

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1568

To extend the authorization to carry out the replacement of the existing medical center of the Department of Veterans Affairs in Denver, Colorado, to authorize transfers of amounts to carry out the replacement of such medical center, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 11, 2015

Mr. GARDNER (for himself, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. BENNET) introduced the following bill; which was read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION FOR DEPART-**
 2 **MENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS MAJOR MED-**
 3 **ICAL FACILITY PROJECT PREVIOUSLY AU-**
 4 **THORIZED.**

5 Section 2(a) of the Construction Authorization and
 6 Choice Improvement Act (Public Law 114–19) is amend-
 7 ed—

8 (1) by striking “in fiscal year 2015,”; and

9 (2) by striking “\$900,000,000” and inserting
 10 “\$1,050,000,000”.

11 **SEC. 2. LIMITED, ONE-TIME AUTHORITY TO TRANSFER SPE-**
 12 **CIFIC AMOUNTS TO CARRY OUT MAJOR MED-**
 13 **ICAL FACILITY PROJECT IN DENVER, COLO-**
 14 **RADO.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Of the unobligated balances of
 16 amounts available to the Department of Veterans Affairs
 17 for fiscal year 2015, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may
 18 transfer amounts from the appropriations accounts under
 19 the following headings, in the amounts and from the ac-
 20 tivities specified, to the appropriations account under the
 21 heading “Construction, Major Projects”:

22 (1) “Medical Services”, \$6,494,000 to be de-
 23 rived from amounts available for the Human Capital
 24 Investment Plan.

1 (2) “Medical Support and Compliance”,
2 \$1,611,000 to be derived from amounts available for
3 the Human Capital Investment Plan.

4 (3) “Medical Facilities”, \$80,735,000 to be de-
5 rived from amounts available for green energy
6 projects of the Department and human capital in-
7 vestment plans.

8 (4) “National Cemetery Administration”,
9 \$60,000 to be derived from amounts available for
10 the Human Capital Investment Plan.

11 (5) “General Administration”, \$1,130,000 to be
12 derived from amounts available for the Office of the
13 Secretary.

14 (6) “General Operating Expenses, Veterans
15 Benefits Administration”, \$670,000 to be derived
16 from amounts available for the Human Capital In-
17 vestment Plan.

18 (7) “Information Technology Systems”,
19 \$240,000 to be derived from amounts available for
20 the Human Capital Investment Plan.

21 (8) “Construction, Minor Projects”, \$3,000,000
22 to be derived from amounts available for minor con-
23 struction projects at the staff offices of the Depart-
24 ment.

1 (b) TRANSFER OF AMOUNTS AVAILABLE IN
2 FUNDS.—

3 (1) REVOLVING SUPPLY FUND.—Of the unobli-
4 gated balances of amounts available in the revolving
5 supply fund of the Department under section 8121
6 of title 38, United States Code, the Secretary may
7 transfer \$20,030,000 to the appropriations account
8 under the heading “Construction, Major Projects”.

9 (2) FRANCHISE FUND.—Of the unobligated bal-
10 ances of amounts available in the Department of
11 Veterans Affairs Franchise Fund established in title
12 I of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Hous-
13 ing and Urban Development, and Independent Agen-
14 cies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law 104–204;
15 31 U.S.C. 501 note), the Secretary may transfer
16 \$36,030,000 to the appropriations account under
17 the heading “Construction, Major Projects”.

18 (c) USE OF AMOUNTS AND AVAILABILITY.—The
19 amounts transferred under subsections (a) and (b) shall—

20 (1) be used only to carry out the major medical
21 facility construction project in Denver, Colorado,
22 specified in section 2 of the Construction Authoriza-
23 tion and Choice Improvement Act (Public Law 114–
24 19); and

1 (2) remain available until September 30, 2016.

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