutions of higher education,
21 elementary schools, and secondary schools.

22 “(l) SEPTEMBER 11TH DAY OF SERVICE.—

23 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation is author-
24 ized to issue a proclamation to treat September 11th

1 on a permanent basis as an annually observed Na-
2 tional Day of Service and Remembrance that—

3 “(A) provides an appropriate and meaning-
4 ful way for Americans to pay everlasting tribute
5 to the victims of September 11th, recognize and
6 honor the sacrifices and contributions of the
7 countless volunteers and rescue and recovery
8 workers who gave urgent, lasting aid in re-
9 sponse to the September 11th attacks, and help
10 rekindle the vital spirit of unity and compassion
11 that was evident and essential throughout the
12 nation following the terrorist attacks on the
13 United States; and

14 “(B) is observed and supported by the au-
15 thority and activities of the Corporation, and,
16 on a voluntary basis, by other federal offices
17 and agencies, non-profit and faith-based organi-
18 zations, businesses, institutions of higher edu-
19 cation, elementary and secondary schools, in
20 order to promote innovative ways to engage a
21 broader range of Americans in national service
22 timed to coincide with the anniversary of Sep-
23 tember 11th each year and as part of the
24 broader Call to Service Campaign.

1 “(2) FEDERAL ACTIVITIES.—In order to ob-
2 serve September 11th National Day of Service and
3 Remembrance at the Federal level, the Corporation
4 may organize and carry out appropriate ceremonies
5 and activities, which may include activities that are
6 part of the broader Call to Service Campaign.

7 “(3) ACTIVITIES.—The Corporation may make
8 grants and provide other support to community-
9 based organizations to assist in planning and car-
10 rying out appropriate service, charity, and remem-
11 brance opportunities in conjunction with the Sep-
12 tember 11th National Day of Service and Remem-
13 brance.

14 “(4) CONSULTATION.—In devising and imple-
15 menting programs to support the September 11th
16 National Day of Service and Remembrance, includ-
17 ing making grants or providing other forms of sup-
18 port under this subsection, the Corporation shall
19 confer with and receive assistance from nonprofit or-
20 ganizations with expertise in representing September
21 11th family members and other impacted constitu-
22 encies, and promoting establishment of September
23 11th as an annually recognized National Day of
24 Service and Remembrance.”.

1 **SEC. 1802. REPEALS.**

2 (a) REPEALS.—The following provisions are repealed:

3 (1) CLEARINGHOUSES.—Section 198A (42
4 U.S.C. 12653a).

5 (2) MILITARY INSTALLATION CONVERSION DEM-
6 ONSTRATION PROGRAMS.—Section 198C (42 U.S.C.
7 12653c).

8 (3) SPECIAL DEMONSTRATION PROJECT.—Sec-
9 tion 198D (42 U.S.C. 12653d).

10 (b) REDESIGNATION.—Section 198B is redesignated
11 as section 198A.

12 **SEC. 1803. NEW FELLOWSHIPS.**

13 Subtitle H is further amended by adding at the end
14 the following new sections:

15 **“SEC. 198B. SERVE AMERICA FELLOWSHIPS.**

16 “(a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

17 “(1) AREA OF NATIONAL NEED.—The term
18 ‘area of national need’ means an area involved in ef-
19 forts to—

20 “(A) improve education in schools for eco-
21 nomically disadvantaged students;

22 “(B) expand and improve access to health
23 care;

24 “(C) improve energy efficiency and con-
25 serve natural resources;

1 “(D) improve economic opportunities for
2 economically disadvantaged individuals; or

3 “(E) improve disaster preparedness and
4 response.

5 “(2) ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT.—The
6 term ‘eligible fellowship recipient’ means an indi-
7 vidual who is selected by a State Commission under
8 subsection (c), as a result of such selection, is eligi-
9 ble for a ServeAmerica Fellowship.

10 “(3) FELLOW.—The term ‘fellow’ means an eli-
11 gible fellowship recipient who is awarded a
12 ServeAmerica Fellowship and is designated a fellow
13 under subsection (e).

14 “(b) GRANTS.—

15 “(1) IN GENERAL.—From the amounts appro-
16 priated under section 501(a)(2)(C) and allotted
17 under paragraph (2)(A), the Corporation shall make
18 grants (including financial assistance and a cor-
19 responding allotment of approved national service
20 positions), to the State Commission of each of the
21 several States, the District of Columbia, or the Com-
22 monwealth of Puerto Rico with an application ap-
23 proved under this section, to enable such State Com-
24 mission to award ServeAmerica Fellowships under
25 subsection (e).

1 “(2) ALLOTMENT; ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—

2 “(A) ALLOTMENT.—The amount allotted
3 to a State Commission for a fiscal year shall be
4 equal to an amount that bears the same ratio
5 to the amount appropriated under section
6 501(a)(2)(C), as the population of the State
7 bears to the total population of the several
8 States, the District of Columbia, and the Com-
9 monwealth of Puerto Rico.

10 “(B) RULE.—Of the grants received by the
11 State Commissions under subparagraph (A), $\frac{1}{3}$
12 of total grant funds received shall be awarded
13 to organizations that maintain not more than
14 10 full-time staff and not more than 10 part-
15 time staff.

16 “(C) REALLOTMENT.—If a State Commis-
17 sion does not apply for an allotment under this
18 subsection for any fiscal year, or if the State
19 Commission’s application is not approved, the
20 Corporation shall reallocate the amount of the
21 State Commission’s allotment to the remaining
22 State Commissions in accordance with subpara-
23 graph (A).

24 “(D) ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS.—Of the
25 amount allotted to a State Commission under

1 subparagraph (A), not more than 1.5 percent of
2 such amount may be used for administrative
3 costs.

4 “(3) NUMBER OF POSITIONS.—The Corporation
5 shall—

6 “(A) establish or increase the number of
7 approved national service positions under this
8 subsection during each of fiscal years 2010
9 through 2014;

10 “(B) establish the number of approved po-
11 sitions at 500 for fiscal year 2010; and

12 “(C) increase the number of the approved
13 positions to—

14 “(i) 750 for fiscal year 2011;

15 “(ii) 1,000 for fiscal year 2012;

16 “(iii) 1,250 for fiscal year 2013; and

17 “(iv) 1,500 for fiscal year 2014.

18 “(4) USES OF GRANT FUNDS.—

19 “(A) REQUIRED USES.—A grant awarded
20 under this subsection shall be used to enable
21 fellows to carry out service projects in areas of
22 national need.

23 “(B) PERMITTED USES.—A grant awarded
24 under this subsection may be used for—

1 “(i) oversight activities and mecha-
2 nisms for the service sites as determined
3 by the State Commission or the Corpora-
4 tion, which may include site visits;

5 “(ii) activities to augment the experi-
6 ence of participants in approved national
7 service positions under this section, includ-
8 ing activities to engage such participants
9 in networking opportunities with other na-
10 tional service participants; and

11 “(iii) recruitment or training activities
12 for participants in approved national serv-
13 ice positions under this section.

14 “(5) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to receive a
15 grant under this subsection, a State Commission
16 shall submit an application to the Corporation at
17 such time, in such manner, and containing such in-
18 formation as the Corporation may require, including
19 information on the criteria and procedures that the
20 State Commission will use for overseeing
21 ServeAmerica Fellowship placements for service
22 projects, under subsection (e).

23 “(c) ELIGIBLE FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENTS.—

24 “(1) APPLICATION.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—An applicant desiring
2 to become an eligible fellowship recipient shall
3 submit an application to a State Commission or
4 an institution of higher education that has
5 elected to participate in the program authorized
6 under this subsection, at such time and in such
7 manner as the Commission or institution may
8 require, and containing the information de-
9 scribed in subparagraph (B) and such addi-
10 tional information as the Commission or insti-
11 tution may require. An applicant may submit
12 such application to only one State Commission
13 for a fiscal year.

14 “(B) CONTENTS.—The Corporation shall
15 specify information to be provided in an appli-
16 cation submitted under this subsection, which
17 shall include—

18 “(i) a description of the area of na-
19 tional need that the applicant intends to
20 address in the service project;

21 “(ii) a description of the skills and ex-
22 perience the applicant has to address the
23 area of national need;

1 “(iii) a description of the type of serv-
2 ice the applicant plans to provide as a fel-
3 low; and

4 “(iv) information identifying the State
5 in which the applicant will serve (which, in
6 the case of an application submitted to a
7 State Commission, shall be the State
8 served by the Commission) and the local
9 area in which the applicant plans to serve,
10 for the service project.

11 “(C) NOMINATIONS INSTITUTIONS.—After
12 reviewing the applications each institution of
13 higher education that is not a Campus of Serv-
14 ice may nominate not fewer than 4 individuals
15 for consideration by the State Commission as
16 eligible fellowship recipients.

17 “(2) SELECTION.—Each State Commission
18 shall select, from the applicants nominated by insti-
19 tutions of higher education serving the State and the
20 applicants received by the State Commission for a
21 fiscal year, the number of eligible fellowship recipi-
22 ents that may be supported for that fiscal year
23 based on the grant received by the State Commis-
24 sion under subsection (b).

25 “(d) SERVICE SPONSOR ORGANIZATIONS.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Each service sponsor orga-
2 nization shall—

3 “(A) be a nonprofit organization;

4 “(B) satisfy qualification criteria estab-
5 lished by the Corporation or the State Commis-
6 sion, including standards relating to organiza-
7 tional capacity, financial management, and pro-
8 grammatic oversight;

9 “(C) not be a recipient of other national
10 service awards; and

11 “(D) at the time of registration with a
12 State Commission, enter into an agreement pro-
13 viding that the service sponsor organization
14 shall—

15 “(i) abide by all program require-
16 ments;

17 “(ii) provide an amount described in
18 subsection (e)(3)(b) for each fellow serving
19 with the organization through the
20 ServeAmerica Fellowship;

21 “(iii) be responsible for certifying
22 whether each fellow serving with the orga-
23 nization successfully completed the
24 ServeAmerica Fellowship, and record and
25 certify in a manner specified by the Cor-

1 poration the number of hours served by a
2 fellow for purposes of determining the fel-
3 low’s eligibility for benefits; and

4 “(iv) provide timely access to records
5 relating to the ServeAmerica Fellowship to
6 the State Commission, the Corporation,
7 and the Corporation’s Inspector General.

8 “(2) REGISTRATION.—

9 “(A) REQUIREMENT.—No service sponsor
10 organization may receive a fellow under this
11 subsection until the organization registers with
12 the State Commission;

13 “(B) CLEARINGHOUSE.—The State Com-
14 mission shall maintain a list of registered serv-
15 ice sponsor organizations on a public website;

16 “(C) REVOCATION.—If a State Commis-
17 sion determines that a service sponsor organiza-
18 tion is in violation of any of the applicable pro-
19 visions of this section—

20 “(i) the State Commission shall re-
21 voke the registration of the organization;

22 “(ii) the organization shall not be eli-
23 gible to receive a national service award
24 under this title, for not less than 5 years;
25 and

1 “(iii) the State Commission shall have
2 the right to remove a fellow from the orga-
3 nization and relocate the fellow to another
4 site.

5 “(e) FELLOWS.—

6 “(1) IN GENERAL.—To be eligible to participate
7 in a service project as a fellow and receive a
8 ServeAmerica Fellowship, an eligible fellowship re-
9 cipient shall—

10 “(A) within 3 months after being selected
11 as an eligible fellowship recipient, select a reg-
12 istered service sponsor organization described in
13 subsection (d) with which the recipient is inter-
14 ested in serving under this section; and

15 “(B) enter into an agreement with the or-
16 ganization—

17 “(i) that specifies the service the re-
18 cipient will provide if the placement is ap-
19 proved;

20 “(ii) in which the recipient agrees to
21 serve for 1 year on a full-time or part-time
22 basis (as determined by the Corporation);
23 and

24 “(iii) submit such agreement to the
25 State Commission.

1 “(2) AWARD.—Upon receiving the eligible fel-
2 lowship recipient’s agreement under paragraph (1),
3 the State Commission shall award a ServeAmerica
4 Fellowship to the recipient and designate the recipi-
5 ent as a fellow.

6 “(3) FELLOWSHIP AMOUNT.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—From amounts re-
8 ceived under subsection (b), each State Com-
9 mission shall award each of the State’s fellows
10 a ServeAmerica Fellowship amount that is
11 equal to 50 percent of the amount of the total
12 average annual subsistence allowance provided
13 to VISTA volunteers under section 105 of the
14 Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42
15 U.S.C. 4955).

16 “(B) AMOUNT FROM SERVICE SPONSOR
17 ORGANIZATION.—Except as provided in sub-
18 section (C), the service sponsor organization
19 shall award to the fellow serving such organiza-
20 tion an amount that will ensure that the total
21 award received by the fellow for service in the
22 service project (consisting of such amount and
23 the ServeAmerica Fellowship amount the fellow
24 receives under subparagraph (A)) is equal to or
25 greater than 70 percent of the average annual

1 subsistence allowance provided to VISTA volun-
2 teers under section 105 of the Domestic Volun-
3 teer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).

4 “(C) MAXIMUM LIVING ALLOWANCE.—

5 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The total amount
6 that may be provided to a fellow under this
7 subparagraph shall not exceed 100 percent
8 of the average annual subsistence allow-
9 ance provided to VISTA volunteers under
10 section 105 of the Domestic Volunteer
11 Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4955).

12 “(ii) SMALL ORGANIZATIONS.—A
13 service sponsor organization meeting the
14 requirements of subsection (c)(1)(B) shall
15 award to the fellow serving such organiza-
16 tion an amount that will ensure that the
17 total award received by the fellow for serv-
18 ice in the service project (consisting of that
19 amount and the ServeAmerica Fellowship
20 amount that fellows receive under clause
21 (i) is equal to or greater than 60 percent
22 of the average annual subsistence allow-
23 ance provided to VISTA volunteers under
24 section 105 of the Domestic Volunteers
25 Service Act of 1973.

1 “(D) PRORATION OF AMOUNT.—In the
2 case of a fellow who is authorized to serve a
3 part-time term of service under the agreement
4 described in subparagraph (1)(B)(ii), the
5 amount provided to a fellow under this subpara-
6 graph shall be prorated accordingly.

7 “(E) WAIVER.—The Corporation may
8 allow a State Commission to waive the amount
9 required under clause (B) from the service
10 sponsor organization for a fellow serving the or-
11 ganization if—

12 “(i) such requirement is inconsistent
13 with the objectives of the ServeAmerica
14 Fellowship program; and

15 “(ii) the amount provided to the fel-
16 low under clause (i) is sufficient to meet
17 the necessary costs of living (including
18 food, housing, and transportation) in the
19 area in which the ServeAmerica Fellowship
20 program is located.

21 “(f) COMPLIANCE WITH INELIGIBLE SERVICE CAT-
22 EGORIES.—Service under a ServeAmerica Fellowship shall
23 comply with section 132(a). For purposes of applying that
24 section to this subsection, a reference to assistance shall

1 be considered to be a reference to assistance provided
2 under this section.

3 “(g) **REPORTS.**—Each service sponsor organization
4 that receives a fellow under this subsection shall, on a bi-
5 weekly basis, report to the State Commission on the num-
6 ber of hours served and the services provided by that fel-
7 low. The Corporation shall establish a web portal for the
8 organizations to use in reporting the information.

9 “(h) **EDUCATIONAL AWARDS.**—A fellow who serves
10 in a service project under this section shall be considered
11 to have served in an approved national service position
12 and, upon meeting the requirements of section 147 for
13 full-time or part-time national service, shall be eligible for
14 a national service educational award described in such sec-
15 tion. The Corporation shall transfer an appropriate
16 amount of funds to the National Service Trust to provide
17 for the national service educational awards for such fellow.

18 **“SEC. 198C. SILVER SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENCORE FELLOW-**
19 **SHIPS.**

20 “(a) **SILVER SCHOLARSHIP.**—

21 “(1) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—The Corporation may
22 award grants, including fixed-amount grants (in ac-
23 cordance with section 129(k)) to community-based
24 organizations to carry out a Silver Scholarship
25 Grant Program for individuals age 55 and older to

1 complete not less than 500 hours of service in a year
2 carrying out projects of national need and to receive
3 a Silver Scholarship in the form of a \$1,000 edu-
4 cation award. Under such a program—

5 “(A) the Corporation shall establish cri-
6 teria for the types of the service required to be
7 performed to receive such award; and

8 “(B) the individual receiving the award
9 shall use such award in accordance with sec-
10 tions 146(c), 146(d), and 148(c).

11 “(2) TERM.—Each program funded under this
12 subsection shall be carried out over a period of 3
13 years, including 1 planning year and 2 additional
14 grant years, with a 1-year extension possible, if the
15 program meets performance measures developed in
16 accordance with section 179(a) and any other cri-
17 teria determined by the Corporation.

18 “(3) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to carry
19 out a program under this subsection, a community-
20 based organization shall submit to the Corporation
21 an application at such time and in such manner as
22 the Chief Executive Officer may reasonably require.
23 A community-based organization approved by the
24 Corporation shall be a listed organization as de-
25 scribed in subsection (b)(2)(D).

1 “(4) COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.—A com-
2 munity-based organization awarded a grant under
3 this subsection is encouraged to collaborate with pro-
4 grams funded under title II of the Domestic Volun-
5 teer Service Act in carrying out this program.

6 “(5) ELIGIBILITY FOR SCHOLARSHIP.—An indi-
7 vidual is eligible to receive a Silver Scholarship if the
8 community-based organization certifies to the Cor-
9 poration that the individual has completed not less
10 than 500 hours of service under this section.

11 “(6) SUPPORT SERVICES.—A community-based
12 organization receiving a grant under this subsection
13 may use a portion of the fixed-amount grant to pro-
14 vide transportation services to an eligible individual
15 to allow such individual to participate in a service
16 project.

17 “(b) ENCORE FELLOWSHIPS.—

18 “(1) ESTABLISHMENT.—The Corporation may
19 award 1-year Encore Fellowships to enable individ-
20 uals age 55 or older to—

21 “(A) carry out service projects in areas of
22 national need; and

23 “(B) to receive training and development
24 in order to transition to full- or part-time public
25 service in the nonprofit sector or government.

1 “(2) PROGRAM.—In carrying out the program,
2 the Corporation shall—

3 “(A) maintain a list of eligible organiza-
4 tions for which Encore Fellows may be placed
5 to carry out service projects through the pro-
6 gram and shall provide the list to all Fellowship
7 recipients; and

8 “(B) at the request of a Fellowship recipi-
9 ent—

10 “(i) determine whether the requesting
11 recipient is able to meet the service needs
12 of a listed organization, or another organi-
13 zation that the recipient requests in ac-
14 cordance with subparagraph (E), for a
15 service project; and

16 “(ii) upon making a favorable deter-
17 mination under clause (i), award the re-
18 cipient with an Encore Fellowship, and
19 place the recipient with the organization as
20 an Encore Fellow under subparagraph (E).

21 “(C) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS.—

22 “(i) IN GENERAL.—An individual de-
23 siring to be selected as a Fellowship recipi-
24 ent shall—

25 “(I) be an individual who—

1 “(aa) is at least 55 years of
2 age as of the time the individual
3 applies for the program; and

4 “(bb) is not engaged in, but
5 who wishes to engage in, full- or
6 part-time public service in the
7 nonprofit sector or government;
8 and

9 “(II) submit an application to
10 the Corporation, at such time, in such
11 manner, and containing such informa-
12 tion as the Corporation may require,
13 including—

14 “(aa) a description of the
15 area of national need that the ap-
16 plicant hopes to address through
17 the service project;

18 “(bb) a description of the
19 skills and experience the appli-
20 cant has to address an area of
21 national need; and

22 “(cc) information identifying
23 the region of the United States
24 in which the applicant wishes to
25 serve.

1 “(ii) SELECTION BASIS.—In deter-
2 mining which individuals to select as Fel-
3 lowship recipients, the Corporation shall—

4 “(I) select not more than 10 indi-
5 viduals from each State; and

6 “(II) give priority to individuals
7 with skills and experience for which
8 there is an ongoing high demand in
9 the nonprofit sector and government.

10 “(D) LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be list-
11 ed under subparagraph (A), an organization
12 shall—

13 “(i) be a nonprofit organization; and

14 “(ii) submit an application to the Cor-
15 poration at such time, in such manner, and
16 containing such information as the Cor-
17 poration may require, including—

18 “(I) a description of—

19 “(aa) the services and activi-
20 ties the organization carries out
21 generally;

22 “(bb) the area of national
23 need that the organization seeks
24 to address through a service
25 project; and

1 “(cc) the services and activi-
2 ties the organization seeks to
3 carry out through the proposed
4 service project;

5 “(II) a description of the skills
6 and experience that an eligible Encore
7 Fellowship recipient needs to be
8 placed with the organization as an
9 Encore Fellow for the service project;

10 “(III) a description of the train-
11 ing and leadership development the
12 organization shall provide an Encore
13 Fellow placed with the organization to
14 assist the Encore Fellow in obtaining
15 a public service job in the nonprofit
16 sector or government after the period
17 of the Encore Fellowship; and

18 “(IV) evidence of the organiza-
19 tion’s financial stability.

20 “(E) PLACEMENT.—

21 “(i) REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH
22 LISTED ORGANIZATIONS.—To be placed
23 with a listed organization in accordance
24 with subparagraph (B)(ii) for a service
25 project, an eligible Encore Fellowship re-

1 recipient shall submit an application for such
2 placement to the Corporation at such time,
3 in such manner, and containing such infor-
4 mation as the Corporation may require.

5 “(ii) REQUEST FOR PLACEMENT WITH
6 OTHER ORGANIZATION.—An eligible En-
7 core Fellowship recipient may apply to the
8 Corporation to serve the recipient’s Encore
9 Fellowship year with a nonprofit organiza-
10 tion that is not a listed organization. Such
11 application shall be submitted to the Cor-
12 poration at such time, in such manner, and
13 containing such information as the Cor-
14 poration shall require, and shall include—

15 “(I) an identification and de-
16 scription of—

17 “(aa) the organization;

18 “(bb) the area of national
19 need the organization seeks to
20 address; and

21 “(cc) the services or activi-
22 ties the organization carries out
23 to address such area of national
24 need;

1 “(II) a description of the services
2 the eligible Encore Fellowship recipi-
3 ent shall provide for the organization
4 as an Encore Fellow; and

5 “(III) a letter of support from
6 the leader of the organization, includ-
7 ing—

8 “(aa) a description of the
9 organization’s need for the eligi-
10 ble Encore Fellowship recipient’s
11 services;

12 “(bb) evidence that the or-
13 ganization is financially sound;

14 “(cc) an assurance that the
15 organization will provide training
16 and leadership development to
17 the eligible Encore Fellowship re-
18 cipient if placed with the organi-
19 zation as an Encore Fellow, to
20 assist the Encore Fellow in ob-
21 taining a public service job in the
22 nonprofit sector or government
23 after the period of the Encore
24 Fellowship; and

1 “(dd) a description of the
2 training and leadership develop-
3 ment to be provided to the En-
4 core Fellowship recipient if so
5 placed.

6 “(iii) PLACEMENT AND AWARD OF
7 FELLOWSHIP.—If the Corporation deter-
8 mines that the eligible Encore Fellowship
9 recipient is able to meet the service needs
10 (including skills and experience to address
11 an area of national need) of the organiza-
12 tion that the eligible fellowship recipient
13 requests under clause (ii) or (iii), the Cor-
14 poration shall—

15 “(I) approve the placement of the
16 eligible Encore Fellowship recipient
17 with the organization;

18 “(II) award the eligible Encore
19 Fellowship recipient an Encore Fel-
20 lowship for a period of 1 year and
21 designate the eligible Encore Fellow-
22 ship recipient as an Encore Fellow;
23 and

24 “(III) in awarding the Encore
25 Fellowship, make a payment, in the

1 amount of \$11,000, to the organiza-
2 tion to enable the organization to pro-
3 vide living expenses to the Encore
4 Fellow for the year in which the En-
5 core Fellow agrees to serve.

6 “(F) MATCHING FUNDS.—An organization
7 that receives an Encore Fellow under this sub-
8 section shall agree to provide, for the living ex-
9 penses of the Encore Fellow during the year of
10 service, non-Federal contributions in an amount
11 equal to not less than \$1 for every \$1 of Fed-
12 eral funds provided to the organization for the
13 Encore Fellow through the fellowship.

14 “(G) TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE.—Each
15 organization that receives an Encore Fellow
16 under this subsection shall provide training,
17 leadership development, and assistance to the
18 Encore Fellow, and conduct oversight of the
19 service provided by the Encore Fellow.

20 “(H) LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT.—Each
21 year, the Corporation shall convene current and
22 former Encore Fellows to discuss the Encore
23 Fellows’ experiences related to service under
24 this subsection and discuss strategies for in-

1 employment training, educational counseling, pro-
2 gram to complete a high-school diploma or
3 GED, counseling, or a mentoring relationship
4 with an adult volunteer.

5 “(B) PRIORITY.—Priority shall be given to
6 programs that engage retirees to serve as men-
7 tors.

8 “(2) PROGRAMS THAT ENGAGE YOUTH UNDER
9 THE AGE OF 17.—Programs that engage youth
10 under the age of 17 in service to the community to
11 meet unmet human, educational, environmental,
12 emergency and disaster preparedness, or public safe-
13 ty needs and may be a summer program or a year-
14 round program. Priority shall be given to programs
15 that collaborate with the RSVP Program and the
16 AmeriCorps programs.

17 “(3) PROGRAMS THAT REDUCE RECIDIVISM.—
18 Programs that re-engage court-involved youth and
19 adults with the goal of reducing recidivism. Priority
20 shall be given to such programs that create support
21 systems beginning in corrections facilities, and pro-
22 grams that have life skills training, employment
23 training, an education program, including a program
24 to complete a high-school diploma or GED, edu-
25 cational and career counseling, post program place-

1 ment, and support services, which could begin in
2 corrections facilities. The program may include
3 health and wellness programs, including but not lim-
4 ited to drug and alcohol treatment, mental health
5 counseling, and smoking cessation.

6 “(4) PROGRAMS THAT RECRUIT CERTAIN INDI-
7 VIDUALS.—Demonstration projects for programs
8 that have as one of their primary purposes the re-
9 cruitment and acceptance of court-involved youth
10 and adults as participants, volunteers, or members.
11 Such a program may serve any purpose otherwise
12 permitted under this Act.

13 “(5) OTHER INNOVATIVE AND MODEL PRO-
14 GRAMS.—Any other innovative and model programs
15 that the Corporation considers appropriate.

16 “(b) REQUIREMENTS.—

17 “(1) THREE-YEAR TERM.—Each program fund-
18 ed under this part shall be carried out over a period
19 of three years, including one planning year and two
20 additional grant years, with a 1-year extension pos-
21 sible, if the program meets performance measures
22 developed in accordance with section 179(a) and any
23 other criteria determined by the Corporation.

24 “(2) MATCHING FUNDS.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Federal share of
2 the cost of carrying out a program for which a
3 grant is made under this part may not exceed
4 76 percent of the total cost of the program in
5 the first year and may not exceed 50 percent of
6 the total cost of the program for the remaining
7 years of the grant, including if the grant is ex-
8 tended for 1 year.

9 “(B) NON-FEDERAL CONTRIBUTION.—In
10 providing for the remaining share of the cost of
11 carrying out such a program, each recipient of
12 a grant under this part—

13 “(i) shall provide for such share
14 through a payment in cash or in kind, fair-
15 ly evaluated, including facilities, equip-
16 ment, or services; and

17 “(ii) may provide for such share
18 through State sources or local sources, in-
19 cluding private funds or donated services.

20 “(3) COLLABORATION ENCOURAGED.—Each
21 program funded under this part is encouraged to
22 collaborate with Learn and Serve, AmeriCorps,
23 VISTA, and the National Senior Service Corps.

24 “(4) EVALUATION.—Upon completion of the
25 program, the Corporation shall conduct an inde-

1 pendent evaluation of the program and widely dis-
 2 seminate the results, including recommendations for
 3 improvement, to the service community through mul-
 4 tiple channels, including the Corporation’s Resource
 5 Center or a clearinghouse of effective strategies.

6 “(c) APPLICATIONS.—To be eligible to carry out a
 7 program under this part, an entity shall prepare, submit
 8 to the Corporation, and obtain approval of, an application
 9 at such time and in such manner as the Chief Executive
 10 Officer may reasonably require.”.

11 **SEC. 1805. CLEARINGHOUSES.**

12 Subtitle H is further amended by adding at the end
 13 the following:

14 **“PART IV—NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS**
 15 **CLEARINGHOUSE**

16 **“SEC. 198F. NATIONAL SERVICE PROGRAMS CLEARING-**
 17 **HOUSE.**

18 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall provide
 19 assistance, either by grant, contract, or cooperative agree-
 20 ment, to entities with expertise in the dissemination of in-
 21 formation through clearinghouses to establish one or more
 22 clearinghouses for the national service laws.

23 “(b) FUNCTION OF CLEARINGHOUSE.—Such a clear-
 24 inghouse may—

1 “(1) assist entities carrying out State or local
2 service-learning and national service programs with
3 needs assessments and planning;

4 “(2) conduct research and evaluations con-
5 cerning service-learning or programs receiving assist-
6 ance under the national service laws unless the re-
7 cipient is receiving funds for such purpose under
8 part III of subtitle B and under subtitle H;

9 “(3)(A) provide leadership development and
10 training to State and local service-learning program
11 administrators, supervisors, service sponsors, and
12 participants; and

13 “(B) provide training to persons who can pro-
14 vide the leadership development and training de-
15 scribed in subparagraph (A);

16 “(4) facilitate communication among entities
17 carrying out service-learning programs and pro-
18 grams offered under the national service laws and
19 participants in such programs;

20 “(5) provide and disseminate information and
21 curriculum materials relating to planning and oper-
22 ating service-learning programs and programs of-
23 fered under the national service laws, to States, Ter-
24 ritories, Indian tribes, and local entities eligible to

1 receive financial assistance under the national serv-
2 ice laws;

3 “(6) provide and disseminate information re-
4 garding methods to make service-learning programs
5 and programs offered under the national service
6 laws accessible to individuals with disabilities;

7 “(7) disseminate applications in languages
8 other than English;

9 “(8)(A) gather and disseminate information on
10 successful service-learning programs and programs
11 offered under the national service laws, components
12 of such successful programs, innovative curricula re-
13 lated to service-learning, and service-learning
14 projects; and

15 “(B) coordinate the activities of the Clearing-
16 house with appropriate entities to avoid duplication
17 of effort;

18 “(9) make recommendations to State and local
19 entities on quality controls to improve the quality of
20 service-learning programs and programs offered
21 under the national service laws;

22 “(10) assist organizations in recruiting, screen-
23 ing, and placing a diverse population of service-
24 learning coordinators and program sponsors;

1 “(11) disseminate effective strategies for work-
2 ing with disadvantaged youth in national service pro-
3 grams as determined by organizations with an estab-
4 lished expertise working with such youth; and

5 “(12) carry out such other activities as the
6 Chief Executive Officer determines to be appro-
7 priate.”.

8 **Subtitle I—Training and Technical**
9 **Assistance**

10 **SEC. 1821. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

11 Title I is further amended by adding at the end the
12 following new subtitle:

13 **“Subtitle J—Training and**
14 **Technical Assistance**

15 **“SEC. 199N. TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.**

16 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Corporation shall conduct,
17 either directly or through grants, contracts, or cooperative
18 agreements, including through State Commissions on Na-
19 tional and Community Service, appropriate training and
20 technical assistance to—

21 “(1) programs receiving assistance under the
22 national service laws; and

23 “(2) entities (particularly those in rural areas
24 and underserved communities)—

1 “(A) that desire to carry out or establish
2 national service programs;

3 “(B) that desire to apply for assistance
4 under the national service laws; or

5 “(C) that desire to apply for a subgrant
6 under the national service laws.

7 “(b) ACTIVITIES INCLUDED.—Such training and
8 technical assistance activities may include—

9 “(1) providing technical assistance to those ap-
10 plying to carry out national service programs or
11 those carrying out national service programs;

12 “(2) promoting leadership development in na-
13 tional service programs;

14 “(3) improving the instructional and pro-
15 grammatic quality of national service programs;

16 “(4) developing the management and budgetary
17 skills of those operating or overseeing national serv-
18 ice programs, including to increase the cost effective-
19 ness of the programs under the national service
20 laws;

21 “(5) providing for or improving the training
22 provided to the participants in programs under the
23 national service laws;

24 “(6) facilitating the education of national serv-
25 ice programs in risk management procedures, includ-

1 ing the training of participants in appropriate risk
2 management practices;

3 “(7) training of those operating or overseeing
4 national service programs in volunteer recruitment,
5 management, and retention to improve the abilities
6 of such individuals to use participants and other vol-
7 unteers in an effective manner which results in high
8 quality service and the desire of participants or vol-
9 unteers to continue to serve in other capacities after
10 the program is completed;

11 “(8) training of those operating or overseeing
12 national service programs in program evaluation and
13 performance measures to inform practices to aug-
14 ment the capacity and sustainability of the program;

15 “(9) training of those operating or overseeing
16 national service programs to effectively accommodate
17 people with disabilities to increase the participation
18 of people with disabilities in national service pro-
19 grams. Such activities may utilize funding from the
20 reservation of funds to increase the participation of
21 individuals with disabilities as described in section
22 129(j);

23 “(10) establishing networks and collaboration
24 among employers, educators, and other key stake-
25 holders in the community to further leverage re-

1 sources to increase local participation and to coordi-
2 nate community-wide planning and service;

3 “(11) providing training and technical assist-
4 ance for the National Senior Service Corps, includ-
5 ing providing such training and technical assistance
6 to programs receiving assistance under section 201
7 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973; and

8 “(12) carrying out such other activities as the
9 Chief Executive Officer determines to be appro-
10 priate.

11 “(c) PRIORITY.—The Corporation shall give priority
12 to programs under the national service laws and those en-
13 tities eligible to establish programs under the national
14 service laws seeking training or technical assistance that—

15 “(1) seek to carry out high quality programs
16 where the services are needed most;

17 “(2) seek to carry out high quality programs
18 where national service programs do not currently
19 exist or where the programs are too limited to meet
20 community needs;

21 “(3) seek to carry out high quality programs
22 that focus on and provide service opportunities for
23 underserved rural and urban areas and populations;
24 and

1 “(4) assist programs in developing a service
2 component that combines students, out-of-school
3 youths, and older adults as participants to provide
4 needed community services.”.

5 **Subtitle J—Repeal of Title III**
6 **(Points of Light Foundation)**

7 **SEC. 1831. REPEAL.**

8 Title III (42 U.S.C. 12661 et seq.) is repealed.

9 **Subtitle K—Amendments to Title V**
10 **(Authorization of Appropriations)**

11 **SEC. 1841. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

12 Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 12681) is amended to read
13 as follows:

14 **“SEC. 501. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

15 “(a) TITLE I.—

16 “(1) SUBTITLE B.—

17 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized
18 to be appropriated to provide financial assist-
19 ance under subtitle B of title I—

20 “(i) \$97,000,000 for fiscal year 2010;

21 and

22 “(ii) such sums as may be necessary
23 for each of fiscal years 2011 through
24 2014.

1 “(B) PROGRAMS.—Of the amount appro-
2 priated under subparagraph (A) for a fiscal
3 year—

4 “(i) not more than 60 percent shall be
5 available to provide financial assistance
6 under part I of subtitle B of title I;

7 “(ii) not more than 25 percent shall
8 be available to provide financial assistance
9 under part II of such subtitle; and

10 “(iii) not less than 15 percent shall be
11 available to provide financial assistance
12 under part III of such subtitle.

13 “(C) SPECIAL ALLOCATIONS.—Of the
14 amount appropriated under subparagraph (A)
15 for a fiscal year, up to \$10,000,000 shall be for
16 summer of service grants, \$10,000,000 for
17 youth engagement zones, \$7,000,000 for Cam-
18 pus of Service, and up to \$10,000,000 shall be
19 deposited in the National Service Trust to sup-
20 port summer of service educational awards, con-
21 sistent with section 119(c)(8).

22 “(2) SUBTITLES C, D, AND H.—

23 “(A) IN GENERAL.—There are authorized
24 to be appropriated to provide financial assist-
25 ance under subtitles C and H of title I, to ad-

1 minister the National Service Trust and dis-
2burse national service educational awards and
3scholarships under subtitle D of title I, and to
4carry out such audits and evaluations as the
5Chief Executive Officer or the Inspector Gen-
6eral of the Corporation may determine to be
7necessary, such sums as may be necessary for
8each of fiscal years 2010 through 2014.

9 “(B) PRIORITY.—Notwithstanding any
10other provision of this Act, in obligating the
11amounts made available pursuant to the author-
12ization of appropriations in subparagraph (C),
13priority shall be given to programs carried out
14in areas for which the President has declared
15the existence of a major disaster, in accordance
16with section 401 of the Robert T. Stafford Dis-
17aster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42
18U.S.C. 5170), as a consequence of Hurricanes
19Katrina and Rita.

20 “(3) SUBTITLE E.—There are authorized to be
21appropriated to operate the National Civilian Com-
22munity Corps and provide financial assistance under
23subtitle E of title I, \$35,000,000 for fiscal year
242010 and such sums as may be necessary for each
25of fiscal years 2011 through 2014.

1 “(4) ADMINISTRATION.—

2 “(A) CORPORATION.—There are author-
3 ized to be appropriated for the Corporation’s
4 administration of the national service laws such
5 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal
6 years 2010 through 2014.

7 “(B) STATE COMMISSIONS.—There are au-
8 thorized to be appropriated for assistance to
9 State Commissions under section 126(a), such
10 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal
11 years 2010 through 2014.

12 “(5) TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE.—
13 Of the amounts appropriated for a fiscal year under
14 subtitles B, C, and H of title I of this Act and under
15 titles I and II of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act
16 of 1973, the Corporation shall reserve up to 2.5 per-
17 cent to carry out subtitle J of this Act. Notwith-
18 standing subsection (b), amounts so reserved shall
19 be available only for the fiscal year for which they
20 are reserved.

21 “(b) AVAILABILITY OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Funds
22 appropriated under this section shall remain available
23 until expended.”.

1 **TITLE II—AMENDMENTS TO THE**
2 **DOMESTIC VOLUNTEER SERV-**
3 **ICE ACT OF 1973**

4 **SEC. 2001. REFERENCES.**

5 Except as otherwise specifically provided, whenever in
6 this title an amendment or repeal is expressed in terms
7 of an amendment to, or repeal of a provision, the reference
8 shall be considered to be made to a provision of the Do-
9 mestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C. 4950 et
10 seq.).

11 **Subtitle A—Amendments to Title I**
12 **(National Volunteer Antipoverty**
13 **Programs)**

14 **SEC. 2101. PURPOSE.**

15 Section 2 (42 U.S.C. 4950) is amended—

16 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “both young
17 and older citizens” and inserting “citizens of all ages
18 and backgrounds”; and

19 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “local agen-
20 cies” and all that follows through the period at the
21 end and inserting “local agencies, expand relation-
22 ships with, and support for, the efforts of civic, com-
23 munity, and educational organizations, and utilize
24 the energy, innovative spirit, experience, and skills of
25 all Americans.”.

1 **SEC. 2102. PURPOSE OF THE VISTA PROGRAM.**

2 Section 101 (42 U.S.C. 4951) is amended—

3 (1) in the second sentence, by striking “af-
4 flicted with” and inserting “affected by”; and

5 (2) in the third sentence, by striking “local
6 level” and all that follows through the period at the
7 end and inserting “local level, to support efforts by
8 local agencies and organizations to achieve long-term
9 sustainability of projects, consistent with section 186
10 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990,
11 initiated or expanded under the VISTA program ac-
12 tivities, and to strengthen local agencies and commu-
13 nity organizations to carry out the purpose of this
14 part.”.

15 **SEC. 2103. APPLICATIONS.**

16 Section 103 (42 U.S.C. 4953) is amended—

17 (1) in subsection (a)—

18 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting “the
19 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Is-
20 lands,” after “American Samoa,”;

21 (B) in paragraph (2)—

22 (i) by striking “handicapped” and in-
23 serting “disabled”; and

24 (ii) by striking “handicaps” and in-
25 serting “disabilities”;

1 (C) in paragraph (3), by striking “jobless,
2 the hungry, and low-income” and inserting “un-
3 employed, the hungry, and low-income”;

4 (D) in paragraph (4), by striking “preven-
5 tion, education,” and inserting “through pre-
6 vention, education, rehabilitation, and treat-
7 ment,”;

8 (E) in paragraph (5), by inserting “, men-
9 tal illness,” after “including”;

10 (F) in paragraph (6), by striking “; and”
11 and inserting a semicolon;

12 (G) in paragraph (7), by striking the pe-
13 riod and inserting a semicolon; and

14 (H) by adding at the end the following new
15 paragraphs:

16 “(8) in the re-entry and re-integration of for-
17 merly incarcerated youth and adults into society, in-
18 cluding life skills training, employment training,
19 counseling, educational training, and educational
20 counseling;

21 “(9) in developing and carrying out financial
22 literacy, financial planning, budgeting, savings, and
23 reputable credit accessibility programs in low-income
24 communities, including those programs which edu-

1 cate on financing home ownership and higher edu-
2 cation;

3 “(10) in initiating and supporting before-school
4 and after-school programs servicing children in low-
5 income communities that may engage participants in
6 mentoring relationships, tutoring, life skills, or study
7 skills programs, service-learning, physical, nutrition,
8 and health education programs, including programs
9 aimed at fighting childhood obesity, and other activi-
10 ties addressing the needs of the community’s chil-
11 dren;

12 “(11) in establishing and supporting community
13 economic development initiatives, including micro-en-
14 terprises, with a priority on such programs in rural
15 areas and other areas where such programs are
16 needed most;

17 “(12) in assisting veterans and their families
18 through establishing or augmenting programs which
19 assist such persons with access to legal assistance,
20 health care (including mental health), employment
21 counseling or training, education counseling or train-
22 ing, affordable housing, and other support services;
23 and

24 “(13) in addressing the health and wellness of
25 low-income and underserved communities, including

1 programs to increase access to preventive services,
2 insurance, and health care.”;

3 (2) in subsection (b)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “recruit-
5 ment and placement procedures” and inserting
6 “placement procedures that involve sponsoring
7 organizations and”;

8 (B) in paragraph (2)—

9 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

10 (I) strike “related to the recruit-
11 ment and” and insert “related to
12 the”;

13 (II) strike “in conjunction with
14 the recruitment and” and insert “in
15 conjunction with the”; and

16 (III) strike “1993. Upon” and all
17 that follows through the period at the
18 end and insert “1993.”;

19 (ii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
20 “central information system that shall, on
21 request, promptly provide” and inserting
22 “database that provides”; and

23 (iii) in subparagraph (C)—

1 (I) by striking “timely and effec-
2 tive” and inserting “timely and cost-
3 effective”; and

4 (II) by striking “the recruitment
5 of volunteers” and inserting “recruit-
6 ment and management of volunteers”;

7 (C) in paragraph (3), by adding at the end
8 the following: “The Director shall give priority
9 to—

10 “(A) disadvantaged youth (as defined in
11 section 101 of the National and Community
12 Service Act of 1990) and low-income adults;
13 and

14 “(B) retired adults of any profession, but
15 with an emphasis on those professions whose
16 services and training are most needed in a com-
17 munity, such as the health care professions,
18 teaching, counseling, and engineering and other
19 professions requiring a high level of technical
20 and project management skills, to utilize their
21 experience, including professional skills, in the
22 VISTA program.”; and

23 (D) in paragraph (5)(B), by striking “in-
24 formation system” and inserting “database”;
25 (3) in subsection (c)—

1 (A) in paragraph (1)—

2 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
3 graph (A), by striking “personnel de-
4 scribed in subsection (b)(2)(C)” and in-
5 sserting “personnel described in subsection
6 (b)(2)(C) and sponsoring organizations”;

7 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by inserting
8 “the Internet and related technologies,”
9 after “television,”;

10 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by inserting
11 “Internet and related technologies,” after
12 “through the”;

13 (iv) in subparagraph (C), by inserting
14 after “senior citizens organizations,” the
15 following: “offices of economic develop-
16 ment, State employment security agencies,
17 employment offices,”;

18 (v) in subparagraph (F), by striking
19 “National and Community Service Trust
20 Act of 1993” and inserting “National and
21 Community Service Act of 1990”; and

22 (vi) in subparagraph (G), by striking
23 “, on request,”;

24 (B) in paragraph (3), by striking “this
25 subsection” and inserting “this subsection and

1 related public awareness and recruitment activi-
2 ties under the national service laws”; and

3 (C) in paragraph (4)—

4 (i) by striking “Beginning” and all
5 that follows through “for the purpose” and
6 inserting “For the purpose”; and

7 (ii) by striking “1.5 percent” and in-
8 serting “2 percent”;

9 (4) by amending the second sentence of sub-
10 section (d) to read as follows: “Whenever feasible,
11 such efforts shall be coordinated with an appropriate
12 local workforce investment board established under
13 section 117 of the Workforce Investment Act of
14 1998.”;

15 (5) in subsection (g) by striking “and has been
16 submitted to the Governor” and all that follows and
17 inserting a period; and

18 (6) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(i) The Director may enter into agreements under
20 which public and private nonprofit organizations, with suf-
21 ficient financial capacity and size, pay for all or a portion
22 of the costs of supporting the service of volunteers under
23 this title, consistent with the provisions of section 186 of
24 the National and Community Service Act of 1990.”.

1 **SEC. 2104. VISTA PROGRAMS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE.**

2 Part A of title I is amended by inserting after section
3 103 (42 U.S.C. 4953) the following:

4 **“SEC. 103A. VISTA PROGRAMS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE.**

5 “(a) IN GENERAL.—With not less than one-third of
6 the funds made available under subsection (d) in each fis-
7 cal year, the Director shall make grants for VISTA posi-
8 tions to support programs of national significance. Each
9 program for which a grant is received under this sub-
10 section shall be carried out in accordance with the require-
11 ments applicable to that program.

12 “(b) ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED.—The Director shall
13 make grants under subsection (a) to support one or more
14 of the following programs to address problems that con-
15 cern low-income and rural communities in the Nation:

16 “(1) In the re-entry and re-integration of for-
17 merly incarcerated youth and adults into society, in-
18 cluding life skills training, employment training,
19 counseling, educational training, and educational
20 counseling.

21 “(2) In developing and carrying-out financial
22 literacy, financial planning, budgeting, savings, and
23 reputable credit accessibility programs in low-income
24 communities, including those programs which edu-
25 cate on financing home ownership and higher edu-
26 cation.

1 “(3) In initiating and supporting before-school
2 and after-school programs in low-income commu-
3 nities that may include such activities as establishing
4 mentoring relationships, physical education, tutor-
5 ing, instruction in 21st century thinking skills, life
6 skills, and study skills, community service, service-
7 learning, nutrition and health education, and other
8 activities aimed at keeping children, safe, educated,
9 and healthy, which serve the children in such com-
10 munity.

11 “(4) In establishing and supporting community
12 economic development initiatives, including micro-en-
13 terprises, with a priority on such programs in rural
14 areas and areas where such programs are needed
15 most.

16 “(5) In assisting veterans and their families
17 through establishing or augmenting programs which
18 assist such persons with access to legal assistance,
19 health care (including mental health), employment
20 counseling or training, education counseling or train-
21 ing, affordable housing, and other support services.

22 “(6) In addressing the health and wellness of
23 low-income and underserved communities across our
24 Nation, including programs to fight childhood obe-
25 sity through nutrition, physical fitness, and other as-

1 sociated life skills education programs and programs
2 to increase access to preventive services, insurance,
3 and health care.

4 “(c) REQUIREMENTS.—

5 “(1) ELIGIBILITY.—In order to receive a grant
6 under subsection (a), an applicant shall submit an
7 application to the Director at such time and in such
8 manner as the Director requires and receive ap-
9 proval of the application. Such application shall, at
10 a minimum, demonstrate to the Director a level of
11 expertise in carrying out such a program.

12 “(2) SUPPLEMENT NOT SUPPLANT.—Funds
13 made available under subsection (d) shall be used to
14 supplement and not supplant the number of VISTA
15 volunteers engaged in programs addressing the prob-
16 lem for which such funds are awarded unless such
17 sums are an extension of funds previously provided
18 under this title.

19 “(d) FUNDING.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—From the amounts appro-
21 priate under section 501 for each fiscal year there
22 shall be available to the Director such sums as may
23 be necessary to make grants under subsection (a).

24 “(2) LIMITATION.—No funds shall be made
25 available to the Director to make grants under sub-

1 section (a) unless the amounts appropriated under
2 section 501 available for such fiscal year to carry
3 out part A are sufficient to maintain the number of
4 projects and volunteers funded under part A in the
5 preceding fiscal year.

6 “(e) INFORMATION.—The Director shall widely dis-
7 seminate information on grants that may be made under
8 this section, including through volunteer recruitment pro-
9 grams being carried out by public or private non-profit
10 organizations.”.

11 **SEC. 2105. TERMS AND PERIODS OF SERVICE.**

12 Section 104(d) (42 U.S.C. 4954(d)) is amended—

13 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “with the
14 terms and conditions of their service.” and inserting
15 “with the terms and conditions of their service or
16 any adverse action, such as termination, proposed by
17 the sponsoring organization. The procedure shall
18 provide for an appeal to the Director of any pro-
19 posed termination.”; and

20 (2) in the third sentence (as amended by this
21 section), by striking “and the terms and conditions
22 of their service”.

23 **SEC. 2106. SUPPORT SERVICE.**

24 Section 105(a)(1)(B) (42 U.S.C. 4955(a)(1)(B)) is
25 amended by striking “Such stipend” and all that follows

1 through “in the case of persons” and inserting “Such sti-
2 pend shall be set at a minimum of \$125 per month and
3 a maximum of \$150 per month, subject to the availability
4 of funds to accomplish such a maximum. The Director
5 may provide a stipend of \$250 per month in the case of
6 persons”.

7 **SEC. 2107. SECTIONS REPEALED.**

8 The following provisions are repealed:

9 (1) VISTA LITERACY CORPS.—Section 109 (42
10 U.S.C. 4959).

11 (2) UNIVERSITY YEAR FOR VISTA.—Part B of
12 title I (42 U.S.C. 4971 et seq.).

13 (3) LITERACY CHALLENGE GRANTS.—Section
14 124 (42 U.S.C. 4995).

15 **SEC. 2108. CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**

16 Section 121 (42 U.S.C. 4991) is amended in the sec-
17 ond sentence by striking “situations” and inserting “orga-
18 nizations”.

19 **SEC. 2109. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**

20 Section 123 (42 U.S.C. 4993) is amended—

21 (1) in the section heading by striking “**TECH-**
22 **NICAL AND**”; and

23 (2) by striking “technical and”.

1 **Subtitle B—Amendments to Title II**
2 **(National Senior Volunteer Corps)**

3 **SEC. 2201. CHANGE IN NAME.**

4 Title II (42 U.S.C. 5000 et seq.) is amended in the
5 title heading by striking “**NATIONAL SENIOR**
6 **VOLUNTEER CORPS**” and inserting “**NA-**
7 **TIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS**”.

8 **SEC. 2202. PURPOSE.**

9 Section 200 (42 U.S.C. 5000) is amended to read as
10 follows:

11 **“SEC. 200. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE.**

12 “It is the purpose of this title to provide—

13 “(1) opportunities for senior service to meet
14 unmet local, State, and national needs in the areas
15 of education, public safety, emergency and disaster
16 preparedness, relief, and recovery, health and human
17 needs, and the environment;

18 “(2) for the National Senior Service Corps,
19 comprised of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Pro-
20 gram, the Foster Grandparent Program, and the
21 Senior Companion Program, and demonstration and
22 other programs to empower people 55 years of age
23 or older to contribute to their communities through
24 service, enhance the lives of those who serve and

1 those whom they serve, and provide communities
2 with valuable services;

3 “(3) opportunities for people 55 years of age or
4 older, through the Retired and Senior Volunteer
5 Program, to share their knowledge, experiences,
6 abilities, and skills for the betterment of their com-
7 munities and themselves;

8 “(4) opportunities for low-income people 55
9 years of age or older, through the Foster Grand-
10 parents Program, to have a positive impact on the
11 lives of children in need;

12 “(5) opportunities for low-income people 55
13 years of age or older, through the Senior Companion
14 Program, to provide critical support services and
15 companionship to adults at risk of institutionaliza-
16 tion and who are struggling to maintain a dignified
17 independent life; and

18 “(6) for research, training, demonstration, and
19 other program activities to increase and improve op-
20 portunities for people 55 years of age or older to
21 meet unmet needs, including those related to public
22 safety, public health, and emergency and disaster
23 preparedness, relief, and recovery, in their commu-
24 nities.”.

1 **SEC. 2203. GRANTS AND CONTRACTS FOR VOLUNTEER**
2 **SERVICE PROJECTS.**

3 Section 201 (42 U.S.C. 5001) is amended—

4 (1) in subsection (a)—

5 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
6 by striking “avail themselves of opportunities
7 for volunteer service in their community” and
8 inserting “share their experiences, abilities, and
9 skills for the betterment of their communities
10 and themselves through service”;

11 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “, and
12 individuals 60 years of age or older will be
13 given priority for enrollment,”;

14 (C) in paragraph (3) by inserting “either
15 prior to or during the volunteer service” after
16 “may be necessary”; and

17 (D) by striking paragraph (4) and insert-
18 ing the following:

19 “(4) the project is being designed and imple-
20 mented with the advice of experts in the field of
21 service to be delivered as well as with those who
22 have expertise in the recruitment and management
23 of volunteers, particularly those of the Baby Boom
24 generation.”;

25 (2) by amending subsection (c) to read as fol-
26 lows:

1 “(c) The Director shall give priority to projects—

2 “(1) utilizing retired scientists, technicians, en-
3 gineers, and mathematicians (the STEM profes-
4 sionals) to improve Science, Technology, Engineer-
5 ing, and Mathematics (STEM) education through
6 activities such as assisting teachers in classroom
7 demonstrations or laboratory experiences, running
8 after-school, weekend, or summer programs designed
9 to engage disadvantaged youth (as defined in section
10 101 of the National and Community Service Act of
11 1990) or low-income, minority youth in the STEM
12 fields and to improve mastery of the STEM content,
13 providing field trips to businesses, institutions of
14 higher education, museums, and other locations
15 where the STEM professions are practiced or illumi-
16 nated;

17 “(2) utilizing retired health care professionals
18 to improve the health and wellness of low income or
19 rural communities;

20 “(3) utilizing retired criminal justice profes-
21 sionals for programs designed to prevent disadvan-
22 taged youth (as defined in section 101 of the Na-
23 tional and Community Service Act of 1990) from
24 joining gangs or committing crimes;

1 “(4) utilizing retired military and emergency
2 professionals for programs to improve public safety,
3 emergency and disaster preparedness, relief, and re-
4 covery, search and rescue, and homeland security ef-
5 forts; and

6 “(5) utilizing retired computer science profes-
7 sionals, technicians of related technologies, business
8 professionals, and others with relevant knowledge to
9 increase, for low income individuals and families, ac-
10 cess to and obtaining the benefits from computers
11 and other existing and emerging technologies.”; and

12 (3) by adding at the end the following:

13 “(e) COMPETITIVE GRANT AWARDS REQUIRED.—

14 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Effective for fiscal year
15 2013 and each fiscal year thereafter, each grant or
16 contract awarded under this section in such a year
17 shall be—

18 “(A) awarded for a period of 3 years; and

19 “(B) awarded through a competitive proc-
20 ess.

21 “(2) ELEMENTS OF COMPETITIVE PROCESS.—

22 The competitive process required by paragraph
23 (1)(B)—

1 “(A) shall include the use of a peer review
2 panel, including members with expertise in sen-
3 ior service and aging;

4 “(B) shall ensure that—

5 “(i) the resulting grants (or contracts)
6 support no less than the volunteer service
7 years of the previous grant (or contract)
8 cycle in a given geographic service area;

9 “(ii) the resulting grants (or con-
10 tracts) maintain a similar program dis-
11 tribution; and

12 “(iii) every effort is made to minimize
13 the disruption to volunteers; and

14 “(C) shall include the performance meas-
15 ures, outcomes, and other criteria established
16 under subsection (f).

17 “(3) ESTABLISHMENT OF COMPETITIVE PROC-
18 ESS.—The Corporation shall establish and make
19 available the competitive process required by para-
20 graph (1)(B) no later than 18 months after the date
21 of the enactment of this subsection. The Corporation
22 shall consult with the program directors of the Re-
23 tired Senior Volunteer Program during development
24 and implementation of the competitive process.

25 “(f) EVALUATION PROCESS REQUIRED.—

1 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Notwithstanding section
2 412, and effective beginning 180 days after the date
3 of the enactment of this subsection, each grant or
4 contract under this section that expires in fiscal year
5 2011, 2012, and 2013 shall be subject to an evalua-
6 tion process. The evaluation process shall be carried
7 out, to the maximum extent practicable, in fiscal
8 year 2010, 2011, and 2012, respectively.

9 “(2) ELEMENTS OF EVALUATION PROCESS.—
10 The evaluation process required by paragraph (1)—

11 “(A) shall include performance measures,
12 outcomes, and other criteria; and

13 “(B) shall evaluate the extent to which the
14 recipient of the grant or contract meets or ex-
15 ceeds such performance measures, outcomes,
16 and other criteria.

17 “(3) ESTABLISHMENT OF EVALUATION PROC-
18 ESS.—The Corporation shall, in collaboration and
19 consultation with program directors of the Retired
20 Senior Volunteer Program, establish and make avail-
21 able the evaluation process required by paragraph
22 (1), including the performance measures, outcomes,
23 and other criteria required by paragraph (2)(A),
24 with particular attention to the different needs of
25 rural and urban programs. The processes shall be

1 established and made available, including notifica-
2 tion of the available training and technical assist-
3 ance, no later than 180 days after the date of the
4 enactment of this subsection.

5 “(4) EFFECT OF FAILING TO MEET PERFORM-
6 ANCE MEASURES.—If the evaluation process deter-
7 mines that the recipient has failed to meet or exceed
8 the performance measures, outcomes, and other cri-
9 teria established under this subsection, the grant or
10 contract shall not be renewed. Any successor grant
11 or contract shall be awarded through the competitive
12 process described in subsection (e)(1).

13 “(5) SPECIAL RULE.—The Corporation may
14 continue to fund a program which has failed to meet
15 or exceed the performance measures, outcomes, and
16 other criteria established under this subsection for
17 up to 12 months if competition does not result in a
18 successor grant or contract for such program, in
19 order to minimize the disruption to volunteers and
20 disruption of services. In such a case, outreach shall
21 be conducted and a new competition shall be estab-
22 lished. The previous recipient shall remain eligible
23 for the new competition.

24 “(6) PERFORMANCE MEASURES.—

1 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The performance
2 measures, outcomes, and other criteria estab-
3 lished under this subsection may be updated or
4 modified as necessary, in consultation with pro-
5 gram directors for the Retired Senior Volunteer
6 Program, but no earlier than fiscal year 2014.

7 “(B) OPERATIONAL PROBLEMS.—Effective
8 for fiscal years before fiscal year 2014, the Cor-
9 poration may, after consulting with program di-
10 rectors of the Retired Senior Volunteer Pro-
11 gram, determine that a performance measure,
12 outcome, or criterion established under this
13 subsection is operationally problematic, and
14 may, in consultation with program directors of
15 the Retired Senior Volunteer Program and
16 after notifying Congress—

17 “(i) eliminate the use of that perform-
18 ance measure, outcome, or criterion; or

19 “(ii) modify that performance meas-
20 ure, outcome, or criterion as necessary to
21 render it no longer operationally problem-
22 atic.

23 “(g) ONLINE RESOURCE GUIDE.—The Corporation
24 shall develop and disseminate an online resource guide for
25 the Retired Senior Volunteer Program within 180 days

1 after the date of the enactment of this subsection, which
2 shall include, but not be limited to—

3 “(1) examples of high performing programs;

4 “(2) corrective actions for underperforming pro-
5 grams; and

6 “(3) examples of meaningful outcome-based
7 performance measures that capture a program’s mis-
8 sion and priorities.

9 “(h) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than Sep-
10 tember 30, 2013, the Corporation shall submit to Con-
11 gress a report on—

12 “(1) the number of programs that did not meet
13 or exceed the established performance measures,
14 outcomes, and other criteria established under sub-
15 section (f);

16 “(2) the number of new grants awarded;

17 “(3) the challenges to the implementation of
18 evaluation and competition, including but not limited
19 to geographic distribution and the minimization of
20 disruption to volunteers; and

21 “(4) how the current program geographic dis-
22 tribution affects recruitment for the Retired Senior
23 Volunteer Program.”.

24 **SEC. 2204. FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM GRANTS.**

25 Section 211 (42 U.S.C. 5011) is amended—

1 (1) in subsection (a)—

2 (A) by striking “low-income persons aged
3 sixty or over” and inserting “low-income and
4 other persons aged 55 or over”; and

5 (B) by striking “children having excep-
6 tional needs” and inserting “children having
7 special or exceptional needs or with conditions
8 or circumstances identified as limiting their
9 academic, social, or emotional development”;

10 (2) in subsection (b)—

11 (A) in paragraph (1)—

12 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
13 graph (A), by striking “shall have the ex-
14 clusive authority to determine, pursuant to
15 the provisions of paragraph (2) of this sub-
16 section—” and inserting “may deter-
17 mine—”;

18 (ii) in subparagraph (A), by striking
19 “and”;

20 (iii) in subparagraph (B), by striking
21 the period and inserting “; and”; and

22 (iv) by adding after subparagraph (B)
23 the following:

24 “(C) whether it is in the best interests of a
25 child receiving, and of a particular foster grand-

1 parent providing, services in such a project, to con-
2 tinue such relationship after the child reaches the
3 age of 21, if such child was receiving such services
4 prior to attaining the age of 21.”;

5 (B) by striking paragraph (2); and

6 (C) by redesignating paragraph (3) as
7 paragraph (2);

8 (3) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by this
9 section), by striking “paragraphs (1) and (2)” and
10 inserting “paragraph (1)”;

11 (4) by adding after paragraph (2) (as redesi-
12 gnated by this section) the following:

13 “(3) If an assignment of a foster grandparent is sus-
14 pended or discontinued, the replacement of that foster
15 grandparent shall be determined through the mutual
16 agreement of all parties involved in the provision of serv-
17 ices to the child.”;

18 (5) in subsection (d), in the second sentence, by
19 striking “Any stipend” and all that follows through
20 “inflation,” and inserting “Any stipend or allowance
21 provided under this part shall not exceed 75 percent
22 of the minimum wage under section 6 the Fair
23 Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 206), and
24 the Federal share shall not be less than \$2.65 per
25 hour, provided that the Director shall adjust the

1 Federal share once prior to December 31, 2012, to
2 account for inflation,”;

3 (6) in subsection (e)—

4 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “125”
5 and inserting “200”; and

6 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “, as so
7 adjusted” and all that follows through “local
8 situations”;

9 (7) by striking subsection (f) and inserting:

10 “(f)(1) Subject to the restrictions in paragraph (3),
11 individuals who are not low-income persons may serve as
12 volunteers under this part. The regulations issued by the
13 Director to carry out this part (other than regulations re-
14 lating to stipends or allowances to individuals authorized
15 by subsection (d)) shall apply to all volunteers under this
16 part, without regard to whether such volunteers are eligi-
17 ble to receive a stipend or allowance under subsection (d).

18 “(2) Except as provided under paragraph (1), each
19 recipient of a grant or contract to carry out a project
20 under this part shall give equal treatment to all volunteers
21 who participate in such project, without regard to whether
22 such volunteers are eligible to receive a stipend or allow-
23 ance under subsection (d).

24 “(3) An individual who is not a low-income person
25 may not become a volunteer under this part if allowing

1 that individual to become a volunteer under this part
2 would prevent a low-income person from becoming a vol-
3 unteer under this part or would displace a low-income per-
4 son from being a volunteer under this part.”; and

5 (8) by adding at the end the following new sub-
6 sections:

7 “(g) The Director may also provide a stipend or al-
8 lowance in an amount not to exceed 10 percent more than
9 the amount established under subsection (d) to leaders
10 who, on the basis of past experience as volunteers, special
11 skills, and demonstrated leadership abilities, may coordi-
12 nate activities, including training, and otherwise support
13 the service of volunteers under this part.

14 “(h) The program may accept up to 15 percent of
15 volunteers serving in a project under this part for a fiscal
16 year who do not meet the definition of ‘low-income’ under
17 subsection (e), upon certification by the recipient of a
18 grant or contract that it is unable to effectively recruit
19 and place low-income volunteers in the number of place-
20 ments approved for the project.”.

21 **SEC. 2205. SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM GRANTS.**

22 Section 213 (42 U.S.C. 5013) is amended—

23 (1) in subsection (a), by striking “low-income
24 persons aged 60 or over” and inserting “low-income
25 and other persons aged 55 or over”;

1 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “Subsections
2 (d), (e), and (f)” and inserting “Subsections (d)
3 through (h)”;

4 (3) by striking subsection (e)(2)(B) and insert-
5 ing the following:

6 “(B) Senior companion volunteer trainers and leaders
7 may receive a stipend or allowance consistent with sub-
8 section (g) authorized under subsection (d) of section 211,
9 as approved by the Director.”.

10 **SEC. 2206. PROMOTION OF NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE**
11 **CORPS.**

12 Section 221 (42 U.S.C. 5021) is amended—

13 (1) in the section heading, by striking “VOLUN-
14 TEER” and inserting “SERVICE”; and

15 (2) in subsection (b)(2), by inserting “of all
16 ages and backgrounds living in rural, suburban, and
17 urban localities” after “greater participation of vol-
18 unteers”.

19 **SEC. 2207. TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.**

20 (a) CHANGE IN AGE ELIGIBILITY.—Section 223 (42
21 U.S.C. 5023) is amended by striking “sixty years and
22 older from minority groups” and inserting “55 years and
23 older from minority and underserved populations”.

1 (b) NAME CHANGE.—Section 224 (42 U.S.C. 5024)
2 is amended in the heading by striking “VOLUNTEER” and
3 inserting “SERVICE”.

4 **SEC. 2208. PROGRAMS OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE.**

5 Section 225 (42 U.S.C. 5025) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) by amending paragraph (2) to read as
8 follows:

9 “(2) Applicants for grants under paragraph (1) shall
10 determine which program under part A, B, or C the pro-
11 gram shall be carried out and submit an application as
12 required for programs under part A, B, or C.”; and

13 (B) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(4) The Director shall ensure that at least 25 per-
15 cent of the grants made under this section are from appli-
16 cants currently not receiving assistance from the Corpora-
17 tion and when possible in locations where there are no cur-
18 rent programs under part A, B, C in existence.”;

19 (2) in subsection (b)—

20 (A) in paragraph (1), by inserting before
21 the period at the end the following: “or Alz-
22 heimer’s disease, with an intent of allowing
23 those served to age in place”;

24 (B) in paragraph (2), by inserting before
25 the period at the end the following: “through

1 education, prevention, treatment, and rehabili-
2 tation”;

3 (C) in paragraph (3), by inserting before
4 the period at the end the following: “, including
5 programs that teach parenting skills, life skills,
6 and family management skills”;

7 (D) by amending paragraph (4) to read as
8 follows:

9 “(4) Programs that establish and support men-
10 toring programs for disadvantaged youth (as defined
11 in section 101 of the National and Community Serv-
12 ice Act of 1990), including those mentoring pro-
13 grams that match youth with volunteer mentors
14 leading to apprenticeship programs and employment
15 training.”;

16 (E) in paragraph (5), by inserting before
17 the period at the end the following: “, including
18 those programs that serve youth and adults
19 with limited English proficiency”;

20 (F) in paragraph (6), by striking “and”
21 and all that follows through the period and in-
22 sert “and for individuals and children with dis-
23 abilities or chronic illnesses living at home.”;

24 (G) in paragraph (7), by striking “after-
25 school activities” and all that follows through

1 the period at the end and inserting “after-
2 school programs serving children in low-income
3 communities that may engage participants in
4 mentoring relationships, tutoring, life skills or
5 study skills programs, service-learning, physical,
6 nutrition, and health education programs, in-
7 cluding programs aimed at fighting childhood
8 obesity, and other activities addressing the
9 needs of the community’s children, including
10 those of working parents.”;

11 (H) by striking paragraphs (8), (9), (12),
12 (13), (14), (15), (16), and (18);

13 (I) by redesignating paragraphs (10) and
14 (11) as paragraphs (8) and (9), respectively;

15 (J) by inserting after paragraph (9) (as so
16 redesignated) the following:

17 “(10) Programs that engage older adults with
18 children and youth to complete service in energy
19 conservation, environmental stewardship, or other
20 environmental needs of a community.

21 “(11) Programs that collaborate with criminal
22 justice professionals and organizations in prevention
23 programs aimed at disadvantaged youth (as defined
24 in section 101 of the National and Community Serv-
25 ice Act of 1990) or youth re-entering society after

1 incarceration and their families, which may include
2 mentoring and counseling, which many include em-
3 ployment counseling.”;

4 (K) by redesignating paragraph (17) as
5 paragraph (12); and

6 (L) by adding at the end the following:

7 “(13) Programs that strengthen community ef-
8 forts in support of homeland security.”;

9 (3) in subsection (c)(1), by striking “shall dem-
10 onstrate to the Director” and all that follows
11 through the period at the end and inserting “shall
12 demonstrate to the Director a level of expertise in
13 carrying out such a program.”; and

14 (4) in subsection (e)—

15 (A) by inserting “widely” before “dissemi-
16 nate”; and

17 (B) by striking “to field personnel” and all
18 that follows through the period at the end and
19 inserting “, including through volunteer recruit-
20 ment programs being carried out by public or
21 private non-profit organizations.”.

22 **SEC. 2209. ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS.**

23 Part D of title II (42 U.S.C. 5000 et seq.) is amended
24 by adding after section 227 the following:

1 **“SEC. 228. CONTINUITY OF SERVICE.**

2 “To ensure the continued service of individuals in
3 communities served by the Retired and Senior Volunteer
4 Program prior to enactment of this section, in making
5 grants under this title the Corporation shall take actions
6 it considers necessary to maintain service assignments for
7 such seniors and to ensure continuity of service for com-
8 munities.

9 **“SEC. 229. ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS.**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in subsection
11 (b), a program receiving assistance under this title may
12 accept donations, including donations in cash or in kind.

13 “(b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), a
14 program receiving assistance under this title shall not ac-
15 cept donations from the beneficiaries of the program.”.

16 **SEC. 2210. AUTHORITY OF DIRECTOR.**

17 Section 231 (42 U.S.C. 5028) is amended—

18 (1) by amending subsection (a) to read as fol-
19 lows:

20 “(a) IN GENERAL.—

21 “(1) ACTIVITIES AUTHORIZED.—The Director
22 is authorized to—

23 “(A) make grants to or enter into con-
24 tracts with public or nonprofit organizations,
25 including organizations funded under part A, B,
26 or C, for the purposes of demonstrating innova-

1 tive activities involving older Americans as vol-
2 unteers; and

3 “(B) make incentive grants under sub-
4 section (d).

5 “(2) SUPPORT OF VOLUNTEERS.—The Director
6 may support under this part both volunteers receiv-
7 ing stipends and volunteers not receiving stipends.”;

8 (2) in subsection (b)—

9 (A) in the matter preceding paragraph (1),
10 by striking “subsection (a)” and inserting “sub-
11 section (a)(1)(A)”;

12 (B) in paragraph (1), by striking “activi-
13 ties;” and inserting “activities described in sec-
14 tion 225(b) and carried out through programs
15 described in parts A, B, and C;”; and

16 (C) by striking paragraphs (2) and (3) and
17 inserting the following:

18 “(2) programs that support older Americans in
19 aging in place while augmenting the capacity of
20 members of a community to serve each other
21 through reciprocal service centers, service credit
22 banking, community economic scripts, barter serv-
23 ices, timebanking, and other similar programs where
24 services are exchanged and not paid for; or

1 “(3) grants to non-profit organizations to estab-
2 lish sites or programs to—

3 “(A) assist retiring or retired individuals
4 in locating opportunities for—

5 “(i) public service roles, including
6 through paid or volunteer service;

7 “(ii) participating in life-planning pro-
8 grams, including financial planning and
9 issues revolving around health and
10 wellness; and

11 “(iii) continuing education, including
12 leadership development, health and
13 wellness, and technological literacy; and

14 “(B) connect retiring or retired individuals
15 with members of the community to serve as
16 leaders and mentors in life planning, relation-
17 ships, employment counseling, education coun-
18 seling, and other areas of expertise as developed
19 by the retiring or retired adults.”; and

20 (3) by adding at the end the following:

21 “(c) PRIORITY.—For purposes of subsection (b)(2),
22 priority shall be given to—

23 “(1) programs with established experience in
24 carrying out such a program and engaging the en-
25 tire community in service exchange;

1 “(2) programs with the capacity to connect to
2 similar programs throughout a city or region to aug-
3 ment the available services to older Americans and
4 for members of the community to serve each other;

5 “(3) programs seeking to establish in an area
6 where needs of older Americans are left unmet and
7 older Americans are unable to consider aging in
8 place without such service exchange in place; and

9 “(4) programs that integrate participants in or
10 collaborate with service-learning programs,
11 AmeriCorps State and National programs, the
12 VISTA program, the Retired and Senior Volunteer
13 Program, Foster Grandparents program, and the
14 Senior Companion programs, and programs de-
15 scribed in section 411 of the Older Americans Act
16 of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3032).

17 “(d) INCENTIVE GRANTS.—The incentive grants re-
18 ferred to in subsection (a)(1)(B) are incentive grants to
19 programs receiving assistance under this title, subject to
20 the following:

21 “(1) Such grants (which may be fixed-amount
22 grants) shall be grants in an amount equal to \$300
23 per volunteer enrolled in the program, except that
24 such amount shall be reduced as necessary to meet
25 the goals of this section.

1 “(2) Such a grant shall be awarded to a pro-
2 gram only if the program—

3 “(A) exceeds performance measures estab-
4 lished under section 179 of the National and
5 Community Service Act of 1990;

6 “(B) provides non-Federal matching funds
7 in an amount that is not less than 50 percent
8 of the amount received by the program under
9 this title;

10 “(C) enrolls more than 50 percent of the
11 volunteers in outcome-based service programs
12 with measurable objectives meeting community
13 needs, as determined by the Corporation; and

14 “(D) enrolls more volunteers from among
15 members of the Baby Boom generation, as de-
16 fined in section 101 of the National and Com-
17 munity Service Act of 1990, than were enrolled
18 in the program during the previous fiscal year.

19 “(3) For each such grant, the Corporation shall
20 require the recipient to provide matching funds of
21 70 cents from non-Federal sources for every \$1 pro-
22 vided under the grant.

23 “(4) Such a grant shall be awarded to a pro-
24 gram only if the program submits, at such time and

1 in such manner as the Corporation may reasonably
2 require, an application that contains—

3 “(A) a demonstration that the program
4 has met the requirements of paragraph (2);

5 “(B) if applicable, a plan for innovative
6 programs as described in paragraph (6)(B)(ii);

7 “(C) a sustainability plan that describes
8 how the program will maintain the activities de-
9 scribed in paragraph (6) when the grant termi-
10 nates; and

11 “(D) other information that the Corpora-
12 tion may require.

13 “(5) Such grants shall be awarded for a period
14 of 3 years, except that the grant shall be reviewed
15 by the Corporation at the end of the first and second
16 fiscal years and revoked if the Corporation finds
17 that the program has failed to continue to meet the
18 requirements of paragraph (2) for those fiscal years.

19 “(6) Such grants—

20 “(A) shall be used to increase the number
21 of volunteers in outcome-based service with
22 measurable objectives meeting community needs
23 as determined by the Corporation; and

24 “(B) may be used—

1 “(i) for activities for which the pro-
2 gram is authorized to receive assistance
3 under this title; and

4 “(ii) for innovative programs focused
5 on the Baby Boom generation, as defined
6 in section 101 of the National and Com-
7 munity Service Act of 1990, that have
8 been accepted by the Corporation through
9 the application process in paragraph (4)
10 and are outcome-based programs with
11 measurable objectives meeting community
12 needs as determined by the Corporation.

13 “(7) The Director shall, in making such grants,
14 give high priority to programs receiving assistance
15 under section 201.”.

16 **Subtitle C—Amendments to Title**
17 **IV (Administration and Coordi-**
18 **nation)**

19 **SEC. 2301. NONDISPLACEMENT.**

20 Section 404(a) (42 U.S.C. 5044(a)) is amended by
21 striking “displacement of employed workers” and insert-
22 ing “displacement of employed workers or volunteers
23 (other than participants under the national service laws)”.

24 **SEC. 2302. NOTICE AND HEARING PROCEDURES.**

25 Section 412(a) (42 U.S.C. 5052(a)) is amended—

1 (1) in paragraph (2)—

2 (A) by striking “75” and inserting “60”;

3 and

4 (B) by adding “and” at the end;

5 (2) by striking paragraph (3); and

6 (3) by redesignating paragraph (4) as (3).

7 **SEC. 2303. DEFINITIONS.**

8 Section 421 (42 U.S.C. 5061) is amended—

9 (1) in paragraph (2), by inserting “, the Com-
10 monwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands,” after
11 “American Samoa,”;

12 (2) in paragraph (13), by striking “National
13 Senior Volunteer Corps” and inserting “National
14 Senior Service Corps”; and

15 (3) in paragraph (14)—

16 (A) by striking “National Senior Volunteer
17 Corps” and inserting “National Senior Service
18 Corps”; and

19 (B) by striking “parts A, B, C, and E of”.

20 **SEC. 2304. PROTECTION AGAINST IMPROPER USE.**

21 Section 425 (42 U.S.C. 5065) is amended by striking
22 “National Senior Volunteer Corps” and inserting “Na-
23 tional Senior Service Corps”.

1 **Subtitle D—Amendments to Title V**
2 **(Authorization of Appropriations)**

3 **SEC. 2401. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR**
4 **VISTA AND OTHER PURPOSES.**

5 Section 501 (42 U.S.C. 5081) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “, exclud-
8 ing section 109” and all that follows and insert-
9 ing “\$100,000,000 for fiscal year 2010 and
10 such sums as may be necessary for each of fis-
11 cal years 2011 through 2014.”;

12 (B) by striking paragraphs (2) and (4) and
13 redesignating paragraphs (3) and (5) as para-
14 graphs (2) and (3); and

15 (C) in paragraph (2) (as redesignated by
16 this section), by striking “, excluding section
17 125” and all that follows and inserting “such
18 sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal
19 years 2010 through 2014.”; and

20 (2) by striking subsection (e).

21 **SEC. 2402. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS FOR NA-**
22 **TIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.**

23 Section 502 (42 U.S.C. 5082) is amended to read as
24 follows:

1 **“SEC. 502. NATIONAL SENIOR SERVICE CORPS.**

2 “(a) RETIRED AND SENIOR VOLUNTEER PRO-
3 GRAM.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry
4 out part A of title II, \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2010
5 and such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
6 2011 through 2014.

7 “(b) FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM.—There are
8 authorized to be appropriated to carry out part B of title
9 II, \$115,000,000 for fiscal year 2010 and such sums as
10 may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2011 through
11 2014.

12 “(c) SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM.—There are au-
13 thorized to be appropriated to carry out part C of title
14 II, \$55,000,000 for fiscal year 2010 and such sums as
15 may be necessary for each of fiscal years 2011 through
16 2014.

17 “(d) DEMONSTRATION PROGRAMS.—There are au-
18 thorized to be appropriated to carry out part E of title
19 II such sums as may be necessary for each of fiscal years
20 2011 through 2014.”.

21 **TITLE III—AMENDMENTS TO**
22 **OTHER LAWS**

23 **SEC. 3101. INSPECTOR GENERAL ACT OF 1978.**

24 Section 8F(a)(1) of the Inspector General Act of
25 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended by striking “National

1 and Community Service Trust Act of 1993” and inserting
 2 “National and Community Service Act of 1990”.

3 **TITLE IV—TECHNICAL AMEND-**
 4 **MENTS TO TABLES OF CON-**
 5 **TENTS**

6 **SEC. 4101. TABLE OF CONTENTS FOR THE NATIONAL AND**
 7 **COMMUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990.**

8 Section 1(b) of the National and Community Service
 9 Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12501 note) is amended to read
 10 as follows:

11 “(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents
 12 for this Act is as follows:

“Sec. 1. Short title and table of contents.

“Sec. 2. Findings and purpose.

“Sec. 3. Sense of Congress.

“TITLE I—NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE STATE GRANT
 PROGRAM

“Subtitle A—General Provisions

“Sec. 101. Definitions.

“Sec. 102. Authority to make State grants.

“Subtitle B—School-Based and Community-Based Service-Learning Programs

“PART I—PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY STUDENTS

“Sec. 111. Assistance to States, Territories, and Indian tribes.

“Sec. 112. Allotments.

“Sec. 113. Applications.

“Sec. 114. Consideration of applications.

“Sec. 115. Participation of students and teachers from private schools.

“Sec. 116. Federal, State, and local contributions.

“Sec. 117. Limitation on uses of funds.

“PART II—HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAMPUSES OF SERVICE

“Sec. 118. Higher education provisions.

“Sec. 119. Campuses of Service.

“PART III—INNOVATIVE DEMONSTRATION SERVICE-LEARNING PROGRAMS
 AND RESEARCH

“Sec. 120. Innovative demonstration service-learning programs and research.

“Subtitle C—National Service Trust Program

“PART I—INVESTMENT IN NATIONAL SERVICE

“Sec. 121. Authority to provide assistance and approved national service positions.

“Sec. 122. National service programs eligible for program assistance.

“Sec. 123. Types of national service positions eligible for approval for national service educational awards.

“Sec. 124. Types of program assistance.

“Sec. 125. [Repealed]

“Sec. 126. Other special assistance.

“PART II—APPLICATION AND APPROVAL PROCESS

“Sec. 129. Provision of assistance and approved national service positions.

“Sec. 129A. Education awards only program.

“Sec. 130. Application for assistance and approved national service positions.

“Sec. 131. National service program assistance requirements.

“Sec. 132. Ineligible service categories.

“Sec. 133. Consideration of applications.

“PART III—NATIONAL SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

“Sec. 137. Description of participants.

“Sec. 138. Selection of national service participants.

“Sec. 139. Terms of service.

“Sec. 140. Living allowances for national service participants.

“Sec. 141. National service educational awards.

“Subtitle D—National Service Trust and Provision of National Service Educational Awards

“Sec. 145. Establishment of the National Service Trust.

“Sec. 146. Individuals eligible to receive a national service educational award from the Trust.

“Sec. 147. Determination of the amount of the national service educational award.

“Sec. 148. Disbursement of national service educational awards.

“Sec. 149. Process of approval of national service positions.

“Subtitle E—National Civilian Community Corps

“Sec. 151. Purpose.

“Sec. 152. Establishment of National Civilian Community Corps program.

“Sec. 153. National service program.

“Sec. 154. Summer national service program.

“Sec. 155. National Civilian Community Corps.

“Sec. 156. Training.

“Sec. 157. Service projects.

“Sec. 158. Authorized benefits for Corps members.

“Sec. 159. Administrative provisions.

“Sec. 160. Status of Corps members and Corps personnel under Federal law.

“Sec. 161. Contract and grant authority.

“Sec. 162. Responsibilities of other departments.

“Sec. 163. Advisory board.

- “Sec. 164. Evaluation.
- “Sec. 165. Funding limitation.
- “Sec. 166. Definitions.

“Subtitle F—Administrative Provisions

- “Sec. 171. Family and medical leave.
- “Sec. 172. Reports.
- “Sec. 173. Supplementation.
- “Sec. 174. Prohibition on use of funds.
- “Sec. 175. Nondiscrimination.
- “Sec. 176. Notice, hearing, and grievance procedures.
- “Sec. 177. Nonduplication and nondisplacement.
- “Sec. 178. State Commissions on National and Community Service.
- “Sec. 179. Evaluation.
- “Sec. 180. Engagement of participants.
- “Sec. 181. Contingent extension.
- “Sec. 182. Partnerships with schools.
- “Sec. 183. Rights of access, examination, and copying.
- “Sec. 184. Drug-free workplace requirements.
- “Sec. 185. Sustainability.
- “Sec. 186. Grant periods.
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- “Sec. 601. Amtrak waste disposal.
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1 **TITLE V—EFFECTIVE DATE**

2 **SEC. 5101. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

3 Unless specifically provided otherwise, the amend-
4 ments made by this Act shall take effect on the date of
5 the enactment of this Act.

1 **SEC. 5102. SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS AND AGREEMENTS.**

2 (a) SERVICE ASSIGNMENTS.—Changes pursuant to
3 this Act in the terms and conditions of terms of service
4 and other service assignments under the national service
5 laws (including the amount of the education award) shall
6 apply only to individuals who enroll or otherwise begin
7 service assignments after 90 days after the date of enact-
8 ment of this Act, except when agreed upon by all inter-
9 ested parties.

10 (b) AGREEMENTS.—Changes pursuant to this Act in
11 the terms and conditions of grants, contracts, or other
12 agreements under the national service laws shall apply
13 only to such agreements entered into after 90 days after
14 the date of enactment of this Act, except when agreed
15 upon by the parties to such agreements.

16 (c) EXCEPTION.—Subsections (a) and (b) do not
17 apply to the amendments made by this Act to section 201
18 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (42 U.S.C.
19 5001). Any changes pursuant to those amendments apply
20 as specified in those amendments.

21 **TITLE VI—CONGRESSIONAL**
22 **COMMISSION ON CIVIC SERVICE**

23 **SEC. 6101. SHORT TITLE.**

24 This title may be cited as the “Congressional Com-
25 mission on Civic Service Act”.

1 **SEC. 6102. FINDINGS.**

2 Congress finds the following:

3 (1) The social fabric of the United States is
4 stronger if individuals in the United States are com-
5 mitted to protecting and serving our Nation by uti-
6 lizing national service and volunteerism to overcome
7 our civic challenges.

8 (2) A more engaged civic society will strengthen
9 the Nation by bringing together people from diverse
10 backgrounds and experiences to work on solutions to
11 some of our Nation's major challenges.

12 (3) Despite declines in civic health in the past
13 30 years, national service and volunteerism among
14 the Nation's youth are increasing, and existing na-
15 tional service and volunteer programs greatly en-
16 hance opportunities for youth to engage in civic ac-
17 tivity.

18 (4) In addition to the benefits received by non-
19 profit organizations and society as a whole, volun-
20 teering and national service provide a variety of per-
21 sonal benefits and satisfaction and can lead to new
22 paths of civic engagement, responsibility, and up-
23 ward mobility.

24 **SEC. 6103. ESTABLISHMENT.**

25 There is established in the legislative branch a com-
26 mission to be known as the "Congressional Commission

1 on Civic Service” (in this title referred to as the “Commis-
2 sion”).

3 **SEC. 6104. DUTIES.**

4 (a) GENERAL PURPOSE.—The purpose of the Com-
5 mission is to gather and analyze information in order to
6 make recommendations to Congress to—

7 (1) improve the ability of individuals in the
8 United States to serve others and, by doing so, to
9 enhance our Nation and the global community;

10 (2) train leaders in public service organizations
11 to better utilize individuals committed to national
12 service and volunteerism as they manage human and
13 fiscal resources;

14 (3) identify and offer solutions to the barriers
15 that make it difficult for some individuals in the
16 United States to volunteer or perform national serv-
17 ice; and

18 (4) build on the foundation of service and vol-
19 unteer opportunities that are currently available.

20 (b) SPECIFIC TOPICS.—In carrying out its general
21 purpose under subsection (a), the Commission shall ad-
22 dress and analyze the following specific topics:

23 (1) The level of understanding about the cur-
24 rent Federal, State, and local volunteer programs

1 and opportunities for service among individuals in
2 the United States.

3 (2) The issues that deter volunteerism and na-
4 tional service, particularly among young people, and
5 how the identified issues can be overcome.

6 (3) Whether there is an appropriate role for
7 Federal, State, and local governments in overcoming
8 the issues that deter volunteerism and national serv-
9 ice and, if appropriate, how to expand the relation-
10 ships and partnerships between different levels of
11 government in promoting volunteerism and national
12 service.

13 (4) Whether existing databases are effective in
14 matching community needs to would-be volunteers
15 and service providers.

16 (5) The effect on the Nation, on those who
17 serve, and on the families of those who serve, if all
18 individuals in the United States were expected to
19 perform national service or were required to perform
20 a certain amount of national service.

21 (6) Whether a workable, fair, and reasonable
22 mandatory service requirement for all able young
23 people could be developed, and how such a require-
24 ment could be implemented in a manner that would
25 strengthen the social fabric of the Nation and over-

1 come civic challenges by bringing together people
2 from diverse economic, ethnic, and educational back-
3 grounds.

4 (7) The need for a public service academy, a 4-
5 year institution that offers a federally funded under-
6 graduate education with a focus on training future
7 public sector leaders.

8 (8) The means to develop awareness of national
9 service and volunteer opportunities at a young age
10 by creating, expanding, and promoting service op-
11 tions for elementary and secondary school students,
12 through service learning or other means, and by
13 raising awareness of existing incentives.

14 (9) The effectiveness of establishing a training
15 program on college campuses to recruit and educate
16 college students for national service.

17 (10) The effect on United States diplomacy and
18 foreign policy interests of expanding service opportu-
19 nities abroad, such as the Peace Corps, and the de-
20 gree of need and capacity abroad for an expansion.

21 (11) The constraints that service providers,
22 nonprofit organizations, and State and local agencies
23 face in utilizing federally funded volunteer programs,
24 and how these constraints can be overcome.

1 (12) Whether current Federal volunteer pro-
2 grams are suited to address the special skills and
3 needs of senior volunteers, and if not, how these pro-
4 grams can be improved such that the Federal Gov-
5 ernment can effectively promote service among the
6 “baby boomer” generation.

7 (c) **METHODOLOGY.**—

8 (1) **PUBLIC HEARINGS.**—The Commission shall
9 conduct public hearings in various locations around
10 the United States.

11 (2) **REGULAR AND FREQUENT CONSULTA-**
12 **TION.**—The Commission shall regularly and fre-
13 quently consult with an advisory panel of Members
14 of Congress appointed for such purpose by the
15 Speaker of the House of Representatives and the
16 majority leader of the Senate.

17 **SEC. 6105. MEMBERSHIP.**

18 (a) **NUMBER AND APPOINTMENT.**—

19 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—The Commission shall be
20 composed of 8 members appointed as follows:

21 (A) 2 members appointed by the Speaker
22 of the House of Representatives.

23 (B) 2 members appointed by the minority
24 leader of the House of Representatives.

1 (C) 2 members appointed by the majority
2 leader of the Senate.

3 (D) 2 members appointed by the minority
4 leader of the Senate.

5 (2) QUALIFICATIONS.—The members of the
6 Commission shall consist of individuals who are of
7 recognized standing and distinction in the areas of
8 international public service, national public service,
9 service-learning, local service, business, or academia.

10 (3) DEADLINE FOR APPOINTMENT.—The mem-
11 bers of the Commission shall be appointed not later
12 than 90 days after the date of the enactment of this
13 title.

14 (4) CHAIRPERSON.—The Chairperson of the
15 Commission shall be designated by the Speaker of
16 the House of Representatives at the time of the ap-
17 pointment.

18 (b) TERMS.—

19 (1) IN GENERAL.—The members of the Com-
20 mission shall serve for the life of the Commission.

21 (2) VACANCIES.—A vacancy in the Commission
22 shall not affect the power of the remaining members
23 to execute the duties of the Commission but any
24 such vacancy shall be filled in the same manner in
25 which the original appointment was made.

1 (c) COMPENSATION.—

2 (1) RATES OF PAY; TRAVEL EXPENSES.—Each
3 member shall serve without pay, except that each
4 member shall receive travel expenses, including per
5 diem in lieu of subsistence, in accordance with appli-
6 cable provisions under subchapter I of chapter 57 of
7 title 5, United States Code.

8 (2) PROHIBITION OF COMPENSATION OF FED-
9 ERAL EMPLOYEES.—Notwithstanding paragraph (1),
10 any member of the Commission who is a full-time of-
11 ficer or employee of the United States may not re-
12 ceive additional pay, allowances, or benefits because
13 of service on the Commission.

14 (d) MEETING REQUIREMENTS.—

15 (1) FREQUENCY.—

16 (A) QUARTERLY MEETINGS.—The Com-
17 mission shall meet at least quarterly.

18 (B) ADDITIONAL MEETINGS.—In addition
19 to quarterly meetings, the Commission shall
20 meet at the call of the Chairperson or a major-
21 ity of its members.

22 (2) QUORUM.—5 members of the Commission
23 shall constitute a quorum but a lesser number may
24 hold hearings.

1 (3) MEETING BY TELEPHONE OR OTHER AP-
2 PROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY.—Members of the Com-
3 mission are permitted to meet using telephones or
4 other suitable telecommunications technologies pro-
5 vided that all members of the Commission can fully
6 communicate with all other members simultaneously.

7 **SEC. 6106. DIRECTOR AND STAFF OF COMMISSION; EX-**
8 **PERTS AND CONSULTANTS.**

9 (a) DIRECTOR.—

10 (1) APPOINTMENT.—The Commission shall
11 have a Director who shall be appointed by the Chair-
12 person with the approval of the Commission.

13 (2) CREDENTIALS.—The Director shall have
14 credentials related to international public service,
15 national public service, service-learning, or local
16 service.

17 (3) SALARY.—The Director shall be paid at a
18 rate determined by the Chairperson with the ap-
19 proval of the Commission, except that the rate may
20 not exceed the rate of basic pay for GS–15 of the
21 General Schedule.

22 (b) STAFF.—With the approval of the Chairperson,
23 the Director may appoint and fix the pay of additional
24 qualified personnel as the Director considers appropriate.

1 (c) EXPERTS AND CONSULTANTS.—With the ap-
2 proval of the Commission, the Director may procure tem-
3 porary and intermittent services under section 3109(b) of
4 title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals
5 not to exceed the daily equivalent of the maximum annual
6 rate of basic pay for GS-15 of the General Schedule.

7 (d) STAFF OF FEDERAL AGENCIES.—Upon request
8 of the Commission, Chairperson, or Director, the head of
9 any Federal department or agency may detail, on a reim-
10 bursable basis, any of the personnel of that department
11 or agency to the Commission to assist it in carrying out
12 its duties under this title.

13 **SEC. 6107. POWERS OF COMMISSION.**

14 (a) HEARINGS AND SESSIONS.—The Commission
15 may, for the purpose of carrying out this title, hold public
16 hearings, sit and act at times and places, take testimony,
17 and receive evidence as the Commission considers appro-
18 priate.

19 (b) POWERS OF MEMBERS AND AGENTS.—Any mem-
20 ber or agent of the Commission may, if authorized by the
21 Commission, take any action which the Commission is au-
22 thorized to take by this section.

23 (c) OBTAINING OFFICIAL DATA.—Upon request of
24 the Chairperson, the head of any department or agency

1 shall furnish information to the Commission that the Com-
2 mission deems necessary to enable it to carry out this title.

3 (d) **PHYSICAL FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT.**—The
4 Architect of the Capitol, in consultation with the appro-
5 priate entities in the legislative branch, shall locate and
6 provide suitable facilities and equipment for the operation
7 of the Commission on a nonreimbursable basis.

8 (e) **ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT SERVICES.**—Upon
9 the request of the Commission, the Architect of the Cap-
10 itol and the Administrator of General Services shall pro-
11 vide to the Commission on a nonreimbursable basis such
12 administrative support services as the Commission may re-
13 quest in order for the Commission to carry out its respon-
14 sibilities under this title.

15 **SEC. 6108. REPORTS.**

16 (a) **INTERIM REPORT.**—The Commission shall sub-
17 mit an interim report on its activities to Congress not later
18 than 20 months after the date of the enactment of this
19 title.

20 (b) **FINAL REPORT.**—

21 (1) **DEADLINE.**—The Commission shall submit
22 a final report on its activities to Congress not later
23 than 120 days after the submission of the interim
24 report under subsection (a).

1 (2) CONTENTS.—The final report shall contain
2 a detailed statement of the findings and conclusions
3 of the Commission, together with its recommenda-
4 tions for proposed legislation.

5 **SEC. 6109. TERMINATION.**

6 The Commission shall terminate not later than 30
7 days after submitting its final report under section
8 6108(b)(1).

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