Making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2015, and for other purposes.
Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
That the following sums are appropriated, out of any
money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the
Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September
30, 2015, and for other purposes, namely:

TITLE I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the House of Represent-
atives, $1,180,736,000, as follows:

HOUSE LEADERSHIP OFFICES

For salaries and expenses, as authorized by law,
$22,278,891, including: Office of the Speaker, $6,645,417, including $25,000 for official expenses of the
Speaker; Office of the Majority Floor Leader, $2,180,048, including $10,000 for official expenses of the Majority
Leader; Office of the Minority Floor Leader, $7,114,471, including $10,000 for official expenses of the Minority
Leader; Office of the Majority Whip, including the Chief
Deputy Majority Whip, $1,886,632, including $5,000 for
official expenses of the Majority Whip; Office of the Mi-
nority Whip, including the Chief Deputy Minority Whip,
$1,459,639, including $5,000 for official expenses of the
Minority Whip; Republican Conference, $1,505,426;
Democratic Caucus, $1,487,258: Provided, That such amount for salaries and expenses shall remain available from January 3, 2015 until January 2, 2016.

Members’ Representational Allowances
Including Members’ Clerk Hire, Official Expenses of Members, and Official Mail
For Members’ representational allowances, including Members’ clerk hire, official expenses, and official mail, $554,317,732.

Committee Employees
Standing Committees, Special and Select
For salaries and expenses of standing committees, special and select, authorized by House resolutions, $123,903,173: Provided, That such amount shall remain available for such salaries and expenses until December 31, 2016, except that $2,300,000 of such amount shall remain available until expended for committee room up-grading.

Committee on Appropriations
For salaries and expenses of the Committee on Appropriations, $23,271,004, including studies and examinations of executive agencies and temporary personal services for such committee, to be expended in accordance with section 202(b) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 and to be available for reimbursement to agencies
for services performed: Provided, That such amount shall remain available for such salaries and expenses until December 31, 2016.

**SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**

For compensation and expenses of officers and employees, as authorized by law, $171,344,864, including:

1. For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Clerk, including the positions of the Chaplain and the Historian, and including not more than $25,000 for official representative and reception expenses, of which not more than $20,000 is for the Family Room and not more than $2,000 is for the Office of the Chaplain, $24,009,473;
2. For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, including the position of Superintendent of Garages and the Office of Emergency Management, and including not more than $3,000 for official representation and reception expenses, $11,926,729 of which $4,344,000 shall remain available until expended; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Chief Administrative Officer including not more than $3,000 for official representation and reception expenses, $113,100,000, of which $4,000,000 shall remain available until expended; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Inspector General, $4,741,809; for salaries and expenses of the Office of General Counsel, $1,340,987; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Parliamentarian,
including the Parliamentarian, $2,000 for preparing the
Digest of Rules, and not more than $1,000 for official rep-
resentation and reception expenses, $1,952,249; for sal-
aries and expenses of the Office of the Law Revision Coun-
sel of the House, $4,087,587, of which $1,000,000 shall
remain available until expended for the completion of the
House Modernization Initiative; for salaries and expenses
of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House,
$8,892,975, of which $540,000 shall remain available
until expended for the completion of the House Moderniza-
tion Initiative; for salaries and expenses of the Office of
Interparliamentary Affairs, $814,069; for other author-
ized employees, $478,986.

ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

For allowances and expenses as authorized by House
resolution or law, $285,620,336, including: supplies, mate-
rials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims,
$4,152,789; official mail for committees, leadership of-
ices, and administrative offices of the House, $190,486;
Government contributions for health, retirement, Social
Security, and other applicable employee benefits,
$256,635,776, to remain available until March 31, 2016;
Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery, $16,217,008
of which $5,000,000 shall remain available until expended;
transition activities for new members and staff,
$3,737,000, to remain available until expended; Wounded
Warrior Program $2,500,000, to remain available until
expended; Office of Congressional Ethics, $1,467,030; and
miscellaneous items including purchase, exchange, mainte-
nance, repair and operation of House motor vehicles,
interparliamentary receptions, and gratuities to heirs of
deceased employees of the House, $720,247.

Administrative Provisions

SEC. 101. (a) Requiring amounts remaining in
Members’ Representational Allowances to be
Used for Deficit Reduction or to Reduce the
Federal Debt.—Notwithstanding any other provision of
law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for
“HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—Salaries and
Expenses—Members’ Representational Allow-
ances” shall be available only for fiscal year 2015. Any
amount remaining after all payments are made under such
allowances for fiscal year 2015 shall be deposited in the
Treasury and used for deficit reduction (or, if there is no
Federal budget deficit after all such payments have been
made, for reducing the Federal debt, in such manner as
the Secretary of the Treasury considers appropriate).

(b) Regulations.—The Committee on House Ad-
ministration of the House of Representatives shall have
authority to prescribe regulations to carry out this section.
(c) Definition.—As used in this section, the term “Member of the House of Representatives” means a Representative in, or a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to, the Congress.

DELIVERY OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Sec. 102. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of a bill, joint resolution, or resolution to the office of a Member of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress) unless the Member requests a copy.

DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL RECORD

Sec. 103. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of any version of the Congressional Record to the office of a Member of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

LIMITATION ON AMOUNT AVAILABLE TO LEASE VEHICLES

Sec. 104. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives to make any payments from any Members’ Representational Allowance for the leasing of a vehicle, excluding mobile district offices, in an aggregate amount that exceeds $1,000 for the vehicle in any month.
LIMITATION ON PRINTED COPIES OF U.S. CODE TO HOUSE

Sec. 105. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to provide an aggregate number of more than 50 printed copies of any edition of the United States Code to all offices of the House of Representatives.

JOINT ITEMS

For Joint Committees, as follows:

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Economic Committee, $4,203,000, to be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Taxation, $10,004,000, to be disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

For other joint items, as follows:

OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

For medical supplies, equipment, and contingent expenses of the emergency rooms, and for the Attending Physician and his assistants, including:

(1) an allowance of $2,175 per month to the Attending Physician;

(2) an allowance of $1,300 per month to the Senior Medical Officer;
(3) an allowance of $725 per month each to three medical officers while on duty in the Office of the Attending Physician;

(4) an allowance of $725 per month to 2 assistants and $580 per month each not to exceed 11 assistants on the basis heretofore provided for such assistants; and

(5) $2,486,000 for reimbursement to the Department of the Navy for expenses incurred for staff and equipment assigned to the Office of the Attending Physician, which shall be advanced and credited to the applicable appropriation or appropriations from which such salaries, allowances, and other expenses are payable and shall be available for all the purposes thereof, $3,371,000, to be disbursed by the Chief Administrative Officer of the House of Representatives.

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the Office of Congressional Accessibility Services, $1,387,000, to be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate.
CAPITOL POLICE

SALARIES

For salaries of employees of the Capitol Police, including overtime, hazardous duty pay, and Government contributions for health, retirement, social security, professional liability insurance, and other applicable employee benefits, $286,500,000 of which overtime shall not exceed $23,425,000 unless the Committee on Appropriations of the House and Senate are notified, to be disbursed by the Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee.

GENERAL EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Capitol Police, including motor vehicles, communications and other equipment, security equipment and installation, uniforms, weapons, supplies, materials, training, medical services, forensic services, stenographic services, personal and professional services, the employee assistance program, the awards program, postage, communication services, travel advances, relocation of instructor and liaison personnel for the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center, and not more than $5,000 to be expended on the certification of the Chief of the Capitol Police in connection with official representation and reception expenses, $61,459,000, to be disbursed by the Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee: Provided, That, notwithstanding any other provi-
sion of law, the cost of basic training for the Capitol Police
at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center for fis-
cal year 2015 shall be paid by the Secretary of Homeland
Security from funds available to the Department of Home-
land Security.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compli-
ance, as authorized by section 305 of the Congressional
Accountability Act of 1995 (2 U.S.C. 1385), $3,959,000,
of which $450,000 shall remain available until September
30, 2016: Provided, That not more than $500 may be ex-
pended on the certification of the Executive Director of
the Office of Compliance in connection with official rep-
resentation and reception expenses.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses necessary for operation of
the Congressional Budget Office, including not more than
$6,000 to be expended on the certification of the Director
of the Congressional Budget Office in connection with offi-
cial representation and reception expenses, $45,700,000.
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and other personal services, at rates of pay provided by law; for surveys and studies in connection with activities under the care of the Architect of the Capitol; for all necessary expenses for the general and administrative support of the operations under the Architect of the Capitol including the Botanic Garden; electrical substations of the Capitol, Senate and House office buildings, and other facilities under the jurisdiction of the Architect of the Capitol; including furnishings and office equipment; including not more than $5,000 for official reception and representation expenses, to be expended as the Architect of the Capitol may approve; for purchase or exchange, maintenance, and operation of a passenger motor vehicle, $91,555,000.

CAPITOL BUILDING

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol, $53,126,000, of which $28,817,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

CAPITOL GROUNDS

For all necessary expenses for care and improvement of grounds surrounding the Capitol, the Senate and House office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant,
$11,993,000, of which $2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

**HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS**

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the House office buildings, $71,622,000, of which $7,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

In addition, for a payment to the House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund, $70,000,000, to remain available until expended.

**CAPITOL POWER PLANT**

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol Power Plant; lighting, heating, power (including the purchase of electrical energy) and water and sewer services for the Capitol, Senate and House office buildings, Library of Congress buildings, and the grounds about the same, Botanic Garden, Senate garage, and air conditioning refrigeration not supplied from plants in any of such buildings; heating the Government Printing Office and Washington City Post Office, and heating and chilled water for air conditioning for the Supreme Court Building, the Union Station complex, the Thurgood Marshall Federal Judiciary Building and the Folger Shakespeare Library, expenses for which shall be advanced or reimbursed upon request of the Architect of
the Capitol and amounts so received shall be deposited into the Treasury to the credit of this appropriation, $93,152,000, of which $8,686,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019: Provided, That not more than $9,000,000 of the funds credited or to be reimbursed to this appropriation as herein provided shall be available for obligation during fiscal year 2015.

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library buildings and grounds, $41,733,000, of which $16,542,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

CAPITOL POLICE BUILDINGS, GROUNDS, AND SECURITY

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of buildings, grounds and security enhancements of the United States Capitol Police, wherever located, the Alternate Computer Facility, and AOC security operations, $19,486,000, of which $1,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

BOTANIC GARDEN

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Botanic Garden and the nurseries, buildings, grounds, and collections; and purchase and exchange, maintenance, repair, and operation of a passenger
motor vehicle; all under the direction of the Joint Committee on the Library, $15,022,946, of which $5,122,946 shall remain available until September 30, 2019: Provided, That of the amount made available under this heading, the Architect of the Capitol may obligate and expend such sums as may be necessary for the maintenance, care and operation of the National Garden established under section 307E of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1989 (2 U.S.C. 2146), upon vouchers approved by the Architect of the Capitol or a duly authorized designee.

**CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER**

For all necessary expenses for the operation of the Capitol Visitor Center, $20,875,000.

**ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION**

**SCRIMS**

Sec. 1001. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for scrims containing photographs of building facades during restoration or construction projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol.

**LIBRARY OF CONGRESS**

**SALARIES AND EXPENSES**

For necessary expenses of the Library of Congress not otherwise provided for, including development and maintenance of the Library’s catalogs; custody and custodial care of the Library buildings; special clothing; clean-
ing, laundering and repair of uniforms; preservation of motion pictures in the custody of the Library; operation and maintenance of the American Folklife Center in the Library; activities under the Civil Rights History Project Act of 2009; preparation and distribution of catalog records and other publications of the Library; hire or purchase of one passenger motor vehicle; and expenses of the Library of Congress Trust Fund Board not properly chargeable to the income of any trust fund held by the Board, $424,057,000, of which not more than $6,000,000 shall be derived from collections credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2015, and shall remain available until expended, under the Act of June 28, 1902 (chapter 1301; 32 Stat. 480; 2 U.S.C. 150) and not more than $350,000 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2015 and shall remain available until expended for the development and maintenance of an international legal information database and activities related thereto: Provided, That the Library of Congress may not obligate or expend any funds derived from collections under the Act of June 28, 1902, in excess of the amount authorized for obligation or expenditure in appropriations Acts: Provided further, That the total amount available for obligation shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are less than $6,350,000: Provided further, That of the total
amount appropriated, not more than $12,000 may be expended, on the certification of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with official representation and reception expenses for the Overseas Field Offices: Provided further, That of the total amount appropriated, $8,231,000 shall remain available until expended for the digital collections and educational curricula program.

Copyright Office

Salaries and Expenses

For all necessary expenses of the Copyright Office, $54,303,000, of which not more than $27,971,000, to remain available until expended, shall be derived from collections credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2015 under section 708(d) of title 17, United States Code: Provided, That the Copyright Office may not obligate or expend any funds derived from collections under such section, in excess of the amount authorized for obligation or expenditure in appropriations Acts: Provided further, That not more than $5,611,000 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2015 under sections 111(d)(2), 119(b)(2), 803(e), 1005, and 1316 of such title: Provided further, That the total amount available for obligation shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are less than $33,582,000: Provided further, That not more than $100,000 of the amount appropriated is available for
the maintenance of an “International Copyright Institute”
in the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress for the
purpose of training nationals of developing countries in
intellectual property laws and policies: Provided further,
That not more than $6,500 may be expended, on the cer-
tification of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with
official representation and reception expenses for activities
of the International Copyright Institute and for copyright
delusions, visitors, and seminars: Provided further, That
notwithstanding any provision of chapter 8 of title 17,
United States Code, any amounts made available under
this heading which are attributable to royalty fees and
payments received by the Copyright Office pursuant to
sections 111, 119, and chapter 10 of such title may be
used for the costs incurred in the administration of the
Copyright Royalty Judges program, with the exception of
the costs of salaries and benefits for the Copyright Royalty
Judges and staff under section 802(e).

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions
of section 203 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of
1946 (2 U.S.C. 166) and to revise and extend the Anno-
tated Constitution of the United States of America,
$106,095,000: Provided, That no part of such amount
may be used to pay any salary or expense in connection with any publication, or preparation of material therefor (except the Digest of Public General Bills), to be issued by the Library of Congress unless such publication has obtained prior approval of either the Committee on House Administration of the House of Representatives or the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate.

Books for the Blind and Physically Handicapped Salaries and Expenses

For salaries and expenses to carry out the Act of March 3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C. 135a), $50,429,000: Provided, That of the total amount appropriated, $650,000 shall be available to contract to provide newspapers to blind and physically handicapped residents at no cost to the individual.

Administrative Provision

Reimbursable and Revolving Fund Activities

Sec. 1101. (a) In General.—For fiscal year 2015, the obligational authority of the Library of Congress for the activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed $203,058,000.

(b) Activities.—The activities referred to in subsection (a) are reimbursable and revolving fund activities that are funded from sources other than appropriations.
to the Library in appropriations Acts for the legislative branch.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PRINTING AND BINDING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For authorized printing and binding for the Congress and the distribution of Congressional information in any format; expenses necessary for preparing the semimonthly and session index to the Congressional Record, as authorized by law (section 902 of title 44, United States Code); printing and binding of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed to Members of Congress; and printing, binding, and distribution of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed without charge to the recipient, $79,736,000: Provided, That this appropriation shall not be available for paper copies of the permanent edition of the Congressional Record for individual Representatives, Resident Commissioners or Delegates authorized under section 906 of title 44, United States Code: Provided further, That this appropriation shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred under the appropriations for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years: Provided further, That notwithstanding the 2-year limitation under section 718 of title 44, United States Code, none of the funds appropriated or made available under
this Act or any other Act for printing and binding and
related services provided to Congress under chapter 7 of
title 44, United States Code, may be expended to print
a document, report, or publication after the 27-month pe-
riod beginning on the date that such document, report,
or publication is authorized by Congress to be printed, un-
less Congress reauthorizes such printing in accordance
with section 718 of title 44, United States Code: Provided
further, That any unobligated or unexpended balances in
this account or accounts for similar purposes for preceding
fiscal years may be transferred to the Government Print-
ing Office revolving fund for carrying out the purposes of
this heading, subject to the approval of the Committees
on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and
Senate: Provided further, That notwithstanding sections
901, 902, and 906 of title 44, United States Code, this
appropriation may be used to prepare indexes to the Con-
gressional Record on only a monthly and session basis.

Office of Superintendent of Documents

Salaries and Expenses

(including transfer of funds)

For expenses of the Office of Superintendent of Doc-
uments necessary to provide for the cataloging and index-
ing of Government publications and their distribution to
the public, Members of Congress, other Government agen-
cies, and designated depository and international exchange libraries as authorized by law, $31,500,000: Provided, That amounts of not more than $2,000,000 from current year appropriations are authorized for producing and disseminating Congressional serial sets and other related publications for fiscal years 2013 and 2014 to depository and other designated libraries: Provided further, That any unobligated or unexpended balances in this account or accounts for similar purposes for preceding fiscal years may be transferred to the Government Printing Office revolving fund for carrying out the purposes of this heading, subject to the approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate.

GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE REVOLVING FUND

For payment to the Government Printing Office Revolving Fund, $11,348,000, to remain available until expended, for information technology development and facilities repair: Provided, That the Government Printing Office is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds available and in accordance with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 9104 of title 31, United States Code, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs and purposes set forth in the budget for the current fiscal year for the Government
Printing Office Revolving Fund: Provided further, That not more than $7,500 may be expended on the certification of the Public Printer in connection with official representation and reception expenses: Provided further, That the revolving fund shall be available for the hire or purchase of not more than 12 passenger motor vehicles: Provided further, That expenditures in connection with travel expenses of the advisory councils to the Public Printer shall be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of title 44, United States Code: Provided further, That the revolving fund shall be available for temporary or intermittent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of such title: Provided further, That activities financed through the revolving fund may provide information in any format: Provided further, That the revolving fund and the funds provided under the headings “Office of Superintendent of Documents” and “Salaries and Expenses” may not be used for contracted security services at the Government Printing Office’s passport facility in the District of Columbia.
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Government Accountability Office, including not more than $12,500 to be expended on the certification of the Comptroller General of the United States in connection with official representation and reception expenses; temporary or intermittent services under section 3109(b) of title 5, United States Code, but at rates for individuals not more than the daily equivalent of the annual rate of basic pay for level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of such title; hire of one passenger motor vehicle; advance payments in foreign countries in accordance with section 3324 of title 31, United States Code; benefits comparable to those payable under sections 901(5), (6), and (8) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4081(5), (6), and (8)); and under regulations prescribed by the Comptroller General of the United States, rental of living quarters in foreign countries, $519,622,000: Provided, That, in addition, $23,750,000 of payments received under sections 782, 3521, and 9105 of title 31, United States Code, shall be available without fiscal year limitation: Provided further, That this appropriation and appropriations for administrative expenses of any other department or agency which is a member of the National Intergovernmental Audit
Forum or a Regional Intergovernmental Audit Forum shall be available to finance an appropriate share of either Forum's costs as determined by the respective Forum, including necessary travel expenses of non-Federal participants: Provided further, That payments hereunder to the Forum may be credited as reimbursements to any appropriation from which costs involved are initially financed.

Administrative Provision

Center for Audit Excellence

Sec. 1201. (a) Center for Audit Excellence.—

(1) Establishment.—Chapter 7 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subchapter:

"Subchapter VII—Center for Audit Excellence"

§791. Center for audit excellence

"(a) Establishment.—The Comptroller General shall establish, maintain, and operate a center within the Government Accountability Office to be known as the ‘Center for Audit Excellence’ (hereafter in this subchapter referred to as the ‘Center’).

"(b) Purpose and Activities.—

“(1) In general.—The Center shall build institutional auditing capacity and promote good governance by providing affordable, relevant, and high-
quality training, technical assistance, and products and services to qualified personnel and entities of governments (including the Federal government, State and local governments, tribal governments, and governments of foreign nations), international organizations, and other private organizations.

“(2) Determination of Qualified Personnel and Entities.—Personnel and entities shall be considered qualified for purposes of receiving training, technical assistance, and products or services from the Center under paragraph (1) in accordance with such criteria as the Comptroller General may establish and publish.

“(c) Fees.—

“(1) Permitting Charging of Fees.—The Comptroller General may establish, charge, and collect fees (on a reimbursable or advance basis) for the training, technical assistance, and products and services provided by the Center under this subchapter.

“(2) Deposit into Separate Account.—The Comptroller General shall deposit all fees collected under paragraph (1) into the Center for Audit Excellence Account established under section 792.
“(d) Gifts of Property and Services.—The Comptroller General may accept and use conditional or non-conditional gifts of property (both real and personal) and services (including services of guest lecturers) to support the operation of the Center, except that the Comptroller General may not accept or use such a gift if the Comptroller General determines that the acceptance or use of the gift would compromise or appear to compromise the integrity of the Government Accountability Office.

“(e) Sense of Congress Regarding Personnel.—It is the sense of Congress that the Center should be staffed primarily by personnel of the Government Accountability Office who are not otherwise engaged in carrying out other duties of the Office under this chapter, so as to ensure that the operation of the Center will not have a negative impact on the ability of the Office to maintain a consistently high level of service to Congress.

“§ 792. Account

“(a) Establishment of Separate Account.—There is established in the Treasury as a separate account for the Government Accountability Office the ‘Center for Audit Excellence Account’, which shall consist of the fees deposited by the Comptroller General under section 791(c)
and such other amounts as may be appropriated under law.

“(b) USE OF ACCOUNT.—Amounts in the Center for Audit Excellence Account shall be available to the Comptroller General, in amounts specified in appropriations Acts and without fiscal year limitation, to carry out this subchapter.

§ 793. Authorization of Appropriations

“There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be necessary to carry out this subchapter.”.

(2) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The table of sections for chapter 7 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following:

“SUBCHAPTER VII—CENTER FOR AUDIT EXCELLENCE

791. Center for Audit Excellence.
792. Account.
793. Authorization of appropriations.”.

(b) APPROVAL OF BUSINESS PLAN.—The Comptroller General may not begin operating the Center for Audit Excellence under subchapter VII of chapter 7 of title 31, United States Code (as added by subsection (a)) until—

(1) the Comptroller General submits a business plan for the Center to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate; and

(2) each such Committee approves the plan.
OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND

For a payment to the Open World Leadership Center Trust Fund for financing activities of the Open World Leadership Center under section 313 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2001 (2 U.S.C. 1151), $3,420,000.

JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

For payment to the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Development Trust Fund established under section 116 of the John C. Stennis Center for Public Service Training and Development Act (2 U.S.C. 1105), $430,000.

TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 201. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be used for the maintenance or care of private vehicles, except for emergency assistance and cleaning as may be provided under regulations relating to parking facilities for the House of Representatives issued by the Committee on House Administration and for the Senate issued by the Committee on Rules and Administration.

SEC. 202. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond fiscal year 2015 unless expressly so provided in this Act.
SEC. 203. Whenever in this Act any office or position not specifically established by the Legislative Pay Act of 1929 (46 Stat. 32 et seq.) is appropriated for or the rate of compensation or designation of any office or position appropriated for is different from that specifically established by such Act, the rate of compensation and the designation in this Act shall be the permanent law with respect thereto: Provided, That the provisions in this Act for the various items of official expenses of Members, officers, and committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, and clerk hire for Senators and Members of the House of Representatives shall be the permanent law with respect thereto.

SEC. 204. The expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting service through procurement contract, under section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, shall be limited to those contracts where such expenditures are a matter of public record and available for public inspection, except where otherwise provided under existing law, or under existing Executive order issued under existing law.

SEC. 205. Amounts available for administrative expenses of any legislative branch entity which participates in the Legislative Branch Financial Managers Council (LBFMC) established by charter on March 26, 1996, shall
be available to finance an appropriate share of LBFMC costs as determined by the LBFMC, except that the total LBFMC costs to be shared among all participating legislative branch entities (in such allocations among the entities as the entities may determine) may not exceed $2,000.

Sec. 206. The Architect of the Capitol, in consultation with the District of Columbia, is authorized to maintain and improve the landscape features, excluding streets, in the irregular shaped grassy areas bounded by Washington Avenue, SW on the northeast, Second Street, SW on the west, Square 582 on the south, and the beginning of the I–395 tunnel on the southeast.

Sec. 207. None of the funds made available in this Act may be transferred to any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government, except pursuant to a transfer made by, or transfer authority provided in, this Act or any other appropriation Act.

Sec. 208. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), none of the funds made available to the Architect of the Capitol in this Act may be used to eliminate or restrict guided tours of the United States Capitol which are led by employees and interns of offices of Members of Congress and other offices of the House of Representatives and Senate.
(b) At the direction of the Capitol Police Board, or at the direction of the Architect of the Capitol with the approval of the Capitol Police Board, guided tours of the United States Capitol which are led by employees and interns described in subsection (a) may be suspended temporarily or otherwise subject to restriction for security or related reasons to the same extent as guided tours of the United States Capitol which are led by the Architect of the Capitol.

SEC. 209. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no adjustment shall be made under section 610(a) of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C. 31) (relating to cost of living adjustments for Members of Congress) during fiscal year 2015.

SPENDING REDUCTION ACCOUNT

SEC. 210. The amount by which the applicable allocation of new budget authority made by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives under section 302(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, excluding Senate items, exceeds the amount of proposed new budget authority is $0.

This Act may be cited as the “Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2015”.

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