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CLERK'S NOTE

This committee print provides a compilation of the enacted text and applicable explanatory material for the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016 (H.R. 2029; P.L. 114–113).

This Act consists of 12 divisions related to appropriations matters (divisions A through L). The Act also includes five additional divisions unrelated to appropriations (divisions M through Q). This compilation includes only the divisions related to appropriations matters. It also includes the front section of the Act, which contains provisions applicable to the entire Act.

The legislative text for this Act was submitted by Chairman Harold Rogers of the House Committee on Appropriations as a House amendment to the Senate amendment on H.R. 2029, the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016. Both the House and the Senate agreed to the measure on December 18, 2015.[1] The President signed the legislation on December 18, and it became Public Law 114–113.

Because an "amendments-between-the-House" process was used instead of a conference committee, there is no conference report and no "joint explanatory statement of the managers" for H.R. 2029. An Explanatory Statement relating to the House amendment to H.R. 2029 was filed by Chairman Rogers in the *Congressional Record* of December 17, 2015.[2] Section 4 of the Act provides that this Explanatory Statement "shall have the same effect with respect to the allocation of funds and implementation of divisions A through L of this Act as if it were a joint explanatory statement of a committee of conference."

For the convenience of users of this Committee Print, the legislative text of each appropriations division is paired with the applicable section of the Explanatory Statement.

[1] The House agreed to the amendment by a vote of 316 yeas–113 nays (Roll no. 705). The Senate agreed to the amendment by a vote of 65 yeas–33 nays (Record Vote No. 339).

[2] The Explanatory Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 in Books II and III of the December 17, 2015 *Congressional Record*.

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DIVISION G—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

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TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

For necessary expenses for protection, use, improvement, development, disposal, cadastral surveying, classification, acquisition of easements and other interests in lands, and performance of other functions, including maintenance of facilities, as authorized by law, in the management of lands and their resources under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, including the general administration of the Bureau, and assessment of mineral potential of public lands pursuant to section 1010(a) of Public Law 96–487 (16 U.S.C. 3150(a)), $1,072,675,000, to remain available until expended, including all such amounts as are collected from permit processing fees, as authorized but made subject to future appropriation by section 35(d)(3)(A)(i) of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 191), except that amounts from permit processing fees may be used for any bureau-related expenses associated with the processing of oil and gas applications for permits to drill and related use of authorizations; of which $3,000,000 shall be available in fiscal year 2016 subject to a match by at least an equal amount by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation for cost-shared projects supporting conservation of Bureau lands; and such funds shall be advanced to the Foundation as a lump-sum grant without regard to when expenses are incurred.

In addition, $39,696,000 is for Mining Law Administration program operations, including the cost of administering the mining claim fee program, to remain available until expended, to be reduced by amounts collected by the Bureau and credited to this appropriation from mining claim maintenance fees and location fees that are hereby authorized for fiscal year 2016, so as to result in a final appropriation estimated at not more than $1,072,675,000, and $2,000,000, to remain available until expended, from communication site rental fees established by the Bureau for the cost of administering communication site activities.

LAND ACQUISITION

For expenses necessary to carry out sections 205, 206, and 318(d) of Public Law 94–579, including administrative expenses and acquisition of lands or waters, or interests therein, $38,630,000, to be

derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and to remain available until expended.

OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

For expenses necessary for management, protection, and development of resources and for construction, operation, and maintenance of access roads, reforestation, and other improvements on the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands, on other Federal lands in the Oregon and California land-grant counties of Oregon, and on adjacent rights-of-way; and acquisition of lands or interests therein, including existing connecting roads on or adjacent to such grant lands; $107,734,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That 25 percent of the aggregate of all receipts during the current fiscal year from the revested Oregon and California Railroad grant lands is hereby made a charge against the Oregon and California land-grant fund and shall be transferred to the General Fund in the Treasury in accordance with the second paragraph of subsection (b) of title II of the Act of August 28, 1937 (43 U.S.C. 1181f).

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

For rehabilitation, protection, and acquisition of lands and interests therein, and improvement of Federal rangelands pursuant to section 401 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1751), notwithstanding any other Act, sums equal to 50 percent of all moneys received during the prior fiscal year under sections 3 and 15 of the Taylor Grazing Act (43 U.S.C. 315b, 315m) and the amount designated for range improvements from grazing fees and mineral leasing receipts from Bankhead-Jones lands transferred to the Department of the Interior pursuant to law, but not less than $10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That not to exceed $600,000 shall be available for administrative expenses.

SERVICE CHARGES, DEPOSITS, AND FORFEITURES

For administrative expenses and other costs related to processing application documents and other authorizations for use and disposal of public lands and resources, for costs of providing copies of official public land documents, for monitoring construction, operation, and termination of facilities in conjunction with use authorizations, and for rehabilitation of damaged property, such amounts as may be collected under Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.), and under section 28 of the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 185), to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary of section 305(a) of Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C. 1735(a)), any moneys that have been or will be received pursuant to that section, whether as a result of forfeiture, compromise, or settlement, if not appropriate for refund pursuant to section 305(c) of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1735(c)), shall be available and may be expended under the authority of this Act by the Secretary to improve, protect, or rehabilitate any public lands administered through the Bureau of Land Management which have been damaged by the action of a resource developer, purchaser,

permittee, or any unauthorized person, without regard to whether all moneys collected from each such action are used on the exact lands damaged which led to the action: *Provided further*, That any such moneys that are in excess of amounts needed to repair damage to the exact land for which funds were collected may be used to repair other damaged public lands.

MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

In addition to amounts authorized to be expended under existing laws, there is hereby appropriated such amounts as may be contributed under section 307 of Public Law 94–579 (43 U.S.C. 1737), and such amounts as may be advanced for administrative costs, surveys, appraisals, and costs of making conveyances of omitted lands under section 211(b) of that Act (43 U.S.C. 1721(b)), to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The Bureau of Land Management may carry out the operations funded under this Act by direct expenditure, contracts, grants, cooperative agreements and reimbursable agreements with public and private entities, including with States. Appropriations for the Bureau shall be available for purchase, erection, and dismantlement of temporary structures, and alteration and maintenance of necessary buildings and appurtenant facilities to which the United States has title; up to $100,000 for payments, at the discretion of the Secretary, for information or evidence concerning violations of laws administered by the Bureau; miscellaneous and emergency expenses of enforcement activities authorized or approved by the Secretary and to be accounted for solely on the Secretary's certificate, not to exceed $10,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding Public Law 90–620 (44 U.S.C. 501), the Bureau may, under cooperative cost-sharing and partnership arrangements authorized by law, procure printing services from cooperators in connection with jointly produced publications for which the cooperators share the cost of printing either in cash or in services, and the Bureau determines the cooperator is capable of meeting accepted quality standards: *Provided further*, That projects to be funded pursuant to a written commitment by a State government to provide an identified amount of money in support of the project may be carried out by the Bureau on a reimbursable basis. Appropriations herein made shall not be available for the destruction of healthy, unadopted, wild horses and burros in the care of the Bureau or its contractors or for the sale of wild horses and burros that results in their destruction for processing into commercial products.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

For necessary expenses of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, as authorized by law, and for scientific and economic studies, general administration, and for the performance of other authorized functions related to such resources, $1,238,771,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That not to ex-

ceed $20,515,000 shall be used for implementing subsections (a), (b), (c), and (e) of section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) (except for processing petitions, developing and issuing proposed and final regulations, and taking any other steps to implement actions described in subsection (c)(2)(A), (c)(2)(B)(i), or (c)(2)(B)(ii)), of which not to exceed $4,605,000 shall be used for any activity regarding the designation of critical habitat, pursuant to subsection (a)(3), excluding litigation support, for species listed pursuant to subsection (a)(1) prior to October 1, 2014; of which not to exceed $1,501,000 shall be used for any activity regarding petitions to list species that are indigenous to the United States pursuant to subsections (b)(3)(A) and (b)(3)(B); and, of which not to exceed $1,504,000 shall be used for implementing subsections (a), (b), (c), and (e) of section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533) for species that are not indigenous to the United States.

CONSTRUCTION

For construction, improvement, acquisition, or removal of buildings and other facilities required in the conservation, management, investigation, protection, and utilization of fish and wildlife resources, and the acquisition of lands and interests therein; $23,687,000, to remain available until expended.

LAND ACQUISITION

For expenses necessary to carry out chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, including administrative expenses, and for acquisition of land or waters, or interest therein, in accordance with statutory authority applicable to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, $68,500,000, to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and to remain available until expended, of which, notwithstanding section 200306 of title 54, United States Code, not more than $10,000,000 shall be for land conservation partnerships authorized by the Highlands Conservation Act of 2004, including not to exceed $320,000 for administrative expenses: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated for specific land acquisition projects may be used to pay for any administrative overhead, planning or other management costs.

COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary to carry out section 6 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1535), $53,495,000, to remain available until expended, of which $22,695,000 is to be derived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund; and of which $30,800,000 is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

For expenses necessary to implement the Act of October 17, 1978 (16 U.S.C. 715s), $13,228,000.

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the North American Wetlands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4401 et seq.), $35,145,000, to remain available until expended.

NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION

For expenses necessary to carry out the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 6101 et seq.), $3,910,000, to remain available until expended.

MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary to carry out the African Elephant Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 4201 et seq.), the Asian Elephant Conservation Act of 1997 (16 U.S.C. 4261 et seq.), the Rhinoceros and Tiger Conservation Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.), the Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000 (16 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.), and the Marine Turtle Conservation Act of 2004 (16 U.S.C. 6601 et seq.), $11,061,000, to remain available until expended.

STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

For wildlife conservation grants to States and to the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam, the United States Virgin Islands, the Northern Mariana Islands, American Samoa, and Indian tribes under the provisions of the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 and the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act, for the development and implementation of programs for the benefit of wildlife and their habitat, including species that are not hunted or fished, $60,571,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the amount provided herein, $4,084,000 is for a competitive grant program for Indian tribes not subject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: *Provided further*, That $5,487,000 is for a competitive grant program to implement approved plans for States, territories, and other jurisdictions and at the discretion of affected States, the regional Associations of fish and wildlife agencies, not subject to the remaining provisions of this appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall, after deducting $9,571,000 and administrative expenses, apportion the amount provided herein in the following manner: (1) to the District of Columbia and to the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, each a sum equal to not more than one-half of 1 percent thereof; and (2) to Guam, American Samoa, the United States Virgin Islands, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, each a sum equal to not more than one-fourth of 1 percent thereof: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall apportion the remaining amount in the following manner: (1) one-third of which is based on the ratio to which the land area of such State bears to the total land area of all such States; and (2) two-thirds of which is based on the ratio to which the population of such State bears to the total population of all such States: *Provided further*, That the amounts apportioned under this paragraph shall be adjusted equitably so that no State shall be apportioned a sum which is less than 1 percent of the amount available for apportionment under this paragraph for any fiscal year or more than 5 percent of

such amount: *Provided further*, That the Federal share of planning grants shall not exceed 75 percent of the total costs of such projects and the Federal share of implementation grants shall not exceed 65 percent of the total costs of such projects: *Provided further*, That the non-Federal share of such projects may not be derived from Federal grant programs: *Provided further*, That any amount apportioned in 2016 to any State, territory, or other jurisdiction that remains unobligated as of September 30, 2017, shall be reapportioned, together with funds appropriated in 2018, in the manner provided herein.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The United States Fish and Wildlife Service may carry out the operations of Service programs by direct expenditure, contracts, grants, cooperative agreements and reimbursable agreements with public and private entities. Appropriations and funds available to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service shall be available for repair of damage to public roads within and adjacent to reservation areas caused by operations of the Service; options for the purchase of land at not to exceed $1 for each option; facilities incident to such public recreational uses on conservation areas as are consistent with their primary purpose; and the maintenance and improvement of aquaria, buildings, and other facilities under the jurisdiction of the Service and to which the United States has title, and which are used pursuant to law in connection with management, and investigation of fish and wildlife resources: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 44 U.S.C. 501, the Service may, under cooperative cost sharing and partnership arrangements authorized by law, procure printing services from cooperators in connection with jointly produced publications for which the cooperators share at least one-half the cost of printing either in cash or services and the Service determines the cooperator is capable of meeting accepted quality standards: *Provided further*, That the Service may accept donated aircraft as replacements for existing aircraft: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, all fees collected for non-toxic shot review and approval shall be deposited under the heading "United States Fish and Wildlife Service—Resource Management" and shall be available to the Secretary, without further appropriation, to be used for expenses of processing of such non-toxic shot type or coating applications and revising regulations as necessary, and shall remain available until expended.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

For expenses necessary for the management, operation, and maintenance of areas and facilities administered by the National Park Service and for the general administration of the National Park Service, $2,369,596,000, of which $10,001,000 for planning and interagency coordination in support of Everglades restoration and $99,461,000 for maintenance, repair, or rehabilitation projects for constructed assets shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading in this

Act are available for the purposes of section 5 of Public Law 95–348 and section 204 of Public Law 93–486, as amended by section 1(3) of Public Law 100–355.

NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

For expenses necessary to carry out recreation programs, natural programs, cultural programs, heritage partnership programs, environmental compliance and review, international park affairs, and grant administration, not otherwise provided for, $62,632,000.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

For expenses necessary in carrying out the National Historic Preservation Act (division A of subtitle III of title 54, United States Code), $65,410,000, to be derived from the Historic Preservation Fund and to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which $500,000 is for competitive grants for the survey and nomination of properties to the National Register of Historic Places and as National Historic Landmarks associated with communities currently underrepresented, as determined by the Secretary, and of which $8,000,000 is for competitive grants to preserve the sites and stories of the Civil Rights movement: *Provided*, That such competitive grants shall be made without imposing the matching requirements in section 302902(b)(3) of title 54, United States Code to States and Indian tribes as defined in chapter 3003 of such title, Native Hawaiian organizations, local governments, including Certified Local Governments, and nonprofit organizations.

CONSTRUCTION

For construction, improvements, repair, or replacement of physical facilities, including modifications authorized by section 104 of the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989 (16 U.S.C. 410r-8), $192,937,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, for any project initially funded in fiscal year 2016 with a future phase indicated in the National Park Service 5–Year Line Item Construction Plan, a single procurement may be issued which includes the full scope of the project: *Provided further*, That the solicitation and contract shall contain the clause availability of funds found at 48 CFR 52.232–18: *Provided further*, That National Park Service Donations, Park Concessions Franchise Fees, and Recreation Fees may be made available for the cost of adjustments and changes within the original scope of effort for projects funded by the National Park Service Construction appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations, in accordance with current reprogramming thresholds, prior to making any charges authorized by this section.

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

(RESCISSION)

The contract authority provided for fiscal year 2016 by section 200308 of title 54, United States Code, is rescinded.

LAND ACQUISITION AND STATE ASSISTANCE

For expenses necessary to carry out chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, including administrative expenses, and for acquisition of lands or waters, or interest therein, in accordance with the statutory authority applicable to the National Park Service, $173,670,000, to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and to remain available until expended, of which $110,000,000 is for the State assistance program and of which $10,000,000 shall be for the American Battlefield Protection Program grants as authorized by chapter 3081 of title 54, United States Code.

CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of section 101701 of title 54, United States Code, relating to challenge cost share agreements, $15,000,000, to remain available until expended, for Centennial Challenge projects and programs: *Provided*, That not less than 50 percent of the total cost of each project or program shall be derived from non-Federal sources in the form of donated cash, assets, or a pledge of donation guaranteed by an irrevocable letter of credit.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

In addition to other uses set forth in section 101917(c)(2) of title 54, United States Code, franchise fees credited to a sub-account shall be available for expenditure by the Secretary, without further appropriation, for use at any unit within the National Park System to extinguish or reduce liability for Possessory Interest or leasehold surrender interest. Such funds may only be used for this purpose to the extent that the benefitting unit anticipated franchise fee receipts over the term of the contract at that unit exceed the amount of funds used to extinguish or reduce liability. Franchise fees at the benefitting unit shall be credited to the sub-account of the originating unit over a period not to exceed the term of a single contract at the benefitting unit, in the amount of funds so expended to extinguish or reduce liability.

For the costs of administration of the Land and Water Conservation Fund grants authorized by section 105(a)(2)(B) of the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–432), the National Park Service may retain up to 3 percent of the amounts which are authorized to be disbursed under such section, such retained amounts to remain available until expended.

National Park Service funds may be transferred to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Department of Transportation, for purposes authorized under 23 U.S.C. 204. Transfers may include a reasonable amount for FHWA administrative support costs.

In fiscal year 2016 and each fiscal year thereafter, any amounts deposited into the National Park Service trust fund accounts (31 U.S.C. 1321(a)(17)–(18)) shall be invested by the Secretary of the Treasury in interest bearing obligations of the United States to the extent such amounts are not, in his judgment, required to meet

current withdrawals: *Provided*, That interest earned by such investments shall be available for obligation without further appropriation, to the benefit of the project.

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

For expenses necessary for the United States Geological Survey to perform surveys, investigations, and research covering topography, geology, hydrology, biology, and the mineral and water resources of the United States, its territories and possessions, and other areas as authorized by 43 U.S.C. 31, 1332, and 1340; classify lands as to their mineral and water resources; give engineering supervision to power permittees and Federal Energy Regulatory Commission licensees; administer the minerals exploration program (30 U.S.C. 641); conduct inquiries into the economic conditions affecting mining and materials processing industries (30 U.S.C. 3, 21a, and 1603; 50 U.S.C. 98g(1)) and related purposes as authorized by law; and to publish and disseminate data relative to the foregoing activities; $1,062,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017; of which $57,637,189 shall remain available until expended for satellite operations; and of which $7,280,000 shall be available until expended for deferred maintenance and capital improvement projects that exceed $100,000 in cost: *Provided*, That none of the funds provided for the ecosystem research activity shall be used to conduct new surveys on private property, unless specifically authorized in writing by the property owner: *Provided further*, That no part of this appropriation shall be used to pay more than one-half the cost of topographic mapping or water resources data collection and investigations carried on in cooperation with States and municipalities.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

From within the amount appropriated for activities of the United States Geological Survey such sums as are necessary shall be available for contracting for the furnishing of topographic maps and for the making of geophysical or other specialized surveys when it is administratively determined that such procedures are in the public interest; construction and maintenance of necessary buildings and appurtenant facilities; acquisition of lands for gauging stations and observation wells; expenses of the United States National Committee for Geological Sciences; and payment of compensation and expenses of persons employed by the Survey duly appointed to represent the United States in the negotiation and administration of interstate compacts: *Provided*, That activities funded by appropriations herein made may be accomplished through the use of contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements as defined in section 6302 of title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That the United States Geological Survey may enter into contracts or cooperative agreements directly with individuals or indirectly with institutions or nonprofit organizations, without regard to 41 U.S.C. 6101, for the temporary or intermittent services of students or recent graduates, who shall be considered employees for the purpose of chap-

ters 57 and 81 of title 5, United States Code, relating to compensation for travel and work injuries, and chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code, relating to tort claims, but shall not be considered to be Federal employees for any other purposes.

BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

For expenses necessary for granting leases, easements, rights-of-way and agreements for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy, and marine-related purposes on the Outer Continental Shelf and approving operations related thereto, as authorized by law; for environmental studies, as authorized by law; for implementing other laws and to the extent provided by Presidential or Secretarial delegation; and for matching grants or cooperative agreements, $170,857,000, of which $74,235,000, is to remain available until September 30, 2017 and of which $96,622,000 is to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That this total appropriation shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary and credited to this appropriation from additions to receipts resulting from increases to lease rental rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost recovery fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, including studies, assessments, analysis, and miscellaneous administrative activities: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to result in a final fiscal year 2016 appropriation estimated at not more than $74,235,000: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $3,000 shall be available for reasonable expenses related to promoting volunteer beach and marine cleanup activities.

BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

OFFSHORE SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

For expenses necessary for the regulation of operations related to leases, easements, rights-of-way and agreements for use for oil and gas, other minerals, energy, and marine-related purposes on the Outer Continental Shelf, as authorized by law; for enforcing and implementing laws and regulations as authorized by law and to the extent provided by Presidential or Secretarial delegation; and for matching grants or cooperative agreements, $124,772,000, of which $67,565,000 is to remain available until September 30, 2017 and of which $57,207,000 is to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That this total appropriation shall be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary and credited to this appropriation from additions to receipts resulting from increases to lease rental rates in effect on August 5, 1993, and from cost recovery fees from activities conducted by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act, including studies, assessments, analysis, and miscellaneous administrative activities: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated shall be reduced as such collections are received during the fiscal year, so

as to result in a final fiscal year 2016 appropriation estimated at not more than $67,565,000.

For an additional amount, $65,000,000, to remain available until expended, to be reduced by amounts collected by the Secretary and credited to this appropriation, which shall be derived from non-refundable inspection fees collected in fiscal year 2016, as provided in this Act: *Provided*, That to the extent that amounts realized from such inspection fees exceed $65,000,000, the amounts realized in excess of $65,000,000 shall be credited to this appropriation and remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2016, not less than 50 percent of the inspection fees expended by the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement will be used to fund personnel and mission-related costs to expand capacity and expedite the orderly development, subject to environmental safeguards, of the Outer Continental Shelf pursuant to the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.), including the review of applications for permits to drill.

OIL SPILL RESEARCH

For necessary expenses to carry out title I, section 1016, title IV, sections 4202 and 4303, title VII, and title VIII, section 8201 of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, $14,899,000, which shall be derived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT

REGULATION AND TECHNOLOGY

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, Public Law 95–87, $123,253,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That appropriations for the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement may provide for the travel and per diem expenses of State and tribal personnel attending Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement sponsored training.

In addition, for costs to review, administer, and enforce permits issued by the Office pursuant to section 507 of Public Law 95–87 (30 U.S.C. 1257), $40,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That fees assessed and collected by the Office pursuant to such section 507 shall be credited to this account as discretionary offsetting collections, to remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced as collections are received during the fiscal year, so as to result in a fiscal year 2016 appropriation estimated at not more than $123,253,000.

ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out title IV of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977, Public Law 95–87, $27,303,000, to be derived from receipts of the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That pursuant to Public Law 97–365, the Department of the Interior is authorized to use up to 20 percent from the recovery of

the delinquent debt owed to the United States Government to pay for contracts to collect these debts: *Provided further*, That funds made available under title IV of Public Law 95–87 may be used for any required non-Federal share of the cost of projects funded by the Federal Government for the purpose of environmental restoration related to treatment or abatement of acid mine drainage from abandoned mines: *Provided further*, That such projects must be consistent with the purposes and priorities of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this heading may be used for the travel and per diem expenses of State and tribal personnel attending Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement sponsored training.

In addition, $90,000,000, to remain available until expended, for grants to States for reclamation of abandoned mine lands and other related activities in accordance with the terms and conditions in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act): *Provided*, That such additional amount shall be used for economic and community development in conjunction with the priorities in section 403(a) of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 (30 U.S.C. 1233(a)): *Provided further*, That such additional amount shall be distributed in equal amounts to the 3 Appalachian States with the greatest amount of unfunded needs to meet the priorities described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of such section: *Provided further*, That such additional amount shall be allocated to States within 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION

OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For expenses necessary for the operation of Indian programs, as authorized by law, including the Snyder Act of November 2, 1921 (25 U.S.C. 13), the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2001–2019), and the Tribally Controlled Schools Act of 1988 (25 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), $2,267,924,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, except as otherwise provided herein; of which not to exceed $8,500 may be for official reception and representation expenses; of which not to exceed $74,791,000 shall be for welfare assistance payments: *Provided*, That, in cases of designated Federal disasters, the Secretary may exceed such cap, from the amounts provided herein, to provide for disaster relief to Indian communities affected by the disaster: *Provided further*, That federally recognized Indian tribes and tribal organizations of federally recognized Indian tribes may use their tribal priority allocations for unmet welfare assistance costs: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $628,351,000 for school operations costs of Bureau-funded schools and other education programs shall become available on July 1, 2016, and shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $43,813,000 shall remain available until expended for housing improvement, road maintenance, attorney fees, litigation support,

land records improvement, and the Navajo-Hopi Settlement Program: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, including but not limited to the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450f et seq.) and section 1128 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2008), not to exceed $73,276,000 within and only from such amounts made available for school operations shall be available for administrative cost grants associated with grants approved prior to July 1, 2016: *Provided further*, That any forestry funds allocated to a federally recognized tribe which remain unobligated as of September 30, 2017, may be transferred during fiscal year 2018 to an Indian forest land assistance account established for the benefit of the holder of the funds within the holder's trust fund account: *Provided further*, That any such unobligated balances not so transferred shall expire on September 30, 2018: *Provided further*, That, in order to enhance the safety of Bureau field employees, the Bureau may use funds to purchase uniforms or other identifying articles of clothing for personnel.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs for fiscal year 2016, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That amounts obligated but not expended by a tribe or tribal organization for contract support costs for such agreements for the current fiscal year shall be applied to contract support costs otherwise due for such agreements for subsequent fiscal years: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.

CONSTRUCTION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For construction, repair, improvement, and maintenance of irrigation and power systems, buildings, utilities, and other facilities, including architectural and engineering services by contract; acquisition of lands, and interests in lands; and preparation of lands for farming, and for construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project pursuant to Public Law 87–483, $193,973,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts as may be available for the construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project may be transferred to the Bureau of Reclamation: *Provided further*, That not to exceed 6 percent of contract authority available to the Bureau of Indian Affairs from the Federal Highway Trust Fund may be used to cover the road program management costs of the Bureau: *Provided further*, That any funds provided for the Safety of Dams program pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 13 shall be made available on a nonreimbursable basis: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2016, in implementing new construction, replacement facilities construction, or facilities improvement and repair project

grants in excess of $100,000 that are provided to grant schools under Public Law 100–297, the Secretary of the Interior shall use the Administrative and Audit Requirements and Cost Principles for Assistance Programs contained in 43 CFR part 12 as the regulatory requirements: *Provided further*, That such grants shall not be subject to section 12.61 of 43 CFR; the Secretary and the grantee shall negotiate and determine a schedule of payments for the work to be performed: *Provided further*, That in considering grant applications, the Secretary shall consider whether such grantee would be deficient in assuring that the construction projects conform to applicable building standards and codes and Federal, tribal, or State health and safety standards as required by 25 U.S.C. 2005(b), with respect to organizational and financial management capabilities: *Provided further*, That if the Secretary declines a grant application, the Secretary shall follow the requirements contained in 25 U.S.C. 2504(f): *Provided further*, That any disputes between the Secretary and any grantee concerning a grant shall be subject to the disputes provision in 25 U.S.C. 2507(e): *Provided further*, That in order to ensure timely completion of construction projects, the Secretary may assume control of a project and all funds related to the project, if, within 18 months of the date of enactment of this Act, any grantee receiving funds appropriated in this Act or in any prior Act, has not completed the planning and design phase of the project and commenced construction: *Provided further*, That this appropriation may be reimbursed from the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians appropriation for the appropriate share of construction costs for space expansion needed in agency offices to meet trust reform implementation.

INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIM SETTLEMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

For payments and necessary administrative expenses for implementation of Indian land and water claim settlements pursuant to Public Laws 99–264, 100–580, 101–618, 111–11, and 111–291, and for implementation of other land and water rights settlements, $49,475,000, to remain available until expended.

INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of guaranteed loans and insured loans, $7,748,000, of which $1,062,000 is for administrative expenses, as authorized by the Indian Financing Act of 1974: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed or insured, not to exceed $113,804,510.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The Bureau of Indian Affairs may carry out the operation of Indian programs by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements, compacts, and grants, either directly or in cooperation with States and other organizations.

Notwithstanding 25 U.S.C. 15, the Bureau of Indian Affairs may contract for services in support of the management, operation, and maintenance of the Power Division of the San Carlos Irrigation Project.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds available to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for central office oversight and Executive Direction and Administrative Services (except executive direction and administrative services funding for Tribal Priority Allocations, regional offices, and facilities operations and maintenance) shall be available for contracts, grants, compacts, or cooperative agreements with the Bureau of Indian Affairs under the provisions of the Indian Self-Determination Act or the Tribal Self-Governance Act of 1994 (Public Law 103–413).

In the event any tribe returns appropriations made available by this Act to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, this action shall not diminish the Federal Government's trust responsibility to that tribe, or the government-to-government relationship between the United States and that tribe, or that tribe's ability to access future appropriations.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no funds available to the Bureau of Indian Education, other than the amounts provided herein for assistance to public schools under 25 U.S.C. 452 et seq., shall be available to support the operation of any elementary or secondary school in the State of Alaska.

No funds available to the Bureau of Indian Education shall be used to support expanded grades for any school or dormitory beyond the grade structure in place or approved by the Secretary of the Interior at each school in the Bureau of Indian Education school system as of October 1, 1995, except that the Secretary of the Interior may waive this prohibition to support expansion of up to one additional grade when the Secretary determines such waiver is needed to support accomplishment of the mission of the Bureau of Indian Education. Appropriations made available in this or any prior Act for schools funded by the Bureau shall be available, in accordance with the Bureau's funding formula, only to the schools in the Bureau school system as of September 1, 1996, and to any school or school program that was reinstated in fiscal year 2012. Funds made available under this Act may not be used to establish a charter school at a Bureau-funded school (as that term is defined in section 1141 of the Education Amendments of 1978 (25 U.S.C. 2021)), except that a charter school that is in existence on the date of the enactment of this Act and that has operated at a Bureau-funded school before September 1, 1999, may continue to operate during that period, but only if the charter school pays to the Bureau a pro rata share of funds to reimburse the Bureau for the use of the real and personal property (including buses and vans), the funds of the charter school are kept separate and apart from Bureau funds, and the Bureau does not assume any obligation for charter school programs of the State in which the school is located if the charter school loses such funding. Employees of Bureau-funded schools sharing a campus with a charter school and performing functions related to the charter school's operation and employees of a charter school shall not be treated as Federal employees for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, including section 113 of title I of appendix C of Public Law 106–113, if in fiscal year 2003 or 2004 a grantee received indirect and administrative costs pursuant to a distribution formula based on section 5(f) of Public Law 101–301, the Secretary shall continue to distribute indirect and administrative cost funds to such grantee using the section 5(f) distribution formula.

Funds available under this Act may not be used to establish satellite locations of schools in the Bureau school system as of September 1, 1996, except that the Secretary may waive this prohibition in order for an Indian tribe to provide language and cultural immersion educational programs for non-public schools located within the jurisdictional area of the tribal government which exclusively serve tribal members, do not include grades beyond those currently served at the existing Bureau-funded school, provide an educational environment with educator presence and academic facilities comparable to the Bureau-funded school, comply with all applicable Tribal, Federal, or State health and safety standards, and the Americans with Disabilities Act, and demonstrate the benefits of establishing operations at a satellite location in lieu of incurring extraordinary costs, such as for transportation or other impacts to students such as those caused by busing students extended distances: *Provided*, That no funds available under this Act may be used to fund operations, maintenance, rehabilitation, construction or other facilities-related costs for such assets that are not owned by the Bureau: *Provided further*, That the term "satellite school" means a school location physically separated from the existing Bureau school by more than 50 miles but that forms part of the existing school in all other respects.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses for management of the Department of the Interior, including the collection and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, and for grants and cooperative agreements, as authorized by law, $721,769,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017; of which not to exceed $15,000 may be for official reception and representation expenses; and of which up to $1,000,000 shall be available for workers compensation payments and unemployment compensation payments associated with the orderly closure of the United States Bureau of Mines; and of which $12,618,000 for the Office of Valuation Services is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and shall remain available until expended; and of which $38,300,000 shall remain available until expended for the purpose of mineral revenue management activities: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, $15,000 under this heading shall be available for refunds of overpayments in connection with certain Indian leases in which the Secretary concurred with the claimed refund due, to pay amounts owed to Indian allottees or tribes, or to correct prior unrecoverable erroneous payments.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

For fiscal year 2016, up to $400,000 of the payments authorized by the Act of October 20, 1976 (31 U.S.C. 6901–6907) may be retained for administrative expenses of the Payments in Lieu of Taxes Program: *Provided*, That no payment shall be made pursuant to that Act to otherwise eligible units of local government if the computed amount of the payment is less than $100: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may reduce the payment authorized by 31 U.S.C. 6901–6907 for an individual county by the amount necessary to correct prior year overpayments to that county: *Provided further*, That the amount needed to correct a prior year underpayment to an individual county shall be paid from any reductions for overpayments to other counties and the amount necessary to cover any remaining underpayment is hereby appropriated and shall be paid to individual counties: *Provided further*, That of the total amount made available by this title for "Office of the Secretary—Departmental Operations", $452,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary of the Interior for an additional amount for fiscal year 2016 for payments in lieu of taxes under chapter 69 of title 31, United States Code.

INSULAR AFFAIRS

ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES

For expenses necessary for assistance to territories under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior and other jurisdictions identified in section 104(e) of Public Law 108–188, $86,976,000, of which: (1) $77,528,000 shall remain available until expended for territorial assistance, including general technical assistance, maintenance assistance, disaster assistance, coral reef initiative activities, and brown tree snake control and research; grants to the judiciary in American Samoa for compensation and expenses, as authorized by law (48 U.S.C. 1661(c)); grants to the Government of American Samoa, in addition to current local revenues, for construction and support of governmental functions; grants to the Government of the Virgin Islands as authorized by law; grants to the Government of Guam, as authorized by law; and grants to the Government of the Northern Mariana Islands as authorized by law (Public Law 94–241; 90 Stat. 272); and (2) $9,448,000 shall be available until September 30, 2017, for salaries and expenses of the Office of Insular Affairs: *Provided*, That all financial transactions of the territorial and local governments herein provided for, including such transactions of all agencies or instrumentalities established or used by such governments, may be audited by the Government Accountability Office, at its discretion, in accordance with chapter 35 of title 31, United States Code: *Provided further*, That Northern Mariana Islands Covenant grant funding shall be provided according to those terms of the Agreement of the Special Representatives on Future United States Financial Assistance for the Northern Mariana Islands approved by Public Law 104–134: *Provided further*, That the funds for the program of operations and maintenance improvement are appropriated to institutionalize routine operations and maintenance improvement of capital infrastruc-

ture with territorial participation and cost sharing to be determined by the Secretary based on the grantee's commitment to timely maintenance of its capital assets: *Provided further*, That any appropriation for disaster assistance under this heading in this Act or previous appropriations Acts may be used as non-Federal matching funds for the purpose of hazard mitigation grants provided pursuant to section 404 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5170c).

COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

For grants and necessary expenses, $3,318,000, to remain available until expended, as provided for in sections 221(a)(2) and 233 of the Compact of Free Association for the Republic of Palau; and section 221(a)(2) of the Compacts of Free Association for the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Federated States of Micronesia, as authorized by Public Law 99–658 and Public Law 108–188.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

At the request of the Governor of Guam, the Secretary may transfer discretionary funds or mandatory funds provided under section 104(e) of Public Law 108–188 and Public Law 104–134, that are allocated for Guam, to the Secretary of Agriculture for the subsidy cost of direct or guaranteed loans, plus not to exceed three percent of the amount of the subsidy transferred for the cost of loan administration, for the purposes authorized by the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act for construction and repair projects in Guam, and such funds shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That such loans or loan guarantees may be made without regard to the population of the area, credit elsewhere requirements, and restrictions on the types of eligible entities under the Rural Electrification Act of 1936 and section 306(a)(1) of the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act: *Provided further*, That any funds transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available to make or guarantee loans under such authorities.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Solicitor, $65,800,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, $50,047,000.

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS

FEDERAL TRUST PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the operation of trust programs for Indians by direct expenditure, contracts, cooperative agreements, compacts, and grants, $139,029,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $22,120,000 from this or any other Act, may be available for historical accounting: *Provided*, That funds for trust management improvements and litigation support may, as needed, be transferred to or merged with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, "Operation of Indian Programs" account; the Office of the Solicitor, "Salaries and Expenses" account; and the Office of the Secretary, "Departmental Operations" account: *Provided further*, That funds made available through contracts or grants obligated during fiscal year 2016, as authorized by the Indian Self-Determination Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.), shall remain available until expended by the contractor or grantee: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary shall not be required to provide a quarterly statement of performance for any Indian trust account that has not had activity for at least 15 months and has a balance of $15 or less: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue an annual account statement and maintain a record of any such accounts and shall permit the balance in each such account to be withdrawn upon the express written request of the account holder: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $50,000 is available for the Secretary to make payments to correct administrative errors of either disbursements from or deposits to Individual Indian Money or Tribal accounts after September 30, 2002: *Provided further*, That erroneous payments that are recovered shall be credited to and remain available in this account for this purpose: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall not be required to reconcile Special Deposit Accounts with a balance of less than $500 unless the Office of the Special Trustee receives proof of ownership from a Special Deposit Accounts claimant.

DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for fire preparedness, fire suppression operations, fire science and research, emergency rehabilitation, hazardous fuels management activities, and rural fire assistance by the Department of the Interior, $816,745,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $6,427,000 shall be for the renovation or construction of fire facilities: *Provided*, That such funds are also available for repayment of advances to other appropriation accounts from which funds were previously transferred for such purposes: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided $170,000,000 is for hazardous fuels management activities: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided $18,970,000 is for burned

area rehabilitation: *Provided further*, That persons hired pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1469 may be furnished subsistence and lodging without cost from funds available from this appropriation: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 42 U.S.C. 1856d, sums received by a bureau or office of the Department of the Interior for fire protection rendered pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 1856 et seq., protection of United States property, may be credited to the appropriation from which funds were expended to provide that protection, and are available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*, That using the amounts designated under this title of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into procurement contracts, grants, or cooperative agreements, for hazardous fuels management and resilient landscapes activities, and for training and monitoring associated with such hazardous fuels management and resilient landscapes activities on Federal land, or on adjacent non-Federal land for activities that benefit resources on Federal land: *Provided further*, That the costs of implementing any cooperative agreement between the Federal Government and any non-Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on by the affected parties: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding requirements of the Competition in Contracting Act, the Secretary, for purposes of hazardous fuels management and resilient landscapes activities, may obtain maximum practicable competition among: (1) local private, nonprofit, or cooperative entities; (2) Youth Conservation Corps crews, Public Lands Corps (Public Law 109–154), or related partnerships with State, local, or nonprofit youth groups; (3) small or micro-businesses; or (4) other entities that will hire or train locally a significant percentage, defined as 50 percent or more, of the project workforce to complete such contracts: *Provided further*, That in implementing this section, the Secretary shall develop written guidance to field units to ensure accountability and consistent application of the authorities provided herein: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be used to reimburse the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service for the costs of carrying out their responsibilities under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.) to consult and conference, as required by section 7 of such Act, in connection with wildland fire management activities: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior may use wildland fire appropriations to enter into leases of real property with local governments, at or below fair market value, to construct capitalized improvements for fire facilities on such leased properties, including but not limited to fire guard stations, retardant stations, and other initial attack and fire support facilities, and to make advance payments for any such lease or for construction activity associated with the lease: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may authorize the transfer of funds appropriated for wildland fire management, in an aggregate amount not to exceed $50,000,000, between the Departments when such transfers would facilitate and expedite wildland fire management programs and projects: *Provided further*, That funds provided for wildfire suppression shall be available for support of Federal emergency response actions: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for assistance to or

through the Department of State in connection with forest and rangeland research, technical information, and assistance in foreign countries, and, with the concurrence of the Secretary of State, shall be available to support forestry, wildland fire management, and related natural resource activities outside the United States and its territories and possessions, including technical assistance, education and training, and cooperation with United States and international organizations.

FLAME WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION RESERVE FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for large fire suppression operations of the Department of the Interior and as a reserve fund for suppression and Federal emergency response activities, $177,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts are only available for transfer to the "Wildland Fire Management" account following a declaration by the Secretary in accordance with section 502 of the FLAME Act of 2009 (43 U.S.C. 1748a).

CENTRAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FUND

For necessary expenses of the Department of the Interior and any of its component offices and bureaus for the response action, including associated activities, performed pursuant to the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), $10,010,000, to remain available until expended.

NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AND RESTORATION

NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT FUND

To conduct natural resource damage assessment, restoration activities, and onshore oil spill preparedness by the Department of the Interior necessary to carry out the provisions of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (42 U.S.C. 9601 et seq.), the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701 et seq.), and Public Law 101–337 (16 U.S.C. 19jj et seq.), $7,767,000, to remain available until expended.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

For the operation and maintenance of a departmental financial and business management system, information technology improvements of general benefit to the Department, and the consolidation of facilities and operations throughout the Department, $67,100,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated in this Act or any other Act may be used to establish reserves in the Working Capital Fund account other than for accrued annual leave and depreciation of equipment without prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may assess reasonable charges to State, local and tribal government employees for training services provided by the

National Indian Program Training Center, other than training related to Public Law 93–638: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may lease or otherwise provide space and related facilities, equipment or professional services of the National Indian Program Training Center to State, local and tribal government employees or persons or organizations engaged in cultural, educational, or recreational activities (as defined in section 3306(a) of title 40, United States Code) at the prevailing rate for similar space, facilities, equipment, or services in the vicinity of the National Indian Program Training Center: *Provided further*, That all funds received pursuant to the two preceding provisos shall be credited to this account, shall be available until expended, and shall be used by the Secretary for necessary expenses of the National Indian Program Training Center: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may enter into grants and cooperative agreements to support the Office of Natural Resource Revenue's collection and disbursement of royalties, fees, and other mineral revenue proceeds, as authorized by law.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

There is hereby authorized for acquisition from available resources within the Working Capital Fund, aircraft which may be obtained by donation, purchase or through available excess surplus property: *Provided*, That existing aircraft being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived or trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the replacement aircraft.

GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY—INTRA-BUREAU

SEC. 101. Appropriations made in this title shall be available for expenditure or transfer (within each bureau or office), with the approval of the Secretary, for the emergency reconstruction, replacement, or repair of aircraft, buildings, utilities, or other facilities or equipment damaged or destroyed by fire, flood, storm, or other unavoidable causes: *Provided*, That no funds shall be made available under this authority until funds specifically made available to the Department of the Interior for emergencies shall have been exhausted: *Provided further*, That all funds used pursuant to this section must be replenished by a supplemental appropriation, which must be requested as promptly as possible.

EMERGENCY TRANSFER AUTHORITY—DEPARTMENT-WIDE

SEC. 102. The Secretary may authorize the expenditure or transfer of any no year appropriation in this title, in addition to the amounts included in the budget programs of the several agencies, for the suppression or emergency prevention of wildland fires on or threatening lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior; for the emergency rehabilitation of burned-over lands under its jurisdiction; for emergency actions related to potential or actual earthquakes, floods, volcanoes, storms, or other unavoidable

causes; for contingency planning subsequent to actual oil spills; for response and natural resource damage assessment activities related to actual oil spills or releases of hazardous substances into the environment; for the prevention, suppression, and control of actual or potential grasshopper and Mormon cricket outbreaks on lands under the jurisdiction of the Secretary, pursuant to the authority in section 417(b) of Public Law 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7717(b)); for emergency reclamation projects under section 410 of Public Law 95–87; and shall transfer, from any no year funds available to the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, such funds as may be necessary to permit assumption of regulatory authority in the event a primacy State is not carrying out the regulatory provisions of the Surface Mining Act: *Provided*, That appropriations made in this title for wildland fire operations shall be available for the payment of obligations incurred during the preceding fiscal year, and for reimbursement to other Federal agencies for destruction of vehicles, aircraft, or other equipment in connection with their use for wildland fire operations, such reimbursement to be credited to appropriations currently available at the time of receipt thereof: *Provided further*, That for wildland fire operations, no funds shall be made available under this authority until the Secretary determines that funds appropriated for "wildland fire operations" and "FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund" shall be exhausted within 30 days: *Provided further*, That all funds used pursuant to this section must be replenished by a supplemental appropriation, which must be requested as promptly as possible: *Provided further*, That such replenishment funds shall be used to reimburse, on a pro rata basis, accounts from which emergency funds were transferred.

AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 103. Appropriations made to the Department of the Interior in this title shall be available for services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, when authorized by the Secretary, in total amount not to exceed $500,000; purchase and replacement of motor vehicles, including specially equipped law enforcement vehicles; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles; purchase of reprints; payment for telephone service in private residences in the field, when authorized under regulations approved by the Secretary; and the payment of dues, when authorized by the Secretary, for library membership in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members.

AUTHORIZED USE OF FUNDS, INDIAN TRUST MANAGEMENT

SEC. 104. Appropriations made in this Act under the headings Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, and Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians and any unobligated balances from prior appropriations Acts made under the same headings shall be available for expenditure or transfer for Indian trust management and reform activities. Total funding for his-

torical accounting activities shall not exceed amounts specifically designated in this Act for such purpose.

REDISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

SEC. 105. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to redistribute any Tribal Priority Allocation funds, including tribal base funds, to alleviate tribal funding inequities by transferring funds to address identified, unmet needs, dual enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate distribution methodologies. No tribe shall receive a reduction in Tribal Priority Allocation funds of more than 10 percent in fiscal year 2016. Under circumstances of dual enrollment, overlapping service areas or inaccurate distribution methodologies, the 10 percent limitation does not apply.

ELLIS, GOVERNORS, AND LIBERTY ISLANDS

SEC. 106. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to acquire lands, waters, or interests therein including the use of all or part of any pier, dock, or landing within the State of New York and the State of New Jersey, for the purpose of operating and maintaining facilities in the support of transportation and accommodation of visitors to Ellis, Governors, and Liberty Islands, and of other program and administrative activities, by donation or with appropriated funds, including franchise fees (and other monetary consideration), or by exchange; and the Secretary is authorized to negotiate and enter into leases, subleases, concession contracts or other agreements for the use of such facilities on such terms and conditions as the Secretary may determine reasonable.

OUTER CONTINENTAL SHELF INSPECTION FEES

SEC. 107. (a) In fiscal year 2016, the Secretary shall collect a nonrefundable inspection fee, which shall be deposited in the "Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement" account, from the designated operator for facilities subject to inspection under 43 U.S.C. 1348(c).

(b) Annual fees shall be collected for facilities that are above the waterline, excluding drilling rigs, and are in place at the start of the fiscal year. Fees for fiscal year 2016 shall be:

(1) $10,500 for facilities with no wells, but with processing equipment or gathering lines;

(2) $17,000 for facilities with 1 to 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells; and

(3) $31,500 for facilities with more than 10 wells, with any combination of active or inactive wells.

(c) Fees for drilling rigs shall be assessed for all inspections completed in fiscal year 2016. Fees for fiscal year 2016 shall be:

(1) $30,500 per inspection for rigs operating in water depths of 500 feet or more; and

(2) $16,700 per inspection for rigs operating in water depths of less than 500 feet.

(d) The Secretary shall bill designated operators under subsection (b) within 60 days, with payment required within 30 days

of billing. The Secretary shall bill designated operators under subsection (c) within 30 days of the end of the month in which the inspection occurred, with payment required within 30 days of billing.

BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT, REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT REORGANIZATION

SEC. 108. The Secretary of the Interior, in order to implement a reorganization of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, may transfer funds among and between the successor offices and bureaus affected by the reorganization only in conformance with the reprogramming guidelines described in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS FOR WILD HORSE AND BURRO HOLDING FACILITIES

SEC. 109. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the Secretary of the Interior may enter into multiyear cooperative agreements with nonprofit organizations and other appropriate entities, and may enter into multiyear contracts in accordance with the provisions of section 3903 of title 41, United States Code (except that the 5-year term restriction in subsection (a) shall not apply), for the long-term care and maintenance of excess wild free roaming horses and burros by such organizations or entities on private land. Such cooperative agreements and contracts may not exceed 10 years, subject to renewal at the discretion of the Secretary.

MASS MARKING OF SALMONIDS

SEC. 110. The United States Fish and Wildlife Service shall, in carrying out its responsibilities to protect threatened and endangered species of salmon, implement a system of mass marking of salmonid stocks, intended for harvest, that are released from federally operated or federally financed hatcheries including but not limited to fish releases of coho, chinook, and steelhead species. Marked fish must have a visible mark that can be readily identified by commercial and recreational fishers.

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW

SEC. 111. Paragraph (1) of section 122(a) of division E of Public Law 112–74 (125 Stat. 1013) is amended by striking "through 2016," in the first sentence and inserting "through 2018,".

WILD LANDS FUNDING PROHIBITION

SEC. 112. None of the funds made available in this Act or any other Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce Secretarial Order No. 3310 issued by the Secretary of the Interior on December 22, 2010: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall restrict the Secretary's authorities under sections 201 and 202 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act of 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1711 and 1712).

BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION OPERATED SCHOOLS

SEC. 113. Section 115(d) of division E of Public Law 112–74 (25 U.S.C. 2000 note) is amended by striking "2017" and inserting "2027".

VOLUNTEERS IN PARKS

SEC. 114. Section 102301(d) of title 54, United States Code, is amended by striking "$3,500,000" and inserting "$7,000,000".

CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH INDIAN AFFAIRS

SEC. 115. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during fiscal year 2016, in carrying out work involving cooperation with State, local, and tribal governments or any political subdivision thereof, Indian Affairs may record obligations against accounts receivable from any such entities, except that total obligations at the end of the fiscal year shall not exceed total budgetary resources available at the end of the fiscal year.

HERITAGE AREAS

SEC. 116. (a) Section 157(h)(1) of title I of Public Law 106–291 (16 U.S.C. 461 note) is amended by striking "$11,000,000" and inserting "$13,000,000".

(b) Division II of Public Law 104–333 (16 U.S.C. 461 note) is amended—

(1) in sections 409(a), 508(a), and 812(a) by striking "$15,000,000" and inserting "$17,000,000"; and

(2) in sections 208, 310, and 607 by striking "2015" and inserting "2017".

SAGE-GROUSE

SEC. 117. None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be used by the Secretary of the Interior to write or issue pursuant to section 4 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1533)—

(1) a proposed rule for greater sage-grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*);

(2) a proposed rule for the Columbia basin distinct population segment of greater sage-grouse.

ONSHORE PAY AUTHORITY EXTENSION

SEC. 118. For fiscal year 2016, funds made available in this title for the Bureau of Land Management and the Bureau of Indian Affairs may be used by the Secretary of the Interior to establish higher minimum rates of basic pay for employees of the Department of the Interior carrying out the inspection and regulation of onshore oil and gas operations on public lands in the Petroleum Engineer (GS–0881) and Petroleum Engineering Technician (GS–0802) job series at grades 5 through 14 at rates no greater than 25 percent above the minimum rates of basic pay normally scheduled, and such higher rates shall be consistent with subsections (e) through (h) of section 5305 of title 5, United States Code.

REPUBLIC OF PALAU

SEC. 119. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (c), the United States Government, through the Secretary of the Interior shall provide to the Government of Palau for fiscal year 2016 grants in amounts equal to the annual amounts specified in subsections (a), (c), and (d) of section 211 of the Compact of Free Association between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Palau (48 U.S.C. 1931 note) (referred to in this section as the "Compact").

(b) PROGRAMMATIC ASSISTANCE.—Subject to subsection (c), the United States shall provide programmatic assistance to the Republic of Palau for fiscal year 2016 in amounts equal to the amounts provided in subsections (a) and (b)(1) of section 221 of the Compact.

(c) LIMITATIONS ON ASSISTANCE.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The grants and programmatic assistance provided under subsections (a) and (b) shall be provided to the same extent and in the same manner as the grants and assistance were provided in fiscal year 2009.

(2) TRUST FUND.—If the Government of Palau withdraws more than $5,000,000 from the trust fund established under section 211(f) of the Compact, amounts to be provided under subsections (a) and (b) shall be withheld from the Government of Palau.

WILDLIFE RESTORATION EXTENSION OF INVESTMENT OF UNEXPENDED AMOUNTS

SEC. 120. Section 3(b)(2)(C) of the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act (16 U.S.C. 669b(b)(2)(C)) is amended by striking "2016" and inserting "2026".

PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 121. (a) Any proposed new use of the Arizona & California Railroad Company's Right of Way for conveyance of water shall not proceed unless the Secretary of the Interior certifies that the proposed new use is within the scope of the Right of Way.

(b) No funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of the Interior may be used, in relation to any proposal to store water underground for the purpose of export, for approval of any right-of-way or similar authorization on the Mojave National Preserve or lands managed by the Needles Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management, or for carrying out any activities associated with such right-of-way or similar approval.

TITLE II

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

For science and technology, including research and development activities, which shall include research and development activities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980; necessary expenses for personnel and related costs and travel expenses; procurement of laboratory equip-

ment and supplies; and other operating expenses in support of research and development, $734,648,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That of the funds included under this heading, $14,100,000 shall be for Research: National Priorities as specified in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

For environmental programs and management, including necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for personnel and related costs and travel expenses; hire of passenger motor vehicles; hire, maintenance, and operation of aircraft; purchase of reprints; library memberships in societies or associations which issue publications to members only or at a price to members lower than to subscribers who are not members; administrative costs of the brownfields program under the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act of 2002; and not to exceed $9,000 for official reception and representation expenses, $2,613,679,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That of the funds included under this heading, $12,700,000 shall be for Environmental Protection: National Priorities as specified in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That of the funds included under this heading, $427,737,000 shall be for Geographic Programs specified in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

HAZARDOUS WASTE ELECTRONIC MANIFEST SYSTEM FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out section 3024 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act (42 U.S.C. 6939g), including the development, operation, maintenance, and upgrading of the hazardous waste electronic manifest system established by such section, $3,674,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, $41,489,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For construction, repair, improvement, extension, alteration, and purchase of fixed equipment or facilities of, or for use by, the Environmental Protection Agency, $42,317,000, to remain available until expended.

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), including sections 111(c)(3), (c)(5), (c)(6), and (e)(4) (42

U.S.C. 9611) $1,088,769,000, to remain available until expended, consisting of such sums as are available in the Trust Fund on September 30, 2015, as authorized by section 517(a) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA) and up to $1,088,769,000 as a payment from general revenues to the Hazardous Substance Superfund for purposes as authorized by section 517(b) of SARA: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be allocated to other Federal agencies in accordance with section 111(a) of CERCLA: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, $9,939,000 shall be paid to the "Office of Inspector General" appropriation to remain available until September 30, 2017, and $18,850,000 shall be paid to the "Science and Technology" appropriation to remain available until September 30, 2017.

LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to carry out leaking underground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by subtitle I of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, $91,941,000, to remain available until expended, of which $66,572,000 shall be for carrying out leaking underground storage tank cleanup activities authorized by section 9003(h) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act; $25,369,000 shall be for carrying out the other provisions of the Solid Waste Disposal Act specified in section 9508(c) of the Internal Revenue Code: *Provided*, That the Administrator is authorized to use appropriations made available under this heading to implement section 9013 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act to provide financial assistance to federally recognized Indian tribes for the development and implementation of programs to manage underground storage tanks.

INLAND OIL SPILL PROGRAMS

For expenses necessary to carry out the Environmental Protection Agency's responsibilities under the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, $18,209,000, to be derived from the Oil Spill Liability trust fund, to remain available until expended.

STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

For environmental programs and infrastructure assistance, including capitalization grants for State revolving funds and performance partnership grants, $3,518,161,000, to remain available until expended, of which—

(1) $1,393,887,000 shall be for making capitalization grants for the Clean Water State Revolving Funds under title VI of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act; and of which $863,233,000 shall be for making capitalization grants for the Drinking Water State Revolving Funds under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act: *Provided*, That for fiscal year 2016, to the extent there are sufficient eligible project applications and projects are consistent with State Intended Use Plans, not less than 10 percent of the funds made available under this title to each State for Clean Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants shall be used by the State for projects to address green infrastructure, water or energy effi-

ciency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2016, funds made available under this title to each State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants may, at the discretion of each State, be used for projects to address green infrastructure, water or energy efficiency improvements, or other environmentally innovative activities: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 603(d)(7) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, the limitation on the amounts in a State water pollution control revolving fund that may be used by a State to administer the fund shall not apply to amounts included as principal in loans made by such fund in fiscal year 2016 and prior years where such amounts represent costs of administering the fund to the extent that such amounts are or were deemed reasonable by the Administrator, accounted for separately from other assets in the fund, and used for eligible purposes of the fund, including administration: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2016, notwithstanding the limitation on amounts in section 518(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, up to a total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated, or $30,000,000, whichever is greater, and notwithstanding the limitation on amounts in section 1452(i) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, up to a total of 2 percent of the funds appropriated, or $20,000,000, whichever is greater, for State Revolving Funds under such Acts may be reserved by the Administrator for grants under section 518(c) and section 1452(i) of such Acts: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2016, notwithstanding the amounts specified in section 205(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, up to 1.5 percent of the aggregate funds appropriated for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund program under the Act less any sums reserved under section 518(c) of the Act, may be reserved by the Administrator for grants made under title II of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act for American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, and United States Virgin Islands: *Provided further*, That for fiscal year 2016, notwithstanding the limitations on amounts specified in section 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act, up to 1.5 percent of the funds appropriated for the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund programs under the Safe Drinking Water Act may be reserved by the Administrator for grants made under section 1452(j) of the Safe Drinking Water Act: *Provided further*, That 10 percent of the funds made available under this title to each State for Clean Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants and 20 percent of the funds made available under this title to each State for Drinking Water State Revolving Fund capitalization grants shall be used by the State to provide additional subsidy to eligible recipients in the form of forgiveness of principal, negative interest loans, or grants (or any combination of these), and shall be so used by the State only where such funds are provided as initial financing for an eligible recipient or to buy, refinance, or restructure the debt obligations of eligible recipients only where such debt was incurred on or after the date of enactment of this Act;

(2) $10,000,000 shall be for architectural, engineering, planning, design, construction and related activities in connection with the construction of high priority water and wastewater facilities in the area of the United States-Mexico Border, after consultation with the appropriate border commission; *Provided*, That no funds provided by this appropriations Act to address the water, wastewater and other critical infrastructure needs of the colonias in the United States along the United States-Mexico border shall be made available to a county or municipal government unless that government has established an enforceable local ordinance, or other zoning rule, which prevents in that jurisdiction the development or construction of any additional colonia areas, or the development within an existing colonia the construction of any new home, business, or other structure which lacks water, wastewater, or other necessary infrastructure;

(3) $20,000,000 shall be for grants to the State of Alaska to address drinking water and wastewater infrastructure needs of rural and Alaska Native Villages: *Provided*, That of these funds: (A) the State of Alaska shall provide a match of 25 percent; (B) no more than 5 percent of the funds may be used for administrative and overhead expenses; and (C) the State of Alaska shall make awards consistent with the Statewide priority list established in conjunction with the Agency and the U.S. Department of Agriculture for all water, sewer, waste disposal, and similar projects carried out by the State of Alaska that are funded under section 221 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1301) or the Consolidated Farm and Rural Development Act (7 U.S.C. 1921 et seq.) which shall allocate not less than 25 percent of the funds provided for projects in regional hub communities;

(4) $80,000,000 shall be to carry out section 104(k) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), including grants, interagency agreements, and associated program support costs: *Provided*, That not more than 25 percent of the amount appropriated to carry out section 104(k) of CERCLA shall be used for site characterization, assessment, and remediation of facilities described in section 101(39)(D)(ii)(II) of CERCLA;

(5) $50,000,000 shall be for grants under title VII, subtitle G of the Energy Policy Act of 2005;

(6) $20,000,000 shall be for targeted airshed grants in accordance with the terms and conditions of the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act);

(7) $1,060,041,000 shall be for grants, including associated program support costs, to States, federally recognized tribes, interstate agencies, tribal consortia, and air pollution control agencies for multi-media or single media pollution prevention, control and abatement and related activities, including activities pursuant to the provisions set forth under this heading in Public Law 104–134, and for making grants under section 103 of the Clean Air Act for particulate matter monitoring and data collection activities subject to terms and conditions speci-

fied by the Administrator, of which: $47,745,000 shall be for carrying out section 128 of CERCLA; $9,646,000 shall be for Environmental Information Exchange Network grants, including associated program support costs; $1,498,000 shall be for grants to States under section 2007(f)(2) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, which shall be in addition to funds appropriated under the heading "Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program" to carry out the provisions of the Solid Waste Disposal Act specified in section 9508(c) of the Internal Revenue Code other than section 9003(h) of the Solid Waste Disposal Act; $17,848,000 of the funds available for grants under section 106 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act shall be for State participation in national- and State-level statistical surveys of water resources and enhancements to State monitoring programs: *Provided*, That for the period of fiscal years 2016 through 2020, notwithstanding other applicable provisions of law, the funds appropriated for the Indian Environmental General Assistance Program shall be available to federally recognized tribes for solid waste and recovered materials collection, transportation, backhaul, and disposal services; and

(8) $21,000,000 shall be for grants to States and federally recognized Indian tribes for implementation of environmental programs and projects that complement existing environmental program grants, including interagency agreements, as specified in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

For fiscal year 2016, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 6303(1) and 6305(1), the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, in carrying out the Agency's function to implement directly Federal environmental programs required or authorized by law in the absence of an acceptable tribal program, may award cooperative agreements to federally recognized Indian tribes or Intertribal consortia, if authorized by their member tribes, to assist the Administrator in implementing Federal environmental programs for Indian tribes required or authorized by law, except that no such cooperative agreements may be awarded from funds designated for State financial assistance agreements.

The Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency is authorized to collect and obligate pesticide registration service fees in accordance with section 33 of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act, as amended by Public Law 112–177, the Pesticide Registration Improvement Extension Act of 2012.

Notwithstanding section 33(d)(2) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) (7 U.S.C. 136w–8(d)(2)), the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency may assess fees under section 33 of FIFRA (7 U.S.C. 136w–8) for fiscal year 2016.

The Administrator is authorized to transfer up to $300,000,000 of the funds appropriated for the Great Lakes Restoration Initia-

tive under the heading "Environmental Programs and Management" to the head of any Federal department or agency, with the concurrence of such head, to carry out activities that would support the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement programs, projects, or activities; to enter into an interagency agreement with the head of such Federal department or agency to carry out these activities; and to make grants to governmental entities, nonprofit organizations, institutions, and individuals for planning, research, monitoring, outreach, and implementation in furtherance of the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

The Science and Technology, Environmental Programs and Management, Office of Inspector General, Hazardous Substance Superfund, and Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program Accounts, are available for the construction, alteration, repair, rehabilitation, and renovation of facilities provided that the cost does not exceed $150,000 per project.

For fiscal year 2016, and notwithstanding section 518(f) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1377(f)), the Administrator is authorized to use the amounts appropriated for any fiscal year under section 319 of the Act to make grants to federally recognized Indian tribes pursuant to sections 319(h) and 518(e) of that Act.

The Administrator is authorized to use the amounts appropriated under the heading "Environmental Programs and Management" for fiscal year 2016 to provide grants to implement the Southeastern New England Watershed Restoration Program.

In addition to the amounts otherwise made available in this Act for the Environmental Protection Agency, $27,000,000, to be available until September 30, 2017, to be used solely to meet Federal requirements for cybersecurity implementation, including enhancing response capabilities and upgrading incident management tools: *Provided*, That such funds shall supplement, not supplant, any other amounts made available to the Environmental Protection Agency for such purpose: *Provided further*, That solely for the purposes provided herein, such funds may be transferred to and merged with any other appropriation in this Title.

Of the unobligated balances available for "State and Tribal Assistance Grants" account, $40,000,000 are permanently rescinded: *Provided*, That no amounts may be rescinded from amounts that were designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TITLE III

RELATED AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

For necessary expenses of forest and rangeland research as authorized by law, $291,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the funds provided, $75,000,000 is for the forest inventory and analysis program.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

For necessary expenses of cooperating with and providing technical and financial assistance to States, territories, possessions, and others, and for forest health management, including treatments of pests, pathogens, and invasive or noxious plants and for restoring and rehabilitating forests damaged by pests or invasive plants, cooperative forestry, and education and land conservation activities and conducting an international program as authorized, $237,023,000, to remain available until expended, as authorized by law; of which $62,347,000 is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not otherwise provided for, for management, protection, improvement, and utilization of the National Forest System, $1,509,364,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the funds provided, $40,000,000 shall be deposited in the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund for ecological restoration treatments as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 7303(f): *Provided further*, That of the funds provided, $359,805,000 shall be for forest products: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided, up to $81,941,000 is for the Integrated Resource Restoration pilot program for Region 1, Region 3 and Region 4: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided for forest products, up to $65,560,000 may be transferred to support the Integrated Resource Restoration pilot program in the preceding proviso: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Agriculture may transfer to the Secretary of the Interior any unobligated funds appropriated in a previous fiscal year for operation of the Valles Caldera National Preserve.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service, not otherwise provided for, $364,164,000, to remain available until expended, for construction, capital improvement, maintenance and acquisition of

buildings and other facilities and infrastructure; and for construction, reconstruction, decommissioning of roads that are no longer needed, including unauthorized roads that are not part of the transportation system, and maintenance of forest roads and trails by the Forest Service as authorized by 16 U.S.C. 532–538 and 23 U.S.C. 101 and 205: *Provided*, That $40,000,000 shall be designated for urgently needed road decommissioning, road and trail repair and maintenance and associated activities, and removal of fish passage barriers, especially in areas where Forest Service roads may be contributing to water quality problems in streams and water bodies which support threatened, endangered, or sensitive species or community water sources: *Provided further*, That funds becoming available in fiscal year 2016 under the Act of March 4, 1913 (16 U.S.C. 501) shall be transferred to the General Fund of the Treasury and shall not be available for transfer or obligation for any other purpose unless the funds are appropriated: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided for decommissioning of roads, up to $14,743,000 may be transferred to the "National Forest System" to support the Integrated Resource Restoration pilot program.

LAND ACQUISITION

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of chapter 2003 of title 54, United States Code, including administrative expenses, and for acquisition of land or waters, or interest therein, in accordance with statutory authority applicable to the Forest Service, $63,435,000, to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund and to remain available until expended.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS SPECIAL ACTS

For acquisition of lands within the exterior boundaries of the Cache, Uinta, and Wasatch National Forests, Utah; the Toiyabe National Forest, Nevada; and the Angeles, San Bernardino, Sequoia, and Cleveland National Forests, California, as authorized by law, $950,000, to be derived from forest receipts.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGES

For acquisition of lands, such sums, to be derived from funds deposited by State, county, or municipal governments, public school districts, or other public school authorities, and for authorized expenditures from funds deposited by non-Federal parties pursuant to Land Sale and Exchange Acts, pursuant to the Act of December 4, 1967 (16 U.S.C. 484a), to remain available until expended (16 U.S.C. 516–617a, 555a; Public Law 96–586; Public Law 76–589, 76–591; and Public Law 78–310).

RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

For necessary expenses of range rehabilitation, protection, and improvement, 50 percent of all moneys received during the prior fiscal year, as fees for grazing domestic livestock on lands in National Forests in the 16 Western States, pursuant to section 401(b)(1) of Public Law 94–579, to remain available until expended,

of which not to exceed 6 percent shall be available for administrative expenses associated with on-the-ground range rehabilitation, protection, and improvements.

GIFTS, DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

For expenses authorized by 16 U.S.C. 1643(b), $45,000, to remain available until expended, to be derived from the fund established pursuant to the above Act.

MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR SUBSISTENCE USES

For necessary expenses of the Forest Service to manage Federal lands in Alaska for subsistence uses under title VIII of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (Public Law 96–487), $2,500,000, to remain available until expended.

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for forest fire presuppression activities on National Forest System lands, for emergency fire suppression on or adjacent to such lands or other lands under fire protection agreement, hazardous fuels management on or adjacent to such lands, emergency rehabilitation of burned-over National Forest System lands and water, and for State and volunteer fire assistance, $2,386,329,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such funds including unobligated balances under this heading, are available for repayment of advances from other appropriations accounts previously transferred for such purposes: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be available to reimburse State and other cooperating entities for services provided in response to wildfire and other emergencies or disasters to the extent such reimbursements by the Forest Service for non-fire emergencies are fully repaid by the responsible emergency management agency: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, $6,914,000 of funds appropriated under this appropriation shall be available for the Forest Service in support of fire science research authorized by the Joint Fire Science Program, including all Forest Service authorities for the use of funds, such as contracts, grants, research joint venture agreements, and cooperative agreements: *Provided further*, That all authorities for the use of funds, including the use of contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements, available to execute the Forest and Rangeland Research appropriation, are also available in the utilization of these funds for Fire Science Research: *Provided further*, That funds provided shall be available for emergency rehabilitation and restoration, hazardous fuels management activities, support to Federal emergency response, and wildfire suppression activities of the Forest Service: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided, $375,000,000 is for hazardous fuels management activities, $19,795,000 is for research activities and to make competitive research grants pursuant to the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Research Act, (16 U.S.C. 1641 et seq.), $78,000,000 is for State fire assistance, and $13,000,000 is for vol-

unteer fire assistance under section 10 of the Cooperative Forestry Assistance Act of 1978 (16 U.S.C. 2106): *Provided further*, That amounts in this paragraph may be transferred to the "National Forest System", and "Forest and Rangeland Research" accounts to fund forest and rangeland research, the Joint Fire Science Program, vegetation and watershed management, heritage site rehabilitation, and wildlife and fish habitat management and restoration: *Provided further*, That the costs of implementing any cooperative agreement between the Federal Government and any non-Federal entity may be shared, as mutually agreed on by the affected parties: *Provided further*, That up to $15,000,000 of the funds provided herein may be used by the Secretary of Agriculture to enter into procurement contracts or cooperative agreements or to issue grants for hazardous fuels management activities and for training or monitoring associated with such hazardous fuels management activities on Federal land or on non-Federal land if the Secretary determines such activities benefit resources on Federal land: *Provided further*, That funds made available to implement the Community Forest Restoration Act, Public Law 106–393, title VI, shall be available for use on non-Federal lands in accordance with authorities made available to the Forest Service under the "State and Private Forestry" appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture may authorize the transfer of funds appropriated for wildland fire management, in an aggregate amount not to exceed $50,000,000, between the Departments when such transfers would facilitate and expedite wildland fire management programs and projects: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided for hazardous fuels management, not to exceed $15,000,000 may be used to make grants, using any authorities available to the Forest Service under the "State and Private Forestry" appropriation, for the purpose of creating incentives for increased use of biomass from National Forest System lands: *Provided further*, That funds designated for wildfire suppression, including funds transferred from the "FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund", shall be assessed for cost pools on the same basis as such assessments are calculated against other agency programs: *Provided further*, That of the funds for hazardous fuels management, up to $24,000,000 may be transferred to the "National Forest System" to support the Integrated Resource Restoration pilot program.

FLAME WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION RESERVE FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for large fire suppression operations of the Department of Agriculture and as a reserve fund for suppression and Federal emergency response activities, $823,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amounts are only available for transfer to the "Wildland Fire Management" account following a declaration by the Secretary in accordance with section 502 of the FLAME Act of 2009 (43 U.S.C. 1748a).

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, FOREST SERVICE

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

Appropriations to the Forest Service for the current fiscal year shall be available for: (1) purchase of passenger motor vehicles; acquisition of passenger motor vehicles from excess sources, and hire of such vehicles; purchase, lease, operation, maintenance, and acquisition of aircraft to maintain the operable fleet for use in Forest Service wildland fire programs and other Forest Service programs; notwithstanding other provisions of law, existing aircraft being replaced may be sold, with proceeds derived or trade-in value used to offset the purchase price for the replacement aircraft; (2) services pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 2225, and not to exceed $100,000 for employment under 5 U.S.C. 3109; (3) purchase, erection, and alteration of buildings and other public improvements (7 U.S.C. 2250); (4) acquisition of land, waters, and interests therein pursuant to 7 U.S.C. 428a; (5) for expenses pursuant to the Volunteers in the National Forest Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. 558a, 558d, and 558a note); (6) the cost of uniforms as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; and (7) for debt collection contracts in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 3718(c).

Any appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service may be transferred to the Wildland Fire Management appropriation for forest firefighting, emergency rehabilitation of burned-over or damaged lands or waters under its jurisdiction, and fire preparedness due to severe burning conditions upon the Secretary's notification of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that all fire suppression funds appropriated under the headings "Wildland Fire Management" and "FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund" will be obligated within 30 days: *Provided*, That all funds used pursuant to this paragraph must be replenished by a supplemental appropriation which must be requested as promptly as possible.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for assistance to or through the Agency for International Development in connection with forest and rangeland research, technical information, and assistance in foreign countries, and shall be available to support forestry and related natural resource activities outside the United States and its territories and possessions, including technical assistance, education and training, and cooperation with U.S., private, and international organizations. The Forest Service, acting for the International Program, may sign direct funding agreements with foreign governments and institutions as well as other domestic agencies (including the U.S. Agency for International Development, the Department of State, and the Millennium Challenge Corporation), U.S. private sector firms, institutions and organizations to provide technical assistance and training programs overseas on forestry and rangeland management.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for expenditure or transfer to the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management, for removal, preparation, and adoption of excess wild horses and burros from National Forest System lands, and for the performance of cadastral surveys to designate the boundaries of such lands.

None of the funds made available to the Forest Service in this Act or any other Act with respect to any fiscal year shall be subject to transfer under the provisions of section 702(b) of the Department of Agriculture Organic Act of 1944 (7 U.S.C. 2257), section 442 of Public Law 106–224 (7 U.S.C. 7772), or section 10417(b) of Public Law 107–107 (7 U.S.C. 8316(b)).

None of the funds available to the Forest Service may be reprogrammed without the advance approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations in accordance with the reprogramming procedures contained in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

Not more than $82,000,000 of funds available to the Forest Service shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund of the Department of Agriculture and not more than $14,500,000 of funds available to the Forest Service shall be transferred to the Department of Agriculture for Department Reimbursable Programs, commonly referred to as Greenbook charges. Nothing in this paragraph shall prohibit or limit the use of reimbursable agreements requested by the Forest Service in order to obtain services from the Department of Agriculture's National Information Technology Center and the Department of Agriculture's International Technology Service.

Of the funds available to the Forest Service, up to $5,000,000 shall be available for priority projects within the scope of the approved budget, which shall be carried out by the Youth Conservation Corps and shall be carried out under the authority of the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993, Public Law 103–82, as amended by Public Lands Corps Healthy Forests Restoration Act of 2005, Public Law 109–154.

Of the funds available to the Forest Service, $4,000 is available to the Chief of the Forest Service for official reception and representation expenses.

Pursuant to sections 405(b) and 410(b) of Public Law 101–593, of the funds available to the Forest Service, up to $3,000,000 may be advanced in a lump sum to the National Forest Foundation to aid conservation partnership projects in support of the Forest Service mission, without regard to when the Foundation incurs expenses, for projects on or benefitting National Forest System lands or related to Forest Service programs: *Provided*, That of the Federal funds made available to the Foundation, no more than $300,000 shall be available for administrative expenses: *Provided further*, That the Foundation shall obtain, by the end of the period of Federal financial assistance, private contributions to match on at least one-for-one basis funds made available by the Forest Service: *Provided further*, That the Foundation may transfer Federal funds to a Federal or a non-Federal recipient for a project at the same rate that the recipient has obtained the non-Federal matching funds.

Pursuant to section 2(b)(2) of Public Law 98–244, up to $3,000,000 of the funds available to the Forest Service may be advanced to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation in a lump sum to aid cost-share conservation projects, without regard to when expenses are incurred, on or benefitting National Forest System lands or related to Forest Service programs: *Provided*, That such

funds shall be matched on at least a one-for-one basis by the Foundation or its sub-recipients: *Provided further*, That the Foundation may transfer Federal funds to a Federal or non-Federal recipient for a project at the same rate that the recipient has obtained the non-Federal matching funds.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for interactions with and providing technical assistance to rural communities and natural resource-based businesses for sustainable rural development purposes.

Funds appropriated to the Forest Service shall be available for payments to counties within the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area, pursuant to section 14(c)(1) and (2), and section 16(a)(2) of Public Law 99–663.

Any funds appropriated to the Forest Service may be used to meet the non-Federal share requirement in section 502(c) of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3056(c)(2)).

Funds available to the Forest Service, not to exceed $65,000,000, shall be assessed for the purpose of performing fire, administrative and other facilities maintenance and decommissioning. Such assessments shall occur using a square foot rate charged on the same basis the agency uses to assess programs for payment of rent, utilities, and other support services.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any appropriations or funds available to the Forest Service not to exceed $500,000 may be used to reimburse the Office of the General Counsel (OGC), Department of Agriculture, for travel and related expenses incurred as a result of OGC assistance or participation requested by the Forest Service at meetings, training sessions, management reviews, land purchase negotiations and similar nonlitigation-related matters. Future budget justifications for both the Forest Service and the Department of Agriculture should clearly display the sums previously transferred and the requested funding transfers.

An eligible individual who is employed in any project funded under title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3056 et seq.) and administered by the Forest Service shall be considered to be a Federal employee for purposes of chapter 171 of title 28, United States Code.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

For expenses necessary to carry out the Act of August 5, 1954 (68 Stat. 674), the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with respect to the Indian Health Service, $3,566,387,000, together with payments received during the fiscal year pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 238(b) and 238b, for services furnished by the Indian Health Service: *Provided*, That funds made available to tribes and tribal organizations through contracts, grant agreements, or any other agreements or compacts authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450), shall be deemed to be obligated at the time

of the grant or contract award and thereafter shall remain available to the tribe or tribal organization without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*, That, $914,139,000 for Purchased/Referred Care, including $51,500,000 for the Indian Catastrophic Health Emergency Fund, shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That, of the funds provided, up to $36,000,000 shall remain available until expended for implementation of the loan repayment program under section 108 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act: *Provided further*, That, of the funds provided, $2,000,000 shall be used to supplement funds available for operational costs at tribal clinics operated under an Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act compact or contract where health care is delivered in space acquired through a full service lease, which is not eligible for maintenance and improvement and equipment funds from the Indian Health Service, and $2,000,000 shall be for accreditation emergencies: *Provided further*, That the amounts collected by the Federal Government as authorized by sections 104 and 108 of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a) during the preceding fiscal year for breach of contracts shall be deposited to the Fund authorized by section 108A of the Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1) and shall remain available until expended and, notwithstanding section 108A(c) of the Act (25 U.S.C. 1616a–1(c)), funds shall be available to make new awards under the loan repayment and scholarship programs under sections 104 and 108 of the Act (25 U.S.C. 1613a and 1616a): *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the amounts made available within this account for the methamphetamine and suicide prevention and treatment initiative, for the domestic violence prevention initiative, to improve collections from public and private insurance at Indian Health Service and tribally operated facilities, and for accreditation emergencies shall be allocated at the discretion of the Director of the Indian Health Service and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That funds provided in this Act may be used for annual contracts and grants that fall within 2 fiscal years, provided the total obligation is recorded in the year the funds are appropriated: *Provided further*, That the amounts collected by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under the authority of title IV of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act shall remain available until expended for the purpose of achieving compliance with the applicable conditions and requirements of titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, except for those related to the planning, design, or construction of new facilities: *Provided further*, That funding contained herein for scholarship programs under the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C. 1613) shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That amounts received by tribes and tribal organizations under title IV of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act shall be reported and accounted for and available to the receiving tribes and tribal organizations until expended: *Provided further*, That the Bureau of Indian Affairs may collect from the Indian Health Service, tribes and tribal organizations operating health facilities pursuant to Public Law 93–638, such individually identifiable health information relating to disabled children as may be necessary for the purpose of carrying out its functions under the Individuals with Disabilities

Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400, et seq.): *Provided further*, That the Indian Health Care Improvement Fund may be used, as needed, to carry out activities typically funded under the Indian Health Facilities account.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

For payments to tribes and tribal organizations for contract support costs associated with Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act agreements with the Indian Health Service for fiscal year 2016, such sums as may be necessary: *Provided*, That amounts obligated but not expended by a tribe or tribal organization for contract support costs for such agreements for the current fiscal year shall be applied to contract support costs otherwise due for such agreements for subsequent fiscal years: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, no amounts made available under this heading shall be available for transfer to another budget account.

INDIAN HEALTH FACILITIES

For construction, repair, maintenance, improvement, and equipment of health and related auxiliary facilities, including quarters for personnel; preparation of plans, specifications, and drawings; acquisition of sites, purchase and erection of modular buildings, and purchases of trailers; and for provision of domestic and community sanitation facilities for Indians, as authorized by section 7 of the Act of August 5, 1954 (42 U.S.C. 2004a), the Indian Self-Determination Act, and the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, and for expenses necessary to carry out such Acts and titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act with respect to environmental health and facilities support activities of the Indian Health Service, $523,232,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated for the planning, design, construction, renovation or expansion of health facilities for the benefit of an Indian tribe or tribes may be used to purchase land on which such facilities will be located: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $500,000 may be used by the Indian Health Service to purchase TRANSAM equipment from the Department of Defense for distribution to the Indian Health Service and tribal facilities: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated to the Indian Health Service may be used for sanitation facilities construction for new homes funded with grants by the housing programs of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $2,700,000 from this account and the "Indian Health Services" account may be used by the Indian Health Service to obtain ambulances for the Indian Health Service and tribal facilities in conjunction with an existing interagency agreement between the Indian Health Service and the General Services Administration: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $500,000 may be placed in a Demolition Fund, to remain available until expended, and be used by the Indian Health Service for the demolition of Federal buildings.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

Appropriations provided in this Act to the Indian Health Service shall be available for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 at rates not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior-level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of medical equipment; purchase of reprints; purchase, renovation and erection of modular buildings and renovation of existing facilities; payments for telephone service in private residences in the field, when authorized under regulations approved by the Secretary; uniforms or allowances therefor as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; and for expenses of attendance at meetings that relate to the functions or activities of the Indian Health Service: *Provided*, That in accordance with the provisions of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act, non-Indian patients may be extended health care at all tribally administered or Indian Health Service facilities, subject to charges, and the proceeds along with funds recovered under the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651–2653) shall be credited to the account of the facility providing the service and shall be available without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other law or regulation, funds transferred from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to the Indian Health Service shall be administered under Public Law 86–121, the Indian Sanitation Facilities Act and Public Law 93–638: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated to the Indian Health Service in this Act, except those used for administrative and program direction purposes, shall not be subject to limitations directed at curtailing Federal travel and transportation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available to the Indian Health Service in this Act shall be used for any assessments or charges by the Department of Health and Human Services unless identified in the budget justification and provided in this Act, or approved by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations through the reprogramming process: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds previously or herein made available to a tribe or tribal organization through a contract, grant, or agreement authorized by title I or title V of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (25 U.S.C. 450), may be deobligated and reobligated to a self-determination contract under title I, or a self-governance agreement under title V of such Act and thereafter shall remain available to the tribe or tribal organization without fiscal year limitation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available to the Indian Health Service in this Act shall be used to implement the final rule published in the Federal Register on September 16, 1987, by the Department of Health and Human Services, relating to the eligibility for the health care services of the Indian Health Service until the Indian Health Service has submitted a budget request reflecting the increased costs associated with the proposed final rule, and such request has been included in an appropriations Act and enacted into law: *Provided further*, That with respect to functions transferred by the Indian Health Service to tribes or tribal organizations, the Indian Health Service is authorized to provide goods and services to those entities

on a reimbursable basis, including payments in advance with subsequent adjustment, and the reimbursements received therefrom, along with the funds received from those entities pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Act, may be credited to the same or subsequent appropriation account from which the funds were originally derived, with such amounts to remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That reimbursements for training, technical assistance, or services provided by the Indian Health Service will contain total costs, including direct, administrative, and overhead associated with the provision of goods, services, or technical assistance: *Provided further*, That the appropriation structure for the Indian Health Service may not be altered without advance notification to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That the Indian Health Service shall develop a strategic plan for the Urban Indian Health program in consultation with urban Indians and the National Academy of Public Administration, and shall publish such plan not later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES

For necessary expenses for the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences in carrying out activities set forth in section 311(a) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9660(a)) and section 126(g) of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986, $77,349,000.

AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY

TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

For necessary expenses for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) in carrying out activities set forth in sections 104(i) and 111(c)(4) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA) and section 3019 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, $74,691,000, of which up to $1,000 per eligible employee of the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry shall remain available until expended for Individual Learning Accounts: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, in lieu of performing a health assessment under section 104(i)(6) of CERCLA, the Administrator of ATSDR may conduct other appropriate health studies, evaluations, or activities, including, without limitation, biomedical testing, clinical evaluations, medical monitoring, and referral to accredited healthcare providers: *Provided further*, That in performing any such health assessment or health study, evaluation, or activity, the Administrator of ATSDR shall not be bound by the deadlines in section 104(i)(6)(A) of CERCLA: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for ATSDR to issue in excess of 40 toxicological profiles pursuant to section 104(i) of CERCLA during fiscal year 2016, and existing profiles may be updated as necessary.

OTHER RELATED AGENCIES

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For necessary expenses to continue functions assigned to the Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, the Environmental Quality Improvement Act of 1970, and Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1977, and not to exceed $750 for official reception and representation expenses, $3,000,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 202 of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1970, the Council shall consist of one member, appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, serving as chairman and exercising all powers, functions, and duties of the Council.

CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses in carrying out activities pursuant to section 112(r)(6) of the Clean Air Act, including hire of passenger vehicles, uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902, and for services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem equivalent to the maximum rate payable for senior level positions under 5 U.S.C. 5376, $11,000,000: *Provided*, That the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board (Board) shall have not more than three career Senior Executive Service positions: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the individual appointed to the position of Inspector General of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) shall, by virtue of such appointment, also hold the position of Inspector General of the Board: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Inspector General of the Board shall utilize personnel of the Office of Inspector General of EPA in performing the duties of the Inspector General of the Board, and shall not appoint any individuals to positions within the Board.

OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses of the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation as authorized by Public Law 93–531, $15,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That funds provided in this or any other appropriations Act are to be used to relocate eligible individuals and groups including evictees from District 6, Hopi-partitioned lands residents, those in significantly substandard housing, and all others certified as eligible and not included in the preceding categories: *Provided further*, That none of the funds contained in this or any other Act may be used by the Office of Navajo

and Hopi Indian Relocation to evict any single Navajo or Navajo family who, as of November 30, 1985, was physically domiciled on the lands partitioned to the Hopi Tribe unless a new or replacement home is provided for such household: *Provided further*, That no relocatee will be provided with more than one new or replacement home: *Provided further*, That the Office shall relocate any certified eligible relocatees who have selected and received an approved homesite on the Navajo reservation or selected a replacement residence off the Navajo reservation or on the land acquired pursuant to 25 U.S.C. 640d–10: *Provided further*, That $200,000 shall be transferred to the Office of Inspector General of the Department of the Interior, to remain available until expended, for audits and investigations of the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation, consistent with the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.).

INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT

PAYMENT TO THE INSTITUTE

For payment to the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, as authorized by title XV of Public Law 99–498 (20 U.S.C. 56 part A), $11,619,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Smithsonian Institution, as authorized by law, including research in the fields of art, science, and history; development, preservation, and documentation of the National Collections; presentation of public exhibits and performances; collection, preparation, dissemination, and exchange of information and publications; conduct of education, training, and museum assistance programs; maintenance, alteration, operation, lease agreements of no more than 30 years, and protection of buildings, facilities, and approaches; not to exceed $100,000 for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; and purchase, rental, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for employees, $696,045,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, except as otherwise provided herein; of which not to exceed $48,233,000 for the instrumentation program, collections acquisition, exhibition reinstallation, the National Museum of African American History and Culture, and the repatriation of skeletal remains program shall remain available until expended; and including such funds as may be necessary to support American overseas research centers: *Provided*, That funds appropriated herein are available for advance payments to independent contractors performing research services or participating in official Smithsonian presentations.

FACILITIES CAPITAL

For necessary expenses of repair, revitalization, and alteration of facilities owned or occupied by the Smithsonian Institution, by con-

tract or otherwise, as authorized by section 2 of the Act of August 22, 1949 (63 Stat. 623), and for construction, including necessary personnel, $144,198,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $10,000 shall be for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For the upkeep and operations of the National Gallery of Art, the protection and care of the works of art therein, and administrative expenses incident thereto, as authorized by the Act of March 24, 1937 (50 Stat. 51), as amended by the public resolution of April 13, 1939 (Public Resolution 9, Seventy-sixth Congress), including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; payment in advance when authorized by the treasurer of the Gallery for membership in library, museum, and art associations or societies whose publications or services are available to members only, or to members at a price lower than to the general public; purchase, repair, and cleaning of uniforms for guards, and uniforms, or allowances therefor, for other employees as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902); purchase or rental of devices and services for protecting buildings and contents thereof, and maintenance, alteration, improvement, and repair of buildings, approaches, and grounds; and purchase of services for restoration and repair of works of art for the National Gallery of Art by contracts made, without advertising, with individuals, firms, or organizations at such rates or prices and under such terms and conditions as the Gallery may deem proper, $124,988,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which not to exceed $3,578,000 for the special exhibition program shall remain available until expended.

REPAIR, RESTORATION AND RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS

For necessary expenses of repair, restoration and renovation of buildings, grounds and facilities owned or occupied by the National Gallery of Art, by contract or otherwise, for operating lease agreements of no more than 10 years, with no extensions or renewals beyond the 10 years, that address space needs created by the ongoing renovations in the Master Facilities Plan, as authorized, $22,564,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That contracts awarded for environmental systems, protection systems, and exterior repair or renovation of buildings of the National Gallery of Art may be negotiated with selected contractors and awarded on the basis of contractor qualifications as well as price.

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

For necessary expenses for the operation, maintenance and security of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, $21,660,000.

CAPITAL REPAIR AND RESTORATION

For necessary expenses for capital repair and restoration of the existing features of the building and site of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, $14,740,000, to remain available until expended.

WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOLARS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary in carrying out the provisions of the Woodrow Wilson Memorial Act of 1968 (82 Stat. 1356) including hire of passenger vehicles and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, $10,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses to carry out the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, $147,949,000 shall be available to the National Endowment for the Arts for the support of projects and productions in the arts, including arts education and public outreach activities, through assistance to organizations and individuals pursuant to section 5 of the Act, for program support, and for administering the functions of the Act, to remain available until expended.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses to carry out the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965, $147,942,000 to remain available until expended, of which $137,042,000 shall be available for support of activities in the humanities, pursuant to section 7(c) of the Act and for administering the functions of the Act; and $10,900,000 shall be available to carry out the matching grants program pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Act, including $8,500,000 for the purposes of section 7(h): *Provided*, That appropriations for carrying out section 10(a)(2) shall be available for obligation only in such amounts as may be equal to the total amounts of gifts, bequests, devises of money, and other property accepted by the chairman or by grantees of the National Endowment for the Humanities under the provisions of sections 11(a)(2)(B) and 11(a)(3)(B) during the current and preceding fiscal years for which equal amounts have not previously been appropriated.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

None of the funds appropriated to the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities may be used to process any grant or contract documents which do not include the text of 18 U.S.C. 1913: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated to the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities may be used for

official reception and representation expenses: *Provided further*, That funds from nonappropriated sources may be used as necessary for official reception and representation expenses: *Provided further*, That the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts may approve grants of up to $10,000, if in the aggregate the amount of such grants does not exceed 5 percent of the sums appropriated for grantmaking purposes per year: *Provided further*, That such small grant actions are taken pursuant to the terms of an expressed and direct delegation of authority from the National Council on the Arts to the Chairperson.

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses of the Commission of Fine Arts under chapter 91 of title 40, United States Code, $2,653,000: *Provided*, That the Commission is authorized to charge fees to cover the full costs of its publications, and such fees shall be credited to this account as an offsetting collection, to remain available until expended without further appropriation: *Provided further*, That the Commission is authorized to accept gifts, including objects, papers, artwork, drawings and artifacts, that pertain to the history and design of the Nation's Capital or the history and activities of the Commission of Fine Arts, for the purpose of artistic display, study or education.

NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

For necessary expenses as authorized by Public Law 99–190 (20 U.S.C. 956a), $2,000,000.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (Public Law 89–665), $6,080,000.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Capital Planning Commission under chapter 87 of title 40, United States Code, including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, $8,348,000: *Provided*, That one-quarter of 1 percent of the funds provided under this heading may be used for official reception and representational expenses associated with hosting international visitors engaged in the planning and physical development of world capitals.

UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

For expenses of the Holocaust Memorial Museum, as authorized by Public Law 106–292 (36 U.S.C. 2301–2310), $54,000,000, of which $1,215,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018, for the Museum's equipment replacement program; and of which

$2,500,000 for the Museum's repair and rehabilitation program and $1,264,000 for the Museum's outreach initiatives program shall remain available until expended.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, including the costs of construction design, of the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission, $1,000,000, to remain available until expended.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

RESTRICTION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available for any activity or the publication or distribution of literature that in any way tends to promote public support or opposition to any legislative proposal on which Congressional action is not complete other than to communicate to Members of Congress as described in 18 U.S.C. 1913.

OBLIGATION OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 402. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

DISCLOSURE OF ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

SEC. 403. The amount and basis of estimated overhead charges, deductions, reserves or holdbacks, including working capital fund and cost pool charges, from programs, projects, activities and subactivities to support government-wide, departmental, agency, or bureau administrative functions or headquarters, regional, or central operations shall be presented in annual budget justifications and subject to approval by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Changes to such estimates shall be presented to the Committees on Appropriations for approval.

MINING APPLICATIONS

SEC. 404. (a) LIMITATION OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant to this Act shall be obligated or expended to accept or process applications for a patent for any mining or mill site claim located under the general mining laws.

(b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if the Secretary of the Interior determines that, for the claim concerned (1) a patent application was filed with the Secretary on or before September 30, 1994; and (2) all requirements established under sections 2325 and 2326 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 29 and 30) for vein or lode

claims, sections 2329, 2330, 2331, and 2333 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 35, 36, and 37) for placer claims, and section 2337 of the Revised Statutes (30 U.S.C. 42) for mill site claims, as the case may be, were fully complied with by the applicant by that date.

(c) REPORT.—On September 30, 2017, the Secretary of the Interior shall file with the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and the Committee on Natural Resources of the House and the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate a report on actions taken by the Department under the plan submitted pursuant to section 314(c) of the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1997 (Public Law 104–208).

(d) MINERAL EXAMINATIONS.—In order to process patent applications in a timely and responsible manner, upon the request of a patent applicant, the Secretary of the Interior shall allow the applicant to fund a qualified third-party contractor to be selected by the Director of the Bureau of Land Management to conduct a mineral examination of the mining claims or mill sites contained in a patent application as set forth in subsection (b). The Bureau of Land Management shall have the sole responsibility to choose and pay the third-party contractor in accordance with the standard procedures employed by the Bureau of Land Management in the retention of third-party contractors.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, PRIOR YEAR LIMITATION

SEC. 405. Sections 405 and 406 of division F of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect in fiscal year 2016.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS, FISCAL YEAR 2016 LIMITATION

SEC. 406. Amounts provided by this Act for fiscal year 2016 under the headings "Department of Health and Human Services, Indian Health Service, Contract Support Costs" and "Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, Contract Support Costs" are the only amounts available for contract support costs arising out of self-determination or self-governance contracts, grants, compacts, or annual funding agreements for fiscal year 2016 with the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Indian Health Service: *Provided*, That such amounts provided by this Act are not available for payment of claims for contract support costs for prior years, or for repayments of payments for settlements or judgments awarding contract support costs for prior years.

FOREST MANAGEMENT PLANS

SEC. 407. The Secretary of Agriculture shall not be considered to be in violation of subparagraph 6(f)(5)(A) of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 1604(f)(5)(A)) solely because more than 15 years have passed without revision of the plan for a unit of the National Forest System. Nothing in this section exempts the Secretary from any other requirement of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act (16 U.S.C. 1600 et seq.) or any other law: *Provided*, That if the Secretary is not acting expeditiously and in good faith, within

the funding available, to revise a plan for a unit of the National Forest System, this section shall be void with respect to such plan and a court of proper jurisdiction may order completion of the plan on an accelerated basis.

PROHIBITION WITHIN NATIONAL MONUMENTS

SEC. 408. No funds provided in this Act may be expended to conduct preleasing, leasing and related activities under either the Mineral Leasing Act (30 U.S.C. 181 et seq.) or the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act (43 U.S.C. 1331 et seq.) within the boundaries of a National Monument established pursuant to the Act of June 8, 1906 (16 U.S.C. 431 et seq.) as such boundary existed on January 20, 2001, except where such activities are allowed under the Presidential proclamation establishing such monument.

LIMITATION ON TAKINGS

SEC. 409. Unless otherwise provided herein, no funds appropriated in this Act for the acquisition of lands or interests in lands may be expended for the filing of declarations of taking or complaints in condemnation without the approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That this provision shall not apply to funds appropriated to implement the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989, or to funds appropriated for Federal assistance to the State of Florida to acquire lands for Everglades restoration purposes.

TIMBER SALE REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 410. No timber sale in Alaska's Region 10 shall be advertised if the indicated rate is deficit (defined as the value of the timber is not sufficient to cover all logging and stumpage costs and provide a normal profit and risk allowance under the Forest Service's appraisal process) when appraised using a residual value appraisal. The western red cedar timber from those sales which is surplus to the needs of the domestic processors in Alaska, shall be made available to domestic processors in the contiguous 48 United States at prevailing domestic prices. All additional western red cedar volume not sold to Alaska or contiguous 48 United States domestic processors may be exported to foreign markets at the election of the timber sale holder. All Alaska yellow cedar may be sold at prevailing export prices at the election of the timber sale holder.

PROHIBITION ON NO-BID CONTRACTS

SEC. 411. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act to executive branch agencies may be used to enter into any Federal contract unless such contract is entered into in accordance with the requirements of Chapter 33 of title 41, United States Code, or Chapter 137 of title 10, United States Code, and the Federal Acquisition Regulation, unless—

(1) Federal law specifically authorizes a contract to be entered into without regard for these requirements, including formula grants for States, or federally recognized Indian tribes; or

(2) such contract is authorized by the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (Public Law 93–638, 25 U.S.C. 450 et seq.) or by any other Federal laws that specifically authorize a contract within an Indian tribe as defined in section 4(e) of that Act (25 U.S.C. 450b(e)); or

(3) such contract was awarded prior to the date of enactment of this Act.

POSTING OF REPORTS

SEC. 412. (a) Any agency receiving funds made available in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c), post on the public website of that agency any report required to be submitted by the Congress in this or any other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agency that it shall serve the national interest.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

(1) the public posting of the report compromises national security; or

(2) the report contains proprietary information.

(c) The head of the agency posting such report shall do so only after such report has been made available to the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for no less than 45 days.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS GRANT GUIDELINES

SEC. 413. Of the funds provided to the National Endowment for the Arts—

(1) The Chairperson shall only award a grant to an individual if such grant is awarded to such individual for a literature fellowship, National Heritage Fellowship, or American Jazz Masters Fellowship.

(2) The Chairperson shall establish procedures to ensure that no funding provided through a grant, except a grant made to a State or local arts agency, or regional group, may be used to make a grant to any other organization or individual to conduct activity independent of the direct grant recipient. Nothing in this subsection shall prohibit payments made in exchange for goods and services.

(3) No grant shall be used for seasonal support to a group, unless the application is specific to the contents of the season, including identified programs or projects.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS PROGRAM PRIORITIES

SEC. 414. (a) In providing services or awarding financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities Act of 1965 from funds appropriated under this Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing services or awarding financial assistance for projects, productions, workshops, or programs that serve underserved populations.

(b) In this section:

(1) The term "underserved population" means a population of individuals, including urban minorities, who have historically been outside the purview of arts and humanities programs due

to factors such as a high incidence of income below the poverty line or to geographic isolation.

(2) The term "poverty line" means the poverty line (as defined by the Office of Management and Budget, and revised annually in accordance with section 673(2) of the Community Services Block Grant Act (42 U.S.C. 9902(2))) applicable to a family of the size involved.

(c) In providing services and awarding financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 with funds appropriated by this Act, the Chairperson of the National Endowment for the Arts shall ensure that priority is given to providing services or awarding financial assistance for projects, productions, workshops, or programs that will encourage public knowledge, education, understanding, and appreciation of the arts.

(d) With funds appropriated by this Act to carry out section 5 of the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965—

(1) the Chairperson shall establish a grant category for projects, productions, workshops, or programs that are of national impact or availability or are able to tour several States;

(2) the Chairperson shall not make grants exceeding 15 percent, in the aggregate, of such funds to any single State, excluding grants made under the authority of paragraph (1);

(3) the Chairperson shall report to the Congress annually and by State, on grants awarded by the Chairperson in each grant category under section 5 of such Act; and

(4) the Chairperson shall encourage the use of grants to improve and support community-based music performance and education.

STATUS OF BALANCES OF APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 415. The Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Forest Service, and the Indian Health Service shall provide the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate quarterly reports on the status of balances of appropriations including all uncommitted, committed, and unobligated funds in each program and activity.

REPORT ON USE OF CLIMATE CHANGE FUNDS

SEC. 416. Not later than 120 days after the date on which the President's fiscal year 2017 budget request is submitted to the Congress, the President shall submit a comprehensive report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate describing in detail all Federal agency funding, domestic and international, for climate change programs, projects, and activities in fiscal years 2015 and 2016, including an accounting of funding by agency with each agency identifying climate change programs, projects, and activities and associated costs by line item as presented in the President's Budget Appendix, and including citations and linkages where practicable to each strategic plan that is driving funding within each climate change program, project, and activity listed in the report.

PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS

SEC. 417. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available in this Act or any other Act may be used to promulgate or implement any regulation requiring the issuance of permits under title V of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7661 et seq.) for carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide, water vapor, or methane emissions resulting from biological processes associated with livestock production.

GREENHOUSE GAS REPORTING RESTRICTIONS

SEC. 418. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available in this or any other Act may be used to implement any provision in a rule, if that provision requires mandatory reporting of greenhouse gas emissions from manure management systems.

MODIFICATION OF AUTHORITIES

SEC. 419. (a) Section 8162(m)(3) of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2000 (40 U.S.C. 8903 note; Public Law 106–79) is amended by striking "September 30, 2015" and inserting "September 30, 2016".

(b) For fiscal year 2016, the authority provided by the provisos under the heading "Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission—Capital Construction" in division E of Public Law 112–74 shall not be in effect.

FUNDING PROHIBITION

SEC. 420. None of the funds made available by this or any other Act may be used to regulate the lead content of ammunition, ammunition components, or fishing tackle under the Toxic Substances Control Act (15 U.S.C. 2601 et seq.) or any other law.

CONTRACTING AUTHORITIES

SEC. 421. Section 412 of Division E of Public Law 112–74 is amended by striking "fiscal year 2015," and inserting "fiscal year 2017,".

CHESAPEAKE BAY INITIATIVE

SEC. 422. Section 502(c) of the Chesapeake Bay Initiative Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–312; 16 U.S.C. 461 note) is amended by striking "2015" and inserting "2017".

EXTENSION OF GRAZING PERMITS

SEC. 423. The terms and conditions of section 325 of Public Law 108–108 (117 Stat. 1307), regarding grazing permits issued by the Forest Service on any lands not subject to administration under section 402 of the Federal Lands Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1752), shall remain in effect for fiscal year 2016.

USE OF AMERICAN IRON AND STEEL

SEC. 424. (a)(1) None of the funds made available by a State water pollution control revolving fund as authorized by section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12) shall be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public water system or treatment works unless all of the iron and steel products used in the project are produced in the United States.

(2) In this section, the term "iron and steel" products means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and construction materials.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply in any case or category of cases in which the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (in this section referred to as the "Administrator") finds that—

(1) applying subsection (a) would be inconsistent with the public interest;

(2) iron and steel products are not produced in the United States in sufficient and reasonably available quantities and of a satisfactory quality; or

(3) inclusion of iron and steel products produced in the United States will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent.

(c) If the Administrator receives a request for a waiver under this section, the Administrator shall make available to the public on an informal basis a copy of the request and information available to the Administrator concerning the request, and shall allow for informal public input on the request for at least 15 days prior to making a finding based on the request. The Administrator shall make the request and accompanying information available by electronic means, including on the official public Internet Web site of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(d) This section shall be applied in a manner consistent with United States obligations under international agreements.

(e) The Administrator may retain up to 0.25 percent of the funds appropriated in this Act for the Clean and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds for carrying out the provisions described in subsection (a)(1) for management and oversight of the requirements of this section.

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 425. (a) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) ADMINISTRATOR.—The term "Administrator" means the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(2) AFFECTED STATE.—The term "affected State" means any of the Great Lakes States (as defined in section 118(a)(3) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(a)(3))).

(3) DISCHARGE.—The term "discharge" means a discharge as defined in section 502 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1362).

(4) GREAT LAKES.—The term "Great Lakes" means any of the waters as defined in section 118(a)(3) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(a)(3)).

(5) TREATMENT WORKS.—The term "treatment works" has the meaning given the term in section 212 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1292).

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—The Administrator shall work with affected States having publicly owned treatment works that discharge to the Great Lakes to create public notice requirements for a combined sewer overflow discharge to the Great Lakes.

(2) NOTICE REQUIREMENTS.—The notice requirements referred to in paragraph (1) shall provide for—

(i) the method of the notice;

(ii) the contents of the notice, in accordance with paragraph (3); and

(iii) requirements for public availability of the notice.

(3) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The contents of the notice under paragraph (1) shall include—

(i) the dates and times of the applicable discharge;

(ii) the volume of the discharge; and

(iii) a description of any public access areas impacted by the discharge.

(B) CONSISTENCY.—The minimum requirements under this paragraph shall be consistent for all affected States.

(4) ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS.—The Administrator shall work with the affected States to include—

(A) follow-up notice requirements that provide a description of—

(i) each applicable discharge;

(ii) the cause of the discharge; and

(iii) plans to prevent a reoccurrence of a combined sewer overflow discharge to the Great Lakes consistent with section 402 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1342) or an administrative order or consent decree under such Act; and

(B) annual publication requirements that list each treatment works from which the Administrator or the affected State receive a follow-up notice.

(5) TIMING.—

(A) The notice and publication requirements described in this subsection shall be implemented by not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of this Act.

(B) The Administrator of the EPA may extend the implementation deadline for individual communities if the Administrator determines the community needs additional time to comply in order to avoid undue economic hardship.

(6) STATE ACTION.—Nothing in this subsection prohibits an affected State from establishing a State notice requirement in the event of a discharge that is more stringent than the requirements described in this subsection.

GREAT LAKES RESTORATION INITIATIVE

SEC. 426. Section 118(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(c)) is amended by striking paragraph (7) and inserting the following:

"(7) GREAT LAKES RESTORATION INITIATIVE.—

"(A) ESTABLISHMENT.—There is established in the Agency a Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (referred to in this paragraph as the 'Initiative') to carry out programs and projects for Great Lakes protection and restoration.

"(B) FOCUS AREAS.—The Initiative shall prioritize programs and projects carried out in coordination with non-Federal partners and programs and projects that address priority areas each fiscal year, including—

"(i) the remediation of toxic substances and areas of concern;

"(ii) the prevention and control of invasive species and the impacts of invasive species;

"(iii) the protection and restoration of nearshore health and the prevention and mitigation of nonpoint source pollution;

"(iv) habitat and wildlife protection and restoration, including wetlands restoration and preservation; and

"(v) accountability, monitoring, evaluation, communication, and partnership activities.

"(C) PROJECTS.—Under the Initiative, the Agency shall collaborate with Federal partners, including the Great Lakes Interagency Task Force, to select the best combination of programs and projects for Great Lakes protection and restoration using appropriate principles and criteria, including whether a program or project provides—

"(i) the ability to achieve strategic and measurable environmental outcomes that implement the Great Lakes Action Plan and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement;

"(ii) the feasibility of—

"(I) prompt implementation;

"(II) timely achievement of results; and

"(III) resource leveraging; and

"(iii) the opportunity to improve interagency and inter-organizational coordination and collaboration to reduce duplication and streamline efforts.

"(D) IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subparagraph (G)(ii), funds made available to carry out the Initiative shall be used to strategically implement—

"(I) Federal projects; and

"(II) projects carried out in coordination with States, Indian tribes, municipalities, institutions of higher education, and other organizations.

"(ii) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—With amounts made available for the Initiative each fiscal year, the Administrator may—

"(I) transfer not more than the total amount appropriated under subparagraph (G)(i) for the fiscal year to the head of any Federal department or agency, with the concurrence of the department or agency head, to carry out activities to support the Initiative and the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement; and

"(II) enter into an interagency agreement with the head of any Federal department or agency to carry out activities described in subclause (I).

"(E) SCOPE.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—Projects shall be carried out under the Initiative on multiple levels, including—

"(I) Great Lakes-wide; and

"(II) Great Lakes basin-wide.

"(ii) LIMITATION.—No funds made available to carry out the Initiative may be used for any water infrastructure activity (other than a green infrastructure project that improves habitat and other ecosystem functions in the Great Lakes) for which amounts are made available from—

"(I) a State water pollution control revolving fund established under title VI; or

"(II) a State drinking water revolving loan fund established under section 1452 of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C. 300j–12).

"(F) ACTIVITIES BY OTHER FEDERAL AGENCIES.—Each relevant Federal department or agency shall, to the maximum extent practicable—

"(i) maintain the base level of funding for the Great Lakes activities of that department or agency without regard to funding under the Initiative; and

"(ii) identify new activities and projects to support the environmental goals of the Initiative.

"(G) FUNDING.—There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this paragraph for fiscal year 2016, $300,000,000.".

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER REAUTHORIZATION

SEC. 427. Section 13 of the John F. Kennedy Center Act (20 U.S.C. 76r) is amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) and inserting the following:

"(a) MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, AND SECURITY.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Board to carry out section 4(a)(1)(H), $22,000,000 for fiscal year 2016.

"(b) CAPITAL PROJECTS.—There is authorized to be appropriated to the Board to carry out subparagraphs (F) and (G) of section 4(a)(1), $15,000,000 for fiscal year 2016.".

This division may be cited as the "Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division G contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 2029, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.[1]]

DIVISION G—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

The following statement is an explanation of the effects of Division G, which makes appropriations for the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Forest Service, the Indian Health Service, and related agencies for fiscal year 2016. Report language contained in House Report 114–170 and Senate Report 114–70 providing specific guidance to agencies regarding the administration of appropriated funds and any corresponding reporting requirements carries the same emphasis as the language included in this explanatory statement and should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary herein. This explanatory statement, while repeating some language for emphasis, is not intended to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein.

In cases where the House report, Senate report, or this explanatory statement directs the submission of a report, such report is to be submitted to both the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations. Where this explanatory statement refers to the Committees or the Committees on Appropriations, unless otherwise noted, this reference is to the House Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies and the Senate Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies.

The Committees direct each department and agency funded in this Act to follow the directions set forth in this Act and the accompanying statement, and not reallocate resources or reorganize activities except as provided herein or otherwise approved by the Committees through the reprogramming process as described in this explanatory statement. This explanatory statement addresses only those agencies and accounts for which there is a need for greater explanation than provided in the Act itself. Funding levels for appropriations by account, program, and activity, with comparisons to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level and the fiscal year 2016 budget request, can be found in the table at the end of this division.

Unless expressly stated otherwise, any reference to "this Act" or "at the end of this statement" shall be treated as referring only to the provisions of this division.

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on December 17, 2015 by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 of Books II and III.

Drought, Forests and Wildfires.—Severe and prolonged drought can increase the rate at which trees die and devastating wildfires occur. In light of the number of dead and downed trees on public lands in the West, the Forest Service, National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management are directed to work with State and local governments in drought-stricken regions to facilitate the prompt removal of dead and downed trees on these lands and to prioritize funding to reduce the threat of devastating wildfire threats to communities, drinking water supplies, utilities, and groves of ancient trees.

Making Litigation Costs Transparent.—The Department of the Interior, EPA, and the Forest Service are directed to provide to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, and to make publicly available no later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, detailed Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA) fee information as specified in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015.

State Wildlife Data.—The Department of the Interior and the Forest Service are expected to prioritize continued coordination with other Federal agencies and State fish and wildlife agencies to recognize and fully utilize State fish and wildlife data and analyses as a primary source to inform land use, planning, and related natural resource decisions. Federal agencies should not unnecessarily duplicate raw data, and when appropriate, should evaluate existing analysis of data prepared by the States, and reciprocally share data with State wildlife managers, to ensure that the most complete data set is available for decision support systems.

Land Grants, Acequias and Community Ditches.—The Secretaries of the Interior and Agriculture are urged to recognize the traditional use of State-recognized community land grants, acequias, and community ditches in the American Southwest during the land use planning process.

Multi-Agency Transparency.—In order to increase transparency, the Department of the Interior, Forest Service, and Environmental Protection Agency are encouraged to disclose costs associated with analyses required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

Greater Sage-Grouse.—The agreement provides a total of $63,250,000 for sage-grouse conservation, including $60,000,000 for the Bureau of Land Management and $3,250,000 for the Fish and Wildlife Service. The agencies are directed to focus this funding toward on-the-ground conservation measures to improve and preserve sage-grouse habitat and the sagebrush ecosystem. The Bureau is reminded of the concerns outlined in the House and Senate reports as Congress continues to hear complaints about the effect of the sage-grouse land use plan amendments, which are not limited to activities within Bureau controlled sage-grouse habitat. In order for the sage-grouse, communities, and States to thrive, all partners must work in good faith. As such, the Bureau and the Forest Service are directed to closely work with each of the 11 States and the affected communities to address the issues unique to each State and seek to collaboratively resolve all issues. The Bureau is directed to provide guidance to its State offices and partners on how it will update sage-grouse habitat maps, adopt new

scientific information, as appropriate, and engage State, local, nongovernmental, and private partners.

Land and Water Conservation Fund.—The agreement includes $450,000,000 derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for programs consistent with chapter 2003 of title 54 of the United States Code, as identified in the table below. This one-time increase of $143,859,000 above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level is intended for worthy projects at the local, State, and Federal levels. The Department of the Interior and the Forest Service are directed to include a table in future budget requests, separating State and local programs from Federal land acquisition, as displayed below.

	FY 2015 Enacted	Budget Request (Discretionary)	This Bill
Land and Water Conservation Fund	$306,141,000	$400,000,000	$450,000,000
State and Local Programs	87,503,000	112,147,000	160,800,000
National Park Service State Assistance	48,117,000	53,161,000	110,000,000
Coop. Endangered Species Conservation Fund	27,400,000	50,000,000	30,800,000
American Battlefield Protection Act	8,986,000	8,986,000	10,000,000
Highlands Conservation Act	3,000,000	0	10,000,000
Forest Legacy Program	53,000,000	61,000,000	62,347,000
Federal Land Acquisition	165,638,000	226,853,000	226,853,000
Forest Service	47,500,000	63,000,000	63,435,000
Fish and Wildlife Service	44,535,000	58,500,000	58,500,000
National Park Service	41,857,000	55,353,000	53,670,000
Bureau of Land Management	19,746,000	38,000,000	38,630,000
Department of the Interior Valuation Services	12,000,000	12,000,000	12,618,000

Federal projects are funded in priority order by agency according to the budget request, with amounts adjusted downward as necessary due to updated project information and support. Many of the requested projects lacked sufficient information for the Committees to determine with a high degree of confidence that funds appropriated could be obligated in this fiscal year. Ideally, requested projects should have: identified properties, willing sellers, updated appraisals or market information, and the support of Federal, State, and local officials. Agencies should include the feasibility of phasing projects as well as a description of which parcels are being considered for conservation easements or fee simple acquisition in any supplemental information sent to the Committees. The agencies are also urged to increase the transparency of the project selection and prioritization processes in annual budget requests, particularly in regard to collaborative landscape projects.

The Department of the Interior did not consult the Committees on a decision to reprogram $995,000 from one project to acquire a property in another project identified in the fiscal year 2016 budget request. Therefore, the agreement includes a new reprogramming limitation of not to exceed $1,000,000 or 10 percent from any project, whichever amount is less, as detailed under the Reprogramming Guidelines heading later in this statement.

The Committees believe increasing access to public lands for hunting, fishing, and other recreational activities is important.

This agreement includes new funding for these activities for the National Park Service and Fish and Wildlife Service while increasing funds for the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service. The Committees expect the agencies to report within 30 days of enactment of this Act on how this funding will be spent, and the agencies should include a description and explanation of the use of funds in future budget requests. The agencies are also directed to include in future budget requests a description and explanation on the use of funds within their inholdings line items.

Paper Reduction Efforts.—The Committees urge each agency funded by this Act to work with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to reduce printing and reproduction costs and direct each agency to report to the Committees within 60 days of enactment of this Act on what steps have been taken to achieve this goal. The report should specifically identify how much money each agency expects to save by implementing these measures.

Public Access.—The Department of the Interior and the Forest Service are directed to notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations in advance of any proposed project specifically intending to close an area to recreational shooting, hunting, or fishing on a non-emergency basis of more than 30 days.

National Ocean Policy.—The President's budget submission for fiscal year 2017 shall identify by agency and account all funding and associated actions proposed for the implementation of the coastal and marine spatial planning and ecosystem-based management components of the National Ocean Policy developed under Executive Order 13547.

REPROGRAMMING GUIDELINES

The following are the procedures governing reprogramming actions for programs and activities funded in the Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act. The Committees remind the agencies funded in this Act that these reprogramming guidelines are in effect, and must be complied with, until such time as the Committees modify them through bill or report language.

Definitions.—"Reprogramming," as defined in these procedures, includes the reallocation of funds from one budget activity, budget line-item, or program area, to another within any appropriation funded in this Act. In cases where either the House or Senate Committee report displays an allocation of an appropriation below that level, that more detailed level shall be the basis for reprogramming.

For construction, land acquisition, and forest legacy accounts, a reprogramming constitutes the reallocation of funds, including unobligated balances, from one construction, land acquisition, or forest legacy project to another such project.

A reprogramming shall also consist of any significant departure from the program described in the agency's budget justifications. This includes proposed reorganizations, especially those of significant national or regional importance, even without a change in funding. Any change to the organization table presented in the budget justification shall be subject to this requirement.

General Guidelines for Reprogramming.—

(a) A reprogramming should be made only when an unforeseen situation arises, and then only if postponement of the project or the activity until the next appropriation year would result in actual loss or damage.

(b) Any project or activity, which may be deferred through reprogramming, shall not later be accomplished by means of further reprogramming, but instead, funds should again be sought for the deferred project or activity through the regular appropriations process.

(c) Except under the most urgent situations, reprogramming should not be employed to initiate new programs or increase allocations specifically denied or limited by Congress, or to decrease allocations specifically increased by the Congress.

(d) Reprogramming proposals submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations for approval shall be considered approved 30 calendar days after receipt if the Committees have posed no objection. However, agencies will be expected to extend the approval deadline if specifically requested by either Committee.

Criteria and Exceptions.—A reprogramming must be submitted to the Committees in writing prior to implementation if it exceeds $1,000,000 annually or results in an increase or decrease of more than 10 percent annually in affected programs or projects, whichever amount is less, with the following exceptions:

(a) With regard to the tribal priority allocations of the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, there is no restriction on reprogrammings among these programs. However, the Bureaus shall report on all reprogrammings made during a given fiscal year no later than 60 days after the end of the fiscal year.

(b) With regard to the EPA, the Committees do not require reprogramming requests associated with the States and Tribes Partnership Grants, or up to a cumulative total of $30,000,000 from carryover balances among the individual program areas delineated in the Environmental Programs and Management account. No funds, however, shall be reallocated from individual Geographic Programs.

Assessments.—"Assessment" as defined in these procedures shall refer to any charges, reserves, or holdbacks applied to a budget activity or budget line item for costs associated with general agency administrative costs, overhead costs, working capital expenses, or contingencies.

(a) No assessment shall be levied against any program, budget activity, subactivity, budget line item, or project funded by the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act unless such assessment and the basis therefor are presented to the Committees on Appropriations in the budget justifications and are subsequently approved by the Committees. The explanation for any assessment in the budget justification shall show the amount of the assessment, the activities assessed, and the purpose of the funds.

(b) Proposed changes to estimated assessments, as such estimates were presented in annual budget justifications, shall be submitted through the reprogramming process and shall be subject to the same dollar and reporting criteria as any other reprogramming.

(c) The Committees direct that each agency or bureau which utilizes assessments shall submit an annual report to the Committees

which provides details on the use of all funds assessed from any other budget activity, line item, subactivity, or project.

(d) In no case shall contingency funds or assessments be used to finance projects and activities disapproved or limited by Congress, or to finance programs or activities that could be foreseen and included in the normal budget review process.

(e) New programs requested in the budget should not be initiated before enactment of the bill without notification to, and the approval of, the Committees on Appropriations. This restriction applies to all such actions regardless of whether a formal reprogramming of funds is required to begin the program.

Quarterly Reports.—All reprogrammings between budget activities, budget line-items, program areas, or the more detailed activity levels shown in this agreement, including those below the monetary thresholds established above, shall be reported to the Committees within 60 days of the end of each quarter and shall include cumulative totals for each budget activity, budget line item, or construction, land acquisition, or forest legacy project.

Land Acquisitions, Easements, and Forest Legacy.—Lands shall not be acquired for more than the approved appraised value (as addressed in section 301(3) of Public Law 91–646), unless such acquisitions are submitted to the Committees on Appropriations for approval in compliance with these procedures.

Land Exchanges.—Land exchanges, wherein the estimated value of the Federal lands to be exchanged is greater than $1,000,000, shall not be consummated until the Committees have had a 30-day period in which to examine the proposed exchange. In addition, the Committees shall be provided advance notification of exchanges valued between $500,000 and $1,000,000.

Budget Structure.—The budget activity or line item structure for any agency appropriation account shall not be altered without advance approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MANAGEMENT OF LANDS AND RESOURCES

The agreement provides $1,072,675,000 for Management of Lands and Resources. In addition to the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions:

Wild Horses and Burros.—The Bureau is encouraged to continue to implement the reforms recommended by the 2013 National Academy of Sciences' report, reduce the number of horses and burros in long-term holding, appropriately manage herds affected by drought, and address the effects of herds on rangeland, riparian areas, and sage-grouse habitat.

Rangeland Management.—The Bureau is directed, to the greatest extent practicable, to make vacant grazing allotments available to a holder of a grazing permit or lease when lands covered by the holder of the permit or lease are unusable because of drought or

wildfire. The Bureau also is directed to follow the directive herein for the Forest Service regarding bighorn sheep conservation.

Recreation Management.—The Bureau is encouraged to continue its collaborative efforts with non-Federal partners to teach outdoor ethics and stewardship to staff and visitors.

Law Enforcement.—The Bureau is encouraged to focus on visitor safety and archaeological resource protection and work with the Department of Justice and the Department of Homeland Security on other matters of Federal law not unique to Bureau lands or property. Within the funds provided, the Bureau is expected to increase its efforts regarding illegal marijuana cultivation on public lands.

Cooperative Efforts in Alaska.—The Bureau, as the largest Federal landowner in the State of Alaska's Arctic region, is directed to work cooperatively with local stakeholders to enhance economic opportunities for the people who live and work in the region. The Bureau also is reminded of the directions contained in the Senate report regarding Placer Mining Reclamation Activities, contaminated Alaska Native lands in need of remediation, and cooperation with the Alaska State Oil and Gas Conservation Commission and other stakeholders on measurement of production in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska.

LAND ACQUISITION

The bill provides $38,630,000 for Land Acquisition. The amounts recommended by this bill compared with the budget estimates by activity and project are shown in the table below, listed in priority order pursuant to the budget request for fiscal year 2016. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

State	Project—Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
CO	Upper Rio Grande—Blanca Wetlands ACEC/SRMA.	$6,346,000	$6,346,000
NM	Upper Rio Grande—Rio Grande del Norte National Monument.	2,900,000	2,900,000
WY	North Platte River SRMA	1,310,000	1,310,000
OR	Sandy River ACEC/Oregon National Historic Trail.	750,000	750,000
ID	High Divide—Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail.	740,000	740,000
ID	High Divide—Sands Desert Habitat Management Area/Teton River.	3,500,000	3,500,000
ID	High Divide—Thousand Springs ACEC	250,000	250,000
ID	High Divide—Oregon NHT/Craters of the Moon NP.	1,315,000	1,315,000
CA	Panoche-Coalinga ACEC	900,000	900,000
CA	Carrizo Plain National Monument	300,000	300,000
VA	Rivers of the Chesapeake—Meadowood SRMA.	2,400,000	2,400,000
MD	Rivers of the Chesapeake—Nanjemoy NRMA	191,000	191,000
OR	Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument	2,600,000	230,000
NM	National Trails System—Continental Divide National Scenic Trail.	2,300,000	2,300,000
CA	California Wilderness	482,000	482,000
OR	North Umpqua National Wild and Scenic River.	2,000,000	2,000,000

State	Project—Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
UT	Colorado Riverway SRMA	1,100,000	1,100,000
	Additional Project Requests	1,000,000	0
	Subtotal, Line Item Projects	30,384,000	27,014,000
	Recreational Access	4,000,000	8,000,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	1,616,000	1,616,000
	Acquisition Management	2,000,000	2,000,000
	Total, BLM Land Acquisition	38,000,000	38,630,000

OREGON AND CALIFORNIA GRANT LANDS

The agreement provides $107,734,000 for Oregon and California Grant Lands, to be distributed as displayed in the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement.

RANGE IMPROVEMENTS

The agreement provides $10,000,000 to be derived from public lands receipts and Bankhead-Jones Farm Tenant Act lands grazing receipts.

SERVICE CHARGES, DEPOSITS, AND FORFEITURES

The agreement provides an indefinite appropriation estimated to be $31,050,000 for Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures.

MISCELLANEOUS TRUST FUNDS

The agreement provides an indefinite appropriation estimated to be $24,000,000 for Miscellaneous Trust Funds.

UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The bill provides $1,238,771,000 for Resource Management. In addition to the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions and changes to the fiscal year 2015 enacted levels:

Reprogrammings.—The agreement does not include exceptions to the reprogramming guidelines contained in the House report. The Service is directed to comply with the reprogramming guidelines contained in the front of this explanatory statement.

Ecological Services.—The agreement includes the proposed new budget structure as modified in the House report. The Committees will monitor the budget structure and make changes in future years, if necessary, to ensure a continued high level of transparency. The Service must improve its ability to account for budget estimates and expenditures to implement specific laws by more closely aligning the presentation of authorizing statutes and budget subactivities in annual budget submissions, and by including crosscut tables where necessary, such as for implementation of the Endangered Species Act. The Service is further directed to display in annual budget submissions an estimate of requested appropriations and prior year expenditures for listings versus delistings.

Listing.—The agreement includes legislative caps on processing petitions, listing international species, and designating critical habitat, as requested.

The agreement does not contain the directive in Senate Report 114–70 requiring advance notice when endangered species settlement agreements are finalized. In its place, the Service is directed to provide the Committees a report detailing: (1) the feasibility of providing notice to the Governor of each State where a species exists when the Service enters into multi-species settlement negotiations; (2) the feasibility of providing notice to the Governor of each state where a species exists at least 30 days prior to finalizing a settlement agreement; and (3) the feasibility of providing public notice when the Service enters into multi-species settlement negotiations so that other impacted stakeholders may take part in those negotiations.

Planning and Consultation.—The agreement includes $81,094,000 for General Program Activities. The request to handle the Service's increased permitting workload in the Gulf as a result of the 2010 Deepwater Horizon oil spill is funded at $1,000,000.

Conservation and Restoration.—The agreement includes $3,250,000 for the sagebrush steppe ecosystem, which shall be used for working with States and private landowners to implement science-based, flexible approaches to conserve the sage-grouse.

Recovery.—The agreement includes $1,373,000 for Cooperative Recovery; $1,659,000 as requested for ecosystem restoration of the Bay Delta; $1,000,000 to continue the wolf-livestock demonstration program as authorized by Public Law 111–11; $2,000,000 to reduce the backlog of delistings and downlistings; and $500,000 for multi-partner recovery actions. The Service is directed to prioritize the recovery of the California condor and northern aplomado falcon and provide the necessary funding to enable the longstanding public-private partnerships to continue to support the wild populations through captive propagation, releases, and management, as the Service and the States work to address the continued environmental threats to these species.

Within available resources, the Service is urged to develop recovery plans for all listed species as required by law; to include in each recovery plan measurable goals that the Service, the States, and their partners can strive for; and to report to the Congress on any species for which the Secretary finds that a recovery plan will not promote the conservation of the species, including the justification for such finding. The Service is urged to complete all status reviews within the five-year period required by law, and, for any determination on the basis of such review whether a species should be delisted, downlisted, or uplisted, promulgate an associated regulation prior to initiating the next status review for such species. The Service is directed to submit annually with its budget request a complete list of all species with completed 5-year reviews recommending a change in listing status upon which the Service has not acted.

National Wildlife Refuge System.—The agreement includes $2,500,000 for urban wildlife conservation. It also includes $2,092,000 for volunteer partnerships, an increase of $500,000 over the fiscal year 2015 enacted level, for costs related to ensuring that

volunteers maintain a robust presence at wildlife refuges. No funds are provided for land protection planning. The agreement includes the requested increases for maintenance support and deferred maintenance.

The Fish and Wildlife Service and the Forest Service are expected to enter into a long-term memorandum of understanding, as contemplated in the Senate report, within 90 days of enactment of this Act, to continue the research activities conducted by the Forest Service on the Sharkey Restoration Research and Demonstration Site. The Committees understand the agencies are working toward that goal and the agencies are expected to ensure that not less than 950 acres of the total parcel acreage is available for research and not considered appropriate for future land swaps or exchanges.

Migratory Bird Management.—The agreement includes $1,000,000 for aviation management in order to address critical safety issues, and $250,000 to address bird-livestock conflicts.

Law Enforcement.—The agreement includes program increases of $4,000,000 as requested to combat wildlife trafficking, and $4,000,000 as requested for direct interdiction of illegal commercial exploitation by organized criminal elements, as authorized by the Lacey Act and other statutes.

The Fish and Wildlife Service is directed to conduct an analysis to determine whether it is appropriate to include Echinoderms in the exemption to clearance requirements for import and export of fishery products. The Service should provide the analysis to the Committees on Appropriations within 180 days of enactment of the Act. Additionally, the Service should provide reports to the Committees on Appropriations on a semiannual basis during fiscal years 2016 and 2017 that detail for each processor of echinoderms, the time and date an inspection request is made and the corresponding time and date that the Service conducts the inspection. The Service is expected to complete the inspections promptly so that product spoilage does not occur.

International Affairs.—As the Service works to finalize the rule published on July 29, 2015, the Service is encouraged to consider all feedback received during the public comment period, and to consider a final rule that includes a de minimis exemption, consideration for antiques and museums, and allowances for sport hunters.

Fish and Aquatic Conservation.—The agreement provides $53,418,000 for National Fish Hatchery System Operations, including not less than $400,000 for the Aquatic Animal Drug Approval Partnership, as requested. None of the funds may be used to terminate operations or to close any facility of the National Fish Hatchery System. None of the production programs listed in the March, 2013, National Fish Hatchery System Strategic Hatchery and Workforce Planning Report may be reduced or terminated without advance, informal consultation with affected States and Indian tribes.

The agreement includes the directive in the Senate report related to the continued operation of mitigation hatcheries. The agreement requires that future budget requests ensure Federal partners have committed to sufficiently reimbursing the Service for mitigation hatcheries before the Service proposes to eliminate funding for mitigation hatcheries.

The agreement includes $19,920,000 as requested for maintenance. The Service is encouraged to re-evaluate its allocation methodology so that increases are fairly directed to facilities with the most severe health and safety deficiencies across the National Fish Hatchery System as a whole, rather than by region.

The agreement includes $13,248,000 for the National Fish Passage Program. The Service is directed to determine whether unintentional barriers to fish passage are being installed faster than this program is removing them, and to determine whether program funding is more effective if focused on prevention instead of restoration.

The agreement includes $3,000,000 for work related to implementation of the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement and related settlement agreements, equal to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level; and $7,900,000 to control invasive Asian carp, as requested. An additional $1,000,000 is provided above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level for the implementation of State and inter-State invasive species plans.

Cooperative Landscape Conservation.—The agreement includes $700,000 for Gulf Coast ecosystem restoration, as requested.

Science Support.—The agreement includes $2,500,000 for white-nose syndrome research.

General Operations.—The agreement includes the proposed reductions for Service-wide bill paying; the proposed transfer of the tribal liaison office, which is funded at $1,803,000; and a partial increase for annual maintenance of the National Conservation Training Center.

CONSTRUCTION

The bill provides $23,687,000 for Construction. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this statement. The Service is expected to follow the construction project priority list included in the President's fiscal year 2016 budget request, and as shown in the table below.

State	Refuge, Hatchery, or Other Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
	National Wildlife Refuge System		
IL	Crab Orchard NWR	$962,000	$962,000
CA	San Pablo Bay NWR	1,125,000	1,125,000
NM	Valle de Oro NWR	3,458,000	3,458,000
OR	Julia Butler Hansen Refuge	842,000	842,000
	Other previously authorized refuge projects	0	3,000,000
	National Fish Hatchery System		
OR	Warm Springs NFH	736,000	736,000
GA	Warm Springs NFH	1,800,000	1,800,000
KY	Wolf Creek NFH	1,168,000	1,168,000
SD	Gavins Point NFH	600,000	600,000
OK	Tishomingo NFH	60,000	60,000
AZ	Williams Creek NFH	138,000	138,000
	Other		
OR	Clark R. Bavin National Fish and Wildlife Forensics Lab.	450,000	450,000
N/A	Service Wide Seismic Safety	215,000	215,000
	Total, Line Item Construction	11,554,000	14,554,000

LAND ACQUISITION

The bill provides $68,500,000 for Land Acquisition. The amounts recommended by this bill compared with the budget estimates by activity are shown in the table below, listed in priority order pursuant to the budget request for fiscal year 2016. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

State	Project—Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
HI	Island Forests at Risk—Hakalau Forest NWR.	$8,589,000	$8,589,000
ND/SD	Dakota Grassland Conservation Area	6,500,000	6,500,000
CO/NM	Upper Rio Grande—Sangre de Cristo Conservation Area.	1,000,000	1,000,000
ND/SD	Dakota Tallgrass Prairie WMA	3,000,000	3,000,000
ID	High Divide—Camas National Wildlife Refuge.	280,000	280,000
MT	High Divide—Red Rocks Lake National Wildlife Refuge.	1,000,000	1,000,000
FL	Everglades Headwaters Conservation Area	2,091,000	2,091,000
VA	Rivers of the Chesapeake—Rappahannock NWR.	1,600,000	1,600,000
MD	Rivers of the Chesapeake—Blackwater NWR	1,511,000	1,511,000
FL	Everglades Headwaters Conservation Area	2,500,000	2,500,000
ID	National Trails System—Gray's Lake NWR	2,500,000	2,500,000
MN/IA	Northern Tallgrass Prairie NWR	500,000	500,000
Multi	Silvio O. Conte NFWR	2,000,000	2,000,000
Multi	Bear River Watershed Conservation Area	2,000,000	2,000,000
KS	Flint Hills Conservation Area	840,000	840,000
	Subtotal, Line Item Projects	35,911,000	35,911,000
	Recreational Access	2,500,000	2,500,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	5,351,000	5,351,000
	Exchanges	1,500,000	1,500,000
	Acquisition Management	12,773,000	12,773,000
	Land Protection Planning	465,000	465,000
	Highlands Conservation Act Grants	0	10,000,000
	Total, FWS Land Acquisition	58,500,000	68,500,000

COOPERATIVE ENDANGERED SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides $53,495,000 for the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund, of which $22,695,000 is to be derived from the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund, and $30,800,000 is to be derived from the Land and Water Conservation Fund. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this statement.

NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE FUND

The bill provides $13,228,000 for payments to counties authorized by the National Wildlife Refuge Fund.

NORTH AMERICAN WETLANDS CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides $35,145,000 for the North American Wetlands Conservation Fund.

NEOTROPICAL MIGRATORY BIRD CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides $3,910,000 for the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Fund.

MULTINATIONAL SPECIES CONSERVATION FUND

The bill provides $11,061,000 for the Multinational Species Conservation Fund. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this statement.

STATE AND TRIBAL WILDLIFE GRANTS

The bill provides $60,571,000 for State and Tribal Wildlife Grants. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this statement.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

OPERATION OF THE NATIONAL PARK SYSTEM

The agreement provides $2,369,596,000 for the Operation of the National Park System. The detailed allocation of funding by program area and activity is included in the table at the end of this division.

Operation of the National Park System.—The agreement provides $93,823,000 in new discretionary funding within the Operation of the National Park System (ONPS) account to support the Centennial Initiative and related efforts. Specifically, the agreement includes $16,000,000 in new funds within the Park Support line item to support the Centennial, which fully funds the budget request to support new areas and critical responsibilities across the System including, but not limited to, operations at sites associated with the Civil Rights Movement; Flight 93 National Memorial; and the Manhattan Project National Historical Park. Funds are also provided to support new park units including the Pullman and Honouliuli units as well as critical operating needs as described in further detail below. An additional $1,500,000 is provided to complete landscape restoration projects at newly established park units. The agreement also includes $8,000,000 as requested to restore seasonal ranger staff and enhance education and interpretive services; $6,000,000 as requested to support the Service's Civil Rights initiative; and $2,000,000 as requested to support increased volunteer capacity through partner organizations. Lastly, the agreement provides new discretionary funding to address deferred maintenance needs including a $17,500,000 increase for repair and rehabilitation projects and a $17,500,000 increase to address cyclic maintenance needs. These funds are supplemented by $15,000,000 provided within the Centennial Challenge matching grant program account dedicated to funding joint public-private investments in parks. The final allocation of funds supporting the Centennial Initiative, including the detailed allocation of new areas and critical responsibilities funding described above, shall be provided to the Committees as part of the Service's annual operating plan for the ONPS account not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act. Such plan shall be subject to the reprogramming guidelines contained in this explanatory statement.

Marijuana Eradication.—Within the amounts provided, the Committees expect the Service to continue its marijuana eradication programs at no less than the fiscal year 2015 enacted level.

Quagga and Zebra Mussel Control.—The Committees remain concerned about the spread of quagga and zebra mussels in the West and, consistent with fiscal year 2015, have provided $2,000,000 for continued containment, prevention, and enforcement efforts. Further, the Committees direct the Service to provide, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, a progress report on steps taken in recent years to address this pervasive threat to western watersheds.

National Capital Area Performing Arts Program.—Within the amounts provided, the Service is directed to maintain funding for the National Capital Area Performing Arts Program, including the summer concert series staged on the U.S. Capitol grounds, at the fiscal year 2015 enacted level.

White-Nose Syndrome in Bats.—The Committees provide funds as requested to support monitoring and surveillance activities associated with white-nose syndrome in bats.

Mississippi National River and Recreation Area.—The Service is directed to undertake a study for the development of a permanent headquarters and visitor use facility at the Mississippi National River and Recreation Area in close proximity to the existing temporary headquarters and the river.

Eastern Legacy Study (Lewis and Clark Trail Study).—The Eastern Legacy Study, authorized to determine the feasibility of extending the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, is now two years overdue. The Committees direct the Service to complete the study expeditiously.

Ste. Genevieve Special Resource Study.—The Committees urge the Service to complete in a timely fashion the Ste. Genevieve Special Resource Study which has been ongoing since 2010.

Ozark National Scenic Riverways.—The Service is directed to work collaboratively with affected parties to ensure that implementation of the General Management Plan for the Ozark National Scenic Riverways addresses the concerns of affected stakeholders including, but not limited, to local communities and businesses.

National Mall and Memorial Parks Concessions.—The Committees reiterate their direction from the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, that the Service provide the report on National Mall and Memorial Parks Concessions to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act.

Sewall-Belmont House and Museum.—Within funds provided for new areas and critical responsibilities, the Service is directed to implement the recommendations of the Service's reconnaissance study on the Sewall-Belmont House and Museum. The Committees are pleased that the study affirmed the House is suitable for inclusion in the national park system, and expects the Service to use funds provided to assume additional management responsibilities until a long-term management solution for the House is reached.

Valles Caldera National Preserve.—The recommendation supports the requested transfer of the Valles Caldera National Preserve to the Service to reflect its status as a new park unit. The

Committees direct the Service to use funds for new areas and critical responsibilities to maintain funding for the Preserve at no less than the fiscal year 2015 program operating level.

Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park.—The recommendation also supports funding for the Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park as requested with the expectation that the Service will continue to make funds available to the local coordinating entity to maintain staffing and capacity to assist in management of the park, as authorized in Public Law 113–291. The Committees expect future budget requests to provide funding for operating and partnership needs.

Yosemite National Park.—The Committees direct the Service to work with its concessioners at Yosemite National Park to ensure there is no interruption to visitor and recreational services as the park implements the Merced River Plan.

Park Partnerships.—In recent years, the Committees have expressed support for ongoing public-private partnerships and strongly encouraged the Service to expand their use. The Committees encourage the Service to find ways to further engage partners to facilitate the accomplishment of park projects consistent with the applicable laws and regulations that govern use of Federal appropriations.

Roosevelt-Campobello International Park Commission.—Funding for Roosevelt-Campobello International Park Commission (The Commission) on the Maine-Canada border is jointly and equally supported by the U.S. and Canadian governments pursuant to the 1964 Agreement between the two nations, which was recognized and codified by Congress in 1964 (Public Law 88–363). While the Administration has a responsibility to consider priorities within overall budget constraints and submit an annual budget request to Congress, the Committees are concerned with recent requests for the Park from the Service. Congress observed in 1986 the following: "The managers agree that hereafter the Service should use its internal reprogramming authority so that there will be no diminution of the amount provided for the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission, unless reduced by the House or Senate in a report accompanying the appropriations bill." (CR–H10497, October 15, 1986). Therefore, the Committees direct that the budget request prepared by the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission shall be submitted by the Administration directly to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations without any changes. The Administration, in its National Park Service budget justification, may comment on the Commission's budget request and make such additions and subtractions that it may propose. However, the amounts requested by the National Park Service shall be consistent with its obligations under international agreements. The Committees will consider the proposal from the Commission and the Administration will allocate the overall appropriation as specified in the report accompanying the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

Sales of Bottled Water at Park Units.—The Committees are aware of concerns raised about Director's Policy Memorandum 11–03 relating to disposable plastic water bottle recycling and reduction, which provided park units the option to eliminate the sale of

bottled water on a park-by-park basis. The Committees understand that 19 parks have eliminated the sale of disposable water bottles as a result of this policy and direct the Service to provide, not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, a report that details the data the Service reviewed and the justification for making the determination to ban bottled water at each affected park unit.

NATIONAL RECREATION AND PRESERVATION

The agreement provides $62,632,000 for National Recreation and Preservation with the following specific directives:

Chesapeake Gateways and Trails Program.—As requested, the agreement includes $2,014,000 for the Chesapeake Gateways and Trails Program.

Heritage Partnership Program.—The agreement provides $19,821,000 for the Heritage Partnership Program. In order to provide stable funding sources for all areas, the agreement provides funding for longstanding areas at fiscal year 2015 funding levels; provides a total of $300,000 to national heritage areas with recently approved management plans, known as tier 2 areas; and provides $150,000 to each tier 1 area that has been authorized and is still in the process of having its management plan approved. The Committees direct the Service to submit a plan that provides alternatives to implement proposed funding allocation changes in future fiscal years that minimize impacts on existing heritage areas.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

The agreement provides $65,410,000 for the Historic Preservation Fund. Within this amount, $46,925,000 is provided for grants to States and $9,985,000 is provided to tribes, consistent with the request. The recommendation also includes $8,500,000 for competitive grants of which $500,000 is for grants to underserved communities and $8,000,000 is for competitive grants to document, interpret, and preserve historical sites associated with the Civil Rights Movement. Prior to execution of these funds, the Service shall submit a spend plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate.

CONSTRUCTION

The agreement provides $192,937,000 for Construction with the following specific directive:

Line Item Construction.—The agreement provides $116,276,000 for line item construction projects in the fiscal year 2016 budget request and as shown in the table below. Requests for reprogramming will be considered pursuant to the guidelines in the front of this explanatory statement.

State	Park Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
FL	Dry Tortugas National Park	$6,618,000	$6,618,000
NY	Gateway National Recreation Area	5,594,000	5,594,000
OH	Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial	8,561,000	8,561,000
NY	Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site	5,275,000	5,275,000
WY	Yellowstone National Park	8,668,000	8,668,000
PR	San Juan National Historic Site	1,947,000	1,947,000
DC	Chesapeake and Ohio Canal National Historical Park.	4,235,000	4,235,000

State	Park Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
MT	Glacier National Park	7,156,000	7,156,000
CA	Golden Gate National Recreation Area	9,954,000	9,954,000
CA	Yosemite National Park	4,886,000	4,886,000
AK	Katmai National Park and Preserve	2,235,000	2,235,000
WY	Grand Teton National Park	13,948,000	13,948,000
DC	National Mall and Memorial Parks	11,183,000	11,183,000
CA	Yosemite National Park	1,720,000	1,720,000
MS	Vicksburg National Military Park	1,502,000	1,502,000
CO	Mesa Verde National Park	2,456,000	2,456,000
NM	Bandelier National Monument	5,138,000	5,138,000
NC	Cape Hatteras National Seashore	6,824,000	6,824,000
AR	Buffalo National River	1,697,000	1,697,000
CO	Curecanti National Recreation Area	1,958,000	1,958,000
AL	Horseshoe Bend National Military Park	1,105,000	1,105,000
AK	Denali National Park and Preserve	3,616,000	3,616,000
	Additional Project Requests	37,068,000	0
	Total, Line Item Construction	153,344,000	116,276,000

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION FUND

(RESCISSION)

The agreement includes a rescission of $28,000,000 in annual contract authority. This authority has not been used in recent years and there are no plans to use this authority in fiscal year 2016.

LAND ACQUISITION AND STATE ASSISTANCE

The bill provides $173,670,000 for Land Acquisition and State Assistance. The amounts recommended by this bill compared with the budget estimates by activity are shown in the table below, listed in priority order pursuant to the budget request for fiscal year 2016. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

The Committees understand that P.L. 91–660, as amended, contains authority that would allow for the exchange of National Park Service lands for State owned uplands at Cat Island within the Gulf Islands National Seashore, and encourage the Service and State to continue this exchange effort.

State	Project—Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
HI	Island Forests at Risk—Hawaii Volcanoes NP	$6,000,000	$6,000,000
TN	Obed Wild and Scenic River	1,204,000	1,204,000
NY	Saratoga National Historical Park	740,000	740,000
AL	Little River Canyon National Preserve	625,000	625,000
CO	Upper Rio Grande—Great Sand Dunes NP	6,852,000	6,852,000
WA	Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve	1,450,000	1,450,000
AK	Lake Clark National Park and Preserve	943,000	943,000
FL	Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve	110,000	110,000
MT	High Divide—Big Hole National Battlefield	300,000	300,000
GA	Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area	2,123,000	2,123,000
FL	Fort Caroline National Monument	324,000	324,000
WI	Saint Croix National Scenic Riverway	223,000	223,000
Multi	Rivers of the Chesapeake—Captain John Smith NHT.	2,237,000	2,237,000
NM	Pecos National Historical Park	386,000	386,000
AZ	Saguaro National Park	1,348,000	1,348,000

State	Project—Unit	Budget Request	This Bill
MD	Piscataway Park	571,000	571,000
PA	Gettysburg National Military Park	285,000	285,000
WA	Olympic National Park	1,581,000	1,581,000
WV	Gauley River National Recreation Area	2,617,000	2,617,000
NY	Saratoga National Historical Park	749,000	749,000
ME	Acadia National Park	2,467,000	2,467,000
	Additional Project Requests	1,685,000	0
	Subtotal, Line Item Projects	34,818,000	33,135,000
	American Battlefield Protection Program	8,986,000	10,000,000
	Emergencies, Hardships, Relocations and Deficiencies.	3,928,000	3,928,000
	Acquisition Management	9,679,000	9,679,000
	Inholdings, Donations and Exchanges	4,928,000	4,928,000
	Recreational Access	2,000,000	2,000,000
	Total, NPS Land Acquisition	64,339,000	63,670,000
Assistance to States:			
	State conservation grants (formula)	45,000,000	94,839,000
	State conservation grants (competitive)	5,000,000	12,000,000
	Administrative expenses	3,161,000	3,161,000
	Total, Assistance to States	53,161,000	110,000,000
	Total, NPS Land Acquisition and State Assistance.	117,500,000	173,670,000

CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

The agreement provides $15,000,000 for the Centennial Challenge matching grant program, a key component of the Service's Centennial Initiative. The program provides dedicated Federal funding to leverage partnerships for signature projects and programs for the national park system, including critical infrastructure investments. The amount provided for the Centennial Challenge is intended to complement funding for core operations provided in the Operation of the National Park System account to enhance the visitor experience and to protect cultural and natural resources at national park system units in anticipation of the Service's Centennial celebration. A one-to-one matching requirement is required for projects to qualify for these funds. The Service is urged to give preference to projects that demonstrate additional leveraging capacity from its partners.

UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

SURVEYS, INVESTIGATIONS, AND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $1,062,000,000 for Surveys, Investigations, and Research of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). In addition to the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions:

Ecosystems.—The bill provides $158,041,000, which includes an increase of $500,000 to address white-nose syndrome in bats and $500,000 for new and emerging species research. The Committees want to ensure that the Survey is taking a balanced approach towards its program areas and direct the Survey to report to the Committees within 180 days of enactment of this Act on what new

studies and projects over $1,000,000 have been initiated within the last three fiscal years under the various program areas. The Committees also encourage the Survey to work with the Department to include a cross cut for high priority species and critical landscapes under the ecosystem mission in future budget submissions.

Climate and Land Use Change.—The bill provides $139,975,000, which includes an increase of $4,300,000 for Landsat science activities for Landsat 9 and no funding for the free flying thermal infrared instrument. The Survey is expected to focus on drought impacts and adaptive management with the funding provided within this activity.

Energy, Minerals, and Environmental Health.—The bill provides $94,511,000, which includes the requested increase of $2,440,000 for the critical minerals program. The proposed decrease of $2,000,000 for mapping activities is rejected and the Committees expect the Survey to continue with geologic mapping activities in areas of the country where high quality mineral and energy resources remain unmapped at a useable scale.

Natural Hazards.—Funding for the Natural Hazards program includes $60,503,000 for earthquake hazards, of which $8,200,000 is provided to transition the earthquake early warning demonstration project into an operational capability for the West Coast. The Survey is directed to conduct a cost-benefit analysis and spending plan for the adoption of any remaining seismic stations, including any stations in final deployment, if included as part of the Survey's Advanced National Seismic System for research. The bill also provides $26,121,000 for volcano hazards, including an additional $1,000,000, for repairing and upgrading current systems with a focus on high-threat volcanoes. The Volcano Hazard Program is expected to continue to work on the deferred network maintenance of volcano hazard monitoring stations that are currently inoperable.

Water Resources.—The bill provides $213,052,000 for Water Resources under a new requested budget structure. From within this new structure, the activities associated with the Cooperative Water Program will receive $57,710,000, equal to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. Further, the bill provides $42,226,000 for Water Availability and Use Science programs, including an increase of $301,000 for drought forecasting activities and $2,000,000 for groundwater resource studies to assess transboundary aquifers as authorized by Public Law 109–488 and regions within the Mississippi River Alluvial Plain which are experiencing variability in groundwater systems; $71,535,000 for Groundwater and Streamflow Information programs including increases of $1,000,000 for the groundwater network and $928,000 for streamgages; $92,791,000 for National Water Quality Programs; and $6,500,000 for the Water Resources Research Institutes.

Core Science Systems.—The bill provides $111,550,000, which includes a $3,000,000 increase for 3D Elevation: National Enhancement, and the requested increase of $1,322,000 to fund the Alaska mapping program.

BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

The bill provides $170,857,000 for Ocean Energy Management to be partially offset with the collection of rental receipts and cost recovery fees totaling $96,622,000, for a net discretionary appropriation of $74,235,000. The request did not include any funds for coastal marine spatial planning and accordingly the bill provides no funds for such activities. The agreement includes the following additional guidance:

Renewable Energy.—The Bureau should continue to work with the Department of Energy to identify and permit a national offshore wind test site that incorporates new technology related to the structural material of transitional depth and floating wind turbines. The Bureau is also expected to continue working with coastal States and other stakeholders to study new wind energy areas, including those in shallow, transitional, and deep (over 200 feet) waters.

Bill language.—The agreement does not continue the provision authorizing minimum rates of basic pay that was included in both the Senate and House bills. The Office of Personnel Management has approved special salary rate tables covering employees eligible under the provision and therefore it is no longer necessary.

BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

OFFSHORE SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT

The bill provides $189,772,000 for Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement to be partially offset with the collection of rental receipts, cost recovery fees and inspection fees totaling $116,207,000 for a net discretionary appropriation of $73,565,000. While the Committees realigned general support service costs consistent with the budget request, concerns remain with respect to further budget consolidations. The Bureau should continue to provide greater clarity in its Congressional Justification for mission specific program areas within the budget line for Operations, Safety, and Regulation.

OIL SPILL RESEARCH

The bill provides $14,899,000 for Oil Spill Research.

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT

REGULATION AND TECHNOLOGY

The bill provides $123,253,000 for Regulation and Technology. Within this amount, the bill funds regulatory grants at $68,590,000, equal to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. The Committees find that the budget proposal to reduce regulatory grants would undermine the State-based regulatory system. It is imperative that States continue to operate protective regulatory programs as delegation of authority to the States is the cornerstone of the surface mining regulatory program. Further, the agreement does not provide funds to expand and enhance Federal oversight activities of State programs.

Stream Buffer Zone Rule.—The Committees are concerned about the work at OSMRE on the Stream Buffer Zone rule and note that more than half of the States who agreed to work as participating agencies have withdrawn from the process. The Committees are concerned that OSMRE is not working with important State partners in an effective manner and believe that OSMRE should reengage State partners in a meaningful manner before finalizing the Stream Buffer Zone rule. To achieve the best outcome possible, OSMRE is directed to provide the States with all technical reports, data, analyses, comments received, and drafts relative to the environmental reviews, draft and final environmental impact statements, and meet with any State with primacy during such process at the request of the State.

ABANDONED MINE RECLAMATION FUND

The bill provides $117,303,000 for the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund. Of the funds provided, $27,303,000 shall be derived from the Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund and $90,000,000 shall be derived from the General Fund. The agreement provides $90,000,000 for grants to States for the reclamation of abandoned mine lands in conjunction with economic and community development and reuse goals. Such grants shall be distributed to States in accordance with the goals, intent and direction provided under this heading in House Report 114–170.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION

OPERATION OF INDIAN PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $2,267,924,000 for Operation of Indian Programs. Fixed costs and transfers are included along with additional details in the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement. The agreement includes the following instructions and program changes to the fiscal year 2015 enacted level:

Contract Support.—The agreement moves Contract Support and the Indian Self-Determination Fund to a new account, as described in further detail below.

Social Services.—The agreement includes a $4,000,000 program increase in Social Services for implementation of the Tiwahe initiative.

Trust.—Natural Resources Management.—The agreement provides $191,846,000 for Trust—Natural Resources Management. Program increases include $2,000,000 for rights protection implementation; and $4,000,000 for forestry projects, of which $2,000,000 is for forest thinning, and $2,000,000 is for fire recovery.

Bureau of Indian Education.—The agreement provides $852,367,000 for the Bureau of Indian Education. Program increases include $10,881,000 to fully fund estimated tribal grant support costs; $7,000,000 for facilities operations; $7,000,000 for facilities maintenance; $500,000 to restore juvenile detention education program grants; $2,550,000 for education program management; and $2,000,000 for information technology. Tribal Education Departments (TEDs) are fully funded at $2,000,000 as requested.

Johnson O'Malley assistance grants are funded at $14,778,000. The Committees remain concerned about the accuracy of student counts. The Bureau is directed to consult with tribes and Congress before proposing any changes in the distribution of future funds or in the frequency or method of future counts.

Education program enhancements are funded at the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. The Bureau should consider transferring this line item to education program management in the fiscal year 2017 budget request to more accurately account for personnel.

Within the funding provided for the Early Child and Family Development Program, the Bureau shall not reduce funding for currently operating Family and Child Education programs. The Bureau is directed to publish its report on the 2013–14 school year internal review of early child and family development programs in order to improve program direction and transparency.

The agreement continues bill language providing the Secretary with the authority to approve satellite locations of existing BIE schools consistent with the guidance contained in the explanatory statement accompanying the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015.

Post-Secondary Program forward funding is increased by $5,100,000 to forward fund tribal technical colleges. This one-time increase provides a transition to forward funding, consistent with funding practices for most other tribal colleges. The Bureau is encouraged to include a proposal in the fiscal year 2017 budget request to transition the remaining tribal colleges and universities to forward funding.

The Committees remain concerned about recent Government Accountability Office (GAO) reports detailing problems within the K–12 Indian education system at the Department of the Interior, in particular as they pertain to organizational structure, accountability, finance, health and safety, and ultimately student performance. As the Department takes steps to reform the system, the Secretary is reminded that future support from Congress will continue to be based in large part upon successful implementation of GAO report recommendations. In particular, consistent with GAO report 13–774, the Secretary is urged to reorganize Indian Affairs so that control and accountability of the BIE system is consolidated within the BIE, to present such reorganization proposal in the fiscal year 2017 budget request, and to submit to the Committees a corresponding updated workforce plan. Consistent with GAO testimonies 15–389T, 15–539T, 15–597T, and any subsequent reports, the Secretary is urged to personally oversee immediate actions necessary to ensure the continued health and safety of students and employees at BIE schools and facilities.

Public Safety and Justice.—The agreement provides $377,423,000 for public safety and justice. Program increases include $3,000,000 for criminal investigations and police services. The Committees encourage BIA to continue to look for opportunities to improve public safety resources, especially child foster care services, on Spirit Lake Reservation. Other program increases include $3,000,000 in law enforcement special initiatives and $5,000,000 for tribal courts for the Tiwahe initiative; $11,000,000 for the Office of Tribal Justice Support, of which $1,000,000 is to

help implement the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013, and of which $10,000,000 is to work with Indian tribes and tribal organizations to assess needs, consider options, and design, develop, and pilot tribal court systems for tribal communities including those communities subject to full or partial State jurisdiction under Public Law 83–280.

Community and Economic Development.—The agreement includes $4,500,000 for the Indian Energy Service Center, as requested. Energy development holds much promise for Indian communities and it is the Committees' expectation that the new center will reduce much of the bureaucracy so that tribes may begin energy development without delay.

Tribal Recognition.—The Committees acknowledge concerns expressed by certain tribes, States, and bipartisan members of Congress regarding effects of recent changes in tribal recognition policy on standards that have been applied to new applicants since 1978. Federal acknowledgement of a tribe impacts the Federal budget, other tribes, State and local jurisdictions, and individual rights. The Committees expect the Administration to maintain rigorous recognition standards while implementing a more transparent, efficient, and workable process.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

The agreement includes new language establishing an indefinite appropriation for contract support costs estimated to be $277,000,000, which is an increase of $26,000,000 above the fiscal year 2015 level. The budget request proposed to fund these costs within the "Operation of Indian Programs" account through Contract Support and the Indian Self-Determination Fund budget lines. Under the new budget structure, the full amount tribes are entitled to will be paid and other programs will not be reduced in cases where the agency may have underestimated these payments when submitting its budget. Additional funds may be provided by the agency if its budget estimate proves to be lower than necessary to meet the legal obligation to pay the full amount due to tribes, but this account is solely for the purposes of paying contract support costs and no transfers from this account are permitted for other purposes. Similar to the President's request for calculating contract support costs, this provision also applies to new and expanded Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act agreements funded through the Indian Self-Determination Fund activity.

CONSTRUCTION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $193,973,000 for Construction. In addition to the funding allocation table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions:

Education.—This appropriation completes the 2004 replacement school construction list and provides $8,000,000 towards planning and design of schools on the next list, as requested. The Committees encourage the Administration to continue to work with tribal

leaders in a transparent manner to complete the next list in time for fiscal year 2017 budget consideration.

This appropriation also restores the replacement facilities construction line item, as requested. Serious health and safety hazards exist at BIE facilities across the country, including the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. The Secretary is directed to develop a comprehensive plan to work with tribes to repair and replace all substandard educational facilities, especially facilities being used for purposes other than those for which they were built.

Combined, these appropriations begin to restore the education construction budget which has declined significantly in recent years. Regardless of whether tribes choose to exercise their self-determination rights to run schools in the BIE system, the Federal government retains ownership of the schools and the responsibility to ensure that the schools are properly maintained, repaired, improved, and ultimately replaced at the end of their lifespan, according to best practices across education systems nationwide. That is why the Committees are concerned about the current approach to construction, which focuses on a subset of schools in the worst condition and requires those schools to submit applications and compete for the funding. Going forward, the Committees believe that the Bureau should conduct comprehensive, long-term facilities planning and expect the Bureau to model its efforts on the process used by the Department of Defense (DOD) to produce its 2009 report to Congress on modernizing and improving all DOD schools.

The Committees strongly support efforts to identify innovative alternative financing options to accelerate the pace of repair and replacement for the Bureau of Indian Education schools, including the use of bonding authority. The Committees urge the Department to explore, in consultation with the Department of the Treasury, the best available approach to meet repayment obligations and to fund the construction, rehabilitation, and repair of Bureau of Indian Education schools.

The agreement includes a one-time funding amount of $5,000,000 above the President's request for BIE facilities and improvement repair projects that can be completed promptly and to address the backlog of critical deferred maintenance projects.

INDIAN LAND AND WATER CLAIMS SETTLEMENTS AND MISCELLANEOUS PAYMENTS TO INDIANS

The bill provides $49,475,000 for Indian Land and Water Claims Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians. The Committees appreciate the importance of settling the numerous land and water settlements, and direct the Department to submit a spending plan to the Committees within 90 days of enactment of this Act for how it plans to allocate the funds provided by this bill for the specific settlements.

INDIAN GUARANTEED LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The bill provides $7,748,000 for the Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account.

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS

The agreement provides $721,769,000 for Departmental Offices, Office of the Secretary, Departmental Operations. The detailed allocation of funding by program area and activity is included in the table at the end of the statement. The agreement provides $12,618,000 for the Office of Valuation Services.

Increases above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level include $1,288,000 to support the Office of Natural Resources Revenue (ONRR) Onshore Production Verification pilot and $2,600,000 as requested for ONRR to help with certain Trust responsibilities for the Osage Nation consistent with the services ONRR already provides to every other tribe. The agreement also includes $452,000,000 to fully fund the Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program for fiscal year 2016. The agreement does not provide requested funds for the Coastal Resilience Fund.

The Secretary is reminded that Congress supports the use of Federal land for energy corridors where appropriate, and that nothing in P.L. 113–135 limits or otherwise alters the Secretary's authority to issue and administer right-of-way grants or right-of-use authorizations for transmission lines within the Section 368 West-Wide Energy Corridor 39–231 on the Federal land described in P.L. 113–135.

Experienced Services Program.—The agreement does not include language authorizing the establishment of the Department of the Interior Experienced Services Program as proposed by the Senate. While the Committees support the Department's goal of utilizing the skills of older workers to help it accomplish its mission, the Committees urge the Department to work closely with the authorizing committees of jurisdiction in the House and Senate to achieve this goal within the context of reauthorizing the Older Americans Act.

National Monument Designations.—The Department is directed to collaboratively work with interested parties, including Congress, States, local communities, tribal governments, and others, before making national monument designations.

Royalty Rate Study.—The Committees request a Government Accountability Office (GAO) study of the relationship between increasing royalty rates on oil, gas, and coal production on Federal lands and the relative competitiveness of Federal lands for exploration and production versus State and private lands, as well as any resulting effect on the Federal treasury. GAO shall report the results to the Committees no later than one year after enactment of this Act.

INSULAR AFFAIRS

ASSISTANCE TO TERRITORIES

The agreement provides $86,976,000 for Assistance to Territories. In addition to the funding allocation table at the end of this

explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions:

The agreement recognizes that the Office of Insular Affairs' most impactful spending is through the Technical Assistance Program to fund projects to improve drinking water, sanitation, health, safety, and economic opportunity and sustainability. The agreement directs these funds to be awarded accordingly and does not provide funding for new initiatives proposed in the budget request. Additionally, the Office of Insular Affairs is directed to continue to award non-competitive technical assistance funds to support investments in civic education programs for Insular Area students.

COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION

The agreement provides $3,318,000 for Compact of Free Association. The detailed allocation of funding is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $65,800,000 for the Office of the Solicitor. The detailed allocation of funding is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $50,047,000 for the Office of Inspector General. The detailed allocation of funding is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

OFFICE OF THE SPECIAL TRUSTEE FOR AMERICAN INDIANS

FEDERAL TRUST PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $139,029,000 for the Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $816,745,000 for Department of the Interior Wildland Fire Management, which is $11,966,000 above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. Of the funds provided, $291,673,000 is for suppression operations, which combined with $177,000,000 in the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund, provides a total of $468,673,000 for Department of the Interior fire suppression activities. This amount exceeds the ten-year average for suppression by $85,000,000 to provide additional resources, as requested, based upon up-to-date forecasting models. The detailed allocation of fund-

ing for these accounts is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

Hazardous Fuels Management.—The agreement provides $170,000,000 for hazardous fuels management activities, which is $6,000,000 above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level.

FLAME WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION RESERVE FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $177,000,000 for the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund.

CENTRAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FUND

The agreement provides $10,010,000 for the Central Hazardous Materials Fund.

NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT AND RESTORATION

NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGE ASSESSMENT FUND

The agreement provides $7,767,000 for the Natural Resource Damage Assessment Fund. The detailed allocation of funding by activity is included in the table at the end of this explanatory statement.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The agreement provides $67,100,000 for the Department of the Interior, Working Capital Fund. The increase above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level is to improve cybersecurity throughout the Department and its bureaus.

GENERAL PROVISIONS, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes various legislative provisions affecting the Department in Title I of the bill, "General Provisions, Department of the Interior." The provisions are:

Section 101 provides Secretarial authority for the intra-bureau transfer of program funds for expenditures in cases of emergencies when all other emergency funds are exhausted.

Section 102 provides for the Department-wide expenditure or transfer of funds by the Secretary in the event of actual or potential emergencies including forest fires, range fires, earthquakes, floods, volcanic eruptions, storms, oil spills, grasshopper and Mormon cricket outbreaks, and surface mine reclamation emergencies.

Section 103 provides for the use of appropriated funds by the Secretary for contracts, rental cars and aircraft, telephone expenses, and other certain services.

Section 104 provides for the transfer of funds from the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education, and Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians.

Section 105 permits the redistribution of tribal priority allocation and tribal base funds to alleviate funding inequities.

Section 106 authorizes the acquisition of lands for the purpose of operating and maintaining facilities that support visitors to Ellis, Governors, and Liberty Islands.

Section 107 continues Outer Continental Shelf inspection fees to be collected by the Secretary of the Interior.

Section 108 authorizes the Secretary of the Interior to continue the reorganization of the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation, and Enforcement in conformance with Committee reprogramming guidelines.

Section 109 provides the Secretary of the Interior with authority to enter into multi-year cooperative agreements with non-profit organizations for long-term care of wild horses and burros.

Section 110 addresses the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's responsibilities for mass marking of salmonid stocks.

Section 111 modifies a provision addressing Bureau of Land Management actions regarding grazing on public lands.

Section 112 continues a provision prohibiting funds to implement, administer, or enforce Secretarial Order 3310 issued by the Secretary of the Interior on December 22, 2010.

Section 113 extends a provision allowing the Bureau of Indian Education authority to rent or lease land and facilities and retain the receipts.

Section 114 addresses the National Park Service's ability to implement the Volunteers in Parks program in anticipation of increased volunteer activity related to the Service's Centennial in 2016.

Section 115 allows the Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education to more efficiently and effectively perform reimbursable work.

Section 116 addresses National Heritage Areas.

Section 117 addresses the issuance of rules for sage-grouse.

Section 118 continues a provision providing the Secretary of the Interior certain onshore pay authority.

Section 119 extends authorization for certain payments to the Republic of Palau for fiscal year 2016.

Section 120 allows certain funds to be used for waterfowl conservation.

Section 121 continues a provision which directs the Secretary of the Interior to make certain certifications with respect to existing rights of way. The section also retains a provision limiting funding for a proposal to approve specified rights-of-way on the Mojave National Preserve or lands managed by the Needles Field Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

TITLE II—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

The bill provides $8,139,887,000 for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Congressional Budget Justification.—The Agency is directed to continue to include the information requested in House Report 112–331 and any proposals to change State allocation formulas that affect the distribution of appropriated funds in future budget justifications.

Reprogramming.—The Agency is held to the reprogramming limitation of $1,000,000 and should continue to follow the reprogram-

ming directives as provided in the front of this explanatory statement. Further, the Agency may not use any amount of deobligated funds to initiate a new program, office, or initiative, without the prior approval of the Committees.

Within 30 days of enactment of this Act, the Agency is directed to submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations its annual operating plan for fiscal year 2016, which shall detail how the Agency plans to allocate funds at the program project level.

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

The bill provides $734,648,000 for Science and Technology programs and transfers $18,850,000 from the Hazardous Substance Superfund account to this account. The bill provides the following specific funding levels and direction:

Homeland Security.—The agreement includes $37,122,000 and the Agency shall allocate funds to programs under this heading consistent with fiscal year 2015 levels.

Indoor Air and Radiation.—The agreement includes $5,997,000 and the proposed elimination of radon activities has been rejected.

Research: National Priorities.—The bill provides $4,100,000 which shall be used for extramural research grants, independent of the Science to Achieve Results (STAR) grant program, to fund high-priority water quality and availability research by not-for-profit organizations who often partner with the Agency. Because these grants are independent of the STAR grant program, the Agency should strive to award grants in as large an amount as is possible to achieve the most scientifically significant research. Funds shall be awarded competitively with priority given to partners proposing research of national scope and who provide a 25 percent match. The Agency is directed to allocate funds to grantees within 180 days of enactment of this Act. Further, the bill provides $3,000,000 as directed in House Report 114–170. In addition, the bill provides $7,000,000 for certification and compliance activities related to vehicle and engine emissions, of which the Agency is directed to provide at least $5,000,000 in extramural resources.

Research: Safe and Sustainable Water Resources.—The agreement includes $107,434,000 and the Agency shall follow the direction under this heading in Senate Report 114–70.

Additional Guidance.—The agreement includes the following additional guidance:

Validation of Scientifically Significant Studies.—The Agency shall follow the direction under this heading in Senate Report 114–70.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAMS AND MANAGEMENT

The bill provides $2,613,679,000 for Environmental Programs and Management and includes the following specific funding levels and direction:

Clean Air and Climate.—The Agency shall allocate funds consistent with fiscal year 2015.

Environmental Protection: National Priorities.—The bill provides $12,700,000 for a competitive grant program to provide technical assistance for improved water quality or safe drinking water to

rural and urban communities or individual private well owners. The Agency is directed to provide $11,000,000 for grants to qualified not-for-profit organizations, on a national or multi-State regional basis, for the sole purpose of providing on-site training and technical assistance for water systems in rural or urban communities. The Agency is also directed to provide $1,700,000 for grants to qualified not-for-profit organizations for technical assistance for individual private well owners, with priority given to organizations that currently provide technical and educational assistance to individual private well owners. The Agency shall require each grantee to provide a minimum 10 percent match, including in-kind contributions. The Agency is directed to allocate funds to grantees within 180 days of enactment of this Act.

Geographic Programs.—The bill provides $427,737,000, as distributed in the table at the end of this division, and includes the following direction:

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI).—The bill provides $300,000,000 and the Agency shall continue to follow the direction as provided in House Report 112–589.

Chesapeake Bay.—The bill provides $73,000,000 and the Agency shall allocate funds consistent with the direction under this heading in Senate Report 114–70.

Indoor Air and Radiation.—The agreement includes $27,637,000. The Agency shall follow the rulemaking direction under this heading in Senate Report 114–70. The proposed elimination of the radon program has been rejected and the Agency shall allocate funds consistent with fiscal year 2015.

Toxics Risk Review and Prevention.—The agreement includes $92,521,000 and the Agency shall maintain funding for the Office of Pollution Prevention and Toxics and for the endocrine disruptor program at not less than the fiscal year 2015 level.

Water: Ecosystems.—The agreement includes $47,788,000 and the Agency shall allocate funds consistent with fiscal year 2015. In addition, the Committees direct EPA to use the funds provided to accelerate the processing of mining permits with the Corps of Engineers. Further, the Committees direct EPA, in consultation with the Corps of Engineers, to continue to report monthly on the number of Section 404 permits under EPA's review, consistent with the direction under this heading in House Report 114–170. Additionally, the Agency is directed to provide $600,000 to each National Estuary Program (NEP) funded under Section 320 of the Clean Water Act.

Water: Human Health Protection.—The agreement includes $98,507,000. The proposed elimination of the beach program has been rejected and funding is maintained at the fiscal year 2015 level.

Water Quality Protection.—The agreement includes $210,417,000 and the Agency shall allocate funds consistent with fiscal year 2015.

Additional Guidance.—The agreement includes the following additional guidance:

Combined Sewer Overflows.—The agreement includes bill language related to sewage discharges into the Great Lakes and no

further directives. The Committees urge the Agency to expeditiously complete the study required by P.L. 113–235.

Conflicts of Interest.—The Agency has not yet resolved longstanding questions regarding conflicts of interest that have spanned multiple Administrations. For fiscal year 2016, the Administrator shall develop a policy statement on science quality and integrity that shall be adhered to by the Science Advisory Board (SAB) and all Board members. Such policy statement shall be consistent with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Ethics in Government Act, and all other applicable Federal laws and regulations. EPA's policy statement should include goals on increasing membership from States and tribes who are often underrepresented, as noted in the May 2014 National Academy of Sciences review of EPA's IRIS program. Should the Administrator decide that financial-related metrics are appropriate to identify conflicts-of-interest or bias, then EPA's policy shall also include an evaluation of potential bias based on a variety of factors including receipt of former and current Federal grants or public statements or positions as well as other appropriate safeguards to ensure balance amongst SAB and other advisory board experts. In addition, the policy statement shall include direction on the treatment of public comments and responses to such comments.

When complete, the Committees direct EPA to submit the draft policy statement to the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) for review of the updated conflict of interest policy, policy for committee composition and balance, and eligibility requirements for service on the SAB that will ensure fairness and objectivity. GAO shall determine if the updated policies meet the intent of the directives above and, if so, shall certify to the Committees on Appropriations that EPA's conflict of interest policies offer a balanced framework. The Agency is directed to submit these required documents to GAO for review no later than 90 days from the date of enactment of this Act.

Gold King Mine.—The Committees are concerned about the impacts following the Gold King Mine Spill on August 5, 2015 and believe long-term monitoring efforts are an important need following this event. Further, the Committees are concerned that EPA's monitoring plan does not have the full support from impacted States and tribes. Therefore, EPA is directed to coordinate with impacted States and tribes on development of a robust, long-term plan for independent monitoring. With existing funds, the Agency is directed to continue to seek ways to provide States and tribes with support for their contribution to monitoring efforts.

HAZARDOUS WASTE ELECTRONIC MANIFEST SYSTEM FUND

The bill provides $3,674,000 for the Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System Fund. The Committees continue to support the expeditious development of a system that would allow for the electronic tracking of hazardous waste shipments pursuant to P.L. 112–195. As anticipated costs continue to exceed authorized levels, the Committees direct EPA to work with appropriate Committees to extend the authorization for appropriations beyond fiscal year 2015 and provide estimates of costs to operate the system once built.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The bill provides $41,489,000 for the Office of Inspector General.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The bill provides $42,317,000 for Buildings and Facilities.

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SUPERFUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The bill provides $1,088,769,000 for the Hazardous Substance Superfund account and includes bill language to transfer $9,939,000 to the Office of Inspector General account and $18,850,000 to the Science and Technology account. The bill provides the following additional direction:

Superfund Cleanup.—The Committees understand the funding is insufficient to eliminate the backlog of unfunded new starts but the Committees expect the Agency will use funds provided to initiate remediation at highly contaminated, orphan sites and support remedial pipeline activities that are critical prior to construction.

Financial Assurance.—Prior to proposing any rule pursuant to section 108(b) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 9608(b)), the Administrator is directed to collect and analyze information from the commercial insurance and financial industries regarding the use and availability of necessary instruments (including surety bonds, letters of credit and insurance) for meeting any new financial responsibility requirements and to make that analysis available to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and to the general public on the Agency website 90 days prior to a proposed rulemaking. In addition, the analysis shall include the Agency's plan to avoid requiring financial assurances that are duplicative of those already required by other Federal agencies.

Lead at Superfund Sites.—The agreement includes the directive in the House and Senate Reports that the Agency contract with the National Academy of Sciences to conduct a study of lead at Superfund sites. The agreement narrows the scope of the study to Superfund sites within, adjacent or proximal to the nation's largest lead mining districts. The Agency's authority shall not be impacted during the pendency of the study.

LEAKING UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK TRUST FUND PROGRAM

The bill provides $91,941,000 for the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Program.

INLAND OIL SPILL PROGRAMS

The bill provides $18,209,000 for Inland Oil Spill Programs.

STATE AND TRIBAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS

The bill provides $3,518,161,000 for the State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) program and includes the following specific funding levels and direction:

Diesel Emissions Reductions Grants (DERA).—The bill provides $50,000,000 for DERA grants. The Agency shall continue to make

at least 70 percent of DERA grants available to improve air quality in non-attainment areas. The Committees encourage EPA to provide a third report to Congress prior to January 1, 2016, that includes the analysis requested in Public Law 111–364.

Targeted Airshed Grants.—The bill provides $20,000,000 for targeted airshed grants to reduce air pollution in non-attainment areas. These grants shall be distributed on a competitive basis to non-attainment areas that EPA determines are ranked as the top five most polluted areas relative to annual ozone or particulate matter 2.5 standards as well as the top five areas based on the 24-hour particulate matter 2.5 standard where the design values exceed the 35 μg/m3 standard. To determine these areas, the Agency shall use the most recent design values calculated from validated air quality data. The Committees note that these funds are available for emission reduction activities deemed necessary for compliance with national ambient air quality standards and included in a State Implementation Plan submitted to EPA. Not later than the end of fiscal year 2016, EPA should provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations that includes a table showing how fiscal year 2015 and 2016 funds were allocated. The table should also include grant recipients and metrics for anticipated or actual results.

Categorical Grants.—The bill provides $1,081,041,000 for Categorical Grants and funding levels are specified in the table at the end of this division. The Agency shall allocate radon grants in fiscal year 2016 following the direction in House Report 114–170. The amount also includes $228,219,000 for the State and Local Air Quality Management grant program, and the Agency is directed to allocate funds following the direction for this program in Senate Report 114–70.

Multipurpose Grants to States and Tribes.—The bill provides $21,000,000 for grants to States and tribes to assist with the implementation of environmental programs. Funds allow States and tribes to have the flexibility to direct resources for the implementation of high priority activities, including the processing of permits, which complement programs under established environmental statutes. EPA is directed to allocate these funds by formula to States and tribes no later than 180 days from the date of enactment of this Act.

Use of Iron and Steel.—The bill includes language in Title IV General Provisions that stipulates requirements for the use of iron and steel in State Revolving Fund projects. The agreement includes only the following guidance. The Committees acknowledge that EPA may issue a waiver of said requirements for *de minimis* amounts of iron and steel building materials. The Committees emphasize that any coating processes that are applied to the external surface of iron and steel components that otherwise qualify under the procurement preference shall not render such products ineligible for the procurement preference regardless of where the coating processes occur, provided that final assembly of the products occurs in the United States.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The bill includes language that addresses the collection and expenditure of pesticide fees, allows cooperative agreements to tribes, allows transfer of funds for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative, and authorizes amounts for one-time facility repairs.

Cybersecurity.—The bill provides $27,000,000 to be used to meet Federal requirements for cybersecurity implementation.

Rescission.—The bill rescinds $40,000,000 of unobligated balances from the State and Tribal Assistance Grants account. The Agency is directed to rescind $8,000,000 in unobligated balances from prior year administrative set asides and $32,000,000 shall be derived from new obligational authority provided in the State and Tribal Assistance Grants appropriation account. The Agency shall calculate the requisite percent reduction necessary to rescind $32,000,000 of new obligational authority and apply it across program areas by formula. Thirty days prior to executing the rescission, the Agency shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations detailing the amount of rescission by program project.

Restrictions on Certain Communications.—The agreement does not include revised language contained in Section 401 of the Senate bill regarding the use of appropriations by agencies for publicity or propaganda in support or opposition to proposed regulations or administrative actions. On December 14, 2015, the Government Accountability Office (GAO) concluded that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in association with its Waters of the United States rulemaking, violated existing prohibitions against publicity or propaganda and grassroots lobbying contained in prior appropriations acts. Because EPA expended funds in violation of these prohibitions, the GAO further concluded that EPA violated the Antideficiency Act. In addition to the reporting requirements that are required as a result of this Antideficiency Act violation, EPA is directed to coordinate with the Office of Management and Budget to ensure that GAO's findings are disseminated to communications offices throughout the government.

TITLE III—RELATED AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

Forest Service Directives.—The Forest Service is reminded of the importance of the directives included in House Report 114–170 and Senate Report 114–70 not addressed herein, as well as the new directives in this statement, including the Front Matter.

FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $291,000,000 for Forest and Rangeland Research. This includes $75,000,000 for Forest Inventory and Analysis (FIA), which is sufficient to expand FIA to interior Alaska.

The Service is directed to continue to prioritize research on white-nose syndrome in bats. The Service also is directed to provide a report, such as is prepared each year by the Agricultural Re-

search Service, to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations in conjunction with the transmission of the fiscal year 2017 budget request, that describes its research program in detail. The report should include information on each research laboratory, including their relationship to the research stations, their goals and purpose, the funding provided for each of the previous five fiscal years, the funding proposed to be provided in fiscal year 2017, the allocation of funding between research and administrative costs, the allocation of funding and projects between in-house and extramural research, the number of scientists and support staff, and major accomplishments. The report also should include similar information for each research station.

STATE AND PRIVATE FORESTRY

The agreement provides $237,023,000 for State and Private Forestry. The following directions are also provided:

Forest Legacy.—The bill provides $62,347,000 for the Forest Legacy program. This includes $6,400,000 for program administration and $55,947,000 for projects. The Service should fund projects in priority order according to the competitively selected national priority list submitted by the Forest Service as part of its fiscal year 2016 budget request.

NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $1,509,364,000 for the National Forest System. The following directions are also provided:

Integrated Resource Restoration (IRR).—The agreement continues the IRR pilot in Regions 1, 3, and 4. As previously noted in the House and Senate reports, there remains concern about the lack of tangible accomplishments produced by IRR projects to date, and as such, the agreement rejects the proposal to expand IRR to the entire Forest Service. Absent tangible accomplishments, an expansion of the IRR program is unlikely to be accepted in the future.

Rangeland Management.—The Service is directed, to the greatest extent practicable, to make vacant grazing allotments available to a holder of a grazing permit or lease when lands covered by the holder of the permit or lease are unusable because of drought or wildfire.

Recreation, Heritage and Wilderness.—The agreement provides $261,719,000 for recreation, heritage and wilderness.

Vegetation and Watershed Management.—The agreement provides $184,716,000 for vegetation and watershed management activities, of which no less than $5,400,000 is to implement authorities granted by section 8204 of the Agricultural Act of 2014.

Law Enforcement Operations.—The Service is expected to increase its efforts regarding illegal marijuana cultivation on public lands within the funds provided.

Bighorn Sheep Conservation.—In order to ensure the Nation does not lose its domestic sheep industry or bighorn sheep conservation legacy, the Service and the Bureau of Land Management shall implement a variety of solutions, including the following directives: The agencies are directed to complete risk of contact analyses using

appropriate data sources, such as from the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, and to share the findings with the public. The Service is expected to engage the Agricultural Research Service to ensure the best scientific understanding of where disease transmission occurs and the degree of that risk and to assist the Forest Service with identifying all allotments that are suitable for sheep grazing. The Service and Bureau of Land Management also are directed to identify and implement actions to resolve issues on allotments with a high risk of disease transmission, including, if agreeable to the directly affected stakeholders, the relocation of domestic sheep to allotments with a low risk, pending any site-specific environmental analysis. Together, the agencies are encouraged to convene a meeting of stakeholders interested in collaborating on strategies and solutions to address the risk of disease transmission and to report to the Committees on implementation of these directives within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

The Service is reminded of the guidance provided in Senate Report 114–70 regarding the Mark Twain National Forest, the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund, and the Tongass National Forest young growth inventory and other Region 10 activities.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $364,164,000 for Capital Improvement and Maintenance programs offset by a $16,000,000 scoring credit related to the road and trail fund.

LAND ACQUISITION

The agreement provides $63,435,000 for Land Acquisition. The amounts recommended by this bill compared with the budget estimates by activity are shown in the table below, listed in priority order pursuant to the budget request for fiscal year 2016. Prior to proceeding with any Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail acquisitions, the Service is directed to submit to the Committees a list of specific parcels for Committee approval. The Service is expected to use the Critical Inholdings/Wilderness account to acquire high priority lands, such as wilderness and lands of significant value in designated conservation units, to consolidate Federal ownership. Further instructions are contained under the Land and Water Conservation Fund heading in the front of this explanatory statement.

State	Project	Forest Units	Budget Request	This Bill
CO	Upper Rio Grande	Rio Grande	$5,000,000	$5,000,000
CA	Hurdygurdy	Six Rivers	700,000	700,000
UT	Wasatch Watersheds—Bonneville Shoreline Trail.	Uinta-Wasatch-Cache	2,320,000	2,320,000
NC	North Carolina's Threatened Treasures.	Pisgah	1,250,000	1,250,000
NC	North Carolina's Threatened Treasures.	Uwharrie	450,000	440,000
MT	High Divide	Beaverhead-Deerlodge	1,525,000	1,525,000
ID	High Divide	Caribou-Targhee	1,625,000	1,625,000
ID	High Divide	Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.	425,000	425,000

State	Project	Forest Units	Budget Request	This Bill
ID	High Divide	Sawtooth	2,500,000	2,500,000
CA	Sierra Nevada Checkerboard.	Eldorado	1,400,000	1,100,000
CO	Toll Properties	Roosevelt	800,000	800,000
TN	Tennessee Mountains	Cherokee	1,635,000	1,635,000
MO	Current River	Mark Twain	2,070,000	2,070,000
VA/WV	Rivers of the Chesapeake	George Washington and Jefferson.	1,990,000	1,990,000
AZ	Fossil Creek	Coconino	1,000,000	1,000,000
MN	Minnesota Northwoods	Chippewa	2,175,000	2,175,000
MN	Minnesota Northwoods	Superior	515,000	515,000
FL	Florida Longleaf Initiative	Osceola	3,900,000	3,900,000
WA	National Trails	Pacific Crest NST	3,000,000	3,000,000
CA	National Trails	Pacific Crest NST	200,000	200,000
WY	Upper Gros Ventre	Bridger-Teton	1,000,000	1,000,000
OR	Pacific Northwest Streams	Umatilla	840,000	840,000
OR	Pacific Northwest Streams	Wallowa-Whitman	550,000	550,000
WY	Greater Yellowstone Area	Bridger-Teton	1,025,000	1,025,000
CA	Castle Crags	Shasta-Trinity	2,800,000	2,800,000
ID	High Divide	Sawtooth	2,300,000	2,300,000
MT	High Divide	Beaverhead-Deerlodge	200,000	200,000
MI	Great Lakes—Northwoods	Ottawa	1,800,000	1,800,000
	Additional Project Requests		2,255,000	0
Subtotal, Acquisitions			47,250,000	44,685,000
	Acquisition Management		8,500,000	8,500,000
	Cash Equalization		250,000	250,000
	Recreational Access		5,000,000	8,000,000
	Critical Inholdings/Wilderness.		2,000,000	2,000,000
Total, FS Land Acquisition.			63,000,000	63,435,000

ACQUISITION OF LANDS FOR NATIONAL FORESTS SPECIAL ACTS

The agreement provides $950,000 for the Acquisition of Lands for National Forests Special Acts.

ACQUISITION OF LANDS TO COMPLETE LAND EXCHANGES

The agreement provides $216,000 for the Acquisition of Lands to Complete Land Exchanges.

RANGE BETTERMENT FUND

The agreement provides $2,320,000 for the Range Betterment Fund.

GIFTS, DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS FOR FOREST AND RANGELAND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $45,000 for Gifts, Donations and Bequests for Forest and Rangeland Research.

MANAGEMENT OF NATIONAL FOREST LANDS FOR SUBSISTENCE USES

The agreement provides $2,500,000 for the Management of National Forest Lands for Subsistence Uses.

WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $2,386,329,000 for Forest Service Wildland Fire Management, which is $53,031,000 above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. Of the funds provided, $811,000,000 is for suppression operations, which combined with $823,000,000 in the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund provides a total of $1,634,000,000 for Forest Service fire suppression activities. This amount exceeds the ten-year average by $508,000,000 to provide additional resources, as requested, based on up-to-date forecasting models.

Hazardous Fuels Management.—The agreement provides $375,000,000 for hazardous fuels management activities, which is $13,251,000 above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. Within this amount, $15,000,000 is for biomass utilization grants, which the Service is expected to use for the development of products that will expand commercial markets for low-value wood to facilitate increased removal of biomass beyond traditional fuel treatments.

Fire Suppression Aviation.—The Service is directed to evaluate and provide the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations evidence of the cost savings expected to result from the acquisition of Federal aircraft. The evaluation should include costs charged to the Forest Service as well as those charged to other Federal agencies so that the Committees have an accurate accounting of the actual cost of Federal ownership compared with the utilization of private contractors.

FLAME WILDFIRE SUPPRESSION RESERVE FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $823,000,000 for the FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Fund.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

INDIAN HEALTH SERVICES

The agreement provides $3,566,387,000 for Indian Health Services. In addition to the table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions:

The agreement includes a $12,916,000 increase for the staffing of newly opened health facilities. This includes full funding of the Southern California Youth Treatment Center and the Choctaw Alternative Rural Healthcare Center (JV) as requested. Funds for the staffing of new facilities are limited to facilities funded through the Health Care Facilities Construction Priority System or the Joint Venture Construction Program that have opened in fiscal year 2015 or will open in fiscal year 2016. None of these funds may be allocated to a facility until such facility has achieved beneficial occupancy status.

The agreement includes requested pay costs along with a $10,000,000 program increase for the alcohol and substance abuse program to focus on tribal youth, a $1,400,000 program increase for

Dental Health, and $2,000,000 for operating shortfalls at community health clinics.

The agreement includes a $1,137,000 program increase for Urban Indian Health. The agency is directed to include current services estimates for Urban Indian Health in future budget requests. The Committees note the agency's failure to report the results of the needs assessment directed by House Report 111–180. Therefore, the recommendation includes bill language requiring a program strategic plan developed in consultation with urban Indians and the National Academy of Public Administration.

The Committees are concerned about loss and potential loss of CMS accreditation status at multiple IHS-operated facilities. These facilities are all located within the same Service Area, suggesting that the problems are systemic. Whatever the causes, the Committees consider the loss of accreditation to be an emergency. The agreement therefore includes $2,000,000 in new, flexible funding so that the Director may take actions necessary to ensure that CMS accreditation status is reinstated and retained, and, once accreditation has been reinstated, to restore third-party insurance reimbursement shortfalls.

CONTRACT SUPPORT COSTS

The agreement provides an indefinite appropriation for contract support costs estimated to be $717,970,000, which is an increase of $55,000,000 above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level. The budget request proposed to fund this program within the "Indian Health Services" account. Under this heading the Committees have provided the full amount of the request for contract support costs. By virtue of the indefinite appropriation, additional funds may be provided by the agency if its budget estimate proves to be lower than necessary to meet the legal obligation to pay the full amount due to tribes. This account is solely for the purposes of paying contract support costs and no transfers from this account are permitted for other purposes.

INDIAN HEALTH FACILITIES

The agreement provides $523,232,000 for Indian Health Facilities. In addition to the table at the end of this explanatory statement, the agreement includes the following instructions:

The agreement includes a $1,241,000 increase for the staffing of the newly opened health facilities noted under the previous heading. The stipulations included in the "Indian Health Services" account regarding the allocation of funds pertain to this account as well.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES

The agreement provides $77,349,000 for the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences.

AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY

TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH

The agreement provides $74,691,000 for the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry.

OTHER RELATED AGENCIES

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

The agreement provides $3,000,000 for the Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality.

CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $11,000,000 for the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.

OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $15,000,000 for the Office of Navajo and Hopi Indian Relocation. The increase above the budget request is to reduce the backlog of certified applicants awaiting relocation benefits.

INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT

PAYMENT TO THE INSTITUTE

The agreement provides $11,619,000 for the Institute of American Indian and Alaska Native Culture and Arts Development, as requested.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides a total of $840,243,000 for all Smithsonian Institution accounts, of which $696,045,000 is provided for salaries and expenses. The recommendation provides sufficient funds for staffing and maintenance needs to ensure the timely completion and opening of the National Museum of African American History and Culture in 2016. The Committees understand the importance of collaboration and encourage the National Zoological Park to form partnerships with external sources to augment research and training needs. The Committees maintain their longstanding commitment to the preservation of priceless, irreplaceable Smithsonian collections and have provided funds, as requested, for collections care and preservation. The Committees provide funds as requested for the Institution's Latino initiatives and support the Smithsonian Latino Center's goal of promoting the inclusion of

Latino contributions in Smithsonian Institution programs, exhibitions, collections, and public outreach. The Committees continue to urge collaboration between the Smithsonian Latino Center and appropriate Federal and local organizations in order to advance these goals and expand the American Latino presence at the Institution. Further, the Committees provide funds as requested for the Institution's Asian Pacific American initiatives and continue to support the Institution's efforts of developing programs and expanding outreach to promote a better understanding of the Asian Pacific American experience.

FACILITIES CAPITAL

The agreement provides $144,198,000 for the Facilities Capital account. The Committees continue to encourage the Institution to invest in innovative energy saving technologies and design features for new construction, renovation, and maintenance plans. The Institution is directed to submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, within 60 days of enactment of this Act, a detailed list and description of projects funded within the Facilities Capital account.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $124,988,000 for the Salaries and Expenses account of the National Gallery of Art, of which not to exceed $3,578,000 is for the special exhibition program. This funding will allow the entire National Gallery to be open to the public for its 75th anniversary.

REPAIR, RESTORATION AND RENOVATION OF BUILDINGS

The agreement provides $22,564,000 for the Repair, Restoration, and Renovation of Buildings account, which will allow critical fire protection and life safety improvements to continue.

JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

The agreement provides $21,660,000 for the Operations and Maintenance account.

CAPITAL REPAIR AND RESTORATION

The agreement provides $14,740,000 for the Capital Repair and Restoration account.

WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOLARS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $10,500,000 for the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides $147,949,000 for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). Within funds provided, the Committees urge the NEA to support programs presently funded including arts therapy and engagement treatment programs for service members. The Committees commend the NEA for its work through its Healing Arts Partnership program with Walter Reed National Military Medical Center and Fort Belvoir Community Hospital to incorporate arts therapy into the treatment of active-duty military patients and their families. The Committees urge State arts agencies, which have a longstanding collaborative relationship with the NEA, to explore providing arts therapy programs to service members and their families at the local level. The Committees direct that priority be given to providing services and grant funding for projects, productions, or programs that encourage public knowledge, education, understanding, and appreciation of the arts. The Committees maintain support for the 40 percent allocation for State arts agencies as proposed in the NEA's budget. Any reduction in support to the States for arts education should be no more than proportional to other funding decreases taken in other NEA programs.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides $147,942,000 for the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). The Committees commend the NEH for its support of grant programs to benefit Wounded Warriors and to ensure educational opportunities for American heroes transitioning to civilian life. The Committees commend the NEH Federal/State partnership for its ongoing, successful collaboration with State humanities councils in each of the 50 States as well as Washington, DC, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and American Samoa. The Committees urge the NEH to provide program funding to support the critical work of State humanities councils consistent with guidance provided in the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (P.L. 113–235).

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $2,653,000 for the Commission of Fine Arts.

NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

The agreement provides $2,000,000 for the National Capital Arts and Cultural Affairs program.

ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $6,080,000 for the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $8,348,000 for the National Capital Planning Commission.

UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM

The agreement provides $54,000,000 for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $1,000,000 for the Salaries and Expenses account, with only the following guidance: The Committees strongly support the construction of a permanent memorial to Dwight D. Eisenhower. The Committees recognize the memorial has obtained the required approvals for the design and construction; however, concerns raised by Congress and the Eisenhower family regarding the memorial design still remain. The Committees believe expeditious resolution of these issues between interested stakeholders to achieve consensus on the memorial design is critical. No funds have been appropriated to the Capital Construction account for fiscal year 2016. The agreement includes in Section 419 of Title IV General Provisions bill language contained in the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2016 (P.L. 114–53). This language extends the memorial's site authority and prevents commencement of memorial construction until all necessary construction funds have been appropriated.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes various legislative provisions in Title IV of the bill. The provisions are:

Section 401 continues a provision providing that appropriations available in the bill shall not be used to produce literature or otherwise promote public support of a legislative proposal on which legislative action is not complete.

Section 402 continues a provision providing for annual appropriations unless expressly provided otherwise in this Act.

Section 403 continues a provision providing restrictions on departmental assessments unless approved by the Committees on Appropriations.

Section 404 continues a limitation on accepting and processing applications for patents and on the patenting of Federal lands.

Section 405 continues a provision regarding the payment of contract support costs.

Section 406 addresses the payment of contract support costs for fiscal year 2016.

Section 407 continues a provision providing that the Secretary of Agriculture shall not be considered in violation of certain provisions of the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act solely because more than 15 years have passed without revision of a forest plan, provided that the Secretary is working in good faith to complete the plan revision.

Section 408 continues a provision limiting preleasing, leasing, and related activities within the boundaries of National Monuments.

Section 409 restricts funding appropriated for acquisition of land or interests in land from being used for declarations of taking or complaints in condemnation.

Section 410 continues a provision addressing timber sales involving Alaska western red and yellow cedar.

Section 411 continues a provision which prohibits no-bid contracts.

Section 412 continues a provision which requires public disclosure of certain reports.

Section 413 continues a provision which delineates the grant guidelines for the National Endowment for the Arts.

Section 414 continues a provision which delineates the program priorities for the programs managed by the National Endowment for the Arts.

Section 415 requires the Department of the Interior, Environmental Protection Agency, Forest Service and Indian Health Service to provide the Committees on Appropriations quarterly reports on the status of balances of appropriations.

Section 416 requires the President to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations no later than 120 days after submission of the fiscal year 2017 budget request describing Federal agency obligations and expenditures for climate change programs in fiscal years 2015 and 2016.

Section 417 continues a provision prohibiting the use of funds to promulgate or implement any regulation requiring the issuance of permits under Title V of the Clean Air Act for carbon dioxide, nitrous oxide, water vapor, or methane emissions.

Section 418 continues a provision prohibiting the use of funds to implement any provision in a rule if that provision requires mandatory reporting of greenhouse gas emissions from manure management systems.

Section 419 continues a provision modifying authorities relating to the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission.

Section 420 prohibits the use of funds to regulate the lead content of ammunition or fishing tackle.

Section 421 continues a provision through fiscal year 2017 authorizing the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to consider local contractors when awarding contracts for certain activities on public lands.

Section 422 extends the authorization for the Chesapeake Bay Initiative.

Section 423 extends certain authorities through fiscal year 2016 allowing the Forest Service to renew grazing permits.

Section 424 sets requirements for the use of American iron and steel for certain loans and grants.

Section 425 establishes notification requirements for the Great Lakes.

Section 426 reauthorizes for one year the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.

Section 427 reauthorizes funding for one year for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

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TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR					
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT					
Management of Lands and Resources					
Land Resources:					
Soil, water and air management	43,239	46,755	43,609	+370	-3,146
Rangeland management	79,000	76,444	79,000	---	+2,556
Grazing administration management	---	16,500	---	---	-16,500
Grazing administration management offsetting collections	---	-16,500	---	---	+16,500
Forestry management	9,838	9,980	9,980	+142	---
Riparian management	21,321	22,784	21,321	---	-1,463
Cultural resources management	15,131	17,206	16,131	+1,000	-1,075
Wild horse and burro management	77,245	80,555	80,555	+3,310	---
Subtotal	245,774	253,724	250,596	+4,822	-3,128
Wildlife and Fisheries:					
Wildlife management	52,338	89,381	89,381	+37,043	---
Fisheries management	12,530	12,685	12,530	---	-155
Subtotal	64,868	102,066	101,911	+37,043	-155
Threatened and endangered species	21,458	21,567	21,567	+109	---

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Recreation Management:					
Wilderness management	18,264	18,559	18,264	---	-295
Recreation resources management	48,697	56,851	51,197	+2,500	-5,654
Subtotal	66,961	75,410	69,461	+2,500	-5,949
Energy and Minerals:					
Oil and gas management	53,183	59,671	59,671	+6,488	---
Oil and gas permit processing	32,500	7,125	7,125	-25,375	---
Oil and gas inspection and enforcement	41,126	48,000	48,000	+6,874	---
Subtotal, Oil and gas	126,809	114,796	114,796	-12,013	---
Oil and gas permit processing fees	-32,500	---	---	+32,500	---
Oil and gas inspection and enforcement fees	---	-48,000	---	---	+48,000
Subtotal, offsetting collections	-32,500	-48,000	---	+32,500	+48,000
Coal management	9,595	10,868	10,868	+1,273	---
Other mineral resources	10,586	11,879	11,879	+1,293	---
Renewable energy	29,061	29,356	29,061	---	-295
Subtotal, Energy and Minerals	143,551	118,899	166,604	+23,053	+47,705

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Realty and Ownership Management:					
Alaska conveyance	22,000	22,220	22,000	---	-220
Cadastral, lands, and realty management	45,658	51,252	51,252	+5,594	---
Subtotal	67,658	73,472	73,252	+5,594	-220
Resource Protection and Maintenance:					
Resource management planning	38,125	59,341	48,125	+10,000	-11,216
Abandoned mine lands	16,987	19,946	19,946	+2,959	---
Resource protection and law enforcement	25,325	25,495	25,495	+170	---
Hazardous materials management	15,612	15,786	15,612	---	-174
Subtotal	96,049	120,568	109,178	+13,129	-11,390
Transportation and Facilities Maintenance:					
Annual maintenance	38,637	38,942	38,942	+305	---
Deferred maintenance	26,995	31,387	31,387	+4,392	---
Subtotal	65,632	70,329	70,329	+4,697	---
Workforce and Organizational Support:					
Administrative support	47,127	50,942	50,942	+3,815	---
Bureauwide fixed costs	91,010	93,645	93,645	+2,635	---
Information technology management	25,696	25,958	25,958	+262	---
Subtotal	163,833	170,545	170,545	+6,712	---
Challenge cost share	2,413	12,416	2,413	---	-10,003

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National landscape conservation system, base program..	31,819	48,470	36,819	+5,000	-11,651
Communication site management.....	2,000	2,000	2,000	---	---
Offsetting collections.....	-2,000	-2,000	-2,000	---	---
Subtotal, Management of lands and resources.....	970,016	1,067,466	1,072,675	+102,659	+5,209
Mining Law Administration:					
Administration.....	39,696	39,696	39,696	---	---
Offsetting collections.....	-57,000	-56,000	-56,000	+1,000	---
Subtotal, Mining Law Administration.....	-17,304	-16,304	-16,304	+1,000	---
Total, Management of Lands and Resources.....	952,712	1,051,162	1,056,371	+103,659	+5,209
Land Acquisition					
Land Acquisition.....	14,226	30,384	27,014	+12,788	-3,370
Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings.....	1,616	1,616	1,616	---	---
Acquisition Management.....	1,904	2,000	2,000	+96	---
Recreational Access.....	2,000	4,000	8,000	+6,000	+4,000
Total, Land acquisition.....	19,746	38,000	38,630	+18,884	+630
Oregon and California Grant Lands					
Western Oregon resources management.....	101,423	95,255	95,255	-6,168	---
Western Oregon information and resource data systems..	1,772	1,786	1,786	+14	---

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Western Oregon transportation & facilities maintenance	9,517	9,602	9,602	+85	---
Western Oregon construction and acquisition	312	324	324	+12	---
Western Oregon national monument	753	767	767	+14	---
Total, Oregon and California Grant Lands	113,777	107,734	107,734	-6,043	---
Range Improvements					
Current appropriations	10,000	10,000	10,000	---	---
Service Charges, Deposits, and Forfeitures					
Service charges, deposits, and forfeitures	32,465	31,050	31,050	-1,415	---
Offsetting fees	-32,465	-31,050	-31,050	+1,415	---
Total, Service Charges, Deposits & Forfeitures	---	---	---	---	---
Miscellaneous Trust Funds and Permanent Operating Funds					
Current appropriations	24,000	24,000	24,000	---	---
TOTAL, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT	1,120,235	1,230,896	1,236,735	+116,500	+5,839
(Mandatory)	(34,000)	(34,000)	(34,000)	---	---
(Discretionary)	(1,086,235)	(1,196,896)	(1,202,735)	(+116,500)	(+5,839)

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UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE					
Resource Management					
Ecological Services (FY 2015 Structure):					
Endangered species:					
Candidate conservation	12,030	---	---	-12,030	---
Listing and critical habitat	20,515	---	---	-20,515	---
Consultation and HCPs	62,550	---	---	-62,550	---
Recovery	77,916	---	---	-77,916	---
Subtotal	173,011	---	---	-173,011	---
Habitat conservation:					
Partners for fish and wildlife	51,776	---	---	-51,776	---
Conservation planning assistance	33,014	---	---	-33,014	---
Coastal programs	13,184	---	---	-13,184	---
National wetlands inventory	4,861	---	---	-4,861	---
Subtotal	102,835	---	---	-102,835	---
Environmental contaminants	9,557	---	---	-9,557	---
Subtotal, Ecological services	285,403	---	---	-285,403	---

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Ecological Services (Proposed FY 2016 Structure):					
Listing	---	23,002	20,515	+20,515	-2,487
Planning and consultation	---	108,943	99,079	+99,079	-9,864
Conservation and restoration	---	126,298	32,396	+32,396	-93,902
(National Wetlands Inventory)	---	(4,871)	(3,471)	(+3,471)	(-1,400)
(Coastal Barrier Resources Act)	---	(1,390)	(1,390)	(+1,390)	---
Recovery	---	---	82,016	+82,016	+82,016
Subtotal	---	258,243	234,006	+234,006	-24,237
Habitat conservation (Proposed FY 2016 Structure):					
Partners for fish and wildlife	---	52,393	51,776	+51,776	-617
Coastal programs	---	13,375	13,375	+13,375	---
Subtotal	---	65,768	65,151	+65,151	-617
National Wildlife Refuge System:					
Wildlife and habitat management	230,343	249,832	230,343	---	-19,489
Visitor services	70,319	76,792	73,319	+3,000	-3,473
Refuge law enforcement	38,054	38,959	38,054	---	-905
Conservation planning	2,988	2,665	2,523	-465	-142
Refuge maintenance	132,498	139,910	137,188	+4,690	-2,722
Subtotal	474,202	508,158	481,427	+7,225	-26,731

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Conservation and Enforcement:					
Migratory bird management	46,468	53,602	47,480	+1,012	-6,122
Law enforcement	66,737	75,423	74,725	+7,988	-698
International affairs	14,506	14,696	14,696	+190	---
Science support	16,985	---	---	-16,985	---
Subtotal	144,696	143,721	136,901	-7,795	-6,820
Fish and Aquatic Conservation:					
National fish hatchery system operations	52,860	53,418	53,418	+558	---
Maintenance and equipment	17,920	19,920	19,920	+2,000	---
Aquatic habitat and species conservation	76,668	74,152	74,918	-1,750	+766
Subtotal	147,448	147,490	148,256	+808	+766
Cooperative landscape conservation	13,988	17,869	12,988	-1,000	-4,881
Science Support:					
Adaptive science	---	15,159	10,517	+10,517	-4,642
Service science	---	16,516	6,468	+6,468	-10,048
Subtotal	---	31,675	16,985	+16,985	-14,690
General Operations:					
Central office operations	39,985	42,257	40,722	+737	-1,535
Regional office operations	37,722	41,798	37,722	---	-4,076
Servicewide bill paying	35,227	35,898	35,177	-50	-721
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation	7,022	7,022	7,022	---	---

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National Conservation Training Center	21,965	25,830	22,414	+449	-3,416
Health benefits for seasonal employees	---	1,103	---	---	-1,103
Subtotal	141,921	153,908	143,057	+1,136	-10,851
Total, Resource Management	1,207,658	1,326,832	1,238,771	+31,113	-88,061
Construction					
Construction and rehabilitation:					
Line item construction projects	6,554	11,554	14,554	+8,000	+3,000
Bridge and dam safety programs	1,972	1,972	1,972	---	---
Nationwide engineering service	7,161	7,286	7,161	---	-125
Total, Construction	15,687	20,812	23,687	+8,000	+2,875
Land Acquisition					
Acquisitions	25,071	35,911	35,911	+10,840	---
Emergencies, Hardships, and Inholdings	5,351	5,351	5,351	---	---
Exchanges	1,500	1,500	1,500	---	---
Acquisition Management	12,613	12,773	12,773	+160	---
Highlands Conservation Act Grants	3,000	---	10,000	+7,000	+10,000
Recreational Access	---	2,500	2,500	+2,500	---
Land Protection Planning	---	465	465	+465	---
Total, Land Acquisition	47,535	58,500	68,500	+20,965	+10,000

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Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund					
Grants and administration:					
Conservation grants	10,508	10,508	10,508	---	---
HCP assistance grants	9,485	7,390	9,485	---	+2,095
Administration	2,702	3,002	2,702	---	-300
Subtotal	22,695	20,900	22,695	---	+1,795
Land acquisition:					
Species recovery land acquisition	9,462	11,162	11,162	+1,700	---
HCP land acquisition grants to states	17,938	17,938	19,638	+1,700	+1,700
Subtotal	27,400	29,100	30,800	+3,400	+1,700
Total, Cooperatiave Endangered Species Conservation Fund	50,095	50,000	53,495	+3,400	+3,495
National Wildlife Refuge Fund					
Payments in lieu of taxes	13,228	---	13,228	---	+13,228
North American Wetlands Conservation Fund					
North American Wetlands Conservation Fund	34,145	34,145	35,145	+1,000	+1,000

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Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation					
Migratory bird grants	3,660	4,160	3,910	+250	-250
Multinational Species Conservation Fund					
African elephant conservation fund	1,582	2,582	2,582	+1,000	---
Rhinoceros and tiger conservation fund	2,440	3,440	3,440	+1,000	---
Asian elephant conservation fund	1,557	1,557	1,557	---	---
Great ape conservation fund	1,975	1,975	1,975	---	---
Marine turtle conservation fund	1,507	1,507	1,507	---	---
Total, Multinational Species Conservation Fund	9,061	11,061	11,061	+2,000	---
State and Tribal Wildlife Grants					
State wildlife grants (formula)	49,124	51,000	51,000	+1,876	---
State wildlife grants (competitive)	5,487	13,000	5,487	---	-7,513
Tribal wildlife grants	4,084	6,000	4,084	---	-1,916
Total, State and tribal wildlife grants	58,695	70,000	60,571	+1,876	-9,429
TOTAL, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE	1,439,764	1,575,510	1,508,368	+68,604	-67,142

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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE					
Operation of the National Park System					
Park Management:					
Resource stewardship	317,207	351,242	328,216	+11,009	-23,026
Visitor services	242,986	276,935	253,010	+10,024	-23,925
Park protection	348,802	359,034	355,683	+6,881	-3,351
Facility operations and maintenance	697,312	848,944	740,468	+43,156	-108,476
Park support	489,462	498,373	511,616	+22,154	+13,243
Subtotal	2,095,769	2,334,528	2,188,993	+93,224	-145,535
External administrative costs	180,004	180,603	180,603	+599	---
Total, Operation of the National Park System	2,275,773	2,515,131	2,369,596	+93,823	-145,535
National Recreation and Preservation					
Recreation programs	589	858	589	---	-269
Natural programs	13,560	13,743	13,575	+15	-168
Cultural programs	24,562	25,502	24,562	---	-940
International park affairs	1,648	1,667	1,648	---	-19
Environmental and compliance review	433	440	433	---	-7
Grant administration	2,004	2,037	2,004	---	-33
Heritage Partnership Programs	20,321	9,952	19,821	-500	+9,869
Total, National Recreation and Preservation	63,117	54,199	62,632	-485	+8,433

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Historic Preservation Fund					
State historic preservation offices	46,925	46,925	46,925	---	---
Tribal grants	8,985	9,985	9,985	+1,000	---
Competitive grants	500	30,500	8,500	+8,000	-22,000
New Grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities	---	2,500	---	---	-2,500
Total, Historic Preservation Fund	56,410	89,910	65,410	+9,000	-24,500
Construction					
General Program:					
Line item construction and maintenance	61,678	153,344	116,276	+54,598	-37,068
Emergency and unscheduled	3,855	3,855	3,855	---	---
Housing	2,200	2,200	2,200	---	---
Dam safety	1,248	1,248	1,248	---	---
Equipment replacement	13,500	13,500	13,500	---	---
Planning, construction	7,266	16,520	7,266	---	-9,254
Construction program management	36,771	48,330	36,771	---	-11,559
General management plans	11,821	11,970	11,821	---	-149
Total, Construction	138,339	250,967	192,937	+54,598	-58,030
Land and Water Conservation Fund (rescission of contract authority)	-28,000	-30,000	-28,000	---	+2,000

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Land Acquisition and State Assistance					
Assistance to States:					
State conservation grants (formula)	42,000	45,000	94,839	+52,839	+49,839
State conservation grants (competitive)	3,000	5,000	12,000	+9,000	+7,000
Administrative expenses	3,117	3,161	3,161	+44	---
Subtotal	48,117	53,161	110,000	+61,883	+56,839
National Park Service:					
Acquisitions	23,475	34,818	33,135	+9,660	-1,683
Recreational Access	---	2,000	2,000	+2,000	---
American Battlefield Protection Program	8,986	8,986	10,000	+1,014	+1,014
Emergencies, Hardships, Relocations, and Deficiencies	3,928	3,928	3,928	---	---
Acquisition Management	9,526	9,679	9,679	+153	---
Inholdings, Donations, and Exchanges	4,928	4,928	4,928	---	---
Subtotal	50,843	64,339	63,670	+12,827	-669
Total, Land Acquisition and State Assistance	98,960	117,500	173,670	+74,710	+56,170
Centennial Challenge	10,000	50,000	15,000	+5,000	-35,000
TOTAL, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE	2,614,599	3,047,707	2,851,245	+236,646	-196,462

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UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY					
Surveys, Investigations, and Research					
Ecosystems:					
Status and trends	20,473	22,178	20,473	---	-1,705
Fisheries: Aquatic and endangered resources	20,886	25,422	20,886	---	-4,536
Wildlife: Terrestrial and endangered resources	45,257	46,671	45,757	+500	-914
Terrestrial, Freshwater and marine environments	36,224	42,755	36,224	---	-6,531
Invasive species	16,830	19,281	17,330	+500	-1,951
Cooperative research units	17,371	19,992	17,371	---	-2,621
Total, Ecosystems	157,041	176,299	158,041	+1,000	-18,258
Climate and Land Use Change:					
Climate variability:					
Climate science centers	26,735	37,403	26,435	-300	-10,968
Climate research and development	21,495	26,656	21,495	---	-5,161
Carbon sequestration	9,359	18,513	9,359	---	-9,154
Subtotal	57,589	82,572	57,289	-300	-25,283

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Land Use Change:					
Land remote sensing	67,894	97,531	72,194	+4,300	-25,337
Land change science	10,492	11,725	10,492	---	-1,233
Subtotal	78,386	109,256	82,686	+4,300	-26,570
Total, Climate and Land Use Change	135,975	191,828	139,975	+4,000	-51,853
Energy, Minerals, and Environmental Health:					
Minerals resources	45,931	47,717	48,371	+2,440	+654
Energy resources	24,895	28,068	24,695	-200	-3,373
Contaminant biology	10,197	12,070	10,197	---	-1,873
Toxic substances hydrology	11,248	15,447	11,248	---	-4,199
Total, Energy, Minerals, and Env Health	92,271	103,302	94,511	+2,240	-8,791
Natural Hazards:					
Earthquake hazards	59,503	57,952	60,503	+1,000	+2,551
Volcano hazards	25,121	25,709	26,121	+1,000	+412
Landslide hazards	3,485	4,039	3,538	+53	-501
Global seismographic network	4,853	9,799	6,453	+1,600	-3,346
Geomagnetism	1,888	3,624	1,888	---	-1,736
Coastal and marine geology	40,336	45,230	40,336	---	-4,894
Total, Natural Hazards	135,186	146,353	138,839	+3,653	-7,514

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Water Resources:					
Groundwater resources	11,348	---	---	-11,348	---
National water quality assessment	59,459	---	---	-59,459	---
National streamflow information program	34,901	---	---	-34,901	---
Hydrologic research and development	11,215	---	---	-11,215	---
Hydrologic networks and analysis	30,134	---	---	-30,134	---
Cooperative Water Program	57,710	---	---	-57,710	---
Water Availability and Use Science Program	---	46,758	42,226	+42,226	-4,532
Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program	---	73,533	71,535	+71,535	-1,998
National Water Quality Program	---	96,087	92,791	+92,791	-3,296
Water Resources Research Act Program	6,500	6,500	6,500	---	---
Total, Water Resources	211,267	222,878	213,052	+1,785	-9,826
Core Science Systems:					
Science, synthesis, analysis, and research	24,299	25,897	24,299	---	-1,598
National cooperative geological mapping	24,397	25,339	24,397	---	-942
National Geospatial Program	58,532	75,731	62,854	+4,322	-12,877
Total, Core Science Systems	107,228	126,967	111,550	+4,322	-15,417
Science Support:					
Administration and Management	84,192	90,599	84,192	---	-6,407
Information Services	21,419	22,229	21,419	---	-810
Total, Science Support	105,611	112,828	105,611	---	-7,217

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Facilities:					
Rental payments and operations & maintenance	93,141	107,047	93,141	---	-13,906
Deferred maintenance and capital improvement	7,280	7,280	7,280	---	---
Total, Facilities	100,421	114,327	100,421	---	-13,906
TOTAL, UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY	1,045,000	1,194,782	1,062,000	+17,000	-132,782
BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT					
Ocean Energy Management					
Renewable energy	23,104	24,278	24,278	+1,174	---
Conventional energy	49,633	59,869	59,869	+10,236	---
Environmental assessment	65,712	68,045	68,045	+2,333	---
General support services	15,002	---	---	-15,002	---
Executive direction	16,319	18,665	18,665	+2,346	---
Subtotal	169,770	170,857	170,857	+1,087	---

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Offsetting rental receipts	-94,868	-92,961	-92,961	+1,907	---
Cost recovery fees	-2,480	-3,661	-3,661	-1,181	---
Subtotal, offsetting collections	-97,348	-96,622	-96,622	+726	---
TOTAL, BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT	72,422	74,235	74,235	+1,813	---
BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT					
Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement					
Environmental enforcement	8,314	---	8,314	---	+8,314
Operations, safety and regulation	133,597	151,768	144,954	+11,357	-6,814
Administrative operations	15,676	18,268	18,268	+2,592	---
General support services	13,912	---	---	-13,912	---
Executive direction	18,227	19,736	18,236	+9	-1,500
Subtotal	189,726	189,772	189,772	+46	---
Offsetting rental receipts	-50,412	-49,399	-49,399	+1,013	---
Inspection fees	-65,000	-65,000	-59,000	+6,000	+6,000

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Cost recovery fees	-8,167	-7,808	-7,808	+359	---
Subtotal, offsetting collections	-123,579	-122,207	-116,207	+7,372	+6,000
Total, Offshore Safety and Environmental Enforcement	66,147	67,565	73,565	+7,418	+6,000
Oil Spill Research					
Oil spill research	14,899	14,899	14,899	---	---
TOTAL, BUREAU OF SAFETY AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENFORCEMENT	81,046	82,464	88,464	+7,418	+6,000
OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT					
Regulation and Technology					
Environmental protection	91,832	91,880	91,832	---	-48
Permit fees	40	1,900	40	---	-1,860
Offsetting collections	-40	-1,900	-40	---	+1,860
Technology development and transfer	14,455	20,086	15,205	+750	-4,881
Financial management	505	711	505	---	-206
Executive direction	15,921	15,711	15,711	-210	---

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Civil penalties (indefinite)	100	100	100	---	---
Subtotal	122,813	128,488	123,353	+540	-5,135
Civil penalties (offsetting collections)	-100	-100	-100	---	---
Total, Regulation and Technology	122,713	128,388	123,253	+540	-5,135
Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund					
Environmental restoration	9,480	11,431	9,480	---	-1,951
Technology development and transfer	3,544	6,283	3,544	---	-2,739
Financial management	6,396	6,477	6,396	---	-81
Executive direction	7,979	7,883	7,883	-96	---
State grants	---	---	90,000	+90,000	+90,000
Total, Abandoned Mine Reclamation Fund	27,399	32,074	117,303	+89,904	+85,229
TOTAL, OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT	150,112	160,462	240,556	+90,444	+80,094

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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND BUREAU OF INDIAN EDUCATION					
Operation of Indian Programs					
Tribal Budget System					
Tribal Government:					
Aid to tribal government	24,614	24,833	24,833	+219	---
Consolidated tribal government program	76,348	77,088	77,088	+740	---
Self governance compacts	158,767	162,321	162,321	+3,554	---
Contract support	246,000	272,000	---	-246,000	-272,000
Indian self determination fund	5,000	5,000	---	-5,000	-5,000
New tribes	463	464	464	+1	---
Small and needy tribes	1,845	3,095	1,845	---	-1,250
Road maintenance	26,461	26,693	26,693	+232	---
Tribal government program oversight	8,181	12,273	8,273	+92	-4,000
Subtotal	547,679	583,767	301,517	-246,162	-282,250
Human Services:					
Social services	40,871	47,179	45,179	+4,308	-2,000
Welfare assistance	74,809	74,791	74,791	-18	---
Indian child welfare act	15,433	15,641	15,641	+208	---
Housing improvement program	8,009	8,021	8,021	+12	---
Human services tribal design	407	246	246	-161	---

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Human services program oversight	3,105	3,126	3,126	+21	---
Subtotal	142,634	149,004	147,004	+4,370	-2,000
Trust - Natural Resources Management:					
Natural resources, general	5,089	8,168	5,168	+79	-3,000
Irrigation operations and maintenance	11,359	12,898	11,398	+39	-1,500
Rights protection implementation	35,420	40,138	37,638	+2,218	-2,500
Tribal management/development program	9,244	14,263	9,263	+19	-5,000
Endangered species	2,675	3,684	2,684	+9	-1,000
Cooperative landscape conservation	9,948	30,355	9,955	+7	-20,400
Integrated resource information program	2,996	3,996	2,996	---	-1,000
Agriculture and range	30,494	30,751	30,751	+257	---
Forestry	47,735	51,914	51,914	+4,179	---
Water resources	10,297	14,917	10,367	+70	-4,550
Fish, wildlife and parks	13,577	15,646	13,646	+69	-2,000
Resource management program oversight	6,018	6,066	6,066	+48	---
Subtotal	184,852	232,796	191,846	+6,994	-40,950
Trust - Real Estate Services	127,002	143,686	127,486	+484	-16,200
Education:					
Elementary and secondary programs (forward funded)	536,897	565,517	553,458	+16,561	-12,059
(Tribal grant support costs)	(62,395)	(75,335)	(73,276)	(+10,881)	(-2,059)
Post secondary programs (forward funded)	69,793	69,793	74,893	+5,100	+5,100
Subtotal, forward funded education	606,690	635,310	628,351	+21,661	-6,959

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Elementary and secondary programs	119,195	142,361	134,263	+15,068	-8,098
Post secondary programs	64,182	69,412	64,602	+420	-4,810
Education management	20,464	57,381	25,151	+4,687	-32,230
Subtotal, Education	810,531	904,464	852,367	+41,836	-52,097
Public Safety and Justice:					
Law enforcement	328,296	334,976	347,976	+19,680	+13,000
Tribal courts	23,280	28,173	28,173	+4,893	---
Fire protection	1,274	1,274	1,274	---	---
Subtotal	352,850	364,423	377,423	+24,573	+13,000
Community and economic development	35,996	40,619	40,619	+4,623	---
Executive direction and administrative services	227,692	241,832	229,662	+1,970	-12,170
(No-year funds in bill language)	(48,553)	(46,663)	(43,813)	(-4,740)	(-2,850)
Total, Operation of Indian Programs	2,429,236	2,660,591	2,267,924	-161,312	-392,667
Contract Support Costs					
Contract support cost	---	---	272,000	+272,000	+272,000
Indian self-determination fund	---	---	5,000	+5,000	+5,000
Total, Contract Support Costs	---	---	277,000	+277,000	+277,000

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Construction					
Education	74,501	133,245	138,245	+63,744	+5,000
Public safety and justice	11,306	11,306	11,306	---	---
Resources management	34,427	34,488	34,488	+61	---
General administration	8,642	9,934	9,934	+1,292	---
Total, Construction	128,876	188,973	193,973	+65,097	+5,000
Indian Land and Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians					
Water Claim Settlements and Miscellaneous Payments to Indians	35,655	67,656	49,475	+13,820	-18,181
Indian Guaranteed Loan Program Account					
Indian guaranteed loan program account	7,731	7,748	7,748	+17	---
TOTAL, BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND INDIAN EDUCATION	2,601,498	2,924,968	2,796,120	+194,622	-128,848

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DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES					
Office of the Secretary					
Leadership and administration	122,885	128,256	122,885	---	-5,371
Management services	20,747	20,966	21,365	+618	+399
New Coastal Resilience Fund	---	50,000	---	---	-50,000
Office of Natural Resources Revenue	121,631	128,717	125,519	+3,888	-3,198
Payments in Lieu of Taxes (PILT)	---	---	452,000	+452,000	+452,000
Total, Office of the Secretary	265,263	327,939	721,769	+456,506	+393,830
Insular Affairs					
Assistance to Territories					
Territorial Assistance					
Office of Insular Affairs	9,448	10,184	9,448	---	-736
Technical assistance	14,504	24,239	15,504	+1,000	-8,735
Maintenance assistance fund	1,081	5,000	1,081	---	-3,919
Brown tree snake	3,500	3,000	3,500	---	+500
Coral reef initiative	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Empowering Insular Communities	2,971	4,421	2,971	---	-1,450
Compact impact	3,000	1,344	3,000	---	+1,656
Subtotal, Territorial Assistance	35,504	49,188	36,504	+1,000	-12,684
American Samoa operations grants	22,752	22,752	22,752	---	---

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Northern Marianas covenant grants	27,720	27,720	27,720	---	---
Total, Assistance to Territories	85,976	99,660	86,976	+1,000	-12,684
(discretionary)	(58,256)	(71,940)	(59,256)	(+1,000)	(-12,684)
(mandatory)	(27,720)	(27,720)	(27,720)	---	---
Compact of Free Association					
Compact of Free Association - Federal services	2,818	2,818	2,818	---	---
Enewetak support	500	500	500	---	---
Subtotal, Compact of Free Association	3,318	3,318	3,318	---	---
Compact payments, Palau (Title I, General Provision)	13,147	---	13,147	---	+13,147
Total, Compact of Free Association	16,465	3,318	16,465	---	+13,147
Total, Insular Affairs	102,441	102,978	103,441	+1,000	+463
(discretionary)	(74,721)	(75,258)	(75,721)	(+1,000)	(+463)
(mandatory)	(27,720)	(27,720)	(27,720)	---	---
Office of the Solicitor					
Legal services	59,091	63,167	59,091	---	-4,076
General administration	4,971	4,982	4,971	---	-11
Ethics	1,738	1,739	1,738	---	-1
Total, Office of the Solicitor	65,800	69,888	65,800	---	-4,088

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Office of Inspector General					
Audit and investigations	37,538	39,503	37,538	---	-1,965
Administrative services and information management	12,509	12,721	12,509	---	-212
Total, Office of Inspector General	50,047	52,224	50,047	---	-2,177
Office of Special Trustee for American Indians					
Federal Trust Programs					
Program operations, support, and improvements	136,998	140,938	136,998	---	-3,940
(Office of Historical Accounting)	(23,061)	(22,120)	(22,120)	(-941)	---
Executive direction	2,031	2,040	2,031	---	-9
Total, Office of Special Trustee for American Indians	139,029	142,978	139,029	---	-3,949
TOTAL, DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES	622,580	696,007	1,080,086	+457,506	+384,079
(Discretionary)	(594,860)	(668,287)	(1,052,366)	(+457,506)	(+384,079)
(Mandatory)	(27,720)	(27,720)	(27,720)	---	---

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DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS					
Wildland Fire Management					
Fire Operations:					
Preparedness	318,970	323,685	323,685	+4,715	---
Fire suppression operations	291,657	268,571	291,673	+16	+23,102
Subtotal, Fire operations	610,627	592,256	615,358	+4,731	+23,102
Other Operations:					
Fuels Management	164,000	148,279	170,000	+6,000	+21,721
Resilient Landscapes	---	30,000	---	---	-30,000
Burned area rehabilitation	18,035	18,970	18,970	+935	---
Fire facilities	6,127	10,000	6,427	+300	-3,573
Joint fire science	5,990	5,990	5,990	---	---
Subtotal, Other operations	194,152	213,239	201,387	+7,235	-11,852
Total, Wildland fire management	804,779	805,495	816,745	+11,966	+11,250

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FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Account					
FLAME wildfire suppression reserve account	92,000	---	177,000	+85,000	+177,000
Total, all wildland fire accounts	896,779	805,495	993,745	+96,966	+188,250
Suppression Cap Adjustment	---	200,000	---	---	-200,000
Total, Wildland Fire Management with cap adjustment	896,779	1,005,495	993,745	+96,966	-11,750
Central Hazardous Materials Fund					
Central hazardous materials fund	10,010	10,011	10,010	---	-1
Natural Resource Damage Assessment Fund					
Damage assessments	2,500	2,063	2,500	---	+437
Program management	2,192	2,466	2,192	---	-274
Restoration support	2,075	3,607	2,075	---	-1,532
Oil Spill Preparedness	1,000	1,100	1,000	---	-100
Total, Natural Resource Damage Assessment Fund	7,767	9,236	7,767	---	-1,469

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Working Capital Fund	57,100	74,462	67,100	+10,000	-7,362
TOTAL, DEPARTMENT-WIDE PROGRAMS	971,656	1,099,204	1,078,622	+106,966	-20,582
Appropriations	(971,656)	(899,204)	(1,078,622)	(+106,966)	(+179,418)
Disaster Relief cap adjustment	---	(200,000)	---	---	(-200,000)
TOTAL, TITLE I, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR	10,718,912	12,086,235	12,016,431	+1,297,519	-69,804
Appropriations	(10,746,912)	(12,116,235)	(12,044,431)	(+1,297,519)	(-71,804)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-28,000)	(-30,000)	(-28,000)	---	(+2,000)
(Mandatory)	(61,720)	(61,720)	(61,720)	---	---
(Discretionary without cap adjustment)	(10,657,192)	(11,824,515)	(11,954,711)	(+1,297,519)	(+130,196)
(Disaster Relief cap adjustment)	---	(200,000)	---	---	(-200,000)

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TITLE II - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY					
Science and Technology					
Clean Air and Climate	116,541	124,844	116,541	---	-8,303
(Climate protection program)	(8,018)	(8,124)	(8,018)	---	(-106)
Enforcement	13,669	14,398	13,669	---	-729
Homeland security	37,122	38,150	37,122	---	-1,028
Indoor air and Radiation	5,997	6,615	5,997	---	-618
IT / Data management / Security	3,089	3,196	3,089	---	-107
Operations and administration	68,339	79,170	68,339	---	-10,831
Pesticide licensing	6,027	7,691	6,027	---	-1,664
Research: Air, climate and energy	91,906	100,342	91,906	---	-8,436
Research: Chemical safety and sustainability	126,930	140,722	126,930	---	-13,792
(Research: Computational toxicology)	(21,409)	(33,775)	(21,409)	---	(-12,366)
(Research: Endocrine disruptor)	(16,253)	(15,417)	(16,253)	---	(+836)
Research: National priorities	4,100	---	14,100	+10,000	+14,100
Research: Safe and sustainable water resources	107,434	111,022	107,434	---	-3,588
Research: Sustainable and healthy communities	149,975	139,172	139,975	-10,000	+803
Water: Human health protection	3,519	3,766	3,519	---	-247
Total, Science and Technology	734,648	769,088	734,648	---	-34,440
(by transfer from Superfund)	(18,850)	(16,217)	(18,850)	---	(+2,633)

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Environmental Programs and Management					
Brownfields	25,593	29,599	25,593	---	-4,006
Clean air and climate	273,108	336,907	273,108	---	-63,799
(Climate protection program)	(95,436)	(109,625)	(95,436)	---	(-14,189)
Compliance	101,665	122,424	101,665	---	-20,759
Enforcement	240,637	269,256	240,637	---	-28,619
(Environmental justice)	(6,737)	(13,971)	(6,737)	---	(-7,234)
Environmental protection: National priorities	12,700	---	12,700	---	+12,700
Geographic programs:					
Great Lakes Restoration Initiative	300,000	250,000	300,000	---	+50,000
Chesapeake Bay	73,000	70,000	73,000	---	+3,000
San Franciso Bay	4,819	3,988	4,819	---	+831
Puget Sound	28,000	29,998	28,000	---	-1,998
Long Island Sound	3,940	2,893	3,940	---	+1,047
Gulf of Mexico	4,482	3,908	4,482	---	+574
South Florida	1,704	1,340	1,704	---	+364
Lake Champlain	4,399	1,399	4,399	---	+3,000
Lake Pontchartrain	948	948	948	---	---
Southern New England Estuaries	5,000	5,000	5,000	---	---
Other geographic activities	1,445	939	1,445	---	+506
Subtotal	427,737	370,413	427,737	---	+57,324

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Homeland security	10,195	10,274	10,195	---	-79
Indoor air and radiation	27,637	30,277	27,637	---	-2,640
Information exchange / Outreach	126,538	155,678	126,538	---	-29,140
(Children and other sensitive populations: Agency coordination)	(6,548)	(8,035)	(6,548)	---	(-1,487)
(Environmental education)	(8,702)	(10,969)	(8,702)	---	(-2,267)
International programs	15,400	16,561	15,400	---	-1,161
IT / Data management / Security	90,536	103,061	90,536	---	-12,525
Legal/science/regulatory/economic review	111,414	138,786	111,414	---	-27,372
Operations and administration	482,751	505,402	482,751	---	-22,651
Pesticide licensing	102,363	111,765	102,363	---	-9,402
Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA)	104,877	111,242	104,877	---	-6,365
Toxics risk review and prevention	92,521	87,705	92,521	---	+4,816
(Endocrine disruptors)	(7,553)	(4,259)	(7,553)	---	(+3,294)
Underground storage tanks (LUST / UST)	11,295	11,657	11,295	---	-362
Water: Ecosystems:					
National estuary program / Coastal waterways	26,723	27,310	26,723	---	-587
Wetlands	21,065	23,334	21,065	---	-2,269
Subtotal	47,788	50,644	47,788	---	-2,856

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Water: Human health protection	98,507	125,768	98,507	---	-27,261
Water quality protection	210,417	254,299	210,417	---	-43,882
Total, Environmental Programs and Management	2,613,679	2,841,718	2,613,679	---	-228,039
Hazardous Waste Electronic Manifest System Fund					
E-Manifest System Fund	3,674	7,368	3,674	---	-3,694
Office of Inspector General					
Audits, evaluations, and investigations	41,489	50,099	41,489	---	-8,610
(by transfer from Superfund)	(9,939)	(8,459)	(9,939)	---	(+1,480)
Buildings and Facilities					
Homeland security: Protection of EPA personnel and infrastructure	6,676	7,875	6,676	---	-1,199
Operations and administration	35,641	43,632	35,641	---	-7,991
Total, Buildings and Facilities	42,317	51,507	42,317	---	-9,190
Hazardous Substance Superfund					
Audits, evaluations, and investigations	9,939	8,459	9,939	---	+1,480
Compliance	995	1,067	995	---	-72
Enforcement	166,375	173,263	166,375	---	-6,888
Homeland security	36,362	33,767	36,362	---	+2,595

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Indoor air and radiation	1,985	2,180	1,985	---	-195
Information exchange / Outreach	1,328	1,366	1,328	---	-38
IT /data management/security	14,485	15,642	14,485	---	-1,157
Legal/science/regulatory/economic review	1,253	1,241	1,253	---	+12
Operations and administration	128,105	137,340	128,105	---	-9,235
Research: Chemical safety and sustainability	2,843	2,831	2,843	---	+12
Research: Sustainable communities	14,032	12,220	14,032	---	+1,812
Superfund cleanup:					
Superfund: Emergency response and removal	181,306	190,732	181,306	---	-9,426
Superfund: Emergency preparedness	7,636	7,843	7,636	---	-207
Superfund: Federal facilities	21,125	26,265	21,125	---	-5,140
Superfund: Remedial	501,000	539,618	501,000	---	-38,618
Subtotal	711,067	764,458	711,067	---	-53,391
Total, Hazardous Substance Superfund	1,088,769	1,153,834	1,088,769	---	-65,065
(transfer out to Inspector General)	(-9,939)	(-8,459)	(-9,939)	---	(-1,480)
(transfer out to Science and Technology)	(-18,850)	(-16,217)	(-18,850)	---	(-2,633)
Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund (LUST)					
Enforcement	620	627	620	---	-7
Operations and administration	1,352	1,681	1,352	---	-329
Research: Sustainable communities	320	348	320	---	-28

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Underground storage tanks (LUST / UST)	89,649	92,670	89,649	---	-3,021
(LUST/UST)	(9,240)	(9,409)	(9,240)	---	(-169)
(LUST cooperative agreements)	(55,040)	(54,402)	(55,040)	---	(+638)
(Energy Policy Act grants)	(25,369)	(28,859)	(25,369)	---	(-3,490)
Total, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund	91,941	95,326	91,941	---	-3,385
Inland Oil Spill Program					
Compliance	139	155	139	---	-16
Enforcement	2,413	2,424	2,413	---	-11
Oil	14,409	18,524	14,409	---	-4,115
Operations and administration	584	1,762	584	---	-1,178
Research: Sustainable communities	664	513	664	---	+151
Total, Inland Oil Spill Program	18,209	23,378	18,209	---	-5,169
State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG)					
Alaska Native villages	10,000	10,000	20,000	+10,000	+10,000
Brownfields projects	80,000	110,000	80,000	---	-30,000
Clean water state revolving fund (SRF)	1,448,887	1,116,000	1,393,887	-55,000	+277,887
Diesel emissions grants	30,000	10,000	50,000	+20,000	+40,000
Drinking water state revolving fund (SRF)	906,896	1,186,000	863,233	-43,663	-322,767

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Mexico border	5,000	5,000	10,000	+5,000	+5,000
Targeted airshed grants	10,000	---	20,000	+10,000	+20,000
Subtotal, Infrastructure assistance grants	2,490,783	2,437,000	2,437,120	-53,663	+120
Categorical grants:					
Beaches protection	9,549	---	9,549	---	+9,549
Brownfields	47,745	49,500	47,745	---	-1,755
Environmental information	9,646	25,346	9,646	---	-15,700
Hazardous waste financial assistance	99,693	99,693	99,693	---	---
Lead	14,049	14,049	14,049	---	---
Nonpoint source (Sec. 319)	159,252	164,915	164,915	+5,663	---
Pesticides enforcement	18,050	18,050	18,050	---	---
Pesticides program implementation	12,701	13,201	12,701	---	-500
Pollution control (Sec. 106)	230,806	249,164	230,806	---	-18,358
(Water quality monitoring)	(17,848)	(18,500)	(17,848)	---	(-652)
Pollution prevention	4,765	4,765	4,765	---	---
Public water system supervision	101,963	109,700	101,963	---	-7,737
Radon	8,051	---	8,051	---	+8,051
State and local air quality management	228,219	268,229	228,219	---	-40,010
Toxics substances compliance	4,919	4,919	4,919	---	---
Tribal air quality management	12,829	12,829	12,829	---	---
Tribal general assistance program	65,476	96,375	65,476	---	-30,899
Underground injection control (UIC)	10,506	10,506	10,506	---	---
Underground storage tanks	1,498	1,498	1,498	---	---

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Wetlands program development	14,661	19,661	14,661	---	-5,000
Multipurpose grants	---	---	21,000	+21,000	+21,000
Subtotal, Categorical grants	1,054,378	1,162,400	1,081,041	+26,663	-81,359
Total, State and Tribal Assistance Grants	3,545,161	3,599,400	3,518,161	-27,000	-81,239
Subtotal, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY	8,179,887	8,591,718	8,152,887	-27,000	-438,831
Administrative Provisions					
Cybersecurity	---	---	27,000	+27,000	+27,000
Rescission	-40,000	---	-40,000	---	-40,000
TOTAL, TITLE II, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY	8,139,887	8,591,718	8,139,887	---	-451,831
Appropriations	(8,179,887)	(8,591,718)	(8,179,887)	---	(-411,831)
Rescissions	(-40,000)	---	(-40,000)	---	(-40,000)
(By transfer)	(28,789)	(24,676)	(28,789)	---	(+4,113)
(Transfer out)	(-28,789)	(-24,676)	(-28,789)	---	(-4,113)

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TITLE III - RELATED AGENCIES					
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE					
FOREST SERVICE					
Forest and Rangeland Research					
Forest inventory and analysis	70,000	83,000	75,000	+5,000	-8,000
Research and development programs	226,000	208,982	216,000	-10,000	+7,018
Total, Forest and rangeland research	296,000	291,982	291,000	-5,000	-982
State and Private Forestry					
Landscape scale restoration	14,000	23,513	14,000	---	-9,513
Forest Health Management:					
Federal lands forest health management	58,922	58,998	58,922	---	-76
Cooperative lands forest health management	45,655	40,678	40,678	-4,977	---
Subtotal	104,577	99,676	99,600	-4,977	-76

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Cooperative Forestry:					
Forest stewardship	23,036	23,049	23,036	---	-13
Forest legacy	53,000	61,000	62,347	+9,347	+1,347
Community forest and open space conservation	2,000	1,683	2,000	---	+317
Urban and community forestry	28,040	23,686	28,040	---	+4,354
Subtotal, Cooperative Forestry	106,076	109,418	115,423	+9,347	+6,005
International forestry	8,000	4,004	8,000	---	+3,996
Total, State and Private Forestry	232,653	236,611	237,023	+4,370	+412
National Forest System					
Integrated resource restoration	---	822,110	---	---	-822,110
Land management planning	37,754	---	36,998	-756	+36,998
Inventory and monitoring	151,019	---	147,998	-3,021	+147,998
Land management planning, assessment and monitoring	---	184,236	---	---	-184,236
Recreation, heritage and wilderness	261,719	263,942	261,719	---	-2,223
Grazing management	55,356	49,706	56,856	+1,500	+7,150
Forest products	339,130	---	359,805	+20,675	+359,805
Vegetation and watershed management	184,716	---	184,716	---	+184,716
Wildlife and fish habitat management	140,466	---	140,466	---	+140,466
Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Fund	40,000	60,000	40,000	---	-20,000
Minerals and geology management	76,423	70,689	76,423	---	+5,734
Landownership management	77,730	71,601	77,730	---	+6,129

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Law enforcement operations	126,653	126,030	126,653	---	+623
Valles Caldera National Preserve	3,364	---	---	-3,364	---
Total, National Forest System	1,494,330	1,648,314	1,509,364	+15,034	-138,950
Capital Improvement and Maintenance					
Facilities:					
Maintenance	55,369	55,674	55,369	---	-305
Construction	16,231	16,021	16,021	-210	---
Subtotal	71,600	71,695	71,390	-210	-305
Roads:					
Maintenance	143,454	129,580	145,454	+2,000	+15,874
Construction	24,640	24,682	26,640	+2,000	+1,958
Subtotal	168,094	154,262	172,094	+4,000	+17,832
Trails:					
Maintenance	69,777	74,264	69,777	---	-4,487
Construction	7,753	8,252	7,753	---	-499
Subtotal	77,530	82,516	77,530	---	-4,986

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Deferred maintenance	3,150	33,451	3,150	---	-30,301
Legacy road and trail remediation	40,000	---	40,000	---	+40,000
Subtotal, Capital improvement and maintenance	360,374	341,924	364,164	+3,790	+22,240
Deferral of road and trail fund payment	-17,000	-17,000	-16,000	+1,000	+1,000
Total, Capital improvement and maintenance	343,374	324,924	348,164	+4,790	+23,240
Land Acquisition					
Acquisitions	36,000	47,250	44,685	+8,685	-2,565
Acquisition Management	7,500	8,500	8,500	+1,000	---
Cash Equalization	500	250	250	-250	---
Recreational Access	2,000	5,000	8,000	+6,000	+3,000
Critical Inholdings/Wilderness	1,500	2,000	2,000	+500	---
Total, Land Acquisition	47,500	63,000	63,435	+15,935	+435
Acquisition of land for national forests, special acts	950	1,950	950	---	-1,000
Acquisition of lands to complete land exchanges	216	216	216	---	---
Range betterment fund	2,320	2,320	2,320	---	---
Gifts, donations and bequests for forest and rangeland research	45	45	45	---	---
Management of national forest lands for subsistence uses	2,500	2,441	2,500	---	+59

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Wildland Fire Management					
Fire operations:					
Wildland fire preparedness	1,145,840	1,082,620	1,082,620	-63,220	---
Wildland fire suppression operations	708,000	794,534	811,000	+103,000	+16,466
Subtotal, Fire operations	1,853,840	1,877,154	1,893,620	+39,780	+16,466
Other operations:					
Hazardous fuels	361,749	359,126	375,000	+13,251	+15,874
(Hazardous Fuels Base Program)	(346,749)	---	(360,000)	(+13,251)	(+360,000)
(Biomass Grants)	(15,000)	---	(15,000)	---	(+15,000)
Fire plan research and development	19,795	19,820	19,795	---	-25
Joint fire sciences program	6,914	6,917	6,914	---	-3
State fire assistance	78,000	78,012	78,000	---	-12
Volunteer fire assistance	13,000	13,000	13,000	---	---
Subtotal, Other operations	479,458	476,875	492,709	+13,251	+15,834
Subtotal, Wildland Fire Management	2,333,298	2,354,029	2,386,329	+53,031	+32,300
FLAME Wildfire Suppression Reserve Account					
FLAME wildfire suppression reserve account	303,060	---	823,000	+519,940	+823,000
Total, all wildland fire accounts	2,636,358	2,354,029	3,209,329	+572,971	+855,300

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Suppression cap adjustment	---	854,578	---	---	-854,578
Total, Wildland Fire Management with cap adjustment	2,636,358	3,208,607	3,209,329	+572,971	+722
Total, Forest Service without Wildland Fire Management	2,419,888	2,571,803	2,455,017	+35,129	-116,786
TOTAL, FOREST SERVICE	5,056,246	5,780,410	5,664,346	+608,100	-116,064
Appropriations	(5,073,246)	(4,942,832)	(5,680,346)	(+607,100)	(+737,514)
Disaster Relief cap adjustment	---	(854,578)	---	---	(-854,578)
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES					
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE					
Indian Health Services					
Clinical Services:					
Hospital and health clinics	1,836,789	1,936,323	1,857,225	+20,436	-79,098
Dental health	173,982	181,459	178,286	+4,304	-3,173
Mental health	81,145	84,485	82,100	+955	-2,385
Alcohol and substance abuse	190,981	227,062	205,305	+14,324	-21,757
Purchased/referred care	914,139	984,475	914,139	---	-70,336
Subtotal	3,197,036	3,413,804	3,237,055	+40,019	-176,749

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Preventive Health:					
Public health nursing	75,640	79,576	76,623	+983	-2,953
Health education	18,026	19,136	18,255	+229	-881
Community health representatives	58,469	62,363	58,906	+437	-3,457
Immunization (Alaska)	1,826	1,950	1,950	+124	---
Subtotal	153,961	163,025	155,734	+1,773	-7,291
Other services:					
Urban Indian health	43,604	43,604	44,741	+1,137	+1,137
Indian health professions	48,342	48,342	48,342	---	---
Tribal management grant program	2,442	2,442	2,442	---	---
Direct operations	68,065	68,338	72,338	+4,273	+4,000
Self-governance	5,727	5,735	5,735	+8	---
Contract support costs	662,970	717,970	---	-662,970	-717,970
Subtotal	831,150	886,431	173,598	-657,552	-712,833
Total, Indian Health Services	4,182,147	4,463,260	3,566,387	-615,760	-896,873
Contract Support Costs					
Contract support	---	---	717,970	+717,970	+717,970

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Indian Health Facilities					
Maintenance and improvement	53,614	89,097	73,614	+20,000	-15,483
Sanitation facilities construction	79,423	115,138	99,423	+20,000	-15,715
Health care facilities construction	85,048	185,048	105,048	+20,000	-80,000
Facilities and environmental health support	219,612	226,870	222,610	+2,998	-4,260
Equipment	22,537	23,572	22,537	---	-1,035
Total, Indian Health Facilities	460,234	639,725	523,232	+62,998	-116,493
TOTAL, INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE	4,642,381	5,102,985	4,807,589	+165,208	-295,396
NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH					
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences	77,349	77,349	77,349	---	---
AGENCY FOR TOXIC SUBSTANCES AND DISEASE REGISTRY					
Toxic substances and environmental public health	74,691	74,691	74,691	---	---
TOTAL, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES	4,794,421	5,255,025	4,959,629	+165,208	-295,396

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OTHER RELATED AGENCIES					
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT					
Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality	3,000	3,015	3,000	---	-15
CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD					
Salaries and expenses	11,000	12,271	11,000	---	-1,271
OFFICE OF NAVAJO AND HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION					
Salaries and expenses	7,341	8,400	15,000	+7,659	+6,600
INSTITUTE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND ALASKA NATIVE CULTURE AND ARTS DEVELOPMENT					
Payment to the Institute	9,469	11,619	11,619	+2,150	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION					
Salaries and Expenses					
Museum and Research Institutes:					
National Air and Space Museum	18,603	19,469	18,937	+334	-532
Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory	23,957	24,343	24,141	+184	-202
Major scientific instrumentation	4,118	6,118	4,118	---	-2,000
Universe Center	184	184	184	---	---
National Museum of Natural History	47,992	48,935	48,503	+511	-432
National Zoological Park	25,420	26,603	26,382	+962	-221
Smithsonian Environmental Research Center	3,909	3,992	3,956	+47	-36
Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute	14,025	14,271	14,166	+141	-105
Biodiversity Center	1,520	2,285	1,523	+3	-762
Arthur M. Sackler Gallery/Freer Gallery of Art	6,049	6,169	6,111	+62	-58
Center for Folklife and Cultural Heritage	2,503	2,603	2,581	+78	-22
Cooper-Hewitt, National Design Museum	4,755	4,842	4,810	+55	-32
Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden	4,301	4,605	4,414	+113	-191
National Museum of African Art	4,227	4,632	4,263	+36	-369
World Cultures Center	284	284	284	---	---
Anacostia Community Museum	2,093	2,415	2,116	+23	-299
Archives of American Art	1,859	1,898	1,880	+21	-18
National Museum of African American History and Culture	40,648	41,501	41,347	+699	-154
National Museum of American History	22,840	24,333	23,122	+282	-1,211
National Museum of the American Indian	31,444	32,077	31,726	+282	-351

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National Portrait Gallery	5,997	6,448	6,064	+67	-384
Smithsonian American Art Museum	9,474	10,005	9,587	+113	-418
American Experience Center	593	595	595	+2	---
Subtotal, Museums and Research Institutes	276,795	288,607	280,810	+4,015	-7,797
Mission enabling:					
Program support and outreach:					
Outreach	9,150	14,317	9,229	+79	-5,088
Communications	2,567	3,945	2,594	+27	-1,351
Institution-wide programs	10,505	14,784	14,784	+4,279	---
Office of Exhibits Central	2,974	3,037	3,009	+35	-28
Museum Support Center	1,848	1,884	1,866	+18	-18
Museum Conservation Institute	3,244	3,308	3,277	+33	-31
Smithsonian Institution Archives	2,167	2,223	2,203	+36	-20
Smithsonian Institution Libraries	10,399	10,748	10,654	+255	-94
Subtotal, Program support and outreach	42,854	54,246	47,616	+4,762	-6,630
Office of Chief Information Officer	48,929	53,395	50,400	+1,471	-2,995
Administration	34,067	34,977	34,554	+487	-423
Inspector General	3,416	3,476	3,451	+35	-25

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Facilities services:					
Facilities maintenance	71,403	86,695	73,985	+2,582	-12,710
Facilities operations, security and support	197,879	214,429	205,229	+7,350	-9,200
Subtotal, Facilities services	269,282	301,124	279,214	+9,932	-21,910
Subtotal, Mission enabling	398,548	447,218	415,235	+16,687	-31,983
Total, Salaries and expenses	675,343	735,825	696,045	+20,702	-39,780
Facilities Capital					
Revitalization	97,588	144,590	92,788	-4,800	-51,802
Facilities planning and design	22,600	55,410	51,410	+28,810	-4,000
Construction	24,010	---	---	-24,010	---
Total, Facilities Capital	144,198	200,000	144,198	---	-55,802
TOTAL, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION	819,541	935,825	840,243	+20,702	-95,582
NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART					
Salaries and Expenses					
Care and utilization of art collections	39,418	42,226	41,581	+2,163	-645
Operation and maintenance of buildings and grounds	33,858	34,532	33,858	---	-674

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Protection of buildings, grounds and contents	22,418	22,943	22,643	+225	-300
General administration	23,806	26,959	26,906	+3,100	-53
Total, Salaries and Expenses	119,500	126,660	124,988	+5,488	-1,672
Repair, Restoration and Renovation of Buildings					
Base program	19,000	26,000	22,564	+3,564	-3,436
TOTAL, NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART	138,500	152,660	147,552	+9,052	-5,108
JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS					
Operations and maintenance	22,000	21,660	21,660	-340	---
Capital repair and restoration	10,800	14,740	14,740	+3,940	---
TOTAL, JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS	32,800	36,400	36,400	+3,600	---
WOODROW WILSON INTERNATIONAL CENTER FOR SCHOLARS					
Salaries and expenses	10,500	10,420	10,500	---	+80

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES					
National Endowment for the Arts					
Grants and Administration					
Grants:					
Direct grants	62,380	63,420	63,420	+1,040	---
Challenge America grants	7,600	7,600	7,600	---	---
Subtotal	69,980	71,020	71,020	+1,040	---
State partnerships:					
State and regional	36,716	37,262	37,262	+546	---
Underserved set-aside	9,937	10,084	10,084	+147	---
Subtotal	46,653	47,346	47,346	+693	---
Subtotal, Grants	116,633	118,366	118,366	+1,733	---
Program support	1,990	1,780	1,780	-210	---
Administration	27,398	27,803	27,803	+405	---
Total, Arts	146,021	147,949	147,949	+1,928	---

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National Endowment for the Humanities					
Grants and Administration					
Grants:					
Bridging cultures	3,500	---	---	-3,500	---
Special Initiative: The Common Good	---	5,500	5,500	+5,500	---
Federal/State partnership	42,528	43,040	43,040	+512	---
Preservation and access	15,460	15,200	15,200	-260	---
Public programs	13,684	13,454	13,454	-230	---
Research programs	14,784	14,536	14,536	-248	---
Education programs	13,265	13,040	13,040	-225	---
Program development	500	500	500	---	---
Digital humanities initiatives	4,400	4,480	4,480	+80	---
Subtotal, Grants	108,121	109,750	109,750	+1,629	---
Matching Grants:					
Treasury funds	2,400	2,400	2,400	---	---
Challenge grants	8,500	8,500	8,500	---	---
Subtotal, Matching grants	10,900	10,900	10,900	---	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Administration	27,000	27,292	27,292	+292	---
Total, Humanities	146,021	147,942	147,942	+1,921	---
TOTAL, NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES	292,042	295,891	295,891	+3,849	---
COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS					
Salaries and expenses	2,524	2,653	2,653	+129	---
NATIONAL CAPITAL ARTS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS					
Grants	2,000	2,000	2,000	---	---
ADVISORY COUNCIL ON HISTORIC PRESERVATION					
Salaries and expenses	6,204	6,080	6,080	-124	---
NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION					
Salaries and expenses	7,948	8,348	8,348	+400	---
UNITED STATES HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL MUSEUM					
Holocaust Memorial Museum	52,385	54,959	54,000	+1,615	-959

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DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION					
Construction	---	68,200	---	---	-68,200
Salaries and expenses	1,000	2,000	1,000	---	-1,000
Total, DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER MEMORIAL COMMISSION	1,000	70,200	1,000	---	-69,200
TOTAL, TITLE III, RELATED AGENCIES	11,246,921	12,646,176	12,069,261	+822,340	-576,915
(Disaster Relief cap adjustment)	---	(854,578)	---	---	(-854,578)
GRAND TOTAL	30,105,720	33,324,129	32,225,579	+2,119,859	-1,098,550
Appropriations	(30,173,720)	(32,299,551)	(32,293,579)	(+2,119,859)	(-5,972)
Rescissions	(-40,000)	---	(-40,000)	---	(-40,000)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-28,000)	(-30,000)	(-28,000)	---	(+2,000)
Emergency appropriations	---	---	---	---	---
Disaster Relief cap adjustment	---	(1,054,578)	---	---	(-1,054,578)
(By transfer)	(28,789)	(24,676)	(28,789)	---	(+4,113)
(Transfer out)	(-28,789)	(-24,676)	(-28,789)	---	(-4,113)
(Discretionary total)	(30,416,000)	(33,262,409)	(32,158,859)	(+1,742,859)	(-1,103,550)

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TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

For necessary expenses of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (referred to in this Act as "WIOA"), the Second Chance Act of 2007, the National Apprenticeship Act, and the Women in Apprenticeship and Nontraditional Occupations Act of 1992 ("WANTO Act"), $3,335,425,000, plus reimbursements, shall be available. Of the amounts provided:

(1) for grants to States for adult employment and training activities, youth activities, and dislocated worker employment and training activities, $2,709,832,000 as follows:

(A) $815,556,000 for adult employment and training activities, of which $103,556,000 shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and of which $712,000,000 shall be available for the period October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(B) $873,416,000 for youth activities, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; and

(C) $1,020,860,000 for dislocated worker employment and training activities, of which $160,860,000 shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and of which $860,000,000 shall be available for the period October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017:

Provided, That pursuant to section 128(a)(1) of the WIOA, the amount available to the Governor for statewide workforce investment activities shall not exceed 15 percent of the amount allotted to the State from each of the appropriations under the preceding subparagraphs: *Provided further*, That the funds available for allotment to outlying areas to carry out subtitle B of title I of the WIOA shall not be subject to the requirements of section 127(b)(1)(B)(ii) of such Act; and

(2) for national programs, $625,593,000 as follows:

(A) $220,859,000 for the dislocated workers assistance national reserve, of which $20,859,000 shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017, and of which $200,000,000 shall be available for the period October 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That funds provided to carry out section 132(a)(2)(A) of the

WIOA may be used to provide assistance to a State for statewide or local use in order to address cases where there have been worker dislocations across multiple sectors or across multiple local areas and such workers remain dislocated; coordinate the State workforce development plan with emerging economic development needs; and train such eligible dislocated workers: *Provided further*, That funds provided to carry out sections 168(b) and 169(c) of the WIOA may be used for technical assistance and demonstration projects, respectively, that provide assistance to new entrants in the workforce and incumbent workers: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 168(b) of the WIOA, of the funds provided under this subparagraph, the Secretary of Labor (referred to in this title as "Secretary") may reserve not more than 10 percent of such funds to provide technical assistance and carry out additional activities related to the transition to the WIOA: *Provided further*, That, of the funds provided under this subparagraph, $19,000,000 shall be made available for applications submitted in accordance with section 170 of the WIOA for training and employment assistance for workers dislocated from coal mines and coal-fired power plants;

(B) $50,000,000 for Native American programs under section 166 of the WIOA, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(C) $81,896,000 for migrant and seasonal farmworker programs under section 167 of the WIOA, including $75,885,000 for formula grants (of which not less than 70 percent shall be for employment and training services), $5,517,000 for migrant and seasonal housing (of which not less than 70 percent shall be for permanent housing), and $494,000 for other discretionary purposes, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law or related regulation, the Department of Labor shall take no action limiting the number or proportion of eligible participants receiving related assistance services or discouraging grantees from providing such services;

(D) $994,000 for carrying out the WANTO Act, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(E) $84,534,000 for YouthBuild activities as described in section 171 of the WIOA, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(F) $3,232,000 for technical assistance activities under section 168 of the WIOA, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(G) $88,078,000 for ex-offender activities, under the authority of section 169 of the WIOA and section 212 of the Second Chance Act of 2007, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017: *Provided*, That of this amount, $20,000,000 shall be for competitive grants to national and regional intermediaries for activities that prepare young ex-offenders and school dropouts

for employment, with a priority for projects serving high-crime, high-poverty areas;

(H) $6,000,000 for the Workforce Data Quality Initiative, under the authority of section 169 of the WIOA, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017; and

(I) $90,000,000 to expand opportunities relating to apprenticeship programs registered under the National Apprenticeship Act, to be available to the Secretary to carry out activities through grants, cooperative agreements, contracts and other arrangements, with States and other appropriate entities, which shall be available for the period April 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

JOB CORPS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

To carry out subtitle C of title I of the WIOA, including Federal administrative expenses, the purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles, the construction, alteration, and repairs of buildings and other facilities, and the purchase of real property for training centers as authorized by the WIOA, $1,689,155,000, plus reimbursements, as follows:

(1) $1,581,825,000 for Job Corps Operations, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(2) $75,000,000 for construction, rehabilitation and acquisition of Job Corps Centers, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019, and which may include the acquisition, maintenance, and repair of major items of equipment: *Provided*, That the Secretary may transfer up to 15 percent of such funds to meet the operational needs of such centers or to achieve administrative efficiencies: *Provided further*, That any funds transferred pursuant to the preceding proviso shall not be available for obligation after June 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer; and

(3) $32,330,000 for necessary expenses of Job Corps, which shall be available for obligation for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016:

Provided, That no funds from any other appropriation shall be used to provide meal services at or for Job Corps centers.

COMMUNITY SERVICE EMPLOYMENT FOR OLDER AMERICANS

To carry out title V of the Older Americans Act of 1965 (referred to in this Act as "OAA"), $434,371,000, which shall be available for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, and may be recaptured and reobligated in accordance with section 517(c) of the OAA.

FEDERAL UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS AND ALLOWANCES

For payments during fiscal year 2016 of trade adjustment benefit payments and allowances under part I of subchapter B of chapter 2 of title II of the Trade Act of 1974, and section 246 of that Act;

and for training, employment and case management services, allowances for job search and relocation, and related State administrative expenses under part II of subchapter B of chapter 2 of title II of the Trade Act of 1974, and including benefit payments, allowances, training, employment and case management services, and related State administration provided pursuant to section 231(a) of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act of 2011 and section 405(a) of the Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015, $861,000,000 together with such amounts as may be necessary to be charged to the subsequent appropriation for payments for any period subsequent to September 15, 2016: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 502 of this division, any part of the appropriation provided under this heading may remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year pursuant to the authorities of section 245(c) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2317(c)).

STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OPERATIONS

For authorized administrative expenses, $89,066,000, together with not to exceed $3,480,812,000 which may be expended from the Employment Security Administration Account in the Unemployment Trust Fund ("the Trust Fund"), of which:

(1) $2,725,550,000 from the Trust Fund is for grants to States for the administration of State unemployment insurance laws as authorized under title III of the Social Security Act (including not less than $95,000,000 to conduct in-person reemployment and eligibility assessments and unemployment insurance improper payment reviews, and to provide reemployment services and referrals to training as appropriate, for claimants of unemployment insurance for ex-service members under 5 U.S.C. 8521 et. seq. and for the claimants of regular unemployment compensation who are profiled as most likely to exhaust their benefits in each State, and $3,000,000 for continued support of the Unemployment Insurance Integrity Center of Excellence), the administration of unemployment insurance for Federal employees and for ex-service members as authorized under 5 U.S.C. 8501–8523, and the administration of trade readjustment allowances, reemployment trade adjustment assistance, and alternative trade adjustment assistance under the Trade Act of 1974 and under section 231(a) of the Trade Adjustment Assistance Extension Act of 2011 and section 405(a) of the Trade Preferences Extension Act of 2015, and shall be available for obligation by the States through December 31, 2016, except that funds used for automation acquisitions shall be available for Federal obligation through December 31, 2016, and for State obligation through September 30, 2018, or, if the automation acquisition is being carried out through consortia of States, for State obligation through September 30, 2021, and for expenditure through September 30, 2022, and funds for competitive grants awarded to States for improved operations and to conduct in-person assessments and reviews and provide reemployment services and referrals shall be available for Federal obligation through December 31, 2016, and for obligation by the States through September 30, 2018, and funds for the

Unemployment Insurance Integrity Center of Excellence shall be available for obligation by the State through September 30, 2017, and funds used for unemployment insurance workloads experienced by the States through September 30, 2016 shall be available for Federal obligation through December 31, 2016;

(2) $14,547,000 from the Trust Fund is for national activities necessary to support the administration of the Federal-State unemployment insurance system;

(3) $658,587,000 from the Trust Fund, together with $21,413,000 from the General Fund of the Treasury, is for grants to States in accordance with section 6 of the Wagner-Peyser Act, and shall be available for Federal obligation for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017;

(4) $19,818,000 from the Trust Fund is for national activities of the Employment Service, including administration of the work opportunity tax credit under section 51 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and the provision of technical assistance and staff training under the Wagner-Peyser Act;

(5) $62,310,000 from the Trust Fund is for the administration of foreign labor certifications and related activities under the Immigration and Nationality Act and related laws, of which $48,028,000 shall be available for the Federal administration of such activities, and $14,282,000 shall be available for grants to States for the administration of such activities; and

(6) $67,653,000 from the General Fund is to provide workforce information, national electronic tools, and one-stop system building under the Wagner-Peyser Act and shall be available for Federal obligation for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017:

Provided, That to the extent that the Average Weekly Insured Unemployment ("AWIU") for fiscal year 2016 is projected by the Department of Labor to exceed 2,680,000, an additional $28,600,000 from the Trust Fund shall be available for obligation for every 100,000 increase in the AWIU level (including a pro rata amount for any increment less than 100,000) to carry out title III of the Social Security Act: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated in this Act that are allotted to a State to carry out activities under title III of the Social Security Act may be used by such State to assist other States in carrying out activities under such title III if the other States include areas that have suffered a major disaster declared by the President under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may use funds appropriated for grants to States under title III of the Social Security Act to make payments on behalf of States for the use of the National Directory of New Hires under section 453(j)(8) of such Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may use funds appropriated for grants to States under title III of the Social Security Act to make payments on behalf of States to the entity operating the State Information Data Exchange System: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated in this Act which are used to establish a national one-stop career center system, or which are used to support the national activities of the Federal-State unemployment insurance, employment service, or immigration programs, may be obligated in contracts, grants, or agreements with States

and non-State entities: *Provided further*, That States awarded competitive grants for improved operations under title III of the Social Security Act, or awarded grants to support the national activities of the Federal-State unemployment insurance system, may award subgrants to other States under such grants, subject to the conditions applicable to the grants: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this Act for activities authorized under title III of the Social Security Act and the Wagner-Peyser Act may be used by States to fund integrated Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service automation efforts, notwithstanding cost allocation principles prescribed under the Office of Management and Budget Circular A–87: *Provided further,* That the Secretary, at the request of a State participating in a consortium with other States, may reallot funds allotted to such State under title III of the Social Security Act to other States participating in the consortium in order to carry out activities that benefit the administration of the unemployment compensation law of the State making the request: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may collect fees for the costs associated with additional data collection, analyses, and reporting services relating to the National Agricultural Workers Survey requested by State and local governments, public and private institutions of higher education, and nonprofit organizations and may utilize such sums, in accordance with the provisions of 29 U.S.C. 9a, for the National Agricultural Workers Survey infrastructure, methodology, and data to meet the information collection and reporting needs of such entities, which shall be credited to this appropriation and shall remain available until September 30, 2017, for such purposes.

In addition, $20,000,000 from the Employment Security Administration Account of the Unemployment Trust Fund shall be available for in-person reemployment and eligibility assessments and unemployment insurance improper payment reviews and to provide reemployment services and referrals to training as appropriate, which shall be available for Federal obligations through December 31, 2016, and for State obligation through September 30, 2018.

ADVANCES TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT TRUST FUND AND OTHER FUNDS

For repayable advances to the Unemployment Trust Fund as authorized by sections 905(d) and 1203 of the Social Security Act, and to the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund as authorized by section 9501(c)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and for nonrepayable advances to the revolving fund established by section 901(e) of the Social Security Act, to the Unemployment Trust Fund as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 8509, and to the "Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances" account, such sums as may be necessary, which shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2017.

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

For expenses of administering employment and training programs, $104,577,000, together with not to exceed $49,982,000 which may be expended from the Employment Security Administration Account in the Unemployment Trust Fund.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Employee Benefits Security Administration, $181,000,000.

PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION

PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION FUND

The Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation ("Corporation") is authorized to make such expenditures, including financial assistance authorized by subtitle E of title IV of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, within limits of funds and borrowing authority available to the Corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations, as provided by 31 U.S.C. 9104, as may be necessary in carrying out the program, including associated administrative expenses, through September 30, 2016, for the Corporation: *Provided*, That none of the funds available to the Corporation for fiscal year 2016 shall be available for obligations for administrative expenses in excess of $431,799,000: *Provided further*, That to the extent that the number of new plan participants in plans terminated by the Corporation exceeds 100,000 in fiscal year 2016, an amount not to exceed an additional $9,200,000 shall be available through September 30, 2017, for obligation for administrative expenses for every 20,000 additional terminated participants: *Provided further*, That obligations in excess of the amounts provided in this paragraph may be incurred for unforeseen and extraordinary pretermination expenses or extraordinary multiemployer program related expenses after approval by the Office of Management and Budget and notification of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Wage and Hour Division, including reimbursement to State, Federal, and local agencies and their employees for inspection services rendered, $227,500,000.

OFFICE OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT STANDARDS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Office of Labor-Management Standards, $40,593,000.

OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, $105,476,000.

OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, $113,324,000, together with $2,177,000 which may be expended from the Special Fund in accordance with sections 39(c), 44(d), and 44(j) of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act.

SPECIAL BENEFITS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the payment of compensation, benefits, and expenses (except administrative expenses) accruing during the current or any prior fiscal year authorized by 5 U.S.C. 81; continuation of benefits as provided for under the heading "Civilian War Benefits" in the Federal Security Agency Appropriation Act, 1947; the Employees' Compensation Commission Appropriation Act, 1944; section 5(f) of the War Claims Act (50 U.S.C. App. 2004); obligations incurred under the War Hazards Compensation Act (42 U.S.C. 1701 et seq.); and 50 percent of the additional compensation and benefits required by section 10(h) of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, $210,000,000, together with such amounts as may be necessary to be charged to the subsequent year appropriation for the payment of compensation and other benefits for any period subsequent to August 15 of the current year, for deposit into and to assume the attributes of the Employees' Compensation Fund established under 5 U.S.C. 8147(a): *Provided*, That amounts appropriated may be used under 5 U.S.C. 8104 by the Secretary to reimburse an employer, who is not the employer at the time of injury, for portions of the salary of a re-employed, disabled beneficiary: *Provided further*, That balances of reimbursements unobligated on September 30, 2015, shall remain available until expended for the payment of compensation, benefits, and expenses: *Provided further*, That in addition there shall be transferred to this appropriation from the Postal Service and from any other corporation or instrumentality required under 5 U.S.C. 8147(c) to pay an amount for its fair share of the cost of administration, such sums as the Secretary determines to be the cost of administration for employees of such fair share entities through September 30, 2016: *Provided further*, That of those funds transferred to this account from the fair share entities to pay the cost of administration of the Federal Employees' Compensation Act, $62,170,000 shall be made available to the Secretary as follows:

(1) For enhancement and maintenance of automated data processing systems operations and telecommunications systems, $21,140,000;

(2) For automated workload processing operations, including document imaging, centralized mail intake, and medical bill processing, $22,968,000;

(3) For periodic roll disability management and medical review, $16,668,000;

(4) For program integrity, $1,394,000; and

(5) The remaining funds shall be paid into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts:

Provided further, That the Secretary may require that any person filing a notice of injury or a claim for benefits under 5 U.S.C. 81, or the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, provide as part of such notice and claim, such identifying information (including Social Security account number) as such regulations may prescribe.

SPECIAL BENEFITS FOR DISABLED COAL MINERS

For carrying out title IV of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, as amended by Public Law 107–275, $69,302,000, to remain available until expended.

For making after July 31 of the current fiscal year, benefit payments to individuals under title IV of such Act, for costs incurred in the current fiscal year, such amounts as may be necessary.

For making benefit payments under title IV for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, $19,000,000, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES, ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION FUND

For necessary expenses to administer the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act, $58,552,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary may require that any person filing a claim for benefits under the Act provide as part of such claim such identifying information (including Social Security account number) as may be prescribed.

BLACK LUNG DISABILITY TRUST FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Such sums as may be necessary from the Black Lung Disability Trust Fund (the "Fund"), to remain available until expended, for payment of all benefits authorized by section 9501(d)(1), (2), (6), and (7) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; and repayment of, and payment of interest on advances, as authorized by section 9501(d)(4) of that Act. In addition, the following amounts may be expended from the Fund for fiscal year 2016 for expenses of operation and administration of the Black Lung Benefits program, as authorized by section 9501(d)(5): not to exceed $35,244,000 for transfer to the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, "Salaries and Expenses"; not to exceed $30,279,000 for transfer to Departmental Management, "Salaries and Expenses"; not to exceed $327,000 for transfer to Departmental Management, "Office of Inspector General"; and not to exceed $356,000 for payments into miscellaneous receipts for the expenses of the Department of the Treasury.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, $552,787,000, including not to exceed $100,850,000 which shall be the maximum amount available for grants to States under section 23(g) of the Occupational Safety and Health Act (the "Act"), which grants shall be no less than 50 percent of the costs of State occupational safety and health programs required to be incurred under plans approved by the Secretary under section 18 of the Act; and, in addition, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration may retain up to $499,000 per fiscal year of training institute course tuition and fees, otherwise authorized by law to be collected, and may utilize such sums for occupational safety and health training and education: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, the Secretary is authorized, during the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016, to collect and retain fees for services provided to Nationally Recognized Testing Laboratories, and may utilize such sums, in accordance with the provisions of 29 U.S.C. 9a, to administer national and international laboratory recognition programs that ensure the safety of equipment and products used by workers in the workplace: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated under this paragraph shall be obligated or expended to prescribe, issue, administer, or enforce any standard, rule, regulation, or order under the Act which is applicable to any person who is engaged in a farming operation which does not maintain a temporary labor camp and employs 10 or fewer employees: *Provided further*, That no funds appropriated under this paragraph shall be obligated or expended to administer or enforce any standard, rule, regulation, or order under the Act with respect to any employer of 10 or fewer employees who is included within a category having a Days Away, Restricted, or Transferred ("DART") occupational injury and illness rate, at the most precise industrial classification code for which such data are published, less than the national average rate as such rates are most recently published by the Secretary, acting through the Bureau of Labor Statistics, in accordance with section 24 of the Act, except—

(1) to provide, as authorized by the Act, consultation, technical assistance, educational and training services, and to conduct surveys and studies;

(2) to conduct an inspection or investigation in response to an employee complaint, to issue a citation for violations found during such inspection, and to assess a penalty for violations which are not corrected within a reasonable abatement period and for any willful violations found;

(3) to take any action authorized by the Act with respect to imminent dangers;

(4) to take any action authorized by the Act with respect to health hazards;

(5) to take any action authorized by the Act with respect to a report of an employment accident which is fatal to one or more employees or which results in hospitalization of two or

more employees, and to take any action pursuant to such investigation authorized by the Act; and

(6) to take any action authorized by the Act with respect to complaints of discrimination against employees for exercising rights under the Act:

Provided further, That the foregoing proviso shall not apply to any person who is engaged in a farming operation which does not maintain a temporary labor camp and employs 10 or fewer employees: *Provided further*, That $10,537,000 shall be available for Susan Harwood training grants.

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Mine Safety and Health Administration, $375,887,000, including purchase and bestowal of certificates and trophies in connection with mine rescue and first-aid work, and the hire of passenger motor vehicles, including up to $2,000,000 for mine rescue and recovery activities and not less than $8,441,000 for State assistance grants: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, not to exceed $750,000 may be collected by the National Mine Health and Safety Academy for room, board, tuition, and the sale of training materials, otherwise authorized by law to be collected, to be available for mine safety and health education and training activities: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, the Mine Safety and Health Administration is authorized to collect and retain up to $2,499,000 from fees collected for the approval and certification of equipment, materials, and explosives for use in mines, and may utilize such sums for such activities: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is authorized to accept lands, buildings, equipment, and other contributions from public and private sources and to prosecute projects in cooperation with other agencies, Federal, State, or private: *Provided further*, That the Mine Safety and Health Administration is authorized to promote health and safety education and training in the mining community through cooperative programs with States, industry, and safety associations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary is authorized to recognize the Joseph A. Holmes Safety Association as a principal safety association and, notwithstanding any other provision of law, may provide funds and, with or without reimbursement, personnel, including service of Mine Safety and Health Administration officials as officers in local chapters or in the national organization: *Provided further*, That any funds available to the Department of Labor may be used, with the approval of the Secretary, to provide for the costs of mine rescue and survival operations in the event of a major disaster.

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Bureau of Labor Statistics, including advances or reimbursements to State, Federal, and local agencies and their employees for services rendered, $544,000,000, together with not to exceed $65,000,000 which may be expended

from the Employment Security Administration account in the Unemployment Trust Fund.

OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Office of Disability Employment Policy to provide leadership, develop policy and initiatives, and award grants furthering the objective of eliminating barriers to the training and employment of people with disabilities, $38,203,000.

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for Departmental Management, including the hire of three passenger motor vehicles, $334,065,000, together with not to exceed $308,000, which may be expended from the Employment Security Administration account in the Unemployment Trust Fund: *Provided*, That $59,825,000 for the Bureau of International Labor Affairs shall be available for obligation through December 31, 2016: *Provided further*, That funds available to the Bureau of International Labor Affairs may be used to administer or operate international labor activities, bilateral and multilateral technical assistance, and microfinance programs, by or through contracts, grants, subgrants and other arrangements: *Provided further*, That not more than $53,825,000 shall be for programs to combat exploitative child labor internationally and not less than $6,000,000 shall be used to implement model programs that address worker rights issues through technical assistance in countries with which the United States has free trade agreements or trade preference programs: *Provided further*, That $8,040,000 shall be used for program evaluation and shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That funds available for program evaluation may be used to administer grants for the purpose of evaluation: *Provided further*, That grants made for the purpose of evaluation shall be awarded through fair and open competition: *Provided further*, That funds available for program evaluation may be transferred to any other appropriate account in the Department for such purpose: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer: *Provided further*, That the funds available to the Women's Bureau may be used for grants to serve and promote the interests of women in the workforce.

VETERANS EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING

Not to exceed $233,001,000 may be derived from the Employment Security Administration account in the Unemployment Trust Fund to carry out the provisions of chapters 41, 42, and 43 of title 38, United States Code, of which:

(1) $175,000,000 is for Jobs for Veterans State grants under 38 U.S.C. 4102A(b)(5) to support disabled veterans' outreach program specialists under section 4103A of such title and local veterans' employment representatives under section 4104(b) of such title, and for the expenses described in section 4102A(b)(5)(C), which shall be available for obligation by the States through December 31, 2016, and not to exceed 3 percent for the necessary Federal expenditures for data systems and contract support to allow for the tracking of participant and performance information: *Provided*, That, in addition, such funds may be used to support such specialists and representatives in the provision of services to transitioning members of the Armed Forces who have participated in the Transition Assistance Program and have been identified as in need of intensive services, to members of the Armed Forces who are wounded, ill, or injured and receiving treatment in military treatment facilities or warrior transition units, and to the spouses or other family caregivers of such wounded, ill, or injured members;

(2) $14,100,000 is for carrying out the Transition Assistance Program under 38 U.S.C. 4113 and 10 U.S.C. 1144;

(3) $40,487,000 is for Federal administration of chapters 41, 42, and 43 of title 38, United States Code; and

(4) $3,414,000 is for the National Veterans' Employment and Training Services Institute under 38 U.S.C. 4109:

Provided, That the Secretary may reallocate among the appropriations provided under paragraphs (1) through (4) above an amount not to exceed 3 percent of the appropriation from which such reallocation is made.

In addition, from the General Fund of the Treasury, $38,109,000 is for carrying out programs to assist homeless veterans and veterans at risk of homelessness who are transitioning from certain institutions under sections 2021, 2021A, and 2023 of title 38, United States Code: *Provided*, That notwithstanding subsections (c)(3) and (d) of section 2023, the Secretary may award grants through September 30, 2016, to provide services under such section: *Provided further*, That services provided under section 2023 may include, in addition to services to the individuals described in subsection (e) of such section, services to veterans recently released from incarceration who are at risk of homelessness.

IT MODERNIZATION

For necessary expenses for Department of Labor centralized infrastructure technology investment activities related to support systems and modernization, $29,778,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, $80,640,000, together with not to exceed $5,660,000 which may be expended from the Employment Security Administration account in the Unemployment Trust Fund.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 101. None of the funds appropriated by this Act for the Job Corps shall be used to pay the salary and bonuses of an individual, either as direct costs or any proration as an indirect cost, at a rate in excess of Executive Level II.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 102. Not to exceed 1 percent of any discretionary funds (pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) which are appropriated for the current fiscal year for the Department of Labor in this Act may be transferred between a program, project, or activity, but no such program, project, or activity shall be increased by more than 3 percent by any such transfer: *Provided*, That the transfer authority granted by this section shall not be used to create any new program or to fund any project or activity for which no funds are provided in this Act: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

SEC. 103. In accordance with Executive Order 13126, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant to this Act shall be obligated or expended for the procurement of goods mined, produced, manufactured, or harvested or services rendered, in whole or in part, by forced or indentured child labor in industries and host countries already identified by the United States Department of Labor prior to enactment of this Act.

SEC. 104. Except as otherwise provided in this section, none of the funds made available to the Department of Labor for grants under section 414(c) of the American Competitiveness and Workforce Improvement Act of 1998 (29 U.S.C. 2916a) may be used for any purpose other than competitive grants for training individuals who are older than 16 years of age and are not currently enrolled in school within a local educational agency in the occupations and industries for which employers are using H–1B visas to hire foreign workers, and the related activities necessary to support such training: *Provided*, That up to $13,000,000 of such funds shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2017 to process permanent foreign labor certifications under section 212(a)(5)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1182(a)(5)(A)): *Provided further*, That the funding limitation under this section shall not apply to funding provided pursuant to solicitations for grant applications issued before January 15, 2014.

SEC. 105. None of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "Employment and Training Administration" shall be used by a recipient or subrecipient of such funds to pay the salary and bonuses of an individual, either as direct costs or indirect costs, at a rate in excess of Executive Level II. This limitation shall not apply to vendors providing goods and services as defined in Office of Management and Budget Circular A–133. Where States are recipients of such funds, States may establish a lower limit for salaries and bonuses of those receiving salaries and bonuses from subrecipients of such funds, taking into account factors including the relative cost-of-living in the State, the compensation levels for com-

parable State or local government employees, and the size of the organizations that administer Federal programs involved including Employment and Training Administration programs.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 106. Notwithstanding section 102, the Secretary may transfer funds made available to the Employment and Training Administration by this Act, either directly or through a set-aside, for technical assistance services to grantees to "Program Administration" when it is determined that those services will be more efficiently performed by Federal employees: *Provided*, That this section shall not apply to section 171 of the WIOA.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 107. (a) The Secretary may reserve not more than 0.75 percent from each appropriation made available in this Act identified in subsection (b) in order to carry out evaluations of any of the programs or activities that are funded under such accounts. Any funds reserved under this section shall be transferred to "Departmental Management" for use by the Office of the Chief Evaluation Officer within the Department of Labor, and shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such funds shall only be available if the Chief Evaluation Officer of the Department of Labor submits a plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate describing the evaluations to be carried out 15 days in advance of any transfer.

(b) The accounts referred to in subsection (a) are: "Training and Employment Services", "Job Corps", "Community Service Employment for Older Americans", "State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations", "Employee Benefits Security Administration", "Office of Workers' Compensation Programs", "Wage and Hour Division", "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs", "Office of Labor Management Standards", "Occupational Safety and Health Administration", "Mine Safety and Health Administration", "Office of Disability Employment Policy", funding made available to the "Bureau of International Labor Affairs" and "Women's Bureau" within the "Departmental Management, Salaries and Expenses" account, and "Veterans Employment and Training".

SEC. 108. (a) Section 7 of the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (29 U.S.C. 207) shall be applied as if the following text is part of such section:

"(s)(1) The provisions of this section shall not apply for a period of 2 years after the occurrence of a major disaster to any employee—

"(A) employed to adjust or evaluate claims resulting from or relating to such major disaster, by an employer not engaged, directly or through an affiliate, in underwriting, selling, or marketing property, casualty, or liability insurance policies or contracts;

"(B) who receives from such employer on average weekly compensation of not less than $591.00 per week or any minimum weekly amount established by the Secretary, whichever

is greater, for the number of weeks such employee is engaged in any of the activities described in subparagraph (C); and

"(C) whose duties include any of the following:

"(i) interviewing insured individuals, individuals who suffered injuries or other damages or losses arising from or relating to a disaster, witnesses, or physicians;

"(ii) inspecting property damage or reviewing factual information to prepare damage estimates;

"(iii) evaluating and making recommendations regarding coverage or compensability of claims or determining liability or value aspects of claims;

"(iv) negotiating settlements; or

"(v) making recommendations regarding litigation.

"(2) The exemption in this subsection shall not affect the exemption provided by section 13(a)(1).

"(3) For purposes of this subsection—

"(A) the term 'major disaster' means any disaster or catastrophe declared or designated by any State or Federal agency or department;

"(B) the term 'employee employed to adjust or evaluate claims resulting from or relating to such major disaster' means an individual who timely secured or secures a license required by applicable law to engage in and perform the activities described in clauses (i) through (v) of paragraph (1)(C) relating to a major disaster, and is employed by an employer that maintains worker compensation insurance coverage or protection for its employees, if required by applicable law, and withholds applicable Federal, State, and local income and payroll taxes from the wages, salaries and any benefits of such employees; and

"(C) the term 'affiliate' means a company that, by reason of ownership or control of 25 percent or more of the outstanding shares of any class of voting securities of one or more companies, directly or indirectly, controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with, another company.".

(b) This section shall be effective on the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 109. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, beginning October 1, 2015, the Secretary of Labor, in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture may select an entity to operate a Civilian Conservation Center on a competitive basis in accordance with section 147 of the WIOA, if the Secretary of Labor determines such Center has had consistently low performance under the performance accountability system in effect for the Job Corps program prior to July 1, 2016, or with respect to expected levels of performance established under section 159(c) of such Act beginning July 1, 2016.

SEC. 110. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce the Establishing a Minimum Wage for Contractors regulation published by the Department of Labor in the Federal Register on October 7, 2014 (79 Fed. Reg. 66602 et seq.), with respect to Federal contracts, permits, or other contract-like instruments entered into with the Federal Government in connection with Federal property or lands, specifically

related to offering seasonal recreational services or seasonal recreation equipment rental for the general public: *Provided*, That this section shall not apply to lodging and food services associated with seasonal recreation services.

SEC. 111. (a) FLEXIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO THE CROSSING OF H–2B NONIMMIGRANTS WORKING IN THE SEAFOOD INDUSTRY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), if a petition for H–2B nonimmigrants filed by an employer in the seafood industry is granted, the employer may bring the nonimmigrants described in the petition into the United States at any time during the 120-day period beginning on the start date for which the employer is seeking the services of the nonimmigrants without filing another petition.

(2) REQUIREMENTS FOR CROSSINGS AFTER 90TH DAY.—An employer in the seafood industry may not bring H–2B nonimmigrants into the United States after the date that is 90 days after the start date for which the employer is seeking the services of the nonimmigrants unless the employer—

(A) completes a new assessment of the local labor market by—

(i) listing job orders in local newspapers on 2 separate Sundays; and

(ii) posting the job opportunity on the appropriate Department of Labor Electronic Job Registry and at the employer's place of employment; and

(B) offers the job to an equally or better qualified United States worker who—

(i) applies for the job; and

(ii) will be available at the time and place of need.

(3) EXEMPTION FROM RULES WITH RESPECT TO STAGGERING.—The Secretary of Labor shall not consider an employer in the seafood industry who brings H–2B nonimmigrants into the United States during the 120-day period specified in paragraph (1) to be staggering the date of need in violation of section 655.20(d) of title 20, Code of Federal Regulations, or any other applicable provision of law.

(b) H–2B NONIMMIGRANTS DEFINED.—In this section, the term "H–2B nonimmigrants" means aliens admitted to the United States pursuant to section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(B)).

SEC. 112. The determination of prevailing wage for the purposes of the H–2B program shall be the greater of—(1) the actual wage level paid by the employer to other employees with similar experience and qualifications for such position in the same location; or (2) the prevailing wage level for the occupational classification of the position in the geographic area in which the H–2B nonimmigrant will be employed, based on the best information available at the time of filing the petition. In the determination of prevailing wage for the purposes of the H–2B program, the Secretary shall accept private wage surveys even in instances where Occupational Employment Statistics survey data are available unless the Secretary determines that the methodology and data in the provided survey are not statistically supported.

SEC. 113. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to enforce the definition of corresponding employment found in 20 CFR 655.5 or the three-fourths guarantee rule definition found in 20 CFR 655.20, or any references thereto. Further, for the purpose of regulating admission of temporary workers under the H–2B program, the definition of temporary need shall be that provided in 8 CFR 214.2(h)(6)(ii)(B).

SEC. 114. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to implement 20 CFR 655.70 and 20 CFR 655.71.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Labor Appropriations Act, 2016".

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

For carrying out titles II and III of the Public Health Service Act (referred to in this Act as the "PHS Act") with respect to primary health care and the Native Hawaiian Health Care Act of 1988, $1,491,522,000 (in addition to the $3,600,000,000 previously appropriated to the Community Health Center Fund for fiscal year 2016): *Provided*, That no more than $100,000 shall be available until expended for carrying out the provisions of section 224(o) of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That no more than $99,893,000 shall be available until expended for carrying out the provisions of Public Law 104–73 and for expenses incurred by the Department of Health and Human Services (referred to in this Act as "HHS") pertaining to administrative claims made under such law: *Provided further*, That of funds provided for the Health Centers program, as defined by section 330 of the PHS Act, by this Act or any other Act for fiscal year 2016, not less than $200,000,000 shall be obligated in fiscal year 2016 to support new access points, grants to expand medical services, behavioral health, oral health, pharmacy, or vision services, and not less than $150,000,000 shall be obligated in fiscal year 2016 for construction and capital improvement costs: *Provided further*, That the time limitation in section 330(e)(3) of the PHS Act shall not apply in fiscal year 2016.

HEALTH WORKFORCE

For carrying out titles III, VII, and VIII of the PHS Act with respect to the health workforce, section 1128E of the Social Security Act, and the Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986, $786,895,000: *Provided*, That sections 747(c)(2), 751(j)(2), 762(k), and the proportional funding amounts in paragraphs (1) through (4) of section 756(e) of the PHS Act shall not apply to funds made available under this heading: *Provided further*, That for any program operating under section 751 of the PHS Act on or before January 1, 2009, the Secretary of Health and Human Services (referred to in this title as the "Secretary") may hereafter waive any of the requirements contained in sections 751(d)(2)(A) and 751(d)(2)(B) of such Act for the full project period of a grant under

such section: *Provided further*, That no funds shall be available for section 340G–1 of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That fees collected for the disclosure of information under section 427(b) of the Health Care Quality Improvement Act of 1986 and sections 1128E(d)(2) and 1921 of the Social Security Act shall be sufficient to recover the full costs of operating the programs authorized by such sections and shall remain available until expended for the National Practitioner Data Bank: *Provided further*, That funds transferred to this account to carry out section 846 and subpart 3 of part D of title III of the PHS Act may be used to make prior year adjustments to awards made under such sections.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

For carrying out titles III, XI, XII, and XIX of the PHS Act with respect to maternal and child health, title V of the Social Security Act, and section 712 of the American Jobs Creation Act of 2004, $845,117,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding sections 502(a)(1) and 502(b)(1) of the Social Security Act, not more than $77,093,000 shall be available for carrying out special projects of regional and national significance pursuant to section 501(a)(2) of such Act and $10,276,000 shall be available for projects described in subparagraphs (A) through (F) of section 501(a)(3) of such Act.

RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM

For carrying out title XXVI of the PHS Act with respect to the Ryan White HIV/AIDS program, $2,322,781,000, of which $1,970,881,000 shall remain available to the Secretary through September 30, 2018, for parts A and B of title XXVI of the PHS Act, and of which not less than $900,313,000 shall be for State AIDS Drug Assistance Programs under the authority of section 2616 or 311(c) of such Act.

HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

For carrying out titles III and XII of the PHS Act with respect to health care systems, and the Stem Cell Therapeutic and Research Act of 2005, $103,193,000, of which $122,000 shall be available until expended for facilities renovations at the Gillis W. Long Hansen's Disease Center.

RURAL HEALTH

For carrying out titles III and IV of the PHS Act with respect to rural health, section 427(a) of the Federal Coal Mine Health and Safety Act of 1969, and sections 711 and 1820 of the Social Security Act, $149,571,000, of which $41,609,000 from general revenues, notwithstanding section 1820(j) of the Social Security Act, shall be available for carrying out the Medicare rural hospital flexibility grants program: *Provided*, That of the funds made available under this heading for Medicare rural hospital flexibility grants, $14,942,000 shall be available for the Small Rural Hospital Improvement Grant Program for quality improvement and adoption of health information technology and up to $1,000,000 shall be to carry out section 1820(g)(6) of the Social Security Act, with funds

provided for grants under section 1820(g)(6) available for the purchase and implementation of telehealth services, including pilots and demonstrations on the use of electronic health records to coordinate rural veterans care between rural providers and the Department of Veterans Affairs electronic health record system: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 338J(k) of the PHS Act, $9,511,000 shall be available for State Offices of Rural Health.

FAMILY PLANNING

For carrying out the program under title X of the PHS Act to provide for voluntary family planning projects, $286,479,000: *Provided,* That amounts provided to said projects under such title shall not be expended for abortions, that all pregnancy counseling shall be nondirective, and that such amounts shall not be expended for any activity (including the publication or distribution of literature) that in any way tends to promote public support or opposition to any legislative proposal or candidate for public office.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

For program support in the Health Resources and Services Administration, $154,000,000: *Provided*, That funds made available under this heading may be used to supplement program support funding provided under the headings "Primary Health Care", "Health Workforce", "Maternal and Child Health", "Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program", "Health Care Systems", and "Rural Health".

VACCINE INJURY COMPENSATION PROGRAM TRUST FUND

For payments from the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program Trust Fund (the "Trust Fund"), such sums as may be necessary for claims associated with vaccine-related injury or death with respect to vaccines administered after September 30, 1988, pursuant to subtitle 2 of title XXI of the PHS Act, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That for necessary administrative expenses, not to exceed $7,500,000 shall be available from the Trust Fund to the Secretary.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

IMMUNIZATION AND RESPIRATORY DISEASES

For carrying out titles II, III, XVII, and XXI, and section 2821 of the PHS Act, titles II and IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act, with respect to immunization and respiratory diseases, $459,055,000.

HIV/AIDS, VIRAL HEPATITIS, SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES, AND TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION

For carrying out titles II, III, XVII, and XXIII of the PHS Act with respect to HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis, sexually transmitted diseases, and tuberculosis prevention, $1,122,278,000.

EMERGING AND ZOONOTIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII, and section 2821 of the PHS Act, titles II and IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act, with respect to emerging and zoonotic infectious diseases, $527,885,000.

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

For carrying out titles II, III, XI, XV, XVII, and XIX of the PHS Act with respect to chronic disease prevention and health promotion, $838,146,000: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this account may be available for making grants under section 1509 of the PHS Act for not less than 21 States, tribes, or tribal organizations: *Provided further*, That of the funds available under this heading, $10,000,000 shall be available to continue and expand community specific extension and outreach programs to combat obesity in counties with the highest levels of obesity: *Provided further*, That the proportional funding requirements under section 1503(a) of the PHS Act shall not apply to funds made available under this heading.

BIRTH DEFECTS, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, DISABILITIES AND HEALTH

For carrying out titles II, III, XI, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to birth defects, developmental disabilities, disabilities and health, $135,610,000.

PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENTIFIC SERVICES

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to health statistics, surveillance, health informatics, and workforce development, $491,597,000.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to environmental health, $165,303,000.

INJURY PREVENTION AND CONTROL

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to injury prevention and control, $236,059,000: *Provided*, That of the funds provided under this heading, $70,000,000 shall be available for an evidence-based opioid drug overdose prevention program.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act, sections 101, 102, 103, 201, 202, 203, 301, and 501 of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act, section 13 of the Mine Improvement and New Emergency Response Act, and sections 20, 21, and 22 of the Occupational Safety and Health Act, with respect to occupational safety and health, $339,121,000.

ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to administer the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act, $55,358,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That this amount shall be available consistent with the provision regarding administrative expenses in section 151(b) of division B, title I of Public Law 106–554.

GLOBAL HEALTH

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to global health, $427,121,000, of which $128,421,000 for international HIV/AIDS shall remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided,* That funds may be used for purchase and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries.

PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

For carrying out titles II, III, and XVII of the PHS Act with respect to public health preparedness and response, and for expenses necessary to support activities related to countering potential biological, nuclear, radiological, and chemical threats to civilian populations, $1,405,000,000, of which $575,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the Strategic National Stockpile: *Provided*, That in the event the Director of the CDC activates the Emergency Operations Center, the Director of the CDC may detail CDC staff without reimbursement for up to 90 days to support the work of the CDC Emergency Operations Center, so long as the Director provides a notice to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 15 days of the use of this authority and a full report within 30 days after use of this authority which includes the number of staff and funding level broken down by the originating center and number of days detailed: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be used to support a contract for the operation and maintenance of an aircraft in direct support of activities throughout CDC to ensure the agency is prepared to address public health preparedness emergencies.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For acquisition of real property, equipment, construction, demolition, and renovation of facilities, $10,000,000, which shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That funds previously set-aside by CDC for repair and upgrade of the Lake Lynn Experimental Mine and Laboratory shall be used to acquire a replacement mine safety research facility: *Provided further*, That in addition, the prior year unobligated balance of any amounts assigned to former employees in accounts of CDC made available for Individual Learning Accounts shall be credited to and merged with the amounts made available under this heading to support the replacement of the mine safety research facility.

CDC-WIDE ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

For carrying out titles II, III, XVII and XIX, and section 2821 of the PHS Act and for cross-cutting activities and program support for activities funded in other appropriations included in this Act for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, $113,570,000: *Provided*, That paragraphs (1) through (3) of subsection (b) of section 2821 of the PHS Act shall not apply to funds appropriated under this heading and in all other accounts of the CDC: *Provided further*, That employees of CDC or the Public Health Service, both civilian and commissioned officers, detailed to States, municipalities, or other organizations under authority of section 214 of the PHS Act, or in overseas assignments, shall be treated as non-Federal employees for reporting purposes only and shall not be included within any personnel ceiling applicable to the Agency, Service, or HHS during the period of detail or assignment: *Provided further*, That CDC may use up to $10,000 from amounts appropriated to CDC in this Act for official reception and representation expenses when specifically approved by the Director of CDC: *Provided further*, That in addition, such sums as may be derived from authorized user fees, which shall be credited to the appropriation charged with the cost thereof: *Provided further*, That with respect to the previous proviso, authorized user fees from the Vessel Sanitation Program and the Respirator Certification Program shall be available through September 30, 2017.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to cancer, $5,214,701,000, of which up to $16,000,000 may be used for facilities repairs and improvements at the National Cancer Institute—Frederick Federally Funded Research and Development Center in Frederick, Maryland.

NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to cardiovascular, lung, and blood diseases, and blood and blood products, $3,115,538,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DENTAL AND CRANIOFACIAL RESEARCH

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to dental and craniofacial diseases, $415,582,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DIABETES AND DIGESTIVE AND KIDNEY DISEASES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to diabetes and digestive and kidney disease, $1,818,357,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to neurological disorders and stroke, $1,696,139,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to allergy and infectious diseases, $4,629,928,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to general medical sciences, $2,512,073,000, of which $780,000,000 shall be from funds available under section 241 of the PHS Act: *Provided*, That not less than $320,840,000 is provided for the Institutional Development Awards program.

EUNICE KENNEDY SHRIVER NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CHILD HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to child health and human development, $1,339,802,000.

NATIONAL EYE INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to eye diseases and visual disorders, $715,903,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to environmental health sciences, $693,702,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to aging, $1,600,191,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ARTHRITIS AND MUSCULOSKELETAL AND SKIN DISEASES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to arthritis and musculoskeletal and skin diseases, $542,141,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DEAFNESS AND OTHER COMMUNICATION DISORDERS

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to deafness and other communication disorders, $423,031,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NURSING RESEARCH

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to nursing research, $146,485,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON ALCOHOL ABUSE AND ALCOHOLISM

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to alcohol abuse and alcoholism, $467,700,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to drug abuse, $1,077,488,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MENTAL HEALTH

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to mental health, $1,548,390,000.

NATIONAL HUMAN GENOME RESEARCH INSTITUTE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to human genome research, $518,956,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF BIOMEDICAL IMAGING AND BIOENGINEERING

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to biomedical imaging and bioengineering research, $346,795,000.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR COMPLEMENTARY AND INTEGRATIVE HEALTH

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to complementary and integrative health, $130,789,000.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to minority health and health disparities research, $279,718,000.

JOHN E. FOGARTY INTERNATIONAL CENTER

For carrying out the activities of the John E. Fogarty International Center (described in subpart 2 of part E of title IV of the PHS Act), $70,447,000.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF MEDICINE

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to health information communications, $394,664,000: *Provided*, That of the amounts available for improvement of information systems, $4,000,000 shall be available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That in fiscal year 2016, the National Library of Medicine may enter into personal services contracts for the provision of services in facilities owned, operated, or constructed under the jurisdiction of the National Institutes of Health (referred to in this title as "NIH").

NATIONAL CENTER FOR ADVANCING TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCES

For carrying out section 301 and title IV of the PHS Act with respect to translational sciences, $685,417,000: *Provided*, That up to $25,835,000 shall be available to implement section 480 of the PHS Act, relating to the Cures Acceleration Network: *Provided further*, That at least $500,000,000 is provided to the Clinical and Translational Sciences Awards program.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR

For carrying out the responsibilities of the Office of the Director, NIH, $1,558,600,000, of which up to $30,000,000 may be used to carry out section 215 of this Act: *Provided*, That funding shall be available for the purchase of not to exceed 29 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only: *Provided further*, That all funds credited to the NIH Management Fund shall remain available for one fiscal year after the fiscal year in which they are deposited: *Provided further*, That $165,000,000 shall be for the National Children's Study Follow-on: *Provided further*, That NIH shall submit a spend plan on the next phase of the study in the previous proviso to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That $663,039,000 shall be available for the Common Fund established under section 402A(c)(1) of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That of the funds provided, $10,000 shall be for official reception and representation expenses when specifically approved by the Director of the NIH: *Provided further*, That the Office of AIDS Research within the Office of the Director of the NIH may spend up to $8,000,000 to make grants for construction or renovation of facilities as provided for in section 2354(a)(5)(B) of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That up to $130,000,000 of the funds provided to the Common Fund are available to support the trans-NIH Precision Medicine Initiative: *Provided further*, That of the amount provided to the NIH, the Director of the NIH shall enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences, as part of the studies conducted under section 489 of the PHS Act, to conduct a comprehensive study on policies affecting the next generation of researchers in the United States: *Provided further*, That, of the funds from Institute, Center, and Office of the Director accounts within "Department of Health and Human Services, National Institutes of Health," in order to strengthen privacy protections for human research participants, NIH shall require investigators receiving NIH funding for new and competing research projects designed to generate and analyze large volumes of data derived from human research participants to obtain a certificate of confidentiality.

In addition to other funds appropriated for the Common Fund established under section 402A(c) of the PHS Act, $12,600,000 is appropriated to the Common Fund from the 10-year Pediatric Research Initiative Fund described in section 9008 of title 26, United States Code, for the purpose of carrying out section 402(b)(7)(B)(ii) of the PHS Act (relating to pediatric research), as authorized in the Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

For the study of, construction of, renovation of, and acquisition of equipment for, facilities of or used by NIH, including the acquisition of real property, $128,863,000, to remain available through September 30, 2020.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

MENTAL HEALTH

For carrying out titles III, V, and XIX of the PHS Act with respect to mental health, and the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Act, $1,133,948,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 520A(f)(2) of the PHS Act, no funds appropriated for carrying out section 520A shall be available for carrying out section 1971 of the PHS Act: *Provided further,* That in addition to amounts provided herein, $21,039,000 shall be available under section 241 of the PHS Act to carry out subpart I of part B of title XIX of the PHS Act to fund section 1920(b) technical assistance, national data, data collection and evaluation activities, and further that the total available under this Act for section 1920(b) activities shall not exceed 5 percent of the amounts appropriated for subpart I of part B of title XIX: *Provided further,* That section 520E(b)(2) of the PHS Act shall not apply to funds appropriated in this Act for fiscal year 2016: *Provided further,* That of the amount appropriated under this heading, $46,887,000 shall be for the National Child Traumatic Stress Initiative as described in section 582 of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 565(b)(1) of the PHS Act, technical assistance may be provided to a public entity to establish or operate a system of comprehensive community mental health services to children with a serious emotional disturbance, without regard to whether the public entity receives a grant under section 561(a) of such Act: *Provided further*, That States shall expend at least 10 percent of the amount each receives for carrying out section 1911 of the PHS Act to support evidence-based programs that address the needs of individuals with early serious mental illness, including psychotic disorders, regardless of the age of the individual at onset: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided for section 1911 of the PHS Act shall be subject to section 241 of such Act: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, $15,000,000 shall be to carry out section 224 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–93; 42 U.S.C. 290aa 22 note).

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

For carrying out titles III, V, and XIX of the PHS Act with respect to substance abuse treatment and section 1922(a) of the PHS Act with respect to substance abuse prevention, $2,114,224,000: *Provided*, That in addition to amounts provided herein, the following amounts shall be available under section 241 of the PHS Act: (1) $79,200,000 to carry out subpart II of part B of title XIX of the PHS Act to fund section 1935(b) technical assistance, national data, data collection and evaluation activities, and further that the total available under this Act for section 1935(b) activities shall not exceed 5 percent of the amounts appropriated for subpart II of part B of title XIX; and (2) $2,000,000 to evaluate substance abuse treatment programs: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided for section 1921 of the PHS Act shall be subject to section 241 of such Act.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

For carrying out titles III and V of the PHS Act with respect to substance abuse prevention, $211,219,000.

HEALTH SURVEILLANCE AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

For program support and cross-cutting activities that supplement activities funded under the headings "Mental Health", "Substance Abuse Treatment", and "Substance Abuse Prevention" in carrying out titles III, V, and XIX of the PHS Act and the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Act in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, $174,878,000: *Provided*, That in addition to amounts provided herein, $31,428,000 shall be available under section 241 of the PHS Act to supplement funds available to carry out national surveys on drug abuse and mental health, to collect and analyze program data, and to conduct public awareness and technical assistance activities: *Provided further*, That, in addition, fees may be collected for the costs of publications, data, data tabulations, and data analysis completed under title V of the PHS Act and provided to a public or private entity upon request, which shall be credited to this appropriation and shall remain available until expended for such purposes: *Provided further*, That amounts made available in this Act for carrying out section 501(m) of the PHS Act shall remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided further,* That funds made available under this heading may be used to supplement program support funding provided under the headings "Mental Health", "Substance Abuse Treatment", and "Substance Abuse Prevention".

AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

For carrying out titles III and IX of the PHS Act, part A of title XI of the Social Security Act, and section 1013 of the Medicare Prescription Drug, Improvement, and Modernization Act of 2003, $334,000,000: *Provided*, That section 947(c) of the PHS Act shall not apply in fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That in addition, amounts received from Freedom of Information Act fees, reimbursable and interagency agreements, and the sale of data shall be credited to this appropriation and shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES

GRANTS TO STATES FOR MEDICAID

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, titles XI and XIX of the Social Security Act, $243,545,410,000, to remain available until expended.

For making, after May 31, 2016, payments to States under title XIX or in the case of section 1928 on behalf of States under title XIX of the Social Security Act for the last quarter of fiscal year 2016 for unanticipated costs incurred for the current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

For making payments to States or in the case of section 1928 on behalf of States under title XIX of the Social Security Act for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, $115,582,502,000, to remain available until expended.

Payment under such title XIX may be made for any quarter with respect to a State plan or plan amendment in effect during such quarter, if submitted in or prior to such quarter and approved in that or any subsequent quarter.

PAYMENTS TO HEALTH CARE TRUST FUNDS

For payment to the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, as provided under sections 217(g), 1844, and 1860D–16 of the Social Security Act, sections 103(c) and 111(d) of the Social Security Amendments of 1965, section 278(d)(3) of Public Law 97–248, and for administrative expenses incurred pursuant to section 201(g) of the Social Security Act, $283,171,800,000.

In addition, for making matching payments under section 1844 and benefit payments under section 1860D–16 of the Social Security Act that were not anticipated in budget estimates, such sums as may be necessary.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, titles XI, XVIII, XIX, and XXI of the Social Security Act, titles XIII and XXVII of the PHS Act, the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988, and other responsibilities of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, not to exceed $3,669,744,000, to be transferred from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, as authorized by section 201(g) of the Social Security Act; together with all funds collected in accordance with section 353 of the PHS Act and section 1857(e)(2) of the Social Security Act, funds retained by the Secretary pursuant to section 302 of the Tax Relief and Health Care Act of 2006; and such sums as may be collected from authorized user fees and the sale of data, which shall be credited to this account and remain available until September 30, 2021: *Provided,* That all funds derived in accordance with 31 U.S.C. 9701 from organizations established under title XIII of the PHS Act shall be credited to and available for carrying out the purposes of this appropriation: *Provided further,* That the Secretary is directed to collect fees in fiscal year 2016 from Medicare Advantage organizations pursuant to section 1857(e)(2) of the Social Security Act and from eligible organizations with risk-sharing contracts under section 1876 of that Act pursuant to section 1876(k)(4)(D) of that Act.

HEALTH CARE FRAUD AND ABUSE CONTROL ACCOUNT

In addition to amounts otherwise available for program integrity and program management, $681,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2017, to be transferred from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund, as authorized by section 201(g) of the Social Security Act, of which $486,120,000 shall be for the

Medicare Integrity Program at the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, including administrative costs, to conduct oversight activities for Medicare Advantage under Part C and the Medicare Prescription Drug Program under Part D of the Social Security Act and for activities described in section 1893(b) of such Act, of which $67,200,000 shall be for the Department of Health and Human Services Office of Inspector General to carry out fraud and abuse activities authorized by section 1817(k)(3) of such Act, of which $67,200,000 shall be for the Medicaid and Children's Health Insurance Program ("CHIP") program integrity activities, and of which $60,480,000 shall be for the Department of Justice to carry out fraud and abuse activities authorized by section 1817(k)(3) of such Act: *Provided*, That the report required by section 1817(k)(5) of the Social Security Act for fiscal year 2016 shall include measures of the operational efficiency and impact on fraud, waste, and abuse in the Medicare, Medicaid, and CHIP programs for the funds provided by this appropriation: *Provided further*, That of the amount provided under this heading, $311,000,000 is provided to meet the terms of section 251(b)(2)(C)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, and $370,000,000 is additional new budget authority specified for purposes of section 251(b)(2)(C) of such Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall support the full cost of the Senior Medicare Patrol program to combat health care fraud and abuse from the funds provided to this account.

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AND FAMILY SUPPORT PROGRAMS

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, titles I, IV–D, X, XI, XIV, and XVI of the Social Security Act and the Act of July 5, 1960, $2,944,906,000, to remain available until expended; and for such purposes for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, $1,300,000,000, to remain available until expended.

For carrying out, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, except as otherwise provided, titles I, IV–D, X, XI, XIV, and XVI of the Social Security Act and the Act of July 5, 1960, for the last 3 months of the current fiscal year for unanticipated costs, incurred for the current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

For making payments under subsections (b) and (d) of section 2602 of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, $3,390,304,000: *Provided*, That all but $491,000,000 of this amount shall be allocated as though the total appropriation for such payments for fiscal year 2016 was less than $1,975,000,000: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 2609A(a), of the amounts appropriated under section 2602(b), not more than $2,988,000 of such amounts may be reserved by the Secretary for technical assistance, training, and monitoring of program activities for compliance with internal controls, policies and procedures and may, in addition to the authorities provided in section 2609A(a)(1), use such funds

through contracts with private entities that do not qualify as non-profit organizations.

REFUGEE AND ENTRANT ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses for refugee and entrant assistance activities authorized by section 414 of the Immigration and Nationality Act and section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980, and for carrying out section 462 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002, section 235 of the William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2008, the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 ("TVPA"), section 203 of the Trafficking Victims Protection Reauthorization Act of 2005, and the Torture Victims Relief Act of 1998, $1,674,691,000, of which $1,645,201,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2018 for carrying out such sections 414, 501, 462, and 235: *Provided*, That amounts available under this heading to carry out such section 203 and the TVPA shall also be available for research and evaluation with respect to activities under those authorities: *Provided further*, That the limitation in section 205 of this Act regarding transfers increasing any appropriation shall apply to transfers to appropriations under this heading by substituting "10 percent" for "3 percent".

PAYMENTS TO STATES FOR THE CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

For carrying out the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 2014 ("CCDBG Act"), $2,761,000,000 shall be used to supplement, not supplant State general revenue funds for child care assistance for low-income families: *Provided*, That, in addition to the amounts required to be reserved by the States under section 658G of the CCDBG Act, $127,206,000 shall be for activities that improve the quality of infant and toddler care: *Provided further*, That technical assistance under section 658I(a)(3) of such Act may be provided directly, or through the use of contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, or interagency agreements: *Provided further*, That all funds made available to carry out section 418 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 618), including funds appropriated for that purpose in such section 418 or any other provision of law, shall be subject to the reservation of funds authority in paragraphs (4) and (5) of section 658O(a) of the CCDBG Act.

SOCIAL SERVICES BLOCK GRANT

For making grants to States pursuant to section 2002 of the Social Security Act, $1,700,000,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding subparagraph (B) of section 404(d)(2) of such Act, the applicable percent specified under such subparagraph for a State to carry out State programs pursuant to title XX–A of such Act shall be 10 percent.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAMS

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act, the Head Start Act, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, sections 303 and 313 of the Family Vio-

lence Prevention and Services Act, the Native American Programs Act of 1974, title II of the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment and Adoption Reform Act of 1978 (adoption opportunities), part B–1 of title IV and sections 429, 473A, 477(i), 1110, 1114A, and 1115 of the Social Security Act; for making payments under the Community Services Block Grant Act ("CSBG Act"), and the Assets for Independence Act; for necessary administrative expenses to carry out titles I, IV, V, X, XI, XIV, XVI, and XX–A of the Social Security Act, the Act of July 5, 1960, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, title IV of the Immigration and Nationality Act, and section 501 of the Refugee Education Assistance Act of 1980; and for the administration of prior year obligations made by the Administration for Children and Families under the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act and the Help America Vote Act of 2002, $10,984,268,000, of which $37,943,000, to remain available through September 30, 2017, shall be for grants to States for adoption and legal guardianship incentive payments, as defined by section 473A of the Social Security Act and may be made for adoptions completed before September 30, 2016: *Provided*, That $9,168,095,000 shall be for making payments under the Head Start Act: *Provided further*, That of the amount in the previous proviso, $8,214,095,000 shall be available for payments under section 640 of the Head Start Act, of which $141,000,000 shall be available for a cost of living adjustment notwithstanding section 640(a)(3)(A) of such Act: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding such section 640, of the amount in the second preceding proviso, $294,000,000 (of which up to one percent may be reserved for research and evaluation) shall be available through December 31, 2016 for award by the Secretary to grantees that apply for supplemental funding to increase their hours of program operations and for training and technical assistance for such activities: *Provided further*, That of the amount provided for making payments under the Head Start Act, $25,000,000 shall be available for allocation by the Secretary to supplement activities described in paragraphs (7)(B) and (9) of section 641(c) of such Act under the Designation Renewal System, established under the authority of sections 641(c)(7), 645A(b)(12) and 645A(d) of such Act: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding such section 640, of the amount provided for making payments under the Head Start Act, and in addition to funds otherwise available under such section 640 for such purposes, $635,000,000 shall be available through March 31, 2017 for Early Head Start programs as described in section 645A of such Act, for conversion of Head Start services to Early Head Start services as described in section 645(a)(5)(A) of such Act, for discretionary grants for high quality infant and toddler care through Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships, to entities defined as eligible under section 645A(d) of such Act, for training and technical assistance for such activities, and for up to $14,000,000 in Federal costs of administration and evaluation, and, notwithstanding section 645A(c)(2) of such Act, these funds are available to serve children under age 4: *Provided further*, That funds described in the preceding two provisos shall not be included in the calculation of "base grant" in subsequent fiscal years, as such term is used in section 640(a)(7)(A) of such Act: *Provided further*, That $751,383,000 shall be for making

payments under the CSBG Act: *Provided further*, That $36,733,000 shall be for sections 680 and 678E(b)(2) of the CSBG Act, of which not less than $29,883,000 shall be for section 680(a)(2) and not less than $6,500,000 shall be for section 680(a)(3)(B) of such Act: *Provided further*, That to the extent Community Services Block Grant funds are distributed as grant funds by a State to an eligible entity as provided under the CSBG Act, and have not been expended by such entity, they shall remain with such entity for carryover into the next fiscal year for expenditure by such entity consistent with program purposes: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall establish procedures regarding the disposition of intangible assets and program income that permit such assets acquired with, and program income derived from, grant funds authorized under section 680 of the CSBG Act to become the sole property of such grantees after a period of not more than 12 years after the end of the grant period for any activity consistent with section 680(a)(2)(A) of the CSBG Act: *Provided further*, That intangible assets in the form of loans, equity investments and other debt instruments, and program income may be used by grantees for any eligible purpose consistent with section 680(a)(2)(A) of the CSBG Act: *Provided further*, That these procedures shall apply to such grant funds made available after November 29, 1999: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated for section 680(a)(2) of the CSBG Act shall be available for financing construction and rehabilitation and loans or investments in private business enterprises owned by community development corporations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall issue performance standards for nonprofit organizations receiving funds from State and territorial grantees under the CSBG Act, and such States and territories shall assure the implementation of such standards prior to September 30, 2016, and include information on such implementation in the report required by section 678E(2) of such Act: *Provided further*, That, to the extent funds for the Assets for Independence (AFI) Act provided in this Act are distributed as grant funds to a qualified entity and have not been expended by such entity within 3 years after the date of the award, such funds may be recaptured and, during the fiscal year of such recapture, reallocated among other qualified entities, to remain available to such entities for 5 years: *Provided further*, That $1,864,000 shall be for a human services case management system for federally declared disasters, to include a comprehensive national case management contract and Federal costs of administering the system: *Provided further*, That up to $2,000,000 shall be for improving the Public Assistance Reporting Information System, including grants to States to support data collection for a study of the system's effectiveness.

PROMOTING SAFE AND STABLE FAMILIES

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, section 436 of the Social Security Act, $345,000,000 and, for carrying out, except as otherwise provided, section 437 of such Act, $59,765,000.

PAYMENTS FOR FOSTER CARE AND PERMANENCY

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, title IV–E of the Social Security Act, $5,298,000,000.

For carrying out, except as otherwise provided, title IV–E of the Social Security Act, for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, $2,300,000,000.

For carrying out, after May 31 of the current fiscal year, except as otherwise provided, section 474 of title IV–E of the Social Security Act, for the last 3 months of the current fiscal year for unanticipated costs, incurred for the current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise provided, the Older Americans Act of 1965 ("OAA"), titles III and XXIX of the PHS Act, sections 1252 and 1253 of the PHS Act, section 119 of the Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of 2008, title XX–B of the Social Security Act, the Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act, parts 2 and 5 of subtitle D of title II of the Help America Vote Act of 2002, the Assistive Technology Act of 1998, titles II and VII (and section 14 with respect to such titles) of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and for Department-wide coordination of policy and program activities that assist individuals with disabilities, $1,912,735,000, together with $52,115,000 to be transferred from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund to carry out section 4360 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1990: *Provided*, That amounts appropriated under this heading may be used for grants to States under section 361 of the OAA only for disease prevention and health promotion programs and activities which have been demonstrated through rigorous evaluation to be evidence-based and effective: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, funds made available under this heading to carry out section 311 of the OAA may be transferred to the Secretary of Agriculture in accordance with such section: *Provided further*, That $2,000,000 shall be for competitive grants to support alternative financing programs that provide for the purchase of assistive technology devices, such as a low-interest loan fund; an interest buy-down program; a revolving loan fund; a loan guarantee; or an insurance program: *Provided further*, That applicants shall provide an assurance that, and information describing the manner in which, the alternative financing program will expand and emphasize consumer choice and control: *Provided further*, That State agencies and community-based disability organizations that are directed by and operated for individuals with disabilities shall be eligible to compete: *Provided further*, That in addition, the unobligated balance of amounts previously made available for the Health Resources and Services Administration to carry out functions under sections 1252 and 1253 of the PHS Act

shall be transferred to this account, except for such sums as may be necessary to provide for an orderly transition of such functions to the Administration for Community Living: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used by an eligible system (as defined in section 102 of the Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Act (42 U.S.C. 10802)) to continue to pursue any legal action in a Federal or State court on behalf of an individual or group of individuals with a developmental disability (as defined in section 102(8)(A) of the Developmental Disabilities and Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (20 U.S.C. 15002(8)(A)) that is attributable to a mental impairment (or a combination of mental and physical impairments), that has as the requested remedy the closure of State operated intermediate care facilities for people with intellectual or developmental disabilities, unless reasonable public notice of the action has been provided to such individuals (or, in the case of mental incapacitation, the legal guardians who have been specifically awarded authority by the courts to make healthcare and residential decisions on behalf of such individuals) who are affected by such action, within 90 days of instituting such legal action, which informs such individuals (or such legal guardians) of their legal rights and how to exercise such rights consistent with current Federal Rules of Civil Procedure: *Provided further*, That the limitations in the immediately preceding proviso shall not apply in the case of an individual who is neither competent to consent nor has a legal guardian, nor shall the proviso apply in the case of individuals who are a ward of the State or subject to public guardianship.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

GENERAL DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided, for general departmental management, including hire of six passenger motor vehicles, and for carrying out titles III, XVII, XXI, and section 229 of the PHS Act, the United States-Mexico Border Health Commission Act, and research studies under section 1110 of the Social Security Act, $456,009,000, together with $64,828,000 from the amounts available under section 241 of the PHS Act to carry out national health or human services research and evaluation activities: *Provided*, That of this amount, $53,900,000 shall be for minority AIDS prevention and treatment activities: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, $101,000,000 shall be for making competitive contracts and grants to public and private entities to fund medically accurate and age appropriate programs that reduce teen pregnancy and for the Federal costs associated with administering and evaluating such contracts and grants, of which not more than 10 percent of the available funds shall be for training and technical assistance, evaluation, outreach, and additional program support activities, and of the remaining amount 75 percent shall be for replicating programs that have been proven effective through rigorous evaluation to reduce teenage pregnancy, behavioral risk factors underlying teenage pregnancy, or other associated risk factors, and 25 percent shall be available for research and demonstration grants to develop, replicate, refine, and test ad-

ditional models and innovative strategies for preventing teenage pregnancy: *Provided further*, That of the amounts provided under this heading from amounts available under section 241 of the PHS Act, $6,800,000 shall be available to carry out evaluations (including longitudinal evaluations) of teenage pregnancy prevention approaches: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, $10,000,000 shall be for making competitive grants which exclusively implement education in sexual risk avoidance (defined as voluntarily refraining from non-marital sexual activity): *Provided further*, That funding for such competitive grants for sexual risk avoidance shall use medically accurate information referenced to peer-reviewed publications by educational, scientific, governmental, or health organizations; implement an evidence-based approach integrating research findings with practical implementation that aligns with the needs and desired outcomes for the intended audience; and teach the benefits associated with self-regulation, success sequencing for poverty prevention, healthy relationships, goal setting, and resisting sexual coercion, dating violence, and other youth risk behaviors such as underage drinking or illicit drug use without normalizing teen sexual activity: *Provided further*, That no more than 10 percent of the funding for such competitive grants for sexual risk avoidance shall be available for technical assistance and administrative costs of such programs: *Provided further*, That funds provided in this Act for embryo adoption activities may be used to provide to individuals adopting embryos, through grants and other mechanisms, medical and administrative services deemed necessary for such adoptions: *Provided further*, That such services shall be provided consistent with 42 CFR 59.5(a)(4).

OFFICE OF MEDICARE HEARINGS AND APPEALS

For expenses necessary for the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals, $107,381,000, to be transferred in appropriate part from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR FOR HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

For expenses necessary for the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology, including grants, contracts, and cooperative agreements for the development and advancement of interoperable health information technology, $60,367,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector General, including the hire of passenger motor vehicles for investigations, in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, $75,000,000: *Provided,* That of such amount, necessary sums shall be available for providing protective services to the Secretary and investigating non-payment of child support cases for which non-payment is a Federal offense under 18 U.S.C. 228.

OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

For expenses necessary for the Office for Civil Rights, $38,798,000.

RETIREMENT PAY AND MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR COMMISSIONED OFFICERS

For retirement pay and medical benefits of Public Health Service Commissioned Officers as authorized by law, for payments under the Retired Serviceman's Family Protection Plan and Survivor Benefit Plan, and for medical care of dependents and retired personnel under the Dependents' Medical Care Act, such amounts as may be required during the current fiscal year.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES EMERGENCY FUND

For expenses necessary to support activities related to countering potential biological, nuclear, radiological, chemical, and cybersecurity threats to civilian populations, and for other public health emergencies, $950,958,000, of which $511,700,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for expenses necessary to support advanced research and development pursuant to section 319L of the PHS Act and other administrative expenses of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority: *Provided*, That funds provided under this heading for the purpose of acquisition of security countermeasures shall be in addition to any other funds available for such purpose: *Provided further*, That products purchased with funds provided under this heading may, at the discretion of the Secretary, be deposited in the Strategic National Stockpile pursuant to section 319F–2 of the PHS Act: *Provided further*, That $5,000,000 of the amounts made available to support emergency operations shall remain available through September 30, 2018.

For expenses necessary for procuring security countermeasures (as defined in section 319F–2(c)(1)(B) of the PHS Act), $510,000,000, to remain available until expended.

For an additional amount for expenses necessary to prepare for or respond to an influenza pandemic, $72,000,000; of which $40,000,000 shall be available until expended, for activities including the development and purchase of vaccine, antivirals, necessary medical supplies, diagnostics, and other surveillance tools: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 496(b) of the PHS Act, funds may be used for the construction or renovation of privately owned facilities for the production of pandemic influenza vaccines and other biologics, if the Secretary finds such construction or renovation necessary to secure sufficient supplies of such vaccines or biologics.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 201. Funds appropriated in this title shall be available for not to exceed $50,000 for official reception and representation expenses when specifically approved by the Secretary.

SEC. 202. None of the funds appropriated in this title shall be used to pay the salary of an individual, through a grant or other extramural mechanism, at a rate in excess of Executive Level II.

SEC. 203. None of the funds appropriated in this Act may be expended pursuant to section 241 of the PHS Act, except for funds specifically provided for in this Act, or for other taps and assessments made by any office located in HHS, prior to the preparation and submission of a report by the Secretary to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate detailing the planned uses of such funds.

SEC. 204. Notwithstanding section 241(a) of the PHS Act, such portion as the Secretary shall determine, but not more than 2.5 percent, of any amounts appropriated for programs authorized under such Act shall be made available for the evaluation (directly, or by grants or contracts) and the implementation and effectiveness of programs funded in this title.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 205. Not to exceed 1 percent of any discretionary funds (pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) which are appropriated for the current fiscal year for HHS in this Act may be transferred between appropriations, but no such appropriation shall be increased by more than 3 percent by any such transfer: *Provided*, That the transfer authority granted by this section shall not be used to create any new program or to fund any project or activity for which no funds are provided in this Act: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

SEC. 206. In lieu of the timeframe specified in section 338E(c)(2) of the PHS Act, terminations described in such section may occur up to 60 days after the execution of a contract awarded in fiscal year 2016 under section 338B of such Act.

SEC. 207. None of the funds appropriated in this Act may be made available to any entity under title X of the PHS Act unless the applicant for the award certifies to the Secretary that it encourages family participation in the decision of minors to seek family planning services and that it provides counseling to minors on how to resist attempts to coerce minors into engaging in sexual activities.

SEC. 208. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no provider of services under title X of the PHS Act shall be exempt from any State law requiring notification or the reporting of child abuse, child molestation, sexual abuse, rape, or incest.

SEC. 209. None of the funds appropriated by this Act (including funds appropriated to any trust fund) may be used to carry out the Medicare Advantage program if the Secretary denies participation in such program to an otherwise eligible entity (including a Provider Sponsored Organization) because the entity informs the Secretary that it will not provide, pay for, provide coverage of, or provide referrals for abortions: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall make appropriate prospective adjustments to the capitation payment to such an entity (based on an actuarially sound estimate of the expected costs of providing the service to such entity's enroll-

ees): *Provided further*, That nothing in this section shall be construed to change the Medicare program's coverage for such services and a Medicare Advantage organization described in this section shall be responsible for informing enrollees where to obtain information about all Medicare covered services.

SEC. 210. None of the funds made available in this title may be used, in whole or in part, to advocate or promote gun control.

SEC. 211. The Secretary shall make available through assignment not more than 60 employees of the Public Health Service to assist in child survival activities and to work in AIDS programs through and with funds provided by the Agency for International Development, the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund or the World Health Organization.

SEC. 212. In order for HHS to carry out international health activities, including HIV/AIDS and other infectious disease, chronic and environmental disease, and other health activities abroad during fiscal year 2016:

(1) The Secretary may exercise authority equivalent to that available to the Secretary of State in section 2(c) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956. The Secretary shall consult with the Secretary of State and relevant Chief of Mission to ensure that the authority provided in this section is exercised in a manner consistent with section 207 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 and other applicable statutes administered by the Department of State.

(2) The Secretary is authorized to provide such funds by advance or reimbursement to the Secretary of State as may be necessary to pay the costs of acquisition, lease, alteration, renovation, and management of facilities outside of the United States for the use of HHS. The Department of State shall cooperate fully with the Secretary to ensure that HHS has secure, safe, functional facilities that comply with applicable regulation governing location, setback, and other facilities requirements and serve the purposes established by this Act. The Secretary is authorized, in consultation with the Secretary of State, through grant or cooperative agreement, to make available to public or nonprofit private institutions or agencies in participating foreign countries, funds to acquire, lease, alter, or renovate facilities in those countries as necessary to conduct programs of assistance for international health activities, including activities relating to HIV/AIDS and other infectious diseases, chronic and environmental diseases, and other health activities abroad.

(3) The Secretary is authorized to provide to personnel appointed or assigned by the Secretary to serve abroad, allowances and benefits similar to those provided under chapter 9 of title I of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, and 22 U.S.C. 4081 through 4086 and subject to such regulations prescribed by the Secretary. The Secretary is further authorized to provide locality-based comparability payments (stated as a percentage) up to the amount of the locality-based comparability payment (stated as a percentage) that would be payable to such personnel under section 5304 of title 5, United States Code if such personnel's official duty station were in the District of Colum-

bia. Leaves of absence for personnel under this subsection shall be on the same basis as that provided under subchapter I of chapter 63 of title 5, United States Code, or section 903 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, to individuals serving in the Foreign Service.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 213. The Director of the NIH, jointly with the Director of the Office of AIDS Research, may transfer up to 3 percent among institutes and centers from the total amounts identified by these two Directors as funding for research pertaining to the human immunodeficiency virus: *Provided*, That the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 214. Of the amounts made available in this Act for NIH, the amount for research related to the human immunodeficiency virus, as jointly determined by the Director of NIH and the Director of the Office of AIDS Research, shall be made available to the "Office of AIDS Research" account. The Director of the Office of AIDS Research shall transfer from such account amounts necessary to carry out section 2353(d)(3) of the PHS Act.

SEC. 215. (a) AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Director of NIH ("Director") may use funds available under section 402(b)(7) or 402(b)(12) of the PHS Act to enter into transactions (other than contracts, cooperative agreements, or grants) to carry out research identified pursuant to such section 402(b)(7) (pertaining to the Common Fund) or research and activities described in such section 402(b)(12).

(b) PEER REVIEW.—In entering into transactions under subsection (a), the Director may utilize such peer review procedures (including consultation with appropriate scientific experts) as the Director determines to be appropriate to obtain assessments of scientific and technical merit. Such procedures shall apply to such transactions in lieu of the peer review and advisory council review procedures that would otherwise be required under sections 301(a)(3), 405(b)(1)(B), 405(b)(2), 406(a)(3)(A), 492, and 494 of the PHS Act.

SEC. 216. Not to exceed $45,000,000 of funds appropriated by this Act to the institutes and centers of the National Institutes of Health may be used for alteration, repair, or improvement of facilities, as necessary for the proper and efficient conduct of the activities authorized herein, at not to exceed $3,500,000 per project.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 217. Of the amounts made available for NIH, 1 percent of the amount made available for National Research Service Awards ("NRSA") shall be made available to the Administrator of the Health Resources and Services Administration to make NRSA awards for research in primary medical care to individuals affiliated with entities who have received grants or contracts under sections 736, 739, or 747 of the PHS Act, and 1 percent of the amount

made available for NRSA shall be made available to the Director of the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality to make NRSA awards for health service research.

SEC. 218. In addition to amounts provided herein, payments made for research organisms or substances, authorized under section 301(a) of the PHS Act, shall be retained and credited to the appropriations accounts of the Institutes and Centers of the NIH making the substance or organism available under section 301(a). Amounts credited to the account under this authority shall be available for obligation through September 30, 2017.

SEC. 219. (a) The Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority ("BARDA") may enter into a contract, for more than one but no more than 10 program years, for purchase of research services or of security countermeasures, as that term is defined in section 319F–2(c)(1)(B) of the PHS Act (42 U.S.C. 247d–6b(c)(1)(B)), if—

(1) funds are available and obligated—

(A) for the full period of the contract or for the first fiscal year in which the contract is in effect; and

(B) for the estimated costs associated with a necessary termination of the contract; and

(2) the Secretary determines that a multi-year contract will serve the best interests of the Federal Government by encouraging full and open competition or promoting economy in administration, performance, and operation of BARDA's programs.

(b) A contract entered into under this section—

(1) shall include a termination clause as described by subsection (c) of section 3903 of title 41, United States Code; and

(2) shall be subject to the congressional notice requirement stated in subsection (d) of such section.

SEC. 220. (a) The Secretary shall establish a publicly accessible Web site to provide information regarding the uses of funds made available under section 4002 of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 ("ACA").

(b) With respect to funds provided under section 4002 of the ACA, the Secretary shall include on the Web site established under subsection (a) at a minimum the following information:

(1) In the case of each transfer of funds under section 4002(c), a statement indicating the program or activity receiving funds, the operating division or office that will administer the funds, and the planned uses of the funds, to be posted not later than the day after the transfer is made.

(2) Identification (along with a link to the full text) of each funding opportunity announcement, request for proposals, or other announcement or solicitation of proposals for grants, cooperative agreements, or contracts intended to be awarded using such funds, to be posted not later than the day after the announcement or solicitation is issued.

(3) Identification of each grant, cooperative agreement, or contract with a value of $25,000 or more awarded using such funds, including the purpose of the award and the identity of the recipient, to be posted not later than 5 days after the award is made.

(4) A report detailing the uses of all funds transferred under section 4002(c) during the fiscal year, to be posted not later than 90 days after the end of the fiscal year.

(c) With respect to awards made in fiscal years 2013 through 2016, the Secretary shall also include on the Web site established under subsection (a), semi-annual reports from each entity awarded a grant, cooperative agreement, or contract from such funds with a value of $25,000 or more, summarizing the activities undertaken and identifying any sub-grants or sub-contracts awarded (including the purpose of the award and the identity of the recipient), to be posted not later than 30 days after the end of each 6-month period.

(d) In carrying out this section, the Secretary shall—

(1) present the information required in subsection (b)(1) on a single webpage or on a single database;

(2) ensure that all information required in this section is directly accessible from the single webpage or database; and

(3) ensure that all information required in this section is able to be organized by program or State.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 221. (a) Within 45 days of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall transfer funds appropriated under section 4002 of the ACA to the accounts specified, in the amounts specified, and for the activities specified under the heading "Prevention and Public Health Fund" in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

(b) Notwithstanding section 4002(c) of the ACA, the Secretary may not further transfer these amounts.

(c) Funds transferred for activities authorized under section 2821 of the PHS Act shall be made available without reference to section 2821(b) of such Act.

SEC. 222. (a) The Secretary shall publish in the fiscal year 2017 budget justification and on Departmental Web sites information concerning the employment of full-time equivalent Federal employees or contractors for the purposes of implementing, administering, enforcing, or otherwise carrying out the provisions of the ACA, and the amendments made by that Act, in the proposed fiscal year and each fiscal year since the enactment of the ACA.

(b) With respect to employees or contractors supported by all funds appropriated for purposes of carrying out the ACA (and the amendments made by that Act), the Secretary shall include, at a minimum, the following information:

(1) For each such fiscal year, the section of such Act under which such funds were appropriated, a statement indicating the program, project, or activity receiving such funds, the Federal operating division or office that administers such program, and the amount of funding received in discretionary or mandatory appropriations.

(2) For each such fiscal year, the number of full-time equivalent employees or contracted employees assigned to each authorized and funded provision detailed in accordance with paragraph (1).

(c) In carrying out this section, the Secretary may exclude from the report employees or contractors who—

(1) are supported through appropriations enacted in laws other than the ACA and work on programs that existed prior to the passage of the ACA;

(2) spend less than 50 percent of their time on activities funded by or newly authorized in the ACA; or

(3) work on contracts for which FTE reporting is not a requirement of their contract, such as fixed-price contracts.

SEC. 223. The Secretary shall publish, as part of the fiscal year 2017 budget of the President submitted under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, information that details the uses of all funds used by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services specifically for Health Insurance Exchanges for each fiscal year since the enactment of the ACA and the proposed uses for such funds for fiscal year 2017. Such information shall include, for each such fiscal year, the amount of funds used for each activity specified under the heading "Health Insurance Exchange Transparency" in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

SEC. 224. (a) The Secretary shall provide to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate:

(1) Detailed monthly enrollment figures from the Exchanges established under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 pertaining to enrollments during the open enrollment period; and

(2) Notification of any new or competitive grant awards, including supplements, authorized under section 330 of the Public Health Service Act.

(b) The Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate must be notified at least 2 business days in advance of any public release of enrollment information or the award of such grants.

SEC. 225. None of the funds made available by this Act from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund or the Federal Supplemental Medical Insurance Trust Fund, or transferred from other accounts funded by this Act to the "Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services—Program Management" account, may be used for payments under section 1342(b)(1) of Public Law 111–148 (relating to risk corridors).

SEC. 226. In addition to the amounts otherwise available for "Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Program Management", the Secretary of Health and Human Services may transfer up to $305,000,000 to such account from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund to support program management activity related to the Medicare Program: *Provided*, That except for the foregoing purpose, such funds may not be used to support any provision of Public Law 111–148 or Public Law 111–152 (or any amendment made by either such Public Law) or to supplant any other amounts within such account.

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 227. The following unobligated balances of amounts appropriated prior to fiscal year 2007 for "Department of Health and

Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration" are hereby permanently rescinded:

(1) $281,003 appropriated to carry out section 1610(b) of the PHS Act;

(2) $3,611 appropriated to carry out section 1602(c) of the PHS Act;

(3) $105,576 appropriated in section 167 of division H of Public Law 108–199; and

(4) $55,793 appropriated to carry out the National Cord Blood Stem Cell Bank Program.

SEC. 228. The Secretary shall include in the fiscal year 2017 budget justification an analysis of how section 2713 of the PHS Act will impact eligibility for discretionary HHS programs.

SEC. 229. Effective during the period beginning on November 1, 2015 and ending January 1, 2018, any provision of law that refers (including through cross-reference to another provision of law) to the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force with respect to breast cancer screening, mammography, and prevention shall be administered by the Secretary involved as if—

(1) such reference to such current recommendations were a reference to the recommendations of such Task Force with respect to breast cancer screening, mammography, and prevention last issued before 2009; and

(2) such recommendations last issued before 2009 applied to any screening mammography modality under section 1861(jj) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395x(jj)).

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 230. (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to the succeeding provisions of this section, activities authorized under part A of title IV and section 1108(b) of the Social Security Act shall continue through September 30, 2016, in the manner authorized for fiscal year 2015, and out of any money in the Treasury of the United States not otherwise appropriated, there are hereby appropriated such sums as may be necessary for such purpose. Grants and payments may be made pursuant to this authority through September 30, 2016 at the level provided for such activities for fiscal year 2015, except as provided in subsection (b).

(b) CONTINGENCY FUND.—In the case of the Contingency Fund for State Welfare Programs established under section 403(b) of the Social Security Act—

(1) the amount appropriated for such section 403(b) shall be $608,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2016 and 2017, notwithstanding section 228(b)(1) of the Department of Health and Human Services Appropriations Act, 2015;

(2) the requirement to reserve funds provided for in section 403(b)(2) of the Social Security Act shall not apply during fiscal years 2016 and 2017; and

(3) grants and payments may only be made from such Fund for fiscal year 2016 after the application of subsection (c).

(c) CENSUS RESEARCH AND WELFARE RESEARCH.—Of the amount made available under subsection (b)(1) for section 403(b) of the Social Security Act for fiscal year 2016—

(1) $15,000,000 is hereby transferred to the Children's Research and Technical Assistance account in the Administration for Children and Families at the Department of Health and Human Services and made available to carry out section 413(h) of the Social Security Act; and

(2) $10,000,000 is hereby transferred and made available to the Bureau of the Census to conduct activities using the Survey of Income and Program Participation to obtain information to enable interested parties to evaluate the impact of the amendments made by title I of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996.

SEC. 231. Section 1886(m)(6) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(m)(6)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (A)(i) by striking "subparagraph (C)" and inserting "subparagraphs (C) and (E)"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:

"(E) TEMPORARY EXCEPTION FOR CERTAIN SEVERE WOUND DISCHARGES FROM CERTAIN LONG-TERM CARE HOSPITALS.—

"(i) IN GENERAL.—In the case of a discharge occurring prior to January 1, 2017, subparagraph (A)(i) shall not apply (and payment shall be made to a long-term care hospital without regard to this paragraph) if such discharge—

"(I) is from a long-term care hospital that is—

"(aa) identified by the amendment made by section 4417(a) of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (42 U.S.C. 1395ww note, Public Law 105–33); and

"(bb) located in a rural area (as defined in subsection (d)(2)(D)) or treated as being so located pursuant to subsection (d)(8)(E); and

"(II) the individual discharged has a severe wound.

"(ii) SEVERE WOUND DEFINED.—In this subparagraph, the term 'severe wound' means a stage 3 wound, stage 4 wound, unstageable wound, non-healing surgical wound, infected wound, fistula, osteomyelitis, or wound with morbid obesity, as identified in the claim from the long-term care hospital.".

This title may be cited as the "Department of Health and Human Services Appropriations Act, 2016".

TITLE III

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

For carrying out title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (referred to in this Act as "ESEA") and section 418A of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (referred to in this Act as "HEA"), $16,016,790,000, of which $5,127,006,000 shall become available on July 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, and of which $10,841,177,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available through Sep-

tember 30, 2017, for academic year 2016–2017: *Provided*, That $6,459,401,000 shall be for basic grants under section 1124 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That up to $3,984,000 of these funds shall be available to the Secretary of Education (referred to in this title as "Secretary") on October 1, 2015, to obtain annually updated local educational agency-level census poverty data from the Bureau of the Census: *Provided further*, That $1,362,301,000 shall be for concentration grants under section 1124A of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That $3,544,050,000 shall be for targeted grants under section 1125 of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That $3,544,050,000 shall be for education finance incentive grants under section 1125A of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That funds available under sections 1124, 1124A, 1125 and 1125A of the ESEA may be used to provide homeless children and youths with services not ordinarily provided to other students under those sections, including supporting the liaison designated pursuant to section 722(g)(1)(J)(ii) of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, and providing transportation pursuant to section 722(g)(1)(J)(iii) of such Act: *Provided further,* That $450,000,000 shall be available for school improvement grants under section 1003(g) of the ESEA, which shall be allocated by the Secretary through the formula described in section 1003(g)(2) and shall be used consistent with the requirements of section 1003(g), except that State and local educational agencies may use such funds to serve any school eligible to receive assistance under part A of title I that has not made adequate yearly progress for at least 2 years or is in the State's lowest quintile of performance based on proficiency rates and, in the case of secondary schools, priority shall be given to those schools with graduation rates below 60 percent: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 1003(g)(5)(C) of the ESEA, the Secretary may permit a State educational agency to establish an award period of up to 5 years for each participating local educational agency: *Provided further*, That funds available for school improvement grants for fiscal year 2014 and thereafter may be used by a local educational agency to implement a whole-school reform strategy for a school using an evidence-based strategy that ensures whole-school reform is undertaken in partnership with a strategy developer offering a whole-school reform program that is based on at least a moderate level of evidence that the program will have a statistically significant effect on student outcomes, including at least one well-designed and well-implemented experimental or quasi-experimental study: *Provided further,* That funds available for school improvement grants may be used by a local educational agency to implement an alternative State-determined school improvement strategy that has been established by a State educational agency with the approval of the Secretary: *Provided further,* That a local educational agency that is determined to be eligible for services under subpart 1 or 2 of part B of title VI of the ESEA may modify not more than one element of a school improvement grant model: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 1003(g)(5)(A), each State educational agency may establish a maximum subgrant size of not more than $2,000,000 for each participating school applicable to such funds: *Provided further,* That the Secretary may reserve up to 5 percent of the funds available for section 1003(g) of the ESEA to carry out activities to build

State and local educational agency capacity to implement effectively the school improvement grants program: *Provided further*, That $190,000,000 shall be available under section 1502 of the ESEA for a comprehensive literacy development and education program to advance literacy skills, including pre-literacy skills, reading, and writing, for students from birth through grade 12, including limited-English-proficient students and students with disabilities, of which one-half of 1 percent shall be reserved for the Secretary of the Interior for such a program at schools funded by the Bureau of Indian Education, one-half of 1 percent shall be reserved for grants to the outlying areas for such a program, up to 5 percent may be reserved for national activities, and the remainder shall be used to award competitive grants to State educational agencies for such a program, of which a State educational agency may reserve up to 5 percent for State leadership activities, including technical assistance and training, data collection, reporting, and administration, and shall subgrant not less than 95 percent to local educational agencies or, in the case of early literacy, to local educational agencies or other nonprofit providers of early childhood education that partner with a public or private nonprofit organization or agency with a demonstrated record of effectiveness in improving the early literacy development of children from birth through kindergarten entry and in providing professional development in early literacy, giving priority to such agencies or other entities serving greater numbers or percentages of disadvantaged children: *Provided further*, That the State educational agency shall ensure that at least 15 percent of the subgranted funds are used to serve children from birth through age 5, 40 percent are used to serve students in kindergarten through grade 5, and 40 percent are used to serve students in middle and high school including an equitable distribution of funds between middle and high schools: *Provided further*, That eligible entities receiving subgrants from State educational agencies shall use such funds for services and activities that have the characteristics of effective literacy instruction through professional development, screening and assessment, targeted interventions for students reading below grade level and other research-based methods of improving classroom instruction and practice: *Provided further*, That $44,623,000 shall be for carrying out section 418A of the HEA.

IMPACT AID

For carrying out programs of financial assistance to federally affected schools authorized by title VIII of the ESEA, $1,305,603,000, of which $1,168,233,000 shall be for basic support payments under section 8003(b), $48,316,000 shall be for payments for children with disabilities under section 8003(d), $17,406,000 shall be for construction under section 8007(a), $66,813,000 shall be for Federal property payments under section 8002, and $4,835,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for facilities maintenance under section 8008: *Provided*, That for purposes of computing the amount of a payment for an eligible local educational agency under section 8003(a) for school year 2015–2016, children enrolled in a school of such agency that would otherwise be eligible for payment under section 8003(a)(1)(B) of such Act, but due to the deployment of both

parents or legal guardians, or a parent or legal guardian having sole custody of such children, or due to the death of a military parent or legal guardian while on active duty (so long as such children reside on Federal property as described in section 8003(a)(1)(B)), are no longer eligible under such section, shall be considered as eligible students under such section, provided such students remain in average daily attendance at a school in the same local educational agency they attended prior to their change in eligibility status.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

For carrying out school improvement activities authorized by parts A and B of title II, part B of title IV, parts A and B of title VI, and parts B and C of title VII of the ESEA; the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act; section 203 of the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002; the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003; and the Civil Rights Act of 1964, $4,433,629,000, of which $2,611,619,000 shall become available on July 1, 2016, and remain available through September 30, 2017, and of which $1,681,441,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for academic year 2016–2017: *Provided*, That funds made available to carry out part B of title VII of the ESEA may be used for construction, renovation, and modernization of any elementary school, secondary school, or structure related to an elementary school or secondary school, run by the Department of Education of the State of Hawaii, that serves a predominantly Native Hawaiian student body: *Provided further*, That funds made available to carry out part C of title VII of the ESEA shall be awarded on a competitive basis, and also may be used for construction: *Provided further*, That $51,445,000 shall be available to carry out section 203 of the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002 and the Secretary shall make such arrangements as determined to be necessary to ensure that the Bureau of Indian Education has access to services provided under this section: *Provided further*, That $16,699,000 shall be available to carry out the Supplemental Education Grants program for the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may reserve up to 5 percent of the amount referred to in the previous proviso to provide technical assistance in the implementation of these grants: *Provided further*, That up to 4.0 percent of the funds for subpart 1 of part A of title II of the ESEA shall be reserved by the Secretary for competitive awards for teacher or principal recruitment and training or professional enhancement activities, including for civic education instruction, to national not-for-profit organizations, of which up to 8 percent may only be used for research, dissemination, evaluation, and technical assistance for competitive awards carried out under this proviso: *Provided further,* That $152,717,000 shall be to carry out part B of title II of the ESEA: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available by this Act shall be used to allow 21st Century Community Learning Centers initiative funding for expanded learning time unless these activities provide enrichment and engaging academic activities for students at least 300 additional program hours before, during, or after

the traditional school day and supplements but does not supplant school day requirements.

INDIAN EDUCATION

For expenses necessary to carry out, to the extent not otherwise provided, title VII, part A of the ESEA, $143,939,000.

INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT

For carrying out activities authorized by part G of title I, subpart 5 of part A and parts C and D of title II, parts B, C, and D of title V of the ESEA, and section 14007 of division A of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, as amended, $1,181,226,000: *Provided*, That up to $120,000,000 shall be available through December 31, 2016 for section 14007 of division A of Public Law 111–5, and up to 5 percent of such funds may be used for technical assistance and the evaluation of activities carried out under such section: *Provided further*, That the education facilities clearinghouse established through a competitive process in fiscal year 2013 may collect and disseminate information on effective educational practices and the latest research on the planning, design, financing, construction, improvement, operation, and maintenance of safe, healthy, high-performance public facilities for early learning programs, kindergarten through grade 12, and higher education: *Provided further*, That $230,000,000 of the funds for subpart 1 of part D of title V of the ESEA shall be for competitive grants to local educational agencies, including charter schools that are local educational agencies, or States, or partnerships of: (1) a local educational agency, a State, or both; and (2) at least one nonprofit organization to develop and implement performance-based compensation systems for teachers, principals, and other personnel in high-need schools: *Provided further*, That such performance-based compensation systems must consider gains in student academic achievement as well as classroom evaluations conducted multiple times during each school year among other factors and provide educators with incentives to take on additional responsibilities and leadership roles: *Provided further*, That recipients of such grants shall demonstrate that such performance-based compensation systems are developed with the input of teachers and school leaders in the schools and local educational agencies to be served by the grant: *Provided further*, That recipients of such grants may use such funds to develop or improve systems and tools (which may be developed and used for the entire local educational agency or only for schools served under the grant) that would enhance the quality and success of the compensation system, such as high-quality teacher evaluations and tools to measure growth in student achievement: *Provided further*, That applications for such grants shall include a plan to sustain financially the activities conducted and systems developed under the grant once the grant period has expired: *Provided further*, That up to 5 percent of such funds for competitive grants shall be available for technical assistance, training, peer review of applications, program outreach, and evaluation activities: *Provided further*, That $250,000,000 of the funds for part D of title V of the ESEA shall be available through December 31,

2016 for carrying out, in accordance with the applicable requirements of part D of title V of the ESEA, a preschool development grants program: *Provided further*, That the Secretary, jointly with the Secretary of HHS, shall make competitive awards to States for activities that build the capacity within the State to develop, enhance, or expand high-quality preschool programs, including comprehensive services and family engagement, for preschool-aged children from families at or below 200 percent of the Federal poverty line: *Provided further*, That each State may subgrant a portion of such grant funds to local educational agencies and other early learning providers (including, but not limited to, Head Start programs and licensed child care providers), or consortia thereof, for the implementation of high-quality preschool programs for children from families at or below 200 percent of the Federal poverty line: *Provided further*, That subgrantees that are local educational agencies shall form strong partnerships with early learning providers and that subgrantees that are early learning providers shall form strong partnerships with local educational agencies, in order to carry out the requirements of the subgrant: *Provided further*, That up to 3 percent of such funds for preschool development grants shall be available for technical assistance, evaluation, and other national activities related to such grants: *Provided further*, That $10,000,000 of funds available under part D of title V of the ESEA shall be for the Full-Service Community Schools program: *Provided further*, That of the funds available for part B of title V of the ESEA, the Secretary shall use up to $10,000,000 to carry out activities under section 5205(b) and shall use not less than $16,000,000 for subpart 2: *Provided further*, That of the funds available for subpart 1 of part B of title V of the ESEA, and notwithstanding section 5205(a), the Secretary shall reserve up to $100,000,000 to make multiple awards to non-profit charter management organizations and other entities that are not for-profit entities for the replication and expansion of successful charter school models and shall reserve not less than $11,000,000 to carry out the activities described in section 5205(a), including improving quality and oversight of charter schools and providing technical assistance and grants to authorized public chartering agencies in order to increase the number of high-performing charter schools: *Provided further*, That funds available for part B of title V of the ESEA may be used for grants that support preschool education in charter schools: *Provided further*, That each application submitted pursuant to section 5203(a) shall describe a plan to monitor and hold accountable authorized public chartering agencies through such activities as providing technical assistance or establishing a professional development program, which may include evaluation, planning, training, and systems development for staff of authorized public chartering agencies to improve the capacity of such agencies in the State to authorize, monitor, and hold accountable charter schools: *Provided further*, That each application submitted pursuant to section 5203(a) shall contain assurances that State law, regulations, or other policies require that: (1) each authorized charter school in the State operate under a legally binding charter or performance contract between itself and the school's authorized public chartering agency that describes the rights and responsibilities of

the school and the public chartering agency; conduct annual, timely, and independent audits of the school's financial statements that are filed with the school's authorized public chartering agency; and demonstrate improved student academic achievement; and (2) authorized public chartering agencies use increases in student academic achievement for all groups of students described in section 1111(b)(2)(C)(v) of the ESEA as one of the most important factors when determining to renew or revoke a school's charter.

SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

For carrying out activities authorized by part A of title IV and subparts 1, 2, and 10 of part D of title V of the ESEA, $244,815,000: *Provided*, That $75,000,000 shall be available for subpart 2 of part A of title IV, of which up to $5,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for the Project School Emergency Response to Violence ("Project SERV") program to provide education-related services to local educational agencies and institutions of higher education in which the learning environment has been disrupted due to a violent or traumatic crisis: *Provided further,* That $73,254,000 shall be available through December 31, 2016 for Promise Neighborhoods.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION

For carrying out part A of title III of the ESEA, $737,400,000, which shall become available on July 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, except that 6.5 percent of such amount shall be available on October 1, 2015, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, to carry out activities under section 3111(c)(1)(C): *Provided*, That the Secretary shall use estimates of the American Community Survey child counts for the most recent 3-year period available to calculate allocations under such part.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

For carrying out the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and the Special Olympics Sport and Empowerment Act of 2004, $12,976,858,000, of which $3,456,259,000 shall become available on July 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, and of which $9,283,383,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for academic year 2016–2017: *Provided*, That the amount for section 611(b)(2) of the IDEA shall be equal to the lesser of the amount available for that activity during fiscal year 2015, increased by the amount of inflation as specified in section 619(d)(2)(B) of the IDEA, or the percent change in the funds appropriated under section 611(i) of the IDEA, but not less than the amount for that activity during fiscal year 2015: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall, without regard to section 611(d) of the IDEA, distribute to all other States (as that term is defined in section 611(g)(2)), subject to the third proviso, any amount by which a State's allocation under section 611(d), from funds appropriated under this heading, is reduced under section 612(a)(18)(B), according to the following: 85 percent on the basis of the States' relative

populations of children aged 3 through 21 who are of the same age as children with disabilities for whom the State ensures the availability of a free appropriate public education under this part, and 15 percent to States on the basis of the States' relative populations of those children who are living in poverty: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may not distribute any funds under the previous proviso to any State whose reduction in allocation from funds appropriated under this heading made funds available for such a distribution: *Provided further*, That the States shall allocate such funds distributed under the second proviso to local educational agencies in accordance with section 611(f): *Provided further*, That the amount by which a State's allocation under section 611(d) of the IDEA is reduced under section 612(a)(18)(B) and the amounts distributed to States under the previous provisos in fiscal year 2012 or any subsequent year shall not be considered in calculating the awards under section 611(d) for fiscal year 2013 or for any subsequent fiscal years: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding the provision in section 612(a)(18)(B) regarding the fiscal year in which a State's allocation under section 611(d) is reduced for failure to comply with the requirement of section 612(a)(18)(A), the Secretary may apply the reduction specified in section 612(a)(18)(B) over a period of consecutive fiscal years, not to exceed five, until the entire reduction is applied: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may, in any fiscal year in which a State's allocation under section 611 is reduced in accordance with section 612(a)(18)(B), reduce the amount a State may reserve under section 611(e)(1) by an amount that bears the same relation to the maximum amount described in that paragraph as the reduction under section 612(a)(18)(B) bears to the total allocation the State would have received in that fiscal year under section 611(d) in the absence of the reduction: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall either reduce the allocation of funds under section 611 for any fiscal year following the fiscal year for which the State fails to comply with the requirement of section 612(a)(18)(A) as authorized by section 612(a)(18)(B), or seek to recover funds under section 452 of the General Education Provisions Act (20 U.S.C. 1234a): *Provided further*, That the funds reserved under 611(c) of the IDEA may be used to provide technical assistance to States to improve the capacity of the States to meet the data collection requirements of sections 616 and 618 and to administer and carry out other services and activities to improve data collection, coordination, quality, and use under parts B and C of the IDEA: *Provided further*, That the level of effort a local educational agency must meet under section 613(a)(2)(A)(iii) of the IDEA, in the year after it fails to maintain effort is the level of effort that would have been required in the absence of that failure and not the LEA's reduced level of expenditures: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may use funds made available for the State Personnel Development Grants program under part D, subpart 1 of IDEA to evaluate program performance under such subpart.

REHABILITATION SERVICES AND DISABILITY RESEARCH

For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise provided, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Helen Keller National Center Act, $3,529,605,000, of which $3,391,770,000 shall be for grants for vo-

cational rehabilitation services under title I of the Rehabilitation Act: *Provided*, That the Secretary may use amounts provided in this Act that remain available subsequent to the reallotment of funds to States pursuant to section 110(b) of the Rehabilitation Act for innovative activities aimed at improving the outcomes of individuals with disabilities as defined in section 7(20)(B) of the Rehabilitation Act, including activities aimed at improving the education and post-school outcomes of children receiving Supplemental Security Income ("SSI") and their families that may result in long-term improvement in the SSI child recipient's economic status and self-sufficiency: *Provided further,* That States may award subgrants for a portion of the funds to other public and private, nonprofit entities: *Provided further,* That any funds made available subsequent to reallotment for innovative activities aimed at improving the outcomes of individuals with disabilities shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

AMERICAN PRINTING HOUSE FOR THE BLIND

For carrying out the Act of March 3, 1879, $25,431,000.

NATIONAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE FOR THE DEAF

For the National Technical Institute for the Deaf under titles I and II of the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986, $70,016,000: *Provided,* That from the total amount available, the Institute may at its discretion use funds for the endowment program as authorized under section 207 of such Act.

GALLAUDET UNIVERSITY

For the Kendall Demonstration Elementary School, the Model Secondary School for the Deaf, and the partial support of Gallaudet University under titles I and II of the Education of the Deaf Act of 1986, $121,275,000: *Provided*, That from the total amount available, the University may at its discretion use funds for the endowment program as authorized under section 207 of such Act.

CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND ADULT EDUCATION

For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise provided, the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006 and the Adult Education and Family Literacy Act ("AEFLA"), $1,720,686,000, of which $929,686,000 shall become available on July 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017, and of which $791,000,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available for AEFLA, $13,712,000 shall be for national leadership activities under section 242.

STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

For carrying out subparts 1, 3, and 10 of part A, and part C of title IV of the HEA, $24,198,210,000, which shall remain available through September 30, 2017.

The maximum Pell Grant for which a student shall be eligible during award year 2016–2017 shall be $4,860.

STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION

For Federal administrative expenses to carry out part D of title I, and subparts 1, 3, 9, and 10 of part A, and parts B, C, D, and E of title IV of the HEA, and subpart 1 of part A of title VII of the Public Health Service Act, $1,551,854,000, to remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall, no later than March 1, 2016, allocate new student loan borrower accounts to eligible student loan servicers on the basis of their performance compared to all loan servicers utilizing established common metrics, and on the basis of the capacity of each servicer to process new and existing accounts.

HIGHER EDUCATION

For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise provided, titles II, III, IV, V, VI, and VII of the HEA, the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961, and section 117 of the Carl D. Perkins Career and Technical Education Act of 2006, $1,982,185,000: *Provided,* That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds made available in this Act to carry out title VI of the HEA and section 102(b)(6) of the Mutual Educational and Cultural Exchange Act of 1961 may be used to support visits and study in foreign countries by individuals who are participating in advanced foreign language training and international studies in areas that are vital to United States national security and who plan to apply their language skills and knowledge of these countries in the fields of government, the professions, or international development: *Provided further*, That of the funds referred to in the preceding proviso up to 1 percent may be used for program evaluation, national outreach, and information dissemination activities: *Provided further*, That up to 1.5 percent of the funds made available under chapter 2 of subpart 2 of part A of title IV of the HEA may be used for evaluation.

HOWARD UNIVERSITY

For partial support of Howard University, $221,821,000, of which not less than $3,405,000 shall be for a matching endowment grant pursuant to the Howard University Endowment Act and shall remain available until expended.

COLLEGE HOUSING AND ACADEMIC FACILITIES LOANS PROGRAM

For Federal administrative expenses to carry out activities related to existing facility loans pursuant to section 121 of the HEA, $435,000.

HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY CAPITAL FINANCING PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of guaranteed loans, $20,150,000, as authorized pursuant to part D of title III of the HEA, which shall remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided,* That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further,* That these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed $302,099,000: *Provided further,* That these funds may be used to support loans to public and private Historically Black Colleges and Universities without regard to the limitations within section 344(a) of the HEA.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the Historically Black College and University Capital Financing Program entered into pursuant to part D of title III of the HEA, $334,000.

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES

For carrying out activities authorized by the Education Sciences Reform Act of 2002, the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act, section 208 of the Educational Technical Assistance Act of 2002, and section 664 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, $618,015,000, which shall remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That funds available to carry out section 208 of the Educational Technical Assistance Act may be used to link Statewide elementary and secondary data systems with early childhood, postsecondary, and workforce data systems, or to further develop such systems: *Provided further*, That up to $6,000,000 of the funds available to carry out section 208 of the Educational Technical Assistance Act may be used for awards to public or private organizations or agencies to support activities to improve data coordination, quality, and use at the local, State, and national levels: *Provided further*, That $157,235,000 shall be for carrying out activities authorized by the National Assessment of Educational Progress Authorization Act.

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

For carrying out, to the extent not otherwise provided, the Department of Education Organization Act, including rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia and hire of three passenger motor vehicles, $432,000,000, of which up to $1,000,000, to remain available until expended, may be for relocation of, and renovation of buildings occupied by, Department staff.

OFFICE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS

For expenses necessary for the Office for Civil Rights, as authorized by section 203 of the Department of Education Organization Act, $107,000,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector General, as authorized by section 212 of the Department of Education Organization Act, $59,256,000.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 301. No funds appropriated in this Act may be used for the transportation of students or teachers (or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation) in order to overcome racial imbalance in any school or school system, or for the transportation of students or teachers (or for the purchase of equipment for such transportation) in order to carry out a plan of racial desegregation of any school or school system.

SEC. 302. None of the funds contained in this Act shall be used to require, directly or indirectly, the transportation of any student to a school other than the school which is nearest the student's home, except for a student requiring special education, to the school offering such special education, in order to comply with title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. For the purpose of this section an indirect requirement of transportation of students includes the transportation of students to carry out a plan involving the reorganization of the grade structure of schools, the pairing of schools, or the clustering of schools, or any combination of grade restructuring, pairing, or clustering. The prohibition described in this section does not include the establishment of magnet schools.

SEC. 303. No funds appropriated in this Act may be used to prevent the implementation of programs of voluntary prayer and meditation in the public schools.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 304. Not to exceed 1 percent of any discretionary funds (pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985) which are appropriated for the Department of Education in this Act may be transferred between appropriations, but no such appropriation shall be increased by more than 3 percent by any such transfer: *Provided*, That the transfer authority granted by this section shall not be used to create any new program or to fund any project or activity for which no funds are provided in this Act: *Provided further*, That the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are notified at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

SEC. 305. The Outlying Areas may consolidate funds received under this Act, pursuant to 48 U.S.C. 1469a, under part A of title V of the ESEA.

SEC. 306. Section 105(f)(1)(B)(ix) of the Compact of Free Association Amendments Act of 2003 (48 U.S.C. 1921d(f)(1)(B)(ix)) shall be applied by substituting "2016" for "2009".

SEC. 307. The Secretary, in consultation with the Director of the Institute of Education Sciences, may reserve funds under section 9601 of the ESEA (subject to the limitations in subsections (b) and (c) of that section) in order to carry out activities authorized under paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (a) of that section with respect to any ESEA program funded in this Act and without respect to the

source of funds for those activities: *Provided*, That high-quality evaluations of ESEA programs shall be prioritized, before using funds for any other evaluation activities: *Provided further*, That any funds reserved under this section shall be available from July 1, 2016 through September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That not later than 10 days prior to the initial obligation of funds reserved under this section, the Secretary, in consultation with the Director, shall submit an evaluation plan to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions and the House Committees on Appropriations and Education and the Workforce which identifies the source and amount of funds reserved under this section, the impact on program grantees if funds are withheld, the programs to be evaluated with such funds, how ESEA programs will be regularly evaluated, and how findings from evaluations completed under this section will be widely disseminated.

SEC. 308. (a) An institution of higher education that maintains an endowment fund supported with funds appropriated for title III or V of the HEA for fiscal year 2016 may use the income from that fund to award scholarships to students, subject to the limitation in section 331(c)(3)(B)(i) of the HEA. The use of such income for such purposes, prior to the enactment of this Act, shall be considered to have been an allowable use of that income, subject to that limitation.

(b) Subsection (a) shall be in effect until titles III and V of the HEA are reauthorized.

SEC. 309. Section 114(f) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1011c(f)) is amended by striking "2015" and inserting "2016".

SEC. 310. Section 458(a) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1087h(a)) is amended in paragraph (4) by striking "2014" and inserting "2016".

SEC. 311. Section 428(c)(1) of the HEA (20 U.S.C. 1078(c)(1)) is amended by striking "95 percent" and inserting "100 percent".

SEC. 312. Notwithstanding section 5(b) of the Every Student Succeeds Act, funds provided in this Act for non-competitive formula grant programs authorized by the ESEA for use during academic year 2016–2017 shall be administered in accordance with the ESEA as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of the Every Student Succeeds Act.

SEC. 313. CAREER PATHWAYS PROGRAMS.—

(1) Subsection (d) of section 484 of the HEA is amended by replacing (d)(2) with the following:

"(2) ELIGIBLE CAREER PATHWAY PROGRAM.—In this subsection, the term 'eligible career pathway program' means a program that combines rigorous and high-quality education, training, and other services that—

"(A) aligns with the skill needs of industries in the economy of the State or regional economy involved;

"(B) prepares an individual to be successful in any of a full range of secondary or postsecondary education options, including apprenticeships registered under the Act of August 16, 1937 (commonly known as the 'National Apprenticeship Act'; 50 Stat. 664, chapter 663; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.) (referred to individually in this Act as an 'apprenticeship', except in section 171);

"(C) includes counseling to support an individual in achieving the individual's education and career goals;

"(D) includes, as appropriate, education offered concurrently with and in the same context as workforce preparation activities and training for a specific occupation or occupational cluster;

"(E) organizes education, training, and other services to meet the particular needs of an individual in a manner that accelerates the educational and career advancement of the individual to the extent practicable;

"(F) enables an individual to attain a secondary school diploma or its recognized equivalent, and at least 1 recognized postsecondary credential; and

"(G) helps an individual enter or advance within a specific occupation or occupational cluster.".

(2) Subsection (b) of section 401 of the HEA is amended by striking the addition to (b)(2)(A)(ii) made by subsection 309(b) of division G of Public Law 113–235.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Education Appropriations Act, 2016".

TITLE IV

RELATED AGENCIES

COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled established under section 8502 of title 41, United States Code, $6,191,000: *Provided*, That in order to authorize any central nonprofit agency designated pursuant to section 8503(c) of title 41, United States Code, to perform contract requirements of the Committee as prescribed under section 51–3.2 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations, the Committee shall within 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act enter into a written agreement with any such central nonprofit agency: *Provided further*, That such agreement entered into under the preceding proviso shall contain such auditing, oversight, and reporting provisions as necessary to implement chapter 85 of title 41, United States Code: *Provided further*, That such agreement shall include the elements listed under the heading "Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled—Written Agreement Elements" in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That after 180 days from the date of enactment of this Act a fee may not be charged under section 51–3.5 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations, unless such fee is under the terms of the written agreement between the Committee and any such central nonprofit agency: *Provided further*, That no less than $750,000 shall be available for the Office of Inspector General.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. (a) Section 8G of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a)—

(A) in paragraph (2), by inserting "the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled," after "the Board for International Broadcasting,"; and

(B) in paragraph (4)—

(i) by redesignating subparagraphs (D) through (H) as subparagraphs (E) through (I), respectively; and

(ii) by inserting after subparagraph (C) the following new subparagraph:

"(D) with respect to the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, such term means the Chairman of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled;"; and

(2) in subsection (e)(1)—

(A) by striking "board or commission", the first place it appears, and inserting "board, chairman of a committee, or commission"; and

(B) by striking "board or commission", the second place it appears, and inserting "board, committee, or commission".

(b) Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Chairman of the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled shall appoint an Inspector General for the Committee.

(c) This section, and the amendments made by this section, shall take effect on the date that is 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act.

SEC. 402. Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal year quarter, beginning with the first quarter of fiscal year 2016, the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled shall submit to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform and Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, the Committees on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the reports described under the heading "Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled—Requested Reports" in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Corporation for National and Community Service (referred to in this title as "CNCS") to carry out the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973 (referred to in this title as "1973 Act") and the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (referred to in this title as "1990 Act"), $787,929,000, not-

withstanding sections 198B(b)(3), 198S(g), 501(a)(4)(C), and 501(a)(4)(F) of the 1990 Act: *Provided*, That of the amounts provided under this heading: (1) up to 1 percent of program grant funds may be used to defray the costs of conducting grant application reviews, including the use of outside peer reviewers and electronic management of the grants cycle; (2) $50,000,000 shall be available for expenses to carry out section 198K of the 1990 Act; (3) $16,038,000 shall be available to provide assistance to State commissions on national and community service, under section 126(a) of the 1990 Act and notwithstanding section 501(a)(5)(B) of the 1990 Act; (4) $30,000,000 shall be available to carry out subtitle E of the 1990 Act; and (5) $3,800,000 shall be available for expenses authorized under section 501(a)(4)(F) of the 1990 Act, which, notwithstanding the provisions of section 198P shall be awarded by CNCS on a competitive basis: *Provided further*, That for the purposes of carrying out the 1990 Act, satisfying the requirements in section 122(c)(1)(D) may include a determination of need by the local community: *Provided further*, That not to exceed 20 percent of funds made available under section 198K of the 1990 Act may be used for Social Innovation Fund Pilot Program-related performance-based awards for Pay for Success projects and shall remain available through September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That, with respect to the previous proviso, any funds obligated for such projects shall remain available for disbursement until expended, notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 1552(a): *Provided further*, That any funds deobligated from projects under section 198K of the 1990 Act shall immediately be available for activities authorized under section 198K of such Act.

PAYMENT TO THE NATIONAL SERVICE TRUST

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For payment to the National Service Trust established under subtitle D of title I of the 1990 Act, $220,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That CNCS may transfer additional funds from the amount provided within "Operating Expenses" allocated to grants under subtitle C of title I of the 1990 Act to the National Service Trust upon determination that such transfer is necessary to support the activities of national service participants and after notice is transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate: *Provided further*, That amounts appropriated for or transferred to the National Service Trust may be invested under section 145(b) of the 1990 Act without regard to the requirement to apportion funds under 31 U.S.C. 1513(b).

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of administration as provided under section 501(a)(5) of the 1990 Act and under section 504(a) of the 1973 Act, including payment of salaries, authorized travel, hire of passenger motor vehicles, the rental of conference rooms in the District of Columbia, the employment of experts and consultants au-

thorized under 5 U.S.C. 3109, and not to exceed $2,500 for official reception and representation expenses, $81,737,000.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, $5,250,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 403. CNCS shall make any significant changes to program requirements, service delivery or policy only through public notice and comment rulemaking. For fiscal year 2016, during any grant selection process, an officer or employee of CNCS shall not knowingly disclose any covered grant selection information regarding such selection, directly or indirectly, to any person other than an officer or employee of CNCS that is authorized by CNCS to receive such information.

SEC. 404. AmeriCorps programs receiving grants under the National Service Trust program shall meet an overall minimum share requirement of 24 percent for the first 3 years that they receive AmeriCorps funding, and thereafter shall meet the overall minimum share requirement as provided in section 2521.60 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations, without regard to the operating costs match requirement in section 121(e) or the member support Federal share limitations in section 140 of the 1990 Act, and subject to partial waiver consistent with section 2521.70 of title 45, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 405. Donations made to CNCS under section 196 of the 1990 Act for the purposes of financing programs and operations under titles I and II of the 1973 Act or subtitle B, C, D, or E of title I of the 1990 Act shall be used to supplement and not supplant current programs and operations.

SEC. 406. In addition to the requirements in section 146(a) of the 1990 Act, use of an educational award for the purpose described in section 148(a)(4) shall be limited to individuals who are veterans as defined under section 101 of the Act.

SEC. 407. For the purpose of carrying out section 189D of the 1990 Act—

(1) entities described in paragraph (a) of such section shall be considered "qualified entities" under section 3 of the National Child Protection Act of 1993 ("NCPA"); and

(2) individuals described in such section shall be considered "volunteers" under section 3 of NCPA; and

(3) State Commissions on National and Community Service established pursuant to section 178 of the 1990 Act, are authorized to receive criminal history record information, consistent with Public Law 92–544.

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

For payment to the Corporation for Public Broadcasting ("CPB"), as authorized by the Communications Act of 1934, an amount which shall be available within limitations specified by that Act, for the fiscal year 2018, $445,000,000: *Provided*, That none of the funds made available to CPB by this Act shall be used to pay for

receptions, parties, or similar forms of entertainment for Government officials or employees: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available to CPB by this Act shall be available or used to aid or support any program or activity from which any person is excluded, or is denied benefits, or is discriminated against, on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, or sex: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available to CPB by this Act shall be used to apply any political test or qualification in selecting, appointing, promoting, or taking any other personnel action with respect to officers, agents, and employees of CPB: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available to CPB by this Act shall be used to support the Television Future Fund or any similar purpose.

In addition, for the costs associated with replacing and upgrading the public broadcasting interconnection system, $40,000,000.

FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service ("Service") to carry out the functions vested in it by the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, including hire of passenger motor vehicles; for expenses necessary for the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978; and for expenses necessary for the Service to carry out the functions vested in it by the Civil Service Reform Act, $48,748,000, including up to $400,000 to remain available through September 30, 2017, for activities authorized by the Labor-Management Cooperation Act of 1978: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, fees charged, up to full-cost recovery, for special training activities and other conflict resolution services and technical assistance, including those provided to foreign governments and international organizations, and for arbitration services shall be credited to and merged with this account, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That fees for arbitration services shall be available only for education, training, and professional development of the agency workforce: *Provided further*, That the Director of the Service is authorized to accept and use on behalf of the United States gifts of services and real, personal, or other property in the aid of any projects or functions within the Director's jurisdiction.

FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission, $17,085,000.

INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

OFFICE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES: GRANTS AND ADMINISTRATION

For carrying out the Museum and Library Services Act of 1996 and the National Museum of African American History and Culture Act, $230,000,000.

MEDICAID AND CHIP PAYMENT AND ACCESS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to carry out section 1900 of the Social Security Act, $7,765,000.

MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to carry out section 1805 of the Social Security Act, $11,925,000, to be transferred to this appropriation from the Federal Hospital Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Supplementary Medical Insurance Trust Fund.

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the National Council on Disability as authorized by title IV of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, $3,250,000.

NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the National Labor Relations Board to carry out the functions vested in it by the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, and other laws, $274,224,000: *Provided*, That no part of this appropriation shall be available to organize or assist in organizing agricultural laborers or used in connection with investigations, hearings, directives, or orders concerning bargaining units composed of agricultural laborers as referred to in section 2(3) of the Act of July 5, 1935, and as amended by the Labor-Management Relations Act, 1947, and as defined in section 3(f) of the Act of June 25, 1938, and including in said definition employees engaged in the maintenance and operation of ditches, canals, reservoirs, and waterways when maintained or operated on a mutual, nonprofit basis and at least 95 percent of the water stored or supplied thereby is used for farming purposes.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 408. None of the funds provided by this Act or previous Acts making appropriations for the National Labor Relations Board may be used to issue any new administrative directive or regulation that would provide employees any means of voting through any electronic means in an election to determine a representative for the purposes of collective bargaining.

NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary to carry out the provisions of the Railway Labor Act, including emergency boards appointed by the President, $13,230,000.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, $12,639,000.

RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD

DUAL BENEFITS PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

For payment to the Dual Benefits Payments Account, authorized under section 15(d) of the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974, $29,000,000, which shall include amounts becoming available in fiscal year 2016 pursuant to section 224(c)(1)(B) of Public Law 98–76; and in addition, an amount, not to exceed 2 percent of the amount provided herein, shall be available proportional to the amount by which the product of recipients and the average benefit received exceeds the amount available for payment of vested dual benefits: *Provided*, That the total amount provided herein shall be credited in 12 approximately equal amounts on the first day of each month in the fiscal year.

FEDERAL PAYMENTS TO THE RAILROAD RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS

For payment to the accounts established in the Treasury for the payment of benefits under the Railroad Retirement Act for interest earned on unnegotiated checks, $150,000, to remain available through September 30, 2017, which shall be the maximum amount available for payment pursuant to section 417 of Public Law 98–76.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses for the Railroad Retirement Board ("Board") for administration of the Railroad Retirement Act and the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, $111,225,000, to be derived in such amounts as determined by the Board from the railroad retirement accounts and from moneys credited to the railroad unemployment insurance administration fund: *Provided*, That notwithstanding section 7(b)(9) of the Railroad Retirement Act this limitation may be used to hire attorneys only through the excepted service: *Provided further*, That the previous proviso shall not change the status under Federal employment laws of any attorney hired by the Railroad Retirement Board prior to January 1, 2013.

LIMITATION ON THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector General for audit, investigatory and review activities, as authorized by the Inspector General Act of 1978, not more than $8,437,000, to be derived from the railroad retirement accounts and railroad unemployment insurance account.

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

PAYMENTS TO SOCIAL SECURITY TRUST FUNDS

For payment to the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, as provided under sections 201(m), 228(g), and 1131(b)(2) of the Social Security Act, $11,400,000.

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME PROGRAM

For carrying out titles XI and XVI of the Social Security Act, section 401 of Public Law 92–603, section 212 of Public Law 93–66, as amended, and section 405 of Public Law 95–216, including payment to the Social Security trust funds for administrative expenses incurred pursuant to section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act, $46,305,733,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That any portion of the funds provided to a State in the current fiscal year and not obligated by the State during that year shall be returned to the Treasury: *Provided further,* That not more than $101,000,000 shall be available for research and demonstrations under sections 1110, 1115, and 1144 of the Social Security Act, and remain available through September 30, 2018.

For making, after June 15 of the current fiscal year, benefit payments to individuals under title XVI of the Social Security Act, for unanticipated costs incurred for the current fiscal year, such sums as may be necessary.

For making benefit payments under title XVI of the Social Security Act for the first quarter of fiscal year 2017, $14,500,000,000, to remain available until expended.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, including the hire of two passenger motor vehicles, and not to exceed $20,000 for official reception and representation expenses, not more than $10,598,945,000 may be expended, as authorized by section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act, from any one or all of the trust funds referred to in such section: *Provided*, That not less than $2,300,000 shall be for the Social Security Advisory Board: *Provided further*, That, $116,000,000 may be used for the costs associated with conducting continuing disability reviews under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act and conducting redeterminations of eligibility under title XVI of the Social Security Act: *Provided further*, That the Commissioner may allocate additional funds under this paragraph above the level specified in the previous proviso for such activities but only to reconcile estimated and actual unit costs for conducting such activities and after notifying the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate at least 15 days in advance of any such reallocation: *Provided further*, That the acquisition of services to conduct and manage representative payee reviews shall be made using full and open competition procedures: *Provided further*, That, $150,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for necessary expenses for the renovation and modernization of the Arthur J. Altmeyer Building: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances of funds provided under this paragraph at the end

of fiscal year 2016 not needed for fiscal year 2016 shall remain available until expended to invest in the Social Security Administration information technology and telecommunications hardware and software infrastructure, including related equipment and non-payroll administrative expenses associated solely with this information technology and telecommunications infrastructure: *Provided further,* That the Commissioner of Social Security shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate prior to making unobligated balances available under the authority in the previous proviso: *Provided further*, That reimbursement to the trust funds under this heading for expenditures for official time for employees of the Social Security Administration pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 7131, and for facilities or support services for labor organizations pursuant to policies, regulations, or procedures referred to in section 7135(b) of such title shall be made by the Secretary of the Treasury, with interest, from amounts in the general fund not otherwise appropriated, as soon as possible after such expenditures are made.

In addition, for the costs associated with continuing disability reviews under titles II and XVI of the Social Security Act and for the cost associated with conducting redeterminations of eligibility under title XVI of the Social Security Act, $1,426,000,000 may be expended, as authorized by section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act, from any one or all of the trust funds referred to therein: *Provided*, That, of such amount, $273,000,000 is provided to meet the terms of section 251(b)(2)(B)(ii)(III) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, and $1,153,000,000 is additional new budget authority specified for purposes of section 251(b)(2)(B) of such Act: *Provided further,* That the Commissioner shall provide to the Congress (at the conclusion of the fiscal year) a report on the obligation and expenditure of these funds, similar to the reports that were required by section 103(d)(2) of Public Law 104–121 for fiscal years 1996 through 2002.

In addition, $136,000,000 to be derived from administration fees in excess of $5.00 per supplementary payment collected pursuant to section 1616(d) of the Social Security Act or section 212(b)(3) of Public Law 93–66, which shall remain available until expended. To the extent that the amounts collected pursuant to such sections in fiscal year 2016 exceed $136,000,000, the amounts shall be available in fiscal year 2017 only to the extent provided in advance in appropriations Acts.

In addition, up to $1,000,000 to be derived from fees collected pursuant to section 303(c) of the Social Security Protection Act, which shall remain available until expended.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For expenses necessary for the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, $29,787,000, together with not to exceed $75,713,000, to be transferred and expended as authorized by section 201(g)(1) of the Social Security Act from the Federal Old-Age and Survivors Insurance Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund.

In addition, an amount not to exceed 3 percent of the total provided in this appropriation may be transferred from the "Limitation on Administrative Expenses", Social Security Administration, to be merged with this account, to be available for the time and purposes for which this account is available: *Provided,* That notice of such transfers shall be transmitted promptly to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate at least 15 days in advance of any transfer.

TITLE V

GENERAL PROVISIONS

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 501. The Secretaries of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education are authorized to transfer unexpended balances of prior appropriations to accounts corresponding to current appropriations provided in this Act. Such transferred balances shall be used for the same purpose, and for the same periods of time, for which they were originally appropriated.

SEC. 502. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 503. (a) No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or transferred pursuant to section 4002 of Public Law 111–148 shall be used, other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative relationships, for publicity or propaganda purposes, for the preparation, distribution, or use of any kit, pamphlet, booklet, publication, electronic communication, radio, television, or video presentation designed to support or defeat the enactment of legislation before the Congress or any State or local legislature or legislative body, except in presentation to the Congress or any State or local legislature itself, or designed to support or defeat any proposed or pending regulation, administrative action, or order issued by the executive branch of any State or local government, except in presentation to the executive branch of any State or local government itself.

(b) No part of any appropriation contained in this Act or transferred pursuant to section 4002 of Public Law 111–148 shall be used to pay the salary or expenses of any grant or contract recipient, or agent acting for such recipient, related to any activity designed to influence the enactment of legislation, appropriations, regulation, administrative action, or Executive order proposed or pending before the Congress or any State government, State legislature or local legislature or legislative body, other than for normal and recognized executive-legislative relationships or participation by an agency or officer of a State, local or tribal government in policymaking and administrative processes within the executive branch of that government.

(c) The prohibitions in subsections (a) and (b) shall include any activity to advocate or promote any proposed, pending or future Federal, State or local tax increase, or any proposed, pending, or future requirement or restriction on any legal consumer product,

including its sale or marketing, including but not limited to the advocacy or promotion of gun control.

SEC. 504. The Secretaries of Labor and Education are authorized to make available not to exceed $28,000 and $20,000, respectively, from funds available for salaries and expenses under titles I and III, respectively, for official reception and representation expenses; the Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service is authorized to make available for official reception and representation expenses not to exceed $5,000 from the funds available for "Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, Salaries and Expenses"; and the Chairman of the National Mediation Board is authorized to make available for official reception and representation expenses not to exceed $5,000 from funds available for "National Mediation Board, Salaries and Expenses".

SEC. 505. When issuing statements, press releases, requests for proposals, bid solicitations and other documents describing projects or programs funded in whole or in part with Federal money, all grantees receiving Federal funds included in this Act, including but not limited to State and local governments and recipients of Federal research grants, shall clearly state—

(1) the percentage of the total costs of the program or project which will be financed with Federal money;

(2) the dollar amount of Federal funds for the project or program; and

(3) percentage and dollar amount of the total costs of the project or program that will be financed by non-governmental sources.

SEC. 506. (a) None of the funds appropriated in this Act, and none of the funds in any trust fund to which funds are appropriated in this Act, shall be expended for any abortion.

(b) None of the funds appropriated in this Act, and none of the funds in any trust fund to which funds are appropriated in this Act, shall be expended for health benefits coverage that includes coverage of abortion.

(c) The term "health benefits coverage" means the package of services covered by a managed care provider or organization pursuant to a contract or other arrangement.

SEC. 507. (a) The limitations established in the preceding section shall not apply to an abortion—

(1) if the pregnancy is the result of an act of rape or incest; or

(2) in the case where a woman suffers from a physical disorder, physical injury, or physical illness, including a life-endangering physical condition caused by or arising from the pregnancy itself, that would, as certified by a physician, place the woman in danger of death unless an abortion is performed.

(b) Nothing in the preceding section shall be construed as prohibiting the expenditure by a State, locality, entity, or private person of State, local, or private funds (other than a State's or locality's contribution of Medicaid matching funds).

(c) Nothing in the preceding section shall be construed as restricting the ability of any managed care provider from offering abortion coverage or the ability of a State or locality to contract separately with such a provider for such coverage with State funds

(other than a State's or locality's contribution of Medicaid matching funds).

(d)(1) None of the funds made available in this Act may be made available to a Federal agency or program, or to a State or local government, if such agency, program, or government subjects any institutional or individual health care entity to discrimination on the basis that the health care entity does not provide, pay for, provide coverage of, or refer for abortions.

(2) In this subsection, the term "health care entity" includes an individual physician or other health care professional, a hospital, a provider-sponsored organization, a health maintenance organization, a health insurance plan, or any other kind of health care facility, organization, or plan.

SEC. 508. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for—

(1) the creation of a human embryo or embryos for research purposes; or

(2) research in which a human embryo or embryos are destroyed, discarded, or knowingly subjected to risk of injury or death greater than that allowed for research on fetuses in utero under 45 CFR 46.204(b) and section 498(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 289g(b)).

(b) For purposes of this section, the term "human embryo or embryos" includes any organism, not protected as a human subject under 45 CFR 46 as of the date of the enactment of this Act, that is derived by fertilization, parthenogenesis, cloning, or any other means from one or more human gametes or human diploid cells.

SEC. 509. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for any activity that promotes the legalization of any drug or other substance included in schedule I of the schedules of controlled substances established under section 202 of the Controlled Substances Act except for normal and recognized executive-congressional communications.

(b) The limitation in subsection (a) shall not apply when there is significant medical evidence of a therapeutic advantage to the use of such drug or other substance or that federally sponsored clinical trials are being conducted to determine therapeutic advantage.

SEC. 510. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to promulgate or adopt any final standard under section 1173(b) of the Social Security Act providing for, or providing for the assignment of, a unique health identifier for an individual (except in an individual's capacity as an employer or a health care provider), until legislation is enacted specifically approving the standard.

SEC. 511. None of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended to enter into or renew a contract with an entity if—

(1) such entity is otherwise a contractor with the United States and is subject to the requirement in 38 U.S.C. 4212(d) regarding submission of an annual report to the Secretary of Labor concerning employment of certain veterans; and

(2) such entity has not submitted a report as required by that section for the most recent year for which such requirement was applicable to such entity.

SEC. 512. 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. 513. None of the funds made available by this Act to carry out the Library Services and Technology Act may be made available to any library covered by paragraph (1) of section 224(f) of such Act, as amended by the Children's Internet Protection Act, unless such library has made the certifications required by paragraph (4) of such section.

SEC. 514. (a) None of the funds provided under this Act, or provided under previous appropriations Acts to the agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2016, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that—

(1) creates new programs;

(2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;

(3) increases funds or personnel by any means for any project or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted;

(4) relocates an office or employees;

(5) reorganizes or renames offices;

(6) reorganizes programs or activities; or

(7) contracts out or privatizes any functions or activities presently performed by Federal employees;

unless the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are consulted 15 days in advance of such reprogramming or of an announcement of intent relating to such reprogramming, whichever occurs earlier, and are notified in writing 10 days in advance of such reprogramming.

(b) None of the funds provided under this Act, or provided under previous appropriations Acts to the agencies funded by this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2016, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds in excess of $500,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less, that—

(1) augments existing programs, projects (including construction projects), or activities;

(2) reduces by 10 percent funding for any existing program, project, or activity, or numbers of personnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or

(3) results from any general savings from a reduction in personnel which would result in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects as approved by Congress;

unless the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate are consulted 15 days in advance of such reprogramming or of an announcement of intent relating to such reprogramming, whichever occurs earlier, and are notified in writing 10 days in advance of such reprogramming.

SEC. 515. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to request that a candidate for appointment to a Federal scientific advisory committee disclose the political affiliation or voting history of the candidate or the position that the candidate holds with respect to political issues not directly related to and necessary for the work of the committee involved.

(b) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to disseminate information that is deliberately false or misleading.

SEC. 516. Within 45 days of enactment of this Act, each department and related agency funded through this Act shall submit an operating plan that details at the program, project, and activity level any funding allocations for fiscal year 2016 that are different than those specified in this Act, the accompanying detailed table in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act), or the fiscal year 2016 budget request.

SEC. 517. The Secretaries of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education shall each prepare and submit to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a report on the number and amount of contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements exceeding $500,000 in value and awarded by the Department on a non-competitive basis during each quarter of fiscal year 2016, but not to include grants awarded on a formula basis or directed by law. Such report shall include the name of the contractor or grantee, the amount of funding, the governmental purpose, including a justification for issuing the award on a non-competitive basis. Such report shall be transmitted to the Committees within 30 days after the end of the quarter for which the report is submitted.

SEC. 518. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall be expended or obligated by the Commissioner of Social Security, for purposes of administering Social Security benefit payments under title II of the Social Security Act, to process any claim for credit for a quarter of coverage based on work performed under a social security account number that is not the claimant's number and the performance of such work under such number has formed the basis for a conviction of the claimant of a violation of section 208(a)(6) or (7) of the Social Security Act.

SEC. 519. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used by the Commissioner of Social Security or the Social Security Administration to pay the compensation of employees of the Social Security Administration to administer Social Security benefit payments, under any agreement between the United States and Mexico establishing totalization arrangements between the social security system established by title II of the Social Security Act and the social security system of Mexico, which would not otherwise be payable but for such agreement.

SEC. 520. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, no funds appropriated in this Act shall be used to purchase sterile needles or syringes for the hypodermic injection of any illegal drug: *Provided*, That such limitation does not apply to the use of funds for elements of a program other than making such purchases if the relevant State or local health department, in consultation with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, determines that the

State or local jurisdiction, as applicable, is experiencing, or is at risk for, a significant increase in hepatitis infections or an HIV outbreak due to injection drug use, and such program is operating in accordance with State and local law.

SEC. 521. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

SEC. 522. None of the funds made available under this or any other Act, or any prior Appropriations Act, may be provided to the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN), or any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, allied organizations, or successors.

SEC. 523. For purposes of carrying out Executive Order 13589, Office of Management and Budget Memorandum M–12–12 dated May 11, 2012, and requirements contained in the annual appropriations bills relating to conference attendance and expenditures:

(1) the operating divisions of HHS shall be considered independent agencies; and

(2) attendance at and support for scientific conferences shall be tabulated separately from and not included in agency totals.

SEC. 524. Federal agencies funded under this Act shall clearly state within the text, audio, or video used for advertising or educational purposes, including emails or Internet postings, that the communication is printed, published, or produced and disseminated at U.S. taxpayer expense. The funds used by a Federal agency to carry out this requirement shall be derived from amounts made available to the agency for advertising or other communications regarding the programs and activities of the agency.

SEC. 525. (a) Federal agencies may use Federal discretionary funds that are made available in this Act to carry out up to 10 Performance Partnership Pilots. Such Pilots shall—

(1) be designed to improve outcomes for disconnected youth;

(2) include communities that have recently experienced civil unrest; and

(3) involve Federal programs targeted on disconnected youth, or designed to prevent youth from disconnecting from school or work, that provide education, training, employment, and other related social services. Such Pilots shall be governed by the provisions of section 526 of division H of Public Law 113–76, except that in carrying out such Pilots section 526 shall be applied by substituting "FISCAL YEAR 2016" for "FISCAL YEAR 2014" in the title of subsection (b) and by substituting "September 30, 2020" for "September 30, 2018" each place it appears.

(b) In addition, Federal agencies may use Federal discretionary funds that are made available in this Act to participate in Performance Partnership Pilots that are being carried out pursuant to the authority provided by section 526 of division H of Public Law 113–76, and section 524 of division G of Public Law 113–235: *Provided*,

That new pilots that are being carried out with discretionary funds made available in division G of Public Law 113–235 shall include communities that have recently experienced civil unrest.

SEC. 526. Not later than 30 days after the end of each calendar quarter, beginning with the first quarter of fiscal year 2013, the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services and Education and the Social Security Administration shall provide the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate a quarterly report on the status of balances of appropriations: *Provided,* That for balances that are unobligated and uncommitted, committed, and obligated but unexpended, the quarterly reports shall separately identify the amounts attributable to each source year of appropriation (beginning with fiscal year 2012, or, to the extent feasible, earlier fiscal years) from which balances were derived.

SEC. 527. Section 2812(d)(2) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh–11(d)(2)) is amended—

(1) by redesignating the three sentences as subparagraphs (A), (B), and (C), respectively, and indenting accordingly;

(2) in subparagraph (A), as so redesignated, by striking "An" and inserting "IN GENERAL.—An";

(3) in subparagraph (B), as so redesignated, by striking "With" and inserting "APPLICATION TO TRAINING PROGRAMS.—With";

(4) in subparagraph (C), as so redesignated, by striking "In" and inserting "RESPONSIBILITY OF LABOR SECRETARY.—In"; and

(5) by adding at the end the following new subparagraphs:

"(D) COMPUTATION OF PAY.—In the event of an injury to such an intermittent disaster response appointee, the position of the employee shall be deemed to be 'one which would have afforded employment for substantially a whole year', for purposes of section 8114(d)(2) of such title.

"(E) CONTINUATION OF PAY.—The weekly pay of such an employee shall be deemed to be the hourly pay in effect on the date of the injury multiplied by 40, for purposes of computing benefits under section 8118 of such title.".

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 528. Of the funds made available for fiscal year 2016 under section 3403 of Public Law 111–148, $15,000,000 are rescinded.

SEC. 529. Amounts deposited or available in the Child Enrollment Contingency Fund from appropriations to the Fund under section 2104(n)(2)(A)(i) of the Social Security Act and the income derived from investment of those funds pursuant to 2104(n)(2)(C) of that Act, shall not be available for obligation in this fiscal year.

(RESCISSION)

SEC. 530. Of any available amounts appropriated under section 108 of Public Law 111–3, as amended, $4,678,500,000 are hereby rescinded.

This division may be cited as the "Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division H contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 2029, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.[1]]

DIVISION H—DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

In implementing this agreement, the Departments and agencies should be guided by the language and instructions set forth in House Report 114–195 accompanying the House bill, H.R. 3020, and Senate Report 114–74 accompanying the Senate bill, S. 1695.

Where the explanatory statement speaks to an issue that was addressed in the House or Senate reports, the explanatory statement should supersede the language in the House or Senate reports. In cases where the House Report and the Senate Report address a particular issue not specifically cited in the explanatory statement, the House Report and the Senate Report should be complied with and carry the same emphasis as the language included in the explanatory statement.

Each department and agency funded in this Act shall follow the directions set forth in this Act and the accompanying statement, and shall not reallocate resources or reorganize activities except as provided herein. Funds for individual programs and activities are displayed in the detailed table at the end of the explanatory statement for this division. Funding levels that are not displayed in the detailed table are identified within this explanatory statement. Any action to eliminate or consolidate programs, projects, and activities should be pursued through a proposal in the President's Budget so it can be considered by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Congressional Reports.—Each Department and agency is directed to provide the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, within 30 days of enactment of this Act and quarterly thereafter, a summary describing each requested report to the Committees on Appropriations along with its status.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION

TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

State Grants.—Governors are expected to utilize the reserve for innovative, cost-effective programs consistent with the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) to meet unique or pressing

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on December 17, 2015 by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 of Books II and III.

workforce needs in their states, to foster constructive partnerships to the benefit of job-seekers and employers, to effectively respond to unforeseen dislocations or local shortfalls, and to improve overall program performance as measured by the new uniform performance measurement system established by WIOA.

Dislocated Worker National Reserve.—The funding provided may be used for National Dislocated Worker Grants, technical assistance, demonstrations, and other activities as authorized by WIOA. The agreement provides $19,000,000 requested in the fiscal year 2016 budget for grants under the authority of WIOA to provide job training and services for workers dislocated from the coal industry.

Reintegration of Ex-Offenders.—Within funds to provide services for young ex-offenders and school dropouts in high-poverty communities with high crime rates, the Department is also directed to consider the needs of communities that have recently experienced significant unrest.

Apprenticeship.—The agreement includes $90,000,000 for Registered Apprenticeship grants and capacity building as requested in the fiscal year 2016 budget.

JOB CORPS

In light of recent events, significant concerns remain regarding the safety of students on Job Corps campuses. Efforts on the part of the Employment and Training Administration (ETA) to review and address these concerns are appreciated. ETA is directed to work with center operators and other appropriate entities to identify and implement improvements across the Job Corps system to improve the safety of students and maintain safe and effective learning environments.

STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AND EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OPERATIONS

The agreement includes $67,653,000 for the One-Stop Career Centers and Labor Market Information activity, including $7,500,000 for the new occupational licensing State consortium initiative as described in Senate Report 114–74.

OFFICE OF LABOR MANAGEMENT STANDARDS

The agreement does not provide funding for the proposed Electronic Labor Organization Reporting System Modernization project.

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Significant concerns remain about the Occupational Safety and Health Administration's (OSHA) use of guidance documents to change longstanding OSHA policy. In June and July of 2015, OSHA issued three guidance documents related to Executive Order 13650, "Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security." They are Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals and Covered Concentrations of Listed Appendix A Chemicals, RAGAGEP in Safety Process Management Enforcement, and PSM Retail Exemption Interim Enforcement Policy. These along with other OSHA "letters of interpretation" attempt to change prevailing

agency policies without proposing regulatory changes under the requirements of the Administrative Procedures Act (5 U.S.C. 551 et. seq.). OSHA has issued letters of interpretation on substantive policy matters that leave the agency open to liability that can be avoided by going through the proper rulemaking process, including notice and period of public comment. OSHA is expected to implement agency policy changes through the formal regulatory process. As such, the agreement directs that the revised enforcement policy relating to the exemption of retail facilities from coverage of the Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals standard (29 CFR 191 0.119(a)(2)(i)) issued by the Occupational Safety and Health Administration on July 22, 2015, shall not be enforced nor deemed by the Department of Labor to be in effect in fiscal year 2016 until: the Bureau of the Census establishes a new North American Industry Classification System code under Sector 44–45 Retail Trade for Farm Supply Retailers, and the Secretary of Labor, acting through the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, has carried out all notice and comment rulemaking procedures and invited meaningful public participation in the rulemaking.

OSHA is directed to continue to provide notification to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate 10 days prior to the announcement of any new National, Regional or Local Emphasis Program including the circumstances and data used to determine the need for the launch of a new Program.

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

The Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) is directed to provide assistance and data necessary for the National Academy of Sciences study provided in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health account. MSHA is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and authorizing committees of jurisdiction within 72 hours of determining that compliance rates under the new sampling protocols taking effect in 2016 fall below 95 percent, and to provide such committees with quarterly reports on actual compliance rates under the new coal dust rule.

BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

The Bureau of Labor Statistics shall submit a report to Congress within one year of enactment of this Act on the Bureau's efforts to account for and report on all forms of employment in the current economy, including those working in small businesses, part-time or temporary workers, those with fluctuating schedules, and the self-employed.

OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY

The agreement does not incorporate the Office of Disability Employment Policy (ODEP) into its partner agency, the Employment and Training Administration. The Department is directed to evaluate and report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House

of Representatives and the Senate within 150 days of enactment of this Act on the capacity of ETA to continue providing leadership, effective policy development and grant programs, and subject matter expertise in carrying out the mission of ODEP as proposed in the Senate bill. The report should also consider the potential synergies, efficiencies, and other benefits of unifying ODEP into the direct leadership of ETA along with the broader workforce training system it oversees. Any potential organizational challenges, programmatic concerns, or other issues such an integration might create should also be discussed. Finally, the report should discuss the Department's current utilization of the specialized policy development and analysis resources available from the National Council on Disability.

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

For the Office of the Chief Evaluation Officer, the agreement includes a direct appropriation of $8,040,000. The agreement contains language, as proposed by the Administration, allowing the Office of the Chief Evaluation Officer to administer grants for the purposes of conducting evaluations. The authority will allow preeminent research institutions to qualify and apply for contracts to conduct rigorous and scientific evaluations of the Department's programs, projects, and activities. It is hoped that these evaluations will inform decision-making and lead to improved program performance and taxpayer value. Language is also included ensuring that grant competitions for evaluation contracts are fair and open. Finally, the transfer authority for the Office of the Chief Evaluation Officer is increased from 0.5 percent to 0.75 percent.

The administration requested $2,620,000 and 15 full time staff to initiate an Office of Labor Compliance. This request is denied by the agreement; no funds in the bill have been provided for this purpose.

IT MODERNIZATION

The agreement includes significant new resources for information technology (IT) modernization, including a total of $24,880,000 for IT infrastructure modernization and $4,898,000 for Departmental Support Systems. The new Digital Government Integration Platform Initiative is not funded.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Funds requested for a temporary surge capacity to clear the backlog of permanent labor certification program applications are available through authority to utilize H–1B fees as proposed by the Senate. Although funds are available through September 30, 2017, to accommodate a potential contract performance period extending beyond the end of fiscal year 2016, ETA is directed to obligate the funds as expeditiously as practicable to resolve the backlog.

The bill includes a new provision related to the competitive award of contracts to operate a Jobs Corps Civilian Conservation Center.

The agreement includes a new provision related to seasonal employees offering recreational services on federal lands.

The agreement includes new provisions related to the H–2B program.

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

The Department is directed to include in its fiscal year 2017 congressional budget justification the amount of expired unobligated balances available for transfer to the Nonrecurring Expenses Fund (NEF) and the amount of any such balances transferred to the NEF. This should include actual or estimated amounts for the prior, current, and budget years. The description should include specific projects, costs, project total cost, and years expected to complete as well as the specific projects supported in the current year.

HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

HEALTH WORKFORCE

Oral Health Training.—The agreement includes not less than $10,000,000 for General Dentistry programs and not less than $10,000,000 for Pediatric Dentistry programs. The agreement provides $875,000 for section 748 authority for the Dental Faculty Loan Repayment Program. The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is directed to publish a new funding opportunity and then award grants in fiscal year 2016 from the funding provided.

Geriatric Education.—The agreement provides $38,737,000 for Geriatric Education programs. In fiscal year 2015, HRSA combined the Geriatrics Education Centers program, Geriatric Training for Physicians, Dentists, and Behavioral/Mental Health Professionals program, and the Geriatric Academic Career Awards programs authorized under the Public Health Service (PHS) Act section 753 with the Comprehensive Geriatric Education Program authorized under PHS Act section 865 into one competition, the Geriatric Workforce Enhancement Program. HRSA stated the combined competition would, "improve health outcomes for older adults by integrating geriatrics with primary care, maximizing patient and family engagement, and transforming the healthcare system." Therefore, the agreement has consolidated the PHS Act Title VII Geriatric Program with the PHS Act Title VIII Comprehensive Geriatric Education program.

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH

Maternal and Child Health Block Grant.—The agreement includes language setting aside $77,093,000 for Special Projects of Regional and National Significance (SPRANS). The agreement provides the following amounts within SPRANS:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Set-aside for oral health	$5,000,000
Set-aside for epilepsy	3,642,000
Set-aside for sickle cell disease	2,961,000
Set-aside for fetal alcohol syndrome demo	477,000

Autism and Other Developmental Disorders.—The agreement provides $47,099,000 for the Autism and Other Developmental Disorders program and directs that HRSA provide no less than $28,990,000 for the Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental and Related Disabilities (LEND) program. The increased funding should be used to initiate LEND programs in States that do not currently have an established program, yet have a high incidence rate of Autism spectrum disorders.

Traumatic Brain Injury.—The agreement includes bill language transferring the Traumatic Brain Injury program from HRSA to the Administration for Community Living (ACL).

Heritable Disorders Program.—The agreement provides $13,883,000 for the Heritable Disorders Program, of which $2,000,000 is provided for newborn screening for Severe Combined Immune Deficiency and related disorders.

RYAN WHITE HIV/AIDS PROGRAM

Children, Youth, Women, and Families.—The agreement does not consolidate this program with the Early Intervention Services program.

HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

340B Drug Program.—HRSA is requested to provide a briefing to update the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the status of 340B guidance, the secure website, and covered entities in the 340B drug program.

RURAL HEALTH

Rural Health Outreach.—The agreement provides $63,500,000 for the Rural Health Outreach program, an increase of $4,500,000 above the fiscal year 2015 level. This program supports projects that demonstrate new and innovative modes of outreach in rural areas, such as integration and coordination of health services. The agreement provides not more than $12,514,000 for Outreach Service Grants; not more than $19,412,000 for Rural Network Development Grants; not less than $10,000,000 for Delta States Network Grant Program; not more than $2,400,000 for Network Planning Grants; and not less than $4,148,000 for Small Healthcare Provider Quality Improvement Grants.

Rural Access to Emergency Devices.—As requested by the Administration, the agreement does not provide funding for the Rural Access to Emergency Devices program.

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION

The agreement includes a program level of $7,233,403,000, which includes $6,326,103,000 in appropriated funds for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). In addition, it provides $892,300,000 in transfers from the Prevention and Public Health (PPH) Fund and $15,000,000 in Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (PHSSEF) unobligated balances from pandemic influenza supplemental appropriations.

IMMUNIZATION AND RESPIRATORY DISEASES

The agreement includes a total of $798,405,000 for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, which includes $459,055,000 in discretionary appropriations, $324,350,000 in transfers from the PPH Fund and $15,000,000 in transfers from PHSSEF unobligated balances. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Section 317 Immunization Program	$610,847,000
Influenza Planning and Response	187,558,000

Immunizations.—The agreement reiterates the requests for an updated Section 317 Immunization Program report in the fiscal year 2017 budget request as noted by the House Report 114–195 and Senate Report 114–74. The agreement includes the requested $8,000,000 to support the capacity of public health departments to bill health insurers for immunization services. Further, the increase above the request is intended to continue providing a comprehensive program to educate and inform the public, monitor vaccine effectiveness, account for the use of Federal and State dollars, decrease ethnic and racial disparities, build strong outbreak investigation capacity, improve tracking systems, provide the necessary support to providers, and support an appropriate level of vaccine purchases.

Influenza.—The agreement directs the Department to use $15,000,000 in pandemic influenza supplemental balances to support CDC's global influenza activity. CDC and the Department are expected to clearly identify in budget documents when and how prior year supplemental appropriations are used.

HIV/AIDS, VIRAL HEPATITIS, SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES AND TUBERCULOSIS PREVENTION

The agreement includes $1,122,278,000 for HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases and Tuberculosis Prevention. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Domestic HIV/AIDS Prevention and Research	$788,712,000
HIV Prevention by Health Departments	397,161,000
HIV Surveillance	119,861,000
Activities to Improve Program Effectiveness	103,208,000
National, Regional, Local, Community and Other Organizations	135,401,000
School Health	33,081,000
Viral Hepatitis	34,000,000
Sexually Transmitted Infections	157,310,000
Tuberculosis	142,256,000

EMERGING AND ZOONOTIC INFECTIOUS DISEASES

The agreement includes $579,885,000 for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases, which includes $527,885,000 in discretionary appropriations and $52,000,000 made available from amounts in

the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Antibiotic Resistance Initiative	$160,000,000
Lab Safety and Quality	8,000,000
Emerging and Zoonotic Core Activities	29,840,000
Vector-borne Diseases	26,410,000
Lyme Disease	10,663,000
Prion Disease	6,000,000
Chronic Fatigue Syndrome	5,400,000
Emerging Infectious Diseases	147,000,000
Food Safety	52,000,000
National Healthcare Safety Network	21,000,000
Quarantine	31,572,000
Advanced Molecular Detection	30,000,000
Epidemiology and Lab Capacity program	40,000,000
Healthcare-Associated Infections	12,000,000

Antimicrobial Resistance.—The agreement expects a significant level of support for State and regional lab capacity and intends for the funds provided to support programs with measurable goals and objectives which should be reported annually in the budget request for this program. Further, CDC is directed to support States in the use of evidence-based approaches to stop the spread of drug-resistant bacteria and preserve existing antibiotics. The agreement directs CDC to coordinate with the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA), the National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID), and other government agencies and support collaborations between entities such as academic medical centers, veterinary schools, schools of public health, State public health departments, and other academic institutions whose activities are in line with the Federal strategy for addressing antibiotic resistant bacteria. CDC shall provide a detailed spend plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 60 days after enactment of this Act.

CHRONIC DISEASE PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

The agreement includes $1,177,096,000 for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, which includes $838,146,000 in discretionary appropriations, and $338,950,000 made available from amounts in the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Tobacco	$210,000,000
Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity	49,920,000
High Obesity Rate Counties	10,000,000
School Health	15,400,000
Health Promotion	14,025,000
Glaucoma	3,300,000
Visual Screening Education	525,000
Alzheimer's Disease	3,500,000
Inflammatory Bowel Disease	750,000
Interstitial Cystitis	850,000
Excessive Alcohol Use	3,000,000
Chronic Kidney Disease	2,100,000

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Prevention Research Centers	25,461,000
Heart Disease and Stroke	160,037,000
Diabetes	170,129,000
National Diabetes Prevention Program	20,000,000
Cancer Prevention and Control	356,174,000
Breast and Cervical Cancer	210,000,000
WISEWOMAN	21,120,000
Breast Cancer Awareness for Young Women	4,960,000
Cancer Registries	49,440,000
Colorectal Cancer	43,294,000
Comprehensive Cancer	19,675,000
Johanna's Law	5,500,000
Ovarian Cancer	7,500,000
Prostate Cancer	13,205,000
Skin Cancer	2,125,000
Cancer Survivorship Resource Center	475,000
Oral Health	18,000,000
Safe Motherhood/Infant Health	46,000,000
Preterm Birth	2,000,000
Arthritis	11,000,000
Epilepsy	8,000,000
National Lupus Patient Registry	6,000,000
Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH)	50,950,000
Million Hearts	4,000,000
National Early Child Care Collaboratives	4,000,000
Hospitals Promoting Breastfeeding	8,000,000

Burden of Disease.—The agreement directs the CDC Director to implement a population-adjusted burden of disease criteria as a significant factor for new competitive awards within the Chronic Disease portfolio for Heart Disease, Stroke, and Diabetes.

Diabetes, Heart Disease and Stroke.—The agreement provides a significant increase to support Diabetes, Heart Disease and Stroke prevention. The agreement expects funding to support communities with the highest burden of disease, as adjusted for population, and to use risk factor reduction measures. The agreement requests a report in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on how funds will be provided to address the highest burden.

Glaucoma.—The agreement continues to support telemedicine efforts to identify, detect, treat, and manage people with glaucoma in order to build on successful research, screening, and treatment for populations at greatest risk for diseases such as glaucoma.

Interstitial Cystitis.—The agreement directs the increase in funding for Interstitial Cystitis to be allocated to support education, outreach, and public awareness activities.

Obesity.—The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the evidence-based practices CDC is undertaking to reduce obesity, which should include education and outreach related to the role of fruit and vegetable consumption in reducing obesity in at-risk populations, including both adult and pediatric populations.

Partnerships to Improve Community Health (PICH).—To lessen the disruption during PICH close out, the agreement directs CDC to shift fiscal year 2016 continuation costs to specific chronic disease budget lines for current activities of grantees, such as cities, counties, tribal grantees, and nongovernmental organizations.

Tobacco Prevention.—The agreement provides support for CDC's comprehensive efforts to reduce tobacco use. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request identifying all CDC programs that provide support for tobacco control or prevention activities and requests that CDC explore ways to reduce duplication with tobacco prevention programs and activities not funded in the specific tobacco-funding line. The CDC is urged to coordinate with the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to identify meritorious tobacco research opportunities for NIH to consider through its peer-reviewed process and its existing portfolio funding level.

BIRTH DEFECTS AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

The agreement includes $135,610,000 for Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities. Within the total for Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Child Health and Development	$65,800,000
Birth Defects	19,000,000
Fetal Death	900,000
Fetal Alcohol Syndrome	11,000,000
Folic Acid	3,150,000
Infant Health	8,650,000
Autism	23,100,000
Health and Development for People with Disabilities	54,710,000
Disability & Health	22,050,000
Tourette Syndrome	2,000,000
Early Hearing Detection and Intervention	10,760,000
Muscular Dystrophy	6,000,000
Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder	1,900,000
Fragile X	2,000,000
Spina Bifida	6,000,000
Congenital Heart Failure	4,000,000
Public Health Approach to Blood Disorders	4,500,000
Hemophilia CDC Activities	3,500,000
Hemophilia Treatment Centers	5,000,000
Thalassemia	2,100,000

Improving the Health of People with Intellectual Disabilities.—The CDC Healthy Athletes Initiative was established in 2002 to support efforts to address the unmet health care needs of people with intellectual disabilities. The agreement includes an additional $2,000,000 above the fiscal year 2015 level to maintain and expand support for this important initiative.

PUBLIC HEALTH SCIENTIFIC SERVICES

The agreement includes a total of $491,597,000 for Public Health Scientific Services in discretionary appropriations. Within the total for Public Health Scientific Services, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Health Statistics	$160,397,000
Surveillance, Epidemiology, and Informatics	279,000,000
Lab Training	5,000,000

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Public Health Workforce	52,200,000

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The agreement includes $182,303,000 for Environmental Health programs, which includes $165,303,000 in discretionary appropriations, and $17,000,000 that is made available from amounts in the PPH Fund. The agreement provides support for CDC's environmental health research, evaluation, and surveillance activities. These activities are intended to be complementary to the biomedical research conducted at the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Environmental Health Laboratory	$56,000,000
Newborn Screening Quality Assurance Program	8,300,000
Newborn Screening/Severe Combined Immuno-deficiency Diseases	1,200,000
Environmental Health Activities	46,303,000
Environmental Health Activities	17,703,000
Safe Water	8,600,000
Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis Registry	10,000,000
Climate Change	10,000,000
Environmental and Health Outcome Tracking Network	34,000,000
Asthma	29,000,000
Childhood Lead Poisoning	17,000,000

INJURY PREVENTION AND CONTROL

The agreement includes $236,059,000 for Injury Prevention and Control activities. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Intentional Injury	$97,730,000
Domestic Violence and Sexual Violence	32,700,000
Child Maltreatment	7,250,000
Youth Violence Prevention	15,100,000
Domestic Violence Community Projects	5,500,000
Rape Prevention	44,430,000
National Violent Death Reporting System	16,000,000
Unintentional Injury	8,800,000
Traumatic Brain Injury	6,750,000
Elderly Falls	2,050,000
Injury Prevention Activities	28,950,000
Opioid Prescription Drug Overdose	70,000,000
Illicit Opioid Use Risk Factors	5,579,000
Injury Control Research Centers	9,000,000

Opioid Prescription Drug Overdose (PDO) Prevention Activity.—The agreement commends CDC for its leadership in expanding efforts combatting prescription and opioid drug overdoses. The agreement directs the CDC Director to implement these activities based on population-adjusted burden of disease criteria, including mortality data (age adjusted rate), as significant criteria when distributing funds for the State PDO Prevention activities. The CDC is

expected to adhere to the conditions identified in the fiscal year 2015 Appropriations Act and explanatory statement as CDC expands beyond prescription drugs and into the broader category of opioids. The agreement assumes these funds will be distributed via a competitive mechanism and not merely a mathematical formula or standard allocation to each State.

Surveillance of Heroin.—The agreement directs CDC to expand surveillance of heroin-related deaths beyond CDC's current work in HHS's Region 1 and to require applicants for the PDO Prevention for States Programs to collaborate with the State's substance abuse agency or agency managing the State's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

Violence Data Collection.—The agreement notes that CDC should continue its current National Vital Statistics System and National Violent Death Reporting System (NVDRS) data collections activities and ensure the activities continue to comply with funding restrictions. The agreement provides an increase for NVDRS to support States not previously funded.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH

The agreement includes a total of $339,121,000 for the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) in discretionary appropriations. Within the total for NIOSH, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
National Occupational Research Agenda	$115,500,000
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing	25,000,000
Education and Research Centers	28,500,000
Personal Protective Technology	20,000,000
Mining Research	61,300,000
Other Occupational Safety and Health Research	112,721,000
National Mesothelioma Registry and Tissue Bank	1,100,000

National Academy of Sciences (NAS) Review.—The agreement provides $1,800,000 within the Mining Research funding line and directs the NIOSH Director to charter a NAS review within 90 days of enactment of this Act. Specifically the NAS effort should examine and describe: current monitoring and sampling protocols and requirements to understand miners' occupational exposure to respirable coal mine dust in the United States and other industrialized countries; coal mine dust composition and application procedures, including the impact of new rock dust mixtures and regulatory requirements; monitoring and sampling technologies, and sampling protocols and frequency; and the efficacy of those technologies and protocols in aiding decisions regarding the control of respirable coal mine dust and mine worker exposure. The NAS study will develop science-based conclusions regarding optimal monitoring and sampling strategies that support mine operational decision making as it relates to reducing miner respirable coal mine dust exposure. It is expected the report will be completed within 12 months after enactment of this Act.

Total Worker Health.—The agreement provides funding in the Other Occupational Safety and Health Research line to continue to

support the Total Worker Health program at no less than the fiscal year 2015 level.

ENERGY EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL ILLNESS COMPENSATION PROGRAM

The agreement includes $55,358,000 in mandatory funding for CDC's responsibilities with respect to the Energy Employee Occupational Illness Compensation Program.

GLOBAL HEALTH

The agreement includes $427,121,000 for Global Health activities. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Global AIDS Program	$128,421,000
Global Immunization Program	219,000,000
Polio Eradication	169,000,000
Measles and Other Vaccine Preventable Diseases	50,000,000
Parasitic Diseases/Malaria	24,500,000
Global Public Health Protection	55,200,000
Global Disease Detection and Emergency Response	45,400,000
Global Public Health Capacity	9,800,000

Global Public Health Capacity.—The agreement understands the importance of CDC's global work to protect Americans at home and abroad, including collaborating with other nations to identify, prepare for, investigate and respond to public health threats. The agreement requests a report, within 90 days after enactment of this Act, for all international activities funded through this CDC activity to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

The agreement includes $1,405,000,000 for public health preparedness and response activities. Within the total for Public Health Preparedness and Response, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Public Health Emergency Preparedness Cooperative Agreements	$660,000,000
Academic Centers for Public Health Preparedness	8,200,000
CDC Preparedness and Response	161,800,000
BioSense	23,000,000
All Other CDC Preparedness	138,800,000
Strategic National Stockpile	575,000,000

Technical Assistance.—Within the Public Health Emergency Preparedness (PHEP) activity, the agreement provides no less than the fiscal year 2015 level for technical assistance and directs CDC to use the balance of the increase for the PHEP cooperative agreements.

Select Agent Program.—The agreement provides a $5,000,000 increase for CDC's Select Agent Program and expects a report within

120 days after enactment of this Act providing an update on these efforts.

Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) Replenishment of Medical Countermeasures.—The agreement notes certain assets in the SNS will begin to expire soon. The agreement directs the CDC Director to conduct a review of the current SNS antivirals supply. The review should include: the current stockpile; product expiration and/or extension of dating; cost of replenishment; contract requirements; manufacturing capability (including capacity and lead production time), and distribution methods. The CDC is to provide the report within 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. Further, the agreement requests the inclusion of additional detail pertaining to SNS data in its annual budget request beginning in fiscal year 2017, including the total projected costs of expired or expiring SNS assets. Specifically, the request should identify the projected percentage allocation of the current and budget request resources expected to support expiring asset replacement, new asset purchases, and other operational costs.

BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES

The agreement includes $10,000,000 for Buildings and Facilities. In addition, the agreement directs unobligated funds in the Individual Learning Accounts from prior employees' closed accounts to be used to support the replacement of the underground and surface coal mine safety and health research capacity facility.

Demolition.—The agreement provides demolition authority for fiscal year 2016 to allow CDC to eliminate structures that are no longer used and have gone beyond their intended lifespan, such as small modular trailers and storage facilities. Due to the age and condition of some of the structures, they pose a significant danger if left in their current state. By eliminating these structures, the Federal government will save almost $90,000 per year in maintenance costs. If this authority is necessary beyond fiscal year 2016, CDC shall request such authority as part of their annual congressional justification.

CDC-WIDE ACTIVITIES

The agreement includes $273,570,000 for CDC-wide activities, which includes $113,570,000 in discretionary appropriations and $160,000,000 made available through the PPH Fund. Within this total, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grant	$160,000,000
Public Health Leadership and Support	113,570,000

Burden of Disease Review.—The agreement urges CDC and Center Directors to explore ways to review its programs and public health activities, where population adjusted burden of disease is not already being used as a significant factor to award funds, in order to determine how the programs can use or increase the use

of burden of disease as significant criteria for awarding, tracking, and evaluating CDC supported activities.

CDC Budget Policy.—The agreement expects that, unless provided for differently through this agreement, CDC will provide advance notification to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate if it does not follow the policy, funding source, and levels described in its budget request.

CDC Director's Discretionary Fund.—The CDC Director shall provide timely semi-annual reports on all obligations made with the CDC Director's Discretionary Fund to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and post the end of the year report online within 30 days after it is submitted to such Committees.

CDC Laboratory Safety and Training.—The agreement notes that CDC established a Laboratory Safety Review Board (LSRB) to conduct safety reviews of laboratory protocols for work in biosafety level 3 (BSL–3) and biosafety level 4 (BSL–4) laboratories. CDC is directed to provide an annual report beginning in April 2016 that identifies the total number of CDC laboratories operated or maintained by CDC with a breakout for all labs, BSL–3 labs, and BSL–4 labs. For each category, it should identify the number of employees in each category of laboratory, the number of Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), the number of employees who attended the new biological risk assessments training in the past year, and the number of SOPs reviewed annually by the LSRB. In addition, the fiscal year 2017 budget request shall provide a detailed update on activities that enhance and support CDC laboratory safety and training.

Cross-cutting Coordination with NIH.—CDC is expected to provide an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on how CDC's programs coordinate with NIH Institutes and Centers to share scientific gaps related to activities supported in NIH research portfolios, reduce duplication of effort, and prevent overlapping core mission focus area.

Individual Learning Accounts (ILA).—The agreement directs CDC to allow current employees to continue to expend the remainder of their ILA balances for employee training. In addition, the agreement directs each program to use available resources to provide employee training for all employees, in lieu of the previously congressionally directed ILA program. The CDC Director shall provide an annual report, no later than 60 days after the end of the fiscal year, on the cumulative dollar amount spent on CDC employee training activities for the recently closed fiscal year and prior three fiscal years.

Laboratories.—The CDC is directed to provide a specific CDC-wide consolidated laboratory funding table in the fiscal year 2017 budget and future budget requests. The single consolidated table shall (at a minimum) identify for each Center and its specific program activities that fund laboratory activity, funding levels provided to State, Regional, and other laboratory activity requested, for the current, and prior three budget years. It should include a narrative section describing CDC's process to coordinate the various laboratory funding activities across the Centers to support laboratory capabilities, upgrades, and other related initiatives that are

linked to measurable laboratory goals and objectives across CDC. The agreement urges CDC to work with its State and Regional laboratory partners to explore ways to consolidate, streamline, and improve the ability for laboratories to most effectively utilize CDC provided funds.

Respirator Certification Program.—CDC has been operating the Respirator Certification Program since 1972. Under Federal law, this program must be self-sustaining, and CDC must recover the entire costs of services provided for the examination, inspection, and testing of respirators. The agreement includes language allowing CDC to have an additional fiscal year to spend user fees collected late in the year through the Respirator Certification program.

Reoccurring Reports.—The agreement notes the scope of the reoccurring reports language in Senate Report 114–74 is limited to free standing reports requested prior to fiscal year 2012 but not information requested for inclusion in the annual budget request.

Sodium Consumption.—The agreement notes that a growing body of evidence suggests low sodium consumption can lead to health problems in healthy individuals. The U.S. and Canadian governments each established Federal Dietary Reference Intake (DRI) Committees that work to identify DRI needs and coordinate government sponsorship of DRI reviews. The DRI's reflect nutrient reference values, and are based on significant, new, and relevant data. In August 2014, four nutrient areas for updated DRIs were selected, including sodium. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the timeline and plan for the update of the DRI for sodium.

Public Health Leadership and Supporting Details.—The agreement reiterates the request from last year and directs the CDC Director to include in the fiscal year 2017 and future budget requests specific details of each budget activity supported with these funds, including functions, mission, full time employees, bonus, travel costs, and other typical object class data and information for each separate activity supported through the Public Health Leadership and Support funding line.

NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH

The agreement provides $32,084,000,000 for NIH activities within the jurisdiction of this bill, an increase of $2,000,000,000. The agreement also includes the budget request of $200,000,000 for the new Precision Medicine Initiative (PMI); an increase of $350,000,000 for Alzheimer's disease research; an increase of $85,000,000 for the Brain Research through Application of Innovative Neurotechnologies (BRAIN) Initiative; an increase of $100,000,000 for research to combat Antimicrobial Resistance; and an increase to every Institute and Center (IC) to continue investments in innovative research that will advance fundamental knowledge and speed the development of new therapies, diagnostics, and preventive measures to improve the health of all Americans.

The agreement expects NIH to support the number of Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards and other training grants in proportion to at least the general IC level funding increase. The agreement expects NIH to provide a stipend level and

inflationary increases to grantees that is at least consistent with any fiscal year 2016 Federal employee pay raise.

The agreement continues to support the Clinical and Translational Science Awards program, the Institutional Development Award program, and the follow-on to the National Children's Study in bill language.

The Common Fund is supported as a set-aside within the Office of the Director at $675,639,000, which includes $130,000,000 for PMI and $12,600,000 to support pediatric research as authorized by the Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act.

NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE (NCI)

Kidney Cancer.—The agreement encourages support of meritorious scientific research on kidney cancer, specifically early detection of the disease. The agreement encourages the NCI to support a Specialized Program of Research Excellence in kidney cancer and other research programs for subtypes of kidney cancer, such as papillary and chromophobe. NCI should provide an update on these efforts in the fiscal year 2017 budget request.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE (NINDS)

Alternating Hemiplegia of Childhood (AHC).—The agreement notes AHC is a rare neurodevelopmental disorder characterized by repeated episodes of weakness or paralysis that may affect one side of the body or the other. It is one of several diseases caused by mutations in the gene ATP1A3. Recently NIH participated in the 4th Symposium on ATP1A3 in Disease. The agreement encourages NINDS to support promising research on AHC and the gene mutation ATP1A3 and to provide a summary of the recent symposium and associated recommendations in the fiscal year 2017 budget request.

Hydrocephalus Research.—In June 2014, NINDS held a conference "Hydrocephalus: Myths, New Facts, Clear Directions" that in part updated the 2005 state of the science on hydrocephalus research. The agreement requests NINDS provide a summary of the conference workshop and associated recommendations in the fiscal year 2017 budget request.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES (NIAID)

Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR).—The agreement provides the requested increase of $100,000,000 for AMR research. The NIAID is directed to work with the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) to develop a joint plan to address the serious threat of antimicrobial resistance. NIAID is also directed to work with the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response on the five-year spending plan for the medical countermeasure (MCM) enterprise, which should provide additional detail on NIAID's biodefense activities, including priorities for MCM candidates in its portfolio and efforts to transition these projects to advanced research at BARDA. The agreement also directs the Department of Health and Human Services to work with the Departments of Defense, Agriculture, Veterans Affairs, and the Food and Drug

Administration to both track and store AMR genes and the mobile genetic elements from AMR bacteria. The Secretary is directed to include an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the Administration's progress in implementing the National Strategy for Combating Antibiotic Resistant Bacteria.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GENERAL MEDICAL SCIENCES (NIGMS)

Institutional Development Award (IDeA).—The agreement provides a significant increase to the IDeA program in recognition of its success. The agreement anticipates NIH will maintain at least this percentage in subsequent budget requests. It also reflects the disappointment of the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate that NIH ignored Congressional language in last year's explanatory statement to provide a legislative plan to update eligibility criteria for the IDeA program. The agreement restates the direction in last year's explanatory statement to report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 60 days after enactment of this Act legislative language to update eligibility criteria that specifically incorporates the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research qualifying States into IDeA's criteria.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON AGING (NIA)

Alzheimer's Disease.—The agreement includes $936,000,000, an increase of $350,000,000 above fiscal year 2015, for high quality research on Alzheimer's disease, subject to the scientific opportunity presented in the peer review process. In 2012, the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease was released to address the major challenges Alzheimer's disease will pose by 2025. Since then, although Alzheimer's research has received annual increases for federally funded research, it is still funded significantly below the annual level needed to accomplish the goal of the National Plan. NIA is encouraged to continue addressing the research goals set forth in the National Plan to Address Alzheimer's Disease, as well as the recommendations from the Alzheimer's Disease Research Summit in 2015.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON MINORITY HEALTH AND HEALTH DISPARITIES (NIMHD)

Research Centers in Minority Institutions (RCMIs).—The agreement continues to support RCMIs and expects the RCMIs to receive no less than $56,758,601, which is the fiscal year 2015 level plus the proportional share of the general increase provided to NIMHD.

NATIONAL CENTER FOR ADVANCING TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCES (NCATS)

Clinical and Translational Science Awards (CTSA).—The agreement provides $500,000,000 for the CTSA program, an increase of $25,254,000 above fiscal year 2015, to implement the recommendations from the 2013 Institute of Medicine report on CTSA. In particular, the agreement supports the goal of using CTSA to build networking capacity and support for innovative collaborative projects. Additional funding is included to allow the program to re-

tain its merit-based CTSA funding to institutions while expanding the network capacity to conduct multi-site clinical studies and collaborative projects.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR (OD)

The agreement provides, to the extent practicable, to all the offices and functions within the OD an increase equal to the general increase provided to the ICs of approximately 4 percent. The agreement maintains the NIH Director's Discretionary Fund, Challenge Fund and NIH Foundation level at the fiscal year 2015 levels.

Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act.—The agreement continues bill language for specific funds authorized by the Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act within the Common Fund to support the second year of the 10-year Pediatric Research Initiative. The agreement encourages NIH to prioritize research relating to childhood cancer within the program and requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the 10-year program, planned activities, and on-going research.

Capstone Awards.—NIH is exploring the establishment of new grants, called Capstone Awards that could promote partnership between a senior and junior investigator or provide opportunities for acquiring skills needed for transitioning to a new role. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on these efforts, including NIH's consultations with internal and external constituencies with a stake in this potential endeavor.

Common Fund.—The agreement notes continued support for the Common Fund High Risk High Reward (HRHR) programs, such as the Pioneer, New Innovator, and the Transformative R01 awards. The HRHR awards have shown great success over the years. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on how HRHR awards are supported through the Common Fund and across the NIH ICs.

Director's Discretionary Fund (DDF).—The NIH Director shall provide timely semi-annual reports on all obligations made with the NIH DDF to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate and post the end of the year report online within 30 days after it is submitted to such Committees.

Multi-institute Research Issues

Anhydramnios.—To augment knowledge about anhydramnios and related conditions, the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute for Child Health and Human Development (NICHD) is planning a science workshop on the biology, pathophysiology, and clinical aspects of amniotic fluid abnormalities. It is expected to focus on mechanisms of production and regulation of amniotic fluid, possible causes of anhydramnios, neonatal outcomes, and early diagnostic and treatment approaches, identifying knowledge gaps for future research. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the timeline for the workshop and its relationship to Human Placenta Project.

BRAIN Initiative.—The agreement continues to strongly support the BRAIN Initiative. The bill provides $150,000,000, an increase

of $85,000,000 above fiscal year 2015, to be pooled from various ICs.

Coordination with CDC.—NIH is expected to provide an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on how NIH's ICs and programs coordinate with the CDC Centers and programs on cross-cutting initiatives, ensuring they avoid duplication of effort.

Basic Biomedical Research.—The agreement urges the NIH Director to continue the traditional focus on basic biomedical research. The purpose of NIH basic research is to discover the nature and mechanics of disease, and identify potential therapeutic avenues likely to lead to its prevention and treatment. Without this early scientific investigation, future development of treatments and cures would be impossible. Basic biomedical research must remain a key component of both the intramural and extramural research portfolio at the NIH. The agreement requests NIH provide an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on steps NIH plans to take to ensure the traditional focus on basic science is preserved.

Child Abuse and Neglect.—The agreement commends the NIH and NICHD Pediatric Trauma and Critical Illness Branch's new initiative to form CAPSTONE Centers for Multidisciplinary Research and Training in Child Abuse and Neglect. The agreement encourages all relevant ICs to ensure reviewers with knowledge and expertise of the subject are included on appropriate peer review committees.

Enhanced NIH Reporting on Research Spending by Disease and Affected Populations.—The agreement reiterates the direction identified in the fiscal year 2015 explanatory statement for NIH to make public, on an annual basis, enhanced Research, Condition, and Disease Categorization (RCDC) spending data with the number of Americans affected by each category of disease according to CDC or other federally-sourced data. The agreement directs NIH to include this data as a column for each category row on the RCDC table page that is available online and not in a separate file linked to the web page. The agreement expects available data to be uploaded within 60 days after enactment of this Act. In the rare circumstance, if data is not readily available, NIH shall provide a plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 60 days of enactment of this Act to populate the category before the end of fiscal year 2016. Further, the agreement encourages NIH to add pediatric cardiomyopathy as a RCDC category.

Grant Review.—The fiscal year 2017 budget request shall provide an update on NIH policies and procedures to ensure appropriate review and approval for grants awarded through the ICs.

National Center for Biotechnology Information (NCBI).—The agreement includes funding directly to the National Library of Medicine (NLM) for NCBI to meet the challenge of collecting, organizing, analyzing, and disseminating the increasing amounts of data related to research in molecular biology and genomics and to support the deposit of manuscripts in PubMed Central under the NIH Public Access Policy. Providing the increase specifically to NLM, as opposed to previous years where NLM received funding from individual ICs for these activities, should improve funding transparency and enhance NCBI's ability to provide an integrated,

genomic resource for biomedical researchers at NIH and around the globe.

National Children's Study Follow-on.—The agreement commends the efforts of NIH to work with the community to begin to address concerns related to the follow-on to the National Children's Study. The agreement provides funding in the OD and expects NIH to continue to move forward based on the directions provided by the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

New Initiatives.—The agreement requests NIH provide a table in the fiscal year 2017 and future budget requests reflecting the current year plus five-year planned funding levels for each of the following initiatives: Building Infrastructure Leading to Diversity, BRAIN, Big Data, PMI, CTSA, AMR, Accelerating Medicines Partnership, Human Microbiome, HRHR, Cures Acceleration Network, Biomedical Workforce, and new initiatives proposed in fiscal year 2017. For each initiative, the table should identify, at a minimum, the planned budget level; a list of participating ICs; linkage to the NIH-wide strategic plan, and percentage of the funds focused on basic science.

Precision Medicine Initiative (PMI).—The agreement supports the new PMI and provides $70,000,000 to NCI and $130,000,000 in the Common Fund to fund activities in fiscal year 2016.

Prioritization of Funding.—The agreement expects NIH to consider burden of disease when setting priorities and developing strategic plans across its ICs to address conditions (such as Alzheimer's disease, diabetes, heart disease, and cancer) with significant opportunity to improve the current or future health of the American population by targeting funding toward cures and better treatments. Further, the agreement expects NIH to prioritize funds on medical research discovery over outreach and education. The agreement expects NIH to continue policies to distribute funding based on the merit of researchers' ideas and productivity, and to ensure consistent application of scientific policies between extramural and intramural researchers. The agreement requests NIH provide an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on how it plans to use the NIH 5-year scientific strategic plan as part of its resource allocation process to improve the health of the American population.

Reproducibility of Scientific Methods.—The agreement notes that the gold standard of science is the ability to reproduce a method and finding. There continues to be concern with reports that some published biomedical research cannot be easily reproduced. The agreement expects NIH to continue to stress the importance of experimental rigor and transparency of reporting of research findings to enhance the ability of others to replicate them. To the extent practicable, the agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on how NIH is measuring the effectiveness of each step NIH has taken to develop and implement best practice guidelines to better facilitate the conduct of replicable research and research transparency in the reporting of methods and findings.

Science Education.—The Science Education Partnership Awards (SEPA) fosters important connections between biomedical researchers and K–12 teachers and their students. These connections establish an education pipeline to careers in biomedical sciences, which

is one of the most important areas of workforce development for the U.S. economy. Therefore, NIH is directed to continue funding the SEPA program at no less than last year's level.

Trisomy.—The agreement encourages the NIH to explore the molecular, cellular, and physiological mechanisms that predestine individuals born with a third copy of human chromosome 21 (trisomy 21) to either live with—or be protected from—a range of diseases that cause nearly 60 percent of deaths today in the U.S. The agreement requests that NIH submit a report within one year of enactment of this Act to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the feasibility of a multi-year study of children and adults with trisomy 21.

Undiagnosed Disease Program (UDP).—The agreement continues support for the Undiagnosed Disease Network within the UDP, and requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on steps NIH has taken to accelerate discovery and innovation in the way we diagnose and treat patients with previously undiagnosed diseases, including its efforts to support data collection and sharing within the research community. Further, NIH is encouraged to explore public/private partnership opportunities and other ways to expand the impact of the program.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

The agreement continues bill language directing the Administrator of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to exempt the Mental Health Block Grant and the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant from being used as a source for the PHS evaluation set-aside in fiscal year 2016, as was done prior to fiscal year 2012.

MENTAL HEALTH

Within the total provided for Mental Health Programs of Regional and National Significance (PRNS), the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Capacity:	
Seclusion & Restraint	$1,147,000
Youth Violence Prevention	23,099,000
Project Aware State Grants	49,902,000
Mental Health First Aid	14,963,000
Healthy Transitions	19,951,000
National Traumatic Stress Network	46,887,000
Children and Family Programs	6,458,000
Consumer and Family Network Grants	4,954,000
Mental Health System Transformation and Health Reform	3,779,000
Project LAUNCH	34,555,000
Primary and Behavioral Health Care Integration	49,877,000
National Strategy for Suicide Prevention	2,000,000
Suicide Lifeline	7,198,000
Garrett Lee Smith—Youth Suicide Prevention—States	35,427,000
Garrett Lee Smith—Youth Suicide Prevention—Campus	6,488,000
American Indian and Alaskan Native Suicide Prevention Initiative	2,931,000
Homelessness Prevention Programs	30,696,000
Tribal Behavioral Grants	15,000,000
Minority AIDS	9,224,000
Criminal and Juvenile Justice Programs	4,269,000

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Assisted Outpatient Treatment	15,000,000
Science and Service:	
Garrett Lee Smith—Suicide Prevention Resource Center	5,988,000
Practice Improvement and Training	7,828,000
Primary/Behavioral Health Integration T.A.	1,991,000
Consumer & Consumer Support T.A. Centers	1,918,000
Minority Fellowship Program	8,059,000
Disaster Response	1,953,000
Homelessness	2,296,000
HIV/AIDS Education	771,000

Mental Health Programs.—SAMHSA is directed to work with the Government Accountability Office (GAO) in implementing the recommendations provided in GAO report GAO–15–113 and GAO–15–405 issued in February and May of 2015, respectively. The agreement directs SAMHSA to provide a detailed update and timeline on the progress of these recommendations 90 days after enactment of this Act. Furthermore, the agreement directs SAMHSA to develop a grants compliance plan that will ensure that SAMHSA's grants process is in accordance with the Department's grants manual. The compliance plan shall include periodic, and random, internal audits of grant files to confirm all the necessary documentation is accounted for and that the compliance plan is meeting its objectives. SAMHSA shall provide any additional grants training necessary to prevent these issues from arising in the future.

Mental Health Block Grants.—The agreement includes a $50,000,000 increase over fiscal year 2015 for the Mental Health Block Grant program and increases the set-aside to 10 percent for evidence-based programs that address the needs of individuals with early serious mental illness, including psychotic disorders. The increase to the set-aside for serious mental illness is fully offset by the additional funds provided to the Mental Health Block Grant program. Furthermore, after taking into account the offset funds for serious mental illness activities, the balance of the increase to the block grants will provide over $20,000,000 in additional funds to States and territories through their traditional formula grants. The agreement directs SAMHSA to continue its collaboration with NIMH to ensure that funds from the set-aside are only used for programs showing strong evidence of effectiveness and targets the first episode of psychosis. SAMHSA shall not expand the use of the set-aside to programs outside of those that address first episode psychosis. Within six months after enactment of this Act, the agreement directs SAMHSA to provide a detailed table showing at a minimum each State's allotment, name of the program being implemented, and a short description of the program.

Project AWARE.—The agreement supports the continuation of Project AWARE which increases awareness of mental health issues and connects young people with behavioral health issues and their families with needed services. Of the amount provided for Project AWARE, the agreement provides an additional $10,000,000 for discretionary grants to communities that have recently faced civil unrest. These grants should focus on high risk youth and family populations in these communities and surrounding areas that have experienced significant exposure to trauma and can benefit from ad-

ditional evidence-based violence prevention and community youth engagement programs as well as linkages to trauma-informed behavioral health services. SAMHSA should prioritize funding grants from communities that have formed partnerships between key stakeholders including State and local governments (including multiple cities and counties if impacted); public or private universities and colleges; and non-profit community- and faith-based organizations. The agreement includes related funding in the Department of Education. The Department of Education and SAMHSA should coordinate extensively in the administration of these resources.

Childhood Trauma.—The agreement appreciates SAMHSA's ongoing support of the National Child Traumatic Stress Network. A recent report, Childhood Adversity Narratives, makes clear that childhood trauma is an all-encompassing and costly national public health problem contributing directly to serious mental and medical conditions. The agreement encourages SAMHSA to more broadly disseminate information regarding evidence-based interventions for the prevention and treatment of childhood trauma so more children can benefit from proven practices.

Assisted Outpatient Treatment.—The agreement includes $15,000,000 to implement section 224 of the Protecting Access to Medicare Act of 2014 (Public Law 113–93), the Assisted Outpatient Treatment Grant Program for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness (AOT). The agreement recognizes that nearly half of individuals with schizophrenia or bipolar disorder do not recognize they have a mental illness, making it exceedingly difficult for them to follow through on a treatment regimen. The AOT program will work with families and courts to allow these individuals to obtain treatment while continuing to live in their communities and homes. AOT has been proven to reduce the imprisonment, homelessness and emergency room visit rate among this population by 70 percent. The agreement requests a report in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the planned uses of this $15,000,000.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT

Within the total provided for Substance Abuse Treatment Programs of Regional and National Significance, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Capacity:	
Opioid Treatment Programs/Regulatory Activities	$8,724,000
Screening, Brief Intervention, Referral, and Treatment	44,889,000
PHS Evaluation Funds	*2,000,000*
Targeted Capacity Expansion—General	36,303,000
Pregnant and Postpartum Women	15,931,000
Recovery Community Services Program	2,434,000
Children and Families	29,605,000
Treatment Systems for Homeless	41,304,000
Minority AIDS	65,570,000
Criminal Justice Activities	78,000,000
Science and Service:	
Addiction Technology Transfer Centers	9,046,000
Minority Fellowship Program	3,539,000

Targeted Capacity Expansion.—The agreement provides $36,303,000 for Targeted Capacity Expansion activities. The agreement provides $25,000,000, an increase of $13,000,000, to expand services that address prescription drug abuse and heroin use in high-risk communities. The funding provided will increase the number of States that receive funding from 11 to 22, and SAMHSA should target States with the highest rates of admissions and that have demonstrated a dramatic increase in admissions for the treatment of opioid use disorders. The United States has seen a 500 percent increase in admissions for treatment for prescription drug abuse since 2000. Moreover, according to a recent study, 28 States saw an increase in admissions for treatment for heroin dependence during the past two years. The Center for Substance Abuse Treatment is directed to include as an allowable use medication-assisted treatment and other clinically appropriate services to achieve and maintain abstinence from all opioids and heroin and prioritize treatment regimens that are less susceptible to diversion for illicit purposes.

Since the passage of the Drug Addiction Treatment Act of 2000, SAMHSA has led the nation in educating physicians, patients and treatment systems on the use of medication-assisted treatment. To keep pace with advancements in science and research, the agreement directs SAMHSA to update all of its public-facing information and treatment locators such that all evidence-based innovations in counseling, recovery support, and abstinence-based relapse prevention medication-assisted treatments are fully incorporated.

Criminal Justice Activities.—The agreement provides $78,000,000 for Criminal Justice Activities and directs that no less than $60,000,000 will be used exclusively for Drug Court activities. SAMHSA is directed to ensure that all Drug Treatment Court funding is allocated to serve people diagnosed with a substance use disorder as their primary condition. SAMHSA is further directed to ensure that all drug treatment court grant recipients work directly with the corresponding State substance abuse agency in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the grant. SAMHSA is further directed to expand training and technical assistance to drug treatment court grant recipients to ensure evidence-based practices are fully implemented.

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION

Within the total provided for Substance Abuse Prevention Programs of Regional and National Significance, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Capacity:	
Strategic Prevention Framework/Partnerships for Success	$109,484,000
Strategic Prevention Framework Rx	10,000,000
Grants to Prevent Prescription Drug/Opioid Overdose	12,000,000
Mandatory Drug Testing	4,894,000
Minority AIDS	41,205,000
Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking (STOP Act)	7,000,000
National Adult-Oriented Media Public Service Campaign	*1,000,000*
Community-based Coalition Enhancement Grants	*5,000,000*
Intergovernmental Coordinating Committee on the Prevention of Underage Drinking	*1,000,000*

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Tribal Behavioral Health Grants	15,000,000
Science and Service:	
Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies	7,493,000
Science and Service Program Coordination	4,072,000
Minority Fellowship Program	71,000

The agreement directs that all of the funding appropriated explicitly for substance abuse prevention purposes both in the Center for Substance Abuse Prevention's PRNS lines as well as the funding from the 20 percent prevention set-aside in the SAPT Block Grant be used only for bona fide substance abuse prevention programs and not for any other purpose.

Combating Opioid Abuse.—The agreement provides $12,000,000 for discretionary grants to States to prevent opioid overdose-related deaths. This program will help States equip and train first responders with the use of devices that rapidly reverse the effects of opioids. SAMHSA is directed to ensure applicants outline how proposed activities in the grant would work with treatment and recovery communities in addition to first responders. Furthermore, the agreement provides $10,000,000 for the Strategic Prevention Framework Rx program to increase awareness of opioid abuse and misuse in communities. SAMHSA shall collaborate with CDC to implement the most effective outreach strategy and to reduce duplication of activities.

Overdose Fatality Prevention.—The agreement reflects strong concerns about the increasing number of unintentional overdose deaths attributable to prescription and nonprescription opioids. SAMHSA is urged to take steps to encourage and support the use of Substance Abuse and Prevention Block Grant funds for opioid safety education and training, including initiatives that improve access for licensed healthcare professionals, including paramedics, to emergency devices used to rapidly reverse the effects of opioid overdoses. Such initiatives should incorporate robust evidence-based intervention training, and facilitate linkage to treatment and recovery services.

HEALTH SURVEILLANCE AND PROGRAM SUPPORT

Within the total provided for health surveillance and program support, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Health Surveillance	$16,830,000
PHS Evaluation Fund	*30,428,000*
Program Management	79,559,000
Performance and Quality Info. Systems	12,918,000
Public Awareness and Support	15,571,000
Behavioral Health Workforce	50,000,000
Behavioral Health Workforce Data	0
PHS Evaluation Fund	*1,000,000*

Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training.—Eligible entities for this program shall include accredited programs that train Master's level social workers, psychologists, counselors, marriage and family therapists, psychology doctoral interns, as well as

behavioral health paraprofessionals. The agreement directs SAMHSA to share information concerning pending grant opportunity announcements with State licensing organizations and all the relevant professional associations. Furthermore, SAMHSA is directed to ensure that funding is distributed relatively equally among the participating health professions and to consider strategies such as issuing separate funding opportunity announcements for each participating health profession. In addition, the agreement directs SAMHSA to include doctoral psychology schools in the funding opportunities to support doctoral level students completing their practicums, which are necessary to move on to internships. Awards shall be given to meritorious applications for doctoral psychology interns first, before doctoral psychology schools applying to support practicums.

AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY

The agreement provides $334,000,000 for the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ). Within the total for Health Costs, Quality, and Outcomes, the agreement includes the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Patient-Centered Health Research	$0
Prevention/Care Management	11,649,000
Health Information Technology (IT)	21,500,000
Health IT to Improve Quality	*19,000,000*
Patient Safety Research	74,253,000
Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Prevention	*37,253,000*
Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria	*10,000,000*
Healthcare Delivery Systems	*10,000,000*
Crosscutting Activities Related to Quality, Effectiveness and Efficiency Research	89,398,000
Health Services Contract/IAA Research	*14,000,000*
Health Services Research Grants (Non Investigator-Initiated)	*6,000,000*
Investigator-Initiated Research Grants	*47,398,000*
Medical Expenditure Panel Survey	66,000,000
Program Management	71,200,000

The agreement expects AHRQ to focus its research on its traditional mission, such as improving patient safety and preventing healthcare associated infections.

Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria (CARB).—The agreement recognizes the importance of developing scientific based approaches related to CARB. The AHRQ is directed to work closely with BARDA, CDC, and NIAID and coordinate with other government-wide agencies like the Departments of Defense, Agriculture, and Veterans Affairs, to leverage resources toward this end. These activities should have coordinated goals and measurable objectives to best leverage the funds provided. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the planned activity.

Investigator-Initiated Research.—The agreement provides increased support for investigator-initiated research. Investigator-initiated research should not be targeted to any specific area of health services research so as to generate the best unsolicited ideas from the research community about a wide variety of topics.

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT).—The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on activity AHRQ supports related to MAT.

CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT

The agreement includes $3,669,744,000 for the Program Management account to support a broad range of activities including claims processing and program safeguard activities performed by Medicare contractors.

Critical Access Hospitals (CAH).—The agreement continues to note concerns about the proposal to eliminate CAH status from facilities located less than 10 miles from another hospital and reducing the reimbursement rate from 101 to 100 percent on the hospitals to properly provide care to local residents. The agreement directs the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) to engage with CAH facilities to assess the impact of the proposed reimbursement reduction and provide a report within 180 days of enactment of this Act to the appropriate Committees of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the impact of the proposed rate reduction from the perspective of the CAH ability to fully operate if the reduction is implemented.

Health Insurance Exchange Transparency.—The agreement continues to include bill language in section 223 that requires CMS to provide cost information for the following categories: Federal Payroll and Other Administrative Costs; Exchange-related Information Technology (IT); Non-IT Program Costs, including Health Plan Benefit and Rate Review, Exchange Oversight, Payment and Financial Management, Eligibility and Enrollment; Consumer Information and Outreach, including the Call Center, Navigator Grants and Consumer Education and Outreach; Exchange Quality Review; Small Business Health Options Program and Employer Activities; and Other Exchange Activities. Cost information should be provided for each fiscal year since the enactment of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Public Law 111–148). CMS is also required to include the estimated costs for fiscal year 2017.

Medicare Advantage in the Territories.—The agreement is concerned with the lack of availability of data to accurately calculate Medicare Advantage payments in the territories. The Secretary is directed to examine the unique costs associated with delivering care in the territories and submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 120 days on availability of data for determining Medicare Advantage payments in the territories.

Prescription Drug Report.—The agreement directs the Secretary of HHS in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to submit a report to the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, using data only available under current law that is not proprietary, not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act to which this explanatory statement pertains regarding the following topics, as described further below: price changes of prescription drugs (net of rebates) since 2003; access to prescription drugs by

patients in the four programs listed below; health outcomes and patient satisfaction with care in the four programs listed below; and an analysis of the current cost and length of time necessary to bring new drugs to market.

The report should include prescription drug prices (net of rebates) paid by Federal programs for the 10 most frequently prescribed drugs and the 10 highest-cost drugs under the following programs:

1. The Medicare program under part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act.
2. The Medicare prescription drug program under part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act.
3. The Medicaid program under title XIX of the Social Security Act.
4. The Department of Veterans Affairs.

In addition, the report should include total annual prescription drug costs (net of rebates) to the Medicare program under part B of title XVIII of the Social Security Act, the Medicare prescription drug program under part D of title XVIII of such Act, the Medicaid program under title XIX of such Act, and the Department of Veterans Affairs as a percentage of total health care program expenditures. The report shall make note that the total annual prescription drugs costs do not adjust for biomedical inflation. The Secretary of HHS shall review how the Federal Government has achieved cost reductions for drugs since 2001.

The report should also include an evaluation of access to prescription drugs by the four programs listed above, measured consistently across each program using one or more metrics that are generally accepted by healthcare professionals and health policy experts as reliable and appropriate measures of patient access to prescription drugs. The evaluation of patient access shall take into account the extent to which each program uses: formularies (including the breadth and adequacy of such formularies); utilization management techniques; and the average interval between the time a patient attempts to fill a prescription and receipt of the prescription drug, as applicable.

The report should also include an evaluation of patient satisfaction with care (based on a survey with statistically significant results) and of patient outcomes in the four programs listed above, measured consistently across these programs using one or more metrics that are generally accepted by healthcare professionals and health policy experts as reliable and appropriate measures of patient health outcomes and patient satisfaction with care, respectively.

Finally, the report should include an analysis of the current cost and length of time necessary to bring new drugs to market including the impact of biomedical inflation.

Recovery Audit Contractors (RACs).—The agreement reiterates the fiscal year 2015 explanatory statement language directing HHS to take steps to improve consistency, transparency, and processing of appeals. CMS is encouraged, within the existing authorities, to use offsetting collections it maintains from the RAC program to further educate health care providers on how to reduce errors and take other actions aimed at reducing the backlog of appeals at the

Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals. The agreement expects audits to be conducted in a manner that is valid and statistically sound and requests CMS to continue to monitor the return on investment for compensating auditors on a contingency fee basis, review contractor audit practices, and provide an update on actions related to these items in the fiscal year 2017 budget request. The agreement reiterates its request for CMS's actuarial data to be included in the annual budget request as noted in the fiscal year 2015 explanatory statement. Finally, CMS is expected to provide the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate a quarterly update from the inter-agency working group actions taken or planned to address the various issues related to the RAC process.

Risk Corridor Program.—The agreement continues bill language to prevent the CMS Program Management appropriation account from being used to support risk corridor payments. The agreement directs CMS to provide a report starting with plan year 2014 and continuing through the duration of the program to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate detailing the receipts and transfer of payments for the Risk Corridor Program.

State-Based Exchanges (SBEs).—CMS shall ensure that SBEs are not using section 1311 funds for operational expenses which is specifically prohibited by law. SBEs were expected to be self-sustaining by 2015 and were specifically prohibited from using these funds for operational costs after January 1, 2015. The agreement directs CMS to implement the recommendations put forth by the HHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) in their Early Alert Memorandum (A–01–14–02509) issued on April 27, 2015, and expects a detailed report providing an update on these efforts 120 days after enactment of this Act. CMS and the OIG shall immediately notify the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate of any unauthorized use of section 1311 funds along with a detailed report, which shall include how CMS plans to recoup those funds from the State.

Third Party Premium Assistance.—The agreement is concerned about the CMS Interim Final Rule: Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act; Third Party Payment of Qualified Health Plan Premiums, which allows marketplace insurance plans to prohibit the acceptance of health insurance premium assistance from non-profit organizations. CMS is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate within 90 days explaining the rationale for excluding non-profit organizations.

HEALTH CARE FRAUD AND ABUSE CONTROL ACCOUNT

The agreement includes $681,000,000, to be transferred from the Medicare trust funds, for Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control activities. This includes a base amount of $311,000,000 and an additional $370,000,000 through a budget cap adjustment authorized by section 251(b) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

Senior Medicare Patrol Program.—The bill includes language to fully fund the Senior Medicare Patrol Program administered

through the Administration for Community Living from the level provided in this account.

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

REFUGEE AND ENTRANT ASSISTANCE

Victims of Trafficking.—The agreement includes $13,000,000 for services for foreign national victims, and $5,755,000 to improve services available for U.S. citizens and legal permanent residents. Within the total for Victims of Trafficking, the Department is directed to increase funding for the national human trafficking hotline to help respond to increased call volume and overall need for services.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SERVICES PROGRAMS

Head Start.—The agreement includes an increase of $294,000,000 in quality improvement funds to support grantees in expanding to full-school-day and full-school-year services. While early childhood research shows that expanded services are associated with better cognitive outcomes, the agreement notes that communities will face logistical and financial challenges moving toward this model. Since the recommendation is less than the amount requested to move all programs to full day/full year services, the Department is expected to prioritize grantees that volunteer for this expansion and can do so in a way that limits disruption to existing programs and services. The Department is directed to provide technical assistance to grantees and carefully monitor issues that arise as grantees implement the expanded service model.

Early Head Start Expansion/Child Care Partnerships.—The agreement includes a $135,000,000 increase for expanding Early Head Start (EHS), including through EHS-Child Care Partnerships. The agreement reflects support for EHS-Child Care Partnerships, which is a promising model that significantly expands on what many high-quality providers were already doing in their communities. However, EHS-Child Care Partnerships will not be viable in every community. Prioritizing this one model will limit the pool of competitive applicants, particularly in rural communities, and discourage the expansion of Early Head Start programs designed to meet the needs of their local communities. This new fiscal year 2016 funding, whether for expansion, conversion, or partnerships, should give equal priority to each model and be awarded based on how effectively the model design fits the needs of the local community.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Program.—The agreement does not include funding for the "Prevalence, Needs and Characteristics of Homeless Youth" study.

Child Abuse and Neglect.—The agreement is aware of the recommendations contained within the Institute of Medicine's (IOM) New Directions in Child Abuse and Neglect Research report as well as other federally supported research. The agreement encourages the Administration for Children and Families (ACF), in conjunction with other relevant agencies in HHS, such as NIH or SAMHSA, to synthesize research done by IOM and other federal partners to

identify gaps in this area and to develop a peer reviewed approach to address research gaps related to child abuse and neglect.

Child Welfare Research, Training and Demonstration.—The agreement includes funding within this program to continue the National Survey of Child and Adolescent Well-Being.

Social Services and Income Maintenance Research.—The agreement includes $750,000 for the Secretary to enter into an agreement with the National Academy of Sciences to provide an evidence-based, non-partisan analysis of the macroeconomic, health, and crime/social costs of child poverty, to study current efforts aimed at reducing poverty, and to propose recommendations with the goal of reducing the number of children living in poverty in the United States by half in 10 years.

Native American Programs.—The agreement includes $3,000,000 for the Generation Indigenous initiative focused on improving Native American language instruction across the education continuum.

Domestic Violence Hotline.—The agreement includes an increase of $3,750,000 for the Hotline. These funds shall be used to develop a tribal hotline, provide additional phone advocates to ensure the Hotline can answer all contacts, and help make the Love Is Respect website a complete resource for teens and youth seeking to prevent and end abusive relationships.

Faith-Based Center.—The agreement transfers the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships to the General Departmental Management account under the Office of the Secretary.

ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING

AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES PROGRAMS

Aging Network Support Activities.—The agreement provides $9,961,000 for Aging Network Support Activities. The agreement includes $2,500,000 to help provide supportive services for aging Holocaust survivors living in the United States.

Senior Medicare Patrol Program.—The agreement includes bill language fully funding the Senior Medicare Patrol Program from the Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control Account in the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Elder Rights Support Activities.—The agreement includes $11,874,000 for Elder Rights Support Activities, of which $8,000,000 is included for the Elder Justice and Adult Protective Services program to provide competitive grants to States to test and evaluate innovative approaches to preventing and responding to elder abuse.

Traumatic Brain Injury.—The agreement includes bill language transferring the Traumatic Brain Injury program from HRSA to ACL.

Developmental Disabilities Projects of National Significance.—The agreement includes $643,000 for technical assistance and training for the State Councils on Developmental Disabilities and $1,000,000 to fund transportation assistance activities for older adults and persons with disabilities. The transportation activities should focus on the most cost-effective and sustainable strategies that can be replicated to other communities.

University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities.—Within the amount appropriated for the University Centers for Excellence in Developmental Disabilities (UCEDD), the agreement provides no less than the fiscal year 2015 level for technical assistance for the UCEDD network.

Medicaid-Licensed Intermediate Care Facilities.—There is a nationwide trend towards deinstitutionalization of patients with intellectual or developmental disabilities in favor of community-based settings. The Department is strongly urged to continue to factor the needs and desire of patients, their families, caregivers, and other stakeholders, as well as the need to provide proper settings for care, into its enforcement of the Developmental Disabilities Act. The agreement includes bill language requiring notification of affected individuals of their legal rights in this regard.

Independent Living.—The agreement provides $101,183,000 for the Independent Living program, of which $22,878,000 is for the Independent Living State Grants program and $78,305,000 is for the Centers for Independent Living program.

Assistive Technology.—The agreement includes $2,000,000 for competitive grants as specified in House Report 114–195 to accompany H.R. 3020.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

GENERAL DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Breast Cancer Patient Education Campaign.—The agreement directs the Secretary to plan and implement the breast cancer patient education campaign and the annual update in the congressional justification as described in the Senate fiscal year 2016 report (114–74) accompanying S. 1695.

Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships.—To complete the realignment of the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships from ACF to the Secretary's Office of Intergovernmental and External Affairs, the agreement transfers the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships' budget of $1,299,000 from ACF to the General Departmental Management account as requested in the Administration's budget.

Healthcare and Education Costs of Illegal Immigration.—The agreement directs the Department of Health and Human Services to provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on available information regarding the costs borne by State and local governments for providing services to individuals without legal immigration status, including the federal resources from the Department of Health and Human Services that are being used to assist States in fiscal year 2016 to cover these expenses.

Seafood Sustainability.—The agreement prohibits the Department from using or recommending third party, nongovernmental certification for seafood sustainability.

Severe Wounds.—The agreement directs the Secretary to conduct the study on the treatment needs of individuals requiring specialized wound care as described in the Senate fiscal year 2016 report (114–74) accompanying S. 1695.

Lupus Initiative.—The agreement continues to provide $2,000,000 for Lupus activities at the Office of Minority Health (OMH). Within this funding, the agreement includes $1,000,000 to complete the implementation of the health education program in fiscal year 2016 to transition to another priority in the Lupus community. Clinical trial education and successful recruitment of minorities into trials is a significant challenge in the drug development for Lupus. Therefore, OMH shall initiate a program to develop a clinical trial education action plan for Lupus and begin preliminary steps towards implementation of the action plan. OMH shall work with the relevant Lupus stakeholders in this effort. The agreement includes the remaining $1,000,000 for this new initiative, and it should focus on developing public-private and community partnerships, evaluate current minority clinical trial education and participation programs, and development of a research plan for creating new clinical trial education models in lupus. OMH shall provide an update to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the progress of this new initiative 120 days after enactment of this Act.

Office of Women's Health.—The agreement includes $3,100,000 to continue the State partnership initiative to reduce violence against women, which provides funding to State-level public and private health programs to improve healthcare providers' ability to help victims of violence and improve prevention programs.

Idea lab and Digital Services.—The agreement does not include funding for either the proposed "Idea lab" or the Digital Services team.

Overhead costs.—The agreement continues to direct the Department to include the amount and percentage of administrative and overhead costs spent by the Department for every program, project and activity in the fiscal year 2017 justification and each year thereafter.

Health Reform Oversight.—The agreement directs GAO to conduct a comprehensive review of the process and coordination between HHS and the Department of the Treasury functions with respect to health care subsidies and to make recommendations to prevent improper payments, as outlined in House Report 114–195 to accompany H.R. 3020.

Quick Health Data.—The agreement directs the Secretary to continue the operation of the Quick Health Data Online system. The Secretary is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on the feasibility of moving the online system to another HHS agency.

Children with Disabilities.—The agreement recognizes the importance of accurate, complete, confidential, and transportable health records, especially for those children most in need of care, such as children with disabilities. The agreement urges the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health to support a demonstration project to test new and improved methods of providing a patient-centered electronic medical record that is complete and interoperable, secure, and cost effective for children with disabilities.

OFFICE OF MEDICARE HEARINGS AND APPEALS

Appeals Backlog.—The substantial backlog in the number of cases pending before the administrative law judges at the Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals (OMHA) is a serious concern. Specifically, the number of appeals related to RACs has risen dramatically in the past years. The agreement directs OMHA to use the additional funds provided to address the current backlog and requests a spend plan within 45 days after enactment of this Act. OMHA should focus on reducing the backlog of appeals without undermining the accuracy and quality of their decisions. Furthermore, in collaboration with the intra-agency working group focusing on RACs, OMHA shall provide semi-annual updates to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate reflecting the total number of appeals filed, appeals pending, and appeals disposed of for all four levels of the appeal process.

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COORDINATOR FOR HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Precision Medicine.—The agreement encourages the coordination and development of data standards necessary to advance the Precision Medicine Initiative.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The agreement includes $75,000,000 for the HHS Office of Inspector General (OIG) account. The agreement expects the OIG to continue to improve its annual budget request with more details and performance measures related to discretionary oversight.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES EMERGENCY FUND

The agreement provides $1,532,958,000 for the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund to support a comprehensive program to prepare for and respond to the health and medical consequences of all public health emergencies, including bioterrorism, and support the cybersecurity efforts of HHS.

Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA).—The agreement increases funding for BARDA to support its work on combatting antibiotic resistance (CARB) and other priorities that address chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear threats. BARDA is directed to work closely with CDC, AHRQ, and NIAID on CARB and coordinate with other government agencies such as the Departments of Defense, Agriculture, and Veterans Affairs, to leverage resources to develop therapeutics. The agreement provides increased support to NIAID and CDC and directs these organizations to jointly work with BARDA on coordinated goals, measurable objectives, and funding plans that will spur research and development on CARB and build laboratory capacity in States. The agreement requests an update in the fiscal year 2017 budget request on the joint BARDA, NIAID, and CDC goals and measurable objectives to ensure the best leveraging of the funds provided.

Centers for Innovation in Advanced Development and Manufacturing (ADM).—The agreement notes BARDA has partnered with

private sector entities in recent years to develop centers to improve access to ADM capabilities. To further enhance the Nation's preparedness and response capabilities, BARDA is encouraged to review the ADM network's current access to advanced technological platforms. The review should determine if the existing network includes the necessary mix of technological capabilities to address potential gaps in the medical countermeasure enterprise and to ensure rapid deployment of medical countermeasures.

Drug Delivery Devices.—The agreement commends the Department's efforts to develop and procure additional medical countermeasures (MCM) on top of the twelve MCMs procured since 2004. However, these MCM's require readily available drug delivery devices. The Department is urged, as practicable, to secure enough injection devices necessary to ensure that these MCMs that require such devices can be delivered to patients in real time.

Pandemic Influenza Response Activities.—The agreement directs the Department to use available no-year carry over funding along with the resources provided to support the fiscal year 2016 budget request level of requirements to support pandemic influenza activity.

Treatment Capacity.—There is concern about the sustainability of the highly-pathogenic infectious disease treatment capacity supported by the FY 2015 Ebola emergency appropriations. Without affecting funding set aside for Project BioShield, the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response should allocate a portion of the unobligated emergency funds to partially reimburse facilities for renovation and alteration undertaken in preparation for, or in response to, the need to improve preparedness and response capability at the State and local level—as authorized by the FY 2015 Ebola emergency appropriations—to help ensure that such treatment capacity is maintained.

General Provisions

PREVENTION AND PUBLIC HEALTH TRANSFER TABLE

The agreement includes a provision that directs the transfer of the Prevention and Public Health (PPH) Fund. In fiscal year 2016, the level appropriated for the fund is $932,000,000 after accounting for sequestration. The agreement includes bill language in section 221 of this Act that requires that funds be transferred within 45 days of enactment of this Act to the following accounts, for the following activities, and in the following amounts:

Agency	Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
ACL	Alzheimer's Disease Prevention Education and Outreach	$14,700,000
ACL	Chronic Disease Self-Management	8,000,000
ACL	Falls Prevention	5,000,000
CDC	Breast Feeding Grants (Hospitals Promoting Breastfeeding)	8,000,000
CDC	Diabetes	73,000,000
CDC	Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Grants	40,000,000
CDC	Healthcare Associated Infections	12,000,000
CDC	Heart Disease & Stroke Prevention Program	73,000,000
CDC	Million Hearts Program	4,000,000
CDC	Office of Smoking and Health	126,000,000
CDC	Preventative Health and Health Services Block Grants	160,000,000
CDC	REACH	50,950,000

Agency	Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
CDC	Section 317 Immunization Grants	324,350,000
CDC	Lead Poisoning Prevention	17,000,000
CDC	Early Care Collaboratives	4,000,000
SAMHSA	Suicide Prevention (Garrett Lee Smith)	12,000,000

The agreement modifies a provision requiring advanced Congressional notification of certain public reports.

The agreement includes a new provision related to expiring HRSA balances.

The agreement restates a requirement for HHS to conduct an analysis of the ACA's impact on eligibility for certain discretionary programs.

The agreement includes a new provision related to breast cancer screening recommendations.

The agreement modifies a provision extending the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program.

The agreement includes a new provision related to rural long-term care hospitals.

TITLE III—DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED

Striving Readers.—Not later than 30 days prior to the announcement or publication of any notice of proposed priorities or inviting applications for the Comprehensive Striving Readers Literacy program, the Department shall brief the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, Committee on Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, and Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions of the Senate on its plans for this grant competition and related evaluation and technical assistance.

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS

Supporting Effective Educator Development (SEED) Grants.—The agreement includes funding within the SEED set-aside for competitive grants to non-profit organizations with demonstrated effectiveness in the development and implementation of civic learning programs. Priority should be given to applicants that demonstrate innovation, scalability, and a focus on underserved populations, including rural schools and students. The agreement also includes funding within the SEED set-aside for non-profit organizations with effective programs to enhance primary source utilization in the classroom.

Expanded Learning Time.—The agreement prohibits funds made available for 21st Century Community Learning Centers from being used to support expanded learning time unless those activities are consistent with the requirements in section 4204(a)(2) of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA).

Alaska Native Educational Equity.—In awarding funds under the Alaska Native Educational Equity program, the Department shall: ensure the maximum participation of Alaska Native organizations

and other required Alaska Native partners, guarantee that all grantees have meaningful plans for consultation with Alaska Native leaders, and make every effort to ensure that Alaska Natives and Alaskans represent a significant proportion of peer reviewers for grant applications.

Comprehensive Centers.—The agreement includes $1,500,000 to establish a new comprehensive center on students at risk of not attaining full literacy skills due to a disability, in accordance with section 2244 of the ESEA, as reauthorized by the ESSA.

INDIAN EDUCATION

Native Youth Community Projects.—Within the total for Special Programs for Indian Children, the agreement includes $22,890,000 for Native Youth Community Projects. This program makes competitive awards to support culturally-relevant coordinated strategies to improve the college- and career-readiness of Native American youth.

INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT

Javits Gifted and Talented.—Within the funds provided for the Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education program, the Department is directed to continue supporting a National Research Center on the Gifted and Talented.

Arts in Education.—The agreement includes an increase in the Arts in Education program to support new competitive awards to national non-profit organizations engaged in arts education, professional development activities and model arts education programs that address the arts access gap.

Innovative Approaches to Literacy.—The agreement includes $27,000,000 for Innovative Approaches to Literacy competitive awards to national non-profit organizations or school libraries for providing books and childhood literacy activities to children and families living in high-need communities.

Fund for the Improvement of Education (FIE).—Within FIE, the agreement includes funding for the following activities in the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Arts in Education	$27,000,000
Non-Cognitive Skills Initiative	3,000,000
Full Service Community Schools	10,000,000
Preschool Development Grants	250,000,000
Innovative Approaches to Literacy	27,000,000
Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program	12,000,000
Presidential and Congressional History Teaching Academies	1,815,000
Total	330,815,000

SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities National Activities.—The agreement includes $5,000,000 for competitive grants to eligible entities, including community-based organizations, Local Educational Agencies, and partnerships thereof, in communities

that have experienced significant episodes of civil unrest. This funding is to support establishing school-based programs in such communities to address, including through counseling services, the comprehensive educational, behavioral, and mental health needs of youth who have experienced significant trauma related to recent events in their communities. The agreement includes related funding in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The Department of Education and SAMHSA should coordinate extensively in the administration of these resources.

Elementary and Secondary School Counseling Program.—The agreement includes $49,561,000 for the Elementary and Secondary School Counseling program. School counselors help to create a safe school environment. However, too few students have access to these benefits. This program recognizes the importance of addressing student mental health issues and the critical role that school counselors play in this area.

Carol M. White Physical Education Program.—The agreement includes $47,000,000 for the Carol M. White Physical Education program to pay the Federal share of the costs of initiating, expanding and improving school-based physical education programs. According to the CDC, the prevalence of unhealthy body weights among children has more than doubled over the past 30 years. This program underscores the importance of supporting students' access to physical education.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department should consider ways to support paperwork reduction and administrative streamlining under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

Within Technical Assistance and Dissemination, the agreement includes $10,083,000 for education activities authorized under Public Law 108–406.

Education Technology, Media, and Materials Program.—Progress has been made with tools and services provided under the Education Technology, Media and Materials program that have allowed more than 320,000 students free access to more than 280,000 books in multiple digitally accessible formats. Understanding the obligation to serve all K–12 students, the agreement includes an additional $2,000,000 for the purpose of expanding the program's reach to 120,000 K–12 students with a focus in underserved areas.

SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

American Printing House for the Blind (APH).—The agreement continues to recognize that students who are blind or have a vision loss must have equal access to the same education content and should receive that information at the same time as their sighted peers if they are to achieve academically. Accordingly, the agreement continues to support implementation of APH's Resources with Enhanced Accessibility for Learning (REAL) plan, and includes no less than $475,000 for such activities. The REAL plan supports new advances in software and hardware technology to ensure that students with vision loss receive high-quality educational material

in a timely manner and in the appropriate formats required to meet individual student learning needs.

National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID).—The agreement includes $2,000,000 to establish a formal regional partnership, via subcontract, with at least one organization to expand the geographic reach of activities and services supported by NTID, consistent with its mission and strategic plan. The partnership activities should include a focus on promoting training and postsecondary participation in STEM fields; working with NTID faculty to develop postsecondary preparation for students; providing professional development for teachers and developing partnerships with business and industry to promote employment opportunities.

STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Work Colleges.—The agreement includes $8,390,000 for the Work Colleges program authorized under section 448 of the Higher Education Act from the Federal Work Study appropriation.

STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION

Federal Student Loan Servicing.—The first goal of the Federal student loan servicing process should be ensuring high-quality servicing to borrowers and safeguarding taxpayer dollars. The Department recently established a common set of performance metrics by which to measure all student loan servicers to ensure consistency and accountability toward that goal. However, in allocating new student loan volume, the Department does not apply these metrics among all servicers but only within defined subsets of servicers, contradicting the intention of common metrics. The agreement includes new bill language requiring the Department to allocate new student loan accounts based on performance compared against all servicers. The Department shall adjust allocations based on the capacity of servicers to handle all new and current volume, provided that information about servicer capacity is made publicly available. Further, in developing the framework for a new student loan servicing process, with contracts expected to be awarded in 2016, the Department should ensure the participation of a sufficient number of servicers, including in servicing consolidated student loans, to help promote high quality customer service for student loan borrowers. The agreement does not intend in any way to constrain the Department from pursuing efforts to improve the servicing process to best serve the interests of student loan borrowers and taxpayers.

The Department shall brief the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, Committee on Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, and Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions of the Senate within 30 days of enactment of this Act on how it plans to carry out these directives. Further, the Secretary shall, no later than March 1, 2016, publish a common policies and procedures manual for servicing that applies to all Direct Loan servicers.

HIGHER EDUCATION

TRIO.—The agreement provides funding for a new competition for the Talent Search and Educational Opportunity Centers programs as well as an increase in funding for existing grantees. The Department is strongly encouraged to publish the notice inviting applications as soon as possible and issue award notices for these programs no later than July 31, 2016. The agreement does not include funding requested in the budget for a new TRIO Demonstration Initiative.

There is concern that the draft competitive preference priorities proposed by the Department for the Talent Search competition could exclude proven successful grantees, particularly those at under-resourced institutions and small community agencies, by awarding additional points for certain activities with varying levels of methodological rigor.

The agreement strongly urges the Secretary to give fair consideration to prior experience when making awards under the Talent Search and Educational Opportunity Center competitions.

INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES

Teachers-in-Training.—The National Center for Education Statistics shall submit a report by December 31, 2016 to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, Committee on Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, and Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions of the Senate, using and reporting data from the most recent school year by State and each local educational agency, regarding the extent at the school-level to which students in the following categories are taught by teachers who have not yet obtained full State certification: students with disabilities, English Learners, students in rural areas, students from low-income families, and minority students. "Full State certification" means that a teacher has met all teacher preparation requirements applicable to their years of experience; that the teacher is not authorized to teach on an emergency, temporary, provisional or waiver basis; that certification may be obtained through traditional or alternative routes; and, except that when used with respect to any teacher teaching in a public charter school, the term means that the teacher meets the requirements set forth in the State's public charter school law.

Applied Research on Infant and Toddler Education.—The foundation for success begins early in a child's life. Research shows that the achievement gap begins to emerge among children as young as nine months of age. However, there are few funding sources available to support applied research related to infant and toddler care and education. Given the demand for high-quality and enriching infant and toddler care by families at all income levels, expanded research would help inform best practices and improve the quality of care and education for infants and toddlers. The Institute is encouraged to make grant funding available for research on typically-developing infants and toddlers, as well as infants and toddlers with special needs, to help fill the existing gaps in the literature and answer the questions posed by program developers and policy

makers. The Institute should collaborate with the Department of Health and Human Services in identifying research gaps and the needs of program developers and practitioners as it develops future funding opportunities in this area.

Geographic Disparities in Education Research.—The Department is encouraged to evaluate the geographic distribution of Institute of Education Sciences-funded research, and pursue efforts to expand, in particular, research on early learning programs and policies in rural and other parts of the country facing unique challenges where there is a shortage of current research.

DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

College Ratings System.—There is concern about the Department's proposal to develop a College Ratings System, as described in the framework published for public comment on December 19, 2014. The Department has since significantly changed its plan for a College Rating System and the agreement supports the Department moving away from its originally proposed plan.

Education Costs of Illegal Immigration.—The agreement directs the Department to provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate on available information regarding the costs borne by State and local governments for providing services to individuals without legal immigration status, including the Federal resources from the Department that are being used to assist States in fiscal year 2016 to cover these expenses.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes bill language extending authorization of the National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity through 2016.

The agreement includes a new general provision extending authority through 2016 to provide account maintenance fees to guaranty agencies for Federal student loans.

The agreement includes a new general provision requiring the Department to provide reinsurance at 100 percent of the defaulted loan claim amount for guaranty agencies.

The agreement directs the Department to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, Committee on Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, and Committee on Health, Education, Labor and Pensions of the Senate, within 180 days of enactment of this Act on a plan to assist guaranty agencies, lenders and borrowers in the wind down of the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) program as the outstanding loan portfolio continues to decline. That plan shall specifically address guaranty agencies and their subsidies, the current status of the wind down, the financial stability of guaranty agencies, and an assessment of any authority necessary for purposes of the wind down. The agreement also directs the Department to conduct outreach to current FFEL borrowers who may be eligible for income-driven repayment plans and other repayment options.

The agreement includes a general provision clarifying that funds provided in this Act for ESEA formula grant programs for academic year 2016–2017 are to be administered under the provisions of the ESEA in effect prior to the reauthorization of the ESEA by the ESSA. The transition provisions in ESSA generally call for implementation of the new law starting with the 2017—2018 school year. The general provision and the funding levels and directives included in this agreement are consistent with that intent.

The agreement includes a new general provision modifying the changes made in division G of Public Law 113–235 concerning career pathways programs.

TITLE IV—RELATED AGENCIES

COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled—Written Agreement Elements.—The agreement directs the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled ("the Commission," also known as the AbilityOne Commission) to enter into a written agreement with its central nonprofit agencies (CNA). The agreement shall establish key expectations for each CNA and mechanisms for the Commission to oversee their implementation. The agreement shall include the following:

1. Roles and responsibilities on the part of the Commission and the CNA in project assignment procedures, including decision-making processes,
2. Expenditures of funds, including policy governing reserve levels,
3. Performance goals and targets,
4. Governance standards and other internal controls to prevent fraud, waste, and abuse, including conflict of interest disclosures (such as the names of CNA board members who have an affiliation with nonprofits receiving contracts) and reports of alleged misconduct,
5. Access to data and records,
6. Consequences for not meeting expectations,
7. Periodic evaluations and audits on affiliates,
8. Periodic review and updates on pricing information, and
9. Provisions for updating the agreement.

Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled–Requested Reports.—The Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled shall submit in an electronic format quarterly reports, due at the end of each calendar month after the end of the fiscal year quarter, to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform and Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, Committees on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. The first report (Report 1) will include information on CNA Fees. The report shall include the following:

1. Each fee charged pursuant to section 51–3.5 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations
2. Each organization charged a fee pursuant to section 51–3.5 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations
3. For each fee charged, for each Government order, please include the following information:
a. name of the nonprofit agency,
b. description of product or service ordered,
c. ordering government agency,
d. order price (total), and
e. contract award ID associated with any order, where applicable.

The second report (Report 2) will include information on CNA Expenditures. Each CNA designated pursuant to section 8503(c) of title 41, United States Code shall submit, in an electronic format, a report on expenditures, due at the end of each calendar month after the end of the fiscal year quarter, to the Committees on Oversight and Government Reform and Education and the Workforce of the House of Representatives, Committees on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate, and Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate. The report shall include the total amount obligated by the CNA in the previous quarter for each of the following:
1. Employee salaries (total), including executive salaries,
2. Employee benefits, including executive benefits,
3. Executive salaries,
4. Executive benefits,
5. Total travel expenses,
6. Executive travel,
7. Lobbying,
8. Advertising and promotion,
9. CNA reserve level, and
10. Funds spent to support the efforts of the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, including a description of the activities, services, and products supplied to the Committee For Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

Office of Inspector General.—The agreement also establishes an Office of Inspector General to improve oversight and transparency in the program. The agreement includes no less than $750,000 for the establishment and associated administrative costs for the Office of Inspector General.

CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

AmeriCorps Grants.—The agreement includes an increase in funding for both AmeriCorps formula and competitive grant programs, to be allocated consistent with the National and Community Service Act of 1990, as amended.

Training and Technical Assistance.—The agreement modifies bill language to allow the Corporation for National and Community Service (Corporation) to use existing set-asides in statute to provide training and technical assistance to AmeriCorps and other national and community service programs. The Corporation is expected to use this authority to provide additional resources directly to State

Commissions to help build the capacity of State Commissions and local AmeriCorps programs in their States.

Communities Experiencing Civil Unrest.—AmeriCorps programs are uniquely situated to respond to sudden crises and episodes of civil unrest in communities, and address the longer-term challenges underlying them. The Corporation is expected to continue to support AmeriCorps program in such communities.

Professional Corps Operating Expenses.—The Corporation is directed to provide guidance on what specifically Professional Corps programs must demonstrate to receive operating funds as part of their AmeriCorps grant. The Corporation should provide programs flexibility in demonstrating this need to ensure the viability of such programs in all communities.

CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING

The agreement includes an additional $40,000,000 in fiscal year 2016 funds for the replacement of the public broadcasting interconnection system. The satellite leases for the current public television interconnection system expire in 2016, and the public radio interconnection satellite leases expire in 2018. Improved technology may enable the public television and radio stations to share certain elements of the planned interconnection system, leading to greater efficiencies.

FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE

The agreement provides $48,748,000 for the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. The increase of $3,082,000 is intended to be a one-time provision for necessary relocation costs to be incurred in fiscal year 2016.

INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES

Within the total for IMLS, the bill includes funds for the following activities in the following amounts:

Budget Activity	FY 2016 Agreement
Library Services Technology Act:	
Grants to States	$155,789,000
Native American Library Services	4,063,000
National Leadership: Libraries	13,092,000
Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian	10,000,000
Museum Services Act:	
Museums for America	21,149,000
Native American/Hawaiian Museum Services	972,000
National Leadership: Museums	7,741,000
African American History and Culture Act:	
Museum Grants for African American History & Culture	1,481,000
Program Administration	15,713,000
Total	230,000,000

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

SUPPLEMENTAL SECURITY INCOME

Functional Assessment Battery.—The agreement directs the Social Security Administration (SSA) to provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, Committee on Finance of the Senate, and Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Representatives on how the SSA might use the National Institutes of Health's Functional Assessment Battery (FAB) as part of the disability determination process; how it would ensure the validity and accuracy of the FAB before using it for this purpose; and how it would obtain public comment and ensure transparency if the FAB is incorporated into the determination process.

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Continuing Disability Reviews and Supplemental Security Income Redeterminations of Eligibility.—The agreement includes a total of $1,542,000,000 for SSA to conduct Continuing Disability Reviews (CDRs) under the Disability Insurance and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) programs, and redeterminations of eligibility under the SSI program. This includes $1,426,000,000 specified for the base and cap adjustment amounts included in the Budget Control Act of 2011, and $116,000,000 in additional funding provided under SSA's Limitation on Administrative Expenses (LAE) account. The Commissioner may allocate more or less than $116,000,000 from SSA's regular LAE account for CDRs and redeterminations but only for reconciling estimated and actual unit costs for conducting such activities, and after notifying the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate at least 15 days prior to any such reallocation. If less funding is allocated for such activities, the funding will be available for regular activities within the LAE account.

Representative Payee Reviews.—The agreement includes funding for SSA to continue efforts to improve oversight of the representative payee process. In the acquisition of services to conduct and manage representative payee reviews, an eligible entity shall include, but not be limited to, any national organization with significant and demonstrable experience monitoring representative payees, identifying and preventing fraud and abuse, and addressing problems found among individuals with different types of disabilities and among different types of service providers.

TITLE V—GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes a provision requiring agencies to disclose on advertising materials that such communication is produced at U.S. taxpayer expense.

The agreement includes a provision relating to computation of pay for certain employees activated by HHS for an emergency.

The agreement modifies a provision relating to needle exchange programs.

The agreement modifies a provision relating to performance partnerships.

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request	
TITLE I--DEPARTMENT OF LABOR							
EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ADMINISTRATION							
Training and Employment Services							
Grants to States:							
Adult Training, current year	D	64,736	103,556	103,556	+38,820	---	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(712,000)	(712,000)	(712,000)	---	---	
FY 2017	D	712,000	712,000	712,000	---	---	
Subtotal		776,736	815,556	815,556	+38,820	---	
Youth Training	D	831,842	873,416	873,416	+41,574	---	FF
Dislocated Worker Assistance, current year	D	155,530	160,860	160,860	+5,330	---	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(860,000)	(860,000)	(860,000)	---	---	
FY 2017	D	860,000	860,000	860,000	---	---	
Subtotal		1,015,530	1,020,860	1,020,860	+5,330	---	
Subtotal, Grants to States		2,624,108	2,709,832	2,709,832	+85,724	---	UA
Current Year		(1,052,108)	(1,137,832)	(1,137,832)	(+85,724)	---	
FY 2017		(1,572,000)	(1,572,000)	(1,572,000)	---	---	

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request		
National Programs:								
Dislocated Worker Assistance National Reserve:								
Current year	D	20,859	40,859	20,859	---	-20,000	FF	
Advance from prior year	NA	(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	---	---		
FY 2017	D	200,000	200,000	200,000	---	---		
Subtotal		220,859	240,859	220,859	---	-20,000		
Subtotal, Dislocated Worker Assistance		1,236,389	1,261,719	1,241,719	+5,330	-20,000		
Native American Programs	D	46,082	50,000	50,000	+3,918	---	FF	UA
Migrant and Seasonal Farmworker programs	D	81,896	81,896	81,896	---	---	FF	UA
Women in Apprenticeship	D	994	---	994	---	+994	FF	
YouthBuild activities	D	79,689	84,534	84,534	+4,845	---	FF	
Technical assistance	D	---	3,232	3,232	+3,232	---		
Reintegration of Ex-Offenders	D	82,078	95,078	88,078	+6,000	-7,000		UA
Workforce Data Quality Initiative	D	4,000	37,000	6,000	+2,000	-31,000		
Apprenticeship programs	D	---	100,000	90,000	+90,000	-10,000		
Total, National Programs		515,598	692,599	625,593	+109,995	-67,006	FF	UA
Current Year		(315,598)	(492,599)	(425,593)	(+109,995)	(-67,006)		
FY 2017		(200,000)	(200,000)	(200,000)	---	---		
Total, Training and Employment Services (TES)		3,139,706	3,402,431	3,335,425	+195,719	-67,006		
Current Year		(1,367,706)	(1,630,431)	(1,563,425)	(+195,719)	(-67,006)		
FY 2017		(1,772,000)	(1,772,000)	(1,772,000)	---	---		

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request		
Job Corps								
Operations	D	1,580,825	1,597,825	1,581,825	+1,000	-16,000	FF	
Construction, Rehabilitation and Acquisition	D	75,000	75,000	75,000	---	---	FF	
Administration	D	32,330	43,119	32,330	---	-10,789		
Total, Job Corps		1,688,155	1,715,944	1,689,155	+1,000	-26,789		UA
Current Year		(1,688,155)	(1,715,944)	(1,689,155)	(+1,000)	(-26,789)		UA
Community Service Employment For Older Americans	D	434,371	434,371	434,371	---	---	FF	UA
Federal Unemployment Benefits and Allowances (indefinite)	M	710,600	664,200	861,000	+150,400	+196,800		
State Unemployment Insurance and Employment Service Operations								
Unemployment Compensation (UI):								
State Operations	TF	2,777,793	2,883,450	2,745,550	-32,243	-137,900		
National Activities	TF	12,892	14,547	14,547	+1,655	---		
Subtotal, Unemployment Compensation		2,790,685	2,897,997	2,760,097	-30,588	-137,900		

DIVISION H: DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016
(Amounts in Thousands)

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request	
Employment Service (ES):							
Allotments to States:							
Federal Funds	D	21,413	21,413	21,413	---	---	
Trust Funds	TF	642,771	642,771	658,587	+15,816	+15,816	
Supplemental grants	TF	---	400,000	---	---	-400,000	
Subtotal, Trust Funds		642,771	1,042,771	658,587	+15,816	-384,184	FF
Subtotal, Allotments to States		664,184	1,064,184	680,000	+15,816	-384,184	FF
ES National Activities	TF	19,818	19,818	19,818	---	---	
Subtotal, Employment Service		684,002	1,084,002	699,818	+15,816	-384,184	
Federal Funds		(21,413)	(21,413)	(21,413)	---	---	
Trust Funds		(662,589)	(1,062,589)	(678,405)	(+15,816)	(-384,184)	
Foreign Labor Certification:							
Federal Administration	TF	48,028	61,589	48,028	---	-13,561	
Grants to States	TF	14,282	14,282	14,282	---	---	
Subtotal, Foreign Labor Certification		62,310	75,871	62,310	---	-13,561	
One-Stop Career Centers/Labor Market Information	D	80,153	80,153	67,653	+7,500	-12,500	FF
Total, State UI and ES		3,597,150	4,138,023	3,589,878	-7,272	-548,145	
Federal Funds		(81,566)	(101,566)	(89,066)	(+7,500)	(-12,500)	
Trust Funds		(3,515,584)	(4,036,457)	(3,500,812)	(-14,772)	(-535,645)	

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State Paid Leave Fund	D	---	35,000	---	---	-35,000	UA
Program Administration							
Training and Employment	D	60,074	73,158	60,074	---	-13,084	
Trust Funds	TF	8,639	10,846	8,639	---	-2,207	
Employment Security	D	3,469	3,664	3,469	---	-195	
Trust Funds	TF	39,264	40,828	39,264	---	-1,564	
Apprenticeship Services	D	34,000	36,734	34,000	---	-2,734	
Executive Direction	D	7,034	9,204	7,034	---	-2,170	
Trust Funds	TF	2,079	2,130	2,079	---	-51	
Total, Program Administration		154,559	176,564	154,559	---	-22,005	
Federal Funds		(104,577)	(122,760)	(104,577)	---	(-18,183)	
Trust Funds		(49,982)	(53,804)	(49,982)	---	(-3,822)	
Total, Employment and Training Administration		9,724,541	10,566,533	10,064,388	+339,847	-502,145	
Federal Funds		6,158,975	6,476,272	6,513,594	+354,619	+37,322	
Current Year		(4,386,975)	(4,704,272)	(4,741,594)	(+354,619)	(+37,322)	
FY 2017		(1,772,000)	(1,772,000)	(1,772,000)	---	---	
Trust Funds		3,565,566	4,090,261	3,550,794	-14,772	-539,467	

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EMPLOYEE BENEFITS SECURITY ADMINISTRATION (EBSA)						
Salaries and Expenses						
Enforcement and Participant Assistance	D	147,400	166,362	147,400	---	-18,962
Policy and Compliance Assistance	D	26,901	34,258	26,901	---	-7,357
Executive Leadership, Program Oversight and Administration	D	6,699	6,835	6,699	---	-136
Total, EBSA		181,000	207,455	181,000	---	-26,455
PENSION BENEFIT GUARANTY CORPORATION (PBGC)						
Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Fund						
Consolidated Administrative budget	NA	---	(431,799)	(431,799)	(+431,799)	---
Pension Insurance Activities	NA	(79,526)	---	---	(-79,526)	---
Pension Plan Termination	NA	(179,230)	---	---	(-179,230)	---
Operational Support	NA	(156,638)	---	---	(-156,638)	---
Total, PBGC (program level)		(415,394)	(431,799)	(431,799)	(+16,405)	---
WAGE AND HOUR DIVISION, Salaries and Expenses	D	227,500	277,100	227,500	---	-49,600
OFFICE OF LABOR-MANAGEMENT STANDARDS, Salaries and Expenses	D	39,129	46,981	40,593	+1,464	-6,388

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OFFICE OF FEDERAL CONTRACT COMPLIANCE PROGRAMS,						
Salaries and Expenses	D	106,476	113,687	105,476	-1,000	-8,211
OFFICE OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAMS	D					
Salaries and Expenses	D	110,823	117,397	113,324	+2,501	-4,073
Trust Funds	TF	2,177	2,177	2,177	---	---
Total, Salaries and Expenses		113,000	119,574	115,501	+2,501	-4,073
Federal Funds		(110,823)	(117,397)	(113,324)	(+2,501)	(-4,073)
Trust Funds		(2,177)	(2,177)	(2,177)	---	---
Special Benefits						
Federal Employees' Compensation Benefits	M	207,000	207,000	207,000	---	---
Longshore and Harbor Workers' Benefits	M	3,000	3,000	3,000	---	---
Total, Special Benefits		210,000	210,000	210,000	---	---

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Special Benefits for Disabled Coal Miners						
Benefit Payments	M	96,000	85,040	85,000	-11,000	-40
Administration	M	5,262	5,262	5,302	+40	+40
Subtotal, FY 2016 program level		101,262	90,302	90,302	-10,960	---
Less funds advanced in prior year	M	-24,000	-21,000	-21,000	+3,000	---
Total, Current Year		77,262	69,302	69,302	-7,960	---
New advances, 1st quarter, FY 2017	M	21,000	19,000	19,000	-2,000	---
Total, Special Benefits for Disabled Coal Miners		98,262	88,302	88,302	-9,960	---
Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Fund						
Administrative Expenses	M	56,406	58,552	58,552	+2,146	---

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Black Lung Disability Trust Fund						
Benefit Payments and Interest on Advances	M	261,548	275,261	275,261	+13,713	---
Workers' Compensation Programs, Salaries and Expenses	M	33,321	35,244	35,244	+1,923	---
Departmental Management, Salaries and Expenses	M	30,403	30,279	30,279	-124	---
Departmental Management, Inspector General	M	327	327	327	---	---
Subtotal, Black Lung Disability		325,599	341,111	341,111	+15,512	---
Treasury Department Administrative Costs	M	356	356	356	---	---
Total, Black Lung Disability Trust Fund		325,955	341,467	341,467	+15,512	---
Total, Workers' Compensation Programs		803,623	817,895	813,822	+10,199	-4,073
Federal Funds		801,446	815,718	811,645	+10,199	-4,073
Current year		(780,446)	(796,718)	(792,645)	(+12,199)	(-4,073)
FY 2017		(21,000)	(19,000)	(19,000)	(-2,000)	---
Trust Funds		2,177	2,177	2,177	---	---

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OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA)						
Salaries and Expenses						
Safety and Health Standards	D	20,000	23,306	20,000	---	-3,306
Federal Enforcement	D	208,000	225,608	208,000	---	-17,608
Whistleblower enforcement	D	17,500	22,628	17,500	---	-5,128
State Programs	D	100,850	104,337	100,850	---	-3,487
Technical Support	D	24,469	24,614	24,469	---	-145
Compliance Assistance:						
Federal Assistance	D	68,433	73,044	68,433	---	-4,611
State Consultation Grants	D	57,775	57,775	57,775	---	---
Training Grants	D	10,537	10,687	10,537	---	-150
Subtotal, Compliance Assistance	D	136,745	141,506	136,745	---	-4,761
Safety and Health Statistics	D	34,250	38,763	34,250	---	-4,513
Executive Direction and Administration	D	10,973	11,309	10,973	---	-336
Total, OSHA		552,787	592,071	552,787	---	-39,284

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MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION						
Salaries and Expenses						
Coal Enforcement	D	167,859	175,769	167,859	---	-7,910
Metal/Non-Metal Enforcement	D	91,697	93,841	91,697	---	-2,144
Standards Development	D	5,416	6,070	5,416	---	-654
Assessments	D	6,976	8,122	6,976	---	-1,146
Educational Policy and Development	D	36,320	40,448	36,320	---	-4,128
Technical Support	D	33,791	34,583	33,791	---	-792
Program Evaluation and Information Resources (PEIR)	D	17,990	19,783	17,990	---	-1,793
Program Administration	D	15,838	16,316	15,838	---	-478
Total, Mine Safety and Health Administration		375,887	394,932	375,887	---	-19,045
Total, Worker Protection Agencies		1,595,779	1,751,800	1,598,744	+2,965	-153,056
Federal Funds		(1,593,602)	(1,749,623)	(1,596,567)	(+2,965)	(-153,056)
Trust Funds		(2,177)	(2,177)	(2,177)	---	---

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BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS						
Salaries and Expenses						
Employment and Unemployment Statistics	D	204,788	219,129	208,000	+3,212	-11,129
Labor Market Information	TF	65,000	65,000	65,000	---	---
Prices and Cost of Living	D	200,000	216,048	207,000	+7,000	-9,048
Compensation and Working Conditions	D	78,000	85,793	83,500	+5,500	-2,293
Productivity and Technology	D	11,424	10,795	10,500	-924	-295
Executive Direction and Staff Services	D	33,000	35,972	35,000	+2,000	-972
Total, Bureau of Labor Statistics		592,212	632,737	609,000	+16,788	-23,737
Federal Funds		527,212	567,737	544,000	+16,788	-23,737
Trust Funds		65,000	65,000	65,000	---	---
OFFICE OF DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT POLICY	D					
Salaries and Expenses	D	38,500	38,203	38,203	-297	---

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DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT						
Salaries and Expenses						
Executive Direction	D	31,010	35,302	31,010	---	-4,292
Departmental Program Evaluation	D	8,040	9,500	8,040	---	-1,460
Legal Services	D	126,136	139,680	125,000	-1,136	-14,680
Trust Funds	TF	308	308	308	---	---
International Labor Affairs	D	91,125	94,517	86,125	-5,000	-8,392
Administration and Management	D	28,413	35,835	28,413	---	-7,422
Adjudication	D	29,420	35,854	32,000	+2,580	-3,854
Women's Bureau	D	11,536	11,788	11,536	---	-252
Civil Rights Activities	D	6,880	7,996	6,880	---	-1,116
Chief Financial Officer	D	5,061	5,205	5,061	---	-144
Total, Departmental Management		337,929	375,985	334,373	-3,556	-41,612
Federal Funds		(337,621)	(375,677)	(334,065)	(-3,556)	(-41,612)
Trust Funds		(308)	(308)	(308)	---	---

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Veterans Employment and Training						
State Administration, Grants	TF	175,000	175,000	175,000	---	---
Transition Assistance Program	TF	14,000	14,100	14,100	+100	---
Federal Administration	TF	39,458	40,487	40,487	+1,029	---
National Veterans' Employment and Training Services Institute	TF	3,414	3,414	3,414	---	---
Homeless Veterans Program	D	38,109	38,109	38,109	---	---
Total, Veterans Employment and Training		269,981	271,110	271,110	+1,129	---
Federal Funds		38,109	38,109	38,109	---	---
Trust Funds		231,872	233,001	233,001	+1,129	---
IT Modernization						
Departmental support systems	D	4,898	4,898	4,898	---	---
Infrastructure technology modernization	D	10,496	53,880	24,880	+14,384	-29,000
Digital Government Integrated Platform	D	---	60,824	---	---	-60,824
Total, IT Modernization		15,394	119,602	29,778	+14,384	-89,824

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Office of Inspector General						
Program Activities	D	76,000	82,325	80,640	+4,640	-1,685
Trust Funds	TF	5,590	5,660	5,660	+70	---
Total, Office of Inspector General		81,590	87,985	86,300	+4,710	-1,685
Total, Departmental Management		704,894	854,682	721,561	+16,667	-133,121
Federal Funds		467,124	615,713	482,592	+15,468	-133,121
Current Year		(467,124)	(615,713)	(482,592)	(+15,468)	(-133,121)
Trust Funds		237,770	238,969	238,969	+1,199	---
Total, Workforce Investment Act Programs		4,826,867	5,118,375	5,023,586	+196,719	-94,789
Current Year		(3,054,867)	(3,346,375)	(3,251,586)	(+196,719)	(-94,789)
FY 2017		(1,772,000)	(1,772,000)	(1,772,000)	---	---
Total, Title I, Department of Labor		13,346,549	14,542,276	13,730,217	+383,668	-812,059
Federal Funds		9,476,036	10,145,869	9,873,277	+397,241	-272,592
Current Year		(7,683,036)	(8,354,869)	(8,082,277)	(+399,241)	(-272,592)
FY 2017		(1,793,000)	(1,791,000)	(1,791,000)	(-2,000)	---
Trust Funds		3,870,513	4,396,407	3,856,940	-13,573	-539,467

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TITLE II --DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES						
HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA)						
Primary Health Care						
Community Health Centers	D	1,491,422	1,491,422	1,491,422	---	---
Free Clinics Medical Malpractice	D	100	100	100	---	---
Total, Primary Health Care		1,491,522	1,491,522	1,491,522	---	---
Health Workforce						
National Health Service Corps	D	---	287,370	---	---	-287,370
Training for Diversity:						
Centers of Excellence	D	21,711	25,000	21,711	---	-3,289
Health Careers Opportunity Program	D	14,189	---	14,189	---	+14,189
Faculty Loan Repayment	D	1,190	1,190	1,190	---	---
Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students	D	45,970	45,970	45,970	---	---
Health workforce diversity	D	---	14,000	---	---	-14,000
Total, Training for Diversity		83,060	86,160	83,060	---	-3,100
Training in Primary Care Medicine	D	38,924	38,924	38,924	---	---
Rural Physician Training Grants	D	---	4,000	---	---	-4,000
Oral Health Training	D	33,928	33,928	35,873	+1,945	+1,945

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Interdisciplinary Community-Based Linkages:						
Area Health Education Centers	D	30,250	---	30,250	---	+30,250
Geriatric Programs	D	34,237	34,237	38,737	+4,500	+4,500
Clinical Training in Interprofessional Practice	D	---	10,000	---	---	-10,000
Mental and Behavorial Health	D	8,916	8,916	9,916	+1,000	+1,000
Total, Interdisciplinary Community Linkages		73,403	53,153	78,903	+5,500	+25,750
Workforce Information and Analysis	D	4,663	4,663	4,663	---	---
Public Health and Preventive Medicine programs	D	21,000	17,000	21,000	---	+4,000
Nursing Programs:						
Advanced Education Nursing	D	63,581	63,581	64,581	+1,000	+1,000
Nurse Education, Practice, and Retention	D	39,913	39,913	39,913	---	---
Nursing Workforce Diversity	D	15,343	15,343	15,343	---	---
Loan Repayment and Scholarship Program	D	81,785	81,785	83,135	+1,350	+1,350
Comprehensive Geriatric Education	D	4,500	4,500	---	-4,500	-4,500
Nursing Faculty Loan Program	D	26,500	26,500	26,500	---	---
Total, Nursing programs		231,622	231,622	229,472	-2,150	-2,150
Children's Hospitals Graduate Medical Education	D	265,000	100,000	295,000	+30,000	+195,000
National Practitioner Data Bank	D	18,814	19,728	18,814	---	-914
User Fees	D	-18,814	-19,728	-18,814	---	+914
Total, Health Workforce		751,600	856,820	786,895	+35,295	-69,925

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Maternal and Child Health							
Maternal and Child Health Block Grant	D	637,000	637,000	638,200	+1,200	+1,200	
Sickle Cell Anemia Demonstration Program	D	4,455	4,455	4,455	---	---	UA
Traumatic Brain Injury	D	9,321	9,321	---	-9,321	-9,321	UA
Autism and Other Developmental Disorders	D	47,099	47,099	47,099	---	---	
Heritable Disorders	D	13,883	13,883	13,883	---	---	
Healthy Start	D	102,000	102,000	103,500	+1,500	+1,500	
Universal Newborn Hearing Screening	D	17,818	17,818	17,818	---	---	UA
Emergency Medical Services for Children	D	20,162	20,162	20,162	---	---	UA
Total, Maternal and Child Health		851,738	851,738	845,117	-6,621	-6,621	
Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program							
Emergency Assistance	D	655,876	655,876	655,876	---	---	
Comprehensive Care Programs	D	1,315,005	1,315,005	1,315,005	---	---	
AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) (NA)	NA	(900,313)	(900,313)	(900,313)	---	---	
Early Intervention Program	D	201,079	280,167	205,079	+4,000	-75,088	
Children, Youth, Women, and Families	D	75,088	---	75,088	---	+75,088	
AIDS Dental Services	D	13,122	13,122	13,122	---	---	
Education and Training Centers	D	33,611	33,611	33,611	---	---	
Special Projects of National Significance	D	25,000	25,000	25,000	---	---	
Total, Ryan White HIV/AIDS program		2,318,781	2,322,781	2,322,781	+4,000	---	UA

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Health Care Systems							
Organ Transplantation	D	23,549	23,549	23,549	---	---	UA
National Cord Blood Inventory	D	11,266	11,266	11,266	---	---	
Bone Marrow Program	D	22,109	22,109	22,109	---	---	
Office of Pharmacy Affairs	D	10,238	17,238	10,238	---	-7,000	
340B Drug Pricing User Fees	D	---	7,500	---	---	-7,500	
User Fees	D	---	-7,500	---	---	+7,500	
Poison Control	D	18,846	18,846	18,846	---	---	
National Hansen's Disease Program	D	15,206	15,206	15,206	---	---	
Hansen's Disease Program Buildings and Facilities	D	122	122	122	---	---	
Payment to Hawaii, Treatment of Hansen's	D	1,857	1,857	1,857	---	---	
Total, Health Care Systems		103,193	110,193	103,193	---	-7,000	

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Rural Health							
Rural Outreach Grants	D	59,000	59,000	63,500	+4,500	+4,500	UA
Rural Health Research/Policy Development	D	9,351	9,351	9,351	---	---	
Rural Hospital Flexibility Grants	D	41,609	26,200	41,609	---	+15,409	UA
Rural and Community Access to Emergency Devices	D	4,500	---	---	-4,500	---	UA
State Offices of Rural Health	D	9,511	9,511	9,511	---	---	UA
Black Lung Clinics	D	6,766	6,766	6,766	---	---	UA
Radiation Exposure Screening and Education Program	D	1,834	1,834	1,834	---	---	UA
Telehealth	D	14,900	14,900	17,000	+2,100	+2,100	UA
Total, Rural Health		147,471	127,562	149,571	+2,100	+22,009	
Family Planning	D	286,479	300,000	286,479	---	-13,521	UA
Program Management	D	154,000	157,061	154,000	---	-3,061	
Vaccine Injury Compensation Program Trust Fund							
Post-FY 1988 Claims	M	235,000	237,000	237,000	+2,000	---	
HRSA Administration	TF	7,500	7,500	7,500	---	---	
Total, Vaccine Injury Compensation Trust Fund		242,500	244,500	244,500	+2,000	---	
Total, Health Resources and Services Administration		6,347,284	6,462,177	6,384,058	+36,774	-78,119	

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CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION							
Immunization and Respiratory Diseases	D	573,105	537,766	459,055	-114,050	-78,711	UA
Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	NA	(15,000)	---	(15,000)	---	(+15,000)	
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(210,300)	(210,300)	(324,350)	(+114,050)	(+114,050)	
Subtotal		(798,405)	(748,066)	(798,405)	---	(+50,339)	
HIV/AIDS, Viral Hepatitis, Sexually Transmitted Diseases, and Tuberculosis Prevention	D	1,117,609	1,161,747	1,122,278	+4,669	-39,469	UA
Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases	D	352,990	644,687	527,885	+174,895	-116,802	
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(52,000)	(54,580)	(52,000)	---	(-2,580)	
Subtotal		404,990	699,267	579,885	+174,895	-119,382	
Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion	D	747,220	577,854	838,146	+90,926	+260,292	UA
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(452,000)	(480,204)	(338,950)	(-113,050)	(-141,254)	
Subtotal		1,199,220	1,058,058	1,177,096	-22,124	+119,038	
Birth Defects, Developmental Disabilities, Disabilities and Health	D	131,781	63,815	135,610	+3,829	+71,795	UA
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	---	(67,966)	---	---	(-67,966)	
Subtotal	NA	131,781	131,781	135,610	+3,829	+3,829	

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Public Health Scientific Services	D	481,061	474,559	491,597	+10,536	+17,038	
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	---	(64,250)	---	---	(-64,250)	
Subtotal		(481,061)	(538,809)	(491,597)	(+10,536)	(-47,212)	
Environmental Health	D	166,404	141,500	165,303	-1,101	+23,803	UA
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(13,000)	(37,000)	(17,000)	(+4,000)	(-20,000)	
Subtotal		179,404	178,500	182,303	+2,899	+3,803	
Injury Prevention and Control	D	170,447	256,977	236,059	+65,612	-20,918	UA
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health	D	334,863	283,418	339,121	+4,258	+55,703	
Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program	M	55,358	55,358	55,358	---	---	
Global Health	D	416,517	448,092	427,121	+10,604	-20,971	
Ebola funding (Public Law 113-164)	NA	(30,000)	---	---	(-30,000)	---	
Subtotal		(446,517)	(448,092)	(427,121)	(-19,396)	(-20,971)	
Public Health Preparedness and Response	D	1,352,551	1,381,818	1,405,000	+52,449	+23,182	
Buildings and Facilities	D	10,000	10,000	10,000	---	---	

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CDC-Wide Activities and Program Support						
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(160,000)	---	(160,000)	---	(+160,000)
Office of the Director	D	113,570	113,570	113,570	---	---
Title VI Ebola funding	NA	(1,771,000)	---	---	(-1,771,000)	---
Subtotal, CDC-Wide (including Ebola funding)		(2,044,570)	(113,570)	(273,570)	(-1,771,000)	(+160,000)
Subtotal, CDC-Wide Activities		(273,570)	(113,570)	(273,570)	---	(+160,000)
Total, Centers for Disease Control		6,023,476	6,151,161	6,326,103	+302,627	+174,942
Discretionary		5,968,118	6,095,803	6,270,745	+302,627	+174,942
Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	NA	(15,000)	---	(15,000)	---	(+15,000)
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(887,300)	(914,300)	(892,300)	(+5,000)	(-22,000)
Title VI Ebola funding	NA	(1,801,000)	---	---	(-1,801,000)	---
Total, Centers for Disease Control Program Level (including Ebola funding)		(8,726,776)	(7,065,461)	(7,233,403)	(-1,493,373)	(+167,942)
Total, Centers for Disease Control Program Level		(6,925,776)	(7,065,461)	(7,233,403)	(+307,627)	(+167,942)

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NATIONAL INSTITUTES OF HEALTH						
National Cancer Institute	D	4,950,396	5,098,479	5,214,701	+264,305	+116,222
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute	D	2,997,870	3,071,906	3,115,538	+117,668	+43,632
National Institute of Dental and Craniofacial Research	D	399,886	406,746	415,582	+15,696	+8,836
National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK)	D	1,749,681	1,788,133	1,818,357	+68,676	+30,224
Juvenile Diabetes (mandatory)	NA	(150,000)	(150,000)	(150,000)	---	---
Subtotal, NIDDK program level		1,899,681	1,938,133	1,968,357	+68,676	+30,224
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke	D	1,605,205	1,660,375	1,696,139	+90,934	+35,764
National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases	D	4,358,841	4,614,779	4,629,928	+271,087	+15,149
Title VI Ebola funding	NA	(238,000)	---	---	(-238,000)	---
National Institute of General Medical Sciences	D	1,656,476	1,586,291	1,732,073	+75,597	+145,782
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(715,000)	(847,489)	(780,000)	(+65,000)	(-67,489)
Subtotal, NGMS program level		2,371,476	2,433,780	2,512,073	+140,597	+78,293

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Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development	D	1,286,571	1,318,061	1,339,802	+53,231	+21,741
National Eye Institute	D	684,191	695,154	715,903	+31,712	+20,749
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences	D	667,502	681,782	693,702	+26,200	+11,920
National Institute on Aging	D	1,199,468	1,267,078	1,600,191	+400,723	+333,113
National Institute of Arthritis and Musculoskeletal and Skin Diseases	D	521,665	533,232	542,141	+20,476	+8,909
National Institute on Deafness and Other Communication Disorders	D	405,302	416,241	423,031	+17,729	+6,790
National Institute of Nursing Research	D	140,953	144,515	146,485	+5,532	+1,970
National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism	D	447,408	459,833	467,700	+20,292	+7,867
National Institute on Drug Abuse	D	1,026,614	1,047,397	1,077,488	+48,874	+30,091
National Institute of Mental Health	D	1,463,036	1,489,417	1,548,390	+85,354	+58,973
National Human Genome Research Institute	D	499,356	515,491	518,956	+19,600	+3,465
National Institute of Biomedical Imaging and Bioengineering	D	330,192	337,314	346,795	+16,603	+9,481
National Center for Complementary and Integrative Health	D	124,681	127,521	130,789	+6,108	+3,268
National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities	D	269,154	281,549	279,718	+10,564	-1,831

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John E. Fogarty International Center	D	67,786	69,505	70,447	+2,661	+942	
National Library of Medicine (NLM)	D	336,939	394,090	394,664	+57,725	+574	
National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences	D	635,230	660,131	685,417	+50,187	+25,286	
Office of the Director	D	1,401,134	1,430,028	1,558,600	+157,466	+128,572	
Common Fund (non-add)	NA	(533,039)	(553,039)	(675,639)	(+142,600)	(+122,600)	
Gabriella Miller Kids First Research Act (Common Fund) (add)	D	12,600	12,600	12,600	---	---	
Subtotal		1,413,734	1,442,628	1,571,200	+157,466	+128,572	
Buildings and Facilities	D	126,863	128,863	128,863	---	---	
Total, National Institutes of Health (NIH)		29,369,000	30,236,511	31,304,000	+1,935,000	+1,067,489	UA
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(715,000)	(847,489)	(780,000)	(+65,000)	(-67,489)	
(Title VI Ebola funding)		(238,000)	---	---	(-238,000)	---	
Total, NIH Program Level (including Ebola funding)		(30,322,000)	(31,084,000)	(32,084,000)	(+1,762,000)	(+1,000,000)	
Total, NIH Program Level		(30,084,000)	(31,084,000)	(32,084,000)	(+2,000,000)	(+1,000,000)	

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SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)						
Mental Health						
Programs of Regional and National Significance	D	368,597	334,289	402,609	+36,012	+68,320
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	---	(5,000)	---	---	(-5,000)
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(12,000)	(38,000)	(12,000)	---	(-26,000)
Subtotal		378,597	377,289	414,609	+36,012	+37,320
Mental Health block grant	D	461,532	461,532	511,532	+50,000	+50,000
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(21,039)	(21,039)	(21,039)	---	---
Subtotal		(482,571)	(482,571)	(532,571)	(+50,000)	(+50,000)
Children's Mental Health	D	117,026	117,026	119,026	+2,000	+2,000
Grants to States for the Homeless (PATH)	D	64,635	64,635	64,635	---	---
Protection and Advocacy	D	36,146	36,146	36,146	---	---
Subtotal, Mental Health		1,045,936	1,013,628	1,133,948	+88,012	+120,320
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(21,039)	(26,039)	(21,039)	---	(-5,000)
Subtotal, Mental Health program level		(1,078,975)	(1,077,667)	(1,166,987)	(+88,012)	(+89,320)

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Substance Abuse Treatment						
Programs of Regional and National Significance.....	D	362,002	290,701	335,345	-26,657	+44,644
Evaluation Tap Funding.....	NA	(2,000)	(30,000)	(2,000)	---	(-28,000)
Subtotal.....		(364,002)	(320,701)	(337,345)	(-26,657)	(+16,644)
Substance Abuse block grant.....	D	1,740,656	1,740,656	1,778,879	+38,223	+38,223
Evaluation Tap Funding.....	NA	(79,200)	(79,200)	(79,200)	---	---
Subtotal. block grant.....		(1,819,856)	(1,819,856)	(1,858,079)	(+38,223)	(+38,223)
Subtotal, Substance Abuse Treatment.....		2,102,658	2,031,357	2,114,224	+11,566	+82,867
(Evaluation Tap Funding).....		(81,200)	(109,200)	(81,200)	---	(-28,000)
Subtotal, Program level.....		(2,183,858)	(2,140,557)	(2,195,424)	(+11,566)	(+54,867)
Substance Abuse Prevention						
Programs of Regional and National Significance.....	D	175,219	194,450	211,219	+36,000	+16,769
Evaluation Tap Funding.....	NA	---	(16,468)	---	---	(-16,468)
Subtotal.....		175,219	194,450	211,219	+36,000	+16,769

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Health Surveillance and Program Support	D	150,232	156,228	174,878	+24,646	+18,650	
Evaluation Tap Funding (NA)	NA	(31,428)	(58,917)	(31,428)	---	(-27,489)	
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	---	(20,000)	---	---	(-20,000)	
Subtotal		181,660	235,145	206,308	+24,646	-28,839	
Total, SAMHSA		3,474,045	3,395,663	3,634,269	+160,224	+238,606	UA
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(133,667)	(210,624)	(133,667)	---	(-76,957)	
(Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/)		(12,000)	(58,000)	(12,000)	---	(-46,000)	
Total, SAMHSA Program Level		(3,619,712)	(3,664,287)	(3,779,936)	(+160,224)	(+115,649)	
AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH AND QUALITY (AHRQ)							
Healthcare Research and Quality							
Research on Health Costs, Quality, and Outcomes:							
Federal Funds	D	228,551	134,889	196,800	-31,751	+61,911	
Evaluation Tap funding	NA	---	(87,888)	---	---	(-87,888)	
Patient-Centered Outcomes Research transfer	NA	---	(115,636)	---	---	(-115,636)	
Subtotal, Health Costs, Quality, and Outcomes		(228,551)	(338,413)	(196,800)	(-31,751)	(-141,613)	
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		---	(87,888)	---	---	(-87,888)	

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Medical Expenditures Panel Surveys:							
Federal Funds	D	65,447	68,877	68,000	+553	-2,877	
Program Support:							
Federal Funds	D	69,700	72,044	71,200	+1,500	-844	
Total, AHRQ Program Level		(363,698)	(363,698)	(334,000)	(-29,698)	(-29,698)	UA
Federal funds		(363,698)	(275,810)	(334,000)	(-29,698)	(+58,190)	
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		---	(87,888)	---	---	(-87,888)	
Total, Public Health Service (PHS) appropriation		45,577,503	46,521,322	47,982,430	+2,404,927	+1,461,108	
Total, Public Health Service Program Level (excluding Ebola funding)		(47,340,470)	(48,755,259)	(49,815,397)	(+2,474,927)	(+1,060,138)	

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CENTERS FOR MEDICARE AND MEDICAID SERVICES						
Grants to States for Medicaid						
Medicaid Current Law Benefits	M	315,238,600	334,936,328	334,936,328	+19,697,728	---
State and Local Administration	M	18,766,022	17,771,915	17,771,915	-994,107	---
Vaccines for Children	M	4,076,617	4,109,307	4,109,307	+32,690	---
Subtotal, Medicaid Program Level		338,081,239	356,817,550	356,817,550	+18,736,311	---
Less funds advanced in prior year	M	-103,472,323	-113,272,140	-113,272,140	-9,799,817	---
Total, Grants to States for Medicaid		234,608,916	243,545,410	243,545,410	+8,936,494	---
New advance, 1st quarter, FY 2017	M	113,272,140	115,582,502	115,582,502	+2,310,362	---
Payments to Health Care Trust Funds						
Supplemental Medical Insurance	M	194,343,000	198,530,000	198,530,000	+4,187,000	---
Federal Uninsured Payment	M	187,000	158,000	158,000	-29,000	---
Program Management	M	763,000	1,044,000	1,044,000	+281,000	---
General Revenue for Part D Benefit	M	63,342,000	82,453,000	82,453,000	+19,111,000	---
General Revenue for Part D Administration	M	418,000	691,000	691,000	+273,000	---
HCFAC Reimbursement	M	153,000	291,000	291,000	+138,000	---
State Low-Income Determination for Part D	M	6,000	4,800	4,800	-1,200	---
Total, Payments to Trust Funds, Program Level		259,212,000	283,171,800	283,171,800	+23,959,800	---

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Program Management						
Research, Demonstration, Evaluation	TF	20,054	---	20,054	---	+20,054
Program Operations	TF	2,519,823	3,024,386	2,519,823	---	-504,563
State Survey and Certification	TF	397,334	437,200	397,334	---	-39,866
Federal Administration	TF	732,533	783,600	732,533	---	-51,067
Total, Program management		3,669,744	4,245,186	3,669,744	---	-575,442
Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control Account						
Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	TF	477,120	474,175	486,120	+9,000	+11,945
HHS Office of Inspector General	TF	67,200	118,631	67,200	---	-51,431
Medicaid/CHIP	TF	67,200	---	67,200	---	+67,200
Department of Justice	TF	60,480	113,194	60,480	---	-52,714
Total, Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control		672,000	706,000	681,000	+9,000	-25,000
Total, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services		611,434,800	647,260,898	546,650,456	+35,215,656	-600,442
Federal funds		607,093,056	642,299,712	642,299,712	+35,206,656	---
Current year		(493,820,916)	(526,717,210)	(526,717,210)	(+32,896,294)	---
New advance, FY 2017		(113,272,140)	(115,582,502)	(115,582,502)	(+2,310,362)	---
Trust Funds		4,341,744	4,951,186	4,350,744	+9,000	-600,442

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ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES (ACF)						
Payments to States for Child Support Enforcement and Family Support Programs						
Payments to Territories	M	33,000	33,000	33,000	---	---
Repatriation	M	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Subtotal		34,000	34,000	34,000	---	---
Child Support Enforcement:						
State and Local Administration	M	3,117,555	3,541,359	3,541,359	+423,804	---
Federal Incentive Payments	M	526,968	519,547	519,547	-7,421	---
Access and Visitation	M	10,000	10,000	10,000	---	---
Subtotal, Child Support Enforcement		3,654,523	4,070,906	4,070,906	+416,383	---
Total, Family Support Payments Program Level		3,688,523	4,104,906	4,104,906	+416,383	---
Less funds advanced in previous years	M	-1,250,000	-1,160,000	-1,160,000	+90,000	---
Total, Family Support Payments, current year		2,438,523	2,944,906	2,944,906	+506,383	---
New advance, 1st quarter, FY 2017	M	1,160,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	+140,000	---

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Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)							
Formula Grants	D	3,390,304	3,190,304	3,390,304	---	+200,000	
Utility Innovation Fund	D	---	200,000	---	---	-200,000	
Total, LIHEAP, Program Level		3,390,304	3,390,304	3,390,304	---	---	
Refugee and Entrant Assistance							
Transitional and Medical Services	D	383,266	426,749	490,000	+106,734	+63,251	UA
Victims of Trafficking	D	15,755	22,000	18,755	+3,000	-3,245	
Social Services	D	149,927	149,927	155,000	+5,073	+5,073	UA
Preventive Health	D	4,600	4,600	4,600	---	---	UA
Targeted Assistance	D	47,601	47,601	47,601	---	---	UA
Unaccompanied Minors	D	948,000	948,000	948,000	---	---	
Unaccompanied Minors Contingency Fund (CBO estimate)	D	---	15,000	---	---	-15,000	
Victims of Torture	D	10,735	10,735	10,735	---	---	UA
Total, Refugee and Entrant Assistance		1,559,884	1,624,612	1,674,691	+114,807	+50,079	

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Payments to States for the Child Care and Development Block Grant	D	2,435,000	2,805,149	2,761,000	+326,000	-44,149	UA
Social Services Block Grant (Title XX)	M	1,700,000	1,700,000	1,700,000	---	---	
Children and Families Services Programs							
Programs for Children, Youth and Families:							
Head Start, current funded	D	8,598,095	10,117,706	9,168,095	+570,000	-949,611	
Consolidated Runaway, Homeless Youth Program	D	97,000	105,980	101,980	+4,980	-4,000	
Prevention Grants to Reduce Abuse of Runaway Youth	D	17,141	17,491	17,141	---	-350	
Child Abuse State Grants	D	25,310	25,310	25,310	---	---	UA
Child Abuse Discretionary Activities	D	28,744	48,744	33,000	+4,256	-15,744	
Community Based Child Abuse Prevention	D	39,764	39,764	39,764	---	---	
Abandoned Infants Assistance	D	11,063	11,063	---	-11,063	-11,063	UA
Child Welfare Services	D	268,735	268,735	268,735	---	---	
Child Welfare Training, Research, or Demonstration projects	D	15,984	15,984	17,984	+2,000	+2,000	
Adoption Opportunities	D	39,100	42,622	39,100	---	-3,522	UA
Adoption Incentive	D	37,943	37,943	37,943	---	---	
Social Services and Income Maintenance Research	D	5,762	17,762	6,512	+750	-11,250	
Native American Programs	D	46,520	50,000	50,000	+3,480	---	UA

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Community Services:							
Community Services Block Grant Act programs:							
Grants to States for Community Services.....	D	674,000	674,000	715,000	+41,000	+41,000	UA
Economic Development.....	D	29,883	---	29,883	---	+29,883	UA
Rural Community Facilities.....	D	6,500	---	6,500	---	+6,500	UA
Subtotal.....		710,383	674,000	751,383	+41,000	+77,383	
Individual Development Account Initiative.....	D	18,950	18,950	18,950	---	---	UA
Subtotal, Community Services.....		729,333	692,950	770,333	+41,000	+77,383	
Domestic Violence Hotline.....	D	4,500	12,300	8,250	+3,750	-4,050	UA
Family Violence/Battered Women's Shelters.....	D	135,000	150,000	150,000	+15,000	---	UA
Independent Living Training Vouchers.....	D	43,257	43,257	43,257	---	---	
Faith-Based Center.....	D	1,299	---	---	-1,299	---	
Disaster Human Services Case Management.....	D	1,864	1,864	1,864	---	---	
Program Direction.....	D	199,701	211,767	205,000	+5,299	-6,767	
Total, Children and Families Services Programs..		10,346,115	11,911,242	10,984,268	+638,153	-926,974	

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Promoting Safe and Stable Families	M	345,000	345,000	345,000	---	---
Discretionary Funds	D	59,765	89,765	59,765	---	-30,000
Total, Promoting Safe and Stable Families		404,765	434,765	404,765	---	-30,000
Payments for Foster Care and Permanency						
Foster Care	M	4,289,000	4,772,100	4,772,100	+483,100	---
Adoption Assistance	M	2,504,000	2,562,900	2,562,900	+58,900	---
Guardianship	M	99,000	123,000	123,000	+24,000	---
Independent Living	M	140,000	140,000	140,000	---	---
Total, Payments to States		7,032,000	7,598,000	7,598,000	+566,000	---
Less Advances from Prior Year	M	-2,200,000	-2,300,000	-2,300,000	-100,000	---
Total, payments, current year		4,832,000	5,298,000	5,298,000	+466,000	---
New Advance, 1st quarter, FY 2017	M	2,300,000	2,300,000	2,300,000	---	---
Total, ACF		30,566,591	33,708,978	32,757,934	+2,191,343	-951,044
Current year		(27,106,591)	(30,108,978)	(29,157,934)	(+2,051,343)	(-951,044)
FY 2017		(3,460,000)	(3,600,000)	(3,600,000)	(+140,000)	---
Total, ACF Program Level		30,566,591	33,708,978	32,757,934	+2,191,343	-951,044

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ADMINISTRATION FOR COMMUNITY LIVING						
Aging and Disability Services Programs						
Grants to States:						
Home and Community-based Supportive Services.....	D	347,724	386,182	347,724	---	-38,458
Preventive Health.....	D	19,848	19,848	19,848	---	---
Protection of Vulnerable Older Americans-Title VII	D	20,658	20,658	20,658	---	---
Subtotal.....		388,230	426,688	388,230	---	-38,458
Family Support Initiative.....	D	---	15,000	---	---	-15,000
Family Caregivers.....	D	145,586	150,586	150,586	+5,000	---
Native American Caregivers Support.....	D	6,031	6,800	7,531	+1,500	+731
Subtotal, Caregivers.....		151,617	172,386	158,117	+6,500	-14,269
Nutrition:						
Congregate Meals.....	D	438,191	458,091	448,342	+10,151	-9,749
Home Delivered Meals.....	D	216,397	236,397	226,342	+9,945	-10,055
Nutrition Services Incentive Program.....	D	160,069	160,069	160,069	---	---
Nutrition Initiative.....	D	---	20,000	---	---	-20,000
Subtotal.....		814,657	874,557	834,753	+20,096	-39,804
Subtotal, Grants to States.....		1,354,504	1,473,631	1,381,100	+26,596	-92,531

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Grants for Native Americans	D	26,158	29,100	31,158	+5,000	+2,058	
Aging Network Support Activities	D	9,961	9,961	9,961	---	---	
Alzheimer's Disease Demonstrations	D	3,800	3,800	4,800	+1,000	+1,000	UA
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(14,700)	(14,700)	(14,700)	---	---	
Lifespan Respite Care	D	2,360	5,000	3,360	+1,000	-1,640	
Chronic Disease Self-Management Program	D	---	---	---	---	---	
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(8,000)	(8,000)	(8,000)	---	---	
Elder Falls Prevention	D	---	---	---	---	---	
Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	NA	(5,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	---	---	
Senior Medicare Patrol Program	D	8,910	8,910	---	-8,910	-8,910	
Elder Rights Support Activities	D	7,874	28,874	11,874	+4,000	-17,000	
Aging and Disability Resources	D	6,119	20,000	6,119	---	-13,881	
State Health Insurance Program	TF	52,115	52,115	52,115	---	---	
National Clearinghouse for Long-Term Care Information	D	---	1,000	---	---	-1,000	
Paralysis Resource Center	D	6,700	6,700	7,700	+1,000	+1,000	
Limb loss	D	2,800	2,810	2,810	+10	---	
Traumatic Brain Injury	D	---	---	9,321	+9,321	+9,321	

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Developmental Disabilities Programs:							
State Councils	D	71,692	71,962	73,000	+1,308	+1,038	
Protection and Advocacy	D	36,734	38,734	38,734	---	---	
Voting Access for Individuals with Disabilities	D	4,963	4,963	4,963	---	---	
Developmental Disabilities Projects of National	D						
Significance	D	8,857	14,500	10,000	+1,143	-4,500	
University Centers for Excellence in Developmental	D						
Disabilities	D	37,674	38,619	38,619	+945	---	
Subtotal, Developmental Disabilities Programs		161,920	168,778	165,316	+3,396	-3,462	UA
Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act							
Independent Living	D	---	106,183	101,183	+101,183	-5,000	
National Institute on Disability, Independent							
Living, and Rehabilitation Research	D	---	108,000	103,970	+103,970	-4,030	
Assistive Technology	D	---	31,000	34,000	+34,000	+3,000	
Subtotal, Workforce Innovation and Opportunity							
Act		---	245,183	239,153	+239,153	-6,030	UA

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Program Administration	D	30,035	40,063	40,063	+10,028	---	
Total, Administration for Community Living (ACL)		1,673,256	2,095,925	1,964,850	+291,594	-131,075	
Federal funds		1,621,141	2,043,810	1,912,735	+291,594	-131,075	
Trust Funds		(52,115)	(52,115)	(52,115)	---	---	
(Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/)		(27,700)	(27,700)	(27,700)	---	---	
Total, ACL program level		1,700,956	2,123,625	1,992,550	+291,594	-131,075	
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY							
General Departmental Management							
General Departmental Management, Federal Funds	D	200,000	225,336	200,000	---	-25,336	UA
Teen Pregnancy Prevention	D						
Community Grants	D	101,000	104,790	101,000	---	-3,790	
Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(6,800)	(6,800)	(6,800)	---	---	
Subtotal, Grants		(107,800)	(111,590)	(107,800)	---	(-3,790)	

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Faith-Based Center	D	---	---	1,299	+1,299	+1,299
Sexual Risk Avoidance	D	5,000	---	10,000	+5,000	+10,000
Minority Health	D	56,670	56,670	56,670	---	---
Office of Women's Health	D	32,140	31,500	32,140	---	+640
Minority HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment	D	52,224	53,900	53,900	+1,676	---
Embryo Adoption Awareness Campaign	D	1,000	---	1,000	---	+1,000
DATA Act activities	D	---	10,320	---	---	-10,320
HHS Digital Service Team	D	---	10,000	---	---	-10,000
Planning and Evaluation, Evaluation Tap Funding	NA	(58,028)	(59,278)	(58,028)	---	(-1,250)
Total, General Departmental Management		448,034	492,516	456,009	+7,975	-36,507
Federal Funds		(448,034)	(492,516)	(456,009)	(+7,975)	(-36,507)
(Evaluation Tap Funding)		(64,828)	(66,078)	(64,828)	---	(-1,250)
Total, General Departmental Management Program		512,862	558,594	520,837	+7,975	-37,757
Office of Medicare Hearings and Appeals	TF	87,381	140,000	107,381	+20,000	-32,619
Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology	D	60,367	---	60,367	---	+60,367
Evaluation Tap Funding	D	---	(91,800)	---	---	(-91,800)
Total, Program Level		(60,367)	(91,800)	(60,367)	---	(-31,433)

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Office of Inspector General						
Inspector General Federal Funds	D	71,000	83,000	75,000	+4,000	-8,000
HCFAC funding (NA)	NA	(240,455)	(333,893)	(333,893)	(+93,438)	---
Total, Inspector General Program Level		(311,455)	(416,893)	(408,893)	(+97,438)	(-8,000)
Office for Civil Rights						
Federal Funds	D	38,798	42,705	38,798	---	-3,907
Retirement Pay and Medical Benefits for Commissioned Officers						
Retirement Payments	M	432,177	441,977	441,977	+9,800	---
Survivors Benefits	M	28,186	28,603	28,603	+417	---
Dependents' Medical Care	M	101,878	115,608	115,608	+13,730	---
Total,Medical Benefits for Commissioned Officers		562,241	586,188	586,188	+23,947	---

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Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund (PHSSEF)						
Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response	D					
Operations	D	31,305	30,938	30,938	-367	---
Preparedness and Emergency Operations	D	24,789	24,654	24,654	-135	---
National Disaster Medical System	D	50,054	49,904	49,904	-150	---
Hospital Preparedness Cooperative Agreement Grants:	D					
Formula Grants	D	254,555	254,555	254,555	---	---
Biomedical Advanced Research and Development	D					
Authority (BARDA)	D	415,000	521,732	511,700	+96,700	-10,032
Ebola funding (Public Law 113-164)	NA	(58,000)	---	---	(-58,000)	---
Title VI Ebola funding	NA	(733,000)	---	---	(-733,000)	---
Policy and Planning	D	14,877	14,877	14,877	---	---
Project BioShield	D	255,000	646,425	510,000	+255,000	-136,425
Subtotal, Preparedness and Response (including Ebola funding)	D	1,778,580	1,543,085	1,396,628	-381,952	-146,457
Subtotal, Preparedness and Response	D	1,045,580	1,543,085	1,396,628	+351,048	-146,457

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Assistant Secretary for Administration	D					
Assistant Secretary for Administration, Cybersecurity.	D	41,125	73,417	50,860	+9,735	-22,557
Office of Security and Strategic Information.....	D	7,470	7,470	7,470	---	---
Public Health and Science	D					
Medical Reserve Corps.....	D	8,979	6,000	6,000	-2,979	---
Office of the Secretary	D					
Pandemic Influenza Preparedness.....	D	71,915	170,009	72,000	+85	-98,009
Emergency response initiative.....	D	---	110,000	---	---	-110,000
Health insurance initiative (PHS evaluation funding)..	D	---	(30,000)	---	---	(-30,000)
Subtotal, Non-pandemic flu/BioShield/Parklawn/Other construction.....	D	1,581,154	1,123,547	950,958	-630,196	-172,589
Total, PHSSEF (including Ebola funding).....		1,908,069	1,939,981	1,532,958	-375,111	-407,023
Total, PHSSEF.....		1,175,069	1,909,981	1,532,958	+357,889	-377,023

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Total, Office of the Secretary	2,442,890	3,254,390	2,856,701	+413,811	-397,689
Federal Funds	2,355,509	3,114,390	2,749,320	+393,811	-365,070
Trust Funds	87,381	140,000	107,381	+20,000	-32,619
(Evaluation Tap Funding)	(64,828)	(187,878)	(64,828)	---	(-123,050)
(Title VI Ebola funding)	(733,000)	---	---	(-733,000)	---
Total, Office of the Secretary Program Level	2,507,718	3,442,268	2,921,529	+413,811	-520,739
Total, Title II, Health and Human Services	691,695,040	732,831,513	732,212,371	+40,517,331	-619,142
Federal Funds	887,206,300	727,680,712	727,694,631	+40,488,331	+13,919
Current year	(570,474,160)	(608,498,210)	(608,512,129)	(+38,037,969)	(+13,919)
FY 2017	(116,732,140)	(119,182,502)	(119,182,502)	(+2,450,362)	---
Trust Funds	4,488,740	5,150,801	4,517,740	+29,000	-633,061
Pandemic Flu balances (Public Law 111-32)	(15,000)	---	(15,000)	---	(+15,000)
Total, Prevention and Public Health Fund 1/	(927,000)	(1,000,000)	(932,000)	(+5,000)	(-68,000)

Title II Footnotes:
1/ Sec. 4002 of Public Law 111-148

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TITLE III - DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION							
EDUCATION FOR THE DISADVANTAGED							
Grants to Local Educational Agencies (LEAs)							
Basic Grants:							
Advance from prior year	NA	(2,915,776)	(2,890,776)	(2,890,776)	(-25,000)	---	
Forward funded	D	3,564,641	4,568,625	4,064,641	+500,000	-503,984	FF
Current funded	D	3,984	---	3,984	---	+3,984	
Subtotal, Basic grants current year approp		3,568,625	4,568,625	4,068,625	+500,000	-500,000	
Subtotal, Basic grants total funds available		(6,484,401)	(7,459,401)	(6,959,401)	(+475,000)	(-500,000)	
Basic Grants FY 2017 Advance	D	2,890,776	1,890,776	2,390,776	-500,000	+500,000	
Subtotal, Basic grants, program level		6,459,401	6,459,401	6,459,401	---	---	
Concentration Grants:							
Advance from prior year	NA	(1,362,301)	(1,362,301)	(1,362,301)	---	---	
FY 2017 Advance	D	1,362,301	1,362,301	1,362,301	---	---	
Subtotal		1,362,301	1,362,301	1,362,301	---	---	

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Targeted Grants:							
Advance from prior year	NA	(3,281,550)	(3,294,050)	(3,294,050)	(+12,500)	---	
FY 2017 Advance	D	3,294,050	3,794,050	3,544,050	+250,000	-250,000	
Subtotal		3,294,050	3,794,050	3,544,050	+250,000	-250,000	
Education Finance Incentive Grants:							
Advance from prior year	NA	(3,281,550)	(3,294,050)	(3,294,050)	(+12,500)	---	
FY 2017 Advance	D	3,294,050	3,794,050	3,544,050	+250,000	-250,000	
Subtotal		3,294,050	3,794,050	3,544,050	+250,000	-250,000	
Subtotal, Grants to LEAs, program level		14,409,802	15,409,802	14,909,802	+500,000	-500,000	
School Improvement Grants	D	505,756	555,756	450,000	-55,756	-105,756	FF
Striving Readers	D	160,000	160,000	190,000	+30,000	+30,000	FF
State Agency Programs:							
Migrant	D	374,751	374,751	374,751	---	---	FF
Neglected and Delinquent/High Risk Youth	D	47,614	47,614	47,614	---	---	FF
Subtotal, State Agency programs		422,365	422,365	422,365	---	---	

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Evaluation	D	710	---	---	-710	---	
Migrant Education:							
High School Equivalency Program	D	37,474	44,623	44,623	+7,149	---	UA
Total, Education for the disadvantaged		15,536,107	16,592,546	16,016,790	+480,683	-575,756	
Current Year		(4,694,930)	(5,751,369)	(5,175,613)	(+480,683)	(-575,756)	
FY 2017		(10,841,177)	(10,841,177)	(10,841,177)	---	---	
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(4,652,762)	(5,706,746)	(5,127,006)	(+474,244)	(-579,740)	
PRESCHOOL DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	D	---	750,000	---	---	-750,000	
IMPACT AID							
Basic Support Payments	D	1,151,233	1,151,233	1,168,233	+17,000	+17,000	
Payments for Children with Disabilities	D	48,316	48,316	48,316	---	---	
Facilities Maintenance (Sec. 8008)	D	4,835	71,648	4,835	---	-66,813	
Construction (Sec. 8007)	D	17,406	17,406	17,406	---	---	
Payments for Federal Property (Sec. 8002)	D	66,813	---	66,813	---	+66,813	
Total, Impact aid		1,288,603	1,288,603	1,305,603	+17,000	+17,000	

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SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS							
State Grants for Improving Teacher Quality	D	668,389	668,389	668,389	---	---	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(1,681,441)	(1,681,441)	(1,681,441)	---	---	
FY 2017	D	1,681,441	1,681,441	1,681,441	---	---	
Subtotal, State Grants for Improving Teacher Quality, program level		2,349,830	2,349,830	2,349,830	---	---	
Mathematics and Science Partnerships	D	152,717	202,717	152,717	---	-50,000	FF
Educational Technology State Grants	D	---	200,000	---	---	-200,000	FF
Supplemental Education Grants	D	16,699	16,699	16,699	---	---	
21st Century Community Learning Centers	D	1,151,673	1,151,673	1,166,673	+15,000	+15,000	FF
State Assessments/Enhanced Assessment Instruments	D	378,000	403,000	378,000	---	-25,000	FF
Education for Homeless Children and Youth	D	65,042	71,542	70,000	+4,958	-1,542	FF
Training and Advisory Services (Civil Rights)	D	6,575	6,575	6,575	---	---	
Education for Native Hawaiians	D	32,397	33,397	33,397	+1,000	---	
Alaska Native Education Equity	D	31,453	32,453	32,453	+1,000	---	
Rural Education	D	169,840	169,840	175,840	+6,000	+6,000	FF
Comprehensive Centers	D	48,445	55,445	51,445	+3,000	-4,000	
Total, School Improvement Programs		4,402,671	4,693,171	4,433,629	+30,958	-259,542	
Current Year		(2,721,230)	(3,011,730)	(2,752,188)	(+30,958)	(-259,542)	
FY 2017		(1,681,441)	(1,681,441)	(1,681,441)	---	---	
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(2,585,661)	(2,867,161)	(2,611,619)	(+25,958)	(-255,542)	

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INDIAN EDUCATION						
Grants to Local Educational Agencies	D	100,381	100,381	100,381	---	---
Federal Programs:						
Special Programs for Indian Children	D	17,993	67,993	37,993	+20,000	-30,000
National Activities	D	5,565	5,565	5,565	---	---
Subtotal, Federal Programs		23,558	73,558	43,558	+20,000	-30,000
Total, Indian Education		123,939	173,939	143,939	+20,000	-30,000
INNOVATION AND IMPROVEMENT						
Investing in Innovation Fund	D	120,000	300,000	120,000	---	-180,000
Teacher and Principal Pathways (proposed legislation)	D	---	138,762	---	---	-138,762
Transition to Teaching	D	13,700	---	---	-13,700	---
School Leadership	D	16,368	---	16,368	---	+16,368
Charter Schools Grants	D	253,172	375,000	333,172	+80,000	-41,828
Magnet Schools Assistance	D	91,647	91,647	96,647	+5,000	+5,000
Fund for the Improvement of Education (FIE)	D	323,000	166,926	330,815	+7,815	+163,889
Teacher Incentive Fund (Excellent Educators Grants)	D	230,000	350,000	230,000	---	-120,000
Ready-to-Learn television	D	25,741	25,741	25,741	---	---
Next Generation High Schools (proposed legislation)	D	---	125,000	---	---	-125,000
Advanced Placement	D	28,483	28,483	28,483	---	---
Total, Innovation and Improvement		1,102,111	1,601,559	1,181,226	+79,115	-420,333
Current Year		(1,102,111)	(1,601,559)	(1,181,226)	(+79,115)	(-420,333)

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SAFE SCHOOLS AND CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION							
Promise Neighborhoods	D	56,754	150,000	73,254	+16,500	-76,746	
National Programs	D	70,000	90,000	75,000	+5,000	-15,000	
Elementary and Secondary School Counseling	D	49,561	49,561	49,561	---	---	
Carol M. White Physical Education Program	D	47,000	60,000	47,000	---	-13,000	
Total, Safe Schools and Citizenship Education		223,315	349,561	244,815	+21,500	-104,746	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ACQUISITION							
Current funded	D	61,021	773,400	47,931	-13,090	-725,469	
Forward funded	D	676,379	---	689,469	+13,090	+689,469	FF
Total, English Language Acquisition		737,400	773,400	737,400	---	-36,000	
SPECIAL EDUCATION							
State Grants:							
Grants to States Part B current year	D	2,214,465	2,389,465	2,629,465	+415,000	+240,000	FF
Part B advance from prior year	NA	(9,283,383)	(9,283,383)	(9,283,383)	---	---	
Grants to States Part B (FY 2017)	D	9,283,383	9,283,383	9,283,383	---	---	
Subtotal, program level		11,497,848	11,672,848	11,912,848	+415,000	+240,000	

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Preschool Grants	D	353,238	403,238	368,238	+15,000	-35,000	FF
Grants for Infants and Families	D	438,556	503,556	458,556	+20,000	-45,000	FF
Subtotal, program level		12,289,642	12,579,642	12,739,642	+450,000	+160,000	
IDEA National Activities (current funded):							
State Personnel Development	D	41,630	41,630	41,630	---	---	
Technical Assistance and Dissemination	D	51,928	61,928	54,428	+2,500	-7,500	
Personnel Preparation	D	83,700	83,700	83,700	---	---	
Parent Information Centers	D	27,411	27,411	27,411	---	---	
Technology and Media Services	D	28,047	28,047	30,047	+2,000	+2,000	
Subtotal, IDEA special programs		232,716	242,716	237,216	+4,500	-5,500	
Total, Special education		12,522,358	12,822,358	12,976,858	+454,500	+154,500	
Current Year		(3,238,975)	(3,538,975)	(3,693,475)	(+454,500)	(+154,500)	
FY 2017		(9,283,383)	(9,283,383)	(9,283,383)	---	---	
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(3,006,259)	(3,296,259)	(3,456,259)	(+450,000)	(+160,000)	

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REHABILITATION SERVICES AND DISABILITY RESEARCH						
Vocational Rehabilitation State Grants	M	3,335,074	3,391,770	3,391,770	+56,696	---
Client Assistance State grants	D	13,000	13,000	13,000	---	---
Training	D	30,188	30,188	30,188	---	---
Demonstration and Training programs	D	5,796	5,796	5,796	---	---
Protection and Advocacy of Individual Rights (PAIR)	D	17,650	17,650	17,650	---	---
Supported Employment State grants	D	27,548	30,548	27,548	---	-3,000
Independent Living:						
State Grants	D	22,878	---	---	-22,878	---
Centers	D	78,305	---	---	-78,305	---
Services for Older Blind Individuals	D	33,317	33,317	33,317	---	---
Subtotal		134,500	33,317	33,317	-101,183	---

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request	
Helen Keller National Center for Deaf/Blind Youth and	D						
Adults	D	9,127	9,840	10,336	+1,209	+496	
National Inst. Disability and Rehab. Research (NIDRR).	D	103,970	---	---	-103,970	---	
Assistive Technology	D	33,000	---	---	-33,000	---	
Subtotal, Discretionary programs		374,779	140,339	137,835	-236,944	-2,504	
Total, Rehabilitation services		3,709,853	3,532,109	3,529,605	-180,248	-2,504	UA
SPECIAL INSTITUTIONS FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES							
American Printing House for the Blind	D	24,931	24,931	25,431	+500	+500	
National Technical Institute for the Deaf (NTID):							
Operations	D	67,016	67,016	70,016	+3,000	+3,000	
Gallaudet University:							
Operations	D	120,275	120,275	121,275	+1,000	+1,000	
Total, Special Institutions for Persons with Disabilities		212,222	212,222	216,722	+4,500	+4,500	

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request	
CAREER, TECHNICAL, AND ADULT EDUCATION							
Career Education:							
Basic State Grants/Secondary & Technical Education							
State Grants, current funded	D	326,598	526,598	326,598	---	-200,000	FF
Advance from prior year	NA	(791,000)	(791,000)	(791,000)	---	---	
FY 2017	D	791,000	791,000	791,000	---	---	
Subtotal, Basic State Grants, program level		1,117,598	1,317,598	1,117,598	---	-200,000	
National Programs	D	7,421	9,421	7,421	---	-2,000	FF
Subtotal, Career Education		1,125,019	1,327,019	1,125,019	---	-202,000	
Adult Education:							
State Grants/Adult Basic and Literacy Education:	D						
State Grants, current funded	D	568,955	568,955	581,955	+13,000	+13,000	FF

		FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request	
National Leadership Activities	D	13,712	19,712	13,712	---	-6,000	FF
Subtotal, Adult education		582,667	588,667	595,667	+13,000	+7,000	UA
Total, Career, Technical, and Adult Education		1,707,686	1,915,686	1,720,686	+13,000	-195,000	
Current Year		(916,686)	(1,124,686)	(929,686)	(+13,000)	(-195,000)	
FY 2017		(791,000)	(791,000)	(791,000)	---	---	
Subtotal, Forward Funded		(916,686)	(1,124,686)	(929,686)	(+13,000)	(-195,000)	
STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE							
Pell Grants -- maximum grant (NA)	NA	(4,860)	(4,860)	(4,860)	---	---	
Pell Grants	D	22,475,352	22,475,352	22,475,352	---	---	
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	D	733,130	733,130	733,130	---	---	
Federal Work Study	D	989,728	989,728	989,728	---	---	
Total, Student Financial Assistance (SFA)		24,198,210	24,198,210	24,198,210	---	---	
STUDENT AID ADMINISTRATION							
Salaries and Expenses	D	675,224	726,643	696,643	+21,419	-30,000	
Servicing Activities	D	721,700	855,211	855,211	+133,511	---	
Total, Student Aid Administration		1,396,924	1,581,854	1,551,854	+154,930	-30,000	

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HIGHER EDUCATION						
Aid for Institutional Development:						
Strengthening Institutions	D	80,462	80,462	86,534	+6,072	+6,072
Hispanic Serving Institutions	D	100,231	100,231	107,795	+7,564	+7,564
Promoting Post-Baccalaureate Opportunities for	D					
Hispanic Americans	D	8,992	10,565	9,671	+679	-894
Strengthening Historically Black Colleges (HBCUs)	D	227,524	227,524	244,694	+17,170	+17,170
Strengthening Historically Black Graduate	D					
Institutions	D	58,840	58,840	63,281	+4,441	+4,441
Strengthening Predominantly Black Institutions	D	9,244	9,244	9,942	+698	+698
Asian American Pacific Islander	D	3,113	3,113	3,348	+235	+235
Strengthening Alaska Native and	D					
Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions	D	12,833	12,833	13,802	+969	+969
Strengthening Native American-Serving Nontribal	D					
Institutions	D	3,113	3,113	3,348	+235	+235
Strengthening Tribal Colleges	D	25,662	25,662	27,599	+1,937	+1,937
Subtotal, Aid for Institutional development		530,014	531,587	570,014	+40,000	+38,427
International Education and Foreign Language:						
Domestic Programs	D	65,103	67,103	65,103	---	-2,000
Overseas Programs	D	7,061	9,061	7,061	---	-2,000
Subtotal, International Education & Foreign Lang		72,164	76,164	72,164	---	-4,000

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Fund for the Improvement of Postsec. Ed. (FIPSE).....	D	67,775	200,000	---	-67,775	-200,000	
Postsecondary Program for Students with Intellectual	D						
Disabilities.....	D	11,800	11,800	11,800	---	---	
Minority Science and Engineering Improvement.....	D	8,971	8,971	9,648	+677	+677	
Tribally Controlled Postsec Voc/Tech Institutions.....	D	7,705	7,705	8,286	+581	+581	
Federal TRIO Programs.....	D	839,752	859,752	900,000	+60,248	+40,248	
GEAR UP.....	D	301,639	301,639	322,754	+21,115	+21,115	
Graduate Assistance in Areas of National Need.....	D	29,293	29,293	29,293	---	---	
Teacher Quality Partnerships.....	D	40,592	---	43,092	+2,500	+43,092	
Child Care Access Means Parents in School.....	D	15,134	15,134	15,134	---	---	
GPRA Data/HEA Program Evaluation.....	D	---	30,000	---	---	-30,000	UA
Total, Higher Education.....		1,924,839	2,072,045	1,982,185	+57,346	-89,860	
HOWARD UNIVERSITY							
Academic Program.....	D	191,091	194,496	191,091	---	-3,405	
Endowment Program.....	D	3,405	---	3,405	---	+3,405	UA
Howard University Hospital.....	D	27,325	27,325	27,325	---	---	
Total, Howard University.....		221,821	221,821	221,821	---	---	
COLLEGE HOUSING AND ACADEMIC FACILITIES LOANS PROGRAM.	D	435	450	435	---	-15	

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HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY (HBCU)	D						
CAPITAL FINANCING PROGRAM ACCOUNT	D						
HBCU Federal Administration	D	334	340	334	---	-6	
HBCU Loan Subsidies	D	19,096	19,096	20,150	+1,054	+1,054	
Total, HBCU Capital Financing Program		19,430	19,436	20,484	+1,054	+1,048	
INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION SCIENCES (IES)							
Research, Development and Dissemination	D	179,860	202,273	195,000	+15,140	-7,273	
Statistics	D	103,060	124,744	112,000	+8,940	-12,744	
Regional Educational Laboratories	D	54,423	54,423	54,423	---	---	
Research in Special Education	D	54,000	54,000	54,000	---	---	
Special Education Studies and Evaluations	D	10,818	13,000	10,818	---	-2,182	
Statewide Data Systems	D	34,539	70,000	34,539	---	-35,461	
Assessment:							
National Assessment	D	129,000	149,616	149,000	+20,000	-616	
National Assessment Governing Board	D	8,235	7,627	8,235	---	+408	
Subtotal, Assessment		137,235	157,443	157,235	+20,000	-208	
Total, IES		573,935	675,883	618,015	+44,080	-57,868	UA

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DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT						
Program Administration:						
Salaries and Expenses	D	410,000	460,259	431,000	+21,000	-29,259
Building Modernization	D	1,000	13,830	1,000	---	-12,830
Total, Program administration		411,000	474,089	432,000	+21,000	-42,089
Office for Civil Rights	D	100,000	130,691	107,000	+7,000	-23,691
Office of Inspector General	D	57,791	59,256	59,256	+1,465	---
Total, Departmental management		568,791	684,036	598,256	+29,465	-85,780
Total, Title III, Department of Education		70,470,650	74,138,889	71,698,533	+1,227,883	-2,440,356
Current Year		(47,873,649)	(51,541,888)	(49,101,532)	(+1,227,883)	(-2,440,356)
FY 2017		(22,597,001)	(22,597,001)	(22,597,001)	---	---

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TITLE IV--RELATED AGENCIES						
COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED	D	5,362	5,441	6,191	+829	+750
CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE						
Operating Expenses						
Domestic Volunteer Service Programs:						
Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA)	D	92,364	96,885	92,364	---	-4,521
National Senior Volunteer Corps:						
Foster Grandparents Program	D	107,702	107,702	107,702	---	---
Senior Companion Program	D	45,512	45,512	45,512	---	---
Retired Senior Volunteer Program	D	48,903	48,903	48,903	---	---
Subtotal, Senior Volunteers		202,117	202,117	202,117	---	---
Subtotal, Domestic Volunteer Service		294,481	299,002	294,481	---	-4,521

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National and Community Service Programs:							
AmeriCorps State and National Grants	D	335,430	425,105	386,010	+50,580	-39,095	
Innovation, Assistance, and Other Activities	D	77,400	78,601	57,400	-20,000	-21,201	
Evaluation	D	5,000	5,000	4,000	-1,000	-1,000	
National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC)	D	30,000	30,500	30,000	---	-500	
State Commission Support Grants	D	16,038	17,000	16,038	---	-962	
Subtotal, National and Community Service		463,868	556,206	493,448	+29,580	-62,758	
Total, Operating expenses		758,349	855,208	787,929	+29,580	-67,279	
National Service Trust	D	209,618	237,077	220,000	+10,382	-17,077	
Salaries and Expenses	D	81,737	86,176	81,737	---	-4,439	
Office of Inspector General	D	5,250	6,000	5,250	---	-750	
Total, Corp. for National and Community Service		1,054,954	1,184,461	1,094,916	+39,962	-89,545	
CORPORATION FOR PUBLIC BROADCASTING:							
FY 2018 (current) with FY 2016 comparable	D	445,000	445,000	445,000	---	---	
FY 2017 advance with FY 2015 comparable (NA)	NA	(445,000)	(445,000)	(445,000)	---	---	
FY 2016 advance with FY 2014 comparable (NA)	NA	(445,000)	(445,000)	(445,000)	---	---	UA
Public television interconnection system (current)	D	---	40,000	40,000	+40,000	---	

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FEDERAL MEDIATION AND CONCILIATION SERVICE.....	D	45,666	48,748	48,748	+3,082	---	
FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.....	D	16,751	17,085	17,085	+334	---	
INSTITUTE OF MUSEUM AND LIBRARY SERVICES.....	D	227,860	237,428	230,000	+2,140	-7,428	UA
MEDICAID AND CHIP PAYMENT AND ACCESS COMMISSION.....		7,650	8,700	7,765	+115	-935	
MEDICARE PAYMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION.....	TF	11,749	12,100	11,925	+176	-175	
NATIONAL COUNCIL ON DISABILITY.....	D	3,250	3,432	3,250	---	-182	UA
NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD.....	D	274,224	278,000	274,224	---	-3,776	
NATIONAL MEDIATION BOARD.....	D	13,227	13,230	13,230	+3	---	
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION.....	D	11,639	13,212	12,639	+1,000	-573	
RAILROAD RETIREMENT BOARD							
Dual Benefits Payments Account.....	D	34,000	29,000	29,000	-5,000	---	
Less Income Tax Receipts on Dual Benefits.....	D	-3,000	-2,000	-2,000	+1,000	---	
Subtotal, Dual Benefits.....		31,000	27,000	27,000	-4,000	---	
Federal Payments to the Railroad Retirement Accounts..	M	150	150	150	---	---	
Limitation on Administration.....	TF	111,225	119,918	111,225	---	-8,693	
Limitation on the Office of Inspector General.....	TF	8,437	9,450	8,437	---	-1,013	

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SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION						
Payments to Social Security Trust Funds	M	16,400	20,400	11,400	-5,000	-9,000
Supplemental Security Income Program						
Federal Benefit Payments	M	56,201,000	60,683,000	60,686,000	+4,485,000	+3,000
Beneficiary Services	M	70,000	70,000	70,000	---	---
Research and Demonstration	M	83,000	101,000	101,000	+18,000	---
Afghanistan Special Immigrant Visa	M	---	3,000	---	---	-3,000
Administration	D	4,578,978	4,765,000	4,648,733	+69,755	-116,267
Subtotal, SSI program level		60,932,978	65,622,000	65,505,733	+4,572,755	-116,267
Less funds advanced in prior year	M	-19,700,000	-19,200,000	-19,200,000	+500,000	---
Subtotal, regular SSI current year		41,232,978	46,422,000	46,305,733	+5,072,755	-116,267
New advance, 1st quarter, FY 2017	M	19,200,000	14,500,000	14,500,000	-4,700,000	---
Total, SSI program		60,432,978	60,922,000	60,805,733	+372,755	-116,267

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Limitation on Administrative Expenses						
OASI/DI Trust Funds	TF	4,913,260	5,248,608	5,100,054	+186,794	-148,554
HI/SMI Trust Funds	TF	1,755,376	1,858,882	1,777,800	+22,424	-81,082
Social Security Advisory Board	TF	2,300	2,400	2,300	---	-100
SSI	TF	3,614,009	3,827,110	3,718,791	+104,782	-108,319
Subtotal, regular LAE		10,284,945	10,937,000	10,598,945	+314,000	-338,055
User Fees:						
SSI User Fee activities	D	124,000	136,000	136,000	+12,000	---
SSPA User Fee Activities	D	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Subtotal, User fees		125,000	137,000	137,000	+12,000	---
Subtotal, Limitation on administrative expenses		10,409,945	11,074,000	10,735,945	+326,000	-338,055
Program Integrity:						
OASDI Trust Funds	TF	431,031	500,580	496,058	+65,027	-4,522
SSI	TF	964,969	938,420	929,942	-35,027	-8,478
Subtotal, Program integrity funding		1,396,000	1,439,000	1,426,000	+30,000	-13,000
Total, Limitation on Administrative Expenses		11,805,945	12,513,000	12,161,945	+356,000	-351,055

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Office of Inspector General						
Federal Funds	D	28,829	31,000	29,787	+958	-1,213
Trust Funds	TF	74,521	78,795	75,713	+1,192	-3,082
Total, Office of Inspector General		103,350	109,795	105,500	+2,150	-4,295
Adjustment: Trust fund transfers from general revenues	TF	-4,578,978	-4,765,000	-4,648,733	-69,755	+116,267
Total, Social Security Administration		67,779,695	68,800,195	68,435,845	+656,150	-364,350
Federal funds		60,603,207	61,110,400	60,983,920	+380,713	-126,480
Current year		(41,403,207)	(46,610,400)	(46,483,920)	(+5,080,713)	(-126,480)
New advances, 1st quarter, FY 2017		(19,200,000)	(14,500,000)	(14,500,000)	(-4,700,000)	---
Trust funds		7,176,488	7,689,795	7,451,925	+275,437	-237,870
Total, Title IV, Related Agencies		70,047,839	71,263,550	70,787,630	+739,791	-475,920
Federal Funds		62,739,940	63,432,287	63,204,118	+464,178	-228,169
Current Year		(43,094,940)	(48,487,287)	(48,259,118)	(+5,164,178)	(-228,169)
Current Year (emergency)		---	---	---	---	---
FY 2017 Advance		(19,200,000)	(14,500,000)	(14,500,000)	(-4,700,000)	---
FY 2018 Advance		(445,000)	(445,000)	(445,000)	---	---
Trust Funds		7,307,899	7,831,263	7,583,512	+275,613	-247,751
TITLE VI - EBOLA RESPONSE AND PREPAREDNESS (total)		(2,772,000)	---	---	(-2,772,000)	---

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RECAP						
Mandatory, total in bill		681,328,025	717,998,005	718,185,805	+36,857,780	+187,800
Less advances for subsequent years		-135,953,140	-133,701,502	-133,701,502	+2,251,638	---
Plus advances provided in prior years		126,646,323	135,953,140	135,953,140	+9,306,817	---
Total, mandatory, current year		672,021,208	720,249,643	720,437,443	+48,416,235	+187,800
Discretionary, total in bill		164,232,053	174,778,223	170,242,946	+6,010,893	-4,535,277
Less advances for subsequent years		-24,814,001	-24,814,001	-24,814,001	---	---
Plus advances provided in prior years		24,814,001	24,814,001	24,814,001	---	---
Subtotal, discretionary, current year		164,232,053	174,778,223	170,242,946	+6,010,893	-4,535,277
Discretionary Scorekeeping adjustments:						
SSI/SSPA User Fee Collection		-123,000	-136,000	-136,000	-13,000	---
Ebola funding (Public Law 113-164)		88,000	---	---	-88,000	---
Average Weekly Insured Unemployment (AWIU) Contingent	TF	20,000	20,000	5,000	-15,000	-15,000
Medicare Eligible Accruals (permanent,indefinite) 1/		27,947	30,664	29,000	+1,053	-1,664
Rescissions (PL111-148):						
Independent Payment Advisory Board		-10,000	---	-15,000	-5,000	-15,000
Childrens Health Insurance Program (rescission)		-1,745,000	---	---	+1,745,000	---
Childrens Health Insurance Program one-time payment (rescission)		-4,549,000	-3,330,000	-4,678,500	-129,500	-1,348,500
Child Enrollment contingency fund (rescission)		---	-2,105,000	-2,105,000	-2,105,000	---

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TANF Contingency Fund (transfer out)	---	(-25,000)	(-25,000)	(-25,000)	---
ACF Children's research and technology assistance (by transfer)	---	(15,000)	(15,000)	(+15,000)	---
Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census (by transfer)	---	(10,000)	(10,000)	(+10,000)	---
Career pathways included in Pell grant benefit	1,000	---	1,000	---	+1,000
Long-Term Care Hospitals	---	---	2,000	+2,000	+2,000
Traditional Medicare program	305,000	---	305,000	---	+305,000
HHS unobligated balances (rescission)	---	-446	-446	-446	---
Pell grant program (reappropriation of mandatory savings)	---	316	---	---	-316
Total, discretionary	158,247,000	169,257,757	163,650,000	+5,403,000	-5,607,757
Grand Total, current year	830,268,208	889,507,400	884,087,443	+53,819,235	-5,419,957

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TITLE I

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

SENATE

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES

For expense allowances of the Vice President, $18,760; the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, $37,520; Majority Leader of the Senate, $39,920; Minority Leader of the Senate, $39,920; Majority Whip of the Senate, $9,980; Minority Whip of the Senate, $9,980; Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Conference Committees, $4,690 for each Chairman; and Chairmen of the Majority and Minority Policy Committees, $4,690 for each Chairman; in all, $174,840.

REPRESENTATION ALLOWANCES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

For representation allowances of the Majority and Minority Leaders of the Senate, $14,070 for each such Leader; in all, $28,140.

SALARIES, OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

For compensation of officers, employees, and others as authorized by law, including agency contributions, $179,185,311, which shall be paid from this appropriation without regard to the following limitations:

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT

For the Office of the Vice President, $2,417,248.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

For the Office of the President Pro Tempore, $723,466.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY LEADERS

For Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders, $5,255,576.

OFFICES OF THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY WHIPS

For Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips, $3,359,424.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

For salaries of the Committee on Appropriations, $15,142,000.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

For the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority, at rates of compensation to be fixed by the Chairman of each such committee, $1,658,000 for each such committee; in all, $3,316,000.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES OF THE CONFERENCE OF THE MAJORITY AND THE CONFERENCE OF THE MINORITY

For Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority, $817,402.

POLICY COMMITTEES

For salaries of the Majority Policy Committee and the Minority Policy Committee, $1,692,905 for each such committee; in all, $3,385,810.

OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN

For Office of the Chaplain, $436,886.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

For Office of the Secretary, $24,772,000.

OFFICE OF THE SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER

For Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper, $69,000,000.

OFFICES OF THE SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY

For Offices of the Secretary for the Majority and the Secretary for the Minority, $1,762,000.

AGENCY CONTRIBUTIONS AND RELATED EXPENSES

For agency contributions for employee benefits, as authorized by law, and related expenses, $48,797,499.

OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL OF THE SENATE

For salaries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, $5,408,500.

OFFICE OF SENATE LEGAL COUNSEL

For salaries and expenses of the Office of Senate Legal Counsel, $1,120,000.

EXPENSE ALLOWANCES OF THE SECRETARY OF THE SENATE, SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE, AND SECRETARIES FOR THE MAJORITY AND MINORITY OF THE SENATE

For expense allowances of the Secretary of the Senate, $7,110; Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, $7,110; Secretary for the Majority of the Senate, $7,110; Secretary for the Minority of the Senate, $7,110; in all, $28,440.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE

INQUIRIES AND INVESTIGATIONS

For expenses of inquiries and investigations ordered by the Senate, or conducted under paragraph 1 of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, section 112 of the Supplemental Appropriations and Rescission Act, 1980 (Public Law 96–304), and Senate Resolution 281, 96th Congress, agreed to March 11, 1980, $133,265,000, of which $26,650,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018.

EXPENSES OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE CAUCUS ON INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL

For expenses of the United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control, $508,000.

SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

For expenses of the Office of the Secretary of the Senate, $8,750,000 of which $4,350,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020 and of which $2,500,000 shall remain available until expended.

SERGEANT AT ARMS AND DOORKEEPER OF THE SENATE

For expenses of the Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, $130,000,000, which shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

For miscellaneous items, $21,390,270 which shall remain available until September 30, 2018.

SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNT

For Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account, $390,000,000 of which $19,121,212 shall remain available until September 30, 2018.

OFFICIAL MAIL COSTS

For expenses necessary for official mail costs of the Senate, $300,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNT TO BE USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE FEDERAL DEBT

SEC. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any amounts appropriated under this Act under the heading "SENATE" under the heading "CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE SENATE" under the heading "SENATORS' OFFICIAL PERSONNEL AND OFFICE EXPENSE ACCOUNT" shall be available for obligation only during the fiscal year or fiscal years for which such amounts are made available. Any un-

expended balances under such allowances remaining after the end of the period of availability shall be returned to the Treasury in accordance with the undesignated paragraph under the center heading "GENERAL PROVISION" under chapter XI of the Third Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1957 (2 U.S.C. 4107) 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).

AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF FUNDS

SEC. 2. Section 1 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1991 (2 U.S.C. 6153) is amended—

(1) by redesignating subsections (c) and (d) as subsections (d) and (e), respectively;

(2) by inserting after subsection (b) the following:

"(c)(1) The Chaplain of the Senate may, during any fiscal year, at the election of the Chaplain of the Senate, transfer funds from the appropriation account for salaries for the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate to the account, within the contingent fund of the Senate, from which expenses are payable for the Office of the Chaplain.

"(2) The Chaplain of the Senate may, during any fiscal year, at the election of the Chaplain of the Senate, transfer funds from the appropriation account for expenses, within the contingent fund of the Senate, for the Office of the Chaplain to the account from which salaries are payable for the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate.";

(3) in subsection (d), as so redesignated—

(A) in paragraph (1), by inserting "or the Office of the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be," after "such committee" each place it appears; and

(B) in paragraph (2), by inserting "or the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be," after "the Chairman"; and

(4) in subsection (e), as so redesignated, by inserting "or the Chaplain of the Senate, as the case may be," after "The Chairman of a committee".

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the House of Representatives, $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 Minority 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, 2016 until January 2, 2017.

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.

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, $178,531,768, including: 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 representation 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, $24,980,898; 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, $14,827,120 of which $4,784,229 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, $117,165,000, of which $1,350,000 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, $1,413,450; 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 representa-

tion and reception expenses, $1,974,606; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House, $3,119,766; for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House, $8,352,975; for salaries and expenses of the Office of Interparliamentary Affairs, $814,069; for other authorized employees, $1,142,075.

ALLOWANCES AND EXPENSES

For allowances and expenses as authorized by House resolution or law, $278,433,432, including: supplies, materials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims, $3,625,236; official mail for committees, leadership offices, and administrative offices of the House, $190,486; Government contributions for health, retirement, Social Security, and other applicable employee benefits, $251,629,425, to remain available until March 31, 2017; 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, $2,084,000, 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, maintenance, repair and operation of House motor vehicles, interparliamentary receptions, and gratuities to heirs of deceased employees of the House, $720,247.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

REQUIRING AMOUNTS REMAINING IN MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES TO BE USED FOR DEFICIT REDUCTION OR TO REDUCE THE FEDERAL DEBT

SEC. 101. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any amounts appropriated under this Act for "HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—SALARIES AND EXPENSES—MEMBERS' REPRESENTATIONAL ALLOWANCES" shall be available only for fiscal year 2016. Any amount remaining after all payments are made under such allowances for fiscal year 2016 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 Administration 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.

DELIVERY OF REPORTS OF DISBURSEMENTS

SEC. 106. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of the report of disbursements for the operations of the House of Representatives under section 106 of the House of Representatives Administrative Reform Technical Corrections Act (2 U.S.C. 5535) to the office of a Member of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

DELIVERY OF DAILY CALENDAR

SEC. 107. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to deliver to the office of a Member of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress) a printed copy of the Daily Calendar of the House of Representatives which is prepared by the Clerk of the House of Representatives.

DELIVERY OF CONGRESSIONAL PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

SEC. 108. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to deliver a printed copy of the Congressional Pictorial Directory to the office of a Member of the House of Representatives (including a Delegate or Resident Commissioner to the Congress).

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 CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES OF 2017

For salaries and expenses associated with conducting the inaugural ceremonies of the President and Vice President of the United States, January 20, 2017, in accordance with such program as may be adopted by the joint congressional committee authorized to conduct the inaugural ceremonies of 2017, $1,250,000 to be disbursed by the Secretary of the Senate and to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That funds made available under this heading shall be available for payment, on a direct or reimbursable basis, whether incurred on, before, or after, October 1, 2016: *Provided further*, That the compensation of any employee of the Committee on Rules and Administration of the Senate who has been designated to perform service with respect to the inaugural ceremonies of 2017 shall continue to be paid by the Committee on Rules and Administration, but the account from which such staff member is paid may be reimbursed for the services of the staff member out of funds made available under this heading: *Provided further*, That there are authorized to be paid from the appropriations account for "Expenses of Inquiries and Investigations" of the Senate such sums as may be necessary, without fiscal year limitation, for agency contributions related to the compensation of employees of the joint congressional committee.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

For salaries and expenses of the Joint Committee on Taxation, $10,095,000, 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) $2,692,000 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, $3,784,000, 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, $1,400,000, 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, $309,000,000 of which overtime shall not exceed $30,928,000 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, $66,000,000, to be disbursed by the Chief of the Capitol Police or his designee: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the cost of basic training for the Capitol Police at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center for fiscal year 2016 shall be paid by the Secretary of Homeland Security from funds available to the Department of Homeland Security.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

DEPOSIT OF REIMBURSEMENTS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSISTANCE

SEC. 1001. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 2802(a)(1) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2001 (2 U.S.C. 1905(a)(1)) is amended by striking "District of Columbia)" and inserting the following: "District of Columbia), and from any other source in the case of assistance provided in connection with an activity that was not sponsored by Congress".

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 2802(a)(2) of such Act (2 U.S.C. 1905(a)(2)) is amended by striking "law enforcement assistance to any Federal, State, or local government agency (including any agency of the District of Columbia)" and inserting "any law enforcement assistance for which reimbursement described in paragraph (1) is made".

(c) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendments made by this section shall only apply with respect to any reimbursement received before, on, or after the date of the enactment of the Act.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses of the Office of Compliance, 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, 2017: *Provided*, That not more than $500 may be expended on the certification of the Executive Director of the Office of Compliance in connection with official representation 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 official representation and reception expenses, $46,500,000.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATIONS

For salaries for the Architect of the Capitol, and other personal services, at rates of pay provided by law; for all necessary expenses for surveys and studies, construction, operation, and general and administrative support in connection with facilities and activities under the care of 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, $91,589,000.

CAPITOL BUILDING

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol, $46,737,000, of which $22,737,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

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, $11,880,000, of which $2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

SENATE OFFICE BUILDINGS

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of Senate office buildings; and furniture and furnishings to be expended under the control and supervision of the Architect of the Capitol, $84,221,000, of which $26,283,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

HOUSE OFFICE BUILDINGS

For all necessary expenses for the maintenance, care and operation of the House office buildings, $174,962,000, of which $48,885,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020, and of which $62,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the restoration and renovation of the Cannon House Office Building.

In addition, for a payment to the House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund, $10,000,000, 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 Publishing 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, $94,722,499, of which $17,581,499 shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *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 2016.

LIBRARY BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

For all necessary expenses for the mechanical and structural maintenance, care and operation of the Library buildings and grounds, $40,689,000, of which $15,746,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

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, $25,434,000, of which $7,901,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

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, $12,113,000, of which $2,100,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020: *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, $20,557,000.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

NO BONUSES FOR CONTRACTORS BEHIND SCHEDULE OR OVER BUDGET

SEC. 1101. None of the funds made available in this Act for the Architect of the Capitol may be used to make incentive or award payments to contractors for work on contracts or programs for which the contractor is behind schedule or over budget, unless the Architect of the Capitol, or agency-employed designee, determines that any such deviations are due to unforeseeable events, government-driven scope changes, or are not significant within the overall scope of the project and/or program.

SCRIMS

SEC. 1102. 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.

ACQUISITION OF PARCEL AT FORT MEADE

SEC. 1103. (a) ACQUISITION.—The Architect of the Capitol is authorized to acquire from the Maryland State Highway Administration, at no cost to the United States, a parcel of real property (including improvements thereon) consisting of approximately 7.34 acres located within the portion of Fort George G. Meade in Anne Arundel County, Maryland, that was transferred to the Architect of the Capitol by the Secretary of the Army pursuant to section 122 of the Military Construction Appropriations Act, 1994 (2 U.S.C. 141 note).

(b) TERMS AND CONDITIONS.—The terms and conditions applicable under subsections (b) and (d) of section 122 of the Military Construction Appropriations Act, 1994 (2 U.S.C. 141 note) to the property acquired by the Architect of the Capitol pursuant to such sec-

tion shall apply to the real property acquired by the Architect pursuant to the authority of this section.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For all 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; cleaning, 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; 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, $425,971,000, of which not more than $6,000,000 shall be derived from collections credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2016, 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 2016 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: *Provided further*, That, of the total amount appropriated, $1,300,000 shall remain available until expended for upgrade of the Legislative Branch Financial Management System.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For all necessary expenses of the Copyright Office, $58,875,000, of which not more than $30,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be derived from collections credited to this appropriation during fiscal year 2016 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 $5,777,000 shall be derived from collections during fiscal year 2016 under sections 111(d)(2), 119(b)(3), 803(e), 1005, and 1316 of such title: *Provided further*, That the total amount available for obliga-

tion shall be reduced by the amount by which collections are less than $35,777,000: *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 certification of the Librarian of Congress, in connection with official representation and reception expenses for activities of the International Copyright Institute and for copyright delegations, 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 all 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 Annotated Constitution of the United States of America, $106,945,000: *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 all necessary expenses to carry out the Act of March 3, 1931 (chapter 400; 46 Stat. 1487; 2 U.S.C. 135a), $50,248,000: *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 PROVISIONS

REIMBURSABLE AND REVOLVING FUND ACTIVITIES

SEC. 1201. (a) IN GENERAL.—For fiscal year 2016, the obligational authority of the Library of Congress for the activities described in subsection (b) may not exceed $186,015,000.

(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.

LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS EMERITUS

SEC. 1202. (a) DESIGNATION OF JAMES BILLINGTON AS LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS EMERITUS.—As an honorary designation, James H. Billington, upon leaving service as the Librarian of Congress, may be known as the Librarian of Congress Emeritus.

(b) NO APPOINTMENT TO GOVERNMENT SERVICE; AVAILABILITY OF INCIDENTAL SUPPORT.—The honorary designation under this section does not constitute an appointment to a position in the Federal Government under title 5, United States Code. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, in connection with his activities as Librarian of Congress Emeritus, James H. Billington may receive incidental administrative and clerical support through the Library of Congress.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For authorized publishing of congressional information 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); publishing of Government publications authorized by law to be distributed to Members of Congress; and publishing, 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 period beginning on the date that such document, report, or publication is authorized by Congress to be printed, unless 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 Publishing Office Business Operations 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 Congressional Record on only a monthly and session basis.

PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For expenses of the public information programs of the Office of Superintendent of Documents necessary to provide for the cataloging and indexing of Government publications and their distribution to the public, Members of Congress, other Government agencies, and designated depository and international exchange libraries as authorized by law, $30,500,000: *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 2014 and 2015 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 Publishing Office Business Operations 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 PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

For payment to the Government Publishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund, $6,832,000, to remain available until expended, for information technology development and facilities repair: *Provided*, That the Government Publishing 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 Publishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund: *Provided further,* That not more than $7,500 may be expended on the certification of the Director of the Government Publishing Office in connection with official representation and reception expenses: *Provided further,* That the business operations 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 Director of the Government Publishing Office shall be deemed necessary to carry out the provisions of title 44, United States Code: *Provided further,* That the business operations 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 business operations re-

volving fund may provide information in any format: *Provided further,* That the business operations revolving fund and the funds provided under the heading "Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents" may not be used for contracted security services at GPO'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, $531,000,000: *Provided*, That, in addition, $25,450,000 of payments received under sections 782, 791, 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

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DETAILS

SEC. 1301. (a) PERMITTING DETAILS FROM OTHER FEDERAL OFFICES.—Section 731 of title 31, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(k) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT DETAILS.—The activities of the Government Accountability Office may, in the reasonable discretion of the Comptroller General, be carried out by receiving details of personnel from other offices of the Federal Government on a reimbursable, partially-reimbursable, or nonreimbursable basis.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2016 and each succeeding fiscal year.

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), $5,600,000: *Provided*, That funds made available to support Russian participants shall only be used for those engaging in free market development, humanitarian activities, and civic engagement, and shall not be used for officials of the central government of Russia.

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

MAINTENANCE AND CARE OF PRIVATE VEHICLES

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.

FISCAL YEAR LIMITATION

SEC. 202. No part of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond fiscal year 2016 unless expressly so provided in this Act.

RATES OF COMPENSATION AND DESIGNATION

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.

CONSULTING SERVICES

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.

COSTS OF LBFMC

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.

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

SEC. 206. For fiscal year 2016 and each fiscal year thereafter, the Architect of the Capitol, in consultation with the District of Columbia, is authorized to maintain and improve the landscape features, excluding streets, in Square 580 up to the beginning of I–395.

LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS

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.

GUIDED TOURS OF THE CAPITOL

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.

BATTERY RECHARGING STATIONS FOR PRIVATELY OWNED VEHICLES IN PARKING AREAS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS AT NO NET COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

SEC. 209. (a) DEFINITION.—In this section, the term "covered employee" means—

(1) an employee of the Library of Congress; or

(2) any other individual who is authorized to park in any parking area under the jurisdiction of the Library of Congress on the Library of Congress buildings and grounds.

(b) AUTHORITY.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (3), funds appropriated to the Architect of the Capitol under the heading "Capitol Power Plant" under the heading "ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL" in any fiscal year are available to construct, operate, and maintain on a reimbursable basis battery recharging stations in parking areas under the jurisdiction of the Library of Congress on Library of Congress buildings and grounds for use by privately owned vehicles used by covered employees.

(2) VENDORS AUTHORIZED.—In carrying out paragraph (1), the Architect of the Capitol may use one or more vendors on a commission basis.

(3) APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION.—The Architect of the Capitol may construct or direct the construction of battery recharging stations described under paragraph (1) after—

(A) submission of written notice detailing the numbers and locations of the battery recharging stations to the Joint Committee on the Library; and

(B) approval by that Committee.

(c) FEES AND CHARGES.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Subject to paragraph (2), the Architect of the Capitol shall charge fees or charges for electricity provided to covered employees sufficient to cover the costs to the Architect of the Capitol to carry out this section, including costs to any vendors or other costs associated with maintaining the battery charging stations.

(2) APPROVAL OF FEES OR CHARGES.—The Architect of the Capitol may establish and adjust fees or charges under paragraph (1) after—

(A) submission of written notice detailing the amount of the fee or charge to be established or adjusted to the Joint Committee on the Library; and

(B) approval by that Committee.

(d) DEPOSIT AND AVAILABILITY OF FEES, CHARGES, AND COMMISSIONS.—Any fees, charges, or commissions collected by the Architect of the Capitol under this section shall be—

(1) deposited in the Treasury to the credit of the appropriations account described under subsection (b); and

(2) available for obligation without further appropriation during the fiscal year collected.

(e) REPORTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal year, the Architect of the Capitol shall submit a report on the financial administration and cost recovery of activities under this section with respect to that fiscal year to the Joint Committee on the Library and the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and Senate.

(2) AVOIDING SUBSIDY.—

(A) DETERMINATION.—Not later than 3 years after the date of enactment of this Act and every 3 years thereafter, the Architect of the Capitol shall submit a report to the Joint Committee on the Library determining whether covered employees using battery charging stations as authorized by this section are receiving a subsidy from the taxpayers.

(B) MODIFICATION OF RATES AND FEES.—If a determination is made under subparagraph (A) that a subsidy is being received, the Architect of the Capitol shall submit a plan to the Joint Committee on the Library on how to update the program to ensure no subsidy is being received. If the Joint Committee does not act on the plan within 60 days, the Architect of the Capitol shall take appropriate steps to increase rates or fees to ensure reimbursement for the cost of the program consistent with an appropriate schedule for amortization, to be charged to those using the charging stations.

(f) EFFECTIVE DATE.—This section shall apply with respect to fiscal year 2016 and each fiscal year thereafter.

SELF-CERTIFICATION OF PERFORMANCE APPRAISAL SYSTEMS FOR SENIOR-LEVEL EMPLOYEES

SEC. 210. (a) SELF-CERTIFICATION BY LIBRARIAN OF CONGRESS, ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL, AND DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE.—Section 5307(d) of title 5, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in paragraph (1)(A), by striking "this title or section 332(f), 603, or 604 of title 28" and inserting "this title, section 332(f), 603, or 604 of title 28, or section 108 of the Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 1991 (2 U.S.C. 1849)"; and

(2) by adding at the end the following new paragraph:

"(5)(A) Notwithstanding any provision of paragraph (3), any regulations, certifications, or other measures necessary to carry out this subsection—

"(i) with respect to employees of the Library of Congress shall be the responsibility of the Librarian of Congress;

"(ii) with respect to employees of the Office of the Architect of the Capitol shall be the responsibility of the Architect of the Capitol; and

"(iii) with respect to employees of the Government Publishing Office shall be the responsibility of the Director of the Government Publishing Office.

"(B) The regulations under this paragraph shall be consistent with those promulgated under paragraph (3).".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by subsection (a) shall take effect on the date of the enactment of this Act.

This division may be cited as the "Legislative Branch Appropriations Act, 2016".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division I contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 2029, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.[1]]

DIVISION I—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

The following is an explanation of the effects of Division I, which makes appropriations for the Legislative Branch for fiscal year 2016. Unless otherwise noted, reference to the House and Senate reports are to House Report 114–110 and Senate Report 114–64. The language included in these reports should be complied with and carry the same emphasis as the language included in the explanatory statement, unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this explanatory statement. While repeating some report language for emphasis, this explanatory statement does not intend to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein.

Reprogramming Guidelines.—It is expected that all agencies notify the Committees on Appropriations of the House and the Senate of any significant departures from budget plans presented to the Committees in any agency's budget justifications. In particular, agencies funded through this bill are required to notify the Committees prior to each reprogramming of funds in excess of the lesser of 10 percent or $750,000 between programs, projects or activities, or in excess of $750,000 between object classifications (except for shifts within the pay categories, object class 11, 12, and 13 or as further specified in each agency's respective section). This includes cumulative reprogrammings that together total at least $750,000 from or to a particular program, activity, or object classification as well as reprogramming FTEs or funds to create new organizational entities within the Agency or to restructure entities which already exist. The Committees desire to be notified of reprogramming actions which involve less than the above-mentioned amounts if such actions would have the effect of changing an agency's funding requirements in future years or if programs or projects specifically cited in the Committee's reports are affected.

TITLE I

SENATE

The agreement includes $870,158,501 for Senate operations. This item relates solely to the Senate, and is in accordance with long practice under which each body determines its own housekeeping requirements and the other concurs without intervention.

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on December 17, 2015 by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 of Books II and III.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement provides for unspent amounts remaining in Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account to be used for deficit or debt reduction and a technical correction regarding funding for the Office of the Chaplain.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The agreement includes $1,180,736,000 for House operations. This item relates solely to the House, and is in accordance with long practice under which each body determines its own housekeeping requirements and the other concurs without intervention.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement provides for unspent amounts remaining in Members' Representational Allowances account to be used for deficit or debt reduction, prohibits the delivery of bills and resolutions, prohibits the delivery of printed copies of the Congressional record, places a limitation on amount available to lease vehicles, places a limitation on print copies of the U.S. Code, prohibits delivery of reports of disbursements, daily calendars, and printed copies of the Congressional Pictorial Directory.

JOINT ITEMS

JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE

The agreement includes $4,203,000 for salaries and expenses.

JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES OF 2017

The agreement includes $1,250,000 for salaries and expenses.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON TAXATION

The agreement includes $10,095,000 for salaries and expenses.

OFFICE OF THE ATTENDING PHYSICIAN

The agreement includes $3,784,000.

OFFICE OF CONGRESSIONAL ACCESSIBILITY SERVICES

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $1,400,000.

CAPITOL POLICE

Threat Vulnerabilities.—The Congress finds that it is critical to ensure that the Capitol Police is taking every step to protect the Capitol now and also to prepare to implement emerging technology and operational capabilities that will decrease our potential vulnerability to threats in the future. The Capitol Police is directed to keep the Congress immediately and fully apprised of resource and operational needs as emerging threats to the Capitol complex evolve and to robustly engage with leaders in Federal and commer-

cial research and development on technology to counter potential emerging threats.

SALARIES

The agreement includes $309,000,000 for salaries of the Capitol Police.

Of the funds provided, $4,000,000 shall not be made available until the Capitol Police Board has provided a plan to the Committees on Appropriations of the House and Senate for its use in enhancing security within the Capitol campus.

GENERAL EXPENSES

The agreement includes $66,000,000 for general expenses of the Capitol Police.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

The agreement provides for deposit of reimbursements for law enforcement assistance in connection with an activity that was not sponsored by Congress.

OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $3,959,000.

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $46,500,000 for salaries and expenses.

ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL

The Architect of the Capitol is currently engaged in rather large construction projects on the Capitol campus. Those projects include the Restoration and Renovation Cannon House Office Building and the Capitol Power Plant West Refrigeration Plant Chiller System Replacement. In order to ensure these projects remain on track, stay within the approved scope, and on budget the Congress directs the Architect of the Capitol to not obligate any funding provided in the Act until the Architect submits to the Architect of the Capitol's Office of the Inspector General a plan confirming each project was developed and prioritized according to established project management process using industry best practices to include scope, budget, schedule, and cost schedule risk assessments to ensure that the project will be carried out in a timely and cost-effective manner; and the Architect of the Capitol's Inspector General provides notification of such plan to the Committees on Appropriations.

The Architect of the Capitol's Inspector General shall provide quarterly status updates on Cannon House Office Building to the House Committee on Appropriations.

The Architect of the Capitol's Inspector General shall provide quarterly status updates on the Capitol Power Plant to the Committees on Appropriations.

Capital Construction and Operations

The agreement includes $91,589,000 for Capital Construction and Operations.

Capitol Building

The agreement includes $46,737,000, for maintenance, care, and operation of the Capitol, of which $22,737,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget	$24,000,000
Project Budget:	
1. FY 2017 Presidential Inaugural Stands	4,950,000
2. Exterior Stone & Metal Preservation, South Extension, Phase IIB	14,287,000
3. Minor Construction	3,500,000
	22,737,000
Total, Capitol Building	$46,737,000

Capitol Grounds

The agreement includes $11,880,000 for the care and improvements of the grounds surrounding the Capitol, House and Senate office buildings, and the Capitol Power Plant, of which $2,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

With respect to operations and projects, the following was agreed to:

Operating Budget	$9,880,000
Project Budget:	
1. Minor Construction	2,000,000
Total, Capitol Grounds	$11,880,000

Senate Office Buildings

The agreement includes $84,221,000 for the maintenance, care and operation of the Senate office buildings, of which $26,283,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

This item relates solely to the Senate and is in accordance with long practice under which each body determines its own housekeeping requirements, and the other concurs without intervention.

Operating Budget	$57,938,000
Project Budget:	
1. Senate Underground Garage Renovations & Landscape Restoration, Phase IB	8,200,000
2. Exterior Envelope Repair & Restoration, Phase III West Facade, RSOB	10,182,000
3. Kitchen Exhaust System Upgrade, Phase III, DSOB, RSOB	1,732,000
4. Exterior Envelope Rehabilitation, HSOB	1,169,000
5. Minor Construction	5,000,000
	26,283,000
Total, Senate Office Buildings	$84,221,000

House Office Buildings

The agreement includes $174,962,000 for the basic and recurring needs of the House within the House Office Buildings account, of which $48,885,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020 and $62,000,000 shall remain available until expended.

Operating Budget	$64,077,000
Project Budget:	
1. Garage Rehabilitation, Phase I, RHOB	17,825,000
2. House Office Building Security Improvements, Phase I	20,400,000
3. House CAO Projects	3,660,000
4. Restoration & Renovation, CHOB	62,000,000
5. Minor Construction	7,000,000
	110,885,000
Total, House Office Buildings (base program)	$174,962,000

House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund.—In addition to funding for core facility needs, the agreement includes $10,000,000 for the Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund, to remain available until expended.

As these funds relate solely to the House, and is in accordance with long practice under which each body determines its own housekeeping requirements and the other concurs without intervention.

Capitol Power Plant

In addition to the $9,000,000 made available from receipts credited as reimbursements to this appropriation, the agreement includes $94,722,499 for maintenance, care and operation of the Capitol Power Plant, of which $17,581,499 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget	$86,141,000
Project Budget:	
1. WRP Chiller System Replacement, RPR, Phase IIIS, CPP	11,956,499
2. Cogeneration Management Program	1,625,000
3. Minor Construction	4,000,000
	17,581,499
Subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	$103,722,499
Offsetting Collections	(9,000,000)
Total, Capitol Power Plant	$94,722,499

Library Buildings and Grounds

The agreement includes $40,689,000 for Library of Congress buildings and grounds, of which $15,746,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget	$24,943,000
Project Budget:	
1. Emergency Lightning System Upgrade, JAB	3,331,000
2. Collection Storage Modules Design Modules 6 & 7, Ft. Meade	1,994,000

3. Direct Digital Controls Upgrade, Phase III, JMMB	4,321,000
4. East and West Pavilion Roof Replacement, TJB	4,100,000
5. Minor Construction	2,000,000
	15,746,000
Total, Library Buildings and Grounds	$40,689,000

Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security

The agreement includes $25,434,000 for Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security, of which $7,901,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget	$17,533,000
Project Budget:	
1. Power Switchgear Replacement, USCP HQ	3,525,000
2. Critical Electrical Infrastructure Upgrade, ACF	3,376,000
3. Minor Construction	1,000,000
	7,901,000
Total, Capitol Police Buildings, Grounds, and Security	$25,434,000

Botanic Garden

The agreement includes $12,113,000 for salaries and expenses for the Botanic Garden, of which $2,100,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020.

With respect to operations and projects, the following is agreed to:

Operating Budget	$10,013,000
Project Budget:	
1. Minor Construction	2,100,000
Total, Botanic Garden	$12,113,000

Capitol Visitor Center

The agreement includes $20,557,000 for the Capitol Visitor Center.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement prohibits payments of bonuses to contractors behind schedule or over budget, prohibits expenditure of funds for scrims for projects performed by the Architect of the Capitol, and authorizes acquisition of certain acreage at Fort George Meade from the Maryland State Highway Administration.

Library of Congress

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $419,621,000 in direct appropriations and authority to spend receipts of $6,350,000. The amount includes $1,300,000 to begin the financial management system software upgrade, $500,000 financial system study, $4,800,000 for the national

collection stewardship program, and $8,231,000 for the digital collections and education curricula program.

Library Procurement.—In the fiscal year 2013 House Report 112–511 the Committee expressed its concern with the findings in a recently issued Office of Inspector General (OIG) report concerning the Library Wide Acquisition Function. The OIG report contained many findings, some that were reported either in previous OIG audits or memoranda, as far back as ten years, that needed immediate Library management attention. There are concerns about continued weaknesses within the Library's procurement process, as demonstrated when the Committee received a reprogramming request on the next to the last day of fiscal year 2015. These weaknesses threaten the ability of the Library to make timely purchases of necessary goods and services, provide the best value for the taxpayer, and preserve funds for other mission-critical activities.

The Library is directed to follow the recommendations of the Library's OIG and federal agency best practices related to procurement, tracking and prioritizing unobligated balances throughout the fiscal year. Furthermore, the Library is directed to develop and submit any reprogramming requests of such unobligated balances no later than August 1st of each fiscal year.

COPYRIGHT OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $23,098,000 in direct appropriations to the Copyright Office. An additional $35,777,000 is made available from receipts for salaries and expenses.

The resources provided are in recognition that the current Copyright system is not serving creators and industry to the standard necessary to promote creative and commercial exchange. With the limited resources available in the Legislative Branch, it is imperative that these additional resources provided in this agreement and in fiscal year 2015 are used in a manner that achieves the universal goal of improving the Nation's Copyright system. In fiscal year 2015, the Committee required an expenditure plan for the use of funds and received two plans for use of funds within two months. The multiple submissions have raised concerns that there is not a comprehensive plan in which to bring the Copyright system into the modern age. House Report 114–110 requires the Register of Copyrights to submit a detailed plan on necessary IT upgrades, a cost estimate for the full modernization effort, and a funding strategy with a time frame for completion. The expectation is that the requirements set forth in House Report 114–110 will formalize a plan that all stakeholders can work from to ensure that funds are being used effectively.

In addition, the appropriated dollars above fiscal year 2015, $2,300,000, is not available for obligation until the Committees receive the IT plans and cost estimates required in House Report 114–110. After submission of the IT plan and cost estimate, the Register is directed to provide quarterly reports on its expenditure of funds and milestones achieved to implement the IT upgrades to modernize the Copyright system.

CONGRESSIONAL RESEARCH SERVICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $106,945,000 for salaries and expenses.

BOOKS FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $50,248,000 for salaries and expenses.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement authorizes obligational authority for reimbursable and revolving funds, and designates Dr. James H. Billington as Librarian of Congress Emeritus.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE

CONGRESSIONAL PUBLISHING

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes $79,736,000 for authorized publishing, printing and binding for the Congress.

PUBLIC INFORMATION PROGRAMS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF DOCUMENTS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes $30,500,000.

GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE BUSINESS OPERATIONS REVOLVING FUND

The agreement includes $6,832,000.

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $531,000,000 in direct appropriations for salaries and expenses of the Government Accountability Office. In addition, $25,450,000 is available from offsetting collections.

Funding for GAO is provided at a level that will maintain staffing levels achievable with the fiscal year 2015 funding level.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

The agreement authorizes details of personnel to the Government Accountability Office.

OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND

The agreement includes $5,600,000 for payment to the Open World Leadership Center Trust Fund.

The Congress appreciates the role that the Open World Leadership Center has played in linking Members of the House and Sen-

ate to rising legislative and civic leaders in countries critical to American interest. However, the Congress believes that the Centers' mission and role should be directly relevant to the role of the legislative branch of Congress. As such, the Center's board of trustees is directed to provide the relevant authorization and appropriations committees with a report on how the Center can serve the Congress in a more effective and relevant manner.

This report shall: (1) provide a strategic plan for the Center's efforts to enhance engagement and cooperation between the Congress and legislatures abroad; (2) provide an analysis on how the Center could support and collaborate with other legislative branch agencies such as the House Office of Inter-parliamentary Affairs and the House Democracy Partnership; and (3) propose any statutory changes required for the Center to focus its mission on supporting Congressional engagement with legislatures in emerging democracies abroad. The report is to be provided to the relevant committees no later than March 31, 2016.

JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement includes $430,000.

TITLE II—GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement continues provisions related to maintenance and care of private vehicles, fiscal year limitations, rates of compensation and designation, consulting services, costs of the LBFMC, landscape maintenance, limitation on transfers, guided tours of the Capitol, battery recharging stations, and self-certification of performance appraisal systems for senior-level employees.

DIVISION I -- LEGISLATIVE BRANCH APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016
(Amounts in Thousands)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
TITLE I - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH					
SENATE					
Expense allowances:					
Vice President	19	19	19	---	---
President Pro Tempore of the Senate	38	38	38	---	---
Majority Leader of the Senate	40	40	40	---	---
Minority Leader of the Senate	40	40	40	---	---
Majority Whip of the Senate	10	10	10	---	---
Minority Whip of the Senate	10	10	10	---	---
Chairman of the Majority Conference Committee	5	5	5	---	---
Chairman of the Minority Conference Committee	5	5	5	---	---
Chairman of the Majority Policy Committee	5	5	5	---	---
Chairman of the Minority Policy Committee	5	5	5	---	---
Subtotal, expense allowances	177	177	177	---	---
Representation allowances for the Majority and Minority Leaders	28	28	28	---	---
Total, Expense allowances and representation	205	205	205	---	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
Salaries, Officers and Employees					
Office of the Vice President	2,417	2,448	2,417	---	-31
Office of the President Pro Tempore	723	733	723	---	-10
Offices of the Majority and Minority Leaders	5,256	5,322	5,256	---	-66
Offices of the Majority and Minority Whips	3,359	3,403	3,359	---	-44
Committee on Appropriations	15,142	15,329	15,142	---	-187
Conference committees	3,316	3,360	3,316	---	-44
Offices of the Secretaries of the Conference of the Majority and the Conference of the Minority	817	831	817	---	-14
Policy committees	3,386	3,430	3,386	---	-44
Office of the Chaplain	417	424	437	+20	+13
Office of the Secretary	24,772	25,077	24,772	---	-305
Office of the Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper	69,000	71,533	69,000	---	-2,533
Offices of the Secretaries for the Majority and Minority	1,762	1,786	1,762	---	-24
Agency contributions and related expenses	47,356	50,786	48,797	+1,441	-1,989
Total, Salaries, officers and employees	177,723	184,462	179,184	+1,461	-5,278
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the Senate					
Salaries and expenses	5,409	5,643	5,409	---	-234
Office of Senate Legal Counsel					
Salaries and expenses	1,120	1,133	1,120	---	-13

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
Expense Allowances of the Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate, and Secretaries for the Majority and Minority of the Senate: Expenses allowances	28	28	28	---	---
Contingent Expenses of the Senate					
Inquiries and investigations	133,265	135,747	133,265	---	-2,482
Expenses of United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control	508	516	508	---	-8
Secretary of the Senate	6,250	8,750	8,750	+2,500	---
Sergeant at Arms and Doorkeeper of the Senate	128,300	133,974	130,000	+1,700	-3,974
Miscellaneous items	21,178	21,401	21,390	+212	-11
Senators' Official Personnel and Office Expense Account	390,000	438,245	390,000	---	-48,245
Official Mail Costs					
Expenses	300	300	300	---	---
Total, Contingent expenses of the Senate	679,801	738,933	684,213	+4,412	-54,720
Total, Senate	864,286	930,404	870,159	+5,873	-60,245

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES					
Payment to Widows and Heirs of Deceased Members of Congress (Public Law 114-53, Sec. 143) 1/.....	---	---	174	+174	+174
Salaries and Expenses					
House Leadership Offices					
Office of the Speaker.....	6,645	6,645	6,645	---	---
Office of the Majority Floor Leader.....	2,180	2,180	2,180	---	---
Office of the Minority Floor Leader.....	7,114	7,114	7,114	---	---
Office of the Majority Whip.....	1,887	1,887	1,887	---	---
Office of the Minority Whip.....	1,460	1,460	1,460	---	---
Republican Conference.....	1,505	1,505	1,505	---	---
Democratic Caucus.....	1,487	1,487	1,487	---	---
Subtotal, House Leadership Offices.....	22,278	22,278	22,278	---	---
Members' Representational Allowances Including Members' Clerk Hire, Official Expenses of Members, and Official Mail					
Expenses.....	554,318	554,318	554,318	---	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
Committee Employees					
Standing Committees, Special and Select	123,903	123,903	123,903	---	---
Committee on Appropriations (including studies and investigations)	23,271	23,271	23,271	---	---
Subtotal, Committee employees	147,174	147,174	147,174	---	---
Salaries, Officers and Employees					
Office of the Clerk	24,009	24,981	24,981	+972	---
Office of the Sergeant at Arms	11,927	14,827	14,827	+2,900	---
Office of the Chief Administrative Officer	113,100	117,165	117,165	+4,065	---
Office of the Inspector General	4,742	4,742	4,742	---	---
Office of General Counsel	1,341	1,413	1,413	+72	---
Office of the Parliamentarian	1,952	1,975	1,975	+23	---
Office of the Law Revision Counsel of the House	4,088	3,120	3,120	-968	---
Office of the Legislative Counsel of the House	8,893	8,353	8,353	-540	---
Office of Interparliamentary Affairs	814	814	814	---	---
Other authorized employees	479	479	1,142	+663	+663
Subtotal, Salaries, officers and employees	171,345	177,869	178,532	+7,187	+663

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
Allowances and Expenses					
Supplies, materials, administrative costs and Federal tort claims	4,153	3,625	3,625	-528	---
Official mail for committees, leadership offices, and administrative offices of the House	190	190	190	---	---
Government contributions	256,636	252,164	251,629	-5,007	-535
Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery	16,217	16,289	16,217	---	-72
Transition activities	3,737	2,084	2,084	-1,653	---
Wounded Warrior program	2,500	2,500	2,500	---	---
Office of Congressional Ethics	1,467	1,524	1,467	---	-57
Miscellaneous items	720	720	720	---	---
Subtotal, Allowances and expenses	285,620	279,096	278,432	-7,188	-664
Total, House of Representatives (discretionary)	1,180,735	1,180,735	1,180,734	-1	-1
Total, House of Representatives (mandatory)	---	---	174	+174	+174
JOINT ITEMS					
Joint Economic Committee	4,203	4,254	4,203	---	-51
Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies	---	---	1,250	+1,250	+1,250
Joint Committee on Taxation	10,095	10,300	10,095	---	-205

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
Office of the Attending Physician					
Medical supplies, equipment, expenses, and allowances.	3,371	3,797	3,784	+413	-13
Office of Congressional Accessibility Services.....	1,387	1,416	1,400	+13	-16
Total, Joint items.....	19,056	19,767	20,732	+1,676	+965
CAPITOL POLICE					
Salaries.....	286,500	307,428	309,000	+22,500	+1,572
General expenses.....	61,459	71,472	66,000	+4,541	-5,472
Total, Capitol Police.....	347,959	378,900	375,000	+27,041	-3,900
OFFICE OF COMPLIANCE					
Salaries and expenses.....	3,959	4,020	3,959	---	-61
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE					
Salaries and expenses.....	45,700	47,270	46,500	+800	-770

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
ARCHITECT OF THE CAPITOL					
Capital Construction and Operations 2/	91,455	95,396	91,589	+134	-3,807
Capitol building	54,665	58,052	46,737	-7,928	-11,315
Capitol grounds	11,973	15,273	11,880	-93	-3,393
Senate office buildings	94,313	84,748	84,221	-10,092	-527
House of Representatives buildings:					
House office buildings	89,447	90,282	174,962	+85,515	+84,680
House Historic Buildings Revitalization Trust Fund	70,000	70,000	10,000	-60,000	-60,000
Capitol Power Plant	99,652	129,803	103,722	+4,070	-26,081
Offsetting collections	-9,000	-9,000	-9,000	---	---
Subtotal, Capitol Power Plant	90,652	120,803	94,722	+4,070	-26,081
Library buildings and grounds	42,180	65,801	40,689	-1,491	-25,112
Capitol police buildings, grounds, and security	19,159	28,247	25,434	+6,275	-2,813
Botanic Garden	15,573	12,113	12,113	-3,460	---
Capitol Visitor Center:					
CVC operations	20,844	21,043	20,557	-287	-486
Total, Architect of the Capitol	600,261	661,758	612,904	+12,643	-48,854

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
LIBRARY OF CONGRESS					
Salaries and expenses	419,357	444,370	425,971	+6,614	-18,399
Authority to spend receipts	-6,350	-6,350	-6,350	---	---
Subtotal, Salaries and expenses	413,007	438,020	419,621	+6,614	-18,399
Copyright Office, Salaries and expenses	54,303	58,875	58,875	+4,572	---
Authority to spend receipts	-33,582	-35,777	-35,777	-2,195	---
Subtotal, Copyright Office	20,721	23,098	23,098	+2,377	---
Congressional Research Service, Salaries and expenses	106,945	111,956	106,945	---	-5,011
Books for the blind and physically handicapped, Salaries and expenses	50,248	51,428	50,248	---	-1,180
Total, Library of Congress	590,921	624,502	599,912	+8,991	-24,590

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
GOVERNMENT PUBLISHING OFFICE					
Congressional publishing	79,736	79,736	79,736	---	---
Public Information Programs of the Superintendent of Documents,					
Salaries and expenses	31,500	30,500	30,500	-1,000	---
Government Publishing Office Business Operations Revolving Fund	8,757	9,764	6,832	-1,925	-2,932
Total, Government Publishing Office	119,993	120,000	117,068	-2,925	-2,932
GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE					
Salaries and expenses	545,750	578,508	556,450	+10,700	-22,058
Offsetting collections	-23,750	-25,450	-25,450	-1,700	---
Total, Government Accountability Office	522,000	553,058	531,000	+9,000	-22,058

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
OPEN WORLD LEADERSHIP CENTER TRUST FUND					
Payment to the Open World Leadership Center (OWLC) Trust Fund	5,700	8,000	5,600	-100	-2,400
JOHN C. STENNIS CENTER FOR PUBLIC SERVICE TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT					
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	---	---
GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Scorekeeping adjustment (CBO estimate)	-1,000	---	-1,000	---	-1,000
Grand total	4,300,000	4,528,844	4,363,172	+63,172	-165,672
Discretionary	(4,300,000)	(4,528,844)	(4,362,998)	(+62,998)	(-165,846)
Mandatory 1/	---	---	(174)	(+174)	(+174)

1/ Funds provided in Continuing Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114-53)
2/ Formerly named General Administration

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RECAPITULATION	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs. FY 2015	Final Bill vs. Request
Senate	864,286	930,404	870,159	+5,873	-60,245
House of Representatives (discretionary)	1,180,735	1,180,735	1,180,734	-1	-1
House of Representatives (mandatory) 1/	---	---	174	+174	+174
Joint Items	19,056	19,767	20,732	+1,676	+965
Capitol Police	347,959	378,900	375,000	+27,041	-3,900
Office of Compliance	3,959	4,020	3,959	---	-61
Congressional Budget Office	45,700	47,270	46,500	+800	-770
Architect of the Capitol	600,261	661,758	612,904	+12,643	-48,854
Library of Congress	590,921	624,502	599,912	+8,991	-24,590
Government Publishing Office	119,993	120,000	117,068	-2,925	-2,932
Government Accountability Office	522,000	553,058	531,000	+9,000	-22,058
Open World Leadership Center	5,700	8,000	5,600	-100	-2,400
Stennis Center for Public Service	430	430	430	---	---
General Provisions	-1,000	---	-1,000	---	-1,000
Grand total	4,300,000	4,528,844	4,363,172	+63,172	-165,672
Discretionary	(4,300,000)	(4,528,844)	(4,362,998)	(+62,998)	(-165,846)
Mandatory 1/	---	---	(174)	(+174)	(+174)

1/ Funds provided in Continuing Appropriations Act, 2016 (Public Law 114-53)

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Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016

(H.R. 2029; P.L. 114–113)

DIVISION J—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

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TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, facilities, and real property for the Army as currently authorized by law, including personnel in the Army Corps of Engineers and other personal services necessary for the purposes of this appropriation, and for construction and operation of facilities in support of the functions of the Commander in Chief, $663,245,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of this amount, not to exceed $109,245,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, and host nation support, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Army determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, naval installations, facilities, and real property for the Navy and Marine Corps as currently authorized by law, including personnel in the Naval Facilities Engineering Command and other personal services necessary for the purposes of this appropriation, $1,669,239,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of this amount, not to exceed $91,649,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Navy determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be obligated for the Townsend Bombing Range Expansion, Phase 2, until the Secretary of the Navy enters into an agreement with local stakeholders that addresses the disposition and management of the timber and forest resources in the proposed areas of expansion.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, military installations, facilities,

and real property for the Air Force as currently authorized by law, $1,389,185,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That of this amount, not to exceed $89,164,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Air Force determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For acquisition, construction, installation, and equipment of temporary or permanent public works, installations, facilities, and real property for activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments), as currently authorized by law, $2,242,867,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such amounts of this appropriation as may be determined by the Secretary of Defense may be transferred to such appropriations of the Department of Defense available for military construction or family housing as the Secretary may designate, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes, and for the same time period, as the appropriation or fund to which transferred: *Provided further*, That of the amount appropriated, not to exceed $175,404,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of Defense determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available by this title to construct fiscal year 2016 Special Operations Command military construction projects, not to exceed 75 percent shall be available until the Commander of the Special Operations Command has complied with the certification and reporting requirements in the last proviso under the heading "Department of Defense—Military Construction, Defense-Wide" in title I of H.R. 2029, as passed by the House of Representatives on April 30, 2015.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Army National Guard, and contributions therefor, as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, $197,237,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of the amount appropriated, not to exceed $20,337,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Director of the Army National Guard determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Air National Guard, and contributions therefor, as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, $138,738,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of the amount appropriated, not to exceed $5,104,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Director of the Air National Guard determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Army Reserve as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, $113,595,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of the amount appropriated, not to exceed $9,318,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Chief of the Army Reserve determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the reserve components of the Navy and Marine Corps as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, $36,078,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of the amount appropriated, not to exceed $2,208,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Secretary of the Navy determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE

For construction, acquisition, expansion, rehabilitation, and conversion of facilities for the training and administration of the Air Force Reserve as authorized by chapter 1803 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, $65,021,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, of the amount appropriated, not to exceed $13,400,000 shall be available for study, planning, design, and architect and engineer services, as authorized by law, unless the Chief of the Air Force Reserve determines that additional obligations are necessary for such purposes and notifies the Committees on Appropriations of

both Houses of Congress of the determination and the reasons therefor.

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

For the United States share of the cost of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program for the acquisition and construction of military facilities and installations (including international military headquarters) and for related expenses for the collective defense of the North Atlantic Treaty Area as authorized by section 2806 of title 10, United States Code, and Military Construction Authorization Acts, $135,000,000, to remain available until expended.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

For expenses of family housing for the Army for construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law, $108,695,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY

For expenses of family housing for the Army for operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and interest charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by law, $375,611,000.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For expenses of family housing for the Navy and Marine Corps for construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law, $16,541,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

For expenses of family housing for the Navy and Marine Corps for operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and interest charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by law, $353,036,000.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

For expenses of family housing for the Air Force for construction, including acquisition, replacement, addition, expansion, extension, and alteration, as authorized by law, $160,498,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE

For expenses of family housing for the Air Force for operation and maintenance, including debt payment, leasing, minor construction, principal and interest charges, and insurance premiums, as authorized by law, $331,232,000.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE

For expenses of family housing for the activities and agencies of the Department of Defense (other than the military departments) for operation and maintenance, leasing, and minor construction, as authorized by law, $58,668,000.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT

For deposit into the Department of Defense Base Closure Account, established by section 2906(a) of the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Act of 1990 (10 U.S.C. 2687 note), $266,334,000, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 101. None of the funds made available in this title shall be expended for payments under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract for construction, where cost estimates exceed $25,000, to be performed within the United States, except Alaska, without the specific approval in writing of the Secretary of Defense setting forth the reasons therefor.

SEC. 102. Funds made available in this title for construction shall be available for hire of passenger motor vehicles.

SEC. 103. Funds made available in this title for construction may be used for advances to the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, for the construction of access roads as authorized by section 210 of title 23, United States Code, when projects authorized therein are certified as important to the national defense by the Secretary of Defense.

SEC. 104. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to begin construction of new bases in the United States for which specific appropriations have not been made.

SEC. 105. None of the funds made available in this title shall be used for purchase of land or land easements in excess of 100 percent of the value as determined by the Army Corps of Engineers or the Naval Facilities Engineering Command, except: (1) where there is a determination of value by a Federal court; (2) purchases negotiated by the Attorney General or the designee of the Attorney General; (3) where the estimated value is less than $25,000; or (4) as otherwise determined by the Secretary of Defense to be in the public interest.

SEC. 106. None of the funds made available in this title shall be used to: (1) acquire land; (2) provide for site preparation; or (3) install utilities for any family housing, except housing for which funds have been made available in annual Acts making appropriations for military construction.

SEC. 107. None of the funds made available in this title for minor construction may be used to transfer or relocate any activity from one base or installation to another, without prior notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 108. None of the funds made available in this title may be used for the procurement of steel for any construction project or activity for which American steel producers, fabricators, and manufacturers have been denied the opportunity to compete for such steel procurement.

SEC. 109. None of the funds available to the Department of Defense for military construction or family housing during the current fiscal year may be used to pay real property taxes in any foreign nation.

SEC. 110. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to initiate a new installation overseas without prior notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 111. None of the funds made available in this title may be obligated for architect and engineer contracts estimated by the Government to exceed $500,000 for projects to be accomplished in Japan, in any North Atlantic Treaty Organization member country, or in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf, unless such contracts are awarded to United States firms or United States firms in joint venture with host nation firms.

SEC. 112. None of the funds made available in this title for military construction in the United States territories and possessions in the Pacific and on Kwajalein Atoll, or in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf, may be used to award any contract estimated by the Government to exceed $1,000,000 to a foreign contractor: *Provided*, That this section shall not be applicable to contract awards for which the lowest responsive and responsible bid of a United States contractor exceeds the lowest responsive and responsible bid of a foreign contractor by greater than 20 percent: *Provided further*, That this section shall not apply to contract awards for military construction on Kwajalein Atoll for which the lowest responsive and responsible bid is submitted by a Marshallese contractor.

SEC. 113. The Secretary of Defense shall inform the appropriate committees of both Houses of Congress, including the Committees on Appropriations, of plans and scope of any proposed military exercise involving United States personnel 30 days prior to its occurring, if amounts expended for construction, either temporary or permanent, are anticipated to exceed $100,000.

SEC. 114. Funds appropriated to the Department of Defense for construction in prior years shall be available for construction authorized for each such military department by the authorizations enacted into law during the current session of Congress.

SEC. 115. For military construction or family housing projects that are being completed with funds otherwise expired or lapsed for obligation, expired or lapsed funds may be used to pay the cost of associated supervision, inspection, overhead, engineering and design on those projects and on subsequent claims, if any.

SEC. 116. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any funds made available to a military department or defense agency for the construction of military projects may be obligated for a military construction project or contract, or for any portion of such a project or contract, at any time before the end of the fourth fiscal year after the fiscal year for which funds for such project were made available, if the funds obligated for such project: (1) are obligated from funds available for military construction projects; and (2) do not exceed the amount appropriated for such project, plus any amount by which the cost of such project is increased pursuant to law.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 117. Subject to 30 days prior notification, or 14 days for a notification provided in an electronic medium pursuant to sections 480 and 2883 of title 10, United States Code, to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, such additional amounts as may be determined by the Secretary of Defense may be transferred to: (1) the Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund from amounts appropriated for construction in "Family Housing" accounts, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes and for the same period of time as amounts appropriated directly to the Fund; or (2) the Department of Defense Military Unaccompanied Housing Improvement Fund from amounts appropriated for construction of military unaccompanied housing in "Military Construction" accounts, to be merged with and to be available for the same purposes and for the same period of time as amounts appropriated directly to the Fund: *Provided*, That appropriations made available to the Funds shall be available to cover the costs, as defined in section 502(5) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, of direct loans or loan guarantees issued by the Department of Defense pursuant to the provisions of subchapter IV of chapter 169 of title 10, United States Code, pertaining to alternative means of acquiring and improving military family housing, military unaccompanied housing, and supporting facilities.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 118. In addition to any other transfer authority available to the Department of Defense, amounts may be transferred from the Department of Defense Base Closure Account to the fund established by section 1013(d) of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) to pay for expenses associated with the Homeowners Assistance Program incurred under 42 U.S.C. 3374(a)(1)(A). Any amounts transferred shall be merged with and be available for the same purposes and for the same time period as the fund to which transferred.

SEC. 119. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds made available in this title for operation and maintenance of family housing shall be the exclusive source of funds for repair and maintenance of all family housing units, including general or flag officer quarters: *Provided*, That not more than $35,000 per unit may be spent annually for the maintenance and repair of any general or flag officer quarters without 30 days prior notification, or 14 days for a notification provided in an electronic medium pursuant to sections 480 and 2883 of title 10, United States Code, to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, except that an after-the-fact notification shall be submitted if the limitation is exceeded solely due to costs associated with environmental remediation that could not be reasonably anticipated at the time of the budget submission: *Provided further,* That the Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) is to report annually to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress all operation and maintenance expenditures for each individual general or flag officer quarters for the prior fiscal year.

SEC. 120. Amounts contained in the Ford Island Improvement Account established by subsection (h) of section 2814 of title 10, United States Code, are appropriated and shall be available until expended for the purposes specified in subsection (i)(1) of such section or until transferred pursuant to subsection (i)(3) of such section.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 121. During the 5-year period after appropriations available in this Act to the Department of Defense for military construction and family housing operation and maintenance and construction have expired for obligation, upon a determination that such appropriations will not be necessary for the liquidation of obligations or for making authorized adjustments to such appropriations for obligations incurred during the period of availability of such appropriations, unobligated balances of such appropriations may be transferred into the appropriation "Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Construction, Defense", to be merged with and to be available for the same time period and for the same purposes as the appropriation to which transferred.

SEC. 122. (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), none of the funds made available in this Act may be used by the Secretary of the Army to relocate a unit in the Army that—

(1) performs a testing mission or function that is not performed by any other unit in the Army and is specifically stipulated in title 10, United States Code; and

(2) is located at a military installation at which the total number of civilian employees of the Department of the Army and Army contractor personnel employed exceeds 10 percent of the total number of members of the regular and reserve components of the Army assigned to the installation.

(b) EXCEPTION.—Subsection (a) shall not apply if the Secretary of the Army certifies to the congressional defense committees that in proposing the relocation of the unit of the Army, the Secretary complied with Army Regulation 5–10 relating to the policy, procedures, and responsibilities for Army stationing actions.

SEC. 123. Amounts appropriated or otherwise made available in an account funded under the headings in this title may be transferred among projects and activities within the account in accordance with the reprogramming guidelines for military construction and family housing construction contained in Department of Defense Financial Management Regulation 7000.14–R, Volume 3, Chapter 7, of February 2009, as in effect on the date of enactment of this Act.

SEC. 124. None of the funds made available in this title may be obligated or expended for planning and design and construction of projects at Arlington National Cemetery.

(RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 125. Of the unobligated balances available for "Military Construction, Army" and "Family Housing Construction, Army", from prior appropriation Acts (other than appropriations designated by law as being for contingency operations directly related

to the global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement), $86,420,000 are hereby rescinded.

(RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 126. Of the unobligated balances available for "Military Construction, Air Force", from prior appropriation Acts (other than appropriations designated by law as being for contingency operations directly related to the global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement), $46,400,000 are hereby rescinded.

(RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 127. Of the unobligated balances available for "Military Construction, Defense-Wide", from prior appropriation Acts (other than appropriations designated by law as being for contingency operations directly related to the global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement), $134,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

SEC. 128. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army", $34,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Army's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016 submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That, not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 129. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps", $34,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Navy's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That, not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Navy shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 130. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army National Guard", $51,300,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Army's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016 submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That, not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 131. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army Reserve", $34,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Army's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016 submitted to

Congress: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That, not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 132. Notwithstanding section 124, for an additional amount for "Military Construction, Army" in this title, $30,000,000 is provided for advances to the Federal Highway Administration, Department of Transportation, for construction of access roads as authorized by section 210 of title 23, United States Code.

SEC. 133. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Air Force", $21,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Air Force's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016 submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 134. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Air National Guard", $6,100,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of the Air Force's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016 submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 135. For the purposes of this Act, the term "congressional defense committees" means the Committees on Armed Services of the House of Representatives and the Senate, the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate, and the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

(RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 136. Of the unobligated balances made available in prior appropriation Acts for the fund established in section 1013(d) of the Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) (other than appropriations designated by law as being for contingency operations directly related to the global war on terrorism or as an emergency requirement), $105,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

SEC. 137. For an additional amount for "Military Construction, Air Force Reserve", $10,400,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That such funds may only be obligated to carry out construction projects identified in the Department of

the Air Force's Unfunded Priority List for Fiscal Year 2016 submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That such funding is for projects as authorized in the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided further*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Air Force shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress an expenditure plan for funds provided under this section.

SEC. 138. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this or any other Act may be used to consolidate or relocate any element of a United States Air Force Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineer (RED HORSE) outside of the United States until the Secretary of the Air Force (1) completes an analysis and comparison of the cost and infrastructure investment required to consolidate or relocate a RED HORSE squadron outside of the United States versus within the United States; (2) provides to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress ("the Committees") a report detailing the findings of the cost analysis; and (3) certifies in writing to the Committees that the preferred site for the consolidation or relocation yields the greatest savings for the Air Force: *Provided*, That the term "United States" in this section does not include any territory or possession of the United States.

SEC. 139. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to carry out the closure or transfer of the United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the payment of compensation benefits to or on behalf of veterans and a pilot program for disability examinations as authorized by section 107 and chapters 11, 13, 18, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code; pension benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chapters 15, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code; and burial benefits, the Reinstated Entitlement Program for Survivors, emergency and other officers' retirement pay, adjusted-service credits and certificates, payment of premiums due on commercial life insurance policies guaranteed under the provisions of title IV of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act (50 U.S.C. App. 541 et seq.) and for other benefits as authorized by sections 107, 1312, 1977, and 2106, and chapters 23, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code, $162,948,673,000, to remain available until expended, of which $86,083,128,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016: *Provided*, That not to exceed $15,562,000 of the amount made available for fiscal year 2016 and $16,021,000 of the amount made available for fiscal year 2017 under this heading shall be reimbursed to "General Operating Expenses, Veterans

Benefits Administration", and "Information Technology Systems" for necessary expenses in implementing the provisions of chapters 51, 53, and 55 of title 38, United States Code, the funding source for which is specifically provided as the "Compensation and Pensions" appropriation: *Provided further*, That such sums as may be earned on an actual qualifying patient basis, shall be reimbursed to "Medical Care Collections Fund" to augment the funding of individual medical facilities for nursing home care provided to pensioners as authorized.

READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

For the payment of readjustment and rehabilitation benefits to or on behalf of veterans as authorized by chapters 21, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36, 39, 41, 51, 53, 55, and 61 of title 38, United States Code, $30,654,185,000, to remain available until expended, of which $16,340,828,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016: *Provided*, That expenses for rehabilitation program services and assistance which the Secretary is authorized to provide under subsection (a) of section 3104 of title 38, United States Code, other than under paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and (11) of that subsection, shall be charged to this account.

VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

For military and naval insurance, national service life insurance, servicemen's indemnities, service-disabled veterans insurance, and veterans mortgage life insurance as authorized by chapters 19 and 21, title 38, United States Code, $169,080,000, to remain available until expended, of which $91,920,000 shall become available on October 1, 2016.

VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, such sums as may be necessary to carry out the program, as authorized by subchapters I through III of chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That, during fiscal year 2016, within the resources available, not to exceed $500,000 in gross obligations for direct loans are authorized for specially adapted housing loans.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan programs, $164,558,000.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans, $31,000, as authorized by chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed $2,952,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses necessary to carry out the direct loan program, $367,000, which may be paid to the appro-

priation for "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration".

NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For administrative expenses to carry out the direct loan program authorized by subchapter V of chapter 37 of title 38, United States Code, $1,134,000.

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

MEDICAL SERVICES

For necessary expenses for furnishing, as authorized by law, inpatient and outpatient care and treatment to beneficiaries of the Department of Veterans Affairs and veterans described in section 1705(a) of title 38, United States Code, including care and treatment in facilities not under the jurisdiction of the Department, and including medical supplies and equipment, bioengineering services, food services, and salaries and expenses of healthcare employees hired under title 38, United States Code, aid to State homes as authorized by section 1741 of title 38, United States Code, assistance and support services for caregivers as authorized by section 1720G of title 38, United States Code, loan repayments authorized by section 604 of the Caregivers and Veterans Omnibus Health Services Act of 2010 (Public Law 111–163; 124 Stat. 1174; 38 U.S.C. 7681 note), and hospital care and medical services authorized by section 1787 of title 38, United States Code; $2,369,158,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2015; and, in addition, $51,673,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this heading, $1,400,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall establish a priority for the provision of medical treatment for veterans who have service-connected disabilities, lower income, or have special needs: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall give priority funding for the provision of basic medical benefits to veterans in enrollment priority groups 1 through 6: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs may authorize the dispensing of prescription drugs from Veterans Health Administration facilities to enrolled veterans with privately written prescriptions based on requirements established by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That the implementation of the program described in the previous proviso shall incur no additional cost to the Department of Veterans Affairs: *Provided further*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this heading, not less than $1,500,000,000 shall be available for Hepatitis C Virus (HCV) clinical treatments, including clinical treatments with modern medications that have significantly higher cure rates than older medications, are easier to prescribe, and have fewer and milder side effects: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that sufficient

amounts appropriated under this heading for medical supplies and equipment are available for the acquisition of gender appropriate prosthetics.

MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE

For necessary expenses in the administration of the medical, hospital, nursing home, domiciliary, construction, supply, and research activities, as authorized by law; administrative expenses in support of capital policy activities; and administrative and legal expenses of the Department for collecting and recovering amounts owed the Department as authorized under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, and the Federal Medical Care Recovery Act (42 U.S.C. 2651 et seq.), $6,524,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this heading, $100,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

For necessary expenses for the maintenance and operation of hospitals, nursing homes, domiciliary facilities, and other necessary facilities of the Veterans Health Administration; for administrative expenses in support of planning, design, project management, real property acquisition and disposition, construction, and renovation of any facility under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department; for oversight, engineering, and architectural activities not charged to project costs; for repairing, altering, improving, or providing facilities in the several hospitals and homes under the jurisdiction of the Department, not otherwise provided for, either by contract or by the hire of temporary employees and purchase of materials; for leases of facilities; and for laundry services; $105,132,000, which shall be in addition to funds previously appropriated under this heading that became available on October 1, 2015; and, in addition, $5,074,000,000, plus reimbursements, shall become available on October 1, 2016, and shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That, of the amount made available on October 1, 2016, under this heading, $250,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018.

MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

For necessary expenses in carrying out programs of medical and prosthetic research and development as authorized by chapter 73 of title 38, United States Code, $630,735,000, plus reimbursements, shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall ensure that sufficient amounts appropriated under this heading are available for gender appropriate prosthetic research and toxic exposure research.

NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

For necessary expenses of the National Cemetery Administration for operations and maintenance, not otherwise provided for, including uniforms or allowances therefor; cemeterial expenses as authorized by law; purchase of one passenger motor vehicle for use in

cemeterial operations; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and repair, alteration or improvement of facilities under the jurisdiction of the National Cemetery Administration, $271,220,000, of which not to exceed $26,600,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary operating expenses of the Department of Veterans Affairs, not otherwise provided for, including administrative expenses in support of Department-wide capital planning, management and policy activities, uniforms, or allowances therefor; not to exceed $25,000 for official reception and representation expenses; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services, $336,659,000, of which not to exceed $10,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That funds provided under this heading may be transferred to "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration".

BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS

For necessary operating expenses of the Board of Veterans Appeals, $109,884,000, of which not to exceed $10,788,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

For necessary operating expenses of the Veterans Benefits Administration, not otherwise provided for, including hire of passenger motor vehicles, reimbursement of the General Services Administration for security guard services, and reimbursement of the Department of Defense for the cost of overseas employee mail, $2,707,734,000: *Provided*, That expenses for services and assistance authorized under paragraphs (1), (2), (5), and (11) of section 3104(a) of title 38, United States Code, that the Secretary of Veterans Affairs determines are necessary to enable entitled veterans: (1) to the maximum extent feasible, to become employable and to obtain and maintain suitable employment; or (2) to achieve maximum independence in daily living, shall be charged to this account: *Provided further*, That, of the funds made available under this heading, not to exceed $160,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses for information technology systems and telecommunications support, including developmental information systems and operational information systems; for pay and associated costs; and for the capital asset acquisition of information technology systems, including management and related contractual

costs of said acquisitions, including contractual costs associated with operations authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, $4,133,363,000, plus reimbursements: *Provided,* That $1,115,757,000 shall be for pay and associated costs, of which not to exceed $34,800,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further,* That $2,512,863,000 shall be for operations and maintenance, of which not to exceed $175,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further,* That $504,743,000 shall be for information technology systems development, modernization, and enhancement, and shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further,* That amounts made available for information technology systems development, modernization, and enhancement may not be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Veterans Affairs or the Chief Information Officer of the Department of Veterans Affairs submits to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a certification of the amounts, in parts or in full, to be obligated and expended for each development project: *Provided further,* That amounts made available for salaries and expenses, operations and maintenance, and information technology systems development, modernization, and enhancement may be transferred among the three subaccounts after the Secretary of Veterans Affairs requests from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued: *Provided further,* That amounts made available for the "Information Technology Systems" account for development, modernization, and enhancement may be transferred among projects or to newly defined projects: *Provided further,* That no project may be increased or decreased by more than $1,000,000 of cost prior to submitting a request to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress to make the transfer and an approval is issued, or absent a response, a period of 30 days has elapsed: *Provided further*, That funds under this heading may be used by the Interagency Program Office through the Department of Veterans Affairs to define data standards, code sets, and value sets used to enable interoperability: *Provided further*, That, of the funds made available for information technology systems development, modernization, and enhancement for VistA Evolution, not more than 25 percent may be obligated or expended until the Secretary of Veterans Affairs submits to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress, and such Committees approve, a report that describes: (1) the status of and changes to the VistA Evolution program plan dated March 24, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan"), the VistA 4 product roadmap dated February 26, 2015 ("Roadmap"), and the VistA 4 Incremental Life Cycle Cost Estimate, dated October 26, 2014; (2) any changes to the scope or functionality of projects within the VistA Evolution program as established in the Plan; (3) actual program costs incurred to date; (4) progress in meeting the schedule milestones that have been established in the Plan; (5) a Project Management Accountability System (PMAS) Dashboard Progress report that identifies each VistA Evolution project being tracked through PMAS, what functionality it is intended to provide, and what evaluation scores it has received throughout development; (6) the definition being used for interoperability between the electronic

health record systems of the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs, the metrics to measure the extent of interoperability, the milestones and timeline associated with achieving interoperability, and the baseline measurements associated with interoperability; (7) progress toward developing and implementing all components and levels of interoperability, including semantic interoperability; (8) the change management tools in place to facilitate the implementation of VistA Evolution and interoperability; and (9) any changes to the governance structure for the VistA Evolution program and its chain of decisionmaking authority: *Provided further,* That the funds made available under this heading for information technology systems development, modernization, and enhancement, shall be for the projects, and in the amounts, specified under this heading in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act).

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, to include information technology, in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), $136,766,000, of which not to exceed $12,676,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

For constructing, altering, extending, and improving any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code, not otherwise provided for, including planning, architectural and engineering services, construction management services, maintenance or guarantee period services costs associated with equipment guarantees provided under the project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility and storm drainage system construction costs, and site acquisition, where the estimated cost of a project is more than the amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38, United States Code, or where funds for a project were made available in a previous major project appropriation, $1,243,800,000, of which $1,163,800,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2020, and of which $80,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That except for advance planning activities, including needs assessments which may or may not lead to capital investments, and other capital asset management related activities, including portfolio development and management activities, and investment strategy studies funded through the advance planning fund and the planning and design activities funded through the design fund, including needs assessments which may or may not lead to capital investments, and salaries and associated costs of the resident engineers who oversee those capital investments funded through this account, and funds provided for the purchase of land for the National Cemetery Administration through the land acquisition line item, none of the funds made available under this heading shall be used for any project which has not been approved by the Congress in the budgetary

process: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading for fiscal year 2016, for each approved project shall be obligated: (1) by the awarding of a construction documents contract by September 30, 2016; and (2) by the awarding of a construction contract by September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall promptly submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a written report on any approved major construction project for which obligations are not incurred within the time limitations established above: *Provided further*, That, of the amount made available under this heading, $649,000,000 for Veterans Health Administration major construction projects shall not be available until the Department of Veterans Affairs—

(1) enters into an agreement with an appropriate non-Department of Veterans Affairs Federal entity to serve as the design and/or construction agent for any Veterans Health Administration major construction project with a Total Estimated Cost of $100,000,000 or above by providing full project management services, including management of the project design, acquisition, construction, and contract changes, consistent with section 502 of Public Law 114–58; and

(2) certifies in writing that such an agreement is executed and intended to minimize or prevent subsequent major construction project cost overruns and provides a copy of the agreement entered into and any required supplementary information to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

For constructing, altering, extending, and improving any of the facilities, including parking projects, under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs, including planning and assessments of needs which may lead to capital investments, architectural and engineering services, maintenance or guarantee period services costs associated with equipment guarantees provided under the project, services of claims analysts, offsite utility and storm drainage system construction costs, and site acquisition, or for any of the purposes set forth in sections 316, 2404, 2406 and chapter 81 of title 38, United States Code, not otherwise provided for, where the estimated cost of a project is equal to or less than the amount set forth in section 8104(a)(3)(A) of title 38, United States Code, $406,200,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020, along with unobligated balances of previous "Construction, Minor Projects" appropriations which are hereby made available for any project where the estimated cost is equal to or less than the amount set forth in such section: *Provided*, That funds made available under this heading shall be for: (1) repairs to any of the nonmedical facilities under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department which are necessary because of loss or damage caused by any natural disaster or catastrophe; and (2) temporary measures necessary to prevent or to minimize further loss by such causes.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES

For grants to assist States to acquire or construct State nursing home and domiciliary facilities and to remodel, modify, or alter existing hospital, nursing home, and domiciliary facilities in State homes, for furnishing care to veterans as authorized by sections 8131 through 8137 of title 38, United States Code, $120,000,000, to remain available until expended.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS CEMETERIES

For grants to assist States and tribal organizations in establishing, expanding, or improving veterans cemeteries as authorized by section 2408 of title 38, United States Code, $46,000,000, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 201. Any appropriation for fiscal year 2016 for "Compensation and Pensions", "Readjustment Benefits", and "Veterans Insurance and Indemnities" may be transferred as necessary to any other of the mentioned appropriations: *Provided*, That, before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and such Committees issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30 days has elapsed.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 202. Amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, in this or any other Act, under the "Medical Services", "Medical Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities" accounts may be transferred among the accounts: *Provided*, That any transfers between the "Medical Services" and "Medical Support and Compliance" accounts of 1 percent or less of the total amount appropriated to the account in this or any other Act may take place subject to notification from the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of the amount and purpose of the transfer: *Provided further*, That any transfers between the "Medical Services" and "Medical Support and Compliance" accounts in excess of 1 percent, or exceeding the cumulative 1 percent for the fiscal year, may take place only after the Secretary requests from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued: *Provided further*, That any transfers to or from the "Medical Facilities" account may take place only after the Secretary requests from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued.

SEC. 203. Appropriations available in this title for salaries and expenses shall be available for services authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code; hire of passenger motor vehicles; lease of a facility or land or both; and uniforms or allowances

therefore, as authorized by sections 5901 through 5902 of title 5, United States Code.

SEC. 204. No appropriations in this title (except the appropriations for "Construction, Major Projects", and "Construction, Minor Projects") shall be available for the purchase of any site for or toward the construction of any new hospital or home.

SEC. 205. No appropriations in this title shall be available for hospitalization or examination of any persons (except beneficiaries entitled to such hospitalization or examination under the laws providing such benefits to veterans, and persons receiving such treatment under sections 7901 through 7904 of title 5, United States Code, or the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.)), unless reimbursement of the cost of such hospitalization or examination is made to the "Medical Services" account at such rates as may be fixed by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs.

SEC. 206. Appropriations available in this title for "Compensation and Pensions", "Readjustment Benefits", and "Veterans Insurance and Indemnities" shall be available for payment of prior year accrued obligations required to be recorded by law against the corresponding prior year accounts within the last quarter of fiscal year 2015.

SEC. 207. Appropriations available in this title shall be available to pay prior year obligations of corresponding prior year appropriations accounts resulting from sections 3328(a), 3334, and 3712(a) of title 31, United States Code, except that if such obligations are from trust fund accounts they shall be payable only from "Compensation and Pensions".

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 208. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, during fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall, from the National Service Life Insurance Fund under section 1920 of title 38, United States Code, the Veterans' Special Life Insurance Fund under section 1923 of title 38, United States Code, and the United States Government Life Insurance Fund under section 1955 of title 38, United States Code, reimburse the "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" and "Information Technology Systems" accounts for the cost of administration of the insurance programs financed through those accounts: *Provided*, That reimbursement shall be made only from the surplus earnings accumulated in such an insurance program during fiscal year 2016 that are available for dividends in that program after claims have been paid and actuarially determined reserves have been set aside: *Provided further*, That if the cost of administration of such an insurance program exceeds the amount of surplus earnings accumulated in that program, reimbursement shall be made only to the extent of such surplus earnings: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall determine the cost of administration for fiscal year 2016 which is properly allocable to the provision of each such insurance program and to the provision of any total disability income insurance included in that insurance program.

SEC. 209. Amounts deducted from enhanced-use lease proceeds to reimburse an account for expenses incurred by that account during

a prior fiscal year for providing enhanced-use lease services, may be obligated during the fiscal year in which the proceeds are received.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 210. Funds available in this title or funds for salaries and other administrative expenses shall also be available to reimburse the Office of Resolution Management of the Department of Veterans Affairs and the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication under section 319 of title 38, United States Code, for all services provided at rates which will recover actual costs but not to exceed $43,700,000 for the Office of Resolution Management and $3,400,000 for the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication: *Provided*, That payments may be made in advance for services to be furnished based on estimated costs: *Provided further*, That amounts received shall be credited to the "General Administration" and "Information Technology Systems" accounts for use by the office that provided the service.

(TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 211. Of the amounts made available to the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for the Office of Rural Health under the heading "Medical Services", including any advance appropriation for fiscal year 2016 provided in prior appropriation Acts, up to $20,000,000 may be transferred to and merged with funds appropriated under the heading "Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities".

SEC. 212. No funds of the Department of Veterans Affairs shall be available for hospital care, nursing home care, or medical services provided to any person under chapter 17 of title 38, United States Code, for a non-service-connected disability described in section 1729(a)(2) of such title, unless that person has disclosed to the Secretary of Veterans Affairs, in such form as the Secretary may require, current, accurate third-party reimbursement information for purposes of section 1729 of such title: *Provided*, That the Secretary may recover, in the same manner as any other debt due the United States, the reasonable charges for such care or services from any person who does not make such disclosure as required: *Provided further*, That any amounts so recovered for care or services provided in a prior fiscal year may be obligated by the Secretary during the fiscal year in which amounts are received.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 213. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, proceeds or revenues derived from enhanced-use leasing activities (including disposal) may be deposited into the "Construction, Major Projects" and "Construction, Minor Projects" accounts and be used for construction (including site acquisition and disposition), alterations, and improvements of any medical facility under the jurisdiction or for the use of the Department of Veterans Affairs. Such sums as realized are in addition to the amount provided for in "Construction, Major Projects" and "Construction, Minor Projects".

SEC. 214. Amounts made available under "Medical Services" are available—

(1) for furnishing recreational facilities, supplies, and equipment; and

(2) for funeral expenses, burial expenses, and other expenses incidental to funerals and burials for beneficiaries receiving care in the Department.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 215. Such sums as may be deposited to the Medical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A of title 38, United States Code, may be transferred to "Medical Services", to remain available until expended for the purposes of that account.

SEC. 216. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may enter into agreements with Indian tribes and tribal organizations which are party to the Alaska Native Health Compact with the Indian Health Service, and Indian tribes and tribal organizations serving rural Alaska which have entered into contracts with the Indian Health Service under the Indian Self Determination and Educational Assistance Act, to provide healthcare, including behavioral health and dental care. The Secretary shall require participating veterans and facilities to comply with all appropriate rules and regulations, as established by the Secretary. The term "rural Alaska" shall mean those lands sited within the external boundaries of the Alaska Native regions specified in sections 7(a)(1)–(4) and (7)–(12) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1606), and those lands within the Alaska Native regions specified in sections 7(a)(5) and 7(a)(6) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended (43 U.S.C. 1606), which are not within the boundaries of the municipality of Anchorage, the Fairbanks North Star Borough, the Kenai Peninsula Borough or the Matanuska Susitna Borough.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 217. Such sums as may be deposited to the Department of Veterans Affairs Capital Asset Fund pursuant to section 8118 of title 38, United States Code, may be transferred to the "Construction, Major Projects" and "Construction, Minor Projects" accounts, to remain available until expended for the purposes of these accounts.

SEC. 218. None of the funds made available in this title may be used to implement any policy prohibiting the Directors of the Veterans Integrated Services Networks from conducting outreach or marketing to enroll new veterans within their respective Networks.

SEC. 219. Not later than 30 days after the end of each fiscal quarter, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a report on the financial status of the Department of Veterans Affairs for the preceding quarter: *Provided*, That, at a minimum, the report shall include the direction contained in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this consolidated Act) in the paragraph entitled "Quarterly Report", under the heading "General Administration".

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 220. Amounts made available under the "Medical Services", "Medical Support and Compliance", "Medical Facilities", "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration", "General Administration", and "National Cemetery Administration" accounts for fiscal year 2016 may be transferred to or from the "Information Technology Systems" account: *Provided*, That such transfers may not result in a more than 10 percent aggregate increase in the total amount made available by this Act for the "Information Technology Systems" account: *Provided further*, That, before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and an approval is issued.

SEC. 221. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act for the Department of Veterans Affairs may be used in a manner that is inconsistent with: (1) section 842 of the Transportation, Treasury, Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, the District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 2006 (Public Law 109–115; 119 Stat. 2506); or (2) section 8110(a)(5) of title 38, United States Code.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 222. Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for "Medical Services", "Medical Support and Compliance", "Medical Facilities", "Construction, Minor Projects", and "Information Technology Systems", up to $267,521,000, plus reimbursements, may be transferred to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 3571) and may be used for operation of the facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500): *Provided*, That additional funds may be transferred from accounts designated in this section to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund upon written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress: *Provided further,* That section 223 of Title II of Division I of Public Law 113–235 is repealed.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 223. Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of Veterans Affairs which become available on October 1, 2016, for "Medical Services", "Medical Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities", up to $265,675,000, plus reimbursements, may be transferred to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 3571) and may be used for operation of the facilities designated as combined Federal medical fa-

cilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500): *Provided*, That additional funds may be transferred from accounts designated in this section to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund upon written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 224. Such sums as may be deposited to the Medical Care Collections Fund pursuant to section 1729A of title 38, United States Code, for healthcare provided at facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500) shall also be available: (1) for transfer to the Joint Department of Defense-Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Facility Demonstration Fund, established by section 1704 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Public Law 111–84; 123 Stat. 3571); and (2) for operations of the facilities designated as combined Federal medical facilities as described by section 706 of the Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009 (Public Law 110–417; 122 Stat. 4500).

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 225. Of the amounts available in this title for "Medical Services", "Medical Support and Compliance", and "Medical Facilities", a minimum of $15,000,000 shall be transferred to the DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund, as authorized by section 8111(d) of title 38, United States Code, to remain available until expended, for any purpose authorized by section 8111 of title 38, United States Code.

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

SEC. 226. (a) Of the funds appropriated in title II of division I of Public Law 113–235, the following amounts which became available on October 1, 2015, are hereby rescinded from the following accounts in the amounts specified:

(1) "Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Services", $1,400,000,000.

(2) "Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Support and Compliance", $100,000,000.

(3) "Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Facilities", $250,000,000.

(b) In addition to amounts provided elsewhere in this Act, an additional amount is appropriated to the following accounts in the amounts specified to remain available until September 30, 2017:

(1) "Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Services", $1,400,000,000.

(2) "Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Support and Compliance", $100,000,000.

(3) "Department of Veterans Affairs, Medical Facilities", $250,000,000.

SEC. 227. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress of all bid savings in a major construction project that total at least $5,000,000, or 5 percent of the programmed amount of the project, whichever is less: *Provided*, That such notification shall occur within 14 days of a contract identifying the programmed amount: *Provided further,* That the Secretary shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress 14 days prior to the obligation of such bid savings and shall describe the anticipated use of such savings.

SEC. 228. None of the funds made available for "Construction, Major Projects" may be used for a project in excess of the scope specified for that project in the original justification data provided to the Congress as part of the request for appropriations unless the Secretary of Veterans Affairs receives approval from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 229. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress a quarterly report that contains the following information from each Veterans Benefits Administration Regional Office: (1) the average time to complete a disability compensation claim; (2) the number of claims pending more than 125 days, disaggregated by initial and supplemental claims; (3) error rates; (4) the number of claims personnel; (5) any corrective action taken within the quarter to address poor performance; (6) training programs undertaken; and (7) the number and results of Quality Review Team audits: *Provided*, That each quarterly report shall be submitted no later than 30 days after the end of the respective quarter.

SEC. 230. Of the funds provided to the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016 for "Medical Services" and "Medical Support and Compliance", a maximum of $5,000,000 may be obligated from the "Medical Services" account and a maximum of $154,596,000 may be obligated from the "Medical Support and Compliance" account for the VistA Evolution and electronic health record interoperability projects: *Provided*, That funds in addition to these amounts may be obligated for the VistA Evolution and electronic health record interoperability projects upon written notification by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 231. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall provide written notification to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress 15 days prior to organizational changes which result in the transfer of 25 or more full-time equivalents from one organizational unit of the Department of Veterans Affairs to another.

SEC. 232. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall provide on a quarterly basis to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress notification of any single national outreach and awareness marketing campaign in which obligations exceed $2,000,000.

SEC. 233. None of the funds available to the Department of Veterans Affairs, in this or any other Act, may be used to replace the

current system by which the Veterans Integrated Service Networks select and contract for diabetes monitoring supplies and equipment.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 234. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs, upon determination that such action is necessary to address needs of the Veterans Health Administration, may transfer to the "Medical Services" account any discretionary appropriations made available for fiscal year 2016 in this title (except appropriations made to the "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" account) or any discretionary unobligated balances within the Department of Veterans Affairs, including those appropriated for fiscal year 2016, that were provided in advance by appropriations Acts: *Provided*, That transfers shall be made only with the approval of the Office of Management and Budget: *Provided further*, That the transfer authority provided in this section is in addition to any other transfer authority provided by law: *Provided further*, That no amounts may be transferred from amounts that were designated by Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985: *Provided further*, That such authority to transfer may not be used unless for higher priority items, based on emergent healthcare requirements, than those for which originally appropriated and in no case where the item for which funds are requested has been denied by Congress: *Provided further*, That, upon determination that all or part of the funds transferred from an appropriation are not necessary, such amounts may be transferred back to that appropriation and shall be available for the same purposes as originally appropriated: *Provided further*, That before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and receive approval of that request.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 235. Amounts made available for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2016, under the "Board of Veterans Appeals" and the "General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration" accounts may be transferred between such accounts: *Provided*, That before a transfer may take place, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make the transfer and receive approval from such Committees for such request.

(RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

SEC. 236. Of the unobligated balances available within the "DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund", $30,000,000 are hereby rescinded.

SEC. 237. The Secretary of Veterans Affairs may not reprogram funds among major construction projects or programs if such instance of reprogramming will exceed $5,000,000, unless such re-

programming is approved by the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress.

SEC. 238. Section 2302(a)(2)(A)(viii) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by inserting "or under title 38" after "of this title".

SEC. 239. Section 312 of title 38, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new subsection:

"(c)(1) Whenever the Inspector General, in carrying out the duties and responsibilities established under the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.), issues a work product that makes a recommendation or otherwise suggests corrective action, the Inspector General shall—

"(A) submit the work product to—

"(i) the Secretary;

"(ii) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, and the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate;

"(iii) the Committee on Veterans' Affairs, the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives;

"(iv) if the work product was initiated upon request by an individual or entity other than the Inspector General, that individual or entity; and

"(v) any Member of Congress upon request; and

"(B) the Inspector General shall submit all final work products to—

"(i) if the work product was initiated upon request by an individual or entity other than the Inspector General, that individual or entity; and

"(ii) any Member of Congress upon request; and

"(C) not later than 3 days after the work product is submitted in final form to the Secretary, post the work product on the Internet website of the Inspector General.

"(2) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to authorize the public disclosure of information that is specifically prohibited from disclosure by any other provision of law.".

SEC. 240. None of the funds provided in this Act may be used to pay the salary of any individual who (a) was the Executive Director of the Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction, and (b) who retired from Federal service in the midst of an investigation, initiated by the Department of Veterans Affairs, into delays and cost overruns associated with the design and construction of the new medical center in Aurora, Colorado.

SEC. 241. None of the funds appropriated in this or prior appropriations Acts or otherwise made available to the Department of Veterans Affairs may be used to transfer any amounts from the Filipino Veterans Equity Compensation Fund to any other account within the Department of Veterans Affairs.

SEC. 242. None of the amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by title II may be used to carry out the Home Marketing Incentive Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs or to carry out the Appraisal Value Offer Program of the Department

with respect to an employee of the Department in a senior executive position (as defined in section 713(g) of title 38, United States Code): *Provided*, That the Secretary may waive this prohibition with respect to the use of the Home Marketing Incentive Program and Appraisal Value Offer Program to recruit for a position for which recruitment or retention of qualified personnel is likely to be difficult in the absence of the use of these incentives: *Provided further*, That within 15 days of a determination by the Secretary to waive this prohibition, the Secretary shall submit written notification thereof to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress containing the reasons and identifying the position title for which the waiver has been issued.

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

SEC. 243. There is hereby established in the Treasury of the United States a fund to be known as the "Recurring Expenses Transformational Fund" (the Fund): *Provided*, That unobligated balances of expired discretionary funds appropriated in this or any succeeding fiscal year from the General Fund of the Treasury to the Department of Veterans Affairs by this or any other Act may be transferred (at the end of the fifth fiscal year after the last fiscal year for which such funds are available for the purposes for which appropriated) into the Fund: *Provided further*, That amounts deposited in the Fund shall be available until expended, and in addition to such other funds as may be available for such purposes, for facilities infrastructure improvements, including nonrecurring maintenance, at existing hospitals and clinics of the Veterans Health Administration, and information technology systems improvements and sustainment, subject to approval by the Office of Management and Budget: *Provided further*, That prior to obligation of any amounts in the Fund, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs shall request from the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress the authority to make such obligation and such Committees issue an approval, or absent a response, a period of 30 days has elapsed.

TITLE III

RELATED AGENCIES

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of the American Battle Monuments Commission, including the acquisition of land or interest in land in foreign countries; purchases and repair of uniforms for caretakers of national cemeteries and monuments outside of the United States and its territories and possessions; rent of office and garage space in foreign countries; purchase (one-for-one replacement basis only) and hire of passenger motor vehicles; not to exceed $7,500 for official reception and representation expenses; and insurance of official motor vehicles in foreign countries, when required by law of such countries, $105,100,000, to remain available until expended.

FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, of the American Battle Monuments Commission, such sums as may be necessary, to remain available until expended, for purposes authorized by section 2109 of title 36, United States Code.

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the operation of the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims as authorized by sections 7251 through 7298 of title 38, United States Code, $32,141,000: *Provided*, That $2,500,000 shall be available for the purpose of providing financial assistance as described, and in accordance with the process and reporting procedures set forth, under this heading in Public Law 102–229.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for maintenance, operation, and improvement of Arlington National Cemetery and Soldiers' and Airmen's Home National Cemetery, including the purchase or lease of passenger motor vehicles for replacement on a one-for-one basis only, and not to exceed $1,000 for official reception and representation expenses, $79,516,000, of which not to exceed $15,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018. In addition, such sums as may be necessary for parking maintenance, repairs and replacement, to be derived from the "Lease of Department of Defense Real Property for Defense Agencies" account.

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

TRUST FUND

For expenses necessary for the Armed Forces Retirement Home to operate and maintain the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Washington, District of Columbia, and the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mississippi, to be paid from funds available in the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund, $64,300,000, of which $1,000,000 shall remain available until expended for construction and renovation of the physical plants at the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Washington, District of Columbia, and the Armed Forces Retirement Home—Gulfport, Mississippi: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading from funds available in the Armed Forces Retirement Home Trust Fund, $20,000,000 shall be paid from the general fund of the Treasury to the Trust Fund.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

SEC. 301. Funds appropriated in this Act under the heading "Department of Defense—Civil, Cemeterial Expenses, Army", may be

provided to Arlington County, Virginia, for the relocation of the federally owned water main at Arlington National Cemetery, making additional land available for ground burials.

SEC. 302. Amounts deposited into the special account established under 10 U.S.C. 4727 are appropriated and shall be available until expended to support activities at the Army National Military Cemeteries.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 401. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 402. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for any program, project, or activity, when it is made known to the Federal entity or official to which the funds are made available that the program, project, or activity is not in compliance with any Federal law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights, or unfunded mandates.

SEC. 403. All departments and agencies funded under this Act are encouraged, within the limits of the existing statutory authorities and funding, to expand their use of "E-Commerce" technologies and procedures in the conduct of their business practices and public service activities.

SEC. 404. Unless stated otherwise, all reports and notifications required by this Act shall be submitted to the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appropriations of the Senate.

SEC. 405. 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 or any other appropriations Act.

SEC. 406. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for a project or program named for an individual serving as a Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner of the United States House of Representatives.

SEC. 407. (a) Any agency receiving funds made available in this Act, shall, subject to subsections (b) and (c), post on the public Web site of that agency any report required to be submitted by the Congress in this or any other Act, upon the determination by the head of the agency that it shall serve the national interest.

(b) Subsection (a) shall not apply to a report if—

(1) the public posting of the report compromises national security; or

(2) the report contains confidential or proprietary information.

(c) The head of the agency posting such report shall do so only after such report has been made available to the requesting Committee or Committees of Congress for no less than 45 days.

SEC. 408. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to maintain or establish a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography.

(b) Nothing in subsection (a) shall limit the use of funds necessary for any Federal, State, tribal, or local law enforcement agency or any other entity carrying out criminal investigations, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

SEC. 409. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used by an agency of the executive branch to pay for first-class travel by an employee of the agency in contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 410. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to execute a contract for goods or services, including construction services, where the contractor has not complied with Executive Order No. 12989.

SEC. 411. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Department of Defense or the Department of Veterans Affairs to lease or purchase new light duty vehicles for any executive fleet, or for an agency's fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011.

SEC. 412. (a) IN GENERAL.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available to the Department of Defense in this Act may be used to construct, renovate, or expand any facility in the United States, its territories, or possessions to house any individual detained at United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, for the purposes of detention or imprisonment in the custody or under the control of the Department of Defense.

(b) The prohibition in subsection (a) shall not apply to any modification of facilities at United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

(c) An individual described in this subsection is any individual who, as of June 24, 2009, is located at United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, and who—

(1) is not a citizen of the United States or a member of the Armed Forces of the United States; and

(2) is—

(A) in the custody or under the effective control of the Department of Defense; or

(B) otherwise under detention at United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba.

This division may be cited as the "Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division J contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 2029, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.[1]]

DIVISION J—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

The following is an explanation of the effects of Division J, which makes appropriations for Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies for fiscal year 2016. Unless otherwise noted, reference to the House and Senate reports are to House Report 114–92 and Senate Report 114–57. The language set forth in House Report 114–92 and Senate Report 114–57 should be complied with and carry the same emphasis as the language included in the explanatory statement, unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this explanatory statement. While repeating some report language for emphasis, this explanatory statement does not intend to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein. In cases in which the House or the Senate has directed the submission of a report, such report is to be submitted to both Houses of Congress. House or Senate reporting requirements with deadlines prior to, or within 15 days after, enactment of this Act shall be submitted not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act. All other reporting deadlines not specifically directed by this explanatory statement are to be met.

Construction Contracting Outreach.—Department of Defense (DOD) and Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) construction projects funded in this Act are, in general, executed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Naval Facilities Command, and the VA Office of Construction. Effective communication between Federal procurement officials and the construction industry is essential to improve opportunities for local contractors to compete for local DOD and VA construction projects. But despite the efforts of the Office of Federal Procurement Policy to increase communication between procurement officers and industry, local contractors continue to report that they often do not know about nor have the opportunity to compete for contracts for federally funded construction projects. Therefore, the Secretaries of the Army and the Navy, and the Secretary of Veterans Affairs are directed to ensure that their respective regional/district offices responsible for construction projects inform and engage local construction industry contractors, especially small businesses, minority-owned businesses, and women-owned businesses, about Federal procurement opportunities and the bidding process. Each Secretary is further directed to pro-

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on December 17, 2015 by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 of Books II and III.

vide to the Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Congress ("the Committees") not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act a comprehensive outreach plan for regional and district offices that includes targeted outreach, Web-based technologies, social media and other proactive strategies to reach a broader group of local contractors.

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Bid Savings.—It has been ascertained from cost variation notices required by 10 U.S.C. 2853 that the Department of Defense continues to have bid savings on previously appropriated military construction projects. Therefore, the agreement includes rescissions to the Army, Air Force, and Defense-Wide construction accounts. The Secretary of Defense is directed to continue to submit 1002 reports on military construction bid savings at the end of each fiscal quarter to the Committees.

The Secretary of Defense is further directed to assess the backlog of projects identified by the services and the defense agencies and report the expected costs and timeline for completion of the backlog to the congressional defense committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act.

Pacific Realignment.—U.S. economic and security interests are inextricably linked to developments in the arc extending from the Western Pacific and East Asia into the Indian Ocean and South Asia, creating a mix of evolving challenges and opportunities. The Department of Defense has stated that it would tailor its global presence and posture by rebalancing toward the Asia-Pacific region, emphasizing existing alliances and expanding networks of cooperation with emerging partners throughout the region to ensure collective capability and capacity for securing common interests. As part of this rebalance, the U.S. Pacific Command currently has programmed $775,000,000 over the next five years for military construction in the region.

Approximately 39,000 U.S. military personnel, 43,000 dependents, and 5,000 DOD civilian employees are currently stationed on Japan, and the majority of this presence resides in Okinawa. Okinawa hosts over 25 percent of the U.S. bases in Japan, and Okinawa's bases house approximately 8,000 Air Force personnel and up to 19,000 Marine Corps personnel on any given day. Attempts to realign, consolidate, and increase the sustainability of this presence have been ongoing for nearly two decades. Early plans were to move approximately 8,000 Marines and 9,000 dependents from Okinawa to Guam; however, in 2012 representatives from the U.S. and Japanese governments announced a revised plan that would relocate over 9,000 Marines from Okinawa and realign Marine forces throughout the Pacific: 4,800 to Guam, 2,700 to Hawaii, and 2,500 rotational troops to Australia.

The U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) has been reporting on Asia Posture plans and costs since 2011. Based on GAO's reports, it is not clear if sufficient existing military infrastructure is available in any of the receiving locations to support the relocation or if DOD has developed adequate cost estimates of

infrastructure development that will be needed to ensure mission capability. In addition, the U.S. Government is still negotiating certain Host Nation and land use agreements that are key to executing the construction plan.

As a result, The Comptroller General of the United States is directed to conduct a study and report the results of the study to the congressional defense committees by February 1, 2017. At a minimum, The Comptroller General's study should address the status of progress being made on the various realignment initiatives, the costs associated with these plans, whether any alternatives to this plan are being considered, and should answer the following questions:

(1) What is the status of the realignment initiatives, have alternatives been considered, and to what extent has DOD identified a plan that lays out the appropriate sequencing of projects supporting the realignment of Marines and the interdependent projects on Okinawa, including associated time frames and costs for the projects?

(2) Can the Okinawa realignment timeframe be accelerated?

(3) What is the status of development of DOD's master plan to support the relocation of Marines to Guam?

(4) To what extent does sufficient, usable excess capacity exist on bases in Hawaii to support the Marines' relocation there?

(5) To what extent do sufficient facilities in Australia exist to support the planned force rotations there?

(6) What estimated costs has DOD identified it will need to develop new, or redevelop existing, infrastructure in Guam, Hawaii, Australia, or other locations it may be considering for the realignment?

(7) What is the status of relevant Host Nation and land use agreements required to execute the plan? Which agreements are most likely to be challenged in court and result in further delays to the plan?

(8) Are there any suitable locations other than the Futenma Relocation Facility on or near the island of Okinawa to host Marine Corps aviation assets? If so, would there be any efficiencies or cost savings associated with a different location?

Missile Defense.—Rapid implementation of the European Phased Adaptive Approach remains a high priority. The first Aegis Ashore missile defense site in Deveselu, Romania, is expected to be fully operational by the end of 2015. Construction in Romania has not been without difficulty, including delays and additional costs associated with the high-altitude electromagnetic pulse shields. This agreement fully funds the request to build the second Aegis Ashore site in Redzikowo, Poland, and the Missile Defense Agency (MDA) is expected to apply the lessons learned from construction in Romania to expedite the project in Poland. As Iranian ballistic missiles become increasingly advanced, the activation of the Aegis Ashore sites is essential to the protection of U.S. and allied interests in Eastern and Central Europe. The European Reassurance Initiative has increased the number of U.S. and NATO rotational forces in Europe, and the MDA is directed to accelerate activation of the Aegis Ashore systems wherever possible.

Expansion of U.S. Africa Command Operations in Africa.—Increased activity by violent extremist groups in Africa, including the November 20, 2015, terrorist attack in Mali which claimed the lives of 20 victims, including one American, underscores the growing importance of the anti-terrorism mission of the U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM) on the continent. As a result, AFRICOM has steadily increased its intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance operations and its network of contingency and Cooperative Security Locations (CSLs) for the temporary staging of crisis response forces. These contingency locations include an airbase in Niger, for which $50,000,000 is provided in this Act for infrastructure and airfield improvements, and an expeditionary post in Cameroon to accommodate the recently announced deployment of up to 300 U.S. military personnel to aid in the fight against Boko Haram and other terrorist organizations in West Africa. U.S. forces generally rely on existing Host Nation infrastructure to support their operations, but as with the Niger base, Department of Defense funding may be required for infrastructure improvements to accommodate U.S. personnel and operations. CSLs and expeditionary bases represent an expedient and cost-effective means for U.S. forces to support African national efforts to combat terrorism and to protect U.S. security interests, but it is important for the Department to ensure that any required infrastructure improvements at these locations are undertaken within appropriate congressional funding authorities. The Department is therefore directed to provide to the Committees quarterly reports, beginning after the first quarter of fiscal year 2016, on any infrastructure investment required to support U.S. forces and operations at CSLs or other expeditionary bases in Africa, the funding source for these investments, and the justification for using Operation and Maintenance or other DOD funding sources versus Military Construction authorities to fund these investments. These reports shall be provided in the appropriate classified and unclassified formats.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement provides $663,245,000 for Military Construction, Army. Within this amount, the agreement provides $109,245,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services, and host nation support.

Instruction Building.—The agreement does not include funding for the Instruction Building located at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall. There is concern that the initial design of this facility failed to incorporate the Fife and Drum Corps needs. As a result, formal design on this project did not start due to concerns regarding the scope of this project. While concerns remain, the replacement facility is necessary due to the current condition of the existing facility. Therefore, the Secretary of the Army is directed to take the necessary steps to create a concept plan that meets the needs of both the Army Band and the Fife and Drum Corps at one site. This plan shall be submitted to the congressional defense committees not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides $1,669,239,000 for Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps. Within this amount, the agreement provides $91,649,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

Live-Fire Training Range Complex (NW Field).—The agreement fully supports the efforts of the Marine Corps to establish the appropriate training ranges on Guam in support of the movement of Marines from Okinawa. However, there is concern that the projected cost of the supporting facilities for the live-fire training ranges, in general, tend to be considerably higher in cost than the range itself. Therefore, the Secretary of the Navy is directed to submit a report to the congressional defense committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act detailing how support facilities are determined for each range.

Townsend Bombing Range.—The agreement includes full funding for the construction of the Townsend Bombing Range Expansion, Phase 2. However, there are concerns that the Navy has failed to consider the impact that the range expansion would have on the local timber economy and therefore funding of this project is fenced until an agreement between all stakeholders can be met.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides $1,389,185,000 for Military Construction, Air Force. Within this amount, the agreement provides $89,164,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

Lajes Field, Azores.—The agreement does not contain House section 130 due to the inclusion of Section 2310 of P.L. 114–92, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016 which addresses potential operations at Lajes Field as well as the Joint Intelligence Analysis Center. Section 2310 requires the Secretary of Defense to submit a determination of the operational viability of use for Lajes Field by March 1, 2016. Additionally, Section 2310 prohibits obligation of the fiscal year 2016 funds for the Joint Intelligence Analysis Center, phase II pending a certification by the Secretary of Defense of the optimal location for the Joint Intelligence Analysis Center to the congressional defense committees.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, DEFENSE-WIDE

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $2,242,867,000 for Military Construction, Defense-Wide. Within this amount, the agreement provides $175,404,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services. Within this amount, an additional $15,000,000 is provided for the Missile Defense Agency planning and design account. The additional funding is to expedite the construction and deployment of urgently needed missile defense assets in various locations within the Continental United States, including Alaska and Hawaii.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY NATIONAL GUARD

The agreement provides $197,237,000 for Military Construction, Army National Guard. Within this amount, the agreement provides $20,337,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR NATIONAL GUARD

The agreement provides $138,738,000 for Military Construction, Air National Guard. Within this amount, the agreement provides $5,104,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, ARMY RESERVE

The agreement provides $113,595,000 for Military Construction, Army Reserve. Within this amount, the agreement provides $9,318,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, NAVY RESERVE

The agreement provides $36,078,000 for Military Construction, Navy Reserve. Within this amount, the agreement provides $2,208,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE RESERVE

The agreement provides $65,021,000 for Military Construction, Air Force Reserve. Within this amount, the agreement provides $13,400,000 for study, planning, design, architect and engineer services.

NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM

The agreement provides $135,000,000 for the North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program which is $15,000,000 above the budget request. The additional funding will support responses to the challenges posed by Russia and to the risks and threats emanating from the Middle East and North Africa.

FAMILY HOUSING OVERVIEW

Homeowners Assistance Program—Delayed Expression or Delayed Identification of Injured Beneficiaries.—As the Executive Agent for the Homeowners Assistance Program (HAP) across the Department of Defense, the Army mistakenly administered approximately 76 applicants whose injuries were incurred during a military deployment, while they owned a home, and experienced delayed expression or delayed identification of the injury. The applicants were paid in good faith and in accordance with guidance from Congress and the Department of Defense to err in favor of wounded, ill, and injured HAP applicants. If these beneficiaries had suffered from an obvious physical injury—which the HAP statute envisioned—their

injury would have been clearly documented at the time they owned their home, and they would have qualified for HAP benefits. Therefore, no funds from this Act shall be used to collect overpayments for any wounded, ill, or injured HAP beneficiary with delayed expression or delayed identification, or send notice letters, while the Department further develops permanent legislative solutions with Congress.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, ARMY

The agreement provides $108,695,000 for Family Housing Construction, Army. This is an increase of $9,000,000 above the budget request.

Army Family Housing Construction Increase.—The agreement includes a $9,000,000 increase to the family housing construction project located at Rock Island Arsenal, at the request of the Army. The increase is required because bids the Army received for a corresponding fiscal year 2015 project were 139 percent of the programmed amount, and the Army subsequently revised its cost estimate for the fiscal year 2016 project to reflect this bid climate. The source of the additional funding is from a rebalancing of the Army Family Housing, Operation and Maintenance account to reflect updated estimates. Both the construction project cost increase, and the corresponding rebalancing of the Army Family Housing, Operation and Maintenance account are consistent with the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, ARMY

The agreement provides $375,611,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army. This is a decrease of $17,900,000 below the budget request and reflects the Army's updated estimates for this account.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides $16,541,000 for Family Housing Construction, Navy and Marine Corps.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS

The agreement provides $353,036,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps.

FAMILY HOUSING CONSTRUCTION, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides $160,498,000 for Family Housing Construction, Air Force.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, AIR FORCE

The agreement provides $331,232,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Air Force.

FAMILY HOUSING OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, DEFENSE-WIDE

The agreement provides $58,668,000 for Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE BASE CLOSURE ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $266,334,000 for the Department of Defense Base Closure Account, which is $15,000,000 above the request. The additional funding is for the Army and the Navy to accelerate environmental remediation at installations closed under previous Base Closure and Realignment rounds.

Infrastructure Inventory and Assessment of Infrastructure Necessary to Support Ongoing Defense Activities.—Language in House Report 114–92 requiring the Secretary of Defense to conduct an inventory and assessment of infrastructure necessary to support ongoing Defense activities is modified to conform to a similar requirement in Sec. 2815 of P.L. 114–92, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes section 101 limiting the use of funds under a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee contract.

The agreement includes section 102 allowing the use of construction funds in this title for hire of passenger motor vehicles.

The agreement includes section 103 allowing the use of construction funds in this title for advances to the Federal Highway Administration for the construction of access roads.

The agreement includes section 104 prohibiting construction of new bases in the United States without a specific appropriation.

The agreement includes section 105 limiting the use of funds for the purchase of land or land easements that exceed 100 percent of the value.

The agreement includes section 106 prohibiting the use of funds, except funds appropriated in this title for that purpose, for family housing.

The agreement includes section 107 limiting the use of minor construction funds to transfer or relocate activities.

The agreement includes section 108 prohibiting the procurement of steel unless American producers, fabricators, and manufacturers have been allowed to compete.

The agreement includes section 109 prohibiting the use of construction or family housing funds to pay real property taxes in any foreign nation.

The agreement includes section 110 prohibiting the use of funds to initiate a new installation overseas without prior notification.

The agreement includes section 111 establishing a preference for American architectural and engineering services for overseas projects.

The agreement includes section 112 establishing a preference for American contractors in United States territories and possessions

in the Pacific and on Kwajalein Atoll and in countries bordering the Arabian Gulf.

The agreement includes section 113 requiring congressional notification of military exercises when construction costs exceed $100,000.

The agreement includes section 114 allowing funds appropriated in prior years for new projects authorized during the current session of Congress.

The agreement includes section 115 allowing the use of expired or lapsed funds to pay the cost of supervision for any project being completed with lapsed funds.

The agreement includes section 116 allowing military construction funds to be available for five years.

The agreement includes section 117 allowing the transfer of funds from Family Housing Construction accounts to the Family Housing Improvement Fund.

The agreement includes section 118 allowing transfers to the Homeowners Assistance Fund.

The agreement includes section 119 limiting the source of operation and maintenance funds for flag and general officer quarters and allowing for notification by electronic medium.

The agreement includes section 120 extending the availability of funds in the Ford Island Improvement Account.

The agreement includes section 121 allowing the transfer of expired funds to the Foreign Currency Fluctuations, Construction, Defense account.

The agreement includes section 122 restricting the obligation of funds for relocating an Army unit that performs a testing mission.

The agreement includes section 123 allowing for the reprogramming of construction funds among projects and activities subject to certain criteria.

The agreement includes section 124 prohibiting the obligation or expenditure of funds provided to the Department of Defense for military construction for projects at Arlington National Cemetery.

The agreement includes section 125 rescinding unobligated balances from the Military Construction, Army and Family Housing Construction, Army accounts.

The agreement includes section 126 rescinding unobligated balances from the Military Construction, Air Force account.

The agreement includes section 127 rescinding unobligated balances from the Military Construction, Defense-Wide account.

The agreement includes section 128 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Army.

The agreement includes section 129 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps.

The agreement includes section 130 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Army National Guard.

The agreement includes section 131 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Army Reserve.

The agreement includes section 132 providing additional funds for Defense Access Roads.

The agreement includes section 133 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Air Force.

The agreement includes section 134 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Air National Guard.

The agreement includes section 135 defining the congressional defense committees.

The agreement includes section 136 rescinding unobligated balances from the fund established by Sec. 1013(d) of 42 U.S.C. 3374.

The agreement includes section 137 providing additional funds for Military Construction, Air Force Reserve.

The agreement includes section 138 restricting funds in the Act to be used to consolidate or relocate any element of Air Force Rapid Engineer Deployable Heavy Operational Repair Squadron Engineer until certain conditions are met.

The agreement includes section 139 (House section 515) prohibiting the use of funds in this Act to close or realign Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The provision is intended to prevent the closure or transfer of the installation out of the possession of the United States, and maintain the Naval Station's long-standing regional security and migrant operations missions.

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
ALABAMA		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT RUCKER		
FORT RUCKER ES/PS CONSOLIDATION/REPLACEMENT	46,787	46,787
MAXWELL AFB		
MAXWELL ES/MS REPLACEMENT/RENOVATION	32,968	32,968
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
DANNELLY FIELD		
TFI - REPLACE SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	7,600	7,600
ALASKA		
ARMY		
FORT GREELY		
PHYSICAL READINESS TRAINING FACILITY	7,800	7,800
AIR FORCE		
EIELSON AFB		
F-35A FLIGHT SIM/ALTER SQUAD OPS/AMU FACILITY	37,000	37,000
RPR CENTRAL HEAT & POWER PLANT BOILER PH3	34,400	34,400
ARIZONA		
NAVY		
YUMA		
AIRCRAFT MAINT. FACILITIES & APRON (SO. CALA)	50,635	50,635
AIR FORCE		
DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB		
HC-130J AGE COVERED STORAGE	4,700	4,700
HC-130J WASH RACK	12,200	12,200
LUKE AFB		
F-35A ADAL FUEL OFFLOAD FACILITY	5,000	5,000
F-35A AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE HANGAR/SQ 3	13,200	13,200
F-35A BOMB BUILD-UP FACILITY	5,500	5,500
F-35A SQ OPS/AMU/HANGAR/SQ 4	33,000	33,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT HUACHUCA		
JITC BUILDINGS 52101/52111 RENOVATIONS	3,884	3,884
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
DAVIS-MONTHAN AFB		
GUARDIAN ANGEL OPERATIONS	18,200	18,200
ARKANSAS		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
FORT SMITH MAP		
CONSOLIDATED SCIF	15,200	15,200
CALIFORNIA		
ARMY		
CONCORD		
PIER	98,000	98,000
NAVY		
CAMP PENDLETON		
RAW WATER PIPELINE PENDLETON TO FALLBROOK	44,540	44,540
CORONADO		
COASTAL CAMPUS UTILITIES	4,856	4,856
LEMOORE		
F-35C HANGAR MODERNIZATION AND ADDITION	56,497	56,497
F-35C TRAINING FACILITIES	8,187	8,187
RTO AND MISSION DEBRIEF FACILITY	7,146	7,146
POINT MUGU		
E-2C/D HANGAR ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS	19,453	19,453
TRITON AVIONICS AND FUEL SYSTEMS TRAINER	2,974	2,974
SAN DIEGO		
LCS SUPPORT FACILITY	37,366	37,366
TWENTYNINE PALMS		
MICROGRID EXPANSION	9,160	9,160

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CAMP PENDLETON		
SOF COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT FACILITY	10,181	10,181
SOF PERFORMANCE RESILIENCY CENTER-WEST	10,371	---
CORONADO		
SOF LOGISTICS SUPPORT UNIT ONE OPS FAC. #2	47,218	47,218
FRESNO YOSEMITE IAP ANG		
REPLACE FUEL STORAGE AND DISTRIB. FACILITIES	10,700	10,700
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
MOFFETT FIELD		
REPLACE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE FACILITY	6,500	6,500
ARMY RESERVE		
MIRAMAR		
ARMY RESERVE CENTER	24,000	24,000
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
MARCH AFB		
SATELLITE FIRE STATION	4,600	4,600
COLORADO		
ARMY		
FORT CARSON		
ROTARY WING TAXIWAY	5,800	5,800
AIR FORCE		
U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY		
FRONT GATES FORCE PROTECTION ENHANCEMENTS	10,000	10,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT CARSON		
SOF LANGUAGE TRAINING FACILITY	8,243	8,243
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE		
ASE MAINTENANCE AND STORAGE FACILITY	5,100	5,100
CONNECTICUT		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
CAMP HARTELL		
READY BUILDING (CST-WMD)	11,000	11,000
DELAWARE		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
DOVER AFB		
CONSTRUCT HYDRANT FUEL SYSTEM	21,600	21,600
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
DAGSBORO		
NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP	10,800	10,800
FLORIDA		
NAVY		
JACKSONVILLE		
FLEET SUPPORT FACILITY ADDITION	8,455	8,455
TRITON MISSION CONTROL FACILITY	8,296	8,296
MAYPORT		
LCS MISSION MODULE READINESS CENTER	16,159	16,159
PENSACOLA		
A-SCHOOL UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING (CORRY STATION)	18,347	18,347
WHITING FIELD		
T-6B JPATS TRAINING OPERATIONS FACILITY	10,421	10,421
AIR FORCE		
CAPE CANAVERAL AFS		
RANGE COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY	21,000	21,000
EGLIN AFB		
F-35A CONSOLIDATED HQ FACILITY	8,700	8,700
HURLBURT FIELD		
ADAL 39 INFORMATION OPERATIONS SQUAD FACILITY	14,200	14,200

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
DEFENSE-WIDE		
HURLBURT FIELD		
SOF FUEL CELL MAINTENANCE HANGAR	17,989	17,989
MACDILL AFB		
SOF OPERATIONAL SUPPORT FACILITY	39,142	39,142
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
PALM COAST		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	18,000	18,000
ARMY RESERVE		
MACDILL AFB		
AR CENTER/ AS FACILITY	55,000	55,000
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
PATRICK AFB		
AIRCREW LIFE SUPPORT FACILITY	3,400	3,400
GEORGIA		
ARMY		
FORT GORDON		
COMMAND AND CONTROL FACILITY	90,000	90,000
NAVY		
ALBANY		
GROUND SOURCE HEAT PUMPS	7,851	7,851
KINGS BAY		
INDUSTRIAL CONTROL SYSTEM INFRASTRUCTURE	8,099	8,099
TOWNSEND		
TOWNSEND BOMBING RANGE EXPANSION PHASE 2	48,279	48,279
DEFENSE-WIDE		
MOODY AFB		
REPLACE PUMPHOUSE AND TRUCK FILLSTANDS	10,900	10,900
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
SAVANNAH/HILTON HEAD IAP		
C-130 SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	9,000	9,000
HAWAII		
NAVY		
BARKING SANDS		
PMRF POWER GRID CONSOLIDATION	30,623	30,623
JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM		
UEM INTERCONNECT STA C TO HICKAM	6,335	6,335
WELDING SCHOOL SHOP CONSOLIDATION	8,546	8,546
KANEOHE BAY		
AIRFIELD LIGHTING MODERNIZATION	26,097	26,097
BACHELOR ENLISTED QUARTERS	68,092	68,092
P-8A DETACHMENT SUPPORT FACILITIES	12,429	12,429
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE PEARL HARBOR-HICKAM		
F-22 FIGHTER ALERT FACILITY	46,000	46,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
KANEOHE BAY		
MEDICAL/DENTAL CLINIC REPLACEMENT	122,071	122,071
SCHOFIELD BARRACKS		
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH/DENTAL CLINIC ADDITION	123,838	123,838
ILLINOIS		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
SPARTA		
BASIC 10M-25M FIRING RANGE (ZERO)	1,900	1,900
IOWA		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
DES MOINES MAP		
AIR OPERATIONS GRP/CYBER BEDDOWN-RENO BLG 430	6,700	6,700

(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
KANSAS		
AIR FORCE		
MCCONNELL AFB		
KC-46A ADAL DEICING PADS	4,300	4,300
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
SALINA		
AUTOMATED COMBAT PISTOL/MP FIREARMS QUAL COUR	2,400	2,400
MODIFIED RECORD FIRE RANGE	4,300	4,300
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
SMOKEY HILL ANG RANGE		
RANGE TRAINING SUPPORT FACILITIES	2,900	2,900
KENTUCKY		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT CAMPBELL		
SOF COMPANY HQ/CLASSROOMS	12,553	12,553
FORT KNOX		
FORT KNOX HS RENOVATION/MS ADDITION	23,279	23,279
LOUISIANA		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
NEW ORLEANS		
REPLACE SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	10,000	10,000
MAINE		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
BANGOR IAP		
ADD TO AND ALTER FIRE CRASH/RESCUE STATION	7,200	7,200
MARYLAND		
NAVY		
PATUXENT RIVER		
UNACCOMPANIED HOUSING	40,935	40,935
AIR FORCE		
FORT MEADE		
CYBERCOM JOINT OPERATIONS CENTER, INCREMENT 3	86,000	86,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT MEADE		
NSAW CAMPUS FEEDERS PHASE 2	33,745	33,745
NSAW RECAPITALIZE BUILDING #2 INCR 1	34,897	34,897
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
EASTON		
NATIONAL GUARD READINESS CENTER	13,800	13,800
MISSISSIPPI		
ARMY RESERVE		
STARKVILLE		
ARMY RESERVE CENTER	9,300	9,300
MISSOURI		
AIR FORCE		
WHITEMAN AFB		
CONSOLIDATED STEALTH OPS & NUCLEAR ALERT FAC	29,500	29,500
MONTANA		
AIR FORCE		
MALMSTROM AFB		
TACTICAL RESPONSE FORCE ALERT FACILITY	19,700	19,700
NEBRASKA		
AIR FORCE		
OFFUTT AFB		
DORMITORY (144 RM)	21,000	21,000

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
NEVADA		
AIR FORCE		
NELLIS AFB		
F-35A AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS	31,000	31,000
F-35A LIVE ORDNANCE LOADING AREA	34,500	34,500
F-35A MUNITIONS MAINTENANCE FACILITIES	3,450	3,450
DEFENSE-WIDE		
NELLIS AFB		
REPLACE HYDRANT FUEL SYSTEM	39,900	39,900
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
RENO		
NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADD/A	8,000	8,000
NAVY RESERVE		
FALLON		
NAVOPSPTCEN FALLON	11,480	11,480
NEW HAMPSHIRE		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
PEASE INTERNATIONAL TRADE PORT		
KC-46A ADAL FLIGHT SIMULATOR BLDG 156	2,800	2,800
NEW JERSEY		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
ATLANTIC CITY IAP		
FUEL CELL AND CORROSION CONTROL HANGAR	10,200	10,200
NEW MEXICO		
AIR FORCE		
CANNON AFB		
CONSTRUCT AT/FP GATE - PORTALES	7,800	7,800
HOLLOMAN AFB		
MARSHALLING AREA ARM/DE-ARM PAD D	3,000	3,000
KIRTLAND AFB		
SPACE VEHICLES COMPONENT DEVELOPMENT LAB	12,800	12,800
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CANNON AFB		
CONSTRUCT PUMPHOUSE AND FUEL STORAGE	20,400	20,400
SOF SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	11,565	11,565
SOF ST OPERATIONAL TRAINING FACILITIES	13,146	13,146
NEW YORK		
ARMY		
FORT DRUM		
NCO ACADEMY COMPLEX	19,000	19,000
U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY		
WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT	70,000	70,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
WEST POINT		
WEST POINT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	55,778	55,778
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
NIAGARA FALLS IAP		
REMOTELY PILOTED AIRCRAFT BEDDOWN BLDG 912	7,700	7,700
ARMY RESERVE		
ORANGEBURG		
ORGANIZATIONAL MAINTENANCE SHOP	4,200	4,200
NAVY RESERVE		
BROOKLYN		
RESERVE CENTER STORAGE FACILITY	2,479	2,479
NORTH CAROLINA		
NAVY		
CAMP LEJEUNE		
2ND RADIO BN COMPLEX OPERATIONS CONSOLIDATION	50,557	50,557
SIMULATOR INTEGRATION/RANGE CONTROL FACILITY	54,849	54,849

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
CHERRY POINT MARINE CORPS AIR STATION		
KC 130J ENLISTED AIR CREW TRAINER FACILITY	4,769	4,769
UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEM FACILITIES	29,657	29,657
NEW RIVER		
OPERATIONAL TRAINER FACILITY	3,312	3,312
RADAR AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL FACILITY ADDITION	4,918	4,918
AIR FORCE		
SEYMOUR JOHNSON AFB		
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER/BASE OPS FACILITY	17,100	17,100
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CAMP LEJEUNE		
SOF COMBAT SERVICE SUPPORT FACILITY	14,036	14,036
SOF MARINE BATTALION COMPANY/TEAM FACILITIES	54,970	54,970
FORT BRAGG		
BUTNER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	32,944	32,944
SOF 21 STS OPERATIONS FACILITY	16,863	14,334
SOF BATTALION OPERATIONS FACILITY	38,549	38,549
SOF INDOOR RANGE	8,303	8,303
SOF INTELLIGENCE TRAINING CENTER	28,265	28,265
SOF SPECIAL TACTICS FACILITY (PH 2)	43,887	43,887
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
CHARLOTTE/DOUGLAS IAP		
REPLACE C-130 SQUADRON OPERATIONS FACILITY	9,000	9,000
NORTH DAKOTA		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
HECTOR IAP		
INTEL TARGETING FACILITIES	7,300	7,300
OHIO		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
WRIGHT-PATTERSON AFB		
SATELLITE PHARMACY REPLACEMENT	6,623	6,623
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
CAMP RAVENNA		
MODIFIED RECORD FIRE RANGE	3,300	3,300
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
YOUNGSTOWN		
INDOOR FIRING RANGE	9,400	9,400
OKLAHOMA		
ARMY		
FORT SILL		
RECEPTION BARRACKS COMPLEX PH2	56,000	56,000
TRAINING SUPPORT FACILITY	13,400	13,400
AIR FORCE		
ALTUS AFB		
DORMITORY (120 RM)	18,000	18,000
KC-46A FTU ADAL FUEL CELL MAINT HANGAR	10,400	10,400
TINKER AFB		
AIR TRAFFIC CONTROL TOWER	12,900	12,900
KC-46A DEPOT MAINTENANCE DOCK	37,000	37,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
WILL ROGERS WORLD AIRPORT		
MEDIUM ALTITUDE MANNED ISR BEDDOWN	7,600	7,600
OREGON		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
KLAMATH FALLS IAP		
REPLACE FUEL FACILITIES	2,500	2,500
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
SALEM		
NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BLDG ADD/ALT (JFHQ)	16,500	16,500

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
KLAMATH FALLS IAP		
REPLACE FIRE CRASH/RESCUE STATION	7,200	7,200
PENNSYLVANIA		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
PHILADELPHIA		
REPLACE HEADQUARTERS	49,700	49,700
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
FORT INDIANTOWN GAP		
TRAINING AIDS CENTER	16,000	16,000
ARMY RESERVE		
CONNEAUT LAKE		
DAR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT	5,000	5,000
SOUTH CAROLINA		
NAVY		
PARRIS ISLAND		
RANGE SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS & MODERNIZATION	27,075	27,075
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT JACKSON		
PIERCE TERRACE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT	26,157	26,157
SOUTH DAKOTA		
AIR FORCE		
ELLSWORTH AFB		
DORMITORY (168 RM)	23,000	23,000
TEXAS		
ARMY		
CORPUS CHRISTI		
POWERTRAIN FACILITY (INFRASTRUCTURE/METAL)	85,000	85,000
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
HOMELAND DEFENSE OPERATIONS CENTER	43,000	---
AIR FORCE		
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
BMT CLASSROOMS/DINING FACILITY 3	35,000	35,000
BMT RECRUIT DORMITORY 5	71,000	71,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT BLISS		
HOSPITAL REPLACEMENT INCR 7	239,884	189,884
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
AMBULATORY CARE CENTER PHASE 4	61,776	61,776
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
JOINT BASE SAN ANTONIO		
CONSOLIDATE 433 MEDICAL FACILITY	9,900	9,900
UTAH		
AIR FORCE		
HILL AFB		
F-35A FLIGHT SIMULATOR ADDITION PHASE 2	5,900	5,900
F-35A HANGAR 40/42 ADDITIONS AND AMU	21,000	21,000
HAYMAN IGLOOS	11,500	11,500
VERMONT		
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
NORTH HYDE PARK		
NATIONAL GUARD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP ADDIT	7,900	7,900
VIRGINIA		
ARMY		
FORT LEE		
TRAINING SUPPORT FACILITY	33,000	33,000
JOINT BASE MYER-HENDERSON		
INSTRUCTION BUILDING	37,000	---

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(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
NAVY		
DAM NECK		
MARITIME SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM FACILITY	23,066	23,066
NORFOLK		
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER	75,289	75,289
ELECTRICAL REPAIRS TO PIERS 2,6,7, AND 11	44,254	44,254
MH-60 HELICOPTER TRAINING FACILITY	7,134	7,134
PORTSMOUTH		
WATERFRONT UTILITIES	45,513	45,513
QUANTICO		
ATFP GATE	5,840	5,840
ELECTRICAL DISTRIBUTION UPGRADE	8,418	8,418
EMBASSY SECURITY GUARD BEQ & OPS FACILITY	43,941	43,941
DEFENSE-WIDE		
FORT BELVOIR		
CONSTRUCT VISITOR CONTROL CENTER	5,000	5,000
REPLACE GROUND VEHICLE FUELING FACILITY	4,500	4,500
JOINT BASE LANGLEY-EUSTIS		
REPLACE FUEL PIER AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITY	28,000	28,000
JOINT EXPEDITIONARY BASE LITTLE CREEK - STORY		
SOF APPLIED INSTRUCTION FACILITY	23,916	23,916
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
RICHMOND		
NATIONAL GUARD/RESERVE CENTER BUILDING (JFHQ)	29,000	29,000
NAVY RESERVE		
DAM NECK		
RESERVE TRAINING CENTER COMPLEX	18,443	18,443
WASHINGTON		
NAVY		
BANGOR		
REGIONAL SHIP MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FACILITY	12,753	12,753
WRA LAND/WATER INTERFACE	34,177	34,177
BREMERTON		
DRY DOCK 6 MODERNIZATION & UTILITY IMPROVE	22,680	22,680
INDIAN ISLAND		
SHORE POWER TO AMMUNITION PIER	4,472	4,472
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
YAKIMA		
ENLISTED BARRACKS, TRANSIENT TRAINING	19,000	19,000
WEST VIRGINIA		
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
YEAGER AIRPORT		
FORCE PROTECTION- RELOCATE COONSKIN ROAD	3,900	3,900
WYOMING		
AIR FORCE		
F. E. WARREN AFB		
WEAPON STORAGE FACILITY	95,000	95,000
CONUS CLASSIFIED		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CLASSIFIED LOCATION		
OPERATIONS SUPPORT FACILITY	20,065	20,065
BAHRAIN ISLAND		
NAVY		
SW ASIA		
MINA SALMAN PIER REPLACEMENT	37,700	37,700
SHIP MAINTENANCE SUPPORT FACILITY	52,091	52,091

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	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
DJIBOUTI		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CAMP LEMONIER		
CONSTRUCT FUEL STORAGE & DISTRIB. FACILITIES.....	43,700	43,700
GERMANY		
ARMY		
GRAFENWOEHR		
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE SHOP.....	51,000	51,000
DEFENSE-WIDE		
GARMISCH		
GARMISCH E/MS-ADDITION/MODERNIZATION.....	14,676	14,676
GRAFENWOEHR		
GRAFENWOEHR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT.....	38,138	38,138
RHINE ORDNANCE BARRACKS		
MEDICAL CENTER REPLACEMENT INCR 5.....	85,034	85,034
SPANGDAHLEM AB		
CONSTRUCT FUEL PIPELINE.....	5,500	5,500
MEDICAL/DENTAL CLINIC ADDITION.....	34,071	34,071
STUTTGART-PATCH BARRACKS		
PATCH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL REPLACEMENT.....	49,413	49,413
GREENLAND		
AIR FORCE		
THULE AB		
THULE CONSOLIDATION PH 1.....	41,965	41,965
GUAM		
NAVY		
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
LIVE-FIRE TRAINING RANGE COMPLEX (NW FIELD).....	125,677	125,677
MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE LANDFILL CLOSURE.....	10,777	10,777
SANITARY SEWER SYSTEM RECAPITALIZATION.....	45,314	45,314
AIR FORCE		
JOINT REGION MARIANAS		
APR - DISPERSED MAINT SPARES & SE STORAGE FAC.....	19,000	19,000
APR - INSTALLATION CONTROL CENTER.....	22,200	22,200
APR - SOUTH RAMP UTILITIES PHASE 2.....	7,100	7,100
PAR - LO/CORROSION CONTROL/COMPOSITE REPAIR.....	34,400	34,400
PRTC ROADS.....	2,500	2,500
ITALY		
NAVY		
SIGONELLA		
P-8A HANGAR AND FLEET SUPPORT FACILITY.....	62,302	62,302
TRITON HANGAR AND OPERATION FACILITY.....	40,641	40,641
JAPAN		
NAVY		
CAMP BUTLER		
MILITARY WORKING DOG FACILITIES (CAMP HANSEN).....	11,697	11,697
IWAKUNI		
E-2D OPERATIONAL TRAINER COMPLEX.....	8,716	8,716
SECURITY MODIFICATIONS - CVW5/MAG12 HQ.....	9,207	9,207
KADENA AB		
AIRCRAFT MAINT. SHELTERS & APRON.....	23,310	23,310
YOKOSUKA		
CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER.....	13,846	13,846
AIR FORCE		
YOKOTA AB		
C-130J FLIGHT SIMULATOR FACILITY.....	8,461	8,461
DEFENSE-WIDE		
KADENA AB		
AIRFIELD PAVEMENTS.....	37,485	37,485

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
NIGER		
AIR FORCE		
AGADEZ		
CONSTRUCT AIRFIELD AND BASE CAMP	50,000	50,000
OMAN		
AIR FORCE		
AL MUSANNAH AB		
AIRLIFT APRON	25,000	25,000
POLAND		
NAVY		
REDZIKOWO BASE		
AEGIS ASHORE MISSILE DEFENSE COMPLEX	51,270	51,270
DEFENSE-WIDE		
REDZIKOWO BASE		
AEGIS ASHORE MISSILE DEFENSE SYSTEM COMPLEX	169,153	169,153
SPAIN		
DEFENSE-WIDE		
ROTA		
ROTA ES AND HS ADDITIONS	13,737	13,737
UNITED KINGDOM		
AIR FORCE		
CROUGHTON RAF		
CONSOLIDATED SATCOM/TECH CONTROL FACILITY	36,424	36,424
JIAC CONSOLIDATION - PH 2	94,191	94,191
WORLDWIDE CLASSIFIED		
AIR FORCE		
CLASSIFIED LOCATION		
LONG RANGE STRIKE BOMBER	77,130	77,130
MUNITIONS STORAGE	3,000	3,000
NATO SECURITY INVESTMENT PROGRAM	120,000	135,000
WORLDWIDE UNSPECIFIED		
ARMY		
HOST NATION SUPPORT	36,000	36,000
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	25,000	25,000
PLANNING AND DESIGN	73,245	73,245
NAVY		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	91,649	91,649
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	22,590	22,590
AIR FORCE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	89,164	89,164
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	22,900	22,900
DEFENSE-WIDE		
CONTINGENCY CONSTRUCTION	10,000	---
ENERGY CONSERVATION INVESTMENT PROGRAM	150,000	150,000
PLANNING AND DESIGN		
DEFENSE-WIDE	23,500	23,500
DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE DEPENDENT EDUCATION	42,183	42,183
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY	31,772	31,772
NATIONAL GEOSPATIAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY	27,202	27,202
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY	1,078	1,078
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND	31,628	31,628

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
WASHINGTON HEADQUARTERS SERVICE	3,041	3,041
MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY	---	15,000
SUBTOTAL, PLANNING AND DESIGN	160,404	175,404
UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION		
DEFENSE-WIDE	3,000	3,000
DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY	5,000	5,000
JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF	8,687	8,687
SPECIAL OPERATIONS COMMAND	15,676	15,676
SUBTOTAL, UNSPECIFIED MINOR CONSTRUCTION	32,363	32,363
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	20,337	20,337
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	15,000	15,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	5,104	5,104
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	7,734	7,734
ARMY RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	9,318	9,318
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	6,777	6,777
NAVY RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	2,208	2,208
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	1,468	1,468
AIR FORCE RESERVE		
PLANNING AND DESIGN	13,400	13,400
MINOR CONSTRUCTION	6,121	6,121
FAMILY HOUSING, ARMY		
GERMANY		
WIESBADEN		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS (12 UNITS)	3,500	3,500
FLORIDA		
CAMP RUDDER		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION (15 UNITS)	8,000	8,000
ILLINOIS		
ROCK ISLAND		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION (38 UNITS)	20,000	29,000
KOREA		
CAMP WALKER (DAEGU)		
FAMILY HOUSING NEW CONSTRUCTION (90 UNITS)	61,000	61,000
PLANNING AND DESIGN	7,195	7,195
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION	99,695	108,695
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT	65,600	60,600
SERVICES ACCOUNT	10,928	10,928
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	48,515	45,615
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT	840	840
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT	25,552	18,552
LEASING	144,879	141,879
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	75,197	75,197

MILITARY CONSTRUCTION
(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS	22,000	22,000
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	393,511	375,611
FAMILY HOUSING, NAVY AND MARINE CORPS		
VIRGINIA		
WALLOPS ISLAND		
HOUSING SERVICE CENTER	438	438
SKEETER LANE RENOVATION AND CONVERSION	3,658	3,658
JAPAN		
IWAKUNI		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 3	7,857	7,857
PLANNING AND DESIGN	4,588	4,588
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION	16,541	16,541
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT	67,692	67,692
SERVICES ACCOUNT	19,149	19,149
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	56,189	56,189
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT	373	373
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT	17,534	17,534
LEASING	64,108	64,108
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	99,323	99,323
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS	28,668	28,668
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	353,036	353,036
FAMILY HOUSING, AIR FORCE		
GERMANY		
RAMSTEIN		
FAMILY HOUSING MANAGEMENT FACILITY	5,700	5,700
JAPAN		
KADENA		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 4	35,776	35,776
KADENA		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 5	33,000	33,000
MISAWA		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 3	44,373	44,373
YOKOTA		
CONSTRUCTION IMPROVEMENTS, PHASE 7	31,800	31,800
PLANNING AND DESIGN	9,849	9,849
SUBTOTAL, CONSTRUCTION	160,498	160,498
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
UTILITIES ACCOUNT	40,811	40,811
MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT	52,153	52,153
SERVICES ACCOUNT	12,940	12,940
FURNISHINGS ACCOUNT	38,746	38,746
MISCELLANEOUS ACCOUNT	2,032	2,032
LEASING	28,867	28,867
MAINTENANCE	114,129	114,129
PRIVATIZATION SUPPORT COSTS	41,554	41,554
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	331,232	331,232

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(AMOUNTS IN THOUSANDS)

	BUDGET REQUEST	FINAL BILL
FAMILY HOUSING, DEFENSE-WIDE		
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE		
NATIONAL SECURITY AGENCY		
UTILITIES	474	474
FURNISHING	781	781
LEASING	10,679	10,679
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	1,104	1,104
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY		
FURNISHINGS	3,402	3,402
LEASING	41,273	41,273
DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY		
UTILITIES	172	172
FURNISHINGS	20	20
SERVICES	31	31
MANAGEMENT	388	388
MAINTENANCE OF REAL PROPERTY	344	344
SUBTOTAL, OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	58,668	58,668
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE		
BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE ACCOUNT	251,334	266,334
DEFENSE ACCESS ROADS (SEC. 132)	---	30,000
RESCISSIONS FROM PRIOR YEAR UNOBLIGATED BALANCES		
ARMY (SEC. 125)	---	-86,420
DEFENSE-WIDE (SEC. 127)	---	-134,000
ARMY (SEC. 128)	---	34,500
NAVY AND MARINE CORPS (SEC. 129)	---	34,500
ARMY NATIONAL GUARD (SEC. 130)	---	51,300
ARMY RESERVE (SEC. 131)	---	34,200
AIR FORCE (RESCISSION) (SEC. 126)	---	-46,400
42 USC 3374 (SEC. 136)	---	-105,000
AIR FORCE (SEC. 133)	---	21,000
AIR NATIONAL GUARD (SEC. 134)	---	6,100
AIR FORCE RESERVE (SEC. 137)	---	10,400

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $76,865,545,000 for Compensation and Pensions for fiscal year 2016, reflecting new estimates provided in the Administration's mid-session review. Of the amount provided, not more than $15,562,000 is to be transferred to General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA) and Information Technology Systems for reimbursement of necessary expenses in implementing provisions of title 38. The agreement also provides in advance $86,083,128,000 for Compensation and Pensions for fiscal year 2017, of which not to exceed $16,021,000 shall be transferred to the two accounts listed above. This is the first year advance appropriations have been authorized and provided for this account.

READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

The agreement provides $14,313,357,000 for Readjustment Benefits, reflecting new estimates provided in the Administration's mid-session review. In addition, $16,340,828,000 is provided in advance for Readjustment Benefits in fiscal year 2017. This is the first year advance appropriations have been authorized and provided for this account.

VETERANS INSURANCE AND INDEMNITIES

The agreement provides $77,160,000 for Veterans Insurance and Indemnities for fiscal year 2016, as well as advance appropriations for fiscal year 2017 totaling $91,920,000. This is the first year advance appropriations have been authorized and provided for this account.

VETERANS HOUSING BENEFIT PROGRAM FUND

The agreement provides such sums as may be necessary for costs associated with direct and guaranteed loans for the Veterans Housing Benefit Program Fund. The agreement limits obligations for direct loans to not more than $500,000 and provides that $164,558,000 shall be available for administrative expenses.

VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $31,000 for the cost of direct loans from the Vocational Rehabilitation Loans Program Account, plus $367,000 to be paid to the appropriation for General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration. The agreement provides for a direct loan limitation of $2,952,000.

NATIVE AMERICAN VETERAN HOUSING LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $1,134,000 for administrative expenses of the Native American Veteran Housing Loan Program Account.

VETERANS HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

MEDICAL SERVICES

The agreement provides $51,673,000,000 in advance for fiscal year 2017 for Medical Services and makes $1,400,000,000 of the advance available through fiscal year 2018. The agreement also provides $2,369,158,000 for fiscal year 2016 in addition to the advance appropriation provided last year.

Choice Program.—The Choice program, created in the Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act (VACAA) of 2014, was designed to provide needed care outside the VA system for veterans who lived far from VA medical facilities or who were unable to receive an appointment within a reasonable time period at a VA clinic or hospital. VACAA included $15,000,000,000 in emergency, mandatory funding to finance the new program as well as investments in building VA capacity. The first year of the program was fraught with uncertainty. Usage of the Choice program was well below expectations. Yet, the information about the existence of the program generated demand for the existing VA program that was well beyond projections or capacity. The resulting strain on care provided through VA appropriated funds reached a crisis level last August when Congress was forced to transfer Choice program funding to the discretionary accounts to keep VA hospitals operating. That crisis generated the requirement from Congress that VA develop a comprehensive plan to restructure the Choice program and consolidate it with the myriad other non-VA care programs operated by the Department. As this new plan is developed and implemented by Congress, great uncertainty still exists about the demand for traditional VA care versus care provided by outside entities but funded by VA. The funding provided through VACAA will be exhausted sometime in fiscal year 2016 or 2017, creating unprecedented demands on the discretionary account. The Department is directed to provide to the Committees its cost projections for Medical Care for fiscal year 2016 and 2017 not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act and every subsequent quarter thereafter. In the absence of reasonable projections of usage of VA care, the agreement provides a total of nearly $2,500,000,000 for fiscal year 2016 Medical Care in addition to the $58,662,202,000 provided in advance last year. The bill provides the original advance funding request for fiscal year 2017 of $63,271,000,000, with the expectation that the Department will submit a request for additional funding in the 2017 budget.

Given that there may be significant unfunded liabilities created by VACAA, the agreement includes bill language permitting the transfer of funding from multiple VA appropriations accounts to Medical Services to address unfunded needs.

Expansions of the Choice Program.—Subsequent eligibility expansions of the Choice program by VA and by legislation have been

welcome developments. These expansions, particularly those regarding environmental factors, have opened the aperture for the Choice program and will allow more veterans to utilize non-VA care options. The Department is encouraged to implement these eligibility changes to the Choice program in an expedited manner and to consider including travel time and total distance to a VA medical facility, which can address the veteran's specific healthcare needs, when determining eligibility for the Choice program.

Evaluation of the Implementation of the Choice Act.—GAO is directed to submit to the Committees a report evaluating the implementation by the Department of section 101 of VACAA, as described in Senate bill section 250.

Interim Results Regarding Changes to Access to Care for Veterans.—VA is directed to submit a report to the Committees not later than February 1, 2016, detailing the changes in the delivery of care to Alaskan veterans subsequent to passage of the Choice Act, as described in the Senate bill section 251.

Impact of the Choice Program on Rural Areas.—The Department is instructed to submit a report to the Committees not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act on the implementation of the Choice Act in rural areas, as described in Senate bill section 254.

Oversight of VA Patient Access to Care.—To ensure that the Veterans Health Administration's Veterans Integrated Service Networks (VISNs) are complying with all legal and policy standards with respect to veterans' timely access to medical care, the agreement directs GAO to conduct a random audit of at least three VISNs, and, to the extent practical, three individual medical facilities within those VISNs. The audit should assess whether the VISNs and facilities have assurance programs in place to confirm compliance with all standards imposed under law or any policy guidance issued by the Department regarding access to hospital care, or other healthcare provided by the Veterans Health Administration, or provided through a contractual agreement with a non-VA provider.

Despite the Department's efforts to decrease patient wait times, progress is uneven, and distressing reports abound from certain areas of the country about veterans' inability to get timely care. To better understand why these geographic services gaps exist, the Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, with respect to the South Texas Veterans Health Care System, the Central Alabama Veterans Health Care System, the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System, the Gulf Coast Veterans Health Care System, and the VA Montana Health Care System, including: (1) a description of the current baseline and the nature and scope of any foreseeable increase in wait times for medical appointments; (2) an assessment of whether a shortage of healthcare providers is the primary cause of any such increase in wait times; (3) an identification of any other causes of an increase in wait times; (4) a description of any action taken by the Department to correct any such increase in wait times; (5) an assessment of any issues relating to access to care; and (6) a plan for how the Secretary will remedy any such increase in wait times, including a detailed description of steps to be taken and a timeline for completion.

Curing Hepatitis C within the Veteran Population.—The Department is to be commended for robustly treating veterans with Hepatitis C (HCV), which is a particular concern because the veteran population is twice as likely to have the virus as the general population. VA has developed a Hepatitis C projection model, which is able to project both the prevalence of HCV infections within the enrolled veteran population and the number of treatments needed from 2014 through 2023. Available HCV drugs have a cure rate of 96 percent, and early, preventative treatments avoid tens of thousands of dollars in future spending on transplants and chemotherapy. To that end, the agreement includes bill language funding the treatment of Hepatitis C within the VA system at no less than $1,500,000,000 in fiscal year 2016, which is $810,000,000 above the President's request.

To assist in congressional oversight, VA is directed to report to the Committees in quarterly briefings the number of veterans treated to date, the number of veterans treated each week, the number of veterans pronounced cured to date, the projected number of new cases, and the estimate of veterans likely to be cured during the next quarter. In addition, VA should indicate in a report sent to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act the Department's volume capacity for treatment and the Department's strategic plan for addressing the veteran Hepatitis C caseload over the next five years. VA is also directed to report quarterly to the Committees obligations for funding Hepatitis C treatments as part of the larger crosscutting VA quarterly financial report required in section 219.

Caregivers.—The agreement provides $605,000,000 for the Caregiver Program, which is $50,000,000 above the budget request. The funding will support stipends paid directly to family caregivers of post-9/11 veterans seriously injured in the line of duty, as well as the national caregiver support line and increased support for caregiver support coordinators.

Vet Centers.—The agreement provides $258,000,000 for readjustment counseling at Vet Centers, which is $15,000,000 above the budget request. The increased funds are to be used for Vet Centers, including mobile Vet Centers, to address the unmet mental health needs of veterans in rural and highly rural areas.

Rural Healthcare.—The agreement includes $270,000,000 for the Office of Rural Health. This funding continues the Rural Health Initiative established by Congress in fiscal year 2009 to ensure that VA dedicates sufficient resources to reach veterans residing in rural and highly rural areas who do not have immediate access to a veterans medical center or community-based outpatient clinic. VA is strongly encouraged to continue to improve the accessibility, efficiency, and effectiveness of care for rural veterans. Section 211 of the bill permits the transfer of up to $20,000,000 from the Office of Rural Health to the Grants to States for Construction of Extended Care Facilities in order to ensure the needs of rural and highly rural areas are taken into account in the allocation of these construction funds.

Ending Veteran Homelessness.—The most recent "Point in Time Count" prepared by the Department of Housing and Urban Development estimates the overall national number of homeless veterans

in January 2015 was 47,725, down 35 percent since 2009. It is expected that this reduction will continue and will be reflected in next year's "Point in Time Count". Congress has provided more than $7,200,000,000 for homeless program activities during this time period to support the Department's efforts. The Department is to be commended for the continued reduction in homelessness among veterans, but there is concern that its Agency Priority Goal of ending homelessness in 2015 may not be realized. The goal is important, and the Department is directed to continue prioritizing resources and efforts to end veterans homelessness. Therefore, the agreement provides the full fiscal year 2016 and 2017 budget requests for VA homelessness assistance programs and homeless veteran treatment costs. The agreement directs the Department to fund the Supportive Services for Veteran Families and the Grant and Per Diem Program at the fully authorized level.

Concern remains about the Department's efforts to combat homelessness among female veterans and female veterans with minor children. The agreement directs VA to report the actions it is taking to reduce homelessness among this population, as directed in the House report.

The Secretary is directed to assess the feasibility and advisability of conducting a pilot program to award grants to veterans service agencies, Veteran Service Organizations (VSOs), and nongovernmental organizations to provide furniture, household items, and other assistance to formerly homeless veterans who have transitioned to permanent housing.

Mental Health.—The agreement provides the full budget request for all VA mental health services and programs, which totals $7,455,017,000 in fiscal year 2016 and $7,715,357,000 in fiscal year 2017. Within these amounts, the agreement emphasizes the importance of investing in programs addressing post-traumatic stress, traumatic brain injury, and suicide prevention.

The Department is encouraged to seek out public-private partnerships, particularly with research universities, those with and without medical schools, to expand its efforts related to suicide prevention, post-traumatic stress disorder, traumatic brain injury, and substance abuse disorders.

The Department is urged to implement a program that would designate a VA liaison to work with local law enforcement to ensure that the subsequent needs of veterans who are considered an immediate threat to themselves and others are addressed.

The Department is urged to strengthen its relationships with the VSOs that are working closely with veterans suffering mental health issues.

VA must be better poised to identify veterans suffering from combat-related mental health issues and pinpoint those at risk of committing suicide. In an effort to assist this effort, the Department is encouraged, after consultation with the Secretary of Defense, to enter into a contract with an independent third party to carry out a study on the impact combat service has had on suicide rates and serious mental health issues among veterans. To the extent practical, the study should compare the rate and method of suicides among those veterans who have sought and received care from the Veterans Health Administration, and those who have not. The Sec-

retary should report to the Committees not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act regarding the feasibility of such a study.

There is concern that the Department is reluctant to permit the hiring of mental health counselors and marriage and family therapists who meet all educational, licensing, and examination requirements to practice in their States, but whose degree is from an institution not accredited by the particular organizations VA recognizes. The Department is urged to pilot the hiring of therapists who meet all the requirements to practice in their States and report to the Committees not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act about its hiring plans for this group of practitioners.

The agreement includes $19,000,000 for the National Centers for Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder, as outlined in the budget request.

Women Veterans.—VA must make better progress in addressing the needs of women veterans. Toward this end, the agreement fully funds gender-specific healthcare for both fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017. Access to, and utilization of, VA benefits and services by women veterans remain low, with women often encountering cultural roadblocks in a system that was largely designed to meet the needs of male veterans. Therefore, the Department is directed to ensure that providers within VA who interact with women veterans in a clinical setting are trained to treat and address the unique health issues facing women veterans. Moreover, the agreement directs the Secretary to conduct an internal analysis to ensure that each VISN is integrating the unique needs of female veterans into each component of the healthcare system. VA is directed to submit this analysis to the Committees not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

In an effort to leverage VA's existing local community partnerships, VA should establish support networks for women veterans to assist in accessing healthcare, employment services, financial counseling, and housing. Furthermore, the Department is directed to maximize the availability of mental health services available to veterans who were victims of military sexual trauma and shall report to the Committees semi-annually on these efforts. The agreement also directs VA to continue the Women Veterans Call Center.

Opioid Safety.—To respond to the urgency of the opioid overdose epidemic, the Department is directed to follow the guidance from the Senate report in the following areas: (1) adoption of the safe opioid prescribing practices for chronic, non-cancer pain in outpatient settings developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; (2) development of mechanisms for including real-time patient information on existing opioid prescriptions within VA as well as information in the State Prescription Drug Monitoring Program; (3) establishment, in consultation with DOD, within the DOD–VA Joint Executive Council of a working group focused on patient pain management and opioid therapy; and (4) provision of the necessary equipment and supplies to make certain that all VA medical facilities are equipped with approved opioid receptor antagonists. Additionally, the Department is directed to report to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act on alternative treatments to prescribing opioids, which may include an evidence-based analysis as to which complementary and integrative health therapies may be effective for the treatment of pain, as well

as how VA can better facilitate the use of safe and effective complementary and integrative health therapies for pain management. VA is also instructed to comply with the Executive Memorandum issued by the President on October 21, 2015, requiring Federal agencies to provide training on prescribing opioids to Federal healthcare professionals who prescribe controlled substances as part of their Federal responsibilities. The Department should report to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act the type of training it intends to provide, the number and position of recipients of the training, and the time frame for providing the training. Lastly, GAO, as directed in the Senate report, should report to the Committees on the effectiveness of the VA Opioid Safety Initiative.

Consolidated Mail Order Pharmacy.—VA Consolidated Mail Order Pharmacy (CMOP) ranked highest among mail order pharmacies for customer satisfaction in J.D. Power and Associates 2014 National Pharmacy Study. This marked the fifth consecutive year CMOP scored highest in this survey. Notwithstanding past success, the program, which has been recompeted, is now the subject of an Office of Inspector General (OIG) audit. OIG is directed to keep the Committees apprised of the ongoing and final results of the audit. The Department is directed to submit a report to the Committees not later than 30 days after the OIG audit results are published detailing a timeline for implementation of any recommendations which may arise as a result of the OIG audit.

Recruitment and Retention of Healthcare Providers.—GAO is directed to submit to the Committees a report on the recruitment and retention of healthcare providers by the Department, as described in Senate bill section 253.

Locum Tenens Physicians.—The Committees had expressed concern earlier this year about Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) regulations that denied VA locum tenens physicians prescribing privileges unless they had a license in the State of practice, even though VA policy permits them to practice in any VA facility as long as they have a license in at least one State. It is understood that the DEA has modified its policies and has granted waivers to VA locum tenens physicians, alleviating a problem that would have created physician shortages in some VA facilities.

Medical Residency Positions.—VACAA directed the Department to increase the number of graduate medical education residency positions by 1,500 over a five year period. On September 17, 2014, VA's Office of Academic Affiliations issued a Request for Proposals to VA healthcare facilities and received significant interest in the residency positions. As a result, the Interim Under Secretary for Health approved the allocation of 200 residency positions. By July 2015, 163 of the allocated positions had been filled. VA's residency program depends on close coordination with program sponsors and coordination with the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. To better understand limitations within the program and to better leverage VA's graduate medical education residency program, the agreement directs the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of HHS, to provide a report to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, which details current coordination with the

Direct Graduate Medical Education Program, limitations that may restrict VA's program and ability to expand to underserved areas, and a plan to more effectively carry out VA's graduate medical education program within constraints that exist in the Direct Graduate Medical Education program.

Antimicrobial Resistance.—The Department is directed to carry out antimicrobial stewardship programs in accordance with VHA Directive 1031, as described in the House and Senate reports.

Pain Management Boards.—The Department is directed to report on the feasibility of establishing Pain Management Boards within each VISN, as described in the Senate report.

Transportation Pilot Program.—To take advantage of innovations in on-demand transportation made possible through mobile application technology, the Department is encouraged to conduct a pilot program of this method as a means for transporting veterans to VA facilities and private providers. The pilot program would use transportation network companies to transport veterans for medical care in at least three metropolitan areas in three different VISNs. The pilot would take advantage of existing flexibility in current Federal procurement law, including 41 U.S.C. 1902, to enable transportation network companies to fully participate in the pilot program in a manner consistent with their standard business model. Each trip would be considered a unique transaction for the purposes of compliance with micro-purchase procedures. The Secretary shall evaluate the effectiveness of the pilot and determine: (1) how transportation network companies can meet gaps in transportation services; (2) the extent to which veterans' transportation needs are being met in a cost-effective manner; and (3) satisfaction from veterans with the quality of the transportation service and ease of use.

Nurse Call Center.—The Secretary is directed to assess the feasibility and advisability of implementing a nurse advice line, including in rural areas and highly rural areas with a large percentage of veterans, to furnish to veterans medical advice, appointment and cancellation services, and information on the availability of benefits from VA. The pilot should be based on and improve upon the nurse advice line implemented by DOD for beneficiaries under the TRICARE program.

MEDICAL SUPPORT AND COMPLIANCE

The agreement provides $6,524,000,000 in advance for fiscal year 2017 for Medical Support and Compliance and makes $100,000,000 of the advance funding available through fiscal year 2018.

MEDICAL FACILITIES

The agreement provides $5,074,000,000 in advance for fiscal year 2017 for Medical Facilities, as well as $105,132,000 in fiscal year 2016 funding, which is in addition to the advance funding provided last year. Of the advance funding, $250,000,000 is made available through fiscal year 2018.

Joint Healthcare Facilities.—The Department and DOD have developed an innovative approach to delivering healthcare by developing a combined VA/DOD clinic, from the ground-up with compatibility and integration by design. The agreement encourages the

further development and utilization of innovative ideas that combine duplicative efforts and restrain redundant costs while also better serving active duty personnel, their families, retirees, and the veteran community. The agreement recognizes the need for such integrated facilities and supports the underlying mission of these joint ventures. As noted, both Departments consider these collaborations to be the future in providing medical services for both communities. Understanding the subsequent complications that may arise during integration efforts between these Departments, the agreement encourages both VA and DOD to provide innovative solutions to overcome these challenges. The agreement further recognizes that in the instance of clinics currently under construction, there are possible cost and schedule overruns due to interagency funding disputes. Therefore, the Department and DOD are directed to resolve these issues to preserve the existing delivery timeline of these clinics and report to the Committees any outstanding issues related to joint VA/DOD clinics not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act.

Community-Based Outpatient Clinic Site Selection and Construction.—Concerns continue to be raised about the Department's oversight and management of the community-based outpatient clinic (CBOC) site selection and construction process. The current VA process does not always provide due consideration of the interests of the patients who are to be served by these facilities, as evidenced by sites which are selected that are located outside areas where the majority of local veterans live or sites without proximity to public transportation. Additionally, there is concern regarding VA's use of multi-phase construction, which can result in unnecessary delays and added construction costs, in addition to separate facilities for services that could be delivered more effectively at one site. Several planned CBOCs, such as facilities in Lorain, Ohio; Columbus, Georgia; and Rochester, New York, face these problems. VA must dramatically improve its long term planning for CBOC site selection and construction to avoid costly mistakes and ensure veterans' needs are fully considered and are made a priority in the overall process. The Department is directed to review the current CBOC planning process, particularly project design, site selection, and cost effectiveness evaluations, and to develop a plan to improve veteran access. VA should report on the status of each planned CBOC nationwide not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act.

MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

The agreement provides $630,735,000 for Medical and Prosthetic Research, available until September 30, 2017. Bill language is included to ensure that the Secretary allocates adequate funding for research on gender appropriate prosthetics and toxic exposures.

Colorectal Cancer.—Given that colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in the U.S. and VA will incur substantial costs associated with its treatment, the Department is encouraged to support research and development in diagnostic tests, including a less costly blood test and stool-based screening tests.

NATIONAL CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides $271,220,000 for the National Cemetery Administration (NCA). Of the amount provided, $26,600,000 is available until September 30, 2017.

NCA Oversight Data.—NCA is instructed to provide the following performance data to the Committees on a quarterly basis: the percentage of graves marked within 60 days; the percentage of veterans served within 75 miles of residence; and the percentage of headstone and marker applications processed within 20 days of request. The report should also include the following workload measures, comparing planned versus actual for each: the number of interments; the number of graves maintained; and the applications processed.

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $336,659,000 for General Administration. Of the amount provided, $10,000,000 is available for obligation until September 30, 2017. The agreement continues to include language permitting the transfer of funds from this account to General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration.

The agreement includes the following funding levels:

(In thousands of dollars)

Office	2015	Agreement
Office of the Secretary	10,022	10,498
Office of General Counsel	80,243	92,178
Office of Management	44,052	44,535
Office of Human Resources and Administration	61,939	63,555
Office of Policy and Planning	24,990	24,743
Office of Operations, Security and Preparedness	17,884	18,907
Office of Public Affairs	20,253	21,026
Office of Intergovernmental Affairs	2,011	1,927
Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs	5,962	5,962
Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction	53,789	53,328
Total	$321,145	$336,659

The agreement recognizes the particular importance of the mission of the Office of Accountability Review, the security and safety activities of the Office of Operations, Security, and Preparedness to protect VA facilities, and the National Veterans Sports Programs, and supports these programs at the budget request level.

Whistleblower Protection.—It is unacceptable that retaliation continues against whistleblowers within the Department. While VA continues to assert it is doing all within its power to protect whistleblowers and encourage VA employees to report cases of wrongdoing, there continue to be reports that in multiple cases when whistleblowers do bring problems to light, the whistleblowers themselves are attacked in official and unofficial ways. Such actions are reprehensible, and the Department is directed to send a clear and unequivocal message throughout the VA system that retaliation against whistleblowers will not stand, and that those in

leadership who condone or ignore such retaliation will be held accountable. The Department is directed to ensure that all VA employees understand the rights and protections afforded to them under the law. Further direction on this topic is included in the Senate report.

Third Party Fee Collection.—The Committees have urged VA for several years to improve its systems for collection of third party payments that are owed to VA for non-service-connected care for veterans at both VA and non-VA facilities. With exponential increases in non-VA care, it is all the more important for VA to increase collections of payments it is rightfully owed. The Department is instructed to conduct a pilot similar to the one described in the Senate report. Emphasis should be placed on automated solutions, as recommended in the September Independent Assessment, but also on the use of private sector revenue cycle management techniques and small balance recovery and appeals processes. The pilot should test these approaches with claims resulting from both VA and non-VA facility care.

Financial Management Systems.—The Department has had an abysmal record over the past decade attempting to install a modern financial management system. After investing hundreds of millions of dollars, VA has pulled the plug on two different systems development efforts. Rather than trying to move forward with another modernization plan, VA has hobbled along with an antiquated system dating back to the 1980s. The consequences of this misjudgment became clear earlier this year when VA was unaware that medical care obligations were outstripping resources so fast that hospitals were in danger of closing in August. The Department has asserted that acquiring a modern financial system does not compete well against other IT requirements, and therefore, continues to fall low on the Department's priority list. After the accounting crisis the Department experienced this summer that explanation is inexcusable. VA is directed to make the development of a financial management system, whether acquired or created, a top priority for 2016.

Equitable Relief.—It is understood that VA is working to implement new systems and protocols to eliminate instances of administrative error. However, as VA enacts system-wide reforms, ending equitable relief for veterans who were deemed eligible for benefits in error would place an unfair burden on veterans and their families. The Secretary is directed to continue to grant or extend equitable relief to eligible veterans initially deemed eligible in instances of administrative error. Not later than April 1, 2016, the Secretary shall submit to the Committees a report containing a statement as to the disposition of each case recommended to the Secretary for equitable relief under 38 U.S.C. 503 during the preceding calendar year.

Reduction in VA Use of Social Security Numbers.—There has long been concern about the overuse of Social Security numbers by VA as primary identifiers for veterans. To better understand the steps being taken by VA to reduce the use of Social Security numbers as the Department's primary identifier, the agreement directs the Secretary to submit not later than 120 days after enactment of

this Act a comprehensive strategic plan to reduce the unnecessary use of Social Security numbers and VA's reliance on them.

Department Unresponsiveness.—The Department's lack of timely responses to congressionally directed reporting requirements is extremely frustrating and directly affects the ability of the Committees to conduct oversight. All too often the Department fails to meet the deadlines set forth by the Committees. As one example of this intransigence, a report requested in Title II of the fiscal year 2015 House Report 113–416 titled "Alternative Financing", which was due on September 30, 2014, has yet to be received by the Committees. In addition, there are currently 25 outstanding Committee reports the Department has failed to submit on time. Furthermore, even if the deadlines are met, the material provided by the Department often lacks substance and is of little use to the Committees. This frequently forces the Committees to act on incomplete information and to request the report again in subsequent Committee reports. The Secretary is urged to address this issue, extending the priority given to providing prompt and accurate services for veterans to other important partners in this effort.

Tribal Officer Certification.—The Department is urged to revise its current regulations to permit the certification of Tribal Veterans Service Officers in the same manner as State and Regional Veterans Officers.

VA Response to Oversight Reports.—The Department is directed, as indicated in the Senate report, to provide quarterly progress reports on VA's actions to address outstanding GAO findings and recommendations, with each report to be submitted not later than 30 days after the end of the quarter.

Quarterly Report.—In section 219 of the agreement, VA is directed to provide on a quarterly basis, not later than 30 days after the end of each quarter, a quarterly financial status report to include, at a minimum, the information identified in this paragraph. Such information shall include:

1. VHA obligations and collections for the three Medical Care accounts, Nonrecurring Maintenance [as a non-add], Medical Research, the VA-DOD Facility Demonstration Fund, and MCCF collections—actual to date versus plan;
2. Updated 'VA Medical Care Obligations by Program' chart displayed in the fiscal year 2016 budget justification;
3. Choice Act obligations for sections 801 and 802—actual to date versus plan;
4. Hepatitis C obligations, amounts funded through appropriations versus Choice Act, both sources actual to date versus plan;
5. Cumulative tracking of each transfer within the Medical Care appropriations accounts and between all VA appropriations accounts;
6. General Administration obligations—personal services versus all other—actual to date versus plan;
7. Board of Veterans Appeals obligations—personal services versus all other—actual to date versus plan;
8. VBA, GOE obligations—personal services versus all other—actual to date versus plan;

9. Compensation and Pensions, Readjustment Benefits, and Veterans Insurance and Indemnities—obligations year-to-date versus plan;

10. NCA obligations—personal services versus all other—actual to date versus plan;

11. Information Technology Systems obligations—personal services versus all other—actual to date versus plan;

12. Major and Minor Construction obligations—actual to date versus plan;

13. Obligations to date for each Major Construction project, broken into design versus construction; and

14. Status of VA full-time equivalent employment—by Administration/IT and revolving funds—by quarter, actual versus plan.

Response to Security Threats.—Given the increasing threats of violence in the U.S., as well as worldwide, the VA Office of Security and Law Enforcement is directed to provide to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act a report assessing the physical security at VA hospitals nationwide, with its recommendations to improve the safety of patients and staff who use these facilities. Among other issues, the report should assess how intelligent policing solutions could enhance the security of the hospital facilities.

Travel Restrictions.—While it is understood that VA is working to reduce costs associated with travel in an effort to perform more efficiently, the Secretary is directed to ensure that any reduction in travel does not impact clinical training or training in the field necessary to provide veterans with access to healthcare and benefits.

Gender-specific Data.—Last year, the Department was directed through the Women's Health Service and the Center for Women Veterans to begin to collect and analyze gender-specific data and to develop programs and funding recommendations based on this data. VA was also encouraged, in consultation with the DOD, to establish a women's working group within the VA/DOD Joint Executive Committee. The Department is directed to report to the Committees not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act on the status of these efforts.

BOARD OF VETERANS APPEALS

The agreement provides $109,884,000 for the Board of Veterans Appeals, of which not to exceed $10,788,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017. Bill language is included in section 235 permitting VA to transfer funding between this account and the General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration account if needed to align funding with the appropriate account to hire staff to address the appeals backlog.

GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES, VETERANS BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION

The agreement provides $2,707,734,000 for General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration and makes available not to exceed $160,000,000 of this funding until the end of fiscal year 2017. The agreement provides funding to support the 770 ad-

ditional full-time equivalent staff requested in the budget—200 new appeals processors, 320 non-rating claims processors, 85 fiduciary field examiners, and 165 support personnel. The full request for the Veterans Benefits Management System is provided in the agreement, which includes $36,800,000 from this account and $253,000,000 from the Information Technology Systems account. The agreement also includes the full budget request of $26,300,000 for the centralized mail initiative and $140,800,000 for the Veteran Claim Intake Program (VCIP).

Disability Claims Processing.—Members of Congress have been deeply concerned over the years as the backlog of veterans compensation claims for service-connected disabilities reached a peak, and hundreds of thousands of veterans waited months or years to receive their benefits. Using the resources Congress has provided, VA has chipped away at the backlog and is now on a course within months to clear the backlog. While encouraged by this progress, Congress will remain vigilant to ensure that VA has put the necessary processes and manpower in place to avoid slipping back into a backlog. In addition, the resolution of increasing numbers of claims has produced a significant increase in appeals of claims, which creates increased workload at both the regional offices and at the Board of Veterans Appeals. In expectation of this second wave of an appeals backlog, the agreement provides funding above the budget request for both the Veterans Benefits Administration and the Board of Veterans Appeals. The Department is instructed not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act to provide an integrated master plan for the appeals process modernization, including plans to ensure interoperability with the Veterans Benefits Management System.

To continue the oversight instituted by the Committees in response to the backlog, the agreement:

—Continues the requirement to provide rigorous, publicly available Web-based monthly reports to the Committees on performance measures for each regional office, including the number of backlogged claims, the average number of days to complete a claim, and error rates.

—Continues the requirement to submit quarterly reports that include the number of claims personnel in each regional office, corrective action taken to remedy any problems at poorly performing offices, training programs undertaken by regional offices, and quality review team audits performed during the quarter.

—Requires VA to submit a report not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act on current and future staffing levels for each regional office.

Military OneSource.—The Military OneSource program provides important services during service members' careers, offering information, referrals, non-medical counseling, specialty consultations, educational materials, and many other services and support worldwide 24 hours a day, seven days a week, at no cost to the user. Transition out of active service is a period of great flux for service members and their families, and Military OneSource is of great benefit to them during this turbulent time.

VA also provides extensive services for exiting service members through training, employment services, post-secondary education

and health services. To be certain the services of the Military OneSource program and VA are not duplicative, the Secretary is directed, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, to submit a report to the Committees not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act detailing the services provided by both programs and identifying areas where the Departments need to coordinate or reprioritize.

Fast Letter Guidance.—The Department issued Fast Letter 13–10, *Guidance on Date of Claim Issues*, on May 20, 2013, and subsequently terminated the guidance effective June 27, 2014. The Department is directed not to reissue such guidance during fiscal year 2016.

Post-9/11 GI Bill Overpayments.—The October, 2015 GAO report that identified over $400,000,000 in post-9/11 GI bill overpayments—funding that must be collected from both students and higher education institutions—is of great concern to the Committees. VA is urged to adopt the recommendations that GAO identified, particularly updating the methods by which VA notifies students and institutions of debts owed (to include e-mail notification) and developing a system to identify students' enrollment status each month. VA is also encouraged to pursue the delayed disbursement system used by the Department of Education in order to reduce the amount of benefits that must be collected if a student's enrollment status changes. The Department is also encouraged to conduct targeted outreach and training to those schools with a record of repeated benefit processing errors, and to post on its website all of its policy directives, guidance, and training on processing student post-9/11 GI bill benefits. The Department is directed to report to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act on its response to the GAO recommendations and its consideration of delayed disbursement.

Plan to Improve Vocational Rehabilitation and Education.—The Department is directed to develop and publish an action plan not later than 270 days after enactment of this Act regarding ways to improve services and assistance provided under chapter 31 of title 38, United States Code, as described in Senate bill section 260.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides $4,133,363,000 for Information Technology (IT) Systems. The agreement identifies separately in bill language the funding available for pay ($1,115,757,000); operations and maintenance ($2,512,863,000); and systems development, modernization, and enhancement ($504,743,000). The agreement makes $34,800,000 of pay funding available until the end of fiscal year 2017; $175,000,000 of operations and maintenance funding available until the end of fiscal year 2017; and all IT systems development, modernization and enhancement funding available until the end of fiscal year 2017.

The agreement includes $182,600,000 for VistA Evolution, the modernization of the interoperable electronic health record (EHR); $50,000,000 for interoperability and Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record (VLER) Health; $253,000,000 in information technology

funding for the Veterans Benefits Management System which processes disability claims; $19,100,000 for the claims appeals modernization effort; $15,000,000 for Section 508 compliance efforts; $17,000,000 for the Medical Care Collection Fund Electronic Data Exchange for providers; and $10,000,000 for the Electronic Data Exchange for payers.

As with the fiscal year 2013, 2014, and 2015 appropriations Acts, the fiscal year 2016 agreement includes a prohibition on obligation or expenditure of more than 25 percent of fiscal year 2016 funds provided for development, modernization, and enhancement of VistA EHR until the Department meets reporting and accountability requirements contained in the agreement.

The agreement includes language prohibiting the obligation of IT development, modernization, and enhancement funding until VA submits a certification of the amounts to be obligated, in part or in full, for each development project.

The agreement includes language permitting funding to be transferred among the three IT subaccounts, subject to approval from the Committees.

The agreement includes language providing that funding may be transferred among development projects or to new projects subject to the Committees' approval.

The agreement provides funding for IT development, modernization, and enhancement for the projects and in the amounts specified in the following table:

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

(in thousands of dollars)

Project	Agreement
Access to Healthcare	$28,970
Healthcare Efficiency IT Development	6,660
Electronic Health Record Interoperability/VLER Health	25,000
VistA Evolution	81,900
New Models of Care	25,430
Veterans Benefits Management System (VBMS)	86,000
Virtual Lifetime Electronic Record (VLER)	10,000
Veterans Relationship Management (VRM)	73,333
VHA Research IT Support Development	12,250
Other IT Systems Development	155,200
Total, All Development	$504,743

This table is intended to serve as the Department's approved list of development projects; any requested changes are subject to reprogramming requirements.

Interoperability.—Within the VistA modernization plan, interoperability of electronic health records between DOD and VA remains a paramount concern. Although DOD's recently awarded EHR acquisition contract and VA's VistA Evolution program will result in two separate and distinct electronic health records, the Departments are directed to ensure that the two systems are interoperable with each other and with the necessary entities outside their own health systems. To this end, VA is directed to make progress in achieving the recommendations from the GAO Report (GAO–15–530) for establishing outcome-oriented metrics and goals to achieving interoperability with DOD.

Appointment Scheduling Software.—In 2014, now substantiated reports began to emerge of the long delays that many veterans faced when trying to schedule medical appointments. Rightfully, much of the focus over the past year and a half has been on reforming the system to ensure that deliberate manipulation of wait time data is not tolerated and that better access is created for veterans seeking care. To that end, Congress passed VACAA, which among other things, provides funding for additional healthcare providers and infrastructure improvements, and made reforms to ensure accountability at the highest levels within VA. While these efforts are critical to reforming VA, it is noted that VA continues to struggle with modernizing its antiquated scheduling system. For more than a decade, VA has spent millions in an attempt to replace its current automated scheduling system, yet the Department has little to show for the effort. In several hearings over the past year and a half, testimony has been provided that highlights the critical need to develop and update the system, yet the Department has not provided a clear path forward with regard to this endeavor. In fact, it is disheartening that while wait times continue to plague VHA, the plan put forward to replace the system continues to change and decisions continue to be put off. Therefore, the agreement directs the Secretary to submit to the Committees not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act a report that clearly defines the plan of the Department to replace or modernize the legacy scheduling system, including the cost and schedule of the effort.

Expenditure Plan.—The agreement directs the Department to continue to provide an IT expenditure plan to the Committees not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act and on a monthly basis thereafter, as indicated in both the House and Senate reports. This plan should be in the same format as the table entitled "Information Technology Development Projects".

Periodic Briefings.—The agreement requires VA to provide quarterly briefings to the Committees regarding schedule, milestones, obligations for VistA Evolution, and the six-month Project Management Accountability System delivery schedule, as directed in the Senate report. It also requires quarterly briefings from the DOD/VA Interagency Program Office on the EHR interoperability project and monthly updates to the Federal Chief Information Officer of the United States, as directed in the Senate report.

Data Dictionary.—The agreement directs the two Departments to make rapid progress on the congressionally-mandated requirement to use a data dictionary (unless or until a national standard exists) and commit funds from available resources to support the implementation of such a system.

Information Technology Procurement.—Concerns remain over VA's lack of response to previous expressions of interest and concern regarding the pending Transformation Twenty-One Total Technology Next Generation (T4NG) procurement vehicle. As Committee reports have previously stated, this contract is of critical importance to VA's mission, especially as VA moves to implement new initiatives provided in VACAA. Therefore, VA is urged to increase the number of contract awards on T4NG to a minimum of 24, distributed equally between small and large vendors.

Personal Identity Verification (PIV) Cards.—The Department is encouraged to participate in the government-wide effort to enhance security, including cybersecurity, through increasing the use of PIV cards by its employees. Funding is available in the Information Technology Systems account for this effort.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The agreement provides $136,766,000 for the Office of Inspector General (OIG). Of the amount provided, not to exceed $12,676,000 is available for obligation until September 30, 2017. The agreement includes section 239 which requires the OIG to provide work products to requesting Members and congressional committees and to post all final work products not later than three days after they are presented to the Secretary.

VA Antimicrobial Stewardship.—The OIG is directed to conduct a review not later than September 30, 2016, of efforts to implement Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs at VHA facilities, as described in the Senate report.

CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

The agreement provides $1,243,800,000 for Construction, Major Projects, which is $100,000,000 above the budget request. The agreement makes this funding available for five years, except that $80,000,000 is made available until expended.

Outside Project Management.—To ensure the Department will never again mishandle public funds on a construction project in the manner and to the degree the Denver VA Medical Center in Aurora, CO, was mismanaged, the agreement directs that $649,000,000 for Veterans Health Administration major construction projects shall not be available until the Department enters into an agreement with a non-Department of Veterans Affairs Federal entity to serve as the design and/or construction agent for each major construction project with a total estimated cost of $100,000,000 or above. The agreement makes the funding available for obligation for each project only after VA certifies that the agreement with the non-Department Federal entity is in effect for that project. The seven VHA projects affected by the fencing provision are in Alameda, CA; American Lake, WA; Livermore, CA; Long Beach, CA; Louisville, KY; San Francisco, CA; and West Los Angeles, CA.

The requirement to contract with an outside agent for major construction projects was also mandated in Section 502 of the Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act of 2015 (Public Law 114–58), enacted on September 30, 2015. The law contemplates that the non-Department Federal entity will provide management over all or part of the project design, acquisition, construction, and appropriate contract changes, and the Department will reimburse the entity for all appropriate costs associated with the provision of such services. Given the timing of the fiscal year 2016 budget request, the Department did not have the opportunity to request the necessary resources to support these costs. Recognizing that the Department does not have the resources for the cost of an outside manager of its large projects, the agreement includes

a line item of $100,000,000 in order to make this expert outside oversight possible. For future budgets, VA is directed to establish a line item in the Major Construction account for such costs for all impacted projects.

The agreement funds the following items as requested in the budget submission:

CONSTRUCTION, MAJOR PROJECTS

(in thousands of dollars)

Location and description	Agreement
Veterans Health Admin. (VHA):	
St. Louis, MO medical facility improvements and cemetery expansion	$90,100
Louisville, KY new medical facility	75,000
American Lake, WA seismic corrections, renovation of two buildings and construction of a new specialty care building	11,000
San Francisco, CA seismic retrofits and replacement of four buildings	158,000
West Los Angeles, CA seismic corrections of 12 buildings	35,000
Long Beach, CA seismic corrections for mental health and community living center	161,000
Alameda, CA new outpatient clinic and national cemetery	70,000
Livermore, CA realignment and closure of Livermore campus	139,000
Perry Point, MD replacement community living center	83,700
Advance Planning Fund—various locations	92,736
Asbestos—various stations	15,000
Major Construction Staff—various locations	24,000
Claims Analysis—various locations	5,000
Hazardous Waste—various locations	15,000
Judgment Fund—various stations	9,000
Non-VA Management Fees	100,000
Total VHA	1,083,536
National Cemetery Admin. (NCA):	
Bayamon, PR—gravesite expansion	45,000
Portland, OR—Willamette cemetery gravesite expansion	35,000
Riverside, CA—gravesite expansion and improvements	40,000
Pensacola, FL—Barrancas cemetery gravesite expansion	27,500
Advance Planning Fund—various locations	8,264
Total NCA	155,764
General Admin.:	
Staff Offices Advance Planning Fund	4,500
Major Construction total	$1,243,800

Budget Justification Documents.—With the involvement of an outside non-VA government entity managing VA's large-scale construction projects, there is an opportunity to develop improved information for the Committees about future projects. To further enhance the ability to conduct proper oversight of VA's major construction efforts, the Department is instructed to include additional information in its future budget requests. The format for this information should be developed with the input of the future managing agent, but it should resemble the format of the DOD Form 1391 and include all information from that form that is relevant to a VA project. Among the budget items that should be included are: total cost and a detailed description of any incremental funding or phasing of the project, including any severability; complete schedule of budget authority already received and needed in future years; detailed justification for any change between the prior year and current budget submission for the project; description of design versus construction costs for the project and identification of primary facil-

ity versus supporting facilities in the project; and the schedule for start of design, the point at which the design is 35 percent complete, the date that design is fully complete, and the date for start of construction.

Defense Health Agency Construction.—The Defense Health Agency (DHA) employs a comprehensive approach to hospital construction, working closely with the military services and monitoring the process as military hospitals are planned, built, maintained, and replaced. Military hospital construction projects are managed by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) or the Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC), both of which have extensive experience and expertise in managing large construction projects. DHA consults with USACE and NAVFAC throughout the planning, design, and construction phases of a project to help manage project execution and change orders. Notably, DHA also accepts input from clinicians early on in the design process, but maintains control of the project after that point, which serves as a limiting factor on costly and time-consuming change orders. The close coordination among DHA, USACE, and NAVFAC enables DHA to more efficiently manage the design and construction of large-scale medical facilities, while containing cost and schedule overruns. Given the massive cost overruns and lengthy delays in recent VA hospital construction projects, the Department is directed to consult with DHA on best practices in hospital design and construction. Further, VA is directed to submit a report to the Committees not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act regarding steps taken to fulfill this directive.

Alternative Sources of Construction Funding.—For two years, the Committees have directed VA to work collaboratively with other executive branch agencies that have substantial construction portfolios, private sector contractors, and other non-governmental experts to explore the feasibility of new funding mechanisms for VA construction, such as private development lease-backs, and report to the Committees on these alternative mechanisms. The executive branch clearance process has apparently prevented the submission of this report. Therefore, the Department is directed to provide directly to the Committees not later than 10 days after enactment of this Act the draft report submitted to the Office of Management and Budget.

Medical Facilities Realignment.—Concern remains that VA medical care realignments are being approached in an ad hoc manner by each individual VISN rather than on a comprehensive basis by VA Central Office. Moreover, such an approach may lead to inequitable and inefficient distribution of medical resources throughout the nation. Before VA makes any decision to relocate, close, or diminish services at an existing facility, or proceeds with any such realignment already underway, consideration must be given to the impact such action would have on veterans, especially tribal veterans or veterans in rural or highly rural areas, Post-traumatic Stress Disorder Treatment Programs, and other Residential Rehabilitation Treatment Programs. VA must adhere to a clear and transparent process that engages all parties from the onset and is consistent with a national realignment strategy. In title II of division I of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations

Act, 2015 (P.L. 113–235), the Committees suspended the proposed realignment of services in VISN 23 until such a report with a national strategy was transmitted to the Committees. To date, that report has not been received. The Department is again directed to comply with the request for the report on the VISN 23 proposed realignment.

CONSTRUCTION, MINOR PROJECTS

The agreement provides $406,200,000 for Construction, Minor Projects. The agreement makes this funding available for five years.

Expenditure Plan.—The agreement includes the directive for the Department to provide an expenditure plan not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, as provided in the Senate report. This expenditure plan shall include a complete list of minor construction projects to be supported in fiscal year 2016. The plan shall be updated six months and twelve months after enactment.

Mobile Surgical Units.—The Department is directed to launch a pilot project to test the cost efficiency of leasing or purchasing mobile surgical units, as described in the Senate report.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STATE EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES

The agreement provides $120,000,000 for Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities, to remain available until expended. In addition, section 211 permits the transfer of up to $20,000,000 from Medical Services to this account for the purposes described in the Senate report.

The Department is urged to calculate the maximum bed numbers necessary to support peak veteran populations and develop contingency plans to address spikes and declines over the next ten years. The Department is also directed to keep the Committees apprised of its timeline to revise the regulation setting the maximum bed number for State homes in each State. The Office of Rural Health is directed to partner with State agencies to study the need for long-term care for veterans in rural or highly rural areas.

GRANTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF VETERANS CEMETERIES

The agreement provides $46,000,000 for Grants for Construction of Veterans Cemeteries, to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

(INCLUDING TRANSFERS AND RESCISSIONS OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes section 201 allowing for transfer of funds among the three mandatory accounts.

The agreement includes section 202 allowing for the transfer of funds among the three medical accounts.

The agreement includes section 203 allowing salaries and expenses funds to be used for related authorized purposes.

The agreement includes section 204 restricting the accounts that may be used for the acquisition of land or the construction of any new hospital or home.

The agreement includes section 205 limiting the use of funds in the Medical Services account only for entitled beneficiaries unless reimbursement is made to the Department.

The agreement includes section 206 allowing for the use of certain mandatory appropriations accounts for payment of prior year accrued obligations for those accounts.

The agreement includes section 207 allowing the use of appropriations available in this title to pay prior year obligations.

The agreement includes section 208 allowing the Department to use surplus earnings from the National Service Life Insurance Fund, the Veterans' Special Life Insurance Fund, and the United States Government Life Insurance Fund to administer these programs.

The agreement includes section 209 allowing the Department to cover the administrative expenses of enhanced-use leases and provides authority to obligate these reimbursements in the year in which the proceeds are received.

The agreement includes section 210 limiting the amount of reimbursement the Office of Resolution Management and the Office of Employment Discrimination Complaint Adjudication can charge other offices of the Department for services provided.

The agreement includes section 211 permitting the transfer of up to $20,000,000 from the Office of Rural Health to Grants for Construction of State Extended Care Facilities.

The agreement includes section 212 requiring the Department to collect third-party payer information for persons treated for a non-service connected disability.

The agreement includes section 213 allowing for the use of enhanced-use leasing revenues for Construction, Major Projects and Construction, Minor Projects.

The agreement includes section 214 outlining authorized uses for Medical Services funds.

The agreement includes section 215 allowing for funds deposited into the Medical Care Collections Fund to be transferred to the Medical Services account.

The agreement includes section 216 which allows Alaskan veterans to use medical facilities of the Indian Health Service or tribal organizations.

The agreement includes section 217 permitting the transfer of funds from the Department of Veterans Affairs Capital Asset Fund to the Construction, Major Projects and Construction, Minor Projects accounts and makes those funds available until expended.

The agreement includes section 218 prohibiting the use of funds for any policy prohibiting the use of outreach or marketing to enroll new veterans.

The agreement includes section 219 requiring the Secretary to submit financial status quarterly reports for each of the Administrations in the Department. The specific data requested is listed in the explanatory statement for the General Administration account.

The agreement includes section 220 requiring the Department to notify and receive approval from the Committees of any proposed transfer of funding to or from the Information Technology Systems account and limits the aggregate annual increase in the account to

no more than ten percent of the funding appropriated to the account in this Act.

The agreement includes section 221 prohibiting any funds from being used in a manner that is inconsistent with statutory limitations on outsourcing.

The agreement includes section 222 providing up to $267,521,000 of fiscal year 2016 funds for transfer to the Joint DOD–VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 223 which permits $265,675,000 of fiscal year 2017 medical care funding provided in advance to be transferred to the Joint DOD–VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 224 which authorizes transfers from the Medical Care Collections Fund to the Joint DOD–VA Medical Facility Demonstration Fund.

The agreement includes section 225 which transfers at least $15,000,000 from VA medical accounts to the DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund.

The agreement includes section 226 which rescinds fiscal year 2016 medical account funding and re-appropriates it to be available for two years. The provision rescinds and re-appropriates $1,400,000,000 for Medical Services, rescinds and re-appropriates $100,000,000 for Medical Support and Compliance, and rescinds and re-appropriates $250,000,000 for Medical Facilities.

The agreement includes section 227 requiring that the Department notify the Committees of bid savings in a major construction project of at least $5,000,000, or five percent, whichever is less, 14 days prior to the obligation of the bid savings and their anticipated use.

The agreement includes section 228 which prohibits VA from increasing the scope of work for a major construction project above the scope specified in the original budget request unless the Secretary receives approval from the Committees.

The agreement includes section 229 requiring a quarterly report from each VBA regional office on pending disability claims, both initial and supplemental; error rates; the number of claims processing personnel; corrective actions taken; training programs; and review team audit results.

The agreement includes section 230 limiting the funding from the Medical Services and Medical Support and Compliance accounts for the VistA Evolution and electronic health record interoperability projects.

The agreement includes section 231 requiring VA to notify the Committees 15 days prior to any staff office relocations within VA of 25 or more FTE.

The agreement includes section 232 requiring the Secretary to report to the Committees each quarter about any single national outreach and awareness marketing campaign exceeding $2,000,000.

The agreement includes section 233 prohibiting funds available to the Department in this or any other Act from being used to replace the current system by which VISNs select and contract for diabetes monitoring supplies and equipment.

The agreement includes section 234 permitting the transfer to the Medical Services account of fiscal year discretionary 2016 funds

appropriated in this Act or available from advance fiscal year 2016 funds already appropriated, except for funds appropriated to General Operating Expenses, VBA, to address possible unmet, high priority needs in Medical Services. Such unanticipated demands may result from circumstances such as a greater than projected number of enrollees or higher intensity of use of benefits. Any such transfer requires the approval of the Committees.

The agreement includes section 235 permitting the transfer of funding between the General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration account and the Board of Veterans Appeals account if necessary to permit the hiring of staffing at the appropriate stage of the appeals process to address mounting claims appeals workload. Any such transfer requires the approval of the Committees.

The agreement includes section 236 rescinding $30,000,000 in unobligated balances in the DOD–VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund.

The agreement includes section 237 prohibiting the Secretary from reprogramming funds in excess of $5,000,000 among major construction projects or programs unless the reprogramming is approved by the Committees.

The agreement includes section 238 amending the Whistleblower Protection Act to ensure that title 38 medical staff are fully covered under the Act.

The agreement includes section 239 amending title 38 of the U.S.C. to require the VA Inspector General to make public all work products that make recommendations or otherwise suggest corrective action and to post them on-line.

The agreement includes section 240 prohibiting the payment of the salary of any individual who was the executive director of the Office of Acquisition, Logistics and Construction, and who retired in the midst of an investigation of delays and cost overruns associated with the design and construction of the new medical center in Aurora, CO.

The agreement includes section 241 which prohibits funds from being used to transfer funding from the Filipino Veterans Equity Compensation Fund to any other VA account.

The agreement includes section 242 which prohibits funds from being used to carry out the Appraisal Value Offer Program or the Home Marketing Incentive Program, with a waiver for situations in which the recruitment of qualified personnel would be difficult without these incentives. The Secretary is required to report to the Committees each use of this waiver authority.

The agreement includes section 243 which creates a recurring expenses fund for the Department of Veterans Affairs, generated by the transfer of expired funds before cancellation. The fund can be used for facilities infrastructure improvements, including nonrecurring maintenance, and for information technology improvements and sustainment. The Department is not authorized to obligate money from the fund without approval of the Committees.

TITLE III

RELATED AGENCIES

AMERICAN BATTLE MONUMENTS COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $105,100,000 for Salaries and Expenses of the American Battle Monuments Commission (ABMC). The agreement provides an additional $30,000,000 above the budget request to support large, planned projects such as the Manila Visitor Center, significant repairs and refurbishing at the Normandy American Cemetery and other locations, and interpretive work supporting the World War I centennial. In addition, the funds are to be used to provide ABMC sites with adequate and appropriate security, including, but not limited to, safe havens, gates, lighting, and closed-circuit cameras with remote access. Such projects should be subject to a risk-based analysis, and meet or exceed the requirements set by the Regional Security Office in each country. The funds provided over the budget request are not intended for regular operations and maintenance needs. Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a spend plan detailing the use of these funds to the Committees.

FOREIGN CURRENCY FLUCTUATIONS ACCOUNT

The agreement includes such sums as necessary, estimated at $2,000,000, for the Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account.

UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS FOR VETERANS CLAIMS

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement includes $32,141,000 for Salaries and Expenses for the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims, as requested.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE—CIVIL

CEMETERIAL EXPENSES, ARMY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $79,516,000 for Salaries and Expenses, including an additional $8,716,000 over the request to address deferred maintenance and infrastructure repairs at Arlington National Cemetery. Not later than 30 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Executive Director shall submit a spend plan detailing the use of these funds to the Committees.

ARMED FORCES RETIREMENT HOME

TRUST FUND

The agreement includes $64,300,000 for the Armed Forces Retirement Home (AFRH). The Trust Fund was established to support the operations and expenses of the AFRH, and is replenished from a variety of sources, including fines and forfeitures and Active

Duty Withholding. However, the largest source of funds, which is derived from fines and forfeitures, is diminishing. Annual outlays for the Fund have exceeded revenues since 2011, and in November 2015 DOD informed the Committees that, counter to the assumptions in the fiscal year 2016 budget request, the Trust Fund balances are not sufficient to support the expenses of AFRH; therefore, the Fund was projected to be insolvent by April 2016. As an emergency measure to assure solvency for AFRH, the agreement directs that, of the $64,300,000 total, $44,300,000 is to be derived from the Trust Fund and $20,000,000 provided from the General Fund. However, the use of the General Fund is a not a long-term solution, and AFRH is directed to work with DOD to develop an approach that will replenish the Trust Fund in a sustainable, reliable manner and to present that approach to the Committees in the fiscal year 2017 budget request along with legislative proposals. In addition, AFRH is directed to regularly report to the Committees on efforts to stabilize the Trust Fund and to lease property at the Washington, D.C. facility.

AFRH Operations Improvements.—With the removal of the Administrator and the Chief of Healthcare Services at the Armed Forces Retirement Home in Gulfport, Mississippi (AFRH–G), it is expected replacements for these positions will be chosen thoughtfully and expeditiously, and the Committees will continue to monitor DOD's actions to remedy the problems that led to the removal of these individuals. Therefore, the Chief Operating Officer of the AFRH is directed to submit to the Committees not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act a report detailing the improvements made to AFRH–G operations to address these problems, to include, but not be limited to, actions taken to enhance healthcare staffing at the facility through improved human resources management and staff performance oversight.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

The agreement includes section 301 permitting funds to be provided to Arlington County, Virginia, for the relocation of a water main located on the Arlington National Cemetery property.

The agreement includes section 302 allowing Arlington National Cemetery to deposit and use funds derived from concessions.

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS (HOUSE TITLE IV)

The agreement does not include House Title IV, Overseas Contingency Operations. Funding for those projects is included in Title I.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS

The agreement includes section 401 prohibiting the obligation of funds in this Act beyond the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided.

The agreement includes section 402 prohibiting the use of the funds in this Act for programs, projects or activities not in compliance with Federal law relating to risk assessment, the protection of private property rights, or unfunded mandates.

The agreement includes section 403 encouraging all Departments to expand their use of "E-Commerce."

The agreement includes section 404 specifying the congressional committees that are to receive all reports and notifications.

The agreement includes section 405 prohibiting the transfer of funds to any instrumentality of the United States Government without authority from an appropriations Act.

The agreement includes section 406 prohibiting the use of funds for a project or program named for a serving Member, Delegate, or Resident Commissioner of the United States House of Representatives.

The agreement includes section 407 requiring all reports submitted to Congress to be posted on official Web sites of the submitting agency.

The agreement includes section 408 prohibiting the use of funds to establish or maintain a computer network unless such network blocks the viewing, downloading, and exchanging of pornography, except for law enforcement investigation, prosecution, or adjudication activities.

The agreement includes section 409 prohibiting the use of funds for the payment of first-class travel by an employee of the executive branch.

The agreement includes section 410 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act for any contract where the contractor has not complied with E-Verify requirements.

The agreement includes section 411 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act by the Department of Defense or the Department of Veterans Affairs for the purchase or lease of a new vehicle except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011.

The agreement includes section 412 prohibiting the use of funds in this Act for the renovation, expansion, or construction of any facility in the continental United States for the purpose of housing any individual who has been detained at the United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

DIVISION J, MILITARY CONSTRUCTION AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016
(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE					
Military Construction, Army	528,427	743,245	663,245	+134,818	-80,000
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps	1,018,772	1,669,239	1,669,239	+650,467	---
Military Construction, Air Force	811,774	1,389,185	1,389,185	+577,411	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide	1,991,690	2,300,767	2,242,867	+251,177	-57,900
Total, Active components	4,350,663	6,102,436	5,964,536	+1,613,873	-137,900
Military Construction, Army National Guard	128,920	197,237	197,237	+68,317	---
Military Construction, Air National Guard	92,663	138,738	138,738	+46,075	---
Military Construction, Army Reserve	103,946	113,595	113,595	+9,649	---
Military Construction, Navy Reserve	51,528	36,078	36,078	-15,450	---
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve	49,492	65,021	65,021	+15,529	---
Total, Reserve components	426,549	550,669	550,669	+124,120	---
Total, Military Construction	4,777,212	6,653,105	6,515,205	+1,737,993	-137,900
North Atlantic Treaty Organization Security Investment Program	199,700	120,000	135,000	-64,700	+15,000
Family Housing Construction, Army	78,609	99,695	108,695	+30,086	+9,000
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Army	350,976	393,511	375,611	+24,635	-17,900
Family Housing Construction, Navy and Marine Corps	16,412	16,541	16,541	+129	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Navy and Marine Corps	354,029	353,036	353,036	-993	---

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Family Housing Construction, Air Force	---	160,498	160,498	+160,498	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Air Force	327,747	331,232	331,232	+3,485	---
Family Housing Operation and Maintenance, Defense-Wide	61,100	58,668	58,668	-2,432	---
Department of Defense Family Housing Improvement Fund	1,662	---	---	-1,662	---
Total, Family Housing	1,190,535	1,413,181	1,404,281	+213,746	-8,900
Chemical demilitarization construction, Defense-Wide	38,715	---	---	-38,715	---
Department of Defense Base Closure Account	315,085	251,334	266,334	-48,751	+15,000
ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS					
Military Construction - fiscal year 2014	125,000	---	---	-125,000	---
Military Construction - fiscal year 2015	117,000	---	---	-117,000	---
Military Construction, Army (Sec. 125)	-49,533	---	-86,420	-36,887	-86,420
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps	-25,522	---	---	+25,522	---
Defense Access Roads (Sec. 132)	---	---	30,000	+30,000	+30,000
Military Construction, Air Force	-41,392	---	---	+41,392	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide (Sec. 127)	---	---	-134,000	-134,000	-134,000
Military Construction, Army (Sec. 128)	---	---	34,500	+34,500	+34,500
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps (Sec. 129)	---	---	34,500	+34,500	+34,500
Military Construction, Army National Guard (Sec. 130)	---	---	51,300	+51,300	+51,300
Military Construction, Army Reserve (Sec. 131)	---	---	34,200	+34,200	+34,200
NATO Security Investment Program	-25,000	---	---	+25,000	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Military Construction, Air Force (rescission) (Sec. 126)	---	---	-46,400	-46,400	-46,400
42 USC 3374 (Sec. 136)	-63,800	---	-105,000	-41,200	-105,000
Military Construction, Air Force (Sec. 133)	---	---	21,000	+21,000	+21,000
Military Construction, Air National Guard (Sec. 134)	---	---	6,100	+6,100	+6,100
Military Construction, Air Force Reserve (Sec. 137)	---	---	10,400	+10,400	+10,400
Total, Administrative Provisions	36,753	---	-149,820	-186,573	-149,820
Appropriations	(242,000)	---	(222,000)	(-20,000)	(+222,000)
Rescissions	(-205,247)	---	(-371,820)	(-166,573)	(-371,820)
Total, title I, Department of Defense	6,558,000	8,437,620	8,171,000	+1,613,000	-266,620
Appropriations	(6,763,247)	(8,437,620)	(8,542,820)	(+1,779,573)	(+105,200)
Rescissions	(-205,247)	---	(-371,820)	(-166,573)	(-371,820)
TITLE II - DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS					
Veterans Benefits Administration					
Compensation and pensions 1/	79,071,000	79,124,675	76,865,545	-2,205,455	-2,259,130
Advance appropriation, FY 2017	---	87,146,761	86,083,128	+86,083,128	-1,063,633
Readjustment benefits 1/	14,997,136	15,344,922	14,313,357	-683,779	-1,031,565
Advance appropriation, FY 2017	---	16,743,904	16,340,828	+16,340,828	-403,076

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Veterans insurance and indemnities	63,257	77,160	77,160	+13,903	---
Advance appropriation, FY 2017	---	91,920	91,920	+91,920	---
Veterans housing benefit program fund:					
(Limitation on direct loans)	(500)	(500)	(500)	---	---
Administrative expenses	160,881	164,558	164,558	+3,677	---
Vocational rehabilitation loans program account	10	31	31	+21	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(2,877)	(2,952)	(2,952)	(+75)	---
Administrative expenses	361	367	367	+6	---
Native American veteran housing loan program account	1,130	1,134	1,134	+4	---
Total, Veterans Benefits Administration	94,293,775	198,695,432	193,938,028	+99,644,253	-4,757,404
Appropriations	(94,293,775)	(94,712,847)	(91,422,152)	(-2,871,623)	(-3,290,695)
Advance appropriations, FY 2017	---	(103,982,585)	(102,515,876)	(+102,515,876)	(-1,466,709)

/1 OMB mid session review re-estimates used for conference

Veterans Health Administration

Medical services:					
Advance from prior year	(45,015,527)	(47,603,202)	(47,603,202)	(+2,587,675)	---
Current year request	209,189	1,124,197	2,369,158	+2,159,969	+1,244,961

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Advance appropriation, FY 2017	47,603,202	51,673,000	51,673,000	+4,069,798	---
Subtotal	47,812,391	52,797,197	54,042,158	+6,229,767	+1,244,961
Medical support and compliance:					
Advance from prior year	(5,879,700)	(6,144,000)	(6,144,000)	(+264,300)	---
Current year request	---	69,961	---	---	-69,961
Advance appropriation, FY 2017	6,144,000	6,524,000	6,524,000	+380,000	---
Subtotal	6,144,000	6,593,961	6,524,000	+380,000	-69,961
Medical facilities:					
Advance from prior year	(4,739,000)	(4,915,000)	(4,915,000)	(+176,000)	---
Current year request	---	105,132	105,132	+105,132	---
Advance appropriation, FY 2017	4,915,000	5,074,000	5,074,000	+159,000	---
Subtotal	4,915,000	5,179,132	5,179,132	+264,132	---
Medical and prosthetic research	588,922	621,813	630,735	+41,813	+8,922
Medical care cost recovery collections:					
Offsetting collections	-2,456,000	-2,445,000	-2,445,000	+11,000	---
Appropriations (indefinite)	2,456,000	2,445,000	2,445,000	-11,000	---
Subtotal	---	---	---	---	---
DoD-VA Joint Medical Funds (transfers out)	(-276,251)	(-286,000)	(-286,000)	(-9,749)	---
DoD-VA Joint Medical Funds (by transfer)	(276,251)	(286,000)	(286,000)	(+9,749)	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
DoD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund (Transfer out)	(-15,000)	(-15,000)	(-15,000)	---	---
DoD-VA Health Care Sharing Incentive Fund (by transfer)	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	---	---
Total, Veterans Health Administration	59,460,313	65,192,103	66,376,025	+6,915,712	+1,183,922
Appropriations	(798,111)	(1,921,103)	(3,105,025)	(+2,306,914)	(+1,183,922)
Advance appropriations, FY 2017	(58,662,202)	(63,271,000)	(63,271,000)	(+4,608,798)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations	(55,634,227)	(58,662,202)	(58,662,202)	(+3,027,975)	---
National Cemetery Administration					
National Cemetery Administration	256,800	266,220	271,220	+14,420	+5,000
Departmental Administration					
General administration	321,591	346,659	336,659	+15,068	-10,000
Board of Veterans Appeals	99,294	107,884	109,884	+10,590	+2,000
General operating expenses, VBA	2,534,254	2,697,734	2,707,734	+173,480	+10,000
Information technology systems	3,903,344	4,133,363	4,133,363	+230,019	---
Office of Inspector General	126,411	126,766	136,766	+10,355	+10,000
Construction, major projects	561,800	1,143,800	1,243,800	+682,000	+100,000
Construction, minor projects	495,200	406,200	406,200	-89,000	---
Grants for construction of State extended care facilities	90,000	80,000	120,000	+30,000	+40,000

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Grants for the construction of veterans cemeteries....	46,000	45,000	46,000	---	+1,000
Total, Departmental Administration.....	8,177,894	9,087,406	9,240,406	+1,062,512	+153,000
Administrative Provisions					
Section 226					
Medical services.....	1,400,000	1,400,000	1,400,000	---	---
(Rescission).....	-1,400,000	-1,400,000	-1,400,000	---	---
Medical support and compliance.....	100,000	100,000	100,000	---	---
(Rescission).....	-100,000	-100,000	-100,000	---	---
Medical facilities.....	250,000	250,000	250,000	---	---
(Rescission).....	-250,000	-250,000	-250,000	---	---
Bonus limit rescission (Sec. 233).....	-41,000	---	---	+41,000	---
JIF rescission (Sec. 236).....	-15,000	---	-30,000	-15,000	-30,000
Contract disability exams.....	40,000	---	---	-40,000	---
Total. Administrative Provisions.....	-16,000	---	-30,000	-14,000	-30,000
Total, title II.....	162,172,782	273,241,161	269,795,679	+107,622,897	-3,445,482
Appropriations.....	(105,316,580)	(107,737,576)	(105,788,803)	(+472,223)	(-1,948,773)
Rescissions.....	(-1,806,000)	(-1,750,000)	(-1,780,000)	(+26,000)	(-30,000)

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Advance Appropriations, FY 2017:					
Mandatory	---	103,982,585	102,515,876	+102,515,876	-1,466,709
Discretionary	(58,662,202)	(63,271,000)	(63,271,000)	(+4,608,798)	---
Advances from prior year appropriations:					
Mandatory	---	---	---	---	---
Discretionary	(55,634,227)	(58,662,202)	(58,662,202)	(+3,027,975)	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(3,377)	(3,452)	(3,452)	(+75)	---
Discretionary	(68,041,389)	(74,711,819)	(76,023,741)	(+7,982,352)	(+1,311,922)
Advances from prior year less FY 2017 advances	(-3,027,975)	(-4,608,798)	(-4,608,798)	(-1,580,823)	---
Net discretionary	(65,013,414)	(70,103,021)	(71,414,943)	(+6,401,529)	(+1,311,922)
Mandatory	(94,131,393)	(198,529,342)	(193,771,938)	(+99,640,545)	(-4,757,404)
Advances from prior year less FY 2017 advances	---	(-103,982,585)	(-102,515,876)	(-102,515,876)	(+1,466,709)
Net mandatory	(94,131,393)	(94,546,757)	(91,256,062)	(-2,875,331)	(-3,290,695)
Total mandatory and discretionary	159,144,807	164,649,778	162,671,005	+3,526,198	-1,978,773

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE III - RELATED AGENCIES					
American Battle Monuments Commission					
Salaries and expenses	74,100	75,100	105,100	+31,000	+30,000
Foreign currency fluctuations account	1,900	2,000	2,000	+100	---
Total, American Battle Monuments Commission	76,000	77,100	107,100	+31,100	+30,000
U.S. Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims					
Salaries and expenses	31,386	32,141	32,141	+755	---
Department of Defense - Civil					
Cemeterial Expenses, Army					
Salaries and expenses	65,800	70,800	79,516	+13,716	+8,716
Armed Forces Retirement Home - Trust Fund					
Operation and maintenance	62,400	63,300	43,300	-19,100	-20,000
Capital program	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Payment from General Fund	---	---	20,000	+20,000	+20,000
Total, Armed Forces Retirement Home	63,400	64,300	64,300	+900	---
Total, title III	236,586	244,341	283,057	+46,471	+38,716
OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS					
Military Construction, Navy and Marine Corps	---	---	---	---	---
Military Construction, Air Force	---	---	---	---	---
Military Construction, Defense-Wide	46,000	---	---	-46,000	---
European Reassurance Initiative Military Construction	175,000	---	---	-175,000	---
Total, Overseas Contingency Operations	221,000	---	---	-221,000	---
Grand total	169,188,368	281,923,122	278,249,736	+109,061,368	-3,673,386
Appropriations	(112,316,413)	(116,419,537)	(114,614,680)	(+2,298,267)	(-1,804,857)
Rescissions	(-2,011,247)	(-1,750,000)	(-2,151,820)	(-140,573)	(-401,820)
Advance appropriations, FY 2017	(58,662,202)	(167,253,585)	(165,786,876)	(+107,124,674)	(-1,466,709)
Advances from prior year appropriations	(55,634,227)	(58,662,202)	(58,662,202)	(+3,027,975)	---
(By transfer)	(291,251)	(301,000)	(301,000)	(+9,749)	---
(Transfer out)	(-291,251)	(-301,000)	(-301,000)	(-9,749)	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(3,377)	(3,452)	(3,452)	(+75)	---

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DIVISION K—DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

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TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND RELATED AGENCY

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses of the Department of State and the Foreign Service not otherwise provided for, $5,622,170,000, of which up to $629,055,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017, and of which up to $1,428,468,000 may remain available until expended for Worldwide Security Protection: *Provided*, That funds made available under this heading shall be allocated in accordance with paragraphs (1) through (4) as follows:

(1) HUMAN RESOURCES.—For necessary expenses for training, human resources management, and salaries, including employment without regard to civil service and classification laws of persons on a temporary basis (not to exceed $700,000), as authorized by section 801 of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, $2,181,622,000, of which up to $358,833,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection.

(2) OVERSEAS PROGRAMS.—For necessary expenses for the regional bureaus of the Department of State and overseas activities as authorized by law, $1,561,840,000.

(3) DIPLOMATIC POLICY AND SUPPORT.—For necessary expenses for the functional bureaus of the Department of State, including representation to certain international organizations in which the United States participates pursuant to treaties ratified pursuant to the advice and consent of the Senate or specific Acts of Congress, general administration, and arms control, nonproliferation and disarmament activities as authorized, $791,121,000.

(4) SECURITY PROGRAMS.—For necessary expenses for security activities, $1,087,587,000, of which up to $1,069,635,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection.

(5) FEES AND PAYMENTS COLLECTED.—In addition to amounts otherwise made available under this heading—

(A) not to exceed $1,840,900 shall be derived from fees collected from other executive agencies for lease or use of facilities located at the International Center in accordance with section 4 of the International Center Act, and, in addition, as authorized by section 5 of such Act, $743,000, to

be derived from the reserve authorized by that section, to be used for the purposes set out in that section;

(B) as authorized by section 810 of the United States Information and Educational Exchange Act, not to exceed $5,000,000, to remain available until expended, may be credited to this appropriation from fees or other payments received from English teaching, library, motion pictures, and publication programs and from fees from educational advising and counseling and exchange visitor programs; and

(C) not to exceed $15,000, which shall be derived from reimbursements, surcharges, and fees for use of Blair House facilities.

(6) TRANSFER, REPROGRAMMING, AND OTHER MATTERS.—

(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, funds may be reprogrammed within and between paragraphs (1) through (4) under this heading subject to section 7015 of this Act.

(B) Of the amount made available under this heading, not to exceed $10,000,000 may be transferred to, and merged with, funds made available by this Act under the heading "Emergencies in the Diplomatic and Consular Service", to be available only for emergency evacuations and rewards, as authorized.

(C) Funds appropriated under this heading are available for acquisition by exchange or purchase of passenger motor vehicles as authorized by law and, pursuant to section 1108(g) of title 31, United States Code, for the field examination of programs and activities in the United States funded from any account contained in this title.

(D) Funds appropriated under this heading may be made available for Conflict Stabilization Operations and for related reconstruction and stabilization assistance to prevent or respond to conflict or civil strife in foreign countries or regions, or to enable transition from such strife.

(E) Funds appropriated under this heading in this Act that are designated for Worldwide Security Protection shall continue to be made available for support of security-related training at sites in existence prior to the enactment of this Act: *Provided*, That in addition to such funds, up to $99,113,000 of the funds made available under this heading in this Act may be obligated for a Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC) only after the Secretary of State—

(i) submits to the appropriate congressional committees a comprehensive analysis of a minimum of three different locations for FASTC assessing the feasibility and comparing the costs and benefits of delivering training at each such location; and

(ii) notifies the appropriate congressional committees at least 15 days in advance of such obligation: *Provided*, That such notification shall also include a justification for any decision made by the Department of State to obligate funds for FASTC.

(F) None of the funds appropriated under this heading may be used for the preservation of religious sites unless the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such sites are historically, artistically, or culturally significant, that the purpose of the project is neither to advance nor to inhibit the free exercise of religion, and that the project is in the national interest of the United States.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

For necessary expenses of the Capital Investment Fund, $66,400,000, to remain available until expended, as authorized.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General, $72,700,000, notwithstanding section 209(a)(1) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (Public Law 96–465), as it relates to post inspections: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, $10,905,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017.

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

For expenses of educational and cultural exchange programs, as authorized, $590,900,000, to remain available until expended, of which not less than $236,000,000 shall be for the Fulbright Program and not less than $102,000,000 shall be for Citizen Exchange Program, including $4,000,000 for the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange: *Provided,* That fees or other payments received from, or in connection with, English teaching, educational advising and counseling programs, and exchange visitor programs as authorized may be credited to this account, to remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations detailing modifications made to existing educational and cultural exchange programs since calendar year 2014, including for special academic and special professional and cultural exchanges: *Provided further*, That a portion of the Fulbright awards from the Eurasia and Central Asia regions shall be designated as Edmund S. Muskie Fellowships, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That Department of State-designated sponsors may not issue a Form DS–2019 (Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J–1) Status) to place student participants in seafood product preparation or packaging positions in the Summer Work Travel program in fiscal year 2016 unless prior to issuing such Form the sponsor provides to the Secretary of State a description of such program and verifies in writing to the Secretary that such program fully complies with part 62 of title 22 of the Code of Federal Regulations, notwithstanding subsection 62.32(h)(16) of such part, and with the requirements specified under this heading in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That any substantive modifications from the prior fiscal year to programs funded by this Act under this heading shall be subject to prior consultation with,

and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

REPRESENTATION EXPENSES

For representation expenses as authorized, $8,030,000.

PROTECTION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS AND OFFICIALS

For expenses, not otherwise provided, to enable the Secretary of State to provide for extraordinary protective services, as authorized, $30,036,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

EMBASSY SECURITY, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

For necessary expenses for carrying out the Foreign Service Buildings Act of 1926 (22 U.S.C. 292 et seq.), preserving, maintaining, repairing, and planning for buildings that are owned or directly leased by the Department of State, renovating, in addition to funds otherwise available, the Harry S Truman Building, and carrying out the Diplomatic Security Construction Program as authorized, $785,097,000, to remain available until expended as authorized, of which not to exceed $25,000 may be used for domestic and overseas representation expenses as authorized: *Provided,* That none of the funds appropriated in this paragraph shall be available for acquisition of furniture, furnishings, or generators for other departments and agencies.

In addition, for the costs of worldwide security upgrades, acquisition, and construction as authorized, $688,799,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations the proposed allocation of funds made available under this heading and the actual and anticipated proceeds of sales for all projects in fiscal year 2016.

EMERGENCIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICE

For necessary expenses to enable the Secretary of State to meet unforeseen emergencies arising in the Diplomatic and Consular Service, $7,900,000, to remain available until expended as authorized, of which not to exceed $1,000,000 may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Repatriation Loans Program Account", subject to the same terms and conditions.

REPATRIATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct loans, $1,300,000, as authorized: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further,* That such funds are available to subsidize gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed $2,444,528.

PAYMENT TO THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE IN TAIWAN

For necessary expenses to carry out the Taiwan Relations Act (Public Law 96–8), $30,000,000.

PAYMENT TO THE FOREIGN SERVICE RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY FUND

For payment to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund, as authorized, $158,900,000.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, to meet annual obligations of membership in international multilateral organizations, pursuant to treaties ratified pursuant to the advice and consent of the Senate, conventions or specific Acts of Congress, $1,344,458,000: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall, at the time of the submission of the President's budget to Congress under section 1105(a) of title 31, United States Code, transmit to the Committees on Appropriations the most recent biennial budget prepared by the United Nations for the operations of the United Nations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall notify the Committees on Appropriations at least 15 days in advance (or in an emergency, as far in advance as is practicable) of any United Nations action to increase funding for any United Nations program without identifying an offsetting decrease elsewhere in the United Nations budget: *Provided further*, That not later than May 1, 2016, and 30 days after the end of fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations any credits available to the United States, including from the United Nations Tax Equalization Fund, and provide updated fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017 assessment costs including offsets from available credits and updated foreign currency exchange rates: *Provided further*, That any such credits shall only be available for United States assessed contributions to the United Nations and the Committees on Appropriations shall be notified when such credits are applied to any assessed contribution, including any payment of arrearages: *Provided further*, That any notification regarding funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this heading in this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs submitted pursuant to section 7015 of this Act, section 34 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2706), or any operating plan submitted pursuant to section 7076 of this Act, shall include an estimate of all known credits currently available to the United States and provide updated assessment costs including offsets from available credits and updated foreign currency exchange rates: *Provided further*, That any payment of arrearages under this heading shall be directed to activities that are mutually agreed upon by the United States and the respective international organization and shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for a United States contribution to an international organization for the United States share of interest costs made known to the United States Government by such organization for loans incurred on or after October 1, 1984, through external borrowings: *Provided further*, That

the Secretary of State shall review the budgetary and personnel procedures of the United Nations and affiliated agencies funded under this heading and, not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on steps taken at each agency to eliminate unnecessary administrative costs and duplicative activities and ensure that personnel practices are transparent and merit-based.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES

For necessary expenses to pay assessed and other expenses of international peacekeeping activities directed to the maintenance or restoration of international peace and security, $666,574,000, of which 15 percent shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That none of the funds made available by this Act shall be obligated or expended for any new or expanded United Nations peacekeeping mission unless, at least 15 days in advance of voting for such mission in the United Nations Security Council (or in an emergency as far in advance as is practicable), the Committees on Appropriations are notified of: (1) the estimated cost and duration of the mission, the objectives of the mission, the national interest that will be served, and the exit strategy; and (2) the sources of funds, including any reprogrammings and transfers, that will be used to pay the cost of the new or expanded mission, and the estimated cost in future fiscal years: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading may be made available for obligation unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations on a peacekeeping mission-by-mission basis that the United Nations is implementing effective policies and procedures to prevent United Nations employees, contractor personnel, and peacekeeping troops serving in such mission from trafficking in persons, exploiting victims of trafficking, or committing acts of illegal sexual exploitation or other violations of human rights, and to bring to justice individuals who engage in such acts while participating in such mission, including prosecution in their home countries and making information about such prosecutions publicly available on the Web site of the United Nations: *Provided further*, That funds shall be available for peacekeeping expenses unless the Secretary of State determines that American manufacturers and suppliers are not being given opportunities to provide equipment, services, and material for United Nations peacekeeping activities equal to those being given to foreign manufacturers and suppliers: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall work with the United Nations and foreign governments contributing peacekeeping troops to implement effective vetting procedures to ensure that such troops have not violated human rights: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this heading may be used for any United Nations peacekeeping mission that will involve United States Armed Forces under the command or operational control of a foreign national, unless the President's military advisors have submitted to the President a recommendation that such involvement is in the national interest of the United States and the President has submitted to Congress such a recommendation: *Provided further*, That not later than May 1, 2016, and 30 days after the end

of fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations any credits available to the United States, including those resulting from United Nations peacekeeping missions or the United Nations Tax Equalization Fund, and provide updated fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2017 assessment costs including offsets from available credits: *Provided further*, That any such credits shall only be available for United States assessed contributions to the United Nations, and the Committees on Appropriations shall be notified when such credits are applied to any assessed contribution, including any payment of arrearages: *Provided further*, That any notification regarding funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this heading in this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs submitted pursuant to section 7015 of this Act, section 34 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2706), or any operating plan submitted pursuant to section 7076 of this Act, shall include an estimate of all known credits currently available to the United States and provide updated assessment costs including offsets from available credits: *Provided further*, That any payment of arrearages with funds appropriated by this Act shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall work with the United Nations and members of the United Nations Security Council to evaluate and prioritize peacekeeping missions, and to consider a draw down when mission goals have been substantially achieved: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this heading shall be available for United States assessed contributions up to the amount specified in Annex IV accompanying United Nations General Assembly Resolution 64/220: *Provided further*, That such funds may be made available above the amount authorized in section 404(b)(2)(B) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995 (22 U.S.C. 287e note) only if the Secretary of State determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that it is important to the national interest of the United States.

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, to meet obligations of the United States arising under treaties, or specific Acts of Congress, as follows:

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION, UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

For necessary expenses for the United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico, and to comply with laws applicable to the United States Section, including not to exceed $6,000 for representation expenses; as follows:

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For salaries and expenses, not otherwise provided for, $45,307,000.

CONSTRUCTION

For detailed plan preparation and construction of authorized projects, $28,400,000, to remain available until expended, as authorized.

AMERICAN SECTIONS, INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided, for the International Joint Commission and the International Boundary Commission, United States and Canada, as authorized by treaties between the United States and Canada or Great Britain, and the Border Environment Cooperation Commission as authorized by the North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act (Public Law 103–182), $12,330,000: *Provided,* That of the amount provided under this heading for the International Joint Commission, up to $500,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017, and $9,000 may be made available for representation expenses.

INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSIONS

For necessary expenses for international fisheries commissions, not otherwise provided for, as authorized by law, $36,681,000: *Provided*, That the United States share of such expenses may be advanced to the respective commissions pursuant to section 3324 of title 31, United States Code.

RELATED AGENCY

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses to enable the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG), as authorized, to carry out international communication activities, and to make and supervise grants for radio, Internet, and television broadcasting to the Middle East, $734,087,000: *Provided*, That in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, up to $31,135,000 of the amount appropriated under this heading may remain available until expended for satellite transmissions and Internet freedom programs, of which not less than $15,000,000 shall be for Internet freedom programs: *Provided further*, That of the total amount appropriated under this heading, not to exceed $35,000 may be used for representation expenses, of which $10,000 may be used for such expenses within the United States as authorized, and not to exceed $30,000 may be used for representation expenses of Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty: *Provided further*, That the authority provided by section 504(c) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–228; 22 U.S.C. 6206 note) shall remain in effect through September 30, 2016: *Provided further*, That the BBG shall notify the Committees on Appropriations within 15 days of any determination

by the Board that any of its broadcast entities, including its grantee organizations, provides an open platform for international terrorists or those who support international terrorism, or is in violation of the principles and standards set forth in subsections (a) and (b) of section 303 of the United States International Broadcasting Act of 1994 (22 U.S.C. 6202) or the entity's journalistic code of ethics: *Provided further*, That significant modifications to BBG broadcast hours previously justified to Congress, including changes to transmission platforms (shortwave, medium wave, satellite, Internet, and television), for all BBG language services shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That in addition to funds made available under this heading, and notwithstanding any other provision of law, up to $5,000,000 in receipts from advertising and revenue from business ventures, up to $500,000 in receipts from cooperating international organizations, and up to $1,000,000 in receipts from privatization efforts of the Voice of America and the International Broadcasting Bureau, shall remain available until expended for carrying out authorized purposes.

BROADCASTING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

For the purchase, rent, construction, repair, preservation, and improvement of facilities for radio, television, and digital transmission and reception; the purchase, rent, and installation of necessary equipment for radio, television, and digital transmission and reception, including to Cuba, as authorized; and physical security worldwide, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, $4,800,000, to remain available until expended, as authorized.

RELATED PROGRAMS

THE ASIA FOUNDATION

For a grant to The Asia Foundation, as authorized by The Asia Foundation Act (22 U.S.C. 4402), $17,000,000, to remain available until expended.

UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE

For necessary expenses of the United States Institute of Peace, as authorized by the United States Institute of Peace Act (22 U.S.C. 4601 et seq.), $35,300,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, which shall not be used for construction activities.

CENTER FOR MIDDLE EASTERN-WESTERN DIALOGUE TRUST FUND

For necessary expenses of the Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue Trust Fund, as authorized by section 633 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2004 (22 U.S.C. 2078), the total amount of the interest and earnings accruing to such Fund on or before September 30, 2016, to remain available until expended.

EISENHOWER EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

For necessary expenses of Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, Incorporated, as authorized by sections 4 and 5 of the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Act of 1990 (20 U.S.C. 5204–5205), all interest and earnings accruing to the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Program Trust Fund on or before September 30, 2016, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated herein shall be used to pay any salary or other compensation, or to enter into any contract providing for the payment thereof, in excess of the rate authorized by section 5376 of title 5, United States Code; or for purposes which are not in accordance with section 200 of title 2 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including the restrictions on compensation for personal services.

ISRAELI ARAB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

For necessary expenses of the Israeli Arab Scholarship Program, as authorized by section 214 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1992 and 1993 (22 U.S.C. 2452), all interest and earnings accruing to the Israeli Arab Scholarship Fund on or before September 30, 2016, to remain available until expended.

EAST-WEST CENTER

To enable the Secretary of State to provide for carrying out the provisions of the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West Act of 1960, by grant to the Center for Cultural and Technical Interchange Between East and West in the State of Hawaii, $16,700,000.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR DEMOCRACY

For grants made by the Department of State to the National Endowment for Democracy, as authorized by the National Endowment for Democracy Act (22 U.S.C. 4412), $170,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which $117,500,000 shall be allocated in the traditional and customary manner, including for the core institutes, and $52,500,000 shall be for democracy programs.

OTHER COMMISSIONS

COMMISSION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF AMERICA'S HERITAGE ABROAD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad, $676,000, as authorized by chapter 3123 of title 54, United States Code: *Provided*, That the Commission may procure temporary, intermittent, and other services notwithstanding paragraph (3) of section 312304(b) of such chapter: *Provided further*, That such authority shall terminate on October 1, 2016: *Provided further*, That the Commission shall notify the Committees on Appropriations prior to exercising such authority.

UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses for the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom, as authorized by title II of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6431 et seq.), $3,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, including not more than $4,000 for representation expenses.

COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe, as authorized by Public Law 94–304, $2,579,000, including not more than $4,000 for representation expenses, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

CONGRESSIONAL-EXECUTIVE COMMISSION ON THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China, as authorized by title III of the U.S.-China Relations Act of 2000 (22 U.S.C. 6911 et seq.), $2,000,000, including not more than $3,000 for representation expenses, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

UNITED STATES-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission, as authorized by section 1238 of the Floyd D. Spence National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001 (22 U.S.C. 7002), $3,500,000, including not more than $4,000 for representation expenses, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the authorities, requirements, limitations, and conditions contained in the second through sixth provisos under this heading in the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2010 (division F of Public Law 111–117) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 and shall apply to funds appropriated under this heading as if included in this Act.

TITLE II

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 667 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $1,143,614,000, of which up to $171,542,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading and under the heading "Capital Investment Fund" in this title may be made available to finance the construction (including architect and engineering services), purchase, or long-term lease of offices for use by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), unless the USAID Administrator has identified such proposed use of funds in a report submitted to the Committees on Appropriations at least 15 days prior to the obligation of funds for such purposes: *Provided further*, That contracts or agreements entered into with funds appropriated under this heading may entail commitments for the expenditure of such funds through the following fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the authority of sections 610 and 109 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 may be exercised by the Secretary of State to transfer funds appropriated to carry out chapter 1 of part I of such Act to "Operating Expenses" in accordance with the provisions of those sections: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated or made available under this heading, not to exceed $250,000 may be available for representation and entertainment expenses, of which not to exceed $5,000 may be available for entertainment expenses, and not to exceed $100,500 shall be for official residence expenses, for USAID during the current fiscal year.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

For necessary expenses for overseas construction and related costs, and for the procurement and enhancement of information technology and related capital investments, pursuant to section 667 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $168,300,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That this amount is in addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be available subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 667 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $66,000,000, of which up to $9,900,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017, for the Office of Inspector General of the United States Agency for International Development.

TITLE III

BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

For necessary expenses to enable the President to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and for other purposes, as follows:

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of chapters 1 and 10 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, for global health activities, in addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes, $2,833,450,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, and which shall be apportioned directly to the United States Agency for International Development (USAID): *Provided*, That this amount shall be made available for training, equipment, and technical assistance to build the capacity of public health institutions and organizations in developing countries, and for such activities as: (1) child survival and maternal health programs; (2) immunization and oral rehydration programs; (3) other health, nutrition, water and sanitation programs which directly address the needs of mothers and children, and related education programs; (4) assistance for children displaced or orphaned by causes other than AIDS; (5) programs for the prevention, treatment, control of, and research on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, polio, malaria, and other infectious diseases including neglected tropical diseases, and for assistance to communities severely affected by HIV/AIDS, including children infected or affected by AIDS; (6) disaster preparedness training for health crises; and (7) family planning/reproductive health: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this paragraph may be made available for a United States contribution to the GAVI Alliance: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available in this Act nor any unobligated balances from prior appropriations Acts may be made available to any organization or program which, as determined by the President of the United States, supports or participates in the management of a program of coercive abortion or involuntary sterilization: *Provided further*, That any determination made under the previous proviso must be made not later than 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, and must be accompanied by the evidence and criteria utilized to make the determination: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this Act may be used to pay for the performance of abortion as a method of family planning or to motivate or coerce any person to practice abortions: *Provided further*, That nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to alter any existing statutory prohibitions against abortion under section 104 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this Act may be used to lobby for or against abortion: *Provided further*, That in order to reduce reliance on abortion in developing nations, funds shall be available only to voluntary family planning projects which offer, either directly or through referral to, or information about access to, a broad range of family planning

methods and services, and that any such voluntary family planning project shall meet the following requirements: (1) service providers or referral agents in the project shall not implement or be subject to quotas, or other numerical targets, of total number of births, number of family planning acceptors, or acceptors of a particular method of family planning (this provision shall not be construed to include the use of quantitative estimates or indicators for budgeting and planning purposes); (2) the project shall not include payment of incentives, bribes, gratuities, or financial reward to: (A) an individual in exchange for becoming a family planning acceptor; or (B) program personnel for achieving a numerical target or quota of total number of births, number of family planning acceptors, or acceptors of a particular method of family planning; (3) the project shall not deny any right or benefit, including the right of access to participate in any program of general welfare or the right of access to health care, as a consequence of any individual's decision not to accept family planning services; (4) the project shall provide family planning acceptors comprehensible information on the health benefits and risks of the method chosen, including those conditions that might render the use of the method inadvisable and those adverse side effects known to be consequent to the use of the method; and (5) the project shall ensure that experimental contraceptive drugs and devices and medical procedures are provided only in the context of a scientific study in which participants are advised of potential risks and benefits; and, not less than 60 days after the date on which the USAID Administrator determines that there has been a violation of the requirements contained in paragraph (1), (2), (3), or (5) of this proviso, or a pattern or practice of violations of the requirements contained in paragraph (4) of this proviso, the Administrator shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report containing a description of such violation and the corrective action taken by the Agency: *Provided further*, That in awarding grants for natural family planning under section 104 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 no applicant shall be discriminated against because of such applicant's religious or conscientious commitment to offer only natural family planning; and, additionally, all such applicants shall comply with the requirements of the previous proviso: *Provided further*, That for purposes of this or any other Act authorizing or appropriating funds for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, the term "motivate", as it relates to family planning assistance, shall not be construed to prohibit the provision, consistent with local law, of information or counseling about all pregnancy options: *Provided further*, That information provided about the use of condoms as part of projects or activities that are funded from amounts appropriated by this Act shall be medically accurate and shall include the public health benefits and failure rates of such use.

In addition, for necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for the prevention, treatment, and control of, and research on, HIV/AIDS, $5,670,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020, which shall be apportioned directly to the Department of State: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this paragraph may be made available, notwithstanding any other provision of law, except for the United

States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act of 2003 (Public Law 108–25), as amended, for a United States contribution to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund), and shall be expended at the minimum rate necessary to make timely payment for projects and activities: *Provided further*, That the amount of such contribution should be $1,350,000,000: *Provided further*, That section 202(d)(4)(A)(i) and (vi) of Public Law 108–25, as amended, shall be applied with respect to such funds made available for fiscal years 2015 and 2016 by substituting "2004" for "2009": *Provided further*, That up to 5 percent of the aggregate amount of funds made available to the Global Fund in fiscal year 2016 may be made available to USAID for technical assistance related to the activities of the Global Fund, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this paragraph, up to $17,000,000 may be made available, in addition to amounts otherwise available for such purposes, for administrative expenses of the Office of the United States Global AIDS Coordinator.

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of sections 103, 105, 106, 214, and sections 251 through 255, and chapter 10 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $2,780,971,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 491 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for international disaster relief, rehabilitation, and reconstruction assistance, $874,763,000, to remain available until expended.

TRANSITION INITIATIVES

For necessary expenses for international disaster rehabilitation and reconstruction assistance administered by the Office of Transition Initiatives, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), pursuant to section 491 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $30,000,000, to remain available until expended, to support transition to democracy and long-term development of countries in crisis: *Provided*, That such support may include assistance to develop, strengthen, or preserve democratic institutions and processes, revitalize basic infrastructure, and foster the peaceful resolution of conflict: *Provided further*, That the USAID Administrator shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations at least 5 days prior to beginning a new program of assistance: *Provided further*, That if the Secretary of State determines that it is important to the national interest of the United States to provide transition assistance in excess of the amount appropriated under this heading, up to $15,000,000 of the funds appropriated by this Act to carry out the provisions of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 may be used for purposes of this heading and under the authorities applicable to funds appropriated under this heading: *Provided further*, That funds made available pursuant to the

previous proviso shall be made available subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

COMPLEX CRISES FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to support programs and activities to prevent or respond to emerging or unforeseen foreign challenges and complex crises overseas, $10,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be made available on such terms and conditions as are appropriate and necessary for the purposes of preventing or responding to such challenges and crises, except that no funds shall be made available for lethal assistance or to respond to natural disasters: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law, except sections 7007, 7008, and 7018 of this Act and section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be used for administrative expenses, in addition to funds otherwise made available for such purposes, except that such expenses may not exceed 5 percent of the funds appropriated under this heading: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, except that such notifications shall be transmitted at least 5 days prior to the obligation of funds.

DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AUTHORITY

For the cost of direct loans and loan guarantees provided by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), as authorized by sections 256 and 635 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, up to $40,000,000 may be derived by transfer from funds appropriated by this Act to carry out part I of such Act and under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia": *Provided*, That funds provided under this paragraph and funds provided as a gift that are used for purposes of this paragraph pursuant to section 635(d) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall be made available only for micro- and small enterprise programs, urban programs, and other programs which further the purposes of part I of such Act: *Provided further*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such direct and guaranteed loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That funds made available by this paragraph may be used for the cost of modifying any such guaranteed loans under this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, and funds used for such costs shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That the provisions of section 107A(d) (relating to general provisions applicable to the Development Credit Authority) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as contained in section 306 of H.R. 1486 as reported by the House Committee on International Relations on May 9, 1997, shall be applicable to direct loans and loan guarantees provided under this heading, except that the principal

amount of loans made or guaranteed under this heading with respect to any single country shall not exceed $300,000,000: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal, any portion of which is to be guaranteed, of up to $1,500,000,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out credit programs administered by USAID, $8,120,000, which may be transferred to, and merged with, funds made available under the heading "Operating Expenses" in title II of this Act: *Provided*, That funds made available under this heading shall remain available until September 30, 2018.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $1,896,315,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

DEMOCRACY FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for the promotion of democracy globally, $150,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which $88,500,000 shall be made available for the Human Rights and Democracy Fund of the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights and Labor, Department of State, and $62,000,000 shall be made available for the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, United States Agency for International Development.

ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPE, EURASIA AND CENTRAL ASIA

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the FREEDOM Support Act (Public Law 102–511), and the Support for Eastern European Democracy (SEED) Act of 1989 (Public Law 101–179), $491,119,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, which shall be available, notwithstanding any other provision of law, except section 7070 of this Act, for assistance and related programs for countries identified in section 3 of Public Law 102–511 and section 3(c) of Public Law 101–179, in addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes: *Provided*, That funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Global Health Programs" and "Economic Support Fund" that are made available for assistance for such countries shall be administered in accordance with the responsibilities of the coordinator designated pursuant to section 102 of Public Law 102–511 and section 601 of Public Law 101–179: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be considered to be economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for purposes of making available the administrative authorities contained in that Act for the use of economic assistance.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses not otherwise provided for, to enable the Secretary of State to carry out the provisions of section 2(a) and (b) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962, and other activities to meet refugee and migration needs; salaries and expenses of personnel and dependents as authorized by the Foreign Service Act of 1980; allowances as authorized by sections 5921 through 5925 of title 5, United States Code; purchase and hire of passenger motor vehicles; and services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, $931,886,000, to remain available until expended, of which not less than $35,000,000 shall be made available to respond to small-scale emergency humanitarian requirements, and $10,000,000 shall be made available for refugees resettling in Israel.

UNITED STATES EMERGENCY REFUGEE AND MIGRATION ASSISTANCE FUND

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 2(c) of the Migration and Refugee Assistance Act of 1962, as amended (22 U.S.C. 2601(c)), $50,000,000, to remain available until expended.

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

PEACE CORPS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2501 et seq.), including the purchase of not to exceed five passenger motor vehicles for administrative purposes for use outside of the United States, $410,000,000, of which $5,150,000 is for the Office of Inspector General, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the Director of the Peace Corps may transfer to the Foreign Currency Fluctuations Account, as authorized by section 16 of the Peace Corps Act (22 U.S.C. 2515), an amount not to exceed $5,000,000: *Provided further*, That funds transferred pursuant to the previous proviso may not be derived from amounts made available for Peace Corps overseas operations: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not to exceed $104,000 may be available for representation expenses, of which not to exceed $4,000 may be made available for entertainment expenses: *Provided further*, That any decision to open, close, significantly reduce, or suspend a domestic or overseas office or country program shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations, except that prior consultation and regular notification procedures may be waived when there is a substantial security risk to volunteers or other Peace Corps personnel, pursuant to section 7015(e) of this Act: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be used to pay for abortions: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding

the previous proviso, section 614 of division E of Public Law 113–76 shall apply to funds appropriated under this heading.

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of the Millennium Challenge Act of 2003 (22 U.S.C. 7701 et seq.) (MCA), $901,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, up to $105,000,000 may be available for administrative expenses of the Millennium Challenge Corporation (the Corporation): *Provided further*, That up to 5 percent of the funds appropriated under this heading may be made available to carry out the purposes of section 616 of the MCA for fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That section 605(e) of the MCA shall apply to funds appropriated under this heading: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be made available for a Millennium Challenge Compact entered into pursuant to section 609 of the MCA only if such Compact obligates, or contains a commitment to obligate subject to the availability of funds and the mutual agreement of the parties to the Compact to proceed, the entire amount of the United States Government funding anticipated for the duration of the Compact: *Provided further*, That the Chief Executive Officer of the Corporation shall notify the Committees on Appropriations not later than 15 days prior to commencing negotiations for any country compact or threshold country program; signing any such compact or threshold program; or terminating or suspending any such compact or threshold program: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs that are available to implement section 609(g) of the MCA shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That no country should be eligible for a threshold program after such country has completed a country compact: *Provided further*, That any funds that are deobligated from a Millennium Challenge Compact shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations prior to re-obligation: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 606(a)(2) of the MCA, a country shall be a candidate country for purposes of eligibility for assistance for the fiscal year if the country has a per capita income equal to or below the World Bank's lower middle income country threshold for the fiscal year and is among the 75 lowest per capita income countries as identified by the World Bank; and the country meets the requirements of section 606(a)(1)(B) of the MCA: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 606(b)(1) of the MCA, in addition to countries described in the preceding proviso, a country shall be a candidate country for purposes of eligibility for assistance for the fiscal year if the country has a per capita income equal to or below the World Bank's lower middle income country threshold for the fiscal year and is not among the 75 lowest per capita income countries as identified by the World Bank; and the country meets the requirements of section 606(a)(1)(B) of the MCA: *Provided further*, That any Millennium Challenge Corporation candidate country under section 606 of the MCA with a per capita income that changes in the fiscal year such that the

country would be reclassified from a low income country to a lower middle income country or from a lower middle income country to a low income country shall retain its candidacy status in its former income classification for the fiscal year and the 2 subsequent fiscal years: *Provided further*, That publication in the Federal Register of a notice of availability of a copy of a Compact on the Millennium Challenge Corporation Web site shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of section 610(b)(2) of the MCA for such Compact: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs shall be available for a threshold program in a country that is not currently a candidate country: *Provided further*, That the Comptroller General of the United States shall provide to the appropriate congressional committees a review of authorities that may allow the Millennium Challenge Corporation to obligate funds that are unobligated from prior fiscal years for compacts in countries that are not eligible for a compact in the current fiscal year: *Provided further*, That such review shall include an assessment as set forth in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act): *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be used on a reimbursable basis for such review: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not to exceed $100,000 may be available for representation and entertainment expenses, of which not to exceed $5,000 may be available for entertainment expenses.

INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION

For necessary expenses to carry out the functions of the Inter-American Foundation in accordance with the provisions of section 401 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1969, $22,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not to exceed $2,000 may be available for representation expenses.

UNITED STATES AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

For necessary expenses to carry out title V of the International Security and Development Cooperation Act of 1980 (Public Law 96–533), $30,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which not to exceed $2,000 may be available for representation expenses: *Provided*, That funds made available to grantees may be invested pending expenditure for project purposes when authorized by the Board of Directors of the United States African Development Foundation (USADF): *Provided further,* That interest earned shall be used only for the purposes for which the grant was made: *Provided further,* That notwithstanding section 505(a)(2) of the African Development Foundation Act, in exceptional circumstances the Board of Directors of the USADF may waive the $250,000 limitation contained in that section with respect to a project and a project may exceed the limitation by up to 10 percent if the increase is due solely to foreign currency fluctuation: *Provided further,* That the USADF shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations after each time such waiver authority is exercised:

Provided further, That the USADF may make rent or lease payments in advance from appropriations available for such purpose for offices, buildings, grounds, and quarters in Africa as may be necessary to carry out its functions: *Provided further*, That the USADF may maintain bank accounts outside the United States Treasury and retain any interest earned on such accounts, in furtherance of the purposes of the African Foundation Development Act: *Provided further*, That the USADF may not withdraw any appropriation from the Treasury prior to the need of spending such funds for program purposes.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 129 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $23,500,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018, which shall be available notwithstanding any other provision of law.

TITLE IV

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

For necessary expenses to carry out section 481 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $894,821,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the provision of assistance by any other United States Government department or agency which is comparable to assistance that may be made available under this heading, but which is provided under any other provision of law, should be provided only with the concurrence of the Secretary of State and in accordance with the provisions of sections 481(b) and 622(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961: *Provided further,* That the Department of State may use the authority of section 608 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, without regard to its restrictions, to receive excess property from an agency of the United States Government for the purpose of providing such property to a foreign country or international organization under chapter 8 of part I of that Act, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further,* That section 482(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall not apply to funds appropriated under this heading, except that any funds made available notwithstanding such section shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be made available to support training and technical assistance for foreign law enforcement, corrections, and other judicial authorities, utilizing regional partners: *Provided further*, That not less than $54,975,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", which shall be available for the same purposes as funds ap-

propriated under this heading: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading that are transferred to another department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government pursuant to section 632(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 valued in excess of $5,000,000, and any agreement made pursuant to section 632(a) of such Act, shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI-TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses for nonproliferation, anti-terrorism, demining and related programs and activities, $506,381,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, to carry out the provisions of chapter 8 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for anti-terrorism assistance, chapter 9 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, section 504 of the FREEDOM Support Act, section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act, or the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for demining activities, the clearance of unexploded ordnance, the destruction of small arms, and related activities, notwithstanding any other provision of law, including activities implemented through nongovernmental and international organizations, and section 301 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 for a United States contribution to the Comprehensive Nuclear Test Ban Treaty Preparatory Commission, and for a voluntary contribution to the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA): *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall inform the appropriate congressional committees of information regarding any separate arrangements relating to the "Road-map for the Clarification of Past and Present Outstanding Issues Regarding Iran's Nuclear Program" between the IAEA and the Islamic Republic of Iran, in classified form if necessary, if such information becomes known to the Department of State: *Provided further*, That for the clearance of unexploded ordnance, the Secretary of State should prioritize those areas where such ordnance was caused by the United States: *Provided further,* That funds made available under this heading for the Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund shall be available notwithstanding any other provision of law and subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations, to promote bilateral and multilateral activities relating to nonproliferation, disarmament, and weapons destruction, and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That such funds may also be used for such countries other than the Independent States of the former Soviet Union and international organizations when it is in the national security interest of the United States to do so: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be made available for the IAEA unless the Secretary of State determines that Israel is being denied its right to participate in the activities of that Agency: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading for the Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That funds made available for conventional weapons destruction programs, including demining and related activities, in addition to funds otherwise available for

such purposes, may be used for administrative expenses related to the operation and management of such programs and activities, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 551 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $131,361,000: *Provided*, That funds appropriated under this heading may be used, notwithstanding section 660 of such Act, to provide assistance to enhance the capacity of foreign civilian security forces, including gendarmes, to participate in peacekeeping operations: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not less than $35,000,000 shall be made available for a United States contribution to the Multinational Force and Observers mission in the Sinai: *Provided further*, That none of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be obligated except as provided through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 541 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $108,115,000, of which up to $4,000,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the civilian personnel for whom military education and training may be provided under this heading may include civilians who are not members of a government whose participation would contribute to improved civil-military relations, civilian control of the military, or respect for human rights: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not to exceed $55,000 may be available for entertainment expenses.

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

For necessary expenses for grants to enable the President to carry out the provisions of section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act, $4,737,522,000: *Provided*, That to expedite the provision of assistance to foreign countries and international organizations, the Secretary of State, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations and subject to the regular notification procedures of such Committees, may use the funds appropriated under this heading to procure defense articles and services to enhance the capacity of foreign security forces: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not less than $3,100,000,000 shall be available for grants only for Israel, and funds are available for assistance for Jordan and Egypt subject to section 7041 of this Act: *Provided further*, That the funds appropriated under this heading for assistance for Israel shall be disbursed within 30 days of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That to the extent that the Government of Israel requests that funds be used for such purposes, grants made available for Israel under this heading shall, as agreed by the United States and Israel, be available for advanced weapons systems, of which not less than $815,300,000 shall be

available for the procurement in Israel of defense articles and defense services, including research and development: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading shall be made available to support or continue any program initially funded under the authority of section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public Law 109–163; 119 Stat. 3456), or section 2282 of title 10, United States Code, unless the Secretary of State, in coordination with the Secretary of Defense, has justified such program to the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this heading shall be nonrepayable notwithstanding any requirement in section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act: *Provided further*, That funds made available under this heading shall be obligated upon apportionment in accordance with paragraph (5)(C) of section 1501(a) of title 31, United States Code.

None of the funds made available under this heading shall be available to finance the procurement of defense articles, defense services, or design and construction services that are not sold by the United States Government under the Arms Export Control Act unless the foreign country proposing to make such procurement has first signed an agreement with the United States Government specifying the conditions under which such procurement may be financed with such funds: *Provided*, That all country and funding level increases in allocations shall be submitted through the regular notification procedures of section 7015 of this Act: *Provided further,* That funds made available under this heading may be used, notwithstanding any other provision of law, for demining, the clearance of unexploded ordnance, and related activities, and may include activities implemented through nongovernmental and international organizations: *Provided further*, That only those countries for which assistance was justified for the "Foreign Military Sales Financing Program" in the fiscal year 1989 congressional presentation for security assistance programs may utilize funds made available under this heading for procurement of defense articles, defense services, or design and construction services that are not sold by the United States Government under the Arms Export Control Act: *Provided further*, That funds appropriated under this heading shall be expended at the minimum rate necessary to make timely payment for defense articles and services: *Provided further*, That not more than $75,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading may be obligated for necessary expenses, including the purchase of passenger motor vehicles for replacement only for use outside of the United States, for the general costs of administering military assistance and sales, except that this limitation may be exceeded only through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading for general costs of administering military assistance and sales, not to exceed $4,000 may be available for entertainment expenses and not to exceed $130,000 may be available for representation expenses: *Provided further*, That not more than $904,000,000 of funds realized pursuant to section 21(e)(1)(A) of the Arms Export Control Act may be obligated for expenses incurred by the Department of Defense during fiscal

year 2016 pursuant to section 43(b) of the Arms Export Control Act, except that this limitation may be exceeded only through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

TITLE V

MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 301 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and of section 2 of the United Nations Environment Program Participation Act of 1973, $339,000,000, of which up to $10,000,000 may be made available for the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change/United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change: *Provided*, That section 307(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall not apply to contributions to the United Nations Democracy Fund.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY

For payment to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development as trustee for the Global Environment Facility by the Secretary of the Treasury, $168,263,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

For payment to the International Development Association by the Secretary of the Treasury, $1,197,128,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

For payment to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development by the Secretary of the Treasury for the United States share of the paid-in portion of the increases in capital stock, $186,957,000, to remain available until expended.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The United States Governor of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development may subscribe without fiscal year limitation to the callable capital portion of the United States share of increases in capital stock in an amount not to exceed $2,928,990,899.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE CLEAN TECHNOLOGY FUND

For payment to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development as trustee for the Clean Technology Fund by the Sec-

retary of the Treasury, $170,680,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE STRATEGIC CLIMATE FUND

For payment to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development as trustee for the Strategic Climate Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury, $49,900,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

For payment to the Inter-American Development Bank by the Secretary of the Treasury for the United States share of the paid-in portion of the increase in capital stock, $102,020,448, to remain available until expended.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The United States Governor of the Inter-American Development Bank may subscribe without fiscal year limitation to the callable capital portion of the United States share of such capital stock in an amount not to exceed $4,098,794,833.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

For payment to the Asian Development Bank by the Secretary of the Treasury for the United States share of the paid-in portion of increase in capital stock, $5,608,435, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

For payment to the Asian Development Bank's Asian Development Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury, $104,977,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

For payment to the African Development Bank by the Secretary of the Treasury for the United States share of the paid-in portion of the increase in capital stock, $34,118,027, to remain available until expended.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The United States Governor of the African Development Bank may subscribe without fiscal year limitation to the callable capital portion of the United States share of such capital stock in an amount not to exceed $507,860,808.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

For payment to the African Development Fund by the Secretary of the Treasury, $175,668,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

For payment to the International Fund for Agricultural Development by the Secretary of the Treasury, $31,930,000, to remain available until expended.

GLOBAL AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM

For payment to the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program by the Secretary of the Treasury, $43,000,000, to remain available until expended.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE NORTH AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

For payment to the North American Development Bank by the Secretary of the Treasury for the United States share of the paid-in portion of the increase in capital stock, $10,000,000, to remain available until expended.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Secretary of the Treasury may subscribe without fiscal year limitation to the callable capital portion of the United States share of such capital stock in an amount not to exceed $255,000,000.

TITLE VI

EXPORT AND INVESTMENT ASSISTANCE

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, $6,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The Export-Import Bank (the Bank) of the United States is authorized to make such expenditures within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to such corporation, and in accordance with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations, as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as may be necessary in carrying out the program for the current fiscal year for such corporation: *Provided,* That none of the funds available during the current fiscal year may be used to make expenditures, contracts, or commitments for the export of nuclear equipment, fuel, or technology to any country, other than a nuclear-weapon state as defined in Article IX of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons eligible to receive economic or military assistance under this Act, that has detonated a nuclear explosive after the date of the enactment of this Act.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For administrative expenses to carry out the direct and guaranteed loan and insurance programs, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and services as authorized by section 3109 of title 5, United States Code, and not to exceed $30,000 for official reception and representation expenses for members of the Board of Directors, not to exceed $106,250,000: *Provided*, That the Export-Import Bank (the Bank) may accept, and use, payment or services provided by transaction participants for legal, financial, or technical services in connection with any transaction for which an application for a loan, guarantee or insurance commitment has been made: *Provided further*, That the Bank shall charge fees for necessary expenses (including special services performed on a contract or fee basis, but not including other personal services) in connection with the collection of moneys owed the Bank, repossession or sale of pledged collateral or other assets acquired by the Bank in satisfaction of moneys owed the Bank, or the investigation or appraisal of any property, or the evaluation of the legal, financial, or technical aspects of any transaction for which an application for a loan, guarantee or insurance commitment has been made, or systems infrastructure directly supporting transactions: *Provided further*, That in addition to other funds appropriated for administrative expenses, such fees shall be credited to this account for such purposes, to remain available until expended.

RECEIPTS COLLECTED

Receipts collected pursuant to the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945, as amended, and the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990, as amended, in an amount not to exceed the amount appropriated herein, shall be credited as offsetting collections to this account: *Provided*, That the sums herein appropriated from the General Fund shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis by such offsetting collections so as to result in a final fiscal year appropriation from the General Fund estimated at $0: *Provided further*, That amounts collected in fiscal year 2016 in excess of obligations, up to $10,000,000 shall become available on September 1, 2016, and shall remain available until September 30, 2019.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

NONCREDIT ACCOUNT

The Overseas Private Investment Corporation is authorized to make, without regard to fiscal year limitations, as provided by section 9104 of title 31, United States Code, such expenditures and commitments within the limits of funds available to it and in accordance with law as may be necessary: *Provided,* That the amount available for administrative expenses to carry out the credit and insurance programs (including an amount for official reception and representation expenses which shall not exceed $35,000) shall not exceed $62,787,000: *Provided further,* That project-specific transaction costs, including direct and indirect costs incurred in claims settlements, and other direct costs associated with services provided to specific investors or potential investors pursuant to section

234 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, shall not be considered administrative expenses for the purposes of this heading.

PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of direct and guaranteed loans, $20,000,000, as authorized by section 234 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, to be derived by transfer from the Overseas Private Investment Corporation Noncredit Account: *Provided,* That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further,* That such sums shall be available for direct loan obligations and loan guaranty commitments incurred or made during fiscal years 2016, 2017, and 2018: *Provided further,* That funds so obligated in fiscal year 2016 remain available for disbursement through 2024; funds obligated in fiscal year 2017 remain available for disbursement through 2025; and funds obligated in fiscal year 2018 remain available for disbursement through 2026: *Provided further,* That notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Overseas Private Investment Corporation is authorized to undertake any program authorized by title IV of chapter 2 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 in Iraq: *Provided further,* That funds made available pursuant to the authority of the previous proviso shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

In addition, such sums as may be necessary for administrative expenses to carry out the credit program may be derived from amounts available for administrative expenses to carry out the credit and insurance programs in the Overseas Private Investment Corporation Noncredit Account and merged with said account.

TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

For necessary expenses to carry out the provisions of section 661 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, $60,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, up to $2,500,000 may be made available to provide comprehensive procurement advice to foreign governments to support local procurements funded by the United States Agency for International Development, the Millennium Challenge Corporation, and the Department of State: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not more than $5,000 may be available for representation and entertainment expenses.

TITLE VII

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ALLOWANCES AND DIFFERENTIALS

SEC. 7001. Funds appropriated under title I of this Act shall be available, except as otherwise provided, for allowances and differentials as authorized by subchapter 59 of title 5, United States Code; for services as authorized by section 3109 of such title and

for hire of passenger transportation pursuant to section 1343(b) of title 31, United States Code.

UNOBLIGATED BALANCES REPORT

SEC. 7002. Any department or agency of the United States Government to which funds are appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act shall provide to the Committees on Appropriations a quarterly accounting of cumulative unobligated balances and obligated, but unexpended, balances by program, project, and activity, and Treasury Account Fund Symbol of all funds received by such department or agency in fiscal year 2016 or any previous fiscal year, disaggregated by fiscal year: *Provided*, That the report required by this section should specify by account the amount of funds obligated pursuant to bilateral agreements which have not been further sub-obligated.

CONSULTING SERVICES

SEC. 7003. The expenditure of any appropriation under title I of this Act for any consulting service through procurement contract, pursuant to 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 pursuant to existing law.

DIPLOMATIC FACILITIES

SEC. 7004. (a) CAPITAL SECURITY COST SHARING.—Of funds provided under title I of this Act, except as provided in subsection (b), a project to construct a diplomatic facility of the United States may not include office space or other accommodations for an employee of a Federal agency or department if the Secretary of State determines that such department or agency has not provided to the Department of State the full amount of funding required by subsection (e) of section 604 of the Secure Embassy Construction and Counterterrorism Act of 1999 (as enacted into law by section 1000(a)(7) of Public Law 106–113 and contained in appendix G of that Act; 113 Stat. 1501A–453), as amended by section 629 of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2005.

(b) EXCEPTION.—Notwithstanding the prohibition in subsection (a), a project to construct a diplomatic facility of the United States may include office space or other accommodations for members of the United States Marine Corps.

(c) NEW DIPLOMATIC FACILITIES.—For the purposes of calculating the fiscal year 2016 costs of providing new United States diplomatic facilities in accordance with section 604(e) of the Secure Embassy Construction and Counterterrorism Act of 1999 (22 U.S.C. 4865 note), the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, shall determine the annual program level and agency shares in a manner that is proportional to the Department of State's contribution for this purpose.

(d) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—Funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for

the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, which may be made available for the acquisition of property or award of construction contracts for overseas diplomatic facilities during fiscal year 2016, shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That notifications pursuant to this subsection shall include the information enumerated under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" in House Report 114–154: *Provided further*, That any such notification for a new diplomatic facility justified to the Committees on Appropriations in Appendix 1 of the Congressional Budget Justification, Department of State, Diplomatic Engagement, Fiscal Year 2016, or not previously justified to such Committees, shall also include confirmation that the Department of State has completed the requisite value engineering studies required pursuant to OMB Circular A–131, Value Engineering December 31, 2013 and the Bureau of Overseas Building Operations Policy and Procedure Directive, P&PD, Cost 02: Value Engineering.

(e) REPORTS.—

(1) None of the funds appropriated under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" in this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, made available through Federal agency Capital Security Cost Sharing contributions and reimbursements, or generated from the proceeds of real property sales, other than from real property sales located in London, United Kingdom, may be made available for site acquisition and mitigation, planning, design, or construction of the New London Embassy: *Provided*, That the reporting requirement contained in section 7004(f)(2) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (division I of Public Law 112–74) shall remain in effect during fiscal year 2016.

(2) Within 45 days of enactment of this Act and every 4 months thereafter until September 30, 2016, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report on the new Mexico City Embassy and Beirut Embassy projects: *Provided*, That such report shall include, for each of the projects—

(A) cost projections;

(B) cost containment efforts;

(C) project schedule and actual project status;

(D) the impact of currency exchange rate fluctuations on project costs;

(E) revenues derived from, or estimated to be derived from, real property sales in Mexico City, Mexico for the embassy project in Mexico City and in Beirut, Lebanon for the embassy project in Beirut; and

(F) options for modifying the scope of the project in the event that costs escalate above amounts justified to the Committees on Appropriations in Appendix 1 of the Congressional Budget Justification, Department of State Operations, Fiscal Year 2015 for the Mexico City Embassy project, and in Appendix 1 of the Congressional Budget

Justification, Department of State, Diplomatic Engagement, Fiscal Year 2016 for the Beirut Embassy project.

(f) INTERIM AND TEMPORARY FACILITIES ABROAD.—

(1) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" may be made available to address security vulnerabilities at interim and temporary facilities abroad, including physical security upgrades and local guard staffing, except that the amount of funds made available for such purposes from this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs shall be a minimum of $25,000,000: *Provided*, That the uses of such funds should be the responsibility of the Assistant Secretary of State for the Bureau of Diplomatic Security and Foreign Missions, in consultation with the Director of the Bureau of Overseas Buildings Operations: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the opening, closure, or any significant modification to an interim or temporary diplomatic facility shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees and the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, except that such consultation and notification may be waived if there is a security risk to personnel.

(3) Not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Department of State shall document standard operating procedures and best practices associated with the delivery, construction, and protection of temporary structures in high threat and conflict environments: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall inform the Committees on Appropriations after completing such documentation.

(g) TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—Funds appropriated under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs", including for Worldwide Security Protection, and under the heading "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance" in titles I and VIII of this Act may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by such titles under such headings if the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that to do so is necessary to implement the recommendations of the Benghazi Accountability Review Board, or to prevent or respond to security situations and requirements, following consultation with, and subject to the regular notification procedures of, such Committees: *Provided*, That such transfer authority is in addition to any transfer authority otherwise available under any other provision of law.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

SEC. 7005. Any costs incurred by a department or agency funded under title I of this Act resulting from personnel actions taken in response to funding reductions included in this Act shall be absorbed within the total budgetary resources available under title I to such department or agency: *Provided*, That the authority to transfer funds between appropriations accounts as may be necessary to carry out this section is provided in addition to authori-

ties included elsewhere in this Act: *Provided further*, That use of funds to carry out this section shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under section 7015 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section.

LOCAL GUARD CONTRACTS

SEC. 7006. In evaluating proposals for local guard contracts, the Secretary of State shall award contracts in accordance with section 136 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991 (22 U.S.C. 4864), except that the Secretary may grant authorization to award such contracts on the basis of best value as determined by a cost-technical tradeoff analysis (as described in Federal Acquisition Regulation part 15.101), notwithstanding subsection (c)(3) of such section: *Provided*, That the authority in this section shall apply to any options for renewal that may be exercised under such contracts that are awarded during the current fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall notify the appropriate congressional committees at least 15 days prior to making an award pursuant to this section for a local guard and protective service contract for a United States diplomatic facility not deemed "high-risk, high-threat".

PROHIBITION AGAINST DIRECT FUNDING FOR CERTAIN COUNTRIES

SEC. 7007. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant to titles III through VI of this Act shall be obligated or expended to finance directly any assistance or reparations for the governments of Cuba, North Korea, Iran, or Syria: *Provided*, That for purposes of this section, the prohibition on obligations or expenditures shall include direct loans, credits, insurance, and guarantees of the Export-Import Bank or its agents.

COUPS D'ÉTAT

SEC. 7008. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant to titles III through VI of this Act shall be obligated or expended to finance directly any assistance to the government of any country whose duly elected head of government is deposed by military coup d'état or decree or, after the date of enactment of this Act, a coup d'état or decree in which the military plays a decisive role: *Provided*, That assistance may be resumed to such government if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that subsequent to the termination of assistance a democratically elected government has taken office: *Provided further*, That the provisions of this section shall not apply to assistance to promote democratic elections or public participation in democratic processes: *Provided further*, That funds made available pursuant to the previous provisos shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

TRANSFER AUTHORITY

SEC. 7009. (a) DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS.—

(1) Not to exceed 5 percent of any appropriation made available for the current fiscal year for the Department of State under title I of this Act may be transferred between, and merged with, such appropriations, but no such appropriation, except as otherwise specifically provided, shall be increased by more than 10 percent by any such transfers, and no such transfer may be made to increase the appropriation under the heading "Representation Expenses".

(2) Not to exceed 5 percent of any appropriation made available for the current fiscal year for the Broadcasting Board of Governors under title I of this Act may be transferred between, and merged with, such appropriations, but no such appropriation, except as otherwise specifically provided, shall be increased by more than 10 percent by any such transfers.

(3) Any transfer pursuant to this subsection shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under section 7015 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section.

(b) TITLE VI TRANSFER AUTHORITIES.—Not to exceed 5 percent of any appropriation other than for administrative expenses made available for fiscal year 2016, for programs under title VI of this Act may be transferred between such appropriations for use for any of the purposes, programs, and activities for which the funds in such receiving account may be used, but no such appropriation, except as otherwise specifically provided, shall be increased by more than 25 percent by any such transfer: *Provided,* That the exercise of such authority shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) LIMITATION ON TRANSFERS BETWEEN AGENCIES.—

(1) None of the funds made available under titles II through V of 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 appropriations Act.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), in addition to transfers made by, or authorized elsewhere in, this Act, funds appropriated by this Act to carry out the purposes of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 may be allocated or transferred to agencies of the United States Government pursuant to the provisions of sections 109, 610, and 632 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(3) Any agreement entered into by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) or the Department of State with any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States Government pursuant to section 632(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 valued in excess of $1,000,000 and any agreement made pursuant to section 632(a) of such Act, with funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs under the headings "Global Health Pro-

grams", "Development Assistance", "Economic Support Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That the requirement in the previous sentence shall not apply to agreements entered into between USAID and the Department of State.

(d) TRANSFERS BETWEEN ACCOUNTS.—None of the funds made available under titles II through V of this Act may be obligated under an appropriation account to which such funds were not appropriated, except for transfers specifically provided for in this Act, unless the President, not less than 5 days prior to the exercise of any authority contained in the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 to transfer funds, consults with and provides a written policy justification to the Committees on Appropriations.

(e) AUDIT OF INTER-AGENCY TRANSFERS.—Any agreement for the transfer or allocation of funds appropriated by this Act, or prior Acts, entered into between the Department of State or USAID and another agency of the United States Government under the authority of section 632(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 or any comparable provision of law, shall expressly provide that the Inspector General (IG) for the agency receiving the transfer or allocation of such funds, or other entity with audit responsibility if the receiving agency does not have an IG, shall perform periodic program and financial audits of the use of such funds and report to the Department of State or USAID, as appropriate, upon completion of such audits: *Provided*, That such audits shall be transmitted to the Committees on Appropriations by the Department of State or USAID, as appropriate: *Provided further*, That funds transferred under such authority may be made available for the cost of such audits.

(f) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator shall each submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations detailing all transfers to another agency of the United States Government made pursuant to sections 632(a) and 632(b) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 with funds provided in the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) as of the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided*, That such reports shall include a list of each transfer made pursuant to such sections with the respective funding level, appropriation account, and the receiving agency.

PROHIBITION ON FIRST-CLASS TRAVEL

SEC. 7010. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for first-class travel by employees of agencies funded by this Act in contravention of sections 301–10.122 through 301–10.124 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

SEC. 7011. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall remain available for obligation after the expiration of the current fiscal year unless expressly so provided in this Act: *Provided,* That funds appropriated for the purposes of chapters 1 and 8 of

part I, section 661, chapters 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act, and funds provided under the headings "Development Credit Authority" and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" shall remain available for an additional 4 years from the date on which the availability of such funds would otherwise have expired, if such funds are initially obligated before the expiration of their respective periods of availability contained in this Act: *Provided further,* That notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, any funds made available for the purposes of chapter 1 of part I and chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 which are allocated or obligated for cash disbursements in order to address balance of payments or economic policy reform objectives, shall remain available for an additional 4 years from the date on which the availability of such funds would otherwise have expired, if such funds are initially allocated or obligated before the expiration of their respective periods of availability contained in this Act: *Provided further,* That the Secretary of State shall provide a report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than October 30, 2016, detailing by account and source year, the use of this authority during the previous fiscal year.

LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE TO COUNTRIES IN DEFAULT

SEC. 7012. No part of any appropriation provided under titles III through VI in this Act shall be used to furnish assistance to the government of any country which is in default during a period in excess of 1 calendar year in payment to the United States of principal or interest on any loan made to the government of such country by the United States pursuant to a program for which funds are appropriated under this Act unless the President determines, following consultations with the Committees on Appropriations, that assistance for such country is in the national interest of the United States.

PROHIBITION ON TAXATION OF UNITED STATES ASSISTANCE

SEC. 7013. (a) PROHIBITION ON TAXATION.—None of the funds appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act may be made available to provide assistance for a foreign country under a new bilateral agreement governing the terms and conditions under which such assistance is to be provided unless such agreement includes a provision stating that assistance provided by the United States shall be exempt from taxation, or reimbursed, by the foreign government, and the Secretary of State shall expeditiously seek to negotiate amendments to existing bilateral agreements, as necessary, to conform with this requirement.

(b) REIMBURSEMENT OF FOREIGN TAXES.—An amount equivalent to 200 percent of the total taxes assessed during fiscal year 2016 on funds appropriated by this Act by a foreign government or entity against United States assistance programs for which funds are appropriated by this Act, either directly or through grantees, contractors, and subcontractors shall be withheld from obligation from funds appropriated for assistance for fiscal year 2017 and allocated for the central government of such country and for the West Bank

and Gaza program to the extent that the Secretary of State certifies and reports in writing to the Committees on Appropriations, not later than September 30, 2017, that such taxes have not been reimbursed to the Government of the United States.

(c) DE MINIMIS EXCEPTION.—Foreign taxes of a de minimis nature shall not be subject to the provisions of subsection (b).

(d) REPROGRAMMING OF FUNDS.—Funds withheld from obligation for each country or entity pursuant to subsection (b) shall be reprogrammed for assistance for countries which do not assess taxes on United States assistance or which have an effective arrangement that is providing substantial reimbursement of such taxes, and that can reasonably accommodate such assistance in a programmatically responsible manner.

(e) DETERMINATIONS.—

(1) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any country or entity if the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations that—

(A) such country or entity does not assess taxes on United States assistance or has an effective arrangement that is providing substantial reimbursement of such taxes; or

(B) the foreign policy interests of the United States outweigh the purpose of this section to ensure that United States assistance is not subject to taxation.

(2) The Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations at least 15 days prior to exercising the authority of this subsection with regard to any country or entity.

(f) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Secretary of State shall issue rules, regulations, or policy guidance, as appropriate, to implement the prohibition against the taxation of assistance contained in this section.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this section—

(1) the term "bilateral agreement" refers to a framework bilateral agreement between the Government of the United States and the government of the country receiving assistance that describes the privileges and immunities applicable to United States foreign assistance for such country generally, or an individual agreement between the Government of the United States and such government that describes, among other things, the treatment for tax purposes that will be accorded the United States assistance provided under that agreement; and

(2) the term "taxes and taxation" shall include value added taxes and customs duties but shall not include individual income taxes assessed to local staff.

(h) REPORT.—The Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of other relevant departments or agencies, shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, detailing steps taken by such departments or agencies to comply with the requirements of this section.

RESERVATIONS OF FUNDS

SEC. 7014. (a) REPROGRAMMING.—Funds appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act which are specifically designated may be reprogrammed for other programs within the same account notwithstanding the designation if compliance with the designation is made impossible by operation of any provision of this or any other Act: *Provided*, That any such reprogramming shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That assistance that is reprogrammed pursuant to this subsection shall be made available under the same terms and conditions as originally provided.

(b) EXTENSION OF AVAILABILITY.—In addition to the authority contained in subsection (a), the original period of availability of funds appropriated by this Act and administered by the Department of State or the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) that are specifically designated for particular programs or activities by this or any other Act may be extended for an additional fiscal year if the Secretary of State or the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, determines and reports promptly to the Committees on Appropriations that the termination of assistance to a country or a significant change in circumstances makes it unlikely that such designated funds can be obligated during the original period of availability: *Provided*, That such designated funds that continue to be available for an additional fiscal year shall be obligated only for the purpose of such designation.

(c) OTHER ACTS.—Ceilings and specifically designated funding levels contained in this Act shall not be applicable to funds or authorities appropriated or otherwise made available by any subsequent Act unless such Act specifically so directs: *Provided*, That specifically designated funding levels or minimum funding requirements contained in any other Act shall not be applicable to funds appropriated by this Act.

NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 7015. (a) NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES IN PROGRAMS, PROJECTS, AND ACTIVITIES.—None of the funds made available in titles I and II of this Act, or in prior appropriations Acts to the agencies and departments funded by this Act that remain available for obligation in fiscal year 2016, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees or of currency reflows or other offsetting collections, or made available by transfer, to the agencies and departments funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation to—

(1) create new programs;

(2) eliminate a program, project, or activity;

(3) close, suspend, open, or reopen a mission or post;

(4) create, close, reorganize, or rename bureaus, centers, or offices; or

(5) contract out or privatize any functions or activities presently performed by Federal employees;

unless previously justified to the Committees on Appropriations or such Committees are notified 15 days in advance of such obligation.

(b) NOTIFICATION OF REPROGRAMMING OF FUNDS.—None of the funds provided under titles I and II of this Act, or provided under previous appropriations Acts to the agency or department funded under titles I and II of this Act that remain available for obligation in fiscal year 2016, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury of the United States derived by the collection of fees available to the agency or department funded under title I of this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure for activities, programs, or projects through a reprogramming of funds in excess of $1,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less, that—

(1) augments or changes existing programs, projects, or activities;

(2) relocates an existing office or employees;

(3) reduces by 10 percent funding for any existing program, project, or activity, or numbers of personnel by 10 percent as approved by Congress; or

(4) results from any general savings, including savings from a reduction in personnel, which would result in a change in existing programs, activities, or projects as approved by Congress;

unless the Committees on Appropriations are notified 15 days in advance of such reprogramming of funds.

(c) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—None of the funds made available by this Act under the headings "Global Health Programs", "Development Assistance", "International Organizations and Programs", "Trade and Development Agency", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", "Peacekeeping Operations", "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs", "Millennium Challenge Corporation", "Foreign Military Financing Program", "International Military Education and Training", and "Peace Corps", shall be available for obligation for activities, programs, projects, type of materiel assistance, countries, or other operations not justified or in excess of the amount justified to the Committees on Appropriations for obligation under any of these specific headings unless the Committees on Appropriations are notified 15 days in advance: *Provided*, That the President shall not enter into any commitment of funds appropriated for the purposes of section 23 of the Arms Export Control Act for the provision of major defense equipment, other than conventional ammunition, or other major defense items defined to be aircraft, ships, missiles, or combat vehicles, not previously justified to Congress or 20 percent in excess of the quantities justified to Congress unless the Committees on Appropriations are notified 15 days in advance of such commitment: *Provided further*, That requirements of this subsection or any similar provision of this or any other Act shall not apply to any reprogramming for an activity, program, or project for which funds are appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act of less than 10 percent of the amount previously justified to Congress for obligation for such activity, program, or project for the current fiscal year: *Provided further*, That any notification submitted pursuant to subsection (f) of this section shall include information (if known on the date of transmittal of such notification) on the use of notwith-

standing authority: *Provided further*, That if subsequent to the notification of assistance it becomes necessary to rely on notwithstanding authority, the Committees on Appropriations should be informed at the earliest opportunity and to the extent practicable.

(d) NOTIFICATION OF TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, with the exception of funds transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated under title I of this Act, funds transferred by the Department of Defense to the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development for assistance for foreign countries and international organizations, and funds made available for programs previously authorized under section 1206 of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006 (Public Law 109–163) or section 2282 of title 10, United States Code, shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(e) WAIVER.—The requirements of this section or any similar provision of this Act or any other Act, including any prior Act requiring notification in accordance with the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, may be waived if failure to do so would pose a substantial risk to human health or welfare: *Provided*, That in case of any such waiver, notification to the Committees on Appropriations shall be provided as early as practicable, but in no event later than 3 days after taking the action to which such notification requirement was applicable, in the context of the circumstances necessitating such waiver: *Provided further*, That any notification provided pursuant to such a waiver shall contain an explanation of the emergency circumstances.

(f) COUNTRY NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS.—None of the funds appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act may be obligated or expended for assistance for Afghanistan, Bahrain, Bolivia, Burma, Cambodia, Colombia, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Libya, Mexico, Pakistan, the Russian Federation, Somalia, South Sudan, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Syria, Uzbekistan, Venezuela, Yemen, and Zimbabwe except as provided through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(g) WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV that are withheld from obligation or otherwise not programmed as a result of application of a provision of law in this or any other Act shall, if reprogrammed, be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

NOTIFICATION ON EXCESS DEFENSE EQUIPMENT

SEC. 7016. Prior to providing excess Department of Defense articles in accordance with section 516(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the Department of Defense shall notify the Committees on Appropriations to the same extent and under the same conditions as other committees pursuant to subsection (f) of that section: *Provided*, That before issuing a letter of offer to sell excess defense articles under the Arms Export Control Act, the Department of Defense shall notify the Committees on Appropriations in accordance with the regular notification procedures of such Committees if such defense articles are significant military equipment (as defined in

section 47(9) of the Arms Export Control Act) or are valued (in terms of original acquisition cost) at $7,000,000 or more, or if notification is required elsewhere in this Act for the use of appropriated funds for specific countries that would receive such excess defense articles: *Provided further*, That such Committees shall also be informed of the original acquisition cost of such defense articles.

LIMITATION ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

SEC. 7017. Subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, funds appropriated under titles I and III through V of this Act, which are returned or not made available for organizations and programs because of the implementation of section 307(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 or section 7048(a) of this Act, shall remain available for obligation until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That the requirement to withhold funds for programs in Burma under section 307(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall not apply to funds appropriated by this Act.

PROHIBITION ON FUNDING FOR ABORTIONS AND INVOLUNTARY STERILIZATION

SEC. 7018. None of the funds made available to carry out part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, may be used to pay for the performance of abortions as a method of family planning or to motivate or coerce any person to practice abortions. None of the funds made available to carry out part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, may be used to pay for the performance of involuntary sterilization as a method of family planning or to coerce or provide any financial incentive to any person to undergo sterilizations. None of the funds made available to carry out part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, may be used to pay for any biomedical research which relates in whole or in part, to methods of, or the performance of, abortions or involuntary sterilization as a means of family planning. None of the funds made available to carry out part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended, may be obligated or expended for any country or organization if the President certifies that the use of these funds by any such country or organization would violate any of the above provisions related to abortions and involuntary sterilizations.

ALLOCATIONS

SEC. 7019. (a) ALLOCATION TABLES.—Subject to subsection (b), funds appropriated by this Act under titles III through V shall be made available in the amounts specifically designated in the respective tables included in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act): *Provided*, That such designated amounts for foreign countries and international organizations shall serve as the amounts for such countries and international organizations transmitted to the Congress in the report required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA).

(b) AUTHORIZED DEVIATIONS.—Unless otherwise provided for by this Act, the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, as applicable, may only deviate up to 5 percent from the amounts specifically designated in the respective tables included in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act): *Provided*, That such percentage may be exceeded only to respond to significant, exigent, or unforeseen events, or to address other exceptional circumstances directly related to the national interest: *Provided further*, That deviations pursuant to the previous proviso shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) LIMITATION.—For specifically designated amounts that are included, pursuant to subsection (a), in the report required by section 653(a) of the FAA, no deviations authorized by subsection (b) may take place until submission of such report.

REPRESENTATION AND ENTERTAINMENT EXPENSES

SEC. 7020. (a) USES OF FUNDS.—Each Federal department, agency, or entity funded in titles I or II of this Act, and the Department of the Treasury and independent agencies funded in titles III or VI of this Act, shall take steps to ensure that domestic and overseas representation and entertainment expenses further official agency business and United States foreign policy interests—

(1) are primarily for fostering relations outside of the Executive Branch;

(2) are principally for meals and events of a protocol nature;

(3) are not for employee-only events; and

(4) do not include activities that are substantially of a recreational character.

(b) LIMITATIONS.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act under the headings "International Military Education and Training" or "Foreign Military Financing Program" for Informational Program activities or under the headings "Global Health Programs", "Development Assistance", "Economic Support Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" may be obligated or expended to pay for—

(1) alcoholic beverages; or

(2) entertainment expenses for activities that are substantially of a recreational character, including but not limited to entrance fees at sporting events, theatrical and musical productions, and amusement parks.

PROHIBITION ON ASSISTANCE TO GOVERNMENTS SUPPORTING INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM

SEC. 7021. (a) LETHAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT EXPORTS.—

(1) PROHIBITION.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by titles III through VI of this Act may be made available to any foreign government which provides lethal military equipment to a country the government of which the Secretary of State has determined supports international terrorism for purposes of section 6(j) of the Export Ad-

ministration Act of 1979 as continued in effect pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act: *Provided*, That the prohibition under this section with respect to a foreign government shall terminate 12 months after that government ceases to provide such military equipment: *Provided further*, That this section applies with respect to lethal military equipment provided under a contract entered into after October 1, 1997.

(2) DETERMINATION.—Assistance restricted by paragraph (1) or any other similar provision of law, may be furnished if the President determines that to do so is important to the national interests of the United States.

(3) REPORT.—Whenever the President makes a determination pursuant to paragraph (2), the President shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report with respect to the furnishing of such assistance, including a detailed explanation of the assistance to be provided, the estimated dollar amount of such assistance, and an explanation of how the assistance furthers United States national interests.

(b) BILATERAL ASSISTANCE.—

(1) LIMITATIONS.—Funds appropriated for bilateral assistance in titles III through VI of this Act and funds appropriated under any such title in prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, shall not be made available to any foreign government which the President determines—

(A) grants sanctuary from prosecution to any individual or group which has committed an act of international terrorism;

(B) otherwise supports international terrorism; or

(C) is controlled by an organization designated as a terrorist organization under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

(2) WAIVER.—The President may waive the application of paragraph (1) to a government if the President determines that national security or humanitarian reasons justify such waiver: *Provided*, That the President shall publish each such waiver in the Federal Register and, at least 15 days before the waiver takes effect, shall notify the Committees on Appropriations of the waiver (including the justification for the waiver) in accordance with the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

AUTHORIZATION REQUIREMENTS

SEC. 7022. Funds appropriated by this Act, except funds appropriated under the heading "Trade and Development Agency", may be obligated and expended notwithstanding section 10 of Public Law 91–672, section 15 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956, section 313 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995 (Public Law 103–236), and section 504(a)(1) of the National Security Act of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3094(a)(1)).

DEFINITION OF PROGRAM, PROJECT, AND ACTIVITY

SEC. 7023. For the purpose of titles II through VI of this Act "program, project, and activity" shall be defined at the appropriations Act account level and shall include all appropriations and authorizations Acts funding directives, ceilings, and limitations with the exception that for the following accounts: "Economic Support Fund" and "Foreign Military Financing Program", "program, project, and activity" shall also be considered to include country, regional, and central program level funding within each such account; and for the development assistance accounts of the United States Agency for International Development, "program, project, and activity" shall also be considered to include central, country, regional, and program level funding, either as—

(1) justified to Congress; or

(2) allocated by the Executive Branch in accordance with a report, to be provided to the Committees on Appropriations within 30 days of the enactment of this Act, as required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

AUTHORITIES FOR THE PEACE CORPS, INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION AND UNITED STATES AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

SEC. 7024. Unless expressly provided to the contrary, provisions of this or any other Act, including provisions contained in prior Acts authorizing or making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, shall not be construed to prohibit activities authorized by or conducted under the Peace Corps Act, the Inter-American Foundation Act or the African Development Foundation Act: *Provided*, That prior to conducting activities in a country for which assistance is prohibited, the agency shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations and report to such Committees within 15 days of taking such action.

COMMERCE, TRADE AND SURPLUS COMMODITIES

SEC. 7025. (a) WORLD MARKETS.—None of the funds appropriated or made available pursuant to titles III through VI of this Act for direct assistance and none of the funds otherwise made available to the Export-Import Bank and the Overseas Private Investment Corporation shall be obligated or expended to finance any loan, any assistance, or any other financial commitments for establishing or expanding production of any commodity for export by any country other than the United States, if the commodity is likely to be in surplus on world markets at the time the resulting productive capacity is expected to become operative and if the assistance will cause substantial injury to United States producers of the same, similar, or competing commodity: *Provided*, That such prohibition shall not apply to the Export-Import Bank if in the judgment of its Board of Directors the benefits to industry and employment in the United States are likely to outweigh the injury to United States producers of the same, similar, or competing commodity, and the Chairman of the Board so notifies the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That this subsection shall not prohibit—

(1) activities in a country that is eligible for assistance from the International Development Association, is not eligible for

assistance from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and does not export on a consistent basis the agricultural commodity with respect to which assistance is furnished; or

(2) activities in a country the President determines is recovering from widespread conflict, a humanitarian crisis, or a complex emergency.

(b) EXPORTS.—None of the funds appropriated by this or any other Act to carry out chapter 1 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall be available for any testing or breeding feasibility study, variety improvement or introduction, consultancy, publication, conference, or training in connection with the growth or production in a foreign country of an agricultural commodity for export which would compete with a similar commodity grown or produced in the United States: *Provided*, That this subsection shall not prohibit—

(1) activities designed to increase food security in developing countries where such activities will not have a significant impact on the export of agricultural commodities of the United States;

(2) research activities intended primarily to benefit United States producers;

(3) activities in a country that is eligible for assistance from the International Development Association, is not eligible for assistance from the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, and does not export on a consistent basis the agricultural commodity with respect to which assistance is furnished; or

(4) activities in a country the President determines is recovering from widespread conflict, a humanitarian crisis, or a complex emergency.

(c) INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive directors of the international financial institutions, as defined in section 7034(r)(3) of this Act, to use the voice and vote of the United States to oppose any assistance by such institutions, using funds appropriated or made available by this Act, for the production or extraction of any commodity or mineral for export, if it is in surplus on world markets and if the assistance will cause substantial injury to United States producers of the same, similar, or competing commodity.

SEPARATE ACCOUNTS

SEC. 7026. (a) SEPARATE ACCOUNTS FOR LOCAL CURRENCIES.—

(1) AGREEMENTS.—If assistance is furnished to the government of a foreign country under chapters 1 and 10 of part I or chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 under agreements which result in the generation of local currencies of that country, the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) shall—

(A) require that local currencies be deposited in a separate account established by that government;

(B) enter into an agreement with that government which sets forth—

(i) the amount of the local currencies to be generated; and

(ii) the terms and conditions under which the currencies so deposited may be utilized, consistent with this section; and

(C) establish by agreement with that government the responsibilities of USAID and that government to monitor and account for deposits into and disbursements from the separate account.

(2) USES OF LOCAL CURRENCIES.—As may be agreed upon with the foreign government, local currencies deposited in a separate account pursuant to subsection (a), or an equivalent amount of local currencies, shall be used only—

(A) to carry out chapter 1 or 10 of part I or chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (as the case may be), for such purposes as—

(i) project and sector assistance activities; or

(ii) debt and deficit financing; or

(B) for the administrative requirements of the United States Government.

(3) PROGRAMMING ACCOUNTABILITY.—USAID shall take all necessary steps to ensure that the equivalent of the local currencies disbursed pursuant to subsection (a)(2)(A) from the separate account established pursuant to subsection (a)(1) are used for the purposes agreed upon pursuant to subsection (a)(2).

(4) TERMINATION OF ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.—Upon termination of assistance to a country under chapter 1 or 10 of part I or chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (as the case may be), any unencumbered balances of funds which remain in a separate account established pursuant to subsection (a) shall be disposed of for such purposes as may be agreed to by the government of that country and the United States Government.

(5) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—The USAID Administrator shall report on an annual basis as part of the justification documents submitted to the Committees on Appropriations on the use of local currencies for the administrative requirements of the United States Government as authorized in subsection (a)(2)(B), and such report shall include the amount of local currency (and United States dollar equivalent) used or to be used for such purpose in each applicable country.

(b) SEPARATE ACCOUNTS FOR CASH TRANSFERS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—If assistance is made available to the government of a foreign country, under chapter 1 or 10 of part I or chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as cash transfer assistance or as nonproject sector assistance, that country shall be required to maintain such funds in a separate account and not commingle with any other funds.

(2) APPLICABILITY OF OTHER PROVISIONS OF LAW.—Such funds may be obligated and expended notwithstanding provisions of law which are inconsistent with the nature of this assistance including provisions which are referenced in the Joint Explana-

tory Statement of the Committee of Conference accompanying House Joint Resolution 648 (House Report No. 98–1159).

(3) NOTIFICATION.—At least 15 days prior to obligating any such cash transfer or nonproject sector assistance, the President shall submit a notification through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, which shall include a detailed description of how the funds proposed to be made available will be used, with a discussion of the United States interests that will be served by the assistance (including, as appropriate, a description of the economic policy reforms that will be promoted by such assistance).

(4) EXEMPTION.—Nonproject sector assistance funds may be exempt from the requirements of paragraph (1) only through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ASSISTANCE

SEC. 7027. (a) ASSISTANCE THROUGH NONGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS.—Restrictions contained in this or any other Act with respect to assistance for a country shall not be construed to restrict assistance in support of programs of nongovernmental organizations from funds appropriated by this Act to carry out the provisions of chapters 1, 10, 11, and 12 of part I and chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and from funds appropriated under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia": *Provided*, That before using the authority of this subsection to furnish assistance in support of programs of nongovernmental organizations, the President shall notify the Committees on Appropriations pursuant to the regular notification procedures, including a description of the program to be assisted, the assistance to be provided, and the reasons for furnishing such assistance: *Provided further*, That nothing in this subsection shall be construed to alter any existing statutory prohibitions against abortion or involuntary sterilizations contained in this or any other Act.

(b) PUBLIC LAW 480.—During fiscal year 2016, restrictions contained in this or any other Act with respect to assistance for a country shall not be construed to restrict assistance under the Food for Peace Act (Public Law 83–480): *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated to carry out title I of such Act and made available pursuant to this subsection may be obligated or expended except as provided through the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) EXCEPTION.—This section shall not apply—

(1) with respect to section 620A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 or any comparable provision of law prohibiting assistance to countries that support international terrorism; or

(2) with respect to section 116 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 or any comparable provision of law prohibiting assistance to the government of a country that violates internationally recognized human rights.

LOCAL COMPETITION

SEC. 7028. (a) REQUIREMENTS FOR EXCEPTIONS TO COMPETITION FOR LOCAL ENTITIES.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available to the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) may only be made available for limited competitions through local entities if—

(1) prior to the determination to limit competition to local entities, USAID has—

(A) assessed the level of local capacity to effectively implement, manage, and account for programs included in such competition; and

(B) documented the written results of the assessment and decisions made; and

(2) prior to making an award after limiting competition to local entities—

(A) each successful local entity has been determined to be responsible in accordance with USAID guidelines; and

(B) effective monitoring and evaluation systems are in place to ensure that award funding is used for its intended purposes; and

(3) no level of acceptable fraud is assumed.

(b) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—In addition to the requirements of subsection (a)(1), the USAID Administrator shall report, on an annual basis, to the appropriate congressional committees on all awards subject to limited or no competition for local entities: *Provided*, That such report should be posted on the USAID Web site: *Provided further*, That the requirements of this subsection shall only apply to awards in excess of $3,000,000 and sole source awards to local entities in excess of $2,000,000.

(c) EXTENSION OF PROCUREMENT AUTHORITY.—Section 7077 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (division I of Public Law 112–74) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016, as amended by the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

SEC. 7029. (a) EVALUATIONS AND REPORT.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to seek to require that such institution adopts and implements a publicly available policy, including the strategic use of peer reviews and external experts, to conduct independent, in-depth evaluations of the effectiveness of at least 25 percent of all loans, grants, programs, and significant analytical non-lending activities in advancing the institution's goals of reducing poverty and promoting equitable economic growth, consistent with relevant safeguards, to ensure that decisions to support such loans, grants, programs, and activities are based on accurate data and objective analysis: *Provided*, That not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on steps taken by the United States executive directors and the international financial institutions consistent with this subsection.

(b) SAFEGUARDS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director of the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development and the International Development Association to vote against any loan, grant, policy, or strategy if such institution has adopted and is implementing any social or environmental safeguard relevant to such loan, grant, policy, or strategy that provides less protection than World Bank safeguards in effect on September 30, 2015.

(c) COMPENSATION.—None of the funds appropriated under title V of this Act may be made as payment to any international financial institution while the United States executive director to such institution is compensated by the institution at a rate which, together with whatever compensation such executive director receives from the United States, is in excess of the rate provided for an individual occupying a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule under section 5315 of title 5, United States Code, or while any alternate United States executive director to such institution is compensated by the institution at a rate in excess of the rate provided for an individual occupying a position at level V of the Executive Schedule under section 5316 of title 5, United States Code.

(d) HUMAN RIGHTS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to seek to require that such institution conducts rigorous human rights due diligence and risk management, as appropriate, in connection with any loan, grant, policy, or strategy of such institution: *Provided*, That prior to voting on any such loan, grant, policy, or strategy the executive director shall consult with the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, if the executive director has reason to believe that such loan, grant, policy, or strategy could result in forced displacement or other violation of human rights.

(e) FRAUD AND CORRUPTION.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to promote in loan, grant, and other financing agreements improvements in borrowing countries' financial management and judicial capacity to investigate, prosecute, and punish fraud and corruption.

(f) BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP INFORMATION.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to seek to require that such institution collects, verifies, and publishes, to the maximum extent practicable, beneficial ownership information (excluding proprietary information) for any corporation or limited liability company, other than a publicly listed company, that receives funds appropriated by this Act that are provided as payment to such institution: *Provided*, That not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on steps taken by the United States executive directors and the international financial institutions consistent with this subsection.

(g) WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTIONS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to seek to require that each such institution is effectively implementing and enforcing policies and

procedures which reflect best practices for the protection of whistleblowers from retaliation, including best practices for—

(1) protection against retaliation for internal and lawful public disclosure;

(2) legal burdens of proof;

(3) statutes of limitation for reporting retaliation;

(4) access to independent adjudicative bodies, including external arbitration; and

(5) results that eliminate the effects of proven retaliation.

DEBT-FOR-DEVELOPMENT

SEC. 7030. In order to enhance the continued participation of nongovernmental organizations in debt-for-development and debt-for-nature exchanges, a nongovernmental organization which is a grantee or contractor of the United States Agency for International Development may place in interest bearing accounts local currencies which accrue to that organization as a result of economic assistance provided under title III of this Act and, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, any interest earned on such investment shall be used for the purpose for which the assistance was provided to that organization.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET TRANSPARENCY

SEC. 7031. (a) LIMITATION ON DIRECT GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE.—

(1) REQUIREMENTS.—Funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for direct government-to-government assistance only if—

(A)(i) each implementing agency or ministry to receive assistance has been assessed and is considered to have the systems required to manage such assistance and any identified vulnerabilities or weaknesses of such agency or ministry have been addressed;

(ii) the recipient agency or ministry employs and utilizes staff with the necessary technical, financial, and management capabilities;

(iii) the recipient agency or ministry has adopted competitive procurement policies and systems;

(iv) effective monitoring and evaluation systems are in place to ensure that such assistance is used for its intended purposes;

(v) no level of acceptable fraud is assumed; and

(vi) the government of the recipient country is taking steps to publicly disclose on an annual basis its national budget, to include income and expenditures;

(B) the recipient government is in compliance with the principles set forth in section 7013 of this Act;

(C) the recipient agency or ministry is not headed or controlled by an organization designated as a foreign terrorist organization under section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act;

(D) the Government of the United States and the government of the recipient country have agreed, in writing,

on clear and achievable objectives for the use of such assistance, which should be made available on a cost-reimbursable basis; and

(E) the recipient government is taking steps to protect the rights of civil society, including freedoms of expression, association, and assembly.

(2) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION.—In addition to the requirements in paragraph (1), no funds may be made available for direct government-to-government assistance without prior consultation with, and notification of, the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That such notification shall contain an explanation of how the proposed activity meets the requirements of paragraph (1): *Provided further*, That the requirements of this paragraph shall only apply to direct government-to-government assistance in excess of $10,000,000 and all funds available for cash transfer, budget support, and cash payments to individuals.

(3) SUSPENSION OF ASSISTANCE.—The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) or the Secretary of State, as appropriate, shall suspend any direct government-to-government assistance if the Administrator or the Secretary has credible information of material misuse of such assistance, unless the Administrator or the Secretary reports to the Committees on Appropriations that it is in the national interest of the United States to continue such assistance, including a justification, or that such misuse has been appropriately addressed.

(4) SUBMISSION OF INFORMATION.—The Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations, concurrent with the fiscal year 2017 congressional budget justification materials, amounts planned for assistance described in paragraph (1) by country, proposed funding amount, source of funds, and type of assistance.

(5) REPORT.—Not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act and 6 months thereafter until September 30, 2016, the USAID Administrator shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report that—

(A) details all assistance described in paragraph (1) provided during the previous 6-month period by country, funding amount, source of funds, and type of such assistance; and

(B) the type of procurement instrument or mechanism utilized and whether the assistance was provided on a reimbursable basis.

(6) DEBT SERVICE PAYMENT PROHIBITION.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for any foreign country for debt service payments owed by any country to any international financial institution: *Provided*, That for purposes of this paragraph, the term "international financial institution" has the meaning given the term in section 7034(r)(3) of this Act.

(b) NATIONAL BUDGET AND CONTRACT TRANSPARENCY.—

(1) MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS OF FISCAL TRANSPARENCY.—The Secretary of State shall continue to update and strengthen the

"minimum requirements of fiscal transparency" for each government receiving assistance appropriated by this Act, as identified in the report required by section 7031(b) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

(2) DEFINITION.—For purposes of paragraph (1), "minimum requirements of fiscal transparency" are requirements consistent with those in subsection (a)(1), and the public disclosure of national budget documentation (to include receipts and expenditures by ministry) and government contracts and licenses for natural resource extraction (to include bidding and concession allocation practices).

(3) DETERMINATION AND REPORT.—For each government identified pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary of State, not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, shall make or update any determination of "significant progress" or "no significant progress" in meeting the minimum requirements of fiscal transparency, and make such determinations publicly available in an annual "Fiscal Transparency Report" to be posted on the Department of State Web site: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall identify the significant progress made by each such government to publicly disclose national budget documentation, contracts, and licenses which are additional to such information disclosed in previous fiscal years, and include specific recommendations of short- and long-term steps such government should take to improve fiscal transparency: *Provided further*, That the annual report shall include a detailed description of how funds appropriated by this Act are being used to improve fiscal transparency, and identify benchmarks for measuring progress.

(4) ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated under title III of this Act shall be made available for programs and activities to assist governments identified pursuant to paragraph (1) to improve budget transparency and to support civil society organizations in such countries that promote budget transparency: *Provided,* That such sums shall be in addition to funds otherwise made available for such purposes: *Provided further*, That a description of the uses of such funds shall be included in the annual "Fiscal Transparency Report" required by paragraph (3).

(c) ANTI-KLEPTOCRACY AND HUMAN RIGHTS.—

(1)(A) INELIGIBILITY.—Officials of foreign governments and their immediate family members about whom the Secretary of State has credible information have been involved in significant corruption, including corruption related to the extraction of natural resources, or a gross violation of human rights shall be ineligible for entry into the United States.

(B) The Secretary may also publicly or privately designate or identify officials of foreign governments and their immediate family members about whom the Secretary has such credible information without regard to whether the individual has applied for a visa.

(2) EXCEPTION.—Individuals shall not be ineligible if entry into the United States would further important United States

law enforcement objectives or is necessary to permit the United States to fulfill its obligations under the United Nations Headquarters Agreement: *Provided*, That nothing in paragraph (1) shall be construed to derogate from United States Government obligations under applicable international agreements.

(3) WAIVER.—The Secretary may waive the application of paragraph (1) if the Secretary determines that the waiver would serve a compelling national interest or that the circumstances which caused the individual to be ineligible have changed sufficiently.

(4) REPORT.—Not later than 6 months after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report, including a classified annex if necessary, to the Committees on Appropriations and the Committees on the Judiciary describing the information related to corruption or violation of human rights concerning each of the individuals found ineligible in the previous 12 months pursuant to paragraph (1)(A) as well as the individuals who the Secretary designated or identified pursuant to paragraph (1)(B), or who would be ineligible but for the application of paragraph (2), a list of any waivers provided under paragraph (3), and the justification for each waiver.

(5) POSTING OF REPORT.—Any unclassified portion of the report required under paragraph (4) shall be posted on the Department of State Web site.

(6) CLARIFICATION.—For purposes of paragraphs (1)(B), (4), and (5), the records of the Department of State and of diplomatic and consular offices of the United States pertaining to the issuance or refusal of visas or permits to enter the United States shall not be considered confidential.

(d) EXTRACTION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.—

(1) ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available to promote and support transparency and accountability of expenditures and revenues related to the extraction of natural resources, including by strengthening implementation and monitoring of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative, implementing and enforcing section 8204 of the Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (Public Law 110–246; 122 Stat. 2052) and to prevent the sale of conflict diamonds, and provide technical assistance to promote independent audit mechanisms and support civil society participation in natural resource management.

(2) UNITED STATES POLICY.—

(A) The Secretary of the Treasury shall inform the management of the international financial institutions, and post on the Department of the Treasury Web site, that it is the policy of the United States to vote against any assistance by such institutions (including any loan, credit, grant, or guarantee) to any country for the extraction and export of a natural resource if the government of such country has in place laws, regulations, or procedures to prevent or limit the public disclosure of company payments as required by United States law, and unless such government has adopted laws, regulations, or procedures in the sector in which assistance is being considered for—

(i) accurately accounting for and public disclosure of payments to the host government by companies involved in the extraction and export of natural resources;

(ii) the independent auditing of accounts receiving such payments and public disclosure of the findings of such audits; and

(iii) public disclosure of such documents as Host Government Agreements, Concession Agreements, and bidding documents, allowing in any such dissemination or disclosure for the redaction of, or exceptions for, information that is commercially proprietary or that would create competitive disadvantage.

(B) The requirements of subparagraph (A) shall not apply to assistance for the purpose of building the capacity of such government to meet the requirements of this subparagraph.

(e) FOREIGN ASSISTANCE WEB SITE.—Funds appropriated by this Act under titles I and II, and funds made available for any independent agency in title III, as appropriate, shall be made available to support the provision of additional information on United States Government foreign assistance on the Department of State foreign assistance Web site: *Provided*, That all Federal agencies funded under this Act shall provide such information on foreign assistance, upon request, to the Department of State.

DEMOCRACY PROGRAMS

SEC. 7032. (a) FUNDING.—

(1) Of the funds appropriated by this Act, not less than $2,308,517,000 shall be made available for democracy programs.

(2) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $32,000,000 shall be made available for the Near East Regional Democracy program.

(b) AUTHORITY.—Funds made available by this Act for democracy programs may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law, and with regard to the National Endowment for Democracy (NED), any regulation.

(c) DEFINITION OF DEMOCRACY PROGRAMS.—For purposes of funds appropriated by this Act, the term "democracy programs" means programs that support good governance, credible and competitive elections, freedom of expression, association, assembly, and religion, human rights, labor rights, independent media, and the rule of law, and that otherwise strengthen the capacity of democratic political parties, governments, nongovernmental organizations and institutions, and citizens to support the development of democratic states, and institutions that are responsive and accountable to citizens.

(d) PROGRAM PRIORITIZATION.—Funds made available pursuant to this section that are made available for programs to strengthen government institutions shall be prioritized for those institutions that demonstrate a commitment to democracy and the rule of law, as determined by the Secretary of State or the Administrator of the

United States Agency for International Development (USAID), as appropriate.

(e) RESTRICTION ON PRIOR APPROVAL.—With respect to the provision of assistance for democracy programs in this Act, the organizations implementing such assistance, the specific nature of that assistance, and the participants in such programs shall not be subject to the prior approval by the government of any foreign country: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State, in coordination with the USAID Administrator, shall report to the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act, detailing steps taken by the Department of State and USAID to comply with the requirements of this subsection.

(f) PROGRAM DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION.—

(1) CLARIFICATION OF USE.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator, following consultation with democracy program implementing partners, shall each establish guidelines for clarifying program design and objectives for democracy programs, including the uses of contracts versus grants and cooperative agreements in the conduct of democracy programs carried out with funds appropriated by this Act: *Provided*, That such guidelines, which shall be made available to all relevant agency personnel, shall be in accordance with—

(A) the Quadrennial Diplomacy and Development Review, 2015, regarding the objectives of promoting resilient, open, and democratic societies;

(B) the ADVANCE Democracy Act of 2007 (title XXI of Public Law 110–53; 22 U.S.C. 8201 et seq.), including the foreign policy objectives contained therein; and

(C) sections 6303 through 6305 of title 31, United States Code, regarding the selection of contracts and assistance instruments.

(2) CONTINUATION OF CURRENT PRACTICES.—USAID shall continue to implement civil society and political competition and consensus building programs abroad with funds appropriated by this Act in a manner that recognizes the unique benefits of grants and cooperative agreements in implementing such programs: *Provided*, That nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to affect the ability of any entity, including United States small businesses, from competing for proposals for USAID-funded civil society and political competition and consensus building programs.

(3) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2017, the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall each submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report detailing the use of contracts, grants, and cooperative agreements in the conduct of democracy programs with funds made available by the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235), which shall include funding level, account, program sector and subsector, and a brief summary of purpose.

(g) STRATEGIC REVIEWS AND REPORT.—

(1) COUNTRY STRATEGIES.—Prior to the obligation of funds made available by this Act for Department of State and USAID

democracy programs for a nondemocratic or democratic transitioning country for which a country strategy has been concluded after the date of enactment of this Act, as required by section 2111(c)(1) of the ADVANCE Democracy Act of 2007 (title XXI of Public Law 110–53; 22 U.S.C. 8211) or similar provision of law or regulation, the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy and Human Rights, Department of State, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, and the Assistant Administrator for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID, shall review such strategy to ensure that it includes—

(A) specific goals and objectives for such program, including a specific plan and timeline to measure impacts;

(B) an assessment of the risks associated with the conduct of such program to intended beneficiaries and implementers, including steps to support and protect such individuals; and

(C) the funding requirements to initiate and sustain such program in fiscal year 2016 and subsequent fiscal years, as appropriate:

Provided, That for the purposes of this paragraph, the term "nondemocratic or democratic transitioning country" shall have the same meaning as in section 2104(6) of Public Law 110–53.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2016, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, shall submit a report, including a classified annex if necessary, to the appropriate congressional committees detailing the methodology and guidelines established and implemented by the Department of State and USAID, respectively, to carry out the requirements of this subsection: *Provided,* That such report shall also include an analysis of the political and social conditions in a nondemocratic or democratic transitioning country that are a prerequisite for the conduct of democracy programs.

(h) CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS.—The Deputy Secretary for Management and Resources, Department of State, shall consult with the Under Secretary for Civilian Security, Democracy and Human Rights, Department of State, and the Assistant Administrator for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID, on the proposed funding levels for democracy programs by country in the report submitted to Congress pursuant to section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(2) INFORMING THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR DEMOCRACY.—The Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, and the Assistant Administrator for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, USAID, shall regularly inform the National Endowment for Democracy of democracy programs that are planned and supported by funds made available by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs.

(3) REPORT ON PROGRAM CHANGES.—The Secretary of State or the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, shall report to

the Committees on Appropriations within 30 days of a decision to significantly change the objectives or the content of a democracy program or to close such a program due to the increasingly repressive nature of the host country government: *Provided*, That the report shall also include a strategy for continuing support for democracy promotion, if such programming is feasible, and may be submitted in classified form, if necessary.

INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

SEC. 7033. (a) INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM OFFICE AND SPECIAL ENVOY TO PROMOTE RELIGIOUS FREEDOM.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" shall be made available for the Office of the Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom and the Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia, as authorized in the Near East and South Central Asia Religious Freedom Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-161), and including for support staff, at not less than the amounts contained for such Office and Envoy in the table under such heading in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act).

(b) ASSISTANCE.—

(1) INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Democracy Fund" and available for the Human Rights and Democracy Fund (HRDF), not less than $10,000,000 shall be made available for international religious freedom programs: *Provided*, That the Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the uses of such funds.

(2) PROTECTION AND INVESTIGATION PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available for programs to protect vulnerable and persecuted religious minorities: *Provided*, That a portion of such funds shall be made available for programs to investigate the persecution of such minorities by governments and non-state actors and for the public dissemination of information collected on such persecution, including on the Department of State Web site.

(3) HUMANITARIAN PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "International Disaster Assistance" and "Migration and Refugee Assistance" shall be made available for humanitarian assistance for vulnerable and persecuted religious minorities.

(4) RESPONSIBILITY OF FUNDS.—Funds made available by paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be the responsibility of the Ambassador-at-Large for International Religious Freedom, in consultation with other relevant United States Government officials.

(c) INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Broadcasting Board of Governors, International Broadcasting Operations" shall be made available for pro-

grams related to international religious freedom, including reporting on the condition of vulnerable and persecuted religious groups.

(d) ATROCITIES PREVENTION.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, after consultation with the heads of other United States Government agencies represented on the Atrocities Prevention Board (APB) and representatives of human rights organizations, as appropriate, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees an evaluation of the persecution of, including attacks against, Christians and people of other religions in the Middle East by violent Islamic extremists and the Muslim Rohingya people in Burma by violent Buddhist extremists, including whether either situation constitutes mass atrocities or genocide (as defined in section 1091 of title 18, United States Code), and a detailed description of any proposed atrocities prevention response recommended by the APB: *Provided*, That such evaluation and response may include a classified annex, if necessary.

(e) DESIGNATION OF NON-STATE ACTORS.—The President shall, concurrent with the annual foreign country review required by section 402(b)(1) of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6442(b)(1)), review and identify any non-state actors in such countries that have engaged in particularly severe violations of religious freedom, and designate, in a manner consistent with such Act, each such group as a non-state actor of particular concern for religious freedom operating in such reviewed country or surrounding region: *Provided*, That whenever the President designates such a non-state actor under this subsection, the President shall, as soon as practicable after the designation is made, submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees detailing the reasons for such designation.

(f) REPORT.—Not later than September 30, 2016, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development, shall submit a report, including a classified annex if necessary, to the appropriate congressional committees detailing, by account, agency, and on a country-by-country basis, funds made available by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs for the previous 2 fiscal years for international religious freedom programs; protection and investigation programs regarding vulnerable and persecuted religious minorities; humanitarian and relief assistance for such minorities; and international broadcasting regarding religious freedom.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS

SEC. 7034. (a) VICTIMS OF WAR, DISPLACED CHILDREN, AND DISPLACED BURMESE.—Funds appropriated in titles III and VI of this Act that are made available for victims of war, displaced children, displaced Burmese, and to combat trafficking in persons and assist victims of such trafficking, may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law.

(b) LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SECURITY.—

(1) CHILD SOLDIERS.—Funds appropriated by this Act should not be used to support any military training or operations that include child soldiers.

(2) CROWD CONTROL ITEMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act should not be used for tear gas, small arms, light weapons, ammunition, or other items for crowd control purposes for foreign security forces that use excessive force to repress peaceful expression, association, or assembly in countries undergoing democratic transition.

(3) DISARMAMENT, DEMOBILIZATION, AND REINTEGRATION.—Section 7034(d) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(4) FORENSIC ASSISTANCE.—

(A) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $4,000,000 shall be made available for forensic anthropology assistance related to the exhumation of mass graves and the identification of victims of war crimes and crimes against humanity, of which not less than $3,000,000 should be made available for such assistance in Guatemala, Peru, Colombia, Iraq, and Sri Lanka, which shall be administered by the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.

(B) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", not less than $4,000,000 shall be made available for DNA forensic technology programs to combat human trafficking in Central America.

(5) INTERNATIONAL PRISON CONDITIONS.—Section 7065 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(6) RECONSTITUTING CIVILIAN POLICE AUTHORITY.—In providing assistance with funds appropriated by this Act under section 660(b)(6) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, support for a nation emerging from instability may be deemed to mean support for regional, district, municipal, or other sub-national entity emerging from instability, as well as a nation emerging from instability.

(7) SECURITY ASSISTANCE REPORT.—Not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report on funds obligated and expended during fiscal year 2015, by country and purpose of assistance, under the headings "Peacekeeping Operations", "International Military Education and Training", and "Foreign Military Financing Program".

(8) LEAHY VETTING REPORT.—

(A) Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on foreign assistance cases submitted for vetting for purposes of section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 during the preceding fiscal year, including:

(i) the total number of cases submitted, approved, suspended, or rejected for human rights reasons; and

(ii) for cases rejected, a description of the steps taken to assist the foreign government in taking effective measures to bring the responsible members of the security forces to justice, in accordance with section 620M(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(B) The report required by this paragraph shall be submitted in unclassified form, but may be accompanied by a classified annex.

(9) ANNUAL FOREIGN MILITARY TRAINING REPORT.—For the purposes of implementing section 656 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the term "military training provided to foreign military personnel by the Department of Defense and the Department of State" shall be deemed to include all military training provided by foreign governments with funds appropriated to the Department of Defense or the Department of State, except for training provided by the government of a country designated by section 517(b) of such Act as a major non-NATO ally.

(c) WORLD FOOD PROGRAMME.—Funds managed by the Bureau for Democracy, Conflict, and Humanitarian Assistance, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), from this or any other Act, may be made available as a general contribution to the World Food Programme, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

(d) DIRECTIVES AND AUTHORITIES.—

(1) RESEARCH AND TRAINING.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" shall be made available to carry out the Program for Research and Training on Eastern Europe and the Independent States of the Former Soviet Union as authorized by the Soviet-Eastern European Research and Training Act of 1983 (22 U.S.C. 4501 et seq.).

(2) GENOCIDE VICTIMS MEMORIAL SITES.—Funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" may be made available as contributions to establish and maintain memorial sites of genocide, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(3) ADDITIONAL AUTHORITIES.—Of the amounts made available by title I of this Act under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs", up to $500,000 may be made available for grants pursuant to section 504 of Public Law 95–426 (22 U.S.C. 2656d), including to facilitate collaboration with indigenous communities.

(4) EXTENSION OF LEGAL PROTECTION.—No conviction issued by the Cairo Criminal Court on June 4, 2013, in "Public Prosecution Case No. 1110 for the Year 2012", against a citizen or national of the United States or an alien lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the United States, shall be considered a conviction for the purposes of United States law or for any

activity undertaken within the jurisdiction of the United States during fiscal year 2016 and any fiscal year thereafter.

(5) MODIFICATION OF LIFE INSURANCE SUPPLEMENTAL APPLICABLE TO THOSE KILLED IN TERRORIST ATTACKS.—

(A) Section 415(a)(1) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3975(a)(1)) is amended by striking "a payment from the United States in an amount that, when added to the amount of the employee's employer-provided group life insurance policy coverage (if any), equals $400,000" and inserting "a special payment of $400,000, which shall be in addition to any employer provided life insurance policy coverage".

(B) The insurance benefit under section 415 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 3975), as amended by subparagraph (A), shall be applicable to eligible employees who die as a result of injuries sustained while on duty abroad because of an act of terrorism, as defined in section 140(d) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1998 and 1999 (22 U.S.C. 2656f(d)), anytime on or after April 18, 1983.

(6) AUTHORITY.—The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development may use funds appropriated by this Act under title III to make innovation incentive awards: *Provided*, That each individual award may not exceed $100,000: *Provided further*, That no more than 10 such awards may be made during fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That for purposes of this paragraph the term "innovation incentive award" means the provision of funding on a competitive basis that—

(A) encourages and rewards the development of solutions for a particular, well-defined problem related to the alleviation of poverty; or

(B) helps identify and promote a broad range of ideas and practices facilitating further development of an idea or practice by third parties.

(e) PARTNER VETTING.—Funds appropriated by this Act or in titles I through IV of prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs shall be used by the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, to support the continued implementation of the Partner Vetting System (PVS) pilot program: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator shall inform the Committees on Appropriations, at least 30 days prior to completion of the pilot program, on the criteria for evaluating such program, including for possible expansion: *Provided further*, That not later than 180 days after completion of the pilot program, the Secretary and USAID Administrator shall jointly submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations, in classified form if necessary, detailing the findings, conclusions, and any recommendations for expansion of such program: *Provided further*, That not less than 30 days prior to the implementation of any recommendations for expanding the PVS pilot program the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations and with representatives of agency implementing partners on the find-

ings, conclusions, and recommendations in such report, as appropriate.

(f) CONTINGENCIES.—During fiscal year 2016, the President may use up to $125,000,000 under the authority of section 451 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, notwithstanding any other provision of law.

(g) INTERNATIONAL CHILD ABDUCTIONS.—The Secretary of State should withhold funds appropriated under title III of this Act for assistance for the central government of any country that is not taking appropriate steps to comply with the Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abductions, done at the Hague on October 25, 1980: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall report to the Committees on Appropriations within 15 days of withholding funds under this subsection.

(h) REPORT REPEALED.—Section 616(c) of the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and State, the Judiciary, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 1999 (division A of Public Law 105–277) is hereby repealed.

(i) TRANSFERS FOR EXTRAORDINARY PROTECTION.—The Secretary of State may transfer to, and merge with, funds under the heading "Protection of Foreign Missions and Officials" unobligated balances of expired funds appropriated under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" for fiscal year 2016, except for funds designated for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, at no later than the end of the fifth fiscal year after the last fiscal year for which such funds are available for the purposes for which appropriated: *Provided*, That not more than $50,000,000 may be transferred.

(j) PROTECTIONS AND REMEDIES FOR EMPLOYEES OF DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS.—Section 7034(k) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(k) EXTENSION OF AUTHORITIES.—

(1) PASSPORT FEES.—Section 1(b)(2) of the Passport Act of June 4, 1920 (22 U.S.C. 214(b)(2)) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2016" for "September 30, 2010".

(2) ACCOUNTABILITY REVIEW BOARDS.—The authority provided by section 301(a)(3) of the Omnibus Diplomatic Security and Antiterrorism Act of 1986 (22 U.S.C. 4831(a)(3)) shall remain in effect for facilities in Afghanistan through September 30, 2016, except that the notification and reporting requirements contained in such section shall include the Committees on Appropriations.

(3) INCENTIVES FOR CRITICAL POSTS.—The authority contained in section 1115(d) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111–32) shall remain in effect through September 30, 2016.

(4) FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER ANNUITANT WAIVER.—Section 824(g) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980 (22 U.S.C. 4064(g)) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2016" for "October 1, 2010" in paragraph (2).

(5) DEPARTMENT OF STATE CIVIL SERVICE ANNUITANT WAIVER.—Section 61(a) of the State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22 U.S.C. 2733(a)) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2016" for "October 1, 2010" in paragraph (2).

(6) USAID CIVIL SERVICE ANNUITANT WAIVER.—Section 625(j)(1) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2385(j)(1)) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2016" for "October 1, 2010" in subparagraph (B).

(7) OVERSEAS PAY COMPARABILITY AND LIMITATION.—

(A) Subject to the limitation described in subparagraph (B), the authority provided by section 1113 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111–32; 123 Stat. 1904) shall remain in effect through September 30, 2016.

(B) The authority described in subparagraph (A) may not be used to pay an eligible member of the Foreign Service (as defined in section 1113(b) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009) a locality-based comparability payment (stated as a percentage) that exceeds two-thirds of the amount of the locality-based comparability payment (stated as a percentage) that would be payable to such member under section 5304 of title 5, United States Code, if such member's official duty station were in the District of Columbia.

(8) CATEGORICAL ELIGIBILITY.—The Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 1990 (Public Law 101–167) is amended—

(A) in section 599D (8 U.S.C. 1157 note)—

(i) in subsection (b)(3), by striking "and 2015" and inserting "2015, and 2016"; and

(ii) in subsection (e), by striking "2015" each place it appears and inserting "2016"; and

(B) in section 599E (8 U.S.C. 1255 note) in subsection (b)(2), by striking "2015" and inserting "2016".

(9) INSPECTOR GENERAL ANNUITANT WAIVER.—The authorities provided in section 1015(b) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2010 (Public Law 111–212) shall remain in effect through September 30, 2016.

(10) EXTENSION OF LOAN GUARANTEES TO ISRAEL.—Chapter 5 of title I of the Emergency Wartime Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2003 (Public Law 108–11; 117 Stat. 576) is amended under the heading "Loan Guarantees to Israel"—

(A) in the matter preceding the first proviso, by striking "September 30, 2015" and inserting "September 30, 2019"; and

(B) in the second proviso, by striking "September 30, 2015" and inserting "September 30, 2019".

(11) EXTENSION OF WAR RESERVES STOCKPILE AUTHORITY.—

(A) Section 12001(d) of the Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–287; 118 Stat. 1011) is amended by striking "more than 11 years after the date of enactment of this Act" and inserting "after September 30, 2017".

(B) Section 514(b)(2)(A) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2321h(b)(2)(A)) is amended by striking "and 2015" and inserting "2015, 2016, and 2017".

(12) UNITED STATES ADVISORY COMMISSION ON PUBLIC DIPLOMACY.—Section 1334 of the Foreign Affairs Reform and Restructuring Act of 1998 (22 U.S.C. 6553) shall be applied by substituting "September 30, 2016" for "October 1, 2015".

(l) DEPARTMENT OF STATE WORKING CAPITAL FUND.—Funds appropriated by this Act or otherwise made available to the Department of State for payments to the Working Capital Fund may only be used for the service centers included in Appendix 1 of the Congressional Budget Justification, Department of State, Diplomatic Engagement, Fiscal Year 2016: *Provided*, That the amounts for such service centers shall be the amounts included in such budget except as provided in section 7015(b) of this Act: *Provided further*, That Federal agency components shall be charged only for their direct usage of each Working Capital Fund service: *Provided further*, That Federal agency components may only pay for Working Capital Fund services that are consistent with the component's purpose and authorities: *Provided further*, That the Working Capital Fund shall be paid in advance or reimbursed at rates which will return the full cost of each service.

(m) HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are available for monitoring and evaluation of assistance under the headings "International Disaster Assistance" and "Migration and Refugee Assistance" shall, as appropriate, be made available for the regular collection of feedback obtained directly from beneficiaries on the quality and relevance of such assistance: *Provided*, That the Department of State and USAID shall conduct regular oversight to ensure that such feedback is collected and used by implementing partners to maximize the cost-effectiveness and utility of such assistance, and require such partners that receive funds under such headings to establish procedures for collecting and responding to such feedback.

(n) HIV/AIDS WORKING CAPITAL FUND.—Funds available in the HIV/AIDS Working Capital Fund established pursuant to section 525(b)(1) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–477) may be made available for pharmaceuticals and other products for child survival, malaria, and tuberculosis to the same extent as HIV/AIDS pharmaceuticals and other products, subject to the terms and conditions in such section: *Provided*, That the authority in section 525(b)(5) of the Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2005 (Public Law 108–477) shall be exercised by the Assistant Administrator for Global Health, USAID, with respect to funds deposited for such non-HIV/AIDS pharmaceuticals and other products, and shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall include in the congressional budget justification an accounting of budgetary resources, disbursements, balances, and reimbursements related to such fund.

(o) LOAN GUARANTEES AND ENTERPRISE FUNDS.—

(1) LOAN GUARANTEES.—Funds appropriated under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs may be made available for the costs, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, of loan guarantees for Jordan, Ukraine, and Tunisia, which are authorized to be provided: *Provided*, That amounts made available under this paragraph for the costs of such guarantees shall not be considered assistance for the purposes of provisions of law limiting assistance to a country.

(2) ENTERPRISE FUNDS.—Funds appropriated under the heading "Economic Support Fund" in this Act may be made available to establish and operate one or more enterprise funds for Egypt and Tunisia: *Provided*, That the first, third and fifth provisos under section 7041(b) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (division I of Public Law 112–74) shall apply to funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for an enterprise fund or funds to the same extent and in the same manner as such provision of law applied to funds made available under such section (except that the clause excluding subsection (d)(3) of section 201 of the SEED Act shall not apply): *Provided further*, That in addition to the previous proviso, the authorities in the matter preceding the first proviso of such section may apply to any such enterprise fund or funds: *Provided further*, That the authority of any such enterprise fund or funds to provide assistance shall cease to be effective on December 31, 2026.

(3) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION.—Funds made available by this subsection shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees, and subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(p) ASSESSMENT OF INDIRECT COSTS.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act and following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) shall submit to such Committees an assessment of the effectiveness of current policies and procedures in ensuring that payments for indirect costs, including for negotiated indirect cost rate agreements (NICRA), are reasonable and comply with the Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR), as applicable, and title 2, part 200 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR); an assessment of potential benefits of setting a cap on such indirect costs to ensure the cost-effective use of appropriated funds; a plan to revise such policies and procedures to strengthen compliance with the FAR and CFR and ensure that indirect costs are reasonable; and a timeline for implementing such plan.

(q) SMALL GRANTS AND ENTITIES.—

(1) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance" and "Economic Support Fund", not less than $45,000,000 shall be made available for the Small Grants Program pursuant to section 7080 of the Department of

State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235), as amended by this Act, which may remain available until September 30, 2020.

(2) Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) shall post on the USAID Web site detailed information describing the process by which small nongovernmental organizations, educational institutions, and other small entities seeking funding from USAID for unsolicited proposals through grants, cooperative agreements, and other assistance mechanisms and agreements, can apply for such funding: *Provided*, That the USAID Administrator should ensure that each bureau, office, and overseas mission has authority to approve, and sufficient funds to implement, such grants or other agreements that meet appropriate criteria for unsolicited proposals.

(3) Section 7080 of Public Law 113–235 is amended as follows:

(A) in subsections (b) and (c), strike "Grants", and insert "Awards";

(B) in subsection (c)(1), delete "or" after "proposals;";

(C) in subsection (c)(2) delete the period after "process", and insert "; or";

(D) after subsection (c)(2), insert "(3) as otherwise allowable under Federal Acquisition Regulations and USAID procurement policies."; and

(E) in subsection (e)(3), strike "12", and insert "20", and strike "administrative and oversight expenses associated with managing" and insert "administrative expenses, and other necessary support associated with managing and strengthening".

(4) For the purposes of section 7080 of Public Law 113–235, "eligible entities" shall be defined as small local, international, and United States-based nongovernmental organizations, educational institutions, and other small entities that have received less than a total of $5,000,000 in USAID funding over the previous five years: *Provided*, That departments or centers of such educational institutions may be considered individually in determining such eligibility.

(r) DEFINITIONS.—

(1) Unless otherwise defined in this Act, for purposes of this Act the term "appropriate congressional committees" shall mean the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Affairs of the House of Representatives.

(2) Unless otherwise defined in this Act, for purposes of this Act the term "funds appropriated in this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs" shall mean funds that remain available for obligation, and have not expired.

(3) For the purposes of this Act "international financial institutions" shall mean the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the International Development Association,

the International Finance Corporation, the Inter-American Development Bank, the International Monetary Fund, the Asian Development Bank, the Asian Development Fund, the Inter-American Investment Corporation, the North American Development Bank, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, the African Development Bank, the African Development Fund, and the Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency.

(4) Any reference to Southern Kordofan in this or any other Act making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs shall be deemed to include portions of Western Kordofan that were previously part of Southern Kordofan prior to the 2013 division of Southern Kordofan.

ARAB LEAGUE BOYCOTT OF ISRAEL

SEC. 7035. It is the sense of the Congress that—

(1) the Arab League boycott of Israel, and the secondary boycott of American firms that have commercial ties with Israel, is an impediment to peace in the region and to United States investment and trade in the Middle East and North Africa;

(2) the Arab League boycott, which was regrettably reinstated in 1997, should be immediately and publicly terminated, and the Central Office for the Boycott of Israel immediately disbanded;

(3) all Arab League states should normalize relations with their neighbor Israel;

(4) the President and the Secretary of State should continue to vigorously oppose the Arab League boycott of Israel and find concrete steps to demonstrate that opposition by, for example, taking into consideration the participation of any recipient country in the boycott when determining to sell weapons to said country; and

(5) the President should report to Congress annually on specific steps being taken by the United States to encourage Arab League states to normalize their relations with Israel to bring about the termination of the Arab League boycott of Israel, including those to encourage allies and trading partners of the United States to enact laws prohibiting businesses from complying with the boycott and penalizing businesses that do comply.

PALESTINIAN STATEHOOD

SEC. 7036. (a) LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE.—None of the funds appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act may be provided to support a Palestinian state unless the Secretary of State determines and certifies to the appropriate congressional committees that—

(1) the governing entity of a new Palestinian state—

(A) has demonstrated a firm commitment to peaceful coexistence with the State of Israel; and

(B) is taking appropriate measures to counter terrorism and terrorist financing in the West Bank and Gaza, includ-

ing the dismantling of terrorist infrastructures, and is cooperating with appropriate Israeli and other appropriate security organizations; and

(2) the Palestinian Authority (or the governing entity of a new Palestinian state) is working with other countries in the region to vigorously pursue efforts to establish a just, lasting, and comprehensive peace in the Middle East that will enable Israel and an independent Palestinian state to exist within the context of full and normal relationships, which should include—

(A) termination of all claims or states of belligerency;

(B) respect for and acknowledgment of the sovereignty, territorial integrity, and political independence of every state in the area through measures including the establishment of demilitarized zones;

(C) their right to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries free from threats or acts of force;

(D) freedom of navigation through international waterways in the area; and

(E) a framework for achieving a just settlement of the refugee problem.

(b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Congress that the governing entity should enact a constitution assuring the rule of law, an independent judiciary, and respect for human rights for its citizens, and should enact other laws and regulations assuring transparent and accountable governance.

(c) WAIVER.—The President may waive subsection (a) if the President determines that it is important to the national security interest of the United States to do so.

(d) EXEMPTION.—The restriction in subsection (a) shall not apply to assistance intended to help reform the Palestinian Authority and affiliated institutions, or the governing entity, in order to help meet the requirements of subsection (a), consistent with the provisions of section 7040 of this Act ("Limitation on Assistance for the Palestinian Authority").

RESTRICTIONS CONCERNING THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

SEC. 7037. None of the funds appropriated under titles II through VI of this Act may be obligated or expended to create in any part of Jerusalem a new office of any department or agency of the United States Government for the purpose of conducting official United States Government business with the Palestinian Authority over Gaza and Jericho or any successor Palestinian governing entity provided for in the Israel-PLO Declaration of Principles: *Provided*, That this restriction shall not apply to the acquisition of additional space for the existing Consulate General in Jerusalem: *Provided further*, That meetings between officers and employees of the United States and officials of the Palestinian Authority, or any successor Palestinian governing entity provided for in the Israel-PLO Declaration of Principles, for the purpose of conducting official United States Government business with such authority should continue to take place in locations other than Jerusalem: *Provided further*, That as has been true in the past, officers and employees of the United States Government may continue to meet in Jeru-

salem on other subjects with Palestinians (including those who now occupy positions in the Palestinian Authority), have social contacts, and have incidental discussions.

PROHIBITION ON ASSISTANCE TO THE PALESTINIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

SEC. 7038. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to provide equipment, technical support, consulting services, or any other form of assistance to the Palestinian Broadcasting Corporation.

ASSISTANCE FOR THE WEST BANK AND GAZA

SEC. 7039. (a) OVERSIGHT.—For fiscal year 2016, 30 days prior to the initial obligation of funds for the bilateral West Bank and Gaza Program, the Secretary of State shall certify to the Committees on Appropriations that procedures have been established to assure the Comptroller General of the United States will have access to appropriate United States financial information in order to review the uses of United States assistance for the Program funded under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for the West Bank and Gaza.

(b) VETTING.—Prior to the obligation of funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for the West Bank and Gaza, the Secretary of State shall take all appropriate steps to ensure that such assistance is not provided to or through any individual, private or government entity, or educational institution that the Secretary knows or has reason to believe advocates, plans, sponsors, engages in, or has engaged in, terrorist activity nor, with respect to private entities or educational institutions, those that have as a principal officer of the entity's governing board or governing board of trustees any individual that has been determined to be involved in, or advocating terrorist activity or determined to be a member of a designated foreign terrorist organization: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall, as appropriate, establish procedures specifying the steps to be taken in carrying out this subsection and shall terminate assistance to any individual, entity, or educational institution which the Secretary has determined to be involved in or advocating terrorist activity.

(c) PROHIBITION.—

(1) RECOGNITION OF ACTS OF TERRORISM.—None of the funds appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act for assistance under the West Bank and Gaza Program may be made available for the purpose of recognizing or otherwise honoring individuals who commit, or have committed acts of terrorism.

(2) SECURITY ASSISTANCE AND REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available by this or prior appropriations Acts, including funds made available by transfer, may be made available for obligation for security assistance for the West Bank and Gaza until the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations on the benchmarks that have been established for security assistance for the West Bank and Gaza and reports on the extent of Palestinian compliance with such benchmarks.

(d) AUDITS BY THE UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.—

(1) The Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development shall ensure that Federal or non-Federal audits of all contractors and grantees, and significant subcontractors and sub-grantees, under the West Bank and Gaza Program, are conducted at least on an annual basis to ensure, among other things, compliance with this section.

(2) Of the funds appropriated by this Act up to $500,000 may be used by the Office of Inspector General of the United States Agency for International Development for audits, inspections, and other activities in furtherance of the requirements of this subsection: *Provided*, That such funds are in addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes.

(e) COMPTROLLER GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES AUDIT.—Subsequent to the certification specified in subsection (a), the Comptroller General of the United States shall conduct an audit and an investigation of the treatment, handling, and uses of all funds for the bilateral West Bank and Gaza Program, including all funds provided as cash transfer assistance, in fiscal year 2016 under the heading "Economic Support Fund", and such audit shall address—

(1) the extent to which such Program complies with the requirements of subsections (b) and (c); and

(2) an examination of all programs, projects, and activities carried out under such Program, including both obligations and expenditures.

(f) NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES.—Funds made available in this Act for West Bank and Gaza shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(g) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations updating the report contained in section 2106 of chapter 2 of title II of the Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act for Defense, the Global War on Terror, and Tsunami Relief, 2005 (Public Law 109–13).

LIMITATION ON ASSISTANCE FOR THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY

SEC. 7040. (a) PROHIBITION OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act to carry out the provisions of chapter 4 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 may be obligated or expended with respect to providing funds to the Palestinian Authority.

(b) WAIVER.—The prohibition included in subsection (a) shall not apply if the President certifies in writing to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the Senate, and the Committees on Appropriations that waiving such prohibition is important to the national security interest of the United States.

(c) PERIOD OF APPLICATION OF WAIVER.—Any waiver pursuant to subsection (b) shall be effective for no more than a period of 6 months at a time and shall not apply beyond 12 months after the enactment of this Act.

(d) REPORT.—Whenever the waiver authority pursuant to subsection (b) is exercised, the President shall submit a report to the

Committees on Appropriations detailing the justification for the waiver, the purposes for which the funds will be spent, and the accounting procedures in place to ensure that the funds are properly disbursed: *Provided*, That the report shall also detail the steps the Palestinian Authority has taken to arrest terrorists, confiscate weapons and dismantle the terrorist infrastructure.

(e) CERTIFICATION.—If the President exercises the waiver authority under subsection (b), the Secretary of State must certify and report to the Committees on Appropriations prior to the obligation of funds that the Palestinian Authority has established a single treasury account for all Palestinian Authority financing and all financing mechanisms flow through this account, no parallel financing mechanisms exist outside of the Palestinian Authority treasury account, and there is a single comprehensive civil service roster and payroll, and the Palestinian Authority is acting to counter incitement of violence against Israelis and is supporting activities aimed at promoting peace, coexistence, and security cooperation with Israel.

(f) PROHIBITION TO HAMAS AND THE PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION.—

(1) None of the funds appropriated in titles III through VI of this Act may be obligated for salaries of personnel of the Palestinian Authority located in Gaza or may be obligated or expended for assistance to Hamas or any entity effectively controlled by Hamas, any power-sharing government of which Hamas is a member, or that results from an agreement with Hamas and over which Hamas exercises undue influence.

(2) Notwithstanding the limitation of paragraph (1), assistance may be provided to a power-sharing government only if the President certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government, including all of its ministers or such equivalent, has publicly accepted and is complying with the principles contained in section 620K(b)(1) (A) and (B) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended.

(3) The President may exercise the authority in section 620K(e) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as added by the Palestinian Anti-Terrorism Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–446) with respect to this subsection.

(4) Whenever the certification pursuant to paragraph (2) is exercised, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations within 120 days of the certification and every quarter thereafter on whether such government, including all of its ministers or such equivalent are continuing to comply with the principles contained in section 620K(b)(1) (A) and (B) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended: *Provided*, That the report shall also detail the amount, purposes and delivery mechanisms for any assistance provided pursuant to the abovementioned certification and a full accounting of any direct support of such government.

(5) None of the funds appropriated under titles III through VI of this Act may be obligated for assistance for the Palestine Liberation Organization.

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

SEC. 7041. (a) EGYPT.—

(1) CERTIFICATION AND REPORT.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are available for assistance for Egypt may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law restricting assistance for Egypt, except for this subsection and section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and may only be made available for assistance for the Government of Egypt if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government is—

(A) sustaining the strategic relationship with the United States; and

(B) meeting its obligations under the 1979 Egypt-Israel Peace Treaty.

(2) ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND.—

(A) FUNDING.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", up to $150,000,000 may be made available for assistance for Egypt, of which not less than $35,000,000 should be made available for higher education programs including not less than $10,000,000 for scholarships at not-for-profit institutions for Egyptian students with high financial need: *Provided*, That such funds may be made available for democracy programs and for development programs in the Sinai: *Provided further*, That such funds may not be made available for cash transfer assistance or budget support unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that the Government of Egypt is taking consistent and effective steps to stabilize the economy and implement market-based economic reforms.

(B) WITHHOLDING.—The Secretary of State shall withhold from obligation funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for Egypt, an amount of such funds that the Secretary determines to be equivalent to that expended by the United States Government for bail, and by nongovernmental organizations for legal and court fees, associated with democracy-related trials in Egypt until the Secretary certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Egypt has dismissed the convictions issued by the Cairo Criminal Court on June 4, 2013, in "Public Prosecution Case No. 1110 for the Year 2012".

(3) FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—

(A) CERTIFICATION.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program", $1,300,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, may be made available for assistance for Egypt: *Provided*, That 15 percent of such funds shall be withheld from obligation until the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Egypt is taking effective steps to—

(i) advance democracy and human rights in Egypt, including to govern democratically and protect religious minorities and the rights of women, which are in addition to steps taken during the previous calendar year for such purposes;

(ii) implement reforms that protect freedoms of expression, association, and peaceful assembly, including the ability of civil society organizations and the media to function without interference;

(iii) release political prisoners and provide detainees with due process of law;

(iv) hold Egyptian security forces accountable, including officers credibly alleged to have violated human rights; and

(v) provide regular access for United States officials to monitor such assistance in areas where the assistance is used:

Provided further, That such funds may be transferred to an interest bearing account in the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That the certification requirement of this paragraph shall not apply to funds appropriated by this Act under such heading for counterterrorism, border security, and nonproliferation programs for Egypt.

(B) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State may waive the certification requirement in subparagraph (A) if the Secretary determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that to do so is important to the national security interest of the United States, and submits a report to such Committees containing a detailed justification for the use of such waiver and the reasons why any of the requirements of subparagraph (A) cannot be met.

(4) OVERSIGHT AND CONSULTATION REQUIREMENTS.—

(A) The Secretary of State shall take all practicable steps to ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of funds made available by this subsection for assistance for Egypt.

(B) Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on any plan to restructure military assistance for Egypt.

(b) IRAN.—

(1) FUNDING.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs", "Economic Support Fund", and "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs" shall be used by the Secretary of State—

(A) to support the United States policy to prevent Iran from achieving the capability to produce or otherwise obtain a nuclear weapon;

(B) to support an expeditious response to any violation of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action or United Nations Security Council Resolution 2231;

(C) to support the implementation and enforcement of sanctions against Iran for support of terrorism, human rights abuses, and ballistic missile and weapons proliferation; and

(D) for democracy programs for Iran, to be administered by the Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs, Department of State, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State.

(2) CONTINUATION OF PROHIBITION.—The terms and conditions of paragraph (2) of section 7041(c) in division I of Public Law 112–74 shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(3) REPORTS.—

(A) The Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations the semi-annual report required by section 2 of the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015 (42 U.S.C. 2160e(d)(4)).

(B) Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the status of the implementation and enforcement of bilateral United States and multilateral sanctions against Iran and actions taken by the United States and the international community to enforce such sanctions against Iran: *Provided*, That the report shall also include any entities involved in the testing of a ballistic missile by the Government of Iran after October 1, 2015, and note whether such entities are currently under United States sanctions: *Provided further*, That such report shall be submitted in an unclassified form, but may contain a classified annex if necessary.

(c) IRAQ.—

(1) PURPOSES.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for assistance for Iraq to promote governance, security, and internal and regional stability, including in Kurdistan and other areas impacted by the conflict in Syria, and among religious and ethnic minority populations in Iraq.

(2) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for construction, rehabilitation, or other improvements to United States diplomatic facilities in Iraq on property for which no land-use agreement has been entered into by the Governments of the United States and Iraq: *Provided*, That the restrictions in this paragraph shall not apply if such funds are necessary to protect United States diplomatic facilities or the security, health, and welfare of United States personnel.

(3) KURDISTAN REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS SECURITY SERVICES.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" and "Foreign Military Financing Program" that are available for assistance for Iraq should be made available to enhance the capacity of Kurdistan Regional Government security services and for security programs in Kurdistan to address requirements

arising from the violence in Syria and Iraq: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to obligating such funds.

(4) BASING RIGHTS AGREEMENT.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used by the Government of the United States to enter into a permanent basing rights agreement between the United States and Iraq.

(d) JORDAN.—

(1) FUNDING LEVELS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV, not less than $1,275,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for Jordan, of which not less than $204,000,000 shall be for budget support for the Government of Jordan and $100,000,000 shall be for water sector support: *Provided*, That such assistance for water sector support shall be subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

(2) RESPONSE TO THE SYRIAN CRISIS.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for programs to implement the Jordan Response Plan 2015 for the Syria Crisis, including assistance for host communities in Jordan: *Provided*, That not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations describing United States and other donor contributions to such Plan.

(e) LEBANON.—

(1) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for the Lebanese Internal Security Forces (ISF) or the Lebanese Armed Forces (LAF) if the ISF or the LAF is controlled by a foreign terrorist organization, as designated pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act.

(2) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" and "Foreign Military Financing Program" that are available for assistance for Lebanon may be made available for programs and equipment for the ISF and the LAF to address security and stability requirements in areas affected by the conflict in Syria, following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

(3) ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" that are available for assistance for Lebanon may be made available notwithstanding section 1224 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003 (Public Law 107–228; 22 U.S.C. 2346 note).

(4) FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—In addition to the activities described in paragraph (2), funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for Lebanon may be made available only to professionalize the LAF and to strengthen border security and combat terrorism, including training and equipping the LAF to secure Lebanon's borders, interdicting arms shipments, preventing the use of Lebanon as a safe haven for terrorist

groups, and to implement United Nations Security Council Resolution 1701: *Provided*, That funds may not be obligated for assistance for the LAF until the Secretary of State submits to the Committees on Appropriations a detailed spend plan, including actions to be taken to ensure equipment provided to the LAF is only used for the intended purposes, except such plan may not be considered as meeting the notification requirements under section 7015 of this Act or under section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and shall be submitted not later than September 1, 2016: *Provided further*, That any notification submitted pursuant to such sections shall include any funds specifically intended for lethal military equipment.

(f) LIBYA.—

(1) FUNDING.—Of the funds appropriated by titles III and IV of this Act, not less than $20,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for Libya for programs to strengthen governing institutions and civil society, improve border security, and promote democracy and stability in Libya, and for activities to address the humanitarian needs of the people of Libya.

(2) LIMITATIONS.—

(A) COOPERATION ON THE SEPTEMBER 2012 ATTACK ON UNITED STATES PERSONNEL AND FACILITIES.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for assistance for the central Government of Libya unless the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government is cooperating with United States Government efforts to investigate and bring to justice those responsible for the attack on United States personnel and facilities in Benghazi, Libya in September 2012: *Provided*, That the limitation in this paragraph shall not apply to funds made available for the purpose of protecting United States Government personnel or facilities.

(B) INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS.—The limitation on the uses of funds in section 7041(f)(2) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76) shall apply to funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Libya.

(3) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—Prior to the initial obligation of funds made available by this Act for assistance for Libya, the Secretary of State shall certify and report to the Committees on Appropriations that all practicable steps have been taken to ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of funds made available by this subsection for assistance for Libya, including a description of the vetting procedures to be used for recipients of assistance made available under title IV of this Act.

(g) MOROCCO.—

(1) AVAILABILITY AND CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—Funds appropriated under title III of this Act shall be made available for assistance for the Western Sahara: *Provided*, That not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act and prior to the obligation of such funds the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Administrator of the United States Agency for Inter-

national Development, shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the proposed uses of such funds.

(2) FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" that are available for assistance for Morocco may only be used for the purposes requested in the Congressional Budget Justification, Foreign Operations, Fiscal Year 2016.

(h) SYRIA.—

(1) NON-LETHAL ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", and "Peacekeeping Operations" shall be made available, notwithstanding any other provision of law except for this subsection, for nonlethal assistance for programs to address the needs of civilians affected by conflict in Syria, and for programs that seek to—

(A) establish governance in Syria that is representative, inclusive, and accountable;

(B) expand the role of women in negotiations to end the violence and in any political transition in Syria;

(C) develop and implement political processes that are democratic, transparent, and adhere to the rule of law;

(D) further the legitimacy of the Syrian opposition through cross-border programs;

(E) develop civil society and an independent media in Syria;

(F) promote economic development in Syria;

(G) document, investigate, and prosecute human rights violations in Syria, including through transitional justice programs and support for nongovernmental organizations;

(H) counter extremist ideologies;

(I) assist Syrian refugees whose education has been interrupted by the ongoing conflict to complete higher education requirements at regional academic institutions; and

(J) assist vulnerable populations in Syria and in neighboring countries.

(2) SYRIAN ORGANIZATIONS.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Syria pursuant to the authority of this subsection shall be made available, on an open and competitive basis, for a program to strengthen the capability of Syrian civil society organizations to address the immediate and long-term needs of the Syrian people inside Syria in a manner that supports the sustainability of such organizations in implementing Syrian-led humanitarian and development programs and the comprehensive strategy required in section 7041(i)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

(3) STRATEGY UPDATE.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Syria pursuant to the authority of this subsection may only be made available after the Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of relevant United States Government agencies, submits, in classified form

if necessary, an update to the comprehensive strategy required in section 7041(i)(3) of Public Law 113–76.

(4) MONITORING AND OVERSIGHT.—Prior to the obligation of funds appropriated by this Act and made available for assistance for Syria, the Secretary of State shall take all practicable steps to ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of such assistance inside Syria: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall promptly inform the appropriate congressional committees of each significant instance in which assistance provided pursuant to this subsection has been compromised, to include the type and amount of assistance affected, a description of the incident and parties involved, and an explanation of the response of the Department of State.

(5) CONSULTATION AND NOTIFICATION.—Funds made available pursuant to this subsection may only be made available following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees, and shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(i) TUNISIA.—Of the funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act, not less than $141,900,000 shall be made available for assistance for Tunisia.

(j) WEST BANK AND GAZA.—

(1) REPORT ON ASSISTANCE.—Prior to the initial obligation of funds made available by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for the West Bank and Gaza, the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations that the purpose of such assistance is to—

(A) advance Middle East peace;

(B) improve security in the region;

(C) continue support for transparent and accountable government institutions;

(D) promote a private sector economy; or

(E) address urgent humanitarian needs.

(2) LIMITATIONS.—

(A)(i) None of the funds appropriated under the heading "Economic Support Fund" in this Act may be made available for assistance for the Palestinian Authority, if after the date of enactment of this Act—

(I) the Palestinians obtain the same standing as member states or full membership as a state in the United Nations or any specialized agency thereof outside an agreement negotiated between Israel and the Palestinians; or

(II) the Palestinians initiate an International Criminal Court (ICC) judicially authorized investigation, or actively support such an investigation, that subjects Israeli nationals to an investigation for alleged crimes against Palestinians.

(ii) The Secretary of State may waive the restriction in clause (i) of this subparagraph resulting from the application of subclause (I) of such clause if the Secretary certifies to the Committees on Appropriations that to do so is in the national security interest of the United States, and submits a report to such Committees detailing how the waiver

and the continuation of assistance would assist in furthering Middle East peace.

(B)(i) The President may waive the provisions of section 1003 of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1988 and 1989 (Public Law 100–204) if the President determines and certifies in writing to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the Senate, and the appropriate congressional committees that the Palestinians have not, after the date of enactment of this Act—

(I) obtained in the United Nations or any specialized agency thereof the same standing as member states or full membership as a state outside an agreement negotiated between Israel and the Palestinians; and

(II) taken any action with respect to the ICC that is intended to influence a determination by the ICC to initiate a judicially authorized investigation, or to actively support such an investigation, that subjects Israeli nationals to an investigation for alleged crimes against Palestinians.

(ii) Not less than 90 days after the President is unable to make the certification pursuant to clause (i) of this subparagraph, the President may waive section 1003 of Public Law 100–204 if the President determines and certifies in writing to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President pro tempore of the Senate, and the Committees on Appropriations that the Palestinians have entered into direct and meaningful negotiations with Israel: *Provided*, That any waiver of the provisions of section 1003 of Public Law 100–204 under clause (i) of this subparagraph or under previous provisions of law must expire before the waiver under the preceding sentence may be exercised.

(iii) Any waiver pursuant to this subparagraph shall be effective for no more than a period of 6 months at a time and shall not apply beyond 12 months after the enactment of this Act.

(3) REDUCTION.—The Secretary of State shall reduce the amount of assistance made available by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for the Palestinian Authority by an amount the Secretary determines is equivalent to the amount expended by the Palestinian Authority as payments for acts of terrorism by individuals who are imprisoned after being fairly tried and convicted for acts of terrorism and by individuals who died committing acts of terrorism during the previous calendar year: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall report to the Committees on Appropriations on the amount reduced for fiscal year 2016 prior to the obligation of funds for the Palestinian Authority.

(4) SECURITY REPORT.—The reporting requirements contained in section 1404 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252) shall apply to funds made available by this Act, including a description of modifications, if any, to the security strategy of the Palestinian Authority.

AFRICA

SEC. 7042. (a) BOKO HARAM.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Cameroon, Chad, Niger, and Nigeria—

(1) shall be made available for assistance for women and girls who are targeted by the terrorist organization Boko Haram, consistent with the provisions of section 7059 of this Act; and

(2) may be made available for counterterrorism programs to combat Boko Haram.

(b) CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC.—Funds made available by this Act for assistance for the Central African Republic shall be made available for reconciliation and peacebuilding programs, including activities to promote inter-faith dialogue at the national and local levels, and for programs to prevent crimes against humanity.

(c) COUNTERTERRORISM PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act, not less than $69,821,000 should be made available for the Trans-Sahara Counter-terrorism Partnership program, and not less than $24,150,000 should be made available for the Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism program.

(d) ETHIOPIA.—

(1) FORCED EVICTIONS.—

(A) Funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Ethiopia may not be made available for any activity that supports forced evictions.

(B) The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to vote against financing for any activity that supports forced evictions in Ethiopia.

(2) CONSULTATION REQUIREMENT.—Programs and activities to improve livelihoods shall include prior consultation with, and the participation of, affected communities, including in the South Omo and Gambella regions.

(3) FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for Ethiopia may only be made available for border security and counterterrorism programs, support for international peacekeeping efforts, and assistance for the Ethiopian Defense Command and Staff College.

(e) LAKE CHAD BASIN COUNTRIES.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for democracy and other development programs in Cameroon, Chad, Niger, and Nigeria, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That such democracy programs should protect freedoms of expression, association and religion, including for journalists, civil society, and opposition political parties, and should be used to assist the governments of such countries to strengthen accountability and the rule of law, including within the security forces.

(f) LORD'S RESISTANCE ARMY.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for programs and activities in areas affected by the Lord's Resistance Army (LRA) consistent with the goals of the Lord's Resistance Army Disarmament and Northern

Uganda Recovery Act (Public Law 111–172), including to improve physical access, telecommunications infrastructure, and early-warning mechanisms and to support the disarmament, demobilization, and reintegration of former LRA combatants, especially child soldiers.

(g) POWER AFRICA INITIATIVE.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for the Power Africa initiative shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(h) PROGRAMS IN AFRICA.—

(1) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Global Health Programs" and "Economic Support Fund", not less than $7,000,000 shall be made available for the purposes of section 7042(g)(1) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

(2) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", not less than $8,000,000 shall be made available for the purposes of section 7042(g)(2) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

(3) Funds made available under paragraphs (1) and (2) shall be programmed in a manner that leverages a United States Government-wide approach to addressing shared challenges and mutually beneficial opportunities, and shall be the responsibility of United States Chiefs of Mission in countries in Africa seeking enhanced partnerships with the United States in areas of trade, investment, development, health, and security.

(i) SOUTH SUDAN.—

(1) Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for South Sudan should—

(A) be prioritized for programs that respond to humanitarian needs and the delivery of basic services and to mitigate conflict and promote stability, including to address protection needs and prevent and respond to gender-based violence;

(B) support programs that build resilience of communities to address food insecurity, maintain educational opportunities, and enhance local governance;

(C) be used to advance democracy, including support for civil society, independent media, and other means to strengthen the rule of law;

(D) support the transparent and sustainable management of natural resources by assisting the Government of South Sudan in conducting regular audits of financial accounts, including revenues from oil and gas, and the timely public disclosure of such audits; and

(E) support the professionalization of security forces, including human rights and accountability to civilian authorities.

(2) None of the funds appropriated by this Act that are available for assistance for the central Government of South Sudan may be made available until the Secretary of State certifies

and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government is taking effective steps to—

(A) end hostilities and pursue good faith negotiations for a political settlement of the internal conflict;

(B) provide access for humanitarian organizations;

(C) end the recruitment and use of child soldiers;

(D) protect freedoms of expression, association, and assembly;

(E) reduce corruption related to the extraction and sale of oil and gas; and

(F) establish democratic institutions, including accountable military and police forces under civilian authority.

(3) The limitation of paragraph (2) shall not apply to—

(A) humanitarian assistance;

(B) assistance to support South Sudan peace negotiations or to advance or implement a peace agreement; and

(C) assistance to support implementation of outstanding issues of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA) and mutual arrangements related to the CPA.

(j) SUDAN.—

(1) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for assistance for the Government of Sudan.

(2) None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for the cost, as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, of modifying loans and loan guarantees held by the Government of Sudan, including the cost of selling, reducing, or canceling amounts owed to the United States, and modifying concessional loans, guarantees, and credit agreements.

(3) The limitations of paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not apply to—

(A) humanitarian assistance;

(B) assistance for democracy programs;

(C) assistance for the Darfur region, Southern Kordofan State, Blue Nile State, other marginalized areas and populations in Sudan, and Abyei; and

(D) assistance to support implementation of outstanding issues of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA), mutual arrangements related to post-referendum issues associated with the CPA, or any other internationally recognized viable peace agreement in Sudan.

(k) ZIMBABWE.—

(1) The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to vote against any extension by the respective institution of any loan or grant to the Government of Zimbabwe, except to meet basic human needs or to promote democracy, unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the rule of law has been restored, including respect for ownership and title to property, and freedoms of expression, association, and assembly.

(2) None of the funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for assistance for the central Government of

Zimbabwe, except for health and education, unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports as required in paragraph (1), and funds may be made available for macroeconomic growth assistance if the Secretary reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such government is implementing transparent fiscal policies, including public disclosure of revenues from the extraction of natural resources.

EAST ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

SEC. 7043. (a) ASIA REBALANCING INITIATIVE.—Except for paragraphs (1)(C), (4), (5)(B) and (C), and 6(B), section 7043(a) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act: *Provided*, That section 7043(a)(8) of such Act shall be applied to funds appropriated by this Act by adding "East Asia," before "South East Asia".

(b) BURMA.—

(1) BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.—

(A) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for Burma may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law, except for this subsection, and following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

(B) Funds appropriated under title III of this Act for assistance for Burma—

(i) may not be made available for budget support for the Government of Burma;

(ii) shall be made available to strengthen civil society organizations in Burma, including as core support for such organizations;

(iii) shall be made available for the implementation of the democracy and human rights strategy required by section 7043(b)(3)(A) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76);

(iv) shall be made available for community-based organizations operating in Thailand to provide food, medical, and other humanitarian assistance to internally displaced persons in eastern Burma, in addition to assistance for Burmese refugees from funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance";

(v) shall be made available for programs to promote ethnic and religious tolerance, including in Rakhine and Kachin states;

(vi) may not be made available to any successor or affiliated organization of the State Peace and Development Council (SPDC) controlled by former SPDC members that promotes the repressive policies of the SPDC, or to any individual or organization credibly alleged to have committed gross violations of human rights, including against Rohingya and other minority groups;

(vii) may be made available for programs administered by the Office of Transition Initiatives, United States Agency for International Development (USAID), for ethnic groups and civil society in Burma to help sustain ceasefire agreements and further prospects for reconciliation and peace, which may include support to representatives of ethnic armed groups for this purpose; and

(viii) may not be made available to any organization or individual the Secretary of State determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees advocates violence against ethnic or religious groups and individuals in Burma, including such organizations as Ma Ba Tha.

(2) INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "International Military Education and Training" and "Foreign Military Financing Program" may be made available for assistance for Burma: *Provided*, That the Department of State may continue consultations with the armed forces of Burma only on human rights and disaster response in a manner consistent with the prior fiscal year, and following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

(3) MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE.—The Secretary of the Treasury should instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to use the voice and vote of the United States to support projects in Burma only if such projects—

(A) promote accountability and transparency, including on-site monitoring throughout the life of the project;

(B) are developed and carried out in accordance with best practices regarding environmental conservation; social and cultural protection and empowerment of local populations, particularly ethnic nationalities; and extraction of resources;

(C) do not promote the displacement of local populations without appropriate consultation, harm mitigation and compensation, and do not provide incentives for, or facilitate, the forced migration of indigenous communities; and

(D) do not partner with or otherwise involve military-owned enterprises or state-owned enterprises associated with the military.

(4) ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General of the United States shall initiate an assessment of democracy programs in Burma conducted by the Department of State and USAID, including the strategy for such programs, and programmatic implementation and results: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated by this Act and made available for assistance for Burma, up to $100,000 shall be made available to the Comptroller for such assessment.

(5) PROGRAMS, POSITION, AND RESPONSIBILITIES.—

(A) Any new program or activity in Burma initiated in fiscal year 2016 shall be subject to prior consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

(B) Section 7043(b)(7) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(C) The United States Chief of Mission in Burma, in consultation with the Assistant Secretary for the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, shall be responsible for democracy programs in Burma.

(c) CAMBODIA.—

(1) KHMER ROUGE TRIBUNAL.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Cambodia, up to $2,000,000 may be made available for a contribution to the Extraordinary Chambers in the Court of Cambodia (ECCC), in a manner consistent with prior fiscal years, except that such funds may only be made available for a contribution to the appeals process in Case 002/01.

(2) RESEARCH AND EDUCATION.—Funds made available by this Act for democracy programs in Cambodia shall be made available for research and education programs associated with the Khmer Rouge genocide in Cambodia.

(3) REIMBURSEMENTS.—The Secretary of State shall continue to consult with the Principal Donors Group on reimbursements to the Documentation Center of Cambodia for costs incurred in support of the ECCC.

(d) NORTH KOREA.—

(1) BROADCASTS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "International Broadcasting Operations" shall be made available to maintain broadcasts into North Korea at levels consistent with the prior fiscal year.

(2) REFUGEES.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance" shall be made available for assistance for refugees from North Korea, including protection activities in the People's Republic of China and other countries in the Asia region.

(3) DATABASE AND REPORT.—Funds appropriated by this Act under title III shall be made available to maintain a database of prisons and gulags in North Korea, in accordance with section 7032(i) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76): *Provided*, That not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations describing the sources of information and format of such database.

(4) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds made available by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" may be made available for assistance for the Government of North Korea.

(e) PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.—

(1) LIMITATION ON USE OF FUNDS.—None of the funds appropriated under the heading "Diplomatic and Consular Pro-

grams" in this Act may be obligated or expended for processing licenses for the export of satellites of United States origin (including commercial satellites and satellite components) to the People's Republic of China (PRC) unless, at least 15 days in advance, the Committees on Appropriations are notified of such proposed action.

(2) PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY.—The terms and requirements of section 620(h) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 shall apply to foreign assistance projects or activities of the People's Liberation Army (PLA) of the PRC, to include such projects or activities by any entity that is owned or controlled by, or an affiliate of, the PLA: *Provided*, That none of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available pursuant to this Act may be used to finance any grant, contract, or cooperative agreement with the PLA, or any entity that the Secretary of State has reason to believe is owned or controlled by, or an affiliate of, the PLA.

(3) COUNTER INFLUENCE PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act for public diplomacy under title I and for assistance under titles III and IV shall be made available to counter the influence of the PRC, in accordance with the strategy required by section 7043(e)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76), following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

(4) COST-MATCHING REQUIREMENT.—Section 7032(f) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(f) TIBET.—

(1) FINANCING OF PROJECTS IN TIBET.—The Secretary of the Treasury should instruct the United States executive director of each international financial institution to use the voice and vote of the United States to support financing of projects in Tibet if such projects do not provide incentives for the migration and settlement of non-Tibetans into Tibet or facilitate the transfer of ownership of Tibetan land and natural resources to non-Tibetans, are based on a thorough needs-assessment, foster self-sufficiency of the Tibetan people and respect Tibetan culture and traditions, and are subject to effective monitoring.

(2) PROGRAMS FOR TIBETAN COMMUNITIES.—

(A) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available to nongovernmental organizations to support activities which preserve cultural traditions and promote sustainable development, education, and environmental conservation in Tibetan communities in the Tibetan Autonomous Region and in other Tibetan communities in China.

(B) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available for programs to promote and preserve Tibetan culture, development, and the resilience of Tibetan communities in India

and Nepal, and to assist in the education and development of the next generation of Tibetan leaders from such communities: *Provided*, That such funds are in addition to amounts made available in subparagraph (A) for programs inside Tibet.

(g) VIETNAM.—

(1) DIOXIN REMEDIATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available for remediation of dioxin contaminated sites in Vietnam and may be made available for assistance for the Government of Vietnam, including the military, for such purposes.

(2) HEALTH AND DISABILITY PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance" shall be made available for health and disability programs in areas sprayed with Agent Orange and otherwise contaminated with dioxin, to assist individuals with severe upper or lower body mobility impairment and/or cognitive or developmental disabilities.

SOUTH AND CENTRAL ASIA

SEC. 7044. (a) AFGHANISTAN.—

(1) DIPLOMATIC OPERATIONS.—

(A) FACILITIES.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs", "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance", and "Operating Expenses" that are available for construction and renovation of United States Government facilities in Afghanistan may not be made available if the purpose is to accommodate Federal employee positions or to expand aviation facilities or assets above those notified by the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to the Committees on Appropriations, or contractors in addition to those in place on the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided*, That the limitations in this paragraph shall not apply if funds are necessary to implement plans for accommodating other United States Government agencies under Chief of Mission authority per section 3927 of title 22, United States Code, or to protect such facilities or the security, health, and welfare of United States Government personnel.

(B) PERSONNEL REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act and every 120 days thereafter until September 30, 2016, the Secretary of State shall submit a report, in classified form if necessary, to the appropriate congressional committees detailing by agency the number of personnel present in Afghanistan under Chief of Mission authority per section 3927 of title 22, United States Code, at the end of the 120 day period preceding the submission of such report: *Provided*, That such report shall also include the number of locally employed staff and contractors supporting United States Embassy operations in Afghanistan during the reporting period.

(2) ASSISTANCE AND CONDITIONS.—

(A) FUNDING AND LIMITATIONS.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" may be made available for assistance for Afghanistan: *Provided*, That such funds may not be obligated for any project or activity that—

(i) includes the participation of any Afghan individual or organization that the Secretary of State determines to be involved in corrupt practices or a violation of human rights;

(ii) cannot be sustained, as appropriate, by the Government of Afghanistan or another Afghan entity;

(iii) is inaccessible for the purposes of conducting regular oversight in accordance with applicable Federal statutes and regulations; or

(iv) initiates any new, major infrastructure development.

(B) CERTIFICATION AND REPORT.—Prior to the initial obligation of funds made available by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" for assistance for the central Government of Afghanistan, the Secretary of State shall certify and report to the Committees on Appropriations, after consultation with the Government of Afghanistan, that—

(i) goals and benchmarks for the specific uses of such funds have been established by the Governments of the United States and Afghanistan;

(ii) conditions are in place that increase the transparency and accountability of the Government of Afghanistan for funds obligated under the New Development Partnership;

(iii) the Government of Afghanistan is continuing to implement laws and policies to govern democratically and protect the rights of individuals and civil society, including taking consistent steps to protect and advance the rights of women and girls in Afghanistan;

(iv) the Government of Afghanistan is reducing corruption and prosecuting individuals alleged to be involved in illegal activities in Afghanistan;

(v) monitoring and oversight frameworks for programs implemented with such funds are in accordance with all applicable audit policies of the Department of State and USAID;

(vi) the necessary policies and procedures are in place to ensure Government of Afghanistan compliance with section 7013 of this Act; and

(vii) the Government of Afghanistan has established processes for the public reporting of its national budget, including revenues and expenditures.

(C) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State, after consultation with the Secretary of Defense, may waive the certification requirement of subparagraph (B) if the Secretary determines that to do so is important to the national security

interest of the United States and the Secretary submits a report to the Committees on Appropriations, in classified form if necessary, on the justification for the waiver and the reasons why any part of the certification requirement of subparagraph (B) has not been met.

(D) PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Afghanistan shall be made available in the following manner—

(i) not less than $50,000,000 shall be made available for rule of law programs, the decisions for which shall be the responsibility of the Chief of Mission, in consultation with other appropriate United States Government officials in Afghanistan;

(ii) for programs that protect the rights of women and girls and promote the political and economic empowerment of women, including their meaningful inclusion in political processes: *Provided*, That such assistance to promote economic empowerment of women shall be made available as grants to Afghan and international organizations, to the maximum extent practicable;

(iii) for programs in South and Central Asia to expand linkages between Afghanistan and countries in the region, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations; and

(iv) to assist the Government of Afghanistan to increase revenue collection and expenditure.

(3) GOALS AND BENCHMARKS.—Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report describing the goals and benchmarks required in clause (2)(B)(i): *Provided*, That not later than 6 months after the submission of such report and every 6 months thereafter until September 30, 2017, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to such committees on the status of achieving such goals and benchmarks: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State should suspend assistance for the Government of Afghanistan if any report required by this paragraph indicates that such government is failing to make measurable progress in meeting such goals and benchmarks.

(4) AUTHORITIES.—

(A) Funds appropriated by this Act under title III through VI that are made available for assistance for Afghanistan may be made available—

(i) notwithstanding section 7012 of this Act or any similar provision of law and section 660 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961;

(ii) for reconciliation programs and disarmament, demobilization, and reintegration activities for former combatants who have renounced violence against the Government of Afghanistan, in accordance with section 7046(a)(2)(B)(ii) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (division I of Public Law 112–74); and

(iii) for an endowment to empower women and girls.

(B) Section 7046(a)(2)(A) of division I of Public Law 112–74 shall apply to funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for Afghanistan.

(C) Section 1102(c) of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009 (title XI of Public Law 111–32) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 as if part of this Act.

(5) BASING RIGHTS AGREEMENT.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the United States Government to enter into a permanent basing rights agreement between the United States and Afghanistan.

(b) BANGLADESH.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance" that are made available for assistance for Bangladesh shall be made available for programs to protect due process of law, and to improve labor conditions by strengthening the capacity of independent workers' organizations in Bangladesh's readymade garment, shrimp, and fish export sectors.

(c) NEPAL.—

(1) BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available for assistance for Nepal for earthquake recovery and reconstruction programs: *Provided*, That such amounts shall be in addition to funds made available by this Act for development and democracy programs in Nepal: *Provided further*, That funds made available for earthquake recovery and reconstruction programs should—

(A) target affected communities on an equitable basis; and

(B) include sufficient oversight mechanisms, to include the participation of civil society organizations.

(2) FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" shall only be made available for humanitarian and disaster relief and reconstruction activities in Nepal, and in support of international peacekeeping operations: *Provided*, That such funds may only be made available for any additional uses if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Nepal is investigating and prosecuting violations of human rights and the law of war, and the Nepal Army is cooperating fully with civilian judicial authorities on such efforts.

(d) PAKISTAN.—

(1) CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", and "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for the Government of Pakistan may be made available unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Pakistan is—

(A) cooperating with the United States in counterterrorism efforts against the Haqqani Network, the Quetta Shura Taliban, Lashkar e-Tayyiba, Jaish-e-Mohammed, Al-Qaeda, and other domestic and foreign terrorist organi-

zations, including taking effective steps to end support for such groups and prevent them from basing and operating in Pakistan and carrying out cross border attacks into neighboring countries;

(B) not supporting terrorist activities against United States or coalition forces in Afghanistan, and Pakistan's military and intelligence agencies are not intervening extra-judicially into political and judicial processes in Pakistan;

(C) dismantling improvised explosive device (IED) networks and interdicting precursor chemicals used in the manufacture of IEDs;

(D) preventing the proliferation of nuclear-related material and expertise;

(E) issuing visas in a timely manner for United States visitors engaged in counterterrorism efforts and assistance programs in Pakistan; and

(F) providing humanitarian organizations access to detainees, internally displaced persons, and other Pakistani civilians affected by the conflict.

(2) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State, after consultation with the Secretary of Defense, may waive the certification requirement of paragraph (1) if the Secretary of State determines that to do so is important to the national security interest of the United States and the Secretary submits a report to the Committees on Appropriations, in classified form if necessary, on the justification for the waiver and the reasons why any part of the certification requirement of paragraph (1) has not been met.

(3) ASSISTANCE.—

(A) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for Pakistan may be made available only to support counterterrorism and counterinsurgency capabilities in Pakistan.

(B) Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs" that are available for assistance for Pakistan shall be made available to interdict precursor materials from Pakistan to Afghanistan that are used to manufacture IEDs, including calcium ammonium nitrate; to support programs to train border and customs officials in Pakistan and Afghanistan; and for agricultural extension programs that encourage alternative fertilizer use among Pakistani farmers.

(C) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" that are made available for assistance for infrastructure projects in Pakistan shall be implemented in a manner consistent with section 507(6) of the Trade Act of 1974 (19 U.S.C. 2467(6)).

(D) Funds appropriated by this Act under titles III and IV for assistance for Pakistan may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law, except for this subsection and section 620M of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(E) Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act that are made available for assistance for Pakistan, $33,000,000 shall be withheld from obligation until the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations that Dr. Shakil Afridi has been released from prison and cleared of all charges relating to the assistance provided to the United States in locating Osama bin Laden.

(4) SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WOMEN.—The authority and directives of section 7044(d)(4) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015 (division J of Public Law 113–235) shall apply to funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Pakistan.

(5) REPORTS.—

(A)(i) The spend plan required by section 7076 of this Act for assistance for Pakistan shall include achievable and sustainable goals, benchmarks for measuring progress, and expected results regarding combating poverty and furthering development in Pakistan, countering terrorism and extremism, and establishing conditions conducive to the rule of law and transparent and accountable governance: *Provided*, That such benchmarks may incorporate those required in title III of the Enhanced Partnership with Pakistan Act of 2009 (22 U.S.C. 8441 et seq.), as appropriate: *Provided further*, That not later than 6 months after submission of such spend plan, and each 6 months thereafter until September 30, 2017, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the status of achieving the goals and benchmarks in such plan.

(ii) The Secretary of State should suspend assistance for the Government of Pakistan if any report required by clause (i) indicates that Pakistan is failing to make measurable progress in meeting such goals or benchmarks.

(B) Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations detailing the costs and objectives associated with significant infrastructure projects supported by the United States in Pakistan, and an assessment of the extent to which such projects achieve such objectives.

(6) OVERSIGHT.—The Secretary of State shall take all practicable steps to ensure that mechanisms are in place for monitoring, oversight, and control of funds made available by this subsection for assistance for Pakistan.

(e) SRI LANKA.—

(1) BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available for assistance for Sri Lanka for democracy and economic development programs, particularly in areas recovering from ethnic and religious conflict: *Provided*, That such funds shall be made available for programs to assist in the identification and resolution of cases of missing persons.

(2) CERTIFICATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for the central Government of Sri Lanka may be made

available only if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Sri Lanka is continuing to—

(A) address the underlying causes of conflict in Sri Lanka; and

(B) increase accountability and transparency in governance.

(3) INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated under title IV of this Act that are available for assistance for Sri Lanka shall be subject to the following conditions—

(A) funds under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" may only be made available for programs to redeploy, restructure, and reduce the size of the Sri Lankan armed forces and shall not exceed $400,000;

(B) funds under the heading "International Military Education and Training" may only be made available for training related to international peacekeeping operations and Expanded International Military Education and Training; and

(C) funds under the heading "Peacekeeping Operations" may only be made available for training related to international peacekeeping operations.

(f) REGIONAL PROGRAMS.—

(1) Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" for assistance for Afghanistan and Pakistan may be provided, notwithstanding any other provision of law that restricts assistance to foreign countries, for cross border stabilization and development programs between Afghanistan and Pakistan, or between either country and the Central Asian countries.

(2) Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" that are available for assistance for countries in South and Central Asia shall be made available to enhance the recruitment, retention, and professionalism of women in the judiciary, police, and other security forces.

WESTERN HEMISPHERE

SEC. 7045. (a) UNITED STATES ENGAGEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA.—

(1) FUNDING.—Subject to the requirements of this subsection, of the funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act, up to $750,000,000 may be made available for assistance for countries in Central America to implement the United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America (the Strategy) in support of the Plan of the Alliance for Prosperity in the Northern Triangle of Central America (the Plan): *Provided*, That the Secretary of State and Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) shall prioritize such assistance to address the key factors in such countries contributing to the migration of unaccompanied, undocumented minors to the United States: *Provided further*, That such funds

shall be made available to the maximum extent practicable on a cost-matching basis.

(2) PRE-OBLIGATION REQUIREMENTS.—Prior to the obligation of funds made available pursuant to paragraph (1), the Secretary of State shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a multi-year spend plan specifying the proposed uses of such funds in each country and the objectives, indicators to measure progress, and a timeline to implement the Strategy, and the amounts made available from prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs to support such Strategy: *Provided*, That such spend plan shall also include a description of how such assistance will differ from, complement, and leverage funds allocated by each government and other donors, including international financial institutions.

(3) ASSISTANCE FOR THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENTS OF EL SALVADOR, GUATEMALA, AND HONDURAS.—Of the funds made available pursuant to paragraph (1) that are available for assistance for each of the central governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras, the following amounts shall be withheld from obligation and may only be made available as follows:

(A) 25 percent may only be obligated after the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that such government is taking effective steps to—

(i) inform its citizens of the dangers of the journey to the southwest border of the United States;

(ii) combat human smuggling and trafficking;

(iii) improve border security; and

(iv) cooperate with United States Government agencies and other governments in the region to facilitate the return, repatriation, and reintegration of illegal migrants arriving at the southwest border of the United States who do not qualify as refugees, consistent with international law.

(B) An additional 50 percent may only be obligated after the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the appropriate congressional committees that such government is taking effective steps to—

(i) establish an autonomous, publicly accountable entity to provide oversight of the Plan;

(ii) combat corruption, including investigating and prosecuting government officials credibly alleged to be corrupt;

(iii) implement reforms, policies, and programs to improve transparency and strengthen public institutions, including increasing the capacity and independence of the judiciary and the Office of the Attorney General;

(iv) establish and implement a policy that local communities, civil society organizations (including indigenous and other marginalized groups), and local governments are consulted in the design, and participate in the implementation and evaluation of, activities of

the Plan that affect such communities, organizations, and governments;

(v) counter the activities of criminal gangs, drug traffickers, and organized crime;

(vi) investigate and prosecute in the civilian justice system members of military and police forces who are credibly alleged to have violated human rights, and ensure that the military and police are cooperating in such cases;

(vii) cooperate with commissions against impunity, as appropriate, and with regional human rights entities;

(viii) support programs to reduce poverty, create jobs, and promote equitable economic growth in areas contributing to large numbers of migrants;

(ix) establish and implement a plan to create a professional, accountable civilian police force and curtail the role of the military in internal policing;

(x) protect the right of political opposition parties, journalists, trade unionists, human rights defenders, and other civil society activists to operate without interference;

(xi) increase government revenues, including by implementing tax reforms and strengthening customs agencies; and

(xii) resolve commercial disputes, including the confiscation of real property, between United States entities and such government.

(4) SUSPENSION OF ASSISTANCE AND PERIODIC REVIEW.—

(A) The Secretary of State shall periodically review the progress of each of the central governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras in meeting the requirements of paragraphs (3)(A) and (3)(B) and shall, not later than September 30, 2016, submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report assessing such progress: *Provided*, That if the Secretary determines that sufficient progress has not been made by a central government, the Secretary shall suspend, in whole or in part, assistance for such government for programs supporting such requirement, and shall notify such committees in writing of such action: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may resume funding for such programs only after the Secretary certifies to such committees that corrective measures have been taken.

(B) The Secretary of State shall, following a change of national government in El Salvador, Guatemala, or Honduras, determine and report to the appropriate congressional committees that any new government has committed to take the steps to meet the requirements of paragraphs (3)(A) and (3)(B): *Provided*, That if the Secretary is unable to make such a determination in a timely manner, assistance made available under this subsection for such central government shall be suspended, in whole or in part, until such time as such determination and report can be made.

(5) PROGRAMS AND TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—

(A) Funds appropriated by this Act for the Central America Regional Security Initiative may be made available, after consultation with, and subject to the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations, to support international commissions against impunity in Honduras and El Salvador, if such commissions are established.

(B) The Department of State and USAID may, following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, transfer funds made available by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance" to the Inter-American Development Bank and the Inter-American Foundation for technical assistance in support of the Strategy.

(b) COLOMBIA.—

(1) ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act and made available to the Department of State for assistance for the Government of Colombia may be used to support a unified campaign against narcotics trafficking, organizations designated as Foreign Terrorist Organizations, and other criminal or illegal armed groups, and to take actions to protect human health and welfare in emergency circumstances, including undertaking rescue operations: *Provided*, That the first through fifth provisos of paragraph (1), and paragraph (3) of section 7045(a) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2012 (division I of Public Law 112–74) shall continue in effect during fiscal year 2016 and shall apply to funds appropriated by this Act and made available for assistance for Colombia as if included in this Act: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", not less than $133,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for Colombia, of which not less than $126,000,000 shall be apportioned directly to the United States Agency for International Development, and $7,000,000 shall be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance" for assistance for Colombian refugees in neighboring countries.

(2)(A) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" for assistance for Colombia, 19 percent may be obligated only in accordance with the conditions under section 7045 in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act).

(B) The limitations of this paragraph shall not apply to funds made available under such heading for aviation instruction and maintenance, and maritime security programs.

(3) NOTIFICATION.—Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for assistance for Colombia to support the implementation of a peace agreement shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) HAITI.—

(1) FUNDING.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act, not more than $191,413,000 may be made available for assistance for Haiti.

(2) GOVERNANCE CERTIFICATION.—Funds made available in paragraph (1) may not be made available for assistance for the central Government of Haiti unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Haiti is taking effective steps to—

(A) hold free and fair parliamentary elections and seat a new Haitian Parliament;

(B) strengthen the rule of law in Haiti, including by selecting judges in a transparent manner; respect the independence of the judiciary; and improve governance by implementing reforms to increase transparency and accountability;

(C) combat corruption, including by implementing the anti-corruption law enacted in 2014 and prosecuting corrupt officials; and

(D) increase government revenues, including by implementing tax reforms, and increase expenditures on public services.

(3) HAITIAN COAST GUARD.—The Government of Haiti shall be eligible to purchase defense articles and services under the Arms Export Control Act (22 U.S.C. 2751 et seq.) for the Coast Guard.

(d) AIRCRAFT OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE.—To the maximum extent practicable, the costs of operations and maintenance, including fuel, of aircraft funded by this Act should be borne by the recipient country.

PROHIBITION OF PAYMENTS TO UNITED NATIONS MEMBERS

SEC. 7046. None of the funds appropriated or made available pursuant to titles III through VI of this Act for carrying out the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, may be used to pay in whole or in part any assessments, arrearages, or dues of any member of the United Nations or, from funds appropriated by this Act to carry out chapter 1 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the costs for participation of another country's delegation at international conferences held under the auspices of multilateral or international organizations.

WAR CRIMES TRIBUNALS

SEC. 7047. If the President determines that doing so will contribute to a just resolution of charges regarding genocide or other violations of international humanitarian law, the President may direct a drawdown pursuant to section 552(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 of up to $30,000,000 of commodities and services for the United Nations War Crimes Tribunal established with regard to the former Yugoslavia by the United Nations Security Council or such other tribunals or commissions as the Council may establish or authorize to deal with such violations, without regard to the ceiling limitation contained in paragraph (2) thereof: *Provided,* That the determination required under this section shall be

in lieu of any determinations otherwise required under section 552(c): *Provided further,* That funds made available pursuant to this section shall be made available subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

UNITED NATIONS

SEC. 7048. (a) TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY.—

(1) Of the funds appropriated under title I and under the heading "International Organizations and Programs" in title V of this Act that are available for contributions to the United Nations (including the Department of Peacekeeping Operations), any United Nations agency, or the Organization of American States, 15 percent may not be obligated for such organization, department, or agency until the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the organization, department, or agency is—

(A) posting on a publicly available Web site, consistent with privacy regulations and due process, regular financial and programmatic audits of such organization, department, or agency, and providing the United States Government with necessary access to such financial and performance audits; and

(B) effectively implementing and enforcing policies and procedures which reflect best practices for the protection of whistleblowers from retaliation, including best practices for—

(i) protection against retaliation for internal and lawful public disclosures;

(ii) legal burdens of proof;

(iii) statutes of limitation for reporting retaliation;

(iv) access to independent adjudicative bodies, including external arbitration; and

(v) results that eliminate the effects of proven retaliation.

(2) The restrictions imposed by or pursuant to paragraph (1) may be waived on a case-by-case basis if the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that such waiver is necessary to avert or respond to a humanitarian crisis.

(b) RESTRICTIONS ON UNITED NATIONS DELEGATIONS AND ORGANIZATIONS.—

(1) None of the funds made available under title I of this Act may be used to pay expenses for any United States delegation to any specialized agency, body, or commission of the United Nations if such agency, body, or commission is chaired or presided over by a country, the government of which the Secretary of State has determined, for purposes of section 6(j)(1) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 as continued in effect pursuant to the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. App. 2405(j)(1)), supports international terrorism.

(2) None of the funds made available under title I of this Act may be used by the Secretary of State as a contribution to any organization, agency, commission, or program within the United Nations system if such organization, agency, commis-

sion, or program is chaired or presided over by a country the government of which the Secretary of State has determined, for purposes of section 620A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, section 40 of the Arms Export Control Act, section 6(j)(1) of the Export Administration Act of 1979, or any other provision of law, is a government that has repeatedly provided support for acts of international terrorism.

(3) The Secretary of State may waive the restriction in this subsection if the Secretary reports to the Committees on Appropriations that to do so is in the national interest of the United States.

(c) UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available in support of the United Nations Human Rights Council unless the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that participation in the Council is important to the national interest of the United States and that the Council is taking steps to remove Israel as a permanent agenda item: *Provided*, That such report shall include a description of the national interest served and the steps taken to remove Israel as a permanent agenda item: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of State shall report to the Committees on Appropriations not later than September 30, 2016, on the resolutions considered in the United Nations Human Rights Council during the previous 12 months, and on steps taken to remove Israel as a permanent agenda item.

(d) UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report in writing to the Committees on Appropriations on whether the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) is—

(1) utilizing Operations Support Officers in the West Bank, Gaza, and other fields of operation to inspect UNRWA installations and reporting any inappropriate use;

(2) acting promptly to address any staff or beneficiary violation of its own policies (including the policies on neutrality and impartiality of employees) and the legal requirements under section 301(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961;

(3) implementing procedures to maintain the neutrality of its facilities, including implementing a no-weapons policy, and conducting regular inspections of its installations, to ensure they are only used for humanitarian or other appropriate purposes;

(4) taking necessary and appropriate measures to ensure it is operating in compliance with the conditions of section 301(c) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and continuing regular reporting to the Department of State on actions it has taken to ensure conformance with such conditions;

(5) taking steps to ensure the content of all educational materials currently taught in UNRWA-administered schools and summer camps is consistent with the values of human rights, dignity, and tolerance and does not induce incitement;

(6) not engaging in operations with financial institutions or related entities in violation of relevant United States law, and

is taking steps to improve the financial transparency of the organization; and

(7) in compliance with the United Nations Board of Auditors' biennial audit requirements and is implementing in a timely fashion the Board's recommendations.

(e) UNITED NATIONS CAPITAL MASTER PLAN.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for the design, renovation, or construction of the United Nations Headquarters in New York.

(f) WITHHOLDING REPORT.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations detailing the amount of funds available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2016 for contributions to any organization, department, agency, or program within the United Nations system or any international program that are withheld from obligation or expenditure due to any provision of law: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall update such report each time additional funds are withheld by operation of any provision of law: *Provided further*, That the reprogramming of any withheld funds identified in such report, including updates thereof, shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

COMMUNITY-BASED POLICE ASSISTANCE

SEC. 7049. (a) AUTHORITY.—Funds made available by titles III and IV of this Act to carry out the provisions of chapter 1 of part I and chapters 4 and 6 of part II of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, may be used, notwithstanding section 660 of that Act, to enhance the effectiveness and accountability of civilian police authority through training and technical assistance in human rights, the rule of law, anti-corruption, strategic planning, and through assistance to foster civilian police roles that support democratic governance, including assistance for programs to prevent conflict, respond to disasters, address gender-based violence, and foster improved police relations with the communities they serve.

(b) NOTIFICATION.—Assistance provided under subsection (a) shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

PROHIBITION ON PROMOTION OF TOBACCO

SEC. 7050. None of the funds provided by this Act shall be available to promote the sale or export of tobacco or tobacco products, or to seek the reduction or removal by any foreign country of restrictions on the marketing of tobacco or tobacco products, except for restrictions which are not applied equally to all tobacco or tobacco products of the same type.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

SEC. 7051. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to send or otherwise pay for the attendance of more than 50 employees of agencies or departments of the United States Government who are stationed in the United States, at any single international conference occurring outside the United States, unless the Secretary of State reports to the Committees on Appropriations at

least 5 days in advance that such attendance is important to the national interest: *Provided*, That for purposes of this section the term "international conference" shall mean a conference attended by representatives of the United States Government and of foreign governments, international organizations, or nongovernmental organizations.

AIRCRAFT TRANSFER AND COORDINATION

SEC. 7052. (a) TRANSFER AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, aircraft procured with funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "Andean Counterdrug Initiative", and "Andean Counterdrug Programs" may be used for any other program and in any region, including for the transportation of active and standby Civilian Response Corps personnel and equipment during a deployment: *Provided*, That the responsibility for policy decisions and justification for the use of such transfer authority shall be the responsibility of the Secretary of State and the Deputy Secretary of State and this responsibility shall not be delegated.

(b) PROPERTY DISPOSAL.—The authority provided in subsection (a) shall apply only after the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the equipment is no longer required to meet programmatic purposes in the designated country or region: *Provided*, That any such transfer shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) AIRCRAFT COORDINATION.—

(1) The uses of aircraft purchased or leased by the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) with funds made available in this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs shall be coordinated under the authority of the appropriate Chief of Mission: *Provided*, That such aircraft may be used to transport, on a reimbursable or non-reimbursable basis, Federal and non-Federal personnel supporting Department of State and USAID programs and activities: *Provided further*, That official travel for other agencies for other purposes may be supported on a reimbursable basis, or without reimbursement when traveling on a space available basis: *Provided further*, That funds received by the Department of State for the use of aircraft owned, leased, or chartered by the Department of State may be credited to the Working Capital Fund of the Department and shall be available for expenses related to the purchase, lease, maintenance, chartering, or operation of such aircraft.

(2) The requirement and authorities of this subsection shall only apply to aircraft, the primary purpose of which is the transportation of personnel.

PARKING FINES AND REAL PROPERTY TAXES OWED BY FOREIGN GOVERNMENTS

SEC. 7053. The terms and conditions of section 7055 of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2011 (division F of Public Law 111–117) shall apply to this Act: *Provided*, That the date "September 30, 2009" in subsection (f)(2)(B) of such section shall be deemed to be "September 30, 2015".

LANDMINES AND CLUSTER MUNITIONS

SEC. 7054. (a) LANDMINES.—Notwithstanding any other provision of law, demining equipment available to the United States Agency for International Development and the Department of State and used in support of the clearance of landmines and unexploded ordnance for humanitarian purposes may be disposed of on a grant basis in foreign countries, subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary of State may prescribe.

(b) CLUSTER MUNITIONS.—No military assistance shall be furnished for cluster munitions, no defense export license for cluster munitions may be issued, and no cluster munitions or cluster munitions technology shall be sold or transferred, unless—

(1) the submunitions of the cluster munitions, after arming, do not result in more than 1 percent unexploded ordnance across the range of intended operational environments, and the agreement applicable to the assistance, transfer, or sale of such cluster munitions or cluster munitions technology specifies that the cluster munitions will only be used against clearly defined military targets and will not be used where civilians are known to be present or in areas normally inhabited by civilians; or

(2) such assistance, license, sale, or transfer is for the purpose of demilitarizing or permanently disposing of such cluster munitions.

PROHIBITION ON PUBLICITY OR PROPAGANDA

SEC. 7055. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used for publicity or propaganda purposes within the United States not authorized before the date of the enactment of this Act by Congress: *Provided*, That not to exceed $25,000 may be made available to carry out the provisions of section 316 of the International Security and Development Cooperation Act of 1980 (Public Law 96–533).

CONSULAR IMMUNITY

SEC. 7056. The Secretary of State, with the concurrence of the Attorney General, may, on the basis of reciprocity and under such terms and conditions as the Secretary may determine, specify privileges and immunities for a consular post, the members of a consular post and their families which result in more favorable or less favorable treatment than is provided in the Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, of April 24, 1963 (T.I.A.S. 6820), entered into force for the United States December 24, 1969: *Provided*, That prior to exercising the authority of this section, the Secretary shall

consult with the appropriate congressional committees on the circumstances that may warrant the need for privileges and immunities providing more favorable or less favorable treatment specified under such Convention.

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT

SEC. 7057. (a) AUTHORITY.—Up to $93,000,000 of the funds made available in title III of this Act pursuant to or to carry out the provisions of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, including funds appropriated under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", may be used by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to hire and employ individuals in the United States and overseas on a limited appointment basis pursuant to the authority of sections 308 and 309 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980.

(b) RESTRICTIONS.—

(1) The number of individuals hired in any fiscal year pursuant to the authority contained in subsection (a) may not exceed 175.

(2) The authority to hire individuals contained in subsection (a) shall expire on September 30, 2017.

(c) CONDITIONS.—The authority of subsection (a) should only be used to the extent that an equivalent number of positions that are filled by personal services contractors or other non-direct hire employees of USAID, who are compensated with funds appropriated to carry out part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, including funds appropriated under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", are eliminated.

(d) PROGRAM ACCOUNT CHARGED.—The account charged for the cost of an individual hired and employed under the authority of this section shall be the account to which the responsibilities of such individual primarily relate: *Provided*, That funds made available to carry out this section may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this Act in title II under the heading "Operating Expenses".

(e) FOREIGN SERVICE LIMITED EXTENSIONS.—Individuals hired and employed by USAID, with funds made available in this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, pursuant to the authority of section 309 of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, may be extended for a period of up to 4 years notwithstanding the limitation set forth in such section.

(f) DISASTER SURGE CAPACITY.—Funds appropriated under title III of this Act to carry out part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, including funds appropriated under the heading "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", may be used, in addition to funds otherwise available for such purposes, for the cost (including the support costs) of individuals detailed to or employed by USAID whose primary responsibility is to carry out programs in response to natural disasters, or man-made disasters subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(g) PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACTORS.—Funds appropriated by this Act to carry out chapter 1 of part I, chapter 4 of part II, and

section 667 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, and title II of the Food for Peace Act (Public Law 83–480), may be used by USAID to employ up to 40 personal services contractors in the United States, notwithstanding any other provision of law, for the purpose of providing direct, interim support for new or expanded overseas programs and activities managed by the agency until permanent direct hire personnel are hired and trained: *Provided*, That not more than 15 of such contractors shall be assigned to any bureau or office: *Provided further*, That such funds appropriated to carry out title II of the Food for Peace Act (Public Law 83–480), may be made available only for personal services contractors assigned to the Office of Food for Peace.

(h) SMALL BUSINESS.—In entering into multiple award indefinite-quantity contracts with funds appropriated by this Act, USAID may provide an exception to the fair opportunity process for placing task orders under such contracts when the order is placed with any category of small or small disadvantaged business.

(i) SENIOR FOREIGN SERVICE LIMITED APPOINTMENTS.—Individuals hired pursuant to the authority provided by section 7059(o) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2011 (division F of Public Law 111–117) may be assigned to or support programs in Afghanistan or Pakistan with funds made available in this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs.

GLOBAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES

SEC. 7058. (a) IN GENERAL.—Funds appropriated by titles III and IV of this Act that are made available for bilateral assistance for child survival activities or disease programs including activities relating to research on, and the prevention, treatment and control of, HIV/AIDS may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law except for provisions under the heading "Global Health Programs" and the United States Leadership Against HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria Act of 2003 (117 Stat. 711; 22 U.S.C. 7601 et seq.), as amended: *Provided*, That of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act, not less than $575,000,000 should be made available for family planning/reproductive health, including in areas where population growth threatens biodiversity or endangered species.

(b) GLOBAL FUND.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act that are available for a contribution to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (Global Fund), 10 percent should be withheld from obligation until the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Global Fund is—

(1) maintaining and implementing a policy of transparency, including the authority of the Global Fund Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to publish OIG reports on a public Web site;

(2) providing sufficient resources to maintain an independent OIG that—

(A) reports directly to the Board of the Global Fund;

(B) maintains a mandate to conduct thorough investigations and programmatic audits, free from undue interference; and

(C) compiles regular, publicly published audits and investigations of financial, programmatic, and reporting aspects of the Global Fund, its grantees, recipients, sub-recipients, and Local Fund Agents;

(3) effectively implementing and enforcing policies and procedures which reflect best practices for the protection of whistleblowers from retaliation, including best practices for—

(A) protection against retaliation for internal and lawful public disclosures;

(B) legal burdens of proof;

(C) statutes of limitation for reporting retaliation;

(D) access to independent adjudicative bodies, including external arbitration; and

(E) results that eliminate the effects of proven retaliation; and

(4) implementing the recommendations contained in the Consolidated Transformation Plan approved by the Board of the Global Fund on November 21, 2011:

Provided, That such withholding shall not be in addition to funds that are withheld from the Global Fund in fiscal year 2016 pursuant to the application of any other provision contained in this or any other Act.

(c) CONTAGIOUS INFECTIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAKS.—If the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that an international infectious disease outbreak is sustained, severe, and is spreading internationally, or that it is in the national interest to respond to a Public Health Emergency of International Concern, funds made available under title III of this Act may be made available to combat such infectious disease or public health emergency: *Provided*, That funds made available pursuant to the authority of this subsection shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

GENDER EQUALITY

SEC. 7059. (a) GENDER EQUALITY.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available to promote gender equality in United States Government diplomatic and development efforts by raising the status, increasing the participation, and protecting the rights of women and girls worldwide.

(b) WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP.—Of the funds appropriated by title III of this Act, not less than $50,000,000 shall be made available to increase leadership opportunities for women in countries where women and girls suffer discrimination due to law, policy, or practice, by strengthening protections for women's political status, expanding women's participation in political parties and elections, and increasing women's opportunities for leadership positions in the public and private sectors at the local, provincial, and national levels.

(c) GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE.—

(1)(A) Of the funds appropriated by titles III and IV of this Act, not less than $150,000,000 shall be made available to implement a multi-year strategy to prevent and respond to gender-based violence in countries where it is common in conflict and non-conflict settings.

(B) Funds appropriated by titles III and IV of this Act that are available to train foreign police, judicial, and military personnel, including for international peacekeeping operations, shall address, where appropriate, prevention and response to gender-based violence and trafficking in persons, and shall promote the integration of women into the police and other security forces.

(2) Department of State and United States Agency for International Development gender programs shall incorporate coordinated efforts to combat a variety of forms of gender-based violence, including child marriage, rape, female genital cutting and mutilation, and domestic violence, among other forms of gender-based violence in conflict and non-conflict settings.

(d) WOMEN, PEACE, AND SECURITY.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance", "Economic Support Fund", and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement" should be made available to support a multi-year strategy to expand, and improve coordination of, United States Government efforts to empower women as equal partners in conflict prevention, peace building, transitional processes, and reconstruction efforts in countries affected by conflict or in political transition, and to ensure the equitable provision of relief and recovery assistance to women and girls.

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS

SEC. 7060. (a) BASIC EDUCATION AND HIGHER EDUCATION.—

(1) BASIC EDUCATION.—

(A) Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act, not less than $800,000,000 should be made available for assistance for basic education, and such funds may be made available notwithstanding any provision of law that restricts assistance to foreign countries, except for the conditions provided in this subsection: *Provided*, That such funds should only be used to implement the stated objectives of basic education programs for each Country Development Cooperation Strategy or similar strategy regarding basic education established by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

(B) Not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the USAID Administrator shall report to the Committees on Appropriations on the status of cumulative unobligated balances and obligated, but unexpended, balances in each country where USAID provides basic education assistance and such report shall also include details on the types of contracts and grants provided and the goals and objectives of such assistance: *Provided*, That the USAID Administrator shall update such report on a monthly basis during fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That if the USAID Administrator determines that any unobligated balances of

funds specifically designated for assistance for basic education in prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs are in excess of the absorptive capacity of recipient countries, such funds may be made available for other programs authorized under chapter 1 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, notwithstanding such funding designation: *Provided further*, That the authority of the previous proviso shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

(C) Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act for assistance for basic education programs, not less than $70,000,000 shall be made available for a contribution to multilateral partnerships that support education.

(2) HIGHER EDUCATION.—Of the funds appropriated by title III of this Act, not less than $225,000,000 shall be made available for assistance for higher education, including not less than $35,000,000 for new partnerships between higher education institutions in the United States and developing countries: *Provided*, That such funds may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law that restricts assistance to foreign countries, and shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(b) DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Development Assistance", not less than $26,000,000 shall be made available for the American Schools and Hospitals Abroad program, and not less than $11,000,000 shall be made available for cooperative development programs of USAID.

(c) ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS.—

(1) AUTHORITY.—Funds appropriated by this Act to carry out the provisions of sections 103 through 106, and chapter 4 of part II, of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 may be used, notwithstanding any other provision of law except for the provisions of this subsection and only subject to the reporting procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, to support environment programs.

(2) CONSERVATION PROGRAMS AND LIMITATIONS.—

(A) Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act, not less than $265,000,000 shall be made available for biodiversity conservation programs.

(B) Not less than $80,000,000 of the funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act shall be made available to combat the transnational threat of wildlife poaching and trafficking.

(C) None of the funds appropriated under title IV of this Act may be made available for training or other assistance for any military unit or personnel that the Secretary of State determines has been credibly alleged to have participated in wildlife poaching or trafficking, unless the Secretary reports to the Committees on Appropriations that to do so is in the national security interests of the United States.

(D) Funds appropriated by this Act for biodiversity programs shall not be used to support the expansion of industrial scale logging or any other industrial scale extractive activity into areas that were primary/intact tropical forests as of December 30, 2013, and the Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive directors of each international financial institutions (IFI) to vote against any financing of any such activity.

(3) LARGE DAMS.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive director of each IFI that it is the policy of the United States to vote in relation to any loan, grant, strategy, or policy of such institution to support the construction of any large dam consistent with the criteria set forth in Senate Report 114–79, while also considering whether the project involves important foreign policy objectives.

(4) SUSTAINABLE LANDSCAPES.—Of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act, not less than $123,500,000 shall be made available for sustainable landscape programs.

(5) TRANSFER OF FUNDS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund", $9,720,000 shall be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated under the heading "Contribution to the Strategic Climate Fund", and such transfer shall occur not later than 120 days after the date of enactment of this Act.

(d) FOOD SECURITY AND AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT.—

(1) Of the funds appropriated by title III of this Act, not less than $1,000,600,000 should be made available for food security and agricultural development programs, of which not less than $50,000,000 shall be made available for the Feed the Future Innovation Labs: *Provided*, That such funds may be made available notwithstanding any other provision of law to prevent or address food shortages, and for a United States contribution to the endowment of the Global Crop Diversity Trust.

(2) Funds appropriated under title III of this Act may be made available as a contribution to the Global Agriculture and Food Security Program if such contribution will not cause the United States to exceed 33 percent of the total amount of funds contributed to such Program.

(e) MICROENTERPRISE AND MICROFINANCE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act, not less than $265,000,000 should be made available for microenterprise and microfinance development programs for the poor, especially women.

(f) PROGRAMS TO COMBAT TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS AND MODERN SLAVERY.—

(1) TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS.—

(A) Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance", "Economic Support Fund", "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", not less than $60,000,000 shall be made available for activities to combat trafficking in persons internationally.

(B) Funds made available in the previous paragraph shall be made available to support a multifaceted approach to combat human trafficking in Guatemala: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, on the use of such funds.

(2) MODERN SLAVERY.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance" and "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", in addition to funds made available pursuant to paragraph (1), $25,000,000 shall be made available for a grant or grants, to be awarded on an open and competitive basis, to reduce the prevalence of modern slavery globally: *Provided*, That such funds shall only be made available in fiscal year 2016 to carry out the End Modern Slavery Initiative Act of 2015 (S. 553, 114th Congress), as reported to the Senate, if such bill is enacted into law: *Provided further*, That if such bill is not enacted into law in fiscal year 2016, funds made available pursuant to this subsection shall be made available for other programs to combat trafficking in persons and modern slavery, following consultation with the appropriate congressional committees.

(g) RECONCILIATION PROGRAMS.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Economic Support Fund" and "Development Assistance", not less than $26,000,000 shall be made available to support people-to-people reconciliation programs which bring together individuals of different ethnic, religious, and political backgrounds from areas of civil strife and war: *Provided*, That the USAID Administrator shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations, prior to the initial obligation of funds, on the uses of such funds, and such funds shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further,* That to the maximum extent practicable, such funds shall be matched by sources other than the United States Government.

(h) WATER AND SANITATION.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act, not less than $400,000,000 shall be made available for water supply and sanitation projects pursuant to the Senator Paul Simon Water for the Poor Act of 2005 (Public Law 109–121), of which not less than $145,000,000 shall be for programs in sub-Saharan Africa, and of which not less than $14,000,000 shall be made available for programs to design and build safe, public latrines in Africa and Asia.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

SEC. 7061. (a) TRANSFER.—Whenever the President determines that it is in furtherance of the purposes of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, up to a total of $20,000,000 of the funds appropriated under title III of this Act may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this Act for the Overseas Private Investment Corporation Program Account, to be subject to the terms and conditions of that account: *Provided,* That such funds shall not be available for administrative expenses of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation: *Provided further,* That designated funding levels in this Act shall not be transferred pursuant to this section: *Pro-*

vided further, That the exercise of such authority shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(b) AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding section 235(a)(2) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, the authority of subsections (a) through (c) of section 234 of such Act shall remain in effect until September 30, 2016.

ARMS TRADE TREATY

SEC. 7062. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be obligated or expended to implement the Arms Trade Treaty until the Senate approves a resolution of ratification for the Treaty.

COUNTRIES IMPACTED BY SIGNIFICANT REFUGEE POPULATIONS OR INTERNALLY DISPLACED PERSONS

SEC. 7063. Funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Development Assistance" and "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available for programs in countries affected by significant populations of internally displaced persons or refugees to—

(1) expand and improve host government social services and basic infrastructure to accommodate the needs of such populations and persons;

(2) alleviate the social and economic strains placed on host communities;

(3) improve coordination of such assistance in a more effective and sustainable manner; and

(4) leverage increased assistance from donors other than the United States Government for central governments and local communities in such countries.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING INDIVIDUALS DETAINED AT NAVAL STATION, GUANTÁNAMO BAY, CUBA

SEC. 7064. Not later than 5 days after the conclusion of an agreement with a country, including a state with a compact of free association with the United States, to receive by transfer or release individuals detained at United States Naval Station, Guantánamo Bay, Cuba, the Secretary of State shall notify the Committees on Appropriations in writing of the terms of the agreement, including whether funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs will be made available for assistance for such country pursuant to such agreement.

MULTI-YEAR PLEDGES

SEC. 7065. None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be used to make any pledge for future year funding for any multilateral or bilateral program funded in titles III through VI of this Act unless such pledge was—

(1) previously justified, including the projected future year costs, in a congressional budget justification;

(2) included in an Act making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs or previously authorized by an Act of Congress;

(3) notified in accordance with the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, including the projected future year costs; or

(4) the subject of prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations and such consultation was conducted at least 7 days in advance of the pledge.

PROHIBITION ON USE OF TORTURE

SEC. 7066. (a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to support or justify the use of torture, cruel, or inhumane treatment by any official or contract employee of the United States Government.

(b) ASSISTANCE TO ELIMINATE TORTURE.—Funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act shall be made available, notwithstanding section 660 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 and following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, for assistance to eliminate torture by foreign police, military or other security forces in countries receiving assistance from funds appropriated by this Act.

EXTRADITION

SEC. 7067. (a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated in this Act may be used to provide assistance (other than funds provided under the headings "International Disaster Assistance", "Complex Crises Fund", "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "Migration and Refugee Assistance", "United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund", and "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Assistance") for the central government of a country which has notified the Department of State of its refusal to extradite to the United States any individual indicted for a criminal offense for which the maximum penalty is life imprisonment without the possibility of parole or for killing a law enforcement officer, as specified in a United States extradition request.

(b) CLARIFICATION.—Subsection (a) shall only apply to the central government of a country with which the United States maintains diplomatic relations and with which the United States has an extradition treaty and the government of that country is in violation of the terms and conditions of the treaty.

(c) WAIVER.—The Secretary of State may waive the restriction in subsection (a) on a case-by-case basis if the Secretary certifies to the Committees on Appropriations that such waiver is important to the national interests of the United States.

COMMERCIAL LEASING OF DEFENSE ARTICLES

SEC. 7068. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, and subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, the authority of section 23(a) of the Arms Export Control Act may be used to provide financing to Israel, Egypt, and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO), and major non-NATO

allies for the procurement by leasing (including leasing with an option to purchase) of defense articles from United States commercial suppliers, not including Major Defense Equipment (other than helicopters and other types of aircraft having possible civilian application), if the President determines that there are compelling foreign policy or national security reasons for those defense articles being provided by commercial lease rather than by government-to-government sale under such Act.

INDEPENDENT STATES OF THE FORMER SOVIET UNION

SEC. 7069. (a) ASSISTANCE FOR UKRAINE.—Of the funds appropriated by this Act under titles III through VI, not less than $658,185,000 shall be made available for assistance for Ukraine.

(b) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for assistance for a government of an Independent State of the former Soviet Union if that government directs any action in violation of the territorial integrity or national sovereignty of any other Independent State of the former Soviet Union, such as those violations included in the Helsinki Final Act: *Provided*, That except as otherwise provided in section 7070(a) of this Act, funds may be made available without regard to the restriction in this subsection if the President determines that to do so is in the national security interest of the United States: *Provided further*, That prior to executing the authority contained in this subsection the Department of State shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on how such assistance supports the national security interest of the United States.

(c) SECTION 907 OF THE FREEDOM SUPPORT ACT.—Section 907 of the FREEDOM Support Act shall not apply to—

(1) activities to support democracy or assistance under title V of the FREEDOM Support Act and section 1424 of the Defense Against Weapons of Mass Destruction Act of 1996 (50 U.S.C. 2333) or non-proliferation assistance;

(2) any assistance provided by the Trade and Development Agency under section 661 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2421);

(3) any activity carried out by a member of the United States and Foreign Commercial Service while acting within his or her official capacity;

(4) any insurance, reinsurance, guarantee, or other assistance provided by the Overseas Private Investment Corporation under title IV of chapter 2 of part I of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (22 U.S.C. 2191 et seq.);

(5) any financing provided under the Export-Import Bank Act of 1945; or

(6) humanitarian assistance.

RUSSIA

SEC. 7070. (a) LIMITATION.—None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for assistance for the central Government of the Russian Federation.

(b) DETERMINATION AND CONDITIONS.—

(1) None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for assistance for the central government of a country that the Secretary of State determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations has taken affirmative steps intended to support or be supportive of the Russian Federation annexation of Crimea: *Provided*, That except as otherwise provided in subsection (a), the Secretary may waive the restriction on assistance required by this paragraph if the Secretary certifies to such Committees that to do so is in the national interest of the United States, and includes a justification for such interest.

(2) None of the funds appropriated by this Act may be made available for—

(A) the implementation of any action or policy that recognizes the sovereignty of the Russian Federation over Crimea;

(B) the facilitation, financing, or guarantee of United States Government investments in Crimea, if such activity includes the participation of Russian Government officials, or other Russian owned or controlled financial entities; or

(C) assistance for Crimea, if such assistance includes the participation of Russian Government officials, or other Russian owned or controlled financial entities.

(3) The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States executive directors of each international financial institution to vote against any assistance by such institution (including but not limited to any loan, credit, or guarantee) for any program that violates the sovereignty or territorial integrity of Ukraine.

(4) The requirements and limitations of this subsection shall cease to be in effect if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that the Government of Ukraine has reestablished sovereignty over Crimea.

(c) ASSISTANCE TO REDUCE VULNERABILITY AND PRESSURE.—Funds appropriated by this Act for assistance for the Eastern Partnership countries shall be made available to advance the implementation of Association Agreements and trade agreements with the European Union, and to reduce their vulnerability to external economic and political pressure from the Russian Federation.

(d) DEMOCRACY PROGRAMS.—Funds appropriated by this Act shall be made available to support the advancement of democracy and the rule of law in the Russian Federation, including to promote Internet freedom, and shall also be made available to support the democracy and rule of law strategy required by section 7071(d) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

(e) REPORTS.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall update the reports required by section 7071(b)(2), (c), and (e) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76).

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

SEC. 7071. (a) EXTENSIONS.—The terms and conditions of sections 7086(b) (1) and (2) and 7090(a) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2010 (division F of Public Law 111–117) shall apply to this Act.

(b) REPAYMENT.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall instruct the United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to seek to ensure that any loan will be repaid to the IMF before other private creditors.

SPECIAL DEFENSE ACQUISITION FUND

SEC. 7072. Not to exceed $900,000,000 may be obligated pursuant to section 51(c)(2) of the Arms Export Control Act for the purposes of the Special Defense Acquisition Fund (Fund), to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2018: *Provided,* That the provision of defense articles and defense services to foreign countries or international organizations from the Fund shall be subject to the concurrence of the Secretary of State.

COUNTERING FOREIGN FIGHTERS AND VIOLENT EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS

SEC. 7073. (a) COUNTERING FOREIGN FIGHTERS AND VIOLENT EXTREMIST ORGANIZATIONS.—Funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act shall be made available for programs to—

(1) counter the flow of foreign fighters to countries in which violent extremists or violent extremist organizations operate, including those entities designated as foreign terrorist organizations (FTOs) pursuant to section 219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act (Public Law 82–814), including through programs with partner governments and multilateral organizations to—

(A) counter recruitment campaigns by such entities;

(B) detect and disrupt foreign fighter travel, particularly at points of origin;

(C) implement antiterrorism programs;

(D) secure borders, including points of infiltration and exfiltration by such entities;

(E) implement and establish criminal laws and policies to counter foreign fighters; and

(F) arrest, investigate, prosecute, and incarcerate terrorist suspects, facilitators, and financiers; and

(2) reduce public support for violent extremists or violent extremist organizations, including FTOs, by addressing the specific drivers of radicalization, including through such activities as—

(A) public messaging campaigns to damage their appeal;

(B) programs to engage communities and populations at risk of violent extremist radicalization and recruitment;

(C) counter-radicalization and de-radicalization activities for potential and former violent extremists and returning foreign fighters, including in prisons;

(D) law enforcement training programs; and

(E) capacity building for civil society organizations to combat radicalization in local communities.

(b) STRENGTHENING THE STATE SYSTEM.—

(1) Funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act shall be made available for programs to strengthen the state system and counter violent extremists and violent extremist organizations, including FTOs, by supporting security and governance programs in countries whose stability and legitimacy are directly threatened by violence against state institutions by such entities, including at the national and local levels, and in fragile states bordering such countries.

(2) Programs funded pursuant to paragraph (1) shall prioritize activities to improve governance, including by—

(A) promoting civil society;

(B) strengthening the rule of law;

(C) professionalizing security services;

(D) increasing transparency and accountability;

(E) combating corruption; and

(F) protecting human rights.

(c) REQUIREMENTS.—

(1) The Secretary of State shall ensure that the programs described in subsection (a) are coordinated with and complement the efforts of other United States Government agencies and international partners, and that such programs are consistent with all applicable laws, regulations, and policies regarding the use of foreign assistance funds: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall also ensure that information gained through the conduct of programs described in subsection (a)(1) is shared in a timely manner with relevant United States Government agencies and other international partners, as appropriate.

(2) Prior to the obligation of funds appropriated by this Act and made available for the purposes of this section, the Secretary of State shall ensure that mechanisms are in place for appropriate monitoring, oversight, and control of such assistance: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall promptly inform the appropriate congressional committees of each significant instance in which assistance provided for such purposes has been compromised, including the amount and type of assistance affected, a description of the incident and parties involved, and an explanation of the response of the Department of State.

(3) Funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for programs described in subsection (a) shall be subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, and are subject to the additional requirements contained under section 7073 in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act): *Provided*, That for the purposes of funds appropriated by this Act that are made available for countering violent extremism, as justified to the Committees on Appropriations in the Congressional Budget Justification, Foreign Operations, Fiscal Year 2016, such funds shall only be made available for programs described in subsection (a)(2).

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

SEC. 7074. (a) NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT.—None of the funds made available under titles III through VI of this Act may be made available for Enterprise Funds unless the appropriate congressional committees are notified at least 15 days in advance.

(b) DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS PLAN.—Prior to the distribution of any assets resulting from any liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of an Enterprise Fund, in whole or in part, the President shall submit to the appropriate congressional committees a plan for the distribution of the assets of the Enterprise Fund.

(c) TRANSITION OR OPERATING PLAN.—Prior to a transition to and operation of any private equity fund or other parallel investment fund under an existing Enterprise Fund, the President shall submit such transition or operating plan to the appropriate congressional committees.

USE OF FUNDS IN CONTRAVENTION OF THIS ACT

SEC. 7075. If the President makes a determination not to comply with any provision of this Act on constitutional grounds, the head of the relevant Federal agency shall notify the Committees on Appropriations in writing within 5 days of such determination, the basis for such determination and any resulting changes to program and policy.

BUDGET DOCUMENTS

SEC. 7076. (a) OPERATING PLANS.—Not later than 45 days after the date of enactment of this Act, each department, agency, or organization funded in titles I, II, and VI of this Act, and the Department of the Treasury and Independent Agencies funded in title III of this Act, including the Inter-American Foundation and the United States African Development Foundation, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations an operating plan for funds appropriated to such department, agency, or organization in such titles of this Act, or funds otherwise available for obligation in fiscal year 2016, that provides details of the uses of such funds at the program, project, and activity level: *Provided*, That such plans shall include, as applicable, a comparison between the most recent congressional directives or approved funding levels and the funding levels proposed by the department or agency; and a clear, concise, and informative description/justification: *Provided further*, That if such department, agency, or organization receives an additional amount under the same heading in title VIII of this Act, operating plans required by this subsection shall include consolidated information on all such funds: *Provided further*, That operating plans that include changes in levels of funding for programs, projects, and activities specified in the congressional budget justification, in this Act, or amounts specifically designated in the respective tables included in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act), as applicable, shall be subject to the notification and reprogramming requirements of section 7015 of this Act.

(b) SPEND PLANS.—

(1) Prior to the initial obligation of funds, the Secretary of State or Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), as appropriate, shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a detailed spend plan for funds made available by this Act, for—

(A) assistance for Afghanistan, Lebanon, Pakistan, and the West Bank and Gaza;

(B) Power Africa and the regional security initiatives listed under this heading in the explanatory statement described in section 4 (in the matter preceding division A of this Consolidated Act): *Provided*, That the spend plan for such initiatives shall include the amount of assistance planned for each country by account, to the maximum extent practicable; and

(C) democracy programs and sectors enumerated in subsections (a), (c)(2), (d)(1), (e), (f), and (h) of section 7060 of this Act.

(2) Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a detailed spend plan for funds made available by this Act under the heading "Department of the Treasury, International Affairs Technical Assistance" in title III.

(c) SPENDING REPORT.—Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the USAID Administrator shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations a detailed report on spending of funds made available during fiscal year 2015 under the heading "Development Credit Authority".

(d) NOTIFICATIONS.—The spend plans referenced in subsection (b) shall not be considered as meeting the notification requirements in this Act or under section 634A of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961.

(e) CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET JUSTIFICATION.—

(1) The congressional budget justification for Department of State operations and foreign operations shall be provided to the Committees on Appropriations concurrent with the date of submission of the President's budget for fiscal year 2017: *Provided*, That the appendices for such justification shall be provided to the Committees on Appropriations not later than 10 calendar days thereafter.

(2) The Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator shall include in the congressional budget justification a detailed justification for multi-year availability for any funds requested under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Operating Expenses".

REPORTS AND RECORDS MANAGEMENT

SEC. 7077. (a) PUBLIC POSTING OF REPORTS.—

(1) REQUIREMENT.—Any agency receiving funds made available by this Act shall, subject to paragraphs (2) and (3), post on the publicly available Web site of such agency any report required by this Act to be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations, upon a determination by the head of such agency that to do so is in the national interest.

(2) EXCEPTIONS.—Paragraph (1) shall not apply to a report if—

(A) the public posting of such report would compromise national security, including the conduct of diplomacy; or

(B) the report contains proprietary, privileged, or sensitive information.

(3) TIMING AND INTENTION.—The head of the agency posting such report shall, unless otherwise provided for in this Act, do so only after such report has been made available to the Committees on Appropriations for not less than 45 days: *Provided*, That any report required by this Act to be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations shall include information from the submitting agency on whether such report will be publicly posted.

(b) REQUESTS FOR DOCUMENTS.—None of the funds appropriated or made available pursuant to titles III through VI of this Act shall be available to a nongovernmental organization, including any contractor, which fails to provide upon timely request any document, file, or record necessary to the auditing requirements of the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

(c) RECORDS MANAGEMENT.—

(1) LIMITATION AND DIRECTIVES.—

(A) None of the funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Capital Investment Fund" in title I, and "Operating Expenses" in title II that are made available to the Department of State and USAID may be made available to support the use or establishment of email accounts or email servers created outside the .gov domain or not fitted for automated records management as part of a Federal government records management program in contravention of the Presidential and Federal Records Act Amendments of 2014 (Public Law 113–187).

(B) The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall—

(i) update the policies, directives, and oversight necessary to comply with Federal statutes, regulations, and presidential executive orders and memoranda concerning the preservation of all records made or received in the conduct of official business, including record emails, instant messaging, and other online tools;

(ii) use funds appropriated by this Act under the headings "Diplomatic and Consular Programs" and "Capital Investment Fund" in title I, and "Operating Expenses" in title II, as appropriate, to improve Federal records management pursuant to the Federal Records Act (44 U.S.C. Chapters 21, 29, 31, and 33) and other applicable Federal records management statutes, regulations, or policies for the Department of State and USAID;

(iii) direct departing employees that all Federal records generated by such employees, including senior officials, belong to the Federal Government; and

(iv) measurably improve the response time for identifying and retrieving Federal records.

(2) REPORT.—Not later than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and USAID Administrator shall each submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations and to the National Archives and Records Administration detailing, as appropriate and where applicable—

(A) the policy of each agency regarding the use or the establishment of email accounts or email servers created outside the .gov domain or not fitted for automated records management as part of a Federal government records management program;

(B) the extent to which each agency is in compliance with applicable Federal records management statutes, regulations, and policies; and

(C) the steps required, including steps already taken, and the associated costs, to—

(i) comply with paragraph (1)(B) of this subsection;

(ii) ensure that all employees at every level have been instructed in procedures and processes to ensure that the documentation of their official duties is captured, preserved, managed, protected, and accessible in official Government systems of the Department of State and USAID;

(iii) implement the recommendations of the Office of Inspector General, United States Department of State (OIG), in the March 2015 Review of State Messaging and Archive Retrieval Toolset and Record Email (ISP–1–15–15) and any recommendations from the OIG review of the records management practices of the Department of State requested by the Secretary on March 25, 2015, if completed;

(iv) reduce the backlog of Freedom of Information Act and Congressional oversight requests, and measurably improve the response time for answering such requests;

(v) strengthen cyber security measures to mitigate vulnerabilities, including those resulting from the use of personal email accounts or servers outside the .gov domain; and

(vi) codify in the Foreign Affairs Manual and Automated Directives System the updates referenced in paragraph (1)(B) of this subsection, where appropriate.

(3) REPORT ASSESSMENT.—Not later than 180 days after the submission of the reports required by paragraph (2), the Comptroller General of the United States, in consultation with National Archives and Records Administration, as appropriate, shall conduct an assessment of such reports, and shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the scope and requirements of such assessment.

(4) FUNDING.—Of funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Capital Investment Fund" in title I, $10,000,000 shall be withheld from obligation until the Secretary submits the report required by paragraph (2).

GLOBAL INTERNET FREEDOM

SEC. 7078. (a) FUNDING.—Of the funds available for obligation during fiscal year 2016 under the headings "International Broadcasting Operations", "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Euraisa and Central Asia", not less than $50,500,000 shall be made available for programs to promote Internet freedom globally: *Provided*, That such programs shall be prioritized for countries whose governments restrict freedom of expression on the Internet, and that are important to the national interests of the United States: *Provided further*, That funds made available pursuant to this section shall be matched, to the maximum extent practicable, by sources other than the United States Government, including from the private sector.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—Funds made available pursuant to subsection (a) shall be—

(1) coordinated with other democracy, governance, and broadcasting programs funded by this Act under the headings "International Broadcasting Operations", "Economic Support Fund", "Democracy Fund", "Complex Crises Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", and shall be incorporated into country assistance, democracy promotion, and broadcasting strategies, as appropriate;

(2) made available to the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State for programs to implement the May 2011, International Strategy for Cyberspace and the comprehensive strategy to promote Internet freedom and access to information in Iran, as required by section 414 of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012 (22 U.S.C. 8754);

(3) made available to the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) to provide tools and techniques to access the Web sites of BBG broadcasters that are censored, and to work with such broadcasters to promote and distribute such tools and techniques, including digital security techniques;

(4) made available for programs that support the efforts of civil society to counter the development of repressive Internet-related laws and regulations, including countering threats to Internet freedom at international organizations; to combat violence against bloggers and other users; and to enhance digital security training and capacity building for democracy activists;

(5) made available for research of key threats to Internet freedom; the continued development of technologies that provide or enhance access to the Internet, including circumvention tools that bypass Internet blocking, filtering, and other censorship techniques used by authoritarian governments; and maintenance of the technological advantage of the United States Government over such censorship techniques: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State, in consultation with the BBG Chairman, shall coordinate any such research and development pro-

grams with other relevant United States Government departments and agencies in order to share information, technologies, and best practices, and to assess the effectiveness of such technologies; and

(6) coordinated by the Assistant Secretary of State for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, except that the uses of such funds made available under the heading "International Broadcasting Operations" shall be the responsibility of the BBG Chairman.

(c) COORDINATION AND SPEND PLANS.—After consultation among the relevant agency heads to coordinate and de-conflict planned activities, but not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State and the BBG Chairman shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations spend plans for funds made available by this Act for programs to promote Internet freedom globally, which shall include a description of safeguards established by relevant agencies to ensure that such programs are not used for illicit purposes: *Provided*, That the Department of State spend plan shall include funding for all such programs for all relevant Department of State and USAID offices and bureaus: *Provided further*, That prior to the obligation of such funds, such offices and bureaus shall consult with the Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, to ensure that such programs support the Department of State Internet freedom strategy.

DISABILITY PROGRAMS

SEC. 7079. (a) ASSISTANCE.—Funds appropriated by this Act under the heading "Economic Support Fund" shall be made available for programs and activities administered by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) to address the needs and protect and promote the rights of people with disabilities in developing countries, including initiatives that focus on independent living, economic self-sufficiency, advocacy, education, employment, transportation, sports, and integration of individuals with disabilities, including for the cost of translation.

(b) MANAGEMENT, OVERSIGHT, AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT.—Of the funds made available pursuant to this section, 5 percent may be used for USAID for management, oversight, and technical support.

IMPACT ON JOBS IN THE UNITED STATES

SEC. 7080. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under titles III through VI of this Act may be obligated or expended to provide—

(1) any financial incentive to a business enterprise currently located in the United States for the purpose of inducing such an enterprise to relocate outside the United States if such incentive or inducement is likely to reduce the number of employees of such business enterprise in the United States because United States production is being replaced by such enterprise outside the United States;

(2) assistance for any program, project, or activity that contributes to the violation of internationally recognized workers' rights, as defined in section 507(4) of the Trade Act of 1974,

of workers in the recipient country, including any designated zone or area in that country: *Provided*, That the application of section 507(4)(D) and (E) of such Act should be commensurate with the level of development of the recipient country and sector, and shall not preclude assistance for the informal sector in such country, micro and small-scale enterprise, and smallholder agriculture;

(3) any assistance to an entity outside the United States if such assistance is for the purpose of directly relocating or transferring jobs from the United States to other countries and adversely impacts the labor force in the United States; or

(4) for the enforcement of any rule, regulation, policy, or guidelines implemented pursuant to—

(A) the third proviso of subsection 7079(b) of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2010;

(B) the modification proposed by the Overseas Private Investment Corporation in November 2013 to the Corporation's Environmental and Social Policy Statement relating to coal; or

(C) the Supplemental Guidelines for High Carbon Intensity Projects approved by the Export-Import Bank of the United States on December 12, 2013,

when enforcement of such rule, regulation, policy, or guidelines would prohibit, or have the effect of prohibiting, any coal-fired or other power-generation project the purpose of which is to: (i) provide affordable electricity in International Development Association (IDA)-eligible countries and IDA-blend countries; and (ii) increase exports of goods and services from the United States or prevent the loss of jobs from the United States.

COUNTRY FOCUS AND SELECTIVITY

SEC. 7081. (a) TRANSITION PLAN REQUIREMENT.—Any bilateral country assistance strategy developed after the date of enactment of this Act for the provision of assistance for a foreign country shall include a transition plan identifying end goals and options for winding down, within a targeted period of years, such bilateral assistance: *Provided*, That such transition plan shall be developed by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, and officials of such foreign government and representatives of civil society, as appropriate.

(b) TARGETED TRANSITIONS.—Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, and the Committees on Appropriations, shall select at least one country in which to establish and implement a transition program to seek to reduce dependency on bilateral foreign assistance and create greater self-sufficiency for such country: *Provided*, That any such selection shall be of a country receiving assistance with funds appropriated under titles III and IV of this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs that—

(1) is a long-time recipient of such assistance;

(2) has demonstrated, or has been assessed to possess, the capacity for self-sufficiency; and

(3) is not impacted by conflict or crisis, including large numbers of internally displaced persons or significant refugee populations resulting from such conflict or crisis:

Provided further, That the Secretary shall consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to the selection of any such country, and on the goals and targets for such program to be established in the selected country: *Provided further*, That such transition should exclude funding for democracy and humanitarian assistance programs: *Provided further*, That assistance may be resumed or continued for any such selected country if the Secretary determines and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that to do so is important to the national interest of the United States, and such report provides an explanation of such interest being served.

UNITED NATIONS POPULATION FUND

SEC. 7082. (a) CONTRIBUTION.—Of the funds made available under the heading "International Organizations and Programs" in this Act for fiscal year 2016, $32,500,000 shall be made available for the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

(b) AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Funds appropriated by this Act for UNFPA, that are not made available for UNFPA because of the operation of any provision of law, shall be transferred to the "Global Health Programs" account and shall be made available for family planning, maternal, and reproductive health activities, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

(c) PROHIBITION ON USE OF FUNDS IN CHINA.—None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by UNFPA for a country program in the People's Republic of China.

(d) CONDITIONS ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS.—Funds made available by this Act for UNFPA may not be made available unless—

(1) UNFPA maintains funds made available by this Act in an account separate from other accounts of UNFPA and does not commingle such funds with other sums; and

(2) UNFPA does not fund abortions.

(e) REPORT TO CONGRESS AND DOLLAR-FOR-DOLLAR WITHHOLDING OF FUNDS.—

(1) Not later than 4 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations indicating the amount of funds that UNFPA is budgeting for the year in which the report is submitted for a country program in the People's Republic of China.

(2) If a report under paragraph (1) indicates that UNFPA plans to spend funds for a country program in the People's Republic of China in the year covered by the report, then the amount of such funds UNFPA plans to spend in the People's Republic of China shall be deducted from the funds made available to UNFPA after March 1 for obligation for the remainder of the fiscal year in which the report is submitted.

TITLE VIII

OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS/GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For an additional amount for "Diplomatic and Consular Programs", $2,561,808,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which $1,966,632,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection and shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of State may transfer up to $10,000,000 of the total funds made available under this heading to any other appropriation of any department or agency of the United States, upon the concurrence of the head of such department or agency, to support operations in and assistance for Afghanistan and to carry out the provisions of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961: *Provided further*, That any such transfer shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under subsections (a) and (b) of section 7015 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section: *Provided further*, That up to $15,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading in this title may be made available for Conflict Stabilization Operations and for related reconstruction and stabilization assistance to prevent or respond to conflict or civil strife in foreign countries or regions, or to enable transition from such strife: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For an additional amount for "Office of Inspector General", $66,600,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which $56,900,000 shall be for the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction (SIGAR) for reconstruction oversight: *Provided*, That printing and reproduction costs shall not exceed amounts for such costs during fiscal year 2015: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, any employee of SIGAR who completes at least 12 months of continuous service after the date of enactment of this Act or who is employed on the date on which SIGAR terminates, whichever occurs first, shall acquire competitive status for appointment to any position in the competitive service for which the employee possesses the required qualifications: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

EMBASSY SECURITY, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

For an additional amount for "Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance", $747,851,000, to remain available until expended, of which $735,201,000 shall be for Worldwide Security Upgrades, acquisition, and construction as authorized: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

For an additional amount for "Contributions to International Organizations", $101,728,000: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES

For an additional amount for "Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities", $1,794,088,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

RELATED AGENCY

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

For an additional amount for "International Broadcasting Operations", $10,700,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

OPERATING EXPENSES

For an additional amount for "Operating Expenses", $139,262,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE

For an additional amount for "International Disaster Assistance", $1,919,421,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

TRANSITION INITIATIVES

For an additional amount for "Transition Initiatives", $37,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

COMPLEX CRISES FUND

For an additional amount for "Complex Crises Fund", $20,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

For an additional amount for "Economic Support Fund", $2,422,673,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPE, EURASIA AND CENTRAL ASIA

For an additional amount for "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia", $438,569,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

For an additional amount for "Migration and Refugee Assistance" to respond to refugee crises, including in Africa, the Near East, South and Central Asia, and Europe and Eurasia, $2,127,114,000, to remain available until expended, except that such funds shall not be made available for the resettlement costs of refugees in the

United States: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

For an additional amount for "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", $371,650,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI-TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

For an additional amount for "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs", $379,091,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

For an additional amount for "Peacekeeping Operations", $469,269,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985: *Provided further*, That funds available for obligation under this heading in this Act may be used to pay assessed expenses of international peacekeeping activities in Somalia, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations, except that such expenses shall not exceed the level described in the final proviso under the heading "Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities" in title I of this Act.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

For an additional amount for "Foreign Military Financing Program", $1,288,176,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That such amount is designated by the Congress for Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(ii) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS

SEC. 8001. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated in this title are in addition to amounts appropriated or otherwise made available in this Act for fiscal year 2016.

EXTENSION OF AUTHORITIES AND CONDITIONS

SEC. 8002. Unless otherwise provided for in this Act, the additional amounts appropriated by this title to appropriations accounts in this Act shall be available under the authorities and conditions applicable to such appropriations accounts.

TRANSFER AUTHORITY

SEC. 8003. (a)(1) Funds appropriated by this title in this Act under the headings "Transition Initiatives", "Complex Crises Fund", "Economic Support Fund", and "Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia" may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this title under such headings.

(2) Funds appropriated by this title in this Act under the headings "International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement", "Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs", "Peacekeeping Operations", and "Foreign Military Financing Program" may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this title under such headings.

(3) Of the funds appropriated by this title under the heading "International Disaster Assistance", up to $600,000,000 may be transferred to, and merged with, funds appropriated by this title under the heading "Migration and Refugee Assistance".

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, not to exceed $15,000,000 from funds appropriated under the heading "Foreign Military Financing Program" by this title in this Act and made available for the Europe and Eurasia Regional program may be transferred to, and merged with, funds previously made available under the heading "Global Security Contingency Fund" which shall be available only for programs in the Europe and Eurasia region.

(c) The transfer authority provided in subsection (a) may only be exercised to address contingencies.

(d) The transfer authority provided in subsections (a) and (b) shall be subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That such transfer authority is in addition to any transfer authority otherwise available under any other provision of law, including section 610 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 which may be exercised by the Secretary of State for the purposes of this title.

TITLE IX

OTHER MATTERS

MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY PROGRAMS

UNITED STATES QUOTA, INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For an increase in the United States quota in the International Monetary Fund, the dollar equivalent of 40,871,800,000 Special Drawing Rights, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That notwithstanding the provisos under the heading "International Assistance Programs—International Monetary Programs—United States Quota, International Monetary Fund" in the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111–32), the costs of the amounts provided under this heading in this Act and in Public Law 111–32 shall be estimated on a present value basis, excluding administrative costs and any incidental effects on governmental receipts or outlays: *Provided further*, That for purposes of the previous proviso, the discount rate for purposes of the present value calculation shall be the appropriate interest rate on marketable Treasury securities, adjusted for market risk: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended: *Provided further*, That such amount shall be available only if the President designates such amount, and the related amount to be rescinded under the heading "Loans to the International Monetary Fund Direct Loan Program Account", as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) and transmits such designation to the Congress.

LOANS TO THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

Of the amounts provided under the heading "International Assistance Programs—International Monetary Programs—Loans to International Monetary Fund" in the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2009 (Public Law 111–32), the dollar equivalent of 40,871,800,000 Special Drawing Rights is hereby permanently rescinded as of the date when the rollback of the United States credit arrangement in the New Arrangements to Borrow of the International Monetary Fund is effective, but no earlier than when the increase of the United States quota authorized in section 72 of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act (22 U.S.C. 286 et seq.) becomes effective: *Provided*, That notwithstanding the second through fourth provisos under the heading "International Assistance Programs—International Monetary Programs—Loans to International Monetary Fund" in Public Law 111–32, the costs of the amounts under

this heading in this Act and in Public Law 111–32 shall be estimated on a present value basis, excluding administrative costs and any incidental effects on governmental receipts or outlays: *Provided further*, That for purposes of the previous proviso, the discount rate for purposes of the present value calculation shall be the appropriate interest rate on marketable Treasury securities, adjusted for market risk: *Provided further*, That such amount is designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended: *Provided further*, That such amount shall be rescinded only if the President designates such amount as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) and transmits such designation to the Congress.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

LIMITATIONS ON AND EXPIRATION OF AUTHORITY WITH RESPECT TO NEW ARRANGEMENTS TO BORROW

SEC. 9001. Section 17 of the Bretton Woods Agreements Act (22 U.S.C. 286e–2) is amended—

(1) in subsection (a) by adding at the end the following:

"(5) The authority to make loans under this section shall expire on December 16, 2022.";

(2) in subsection (b), in paragraphs (1) and (2), by inserting before the end period the following: ", only to the extent that amounts available for such loans are not rescinded by an Act of Congress";

(3) by adding the following subsection (e), which shall be effective from the first day of the next period of renewal of the NAB decision after enactment of this Act:

"(e) New Requirement for Activation of the New Arrangements to Borrow

"(1) The Secretary of the Treasury shall include in the certification and report required by paragraphs (a)(1), (a)(2), (b)(1), and (b)(2) of this section prior to activation an additional certification and report that—

"(A) the one-year forward commitment capacity of the IMF (excluding borrowed resources) is expected to fall below 100,000,000,000 Special Drawing Rights during the period of the NAB activation; and

"(B) activation of the NAB is in the United States strategic economic interest with the reasons and analysis for that determination.

"(2) Prior to submitting any certification and report required by paragraphs (a)(1), (a)(2), (b)(1), and (b)(2) of this section, the Secretary of the Treasury shall consult with the appropriate congressional committees."; and

(4) by adding at the end the following:

"(f) In this section, the term 'appropriate congressional committees' means the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Services of the House of Representatives.".

ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT; QUOTA INCREASE

SEC. 9002. The Bretton Woods Agreements Act (22 U.S.C. 286 et seq.) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"SEC. 71. ACCEPTANCE OF AMENDMENTS TO THE ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT OF THE FUND.

"The United States Governor of the Fund may accept the amendments to the Articles of Agreement of the Fund as proposed in resolution 66–2 of the Board of Governors of the Fund.

"SEC. 72. QUOTA INCREASE.

"(a) IN GENERAL.—The United States Governor of the Fund may consent to an increase in the quota of the United States in the Fund equivalent to 40,871,800,000 Special Drawing Rights.

"(b) SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATIONS.—The authority provided by subsection (a) shall be effective only to such extent or in such amounts as are provided in advance in appropriations Acts.".

REPORT ON METHODOLOGY USED FOR CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATES

SEC. 9003. (a) REPORT.—Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Director of the Congressional Budget Office shall submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees on the methodology used and rationale for incorporating market risk in cost estimates for the International Monetary Fund: *Provided*, That for the purposes of this subsection, the term "appropriate congressional committees" means—

(1) the Committees on Appropriations, Budget, Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, and Foreign Relations of the Senate; and

(2) the Committees on Appropriations, Budget, and Financial Services of the House of Representatives.

(b) REQUIREMENTS.—The report submitted pursuant to subsection (a) shall include matters relevant to the evaluation of the budgetary effects of the participation of the United States in the International Monetary Fund, including the risks associated with—

(1) the current participation of the United States in the International Monetary Fund, including the market risk of the Fund;

(2) countries borrowing from the Fund;

(3) the various loan instruments and assistance activities of the Fund; and

(4) past participation of the United States in the International Monetary Fund, including the historical net cost to the government of previous quota increases.

(c) REVIEW.—Following the submission of the report required by subsection (a), the Committees on Appropriations and Budget of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Budget of the House of Representatives shall review the Congressional Budget Office's market risk scoring methodology and consider options for modifying the budgetary treatment of new appropriations to the International Monetary Fund: *Provided*, That in conducting such review, such committees should consult with other interested par-

ties, including the Office of Management and Budget and the Congressional Budget Office.

REQUIRED CONSULTATIONS WITH CONGRESS IN ADVANCE OF CONSIDERATION OF EXCEPTIONAL ACCESS LENDING

SEC. 9004. (a) IN GENERAL.—The United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund (the Fund) (or any designee of the Executive Director) may not vote for the approval of an exceptional access loan to be provided by the Fund to a country unless, not later than 7 days before voting to approve that loan (subject to subsection (c)), the Secretary of the Treasury submits to the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Services of the House of Representatives—

(1) a report on the exceptional access program under which the loan is to be provided, including a description of the size and tenor of the program; and

(2) a debt sustainability analysis and related documentation justifying the need for the loan.

(b) ELEMENTS.—A debt sustainability analysis under subsection (a)(2) with respect to an exceptional access loan shall include the following:

(1) any assumptions for growth of the gross domestic product of the country that may receive the loan;

(2) an estimate of whether the public debt of that country is sustainable in the medium term, consistent with the exceptional access lending rules of the Fund;

(3) an estimate of the prospects of that country for regaining access to private capital markets; and

(4) an evaluation of the probability of the success of providing the exceptional access loan.

(c) EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES.—The Secretary may submit the report and analysis required by subsection (a) to the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Services of the House of Representatives not later than 2 business days after a decision by the Executive Board of the Fund to approve an exceptional access loan only if the Secretary—

(1) determines and certifies that—

(A) an emergency exists in the country that applied for the loan and that country requires immediate assistance to avoid disrupting orderly financial markets; or

(B) other extraordinary circumstances exist that warrant delaying the submission of the report and analysis; and

(2) submits with the report and analysis a detailed explanation of the emergency or extraordinary circumstances and the reasons for the delay.

(d) FORM OF REPORT AND ANALYSIS.—The report and debt sustainability analysis and related documentation required by subsection (a) may be submitted in classified form.

REPEAL OF SYSTEMIC RISK EXEMPTION TO LIMITATIONS TO ACCESS POLICY OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

SEC. 9005. (a) POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES.—The Secretary of the Treasury shall direct the United States Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund (the Fund) to use the voice and vote of the United States to urge the Executive Board of the Fund to repeal the systemic risk exemption to the debt sustainability criterion of the Fund's exceptional access framework, as set forth in paragraph 3(b) of Decision No. 14064-(08/18) of the Fund (relating to access policy and limits in the credit tranches and under the extended Fund facility and overall access to the Fund's general resources, and exceptional access policy).

(b) REPORT REQUIRED.—The quota increase authorized by the amendments made by section 9002 shall not be disbursed until the Secretary of the Treasury reports to the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Services of the House of Representatives that the United States has taken all necessary steps to secure repeal of the systemic risk exemption to the framework described in subsection (a).

ANNUAL REPORT ON LENDING, SURVEILLANCE, OR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE POLICIES OF THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

SEC. 9006. Not later than one year after the date of the enactment of this Act, and annually thereafter until 2025, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Services of the House of Representatives a written report that includes—

(1) a description of any changes in the policies of the International Monetary Fund (the Fund) with respect to lending, surveillance, or technical assistance;

(2) an analysis of whether those changes, if any, increase or decrease the risk to United States financial commitments to the Fund;

(3) an analysis of any new or ongoing exceptional access loans of the Fund in place during the year preceding the submission of the report; and

(4) a description of any changes to the exceptional access policies of the Fund.

REPORT ON IMPROVING UNITED STATES PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

SEC. 9007. Not later than 180 days after the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury shall submit to the Committees on Appropriations and Foreign Relations of the Senate and the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Services of the House of Representatives a written report on ways to improve the effectiveness, and mitigate the risks, of United States participation in the International Monetary Fund (the Fund) that includes the following:

(1) An analysis of recent changes to the surveillance products and policies of the Fund and whether those products and poli-

cies effectively address the shortcomings of surveillance by the Fund in the periods preceding the global financial crisis that began in 2008 and the European debt crisis that began in 2009.

(2) A discussion of ways to better encourage countries to implement policy recommendations of the Fund, including—

(A) whether the implementation rate of such policy recommendations would increase if the Fund provided regular status reports on whether countries have implemented its policy recommendations; and

(B) whether or not lending by the Fund should be limited to countries that have taken necessary steps to implement such policy recommendations, including an analysis of the potential effectiveness of that limitation.

(3) An analysis of the transparency policy of the Fund, ways that transparency policy can be improved, and whether such improvements would be beneficial.

(4) A detailed analysis of the riskiness of exceptional access loans provided by the Fund, including—

(A) whether the additional interest rate surcharge is working as intended to discourage large and prolonged use of resources of the Fund; and

(B) whether it would be beneficial for the Fund to require collateral when making exceptional access loans, and how requiring collateral would affect the make-up of exceptional access loans and the demand for such loans.

(5) A description of how the classification of loans provided by the Fund would change if Fund quotas were increased under the amendments to the Articles of Agreement of the Fund proposed in resolution 66–2 of the Board of Governors of the Fund, including an assessment of how the quota increase would affect the classification of exceptional access loans outstanding as of the date of the report and whether the quota increase would lead to revisions of the classification of such loans.

(6) A discussion and analysis of lessons learned from the lending arrangements that included the Fund, the European Commission, and the European Central Bank (commonly referred to as the "Troika") during the European debt crisis.

(7) An analysis of the risks or benefits of increasing the transparency of the technical assistance projects of the Fund, including a discussion of—

(A) the advantages and disadvantages of the current technical assistance disclosure policies of the Fund;

(B) how technical assistance from the Fund could be better used to prevent crises from happening in the future; and

(C) whether and how the Fund coordinates technical assistance projects with other organizations, including the United States Department of the Treasury, to avoid duplication of efforts.

This division may be cited as the "Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2016".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division K contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 2029, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.[1]]

DIVISION K—DEPARTMENT OF STATE, FOREIGN OPERATIONS, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

In implementing this agreement, Federal departments, agencies, commissions, and other entities are directed to comply with the directives, reporting requirements, and instructions contained in H. Rept. 114–154 (House report) accompanying H.R. 2772 (House bill) and S. Rept. 114–79 (Senate report) accompanying S. 1725 (Senate bill) as though stated in this explanatory statement, unless specifically directed to the contrary. This explanatory statement, while repeating some House and Senate report language for emphasis or clarification, does not negate such language unless expressly provided herein. In cases in which the House and Senate reports provide contradictory directives or instructions that are not addressed in this explanatory statement, such directives or instructions are negated. In lieu of the tables contained in the House and Senate reports, the tables contained in this explanatory statement shall guide departments, agencies, commissions, and other entities when allocating funds.

The Act modifies section 7019 of the House and Senate bills and requires that amounts designated in the respective tables referenced in this explanatory statement for funds appropriated in titles III through V shall be made available in such designated amounts and shall be the basis of the report required by section 653(a) of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961 (FAA) (the 653(a) report), where applicable. Section 7019 also includes limited authority to deviate from such specified amounts. In addition, the Act modifies section 7015 of the House and Senate bills to clarify reprogramming and notification requirements for funds made available by this Act. Proposed deviations from tables in title I of this explanatory statement are subject to section 7015.

For the purposes of this Act, the term "regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations" shall mean such Committees must be notified not less than 15 days in advance of the initial obligation of funds, and the term "reporting procedures of the Committees on Appropriations" shall mean a report must be provided to such Committees not more than 90 days after the conclusion of fiscal year 2016.

Section 7076(e) of this Act directs the Department of State and the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on December 17, 2015 by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 of Books II and III.

to submit congressional budget justifications (CBJs) concurrent with the date of submission of the President's budget for fiscal year 2017, and the appendices of such CBJs shall be provided not later than 10 calendar days thereafter. Such CBJs shall include justifications for multi-year availability for funds requested under Diplomatic and Consular Programs and Operating Expenses. The Department of State, USAID, and other agencies are directed to include in CBJs the information included in the Introduction of the Senate report under Congressional Budget Request and Justifications on reimbursement agreements, the Economy Act, working capital funds, office closures, and representation expenses, as applicable.

The Department of State, USAID, and other agencies funded by this Act are directed to notify the Committees on Appropriations of:

(1) reprogrammings of funds, as required by sections 7015 and 7019 of this Act, at the most detailed level of the CBJ, this Act, or explanatory statement;

(2) significant departures in funding from the CBJ or the 653(a) report to be submitted 30 days after enactment of this Act; and

(3) commitments requiring significant funding and staffing in future fiscal years.

When submitting notifications for funds made available in title III of this Act pursuant to the requirements of this Act or the FAA, the Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, are directed to indicate when funds will be provided to a trust fund of an international financial institution, as defined in section 7034(r)(3) of this Act. The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator are further directed to follow the guidance contained in the Senate report regarding notifications required for internal reorganizations. In addition, CBJ documents, and operating and spend plans, shall not suffice for purposes of satisfying special notification requirements contained in this Act.

In lieu of the directives to the Government Accountability Office (GAO) contained in the House and Senate reports, this explanatory statement addresses matters on which the House and Senate concur and action by the GAO is requested. The Act includes directives for GAO under Millennium Challenge Corporation and under sections 7039(e), 7043(b)(4), and 7077(c)(3).

The Chairman of the Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG), the Director of the Peace Corps, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC), the President of the Export-Import Bank, and the President and CEO of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation (OPIC) are directed to comply with the records management directives in section 7077(c) of this Act, where appropriate, including the report required by paragraph (2), with the exception of clauses (iii) and (vi) of subparagraph (B).

As in prior fiscal years, additional funding designated as Overseas Contingency Operations/Global War on Terrorism (OCO/GWOT) pursuant to the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 (BBEDCA) is contained in title VIII of this Act. Such funds are intended to address the extraordinary costs of operations and assistance overseas, particularly in the Middle East, South Asia, and Africa; security, stabilization, and peacekeeping

programs; humanitarian activities; and counterterrorism and counterinsurgency efforts.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND RELATED AGENCY

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

The Act provides $8,062,975,000 for Administration of Foreign Affairs, and an additional $3,376,259,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. The Act includes a total of $5,616,847,000 for embassy security, an increase of $1,850,000 above the request, as contained in the table below:

EMBASSY SECURITY

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Worldwide Security Protection	3,395,100
Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance	2,221,747
Total, Embassy Security	5,616,847

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS

The Act provides $5,622,913,000 for Diplomatic and Consular Programs, and an additional $2,561,808,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Within the total provided under this heading in this title, up to $1,428,468,000 is for Worldwide Security Protection (WSP) and may remain available until expended; $4,193,702,000 is for operations, of which $629,055,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017; and $743,000 is for the International Chancery Center. Not later than September 1, 2016, the Secretary of State is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations on projected amounts available for operations beyond fiscal year 2016 by category and bureau. Funds for embassy operations in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq are included in title VIII of this Act.

Funds for activities, bureaus, and offices under this heading in this title are allocated according to the following table:

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Category	Budget Authority
Human Resources	2,181,622
Worldwide Security Protection	*[358,833]*
Overseas Programs	1,561,840
Diplomatic Policy and Support	791,121
Security Programs	1,087,587
Worldwide Security Protection	*[1,069,635]*
Subtotal, Diplomatic and Consular Programs Appropriated Funds	5,622,170
International Chancery Center	743
Total, Diplomatic and Consular Programs	5,622,913

Bureau/Office	
Bureau of Administration:	
Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)	*[29,000]*
Conflict Stabilization Operations	12,000
Overseas Response	*[1,000]*
Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation	5,750
Cultural Antiquities Task Force	1,000
Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor	33,516
Human Rights Vetting	*[7,000]*
Office of International Religious Freedom	*[5,000]*
Special Envoy to Promote Religious Freedom of Religious Minorities in the Near East and South Central Asia	*[1,000]*
Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs:	
Office of Terrorism Financing and Economic Sanctions Policy	*[5,100]*
Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons	12,000
Legal Advisor:	
Document Review Unit	*[2,400]*
Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs	34,588
Office of Oceans and Polar Affairs	*[4,290]*
Office of the Secretary:	
Office of the Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues	*[1,000]*
Office of the Coordinator for Cyber Issues	*[4,025]*
Office of Global Women's Issues	*[5,086]*

The Department of State has an existing contract with a professional services firm to perform a cost-benefit analysis (CBA) of three different locations as options for locating the Foreign Affairs Security Training Center (FASTC). Completion and submission of the ongoing CBA would meet the requirement in paragraph (6)(E)(i).

The notification required by paragraph (6)(E)(ii) under this heading shall include a justification for any decision made by the Department of State to obligate funds for FASTC, including a plan for maintaining training at existing sites until FASTC becomes operational. Such justification shall also contain the reason for the site selected, including how the selected location is expected to improve training capacity and effectiveness commensurate with the estimated cost of constructing, operating, maintaining, and sustaining FASTC at such location, the projected cost of construction, and the timeline for completion. The Secretary of State, in coordination with other Department and agency heads, as appropriate, is directed to pursue options to reduce the impact of any job losses that may result at existing training sites when FASTC becomes operational.

The agreement does not include the funds requested in the fiscal year 2016 CBJ for new non-security positions, unless specifically noted herein.

As the current chair of the Arctic Council, the United States will serve as the host for the 2017 Arctic Ministerial Meeting. The Secretary of State is directed to ensure that such meeting is held as close to the United States Arctic region as possible and shall consult with the Congress on the selection of an appropriate location. The Act continues the authority in section 504 of Public Law 95–426 related to the Arctic region and supports the participation of American indigenous communities in the Arctic Council, as recommended in the Senate report.

The agreement includes $12,000,000 for the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons for support of activities and di-

rectives described in the House and Senate reports, including for additional staff to reduce the country workload of regional analysts and improve the expertise of in-country personnel. Prior to the submission of the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to consult with the appropriate congressional committees on the planned allocation of funds and new positions provided to such office for fiscal year 2016.

The agreement includes sufficient funds for an additional two positions for the Bureau of Intelligence and Research above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level, if authorized in fiscal year 2016.

The Secretary of State is directed to include projected funding levels for public diplomacy in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act.

Section 7034(k)(1) of this Act extends for one year the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative surcharge authority, which is the same extension of authority included in prior years.

Section 7034(k)(7) of this Act continues the Foreign Service overseas pay comparability authority, but, as in prior years, prohibits implementation of the third phase of the authority.

Section 7034(l) of this Act provides limitations on the uses of the Department of State Working Capital Fund. The Secretary of State is directed to continue to include information on the Working Capital Fund in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act and reprogramming notifications for funds made available under this heading.

The agreement designates $12,000,000 for Conflict Stabilization Operations (CSO) under this heading in this title, of which up to $1,000,000 may be for overseas response. Funds above the designated amount may only be made available for CSO if necessary to meet the salary and benefit costs for CSO staff employed on the date of enactment of this Act, subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations. In addition, the Act allows up to $15,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading in title VIII to be made available for CSO for overseas reconstruction and stabilization assistance.

The Act does not include a prohibition on the use of funds appropriated under this heading for the Ambassadors Fund for Cultural Preservation that was included in the House bill. Instead, paragraph (6)(F) continues a limitation on the use of funds for the preservation of religious sites, as included in prior years.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations describing the actions taken by the Department of State to address the findings detailed in the Office of Inspector General's report ISP–1–15–35A.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

The Act provides $66,400,000 for Capital Investment Fund.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides $72,700,000 for Office of Inspector General, of which $10,905,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017, and an additional $66,600,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. The Act waives

the requirement of section 209(a)(1) of the Foreign Service Act of 1980, as included in the Senate bill and in prior years.

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

The Act provides $590,900,000 for Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs, of which not less than $236,000,000 is for the Fulbright Program and $102,000,000 shall be for the Citizen Exchange Program, of which not less than $4,000,000 is for the Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange.

The operating plan for Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs required in section 7076(a) of this Act shall include an update of the "Funds by Program Activity" table under this heading in the fiscal year 2016 CBJ.

The agreement does not include funds for a new Exchanges Rapid Response program.

Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Academic Programs:	
Fulbright Program	236,000
Global Academic Exchanges	58,651
Special Academic Exchanges	14,800
Subtotal, Academic Programs	309,451
Professional and Cultural Exchanges:	
International Visitor Program	89,665
Citizen Exchange Programs	102,000
Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange	*[4,000]*
Special Professional and Cultural Exchanges	5,575
Subtotal, Professional and Cultural Exchanges	197,240
Young Leaders Initiatives	19,000
Program and Performance	5,493
Exchanges Rapid Response	– – –
Exchanges Support	59,716
Total, Educational and Cultural Exchange Programs	590,900

Before issuing a Form DS–2019 (Certificate of Eligibility for Exchange Visitor (J–1) Status) to place student participants in seafood product preparation and packaging positions in the Summer Work Travel program in fiscal year 2016, the Department of State-designated sponsor shall meet specific requirements including verifying that the placement fully complies with part 62 of title 22 of the Code of Federal Regulations. In addition, the sponsor shall confirm that a host employer-employee relations specialist and a sponsor local coordinator are provided; that the host employer will pay the participant's screening and placement fees, as well as required equipment and uniform costs; and that participant work hours will not be less than 32 hours per week.

REPRESENTATION EXPENSES

The Act provides $8,030,000 for Representation Expenses, subject to section 7020 of this Act.

PROTECTION OF FOREIGN MISSIONS AND OFFICIALS

The Act provides $30,036,000 for Protection of Foreign Missions and Officials.

Section 7034(i) of this Act includes authority for the Secretary of State to transfer expired, unobligated balances from funds made available under Diplomatic and Consular Programs to this heading, which is the same as the authority provided in the House and Senate bills and in fiscal year 2015.

EMBASSY SECURITY, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

The Act provides $1,473,896,000 for Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance, of which $688,799,000 is for Worldwide Security Upgrades (WSU) and $785,097,000 is for other construction, operations, and maintenance. An additional $747,851,000 is provided in title VIII under this heading that is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA, of which $735,201,000 is available for WSU.

Subsections (d) and (e) of section 7004 of this Act continue and expand the conditions and consultation, notification, and reporting requirements concerning new embassy construction, similar to language contained in the House and Senate bills.

Section 7004(f) of this Act continues, in modified form, the directives concerning interim and temporary diplomatic facilities abroad. The agreement provides an additional $1,850,000 for such facilities, which when combined with $23,150,000 appropriated under this heading in prior Acts, ensures that $25,000,000 remains available in fiscal year 2016 to address security vulnerabilities at interim and temporary facilities abroad.

EMERGENCIES IN THE DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR SERVICE

The Act provides $7,900,000 for Emergencies in the Diplomatic and Consular Service.

REPATRIATION LOANS PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The Act provides $1,300,000 for Repatriation Loans Program Account.

PAYMENT TO THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE IN TAIWAN

The Act provides $30,000,000 for Payment to the American Institute in Taiwan.

PAYMENT TO THE FOREIGN SERVICE RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY FUND

The Act provides $158,900,000 for Payment to the Foreign Service Retirement and Disability Fund.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Act provides $1,344,458,000 for Contributions to International Organizations, and an additional $101,728,000 in title

VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

The agreement does not include funds for the United Nations (UN) Capital Master Plan (CMP) or any other major capital projects, for which no funds were requested in fiscal year 2016. GAO Report 15–414 identified concerns and recommendations regarding the UN's efforts to ensure that lessons learned from the CMP are used to develop documented guidance for other projects, such as those currently under discussion for Geneva, Switzerland, and that assumptions for estimating office space requirements for UN employees are clearly justified, including by documenting the underlying factors, data, and analysis. The Secretary of State is directed to include information on progress made to address the GAO recommendations in the report required on the CMP described in the House report under this heading. In addition, such report shall include a description of efforts by the Department of State to work with the UN to downsize operations in areas with high costs of living and construction costs.

The agreement does not include funds for an assessed contribution to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), which is prohibited due to the application of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1990 and 1991 (Public Law 101–246) and the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995 (Public Law 103–236).

The Secretary of State is directed to include the source of funds (including each Federal agency and account) and a concise description of the purpose of such funds in the report on United States financial contributions to international organizations required by section 405(b) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act, Fiscal Year 2003. Such report shall be posted on the Department of State Web site in a timely manner.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES

The Act provides $666,574,000 for Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities, and an additional $1,794,088,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. The agreement provides funding for the United States share of UN operations in Somalia under Peacekeeping Operations in title VIII, instead of under this heading as requested.

The Secretary of State is directed to submit the reports required by the Senate report under this heading in the manner described.

INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION, UNITED STATES AND MEXICO

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $45,307,000 for Salaries and Expenses. The agreement includes funding for the Heavy Equipment Replacement Program under this heading, as requested, and as described in the House report. The Commissioner of the International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC) is directed to comply with the directive included in the Senate report under this heading.

CONSTRUCTION

The Act provides $28,400,000 for Construction. The IBWC Commissioner is directed to comply with the directives included in the House report under this heading.

AMERICAN SECTIONS, INTERNATIONAL COMMISSIONS

The Act provides $12,330,000 for American Sections, International Commissions to support the International Boundary Commission, International Joint Commission, and Border Environment Cooperation Commission, at the levels requested.

INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSIONS

The Act provides $36,681,000 for International Fisheries Commissions. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNATIONAL FISHERIES COMMISSIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Commission/Activity	Budget Authority
Great Lakes Fishery Commission	24,627
Lake Champlain Basin	*[3,450]*
Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission	1,750
Pacific Salmon Commission	3,050
International Pacific Halibut Commission	4,150
Other Marine Conservation Organizations	3,104
Total, International Fisheries Commissions	36,681

RELATED AGENCY

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

The Act provides $734,087,000 for International Broadcasting Operations, and an additional $10,700,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Of the funds made available under this heading, up to $31,135,000 may remain available until expended for satellite transmissions and Internet freedom programs, of which not less than $15,000,000 is for Internet freedom and circumvention programs. BBG is directed to include amounts planned for Internet freedom in fiscal year 2016 as part of the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act and to describe the planned activities in the Internet freedom spend plan required by section 7078(c) of this Act.

The Act includes a one-year extension of the personal services contract authority of BBG, as included in prior years.

The agreement includes neither the authority nor the funds requested for the merger of the Office of Cuba Broadcasting and the Latin America Division of Voice of America (VOA) by establishing an independent grantee organization, as a private nonprofit organization, to carry out broadcasting and related programs to the Latin America and Caribbean region.

The agreement provides $9,639,000 to support the expansion of the BBG Countering Russian Media initiative, as follows: $6,544,000 for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty (RFE/RL); $2,905,000 for VOA; and $190,000 for research and affiliate placement. The BBG Chairman is directed to reallocate the projected savings from reduced RFE/RL personnel costs to support the expansion of the Countering Russian Media initiative in fiscal year 2016. The BBG Chairman is directed to include a detailed description of such initiative, which was launched in fiscal year 2015, including the costs for both program and personnel for fiscal year 2015 and the expansion for fiscal year 2016, in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act.

Prior to the submission of the fiscal year 2016 operating plan, BBG is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the program increases and reductions recommended under this heading in the House and Senate reports, including for countering the narrative of the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL). BBG is directed to include in such operating plan detailed information on the proposed increases and reductions to implement in fiscal year 2016, including the timeframe for implementation and the costs or savings for each program in fiscal years 2016 and 2017.

Title VIII of the agreement provides $4,400,000 for VOA and RFE/RL broadcasts to Afghanistan and Pakistan and $6,300,000 for increases to VOA and Middle East Broadcasting Networks (MBN) broadcasts to Iraq and Syria. BBG is directed to include a proposal for the use of such funds in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act.

Funds in this Act under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Federal Entities	Budget Authority
International Broadcasting Bureau	61,200
Countering Russian Media	*[190]*
Voice of America:	213,650
Countering Russian Media	*[2,905]*
Afghanistan/Pakistan—OCO/GWOT	*2,200*
Countering ISIL—OCO/GWOT	*2,600*
Subtotal, VOA Program Level	218,450
Office of Cuba Broadcasting	27,140
Office of Technology, Services and Innovation	181,483
Internet Freedom and Circumvention Activities	*[15,000]*
Subtotal, Federal Entities	483,473
Subtotal, Federal Entities with OCO/GWOT	488,273
Independent Grantee Organizations:	
Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty	106,214
Countering Russian Media	*[6,544]*
Afghanistan/Pakistan—OCO/GWOT	*2,200*
Subtotal, RFE/RL Program Level	108,414
Radio Free Asia	38,500
Middle East Broadcasting Networks	105,900
Countering ISIL—OCO/GWOT	*3,700*
Subtotal, MBN Program Level	109,600
Subtotal, Independent Grantees	250,614

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Federal Entities	Budget Authority
Subtotal, Grantees with OCO/GWOT	256,514
Total, International Broadcasting Operations	734,087
Subtotal, International Broadcasting Operations Program Level with OCO/GWOT	744,787

BROADCASTING CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

The Act provides $4,800,000 for Broadcasting Capital Improvements.

RELATED PROGRAMS

THE ASIA FOUNDATION

The Act provides $17,000,000 for The Asia Foundation.

UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE

The Act provides $35,300,000 for United States Institute of Peace. The United States Institute of Peace is directed to submit the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act.

CENTER FOR MIDDLE EASTERN-WESTERN DIALOGUE TRUST FUND

The Act provides $96,000 from interest and earnings from the Center for Middle Eastern-Western Dialogue Trust Fund.

EISENHOWER EXCHANGE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

The Act provides $400,000 from interest and earnings from the Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship Program Trust Fund.

ISRAELI ARAB SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Act provides $13,000 from interest and earnings from the Israeli Arab Scholarship Endowment Fund.

EAST-WEST CENTER

The Act provides $16,700,000 for East-West Center.

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR DEMOCRACY

The Act provides $170,000,000 for National Endowment for Democracy, of which $117,500,000 shall be allocated in the traditional and customary manner, including for the core institutes, and $52,500,000 shall be for democracy programs. The President of the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) shall follow the reporting directive under this heading in the House report in the manner described.

Funding provided above the fiscal year 2015 enacted level shall be for programs to address medium- and long-term threats to the promotion of democracy abroad and to respond to immediate, unanticipated challenges or opportunities abroad. The President of NED, in consultation with the heads of the core institutes, is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on

the uses of such funds in a timely manner. The core institutes shall be eligible to compete for additional funds for such purposes.

OTHER COMMISSIONS

COMMISSION FOR THE PRESERVATION OF AMERICA'S HERITAGE ABROAD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $676,000 for Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad.

UNITED STATES COMMISSION ON INTERNATIONAL RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $3,500,000 for United States Commission on International Religious Freedom.

COMMISSION ON SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN EUROPE

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $2,579,000 for Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

CONGRESSIONAL-EXECUTIVE COMMISSION ON THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $2,000,000 for Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China.

UNITED STATES-CHINA ECONOMIC AND SECURITY REVIEW COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The Act provides $3,500,000 for United States-China Economic and Security Review Commission.

TITLE II—UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

OPERATING EXPENSES

The Act provides $1,143,614,000 for Operating Expenses, of which $171,542,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017, and an additional $139,262,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

The operating plan required in section 7076(a) of this Act shall be at the level of program, project, or activity presented for USAID Operating Expenses in the fiscal year 2016 CBJ.

Section 7057(f) of this Act continues the authority for USAID to use program funds for the costs of staff implementing programs in

response to significant natural or man-made disasters. Consistent with past practice, the USAID Administrator is directed to use such authority only when necessary to address the consequences of humanitarian emergencies. Such authority shall not be used to fund permanent headquarters staff for management and administrative support.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act and after consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, the USAID Administrator is directed to submit to such Committees a report including the following information for each of the past five fiscal years: (1) the number of U.S. direct hire (USDH) staff in the Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance (OFDA); (2) the number of disasters to which OFDA responded using the authority of section 7057(f) of this Act; and (3) the total amount of funds OFDA managed. Such report shall include a determination and explanation of whether the number of USDH staff in OFDA is adequate and, if a shortage is identified, the number of additional USDH positions needed and options for addressing such shortage, including reallocating existing vacancies to OFDA.

No funds are provided under this heading for the new positions included in the fiscal year 2016 request.

USAID has not complied with the reporting requirement in H. Rept. 113–499 on acquisition and assistance instruments and is directed to transmit such report within 15 days of enactment of this Act.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

The Act provides $168,300,000 for Capital Investment Fund.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides $66,000,000 for Office of Inspector General, of which $9,900,000 may remain available until September 30, 2017.

TITLE III—BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

The Act provides $8,503,450,000 for Global Health Programs. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Maternal and Child Health	750,000
Polio	*[51,500]*
The GAVI Alliance	*[235,000]*
Nutrition (USAID)	125,000
Micronutrients	*[33,000]*
[of which, Vitamin A]	*[22,500]*
Iodine Deficiency Disorder	*[2,500]*
Vulnerable Children (USAID)	22,000
Blind Children	*[2,500]*
HIV/AIDS (USAID)	330,000

GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAMS—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Microbicides	*[45,000]*
HIV/AIDS (Department of State)	5,670,000
The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria	*[1,350,000]*
UNAIDS	*[45,000]*
Family Planning/Reproductive Health (USAID)	523,950
Other Infectious Diseases (USAID)	1,082,500
Pandemic Influenza and Other Emerging Threats	*[72,500]*
Malaria	*[674,000]*
Tuberculosis	*[236,000]*
[of which, Global TB Drug Facility]	*[15,000]*
Neglected Tropical Diseases	*[100,000]*
Total, Global Health Programs	8,503,450

Laos.—The agreement provides $2,750,000 under this heading for programs to address malnutrition among children in Laos.

In making transfers of funds appropriated under this heading to USAID and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), the Office of the United States Global AIDS Coordinator (OGAC) is directed to include sufficient funding for the Inspectors General(IG) for such agencies for the cost of auditing programs implemented by the respective agency. The agreement provides not less than $2,500,000 for the USAID IG and $1,500,000 for the HHS IG for such purposes.

Children in Adversity.—The agreement endorses language in the House and Senate reports with respect to programs for orphans and other vulnerable children affected by HIV/AIDS.

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $2,780,971,000 for Development Assistance. Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Africa:	
Power Africa	76,700
Sierra Leone democracy programs	500
East Asia and the Pacific:	
Cambodia democracy programs	19,750
Vietnam	37,500
Health/disability programs	*[7,000]*
South and Central Asia:	
Bangladesh labor programs	3,000
Global Programs:	
Child marriage	10,000
Global Crop Diversity Trust	15,000
Leahy War Victims Fund	13,500
Reconciliation programs	16,000
Trade capacity building	10,000
Victims of torture	11,750

PROGRAMS

Basic Education.—USAID is directed to continue regular consultations with the Committees on Appropriations on efforts to manage basic education programming and reduce unexpended balances, including through the reprogramming of funds between countries. USAID is directed to ensure that programs supported with funds appropriated for basic education in this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs are integrated, as appropriate, with health, agriculture, governance, and economic and social development activities to address the broader needs of target populations. The USAID Administrator is directed to work to achieve quality universal basic education by: (1) assisting foreign governments, nongovernmental, and multilateral organizations working in developing countries to provide children with a quality basic education, including through strengthening host country educational systems; and (2) promoting basic education as the foundation for comprehensive community development programs.

Feed the Future.—The Secretary of State is directed to include funding levels for the Feed the Future Innovation Labs in the fiscal year 2017 CBJ.

Higher Education.—Funds made available for new partnerships between higher education institutions in the United States and developing countries shall be for institutional capacity building and awarded on an open and competitive basis.

Latrines.—The agreement provides $14,000,000 for latrines in Africa and Asia, and such funds are directed to be prioritized for programs that provide women and girls access to safe, public latrines. Not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act and after consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, the USAID Administrator is directed to submit a report to such Committees on the use of funds made available in the Department of State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2015, (division J of Public Law 113–235) for such purposes, as well as the intended use of such funds in fiscal year 2016.

Wheelchairs.—The USAID Administrator is directed to support wheelchair programs at not less than the fiscal year 2015 level and in the manner described in the Senate report under this heading.

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $874,763,000 for International Disaster Assistance, and an additional $1,919,421,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

TRANSITION INITIATIVES

The Act provides $30,000,000 for Transition Initiatives, and an additional $37,000,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

COMPLEX CRISES FUND

The Act provides $10,000,000 for Complex Crises Fund, and an additional $20,000,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Consistent with previous practice, the USAID Administrator shall have responsibility for the use of funds appropriated under this heading in this title, in consultation with the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of State shall have the responsibility for the use of funds appropriated under this heading in title VIII.

DEVELOPMENT CREDIT AUTHORITY

The Act includes a $40,000,000 limitation on funds that may be transferred from other programs in this title to Development Credit Authority. In addition, $8,120,000 is provided for administrative expenses, which may be transferred to, and merged with, Operating Expenses, and a limitation of $1,500,000,000 is included on total loan principal.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

The Act provides $1,896,315,000 for Economic Support Fund, and an additional $2,422,673,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds requested for countries in Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia under this heading are included under Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia, which is reestablished in this Act. Funds in this Act under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Africa:	
Anti-slavery programs in Africa	1,500
Counter-Lord's Resistance Army	10,000
Democratic Republic of the Congo	70,568
East Asia and the Pacific:	
Cambodia	2,000
People's Republic of China (democracy, rule of law, and environment)	15,000
Tibet	8,000
Tibetan exile communities	6,000
Vietnam	30,000
Near East:	
Lebanon	110,000
Lebanon scholarships	*[12,000]*
Middle East Partnership Initiative	70,000
Scholarships	*[12,000]*
Middle East Regional Cooperation Program	5,000
Near East Regional Democracy	32,000
Reconciliation programs	10,000
Syria	100,000
South and Central Asia:	
Civilian victims of war, Afghanistan	10,000
Civilian victims of war, Pakistan	7,500
Nepal	43,038
Sri Lanka	40,000
Western Hemisphere:	
Caribbean Basin Security Initiative	25,000
Caribbean Energy Security Initiative	2,000
Colombia	133,000
Transfer to Migration and Refugee Assistance	*[7,000]*
Afro-Colombian and indigenous communities	*[15,000]*
Human rights	*[6,500]*
Biodiversity	*[3,500]*
Cuba	20,000
Mexico	39,000

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Venezuela	6,500
Global Programs:	
Disability programs	7,500
House Democracy Partnership	1,900
Polio	7,500
Protection of religious minorities	10,000
Trade capacity building	10,000

Cuba.—In lieu of the directives in the House and Senate bills and reports, the agreement includes funds for democracy programs in Cuba.

Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).—The Government of the DRC is strongly encouraged to resume issuing exit permits for children legally adopted by foreign parents, to expeditiously implement new laws and regulations, as appropriate, in order to resume international adoptions, and to grandfather all adoption cases currently affected by the exit permit freeze into any new adoption laws or regulations it promulgates. It is in the interest of United States and DRC bilateral relations that these stalled adoption cases be resolved expeditiously.

DEMOCRACY FUND

The Act provides $150,500,000 for Democracy Fund, of which $88,500,000 is for the Department of State Human Rights and Democracy Fund and $62,000,000 is for the USAID Center of Excellence for Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance.

Section 7033(b)(1) of this Act provides not less than $10,000,000 for international religious freedom programs under this heading.

ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPE, EURASIA AND CENTRAL ASIA

The Act provides $491,119,000 for Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia, and an additional $438,569,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

The Act reestablishes the Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia account, as included in the Senate bill.

Funds requested for countries in Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia under Economic Support Fund are included in this account, and funds for such countries requested and provided under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement shall be transferred to, and merged with, funds made available under this heading and shall be used for the same purposes as funds provided under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement. Assistance requested for such countries under Global Health Programs is not included in this account, but shall be administered by the Coordinator for United States Assistance to Europe and Eurasia, consistent with prior years.

The agreement provides $15,000,000 above the request (under Economic Support Fund) for Central Asia Regional programs to support partnership and cooperation in the new format agreed to among the five countries of Central Asia and the United States.

Such funds are provided in addition to amounts appropriated for bilateral and regional programs for Central Asia and shall be made available only following consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $931,886,000 for Migration and Refugee Assistance, and an additional $2,127,114,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

UNITED STATES EMERGENCY REFUGEE AND MIGRATION ASSISTANCE FUND

The Act provides $50,000,000 for United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund.

INDEPENDENT AGENCIES

PEACE CORPS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The Act provides $410,000,000 for Peace Corps.

MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION

The Act provides $901,000,000 for Millennium Challenge Corporation, including up to $105,000,000 for administrative expenses.

In lieu of the report required under this heading in the Senate report, the Secretary of State, the USAID Administrator, and the MCC CEO are directed to jointly assess and submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations for each compact MCC intends to sign during fiscal year 2016, on the extent to which each such compact is aligned with United States interests and other assistance programs, as well as the ability of the host country government to sustain MCC's investment. Such assessment and report shall be provided to the Committees on Appropriations not later than 15 days prior to the signing of any such compact.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the MCC CEO shall further report to such Committees on progress made to strengthen the application of the Control of Corruption indicator.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, GAO is directed to submit the review required under this heading. GAO shall include the following in such review: (1) existing legal authorities to use prior year, unobligated funds for a compact for a country that becomes ineligible during the current fiscal year for MCC assistance due to graduation from lower-middle income status to upper-middle income status; (2) recommended changes, if any, to existing legal authorities to clarify MCC eligibility requirements and the use of funds appropriated by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs; and (3) recommendations, if any, for modifying the availability of funds provided under this heading.

INTER-AMERICAN FOUNDATION

The Act provides $22,500,000 for Inter-American Foundation.

UNITED STATES AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION

The Act provides $30,000,000 for United States African Development Foundation.

Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act and every six months until September 30, 2017, the President of the United States African Development Foundation is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations on all bank accounts held outside of the United States, the balance of funds in such accounts, and the interest earned on such accounts during the previous six months.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Act provides $23,500,000 for International Affairs Technical Assistance.

TITLE IV—INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Act provides $894,821,000 for International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement, and an additional $371,650,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. The Act provides not less than $54,975,000 to be transferred to, and merged with, Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia for the same purposes as funds provided under this heading.

Funds in this Act under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Caribbean Basin Regional Security Initiative	25,221
Colombia	135,195
Office of the Attorney General, Human Rights Unit	*[10,000]*
Demand Reduction	12,500
International Law Enforcement Academies	27,000
Mexico	100,000
Morocco	3,000
Philippines	9,000
Combat Online Exploitation of Children	*[3,000]*
Western Hemisphere Regional Security Cooperation	10,000
Wildlife Poaching and Trafficking	40,000

Funds made available under this heading for programs in Africa should address the fundamental capability gaps that exist throughout law enforcement and criminal justice systems on the continent, including to improve the transparency, accountability, and capacity of such systems. Not later than 120 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a report to the

Committees on Appropriations on the intended level of funding and proposed uses of such funds for such purposes, including how such funds will be used to improve capabilities to address wildlife trafficking, counternarcotics, border security, and other transnational crime. The Secretary should also continue to consider the utility of establishing an aviation program in Africa.

The agreement includes funding to support border security along Mexico's southern border with Guatemala and Belize.

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI-TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

The Act provides $506,381,000 for Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs, and an additional $379,091,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds in this Act under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI-TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Nonproliferation Programs	292,150
Nonproliferation and Disarmament Fund	*[30,000]*
Export Control and Related Border Security	*[65,000]*
Global Threat Reduction	*[70,000]*
Anti-terrorism Programs	408,322
Anti-terrorism Assistance	*[186,138]*
Terrorist Interdiction Program	*[26,184]*
Counterterrorism Financing	*[15,000]*
Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund	*[175,000]*
Conventional Weapons Destruction	185,000
Humanitarian Demining	*[145,000]*
of which, Laos	*[19,500]*
of which, Vietnam	*[10,500]*
Total, Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	885,472
of which, OCO	*[379,091]*

The agreement supports counterterrorism law enforcement training for critical partner countries, including crisis response, explosives incident management, aviation security, and document verification and screening.

The agreement includes $175,000,000 for the Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund, which is subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations and section 7076(b) of this Act. Funds are intended for programs to prevent and counter terrorist safe havens, stem the flow of foreign fighters joining terrorist groups such as ISIL, and counter terrorist groups sponsored by the Government of Iran. Funds may also be used to counter violent extremism. The Act provides further guidance on these matters in section 7073.

The agreement provides not less than the fiscal year 2015 level to continue support for a strategy for unexploded ordnance clearance in Southeast Asia and the Pacific Islands.

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

The Act provides $131,361,000 for Peacekeeping Operations, and an additional $469,269,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds in this Act under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Africa	410,680
Central African Republic	*[10,000]*
Democratic Republic of the Congo	*[14,000]*
Liberia	*[7,000]*
Somalia	*[273,380]*
South Sudan	*[30,000]*
Africa Regional	*[76,300]*
of which, African Peacekeeping Rapid Response Partnership	*[55,000]*
of which, Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism	*[10,000]*
of which, Africa Conflict Stabilization and Border Security	*[6,300]*
of which, Africa Military Education Program	*[3,000]*
of which, Africa Maritime Security Initiative	*[2,000]*
Near East	100,000
Syria	*[65,000]*
Multinational Force and Observers	*[35,000]*
Political-Military Affairs	89,950
Security Governance Initiative	*[16,850]*
Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership	*[19,100]*
Global Peacekeeping Operations Initiative	*[54,000]*
Total, Peacekeeping Operations	600,630
of which, OCO	*[469,269]*

In lieu of the additional notification requirements under the Introduction of the Senate report, congressional notifications submitted for funds made available under Peacekeeping Operations shall include, for each program notified, a description of the type of equipment, training, or other assistance to be provided, and the total amount obligated for each such program in fiscal years 2015 and 2016 at the time of submission of such notification, on a country-by-country basis to the extent practicable.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL MILITARY EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The Act provides $108,115,000 for International Military Education and Training.

In lieu of the reporting requirements included in the House and Senate reports under this heading, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on changes made in the current fiscal year to enhance International Military Education and Training (IMET) and Expanded IMET effectiveness and recommendations for the following fiscal year. Such report shall be submitted concurrently with the report required by section 7034(b)(7) of this Act.

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

The Act provides $4,737,522,000 for Foreign Military Financing Program, and an additional $1,288,176,000 in title VIII under this heading is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds in this Act under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Colombia	27,000
Europe and Eurasia Regional	50,000
Egypt	1,300,000
Georgia	30,000
Israel	3,100,000
Jordan	450,000
Mexico	7,000
Moldova	12,750
Morocco	10,000
Nepal	18,000
Philippines	50,000
Poland	9,000
State Western Hemisphere Regional	20,500
Caribbean Basin Security Initiative	*[7,500]*
Central America	*[13,000]*

Not later than September 30, 2016, GAO is directed to submit the report required by the House report under this heading in the manner described. The report should also include a review of the resources committed by the Departments of State and Defense to manage and implement the Foreign Military Financing and Foreign Military Sales programs, including staffing, and the impact of such resources on the implementation timelines of such programs.

The agreement supports assistance to enhance the search and rescue capabilities of the Government of Nepal to respond to natural disasters, subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations.

The agreement provides $50,000,000 to support partners and allies in Europe and Eurasia to counter Russian territorial aggression and influence and provides the authority in section 8003 of this Act to transfer up to $15,000,000 of such funds to the Global Security Contingency Fund for countries in the region, including Ukraine.

TITLE V—MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

The Act provides $339,000,000 for International Organizations and Programs.

The agreement does not include funds for a voluntary contribution to UNESCO, which is prohibited due to the application of Public Law 101–246 and Public Law 103–236.

Funds under this heading are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Programs	Budget Authority
International Civil Aviation Organization	800
International Conservation Programs	7,750
International Development Law Organization	550
International Maritime Organization	350
Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change/UN Framework Convention on Climate Change	10,000
International Chemicals and Toxins Programs	3,300
Monitoring and Evaluation	500
Montreal Protocol Multilateral Fund	25,500
Organization of American States Development Assistance Programs	2,300
Organization of American States Fund for Strengthening Democracy	4,100
Inter-American Commission on Human Rights	*[2,000]*
Regional Cooperation Agreement on Combating Piracy and Armed Robbery Against Ships in Asia	50
UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs	2,700
UN Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the Field of Human Rights	1,100
UN Women	7,700
UN Human Settlements Program	700
UN Capital Development Fund	750
UN Democracy Fund	4,000
UN Development Program	80,000
UN Environment Program	7,000
UN Population Fund	32,500
UN Children's Fund	132,500
UN High Commissioner for Human Rights	6,500
UN Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture	6,550
World Meteorological Organization	1,200
World Trade Organization Technical Assistance	600
Total, International Organizations and Programs	339,000

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT FACILITY

The Act provides $168,263,000 for Global Environment Facility.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Act provides $1,197,128,000 for Contribution to the International Development Association.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL BANK FOR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Act provides $186,957,000 for Contribution to the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Act provides $2,928,990,899 for Limitation on Callable Capital Subscriptions.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE CLEAN TECHNOLOGY FUND

The Act provides $170,680,000 for Contribution to the Clean Technology Fund.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE STRATEGIC CLIMATE FUND

The Act provides $49,900,000 for Contribution to the Strategic Climate Fund. An additional $9,720,000 is made available by transfer pursuant to section 7060(c) of this Act.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTER-AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Act provides $102,020,448 for Contribution to the Inter-American Development Bank.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Act provides $4,098,794,833 for Limitation on Callable Capital Subscriptions.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Act provides $5,608,435 for Contribution to the Asian Development Bank.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Act provides $104,977,000 for Contribution to the Asian Development Fund.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Act provides $34,118,027 for Contribution to the African Development Bank.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Act provides $507,860,808 for Limitation on Callable Capital Subscriptions.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

The Act provides $175,668,000 for Contribution to the African Development Fund.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE INTERNATIONAL FUND FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

The Act provides $31,930,000 for Contribution to the International Fund for Agricultural Development.

GLOBAL AGRICULTURE AND FOOD SECURITY PROGRAM

The Act provides $43,000,000 for Global Agriculture and Food Security Program.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE NORTH AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

The Act provides $10,000,000 for Contribution to the North American Development Bank. The Act does not include the authority contained in section 7082 of the Senate bill.

LIMITATION ON CALLABLE CAPITAL SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Act provides $255,000,000 for Limitation on Callable Capital Subscriptions.

TITLE VI—EXPORT AND INVESTMENT ASSISTANCE

EXPORT-IMPORT BANK OF THE UNITED STATES

INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides $6,000,000 for Inspector General for the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The Act provides $106,250,000 for Administrative Expenses for the Export-Import Bank of the United States.

OVERSEAS PRIVATE INVESTMENT CORPORATION

NONCREDIT ACCOUNT

The Act provides $62,787,000 for Noncredit Account of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The Act provides $20,000,000 for Program Account of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation.

TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

The Act provides $60,000,000 for Trade and Development Agency.

TITLE VII—GENERAL PROVISIONS

The following general provisions are continued in this Act substantively unchanged from the fiscal year 2015 Act (division J of Public Law 113–235):

Sec. 7001. Allowances and Differentials
Sec. 7002. Unobligated Balances Report
Sec. 7003. Consulting Services
Sec. 7005. Personnel Actions
Sec. 7007. Prohibition Against Direct Funding for Certain Countries
Sec. 7008. Coups d'État
Sec. 7010. Prohibition on First-Class Travel
Sec. 7011. Availability of Funds
Sec. 7012. Limitation on Assistance to Countries in Default
Sec. 7013. Prohibition on Taxation of United States Assistance
Sec. 7014. Reservations of Funds
Sec. 7016. Notification on Excess Defense Equipment
Sec. 7017. Limitation on Availability of Funds for International Organizations and Programs
Sec. 7018. Prohibition on Funding for Abortions and Involuntary Sterilization
Sec. 7020. Representation and Entertainment Expenses
Sec. 7021. Prohibition on Assistance to Governments Supporting International Terrorism
Sec. 7022. Authorization Requirements
Sec. 7023. Definition of Program, Project, and Activity

Sec. 7024. Authorities for the Peace Corps, Inter-American Foundation and United States African Development Foundation
Sec. 7025. Commerce, Trade and Surplus Commodities
Sec. 7026. Separate Accounts
Sec. 7027. Eligibility for Assistance
Sec. 7030. Debt-for-Development
Sec. 7035. Arab League Boycott of Israel
Sec. 7036. Palestinian Statehood
Sec. 7037. Restrictions Concerning the Palestinian Authority
Sec. 7038. Prohibition on Assistance to the Palestinian Broadcasting Corporation
Sec. 7039. Assistance for the West Bank and Gaza
Sec. 7040. Limitation on Assistance for the Palestinian Authority
Sec. 7046. Prohibition of Payments to United Nations Members
Sec. 7047. War Crimes Tribunals
Sec. 7049. Community-Based Police Assistance
Sec. 7050. Prohibition on Promotion of Tobacco
Sec. 7051. International Conferences
Sec. 7052. Aircraft Transfer and Coordination
Sec. 7053. Parking Fines and Real Property Taxes Owed by Foreign Governments
Sec. 7054 Landmines and Cluster Munitions
Sec. 7055. Prohibition on Publicity or Propaganda
Sec. 7059. Gender Equality
Sec. 7061. Overseas Private Investment Corporation
Sec. 7062. Arms Trade Treaty
Sec. 7064. Reporting Requirements Concerning Individuals Detained at Naval Station Guantanamo Bay, Cuba
Sec. 7065. Multi-year Pledges
Sec. 7066. Prohibition on Use of Torture
Sec. 7067. Extradition
Sec. 7068. Commercial Leasing of Defense Articles
Sec. 7074. Enterprise Funds
Sec. 7075. Use of Funds in Contravention of this Act
Sec. 7079. Disability Programs
Sec. 7080. Impact on Jobs in the United States

The Act includes a provision to allow support by the Export-Import Bank of the United States and OPIC for coal-fired and other power generation projects in International Development Association (IDA) and IDA-blend eligible countries. This provision is expected to increase affordable electricity, especially to those without current access to electricity, as well as to support increased exports from the United States and prevent the loss of United States jobs.

The following general provisions are new or substantively modified from the fiscal year 2015 Act (division J of Public Law 113–235):

Sec. 7004. Diplomatic Facilities (Modified)

The Act does not include the limitation and reporting requirement regarding the relocation project for the United States Embassy to the Holy See that was included in the House bill. The project met the conditions in prior Acts and was completed at the end of fiscal year 2015. Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to submit to the Com-

mittees on Appropriations a final report on the project, including the cost, security improvements, and current staffing levels.

Sec. 7006. Local Guard Contracts (Modified)

The Act modifies the expanded one-year authority in the Senate bill to require notification of the appropriate congressional committees each time the Secretary of State exercises the authority for a United States diplomatic facility not deemed high threat and high risk. The notification required by this section shall include a justification for covered awards, an explanation of why the use of Lowest Price Technically Acceptable (LPTA) basis award is not appropriate, and an estimated cost comparison between awarding such contract on a best value basis as determined by a cost-technical tradeoff analysis instead of on the basis of LPTA.

Sec. 7009. Transfer Authority (Modified)

Sec. 7015. Notification Requirements (Modified)

The Act modifies subsection (a) to require notification when specified changes occur in programs, projects, and activities. Paragraph (4) applies to domestic and overseas bureaus, centers, and offices, and paragraph (5) is not intended to require a notification for duties performed by personal services contractors. The term "previously notified" includes changes that have been specifically noted in a CBJ.

Subsection (b) is modified to require notification of any reprogramming of funds that results from changes specified in this subsection.

Subsection (c) is modified by deleting the reference to Conflict Stabilization Operations, which is subject to the notification requirements in subsection (a) and (b), and by including Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia.

Sec. 7019. Allocations (Modified)

The agreement modifies language in section 7019 of the House and Senate bills. Amounts specifically designated in tables in this explanatory statement for funds appropriated in titles III through V that are applicable to the 653(a) report shall be included in such report. The revised section 7019 also provides that funds appropriated in the Act under titles III through V shall be made available to meet specifically designated amounts in such tables and may only be deviated from by 5 percent. Deviations from specifically designated amounts in excess of 5 percent are only authorized for specific circumstances enumerated in the Act and are subject to prior consultation and notification.

For specifically designated amounts in tables that are also included in the 653(a) report, any deviation from such specifically designated amounts are not authorized until submission of such report. For example, a specifically designated amount of $4,500,000 in the Economic Support Fund table in this explanatory statement for assistance for a country must be contained in the 653(a) report. However, after submission of such report, a deviation of up to 5 percent from $4,500,000 is authorized. A deviation in excess of 5 percent may only take place to respond to specific circumstances enumerated in the Act and is subject to prior consultation and notification. For a specifically designated amount, such as $7,000,000 for a program in the Development Assistance table, which would not be reflected in the 653(a) report, deviations authorized by sub-

section (b) may take place prior to submission of such report. Nothing in the revised section 7019 may be construed to authorize a deviation from a designated funding level in the Act containing a "shall".

Sec. 7028. Local Competition (Modified)

Sec. 7029. International Financial Institutions (Modified)

Sec. 7031. Financial Management and Budget Transparency (Modified)

Subsection (d) does not include the reference contained in the Senate bill to section 1504 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (Public Law 111–203; 124 Stat. 2220) because the Securities and Exchange Commission has not yet published final regulations under such law.

Sec. 7032. Democracy Programs (Modified)

The Act provides $2,308,517,000 for democracy programs, of which $312,963,000 is directed for Africa. The Act modifies language proposed in the Senate bill regarding appropriate mechanisms for democracy promotion.

To clarify and standardize the use of such mechanisms, subsection (f)(1) requires the development of guidelines for the use of contracts versus grants and cooperative agreements for the unique objectives of democracy programs. The Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator are directed to consider funds appropriated for democracy programs under the following headings: Development Assistance; Transition Initiatives; Complex Crises Fund; Economic Support Fund; Democracy Fund; Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia; and International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement. This subsection excludes NED and its core institutes.

The development of such guidelines is intended to assist democracy officers worldwide with designing programs that properly reflect the objectives of democracy programs and the purposes to be achieved, as well as assist contracting and agreement officers in selecting the most appropriate mechanism for democracy programs, consistent with sections 6303 through 6305 of title 31, United States Code. In preparing such guidelines, the Department of State and USAID should consider the roles and responsibilities of each agency in promoting democracy abroad, in accordance with the explanatory statement accompanying division J of Public Law 113–235.

Subsection (f)(2) requires USAID to continue to implement programs that recognize the unique benefits of using grants and cooperative agreements in the civil society and political competition and consensus building sectors, which include the following subsectors: civic participation; media freedom and information; political parties; consensus building processes; and election and political processes.

The Secretary of State is directed to submit the report required by subsection (g)(2) of the Senate bill (regarding training) in the manner described.

Not less than 30 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to submit the report required under the explanatory statement accompanying division J of Public Law 113–235, regarding the coordination of democracy programs.

The agreement endorses the directive in the Senate report that NED, Department of State, and USAID regularly consult with one another regarding their democracy and human rights activities.

Sec. 7033. International Religious Freedom (New)

The agreement endorses language in the Senate report regarding programs to combat anti-Semitism abroad.

Sec. 7034. Special Provisions (Modified)

The Secretary of State is directed to include the appropriate congressional committees in the consultation requirement incorporated by reference in subsection (b)(3).

Subsection (b)(4) includes funding directives for forensic assistance. Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the use of such funds.

For the purposes of the report required by subsection (b)(7), the Secretary of State is directed to include the specific countries and military services that received assistance and the amounts and purposes of such assistance.

Subsection (d)(6) includes new, limited authority for the provision of innovation incentive awards, similar to that proposed in the Senate bill. The USAID Administrator is directed to report to the Committees on Appropriations every six months on the use of such authority.

In carrying out the PVS pilot program required by subsection (e), the Department of State and USAID are directed to include a direct vetting option that does not require prime awardees to collect, verify, or submit sub-awardee data. The Department of State and USAID should ensure that all individuals vetted through such pilot are able to obtain information on how data is used by the United States Government. The report following the completion of the PVS pilot program shall include recommendations for standardizing and streamlining vetting processes; consideration of exemptions for humanitarian and democracy assistance; analysis of privacy and data protection concerns; a description of consultations with governmental and nongovernmental stakeholders affected by the pilot program; and responses to concerns raised during such consultations. Prior to the completion of the evaluation and consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, USAID and the Department of State are directed to refrain from implementing similar vetting systems in countries outside the designated PVS pilot program unless required to respond to existing security threats. The Committees on Appropriations shall be consulted prior to beginning new vetting programs or implementing changes to the existing vetting programs.

Subsection (q) provides $45,000,000 for the Small Grants Program and makes certain modifications to such program, including providing authority for additional administrative and oversight costs that may include increases in the number of Locally Employed Staff. The USAID Administrator is directed to continue the consultation and reporting requirements for the Small Grants Program in section 7080 of division J of Public Law 113–235 for fiscal year 2016.

Subsection (r) does not include the definition proposed in the Senate bill for the term "best practices'" for the protection of whis-

tleblowers. For purposes of sections 7029, 7048, and 7058 of this Act, such term shall mean practices that are implemented consistent with terms specified in international conventions or adopted by international organizations such as the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development and the Organization of American States.

Sec. 7041. Middle East and North Africa (Modified)

Egypt.—Not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, is directed to submit to the appropriate congressional committees a report on the hepatitis C pilot program initiated in fiscal year 2015, including the goals and benchmarks established in consultation with the Government of Egypt, the anticipated number of recipients, efforts to coordinate such program with other United States Government agencies, and the annual expenditure of the Government of Egypt on programs to combat hepatitis C.

The Secretary of State is directed to support programs funded under Economic Support Fund that promote policy reforms that create an enabling environment for economic growth.

Funds in the Act for assistance for Egypt are allocated according to the following table:

EGYPT

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	150,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	2,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	2,500
International Military Education and Training	1,800
Foreign Military Financing Program	1,300,000
Total	1,456,300

Iran.—The submission of the reports required by subsection (b)(3) shall satisfy the reporting directives on Iran in the Senate report.

For the purposes of the report required by subsection (b)(3)(B), the term "international community" shall mean the United Nations, China, France, Germany, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, and the European Union.

Iraq.—USAID and the Department of State are directed to support programs in Iraq that address sectarianism, assist vulnerable populations, and strengthen governance, including by promoting civil society. Programs should advance peace and reconciliation goals and build a strong foundation for the long-term stability of Iraq.

Funds in the Act for assistance for Iraq are allocated according to the following table:

IRAQ

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	72,500
Marla Ruzicka Iraqi War Victims Fund	*[7,500]*

IRAQ—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	11,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	20,860
International Military Education and Training	1,000
Foreign Military Financing Program	250,000
Total	355,360

Funds are provided for the continuation of the Marla Ruzicka Iraqi War Victims Fund, subject to prior consultation with the Committees on Appropriations, to assist Iraqi civilians who have suffered losses due to military operations, terrorism, or other sectarian violence. Prior to any decision to reassign management and oversight responsibility for such fund from USAID to DRL, the Department of State and USAID are directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations.

Jordan.—Funds in this Act for assistance for Jordan are allocated according to the following table:

JORDAN

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	812,350
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	8,850
International Military Education and Training	3,800
Foreign Military Financing Program	450,000
Total	1,275,000

The agreement includes $100,000,000 for water sector support for Jordan, which is intended to support the Red Sea-Dead Sea water project, pending completion of relevant studies and assessments.

Lebanon.—The agreement supports scholarships awarded on a competitive basis for students in Lebanon with high financial need at not-for-profit institutions in Lebanon that meet standards comparable to those required for United States accreditation, as recommended in the House and Senate reports. Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the USAID Administrator is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the criteria for participation in scholarship programs for institutions in the Middle East, including to address the needs of individuals displaced by conflict.

Libya.—Funds in this Act for assistance for Libya are allocated according to the following table:

LIBYA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	10,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	2,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	6,500

LIBYA—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
International Military Education and Training	1,500
Total	20,000

In submitting the certification required by subsection (f)(3), the Secretary of State is directed to include a description of how regular oversight will be provided by the Department of State and USAID.

Syria.—The Act includes language in subsection (h)(2), similar to that proposed in the Senate bill, regarding assistance to build the capacity of Syrian civil society organizations to address the immediate and long-term needs of people inside Syria in a manner that supports the sustainability of such organizations and the goals and objectives of the strategy required in section 7041(i)(3) of the Department of State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 2014 (division K of Public Law 113–76). The provision is intended to empower such organizations by establishing a more direct relationship with the Department of State and USAID.

In addition to the directives in the House and Senate reports, assistance to vulnerable populations within Syria and those fleeing the Syrian conflict should include medical, rehabilitation, and vocational assistance for those who have suffered physical disabilities as a result of the ongoing conflict.

The agreement endorses language contained in the House report under Foreign Military Financing Program regarding expediting Foreign Military Financing and Foreign Military Sales cases and related licenses to partners in the coalition in the fight against ISIL and, not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of Defense, is directed to submit to the Committees on Appropriations a report on the feasibility and actions required to furnish armed and unarmed unmanned aerial systems and associated technologies to such partners. The report should include a summary of actions taken to approve such systems since the initiation of military operations against ISIL, and efforts to expedite the approval of such systems, consistent with United States law and policy.

Tunisia.—Funds in this Act for assistance for Tunisia are allocated according to the following table:

TUNISIA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund	60,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	12,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs	2,600
International Military Education and Training	2,300
Foreign Military Financing Program	65,000
Total	141,900

West Bank and Gaza.—The report required in subsection (j)(3) shall also include a description of steps taken by the Department of State to discourage such payments.

Sec. 7042. Africa (Modified)

South Sudan.—The Secretary of State is directed to ensure that funds made available in this Act for South Sudan will support adherence to, and implementation of, the peace agreement reached in South Sudan in August 2015.

Sec. 7043. East Asia and the Pacific (Modified)

The Act includes language regarding assistance for East Asia and the Pacific in a manner similar to that proposed by the House and Senate.

Burma.—Assistance for Burma shall be prioritized to underserved and rural areas, and support basic education, civic education, and livelihoods programs. In addition, funds should be made available to counter narcotics abuse among youth throughout the country. The Secretary of State is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on additional requirements should a peaceful transfer of power occur in Burma following the election held on November 8, 2015.

The Act prohibits funding to any organization or individual in Burma that the Secretary of State determines and reports to the appropriate congressional committees advocates violence against ethnic or religious groups. When considering such determination, the Secretary should review the actions of Ashin Wirathu.

Hong Kong.—The Secretary of State is directed to submit the report required by subsection (e)(6) of the Senate bill in the manner described.

People's Republic of China.—The agreement provides $15,000,000 to continue democracy and environment programs in the People's Republic of China (PRC), to be administered by the Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, Department of State, to promote and strengthen civic advocacy and the rule of law. The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator are directed to provide no assistance to the central government of the PRC under Global Health Programs, Development Assistance, and Economic Support Fund, except for assistance to detect, prevent, and treat infectious diseases.

Thailand.—The agreement does not include assistance for Thailand under International Military Education and Training and Foreign Military Financing Program due to the application of section 7008 of this Act.

Vietnam.—The agreement supports funds under Economic Support Fund to continue the DNA forensic technology program to identify Vietnamese persons missing-in-action. The agreement provides funds under Economic Support Fund to support the environmental remediation of dioxin contamination at the Bien Hoa Airport. The Department of Defense is strongly encouraged to contribute funds for this project, which is expected to further United States-Vietnam relations.

Sec. 7044. South and Central Asia (Modified)

Afghanistan.—The Secretary of State is directed to include in the operating plan for Diplomatic and Consular Programs the informa-

tion enumerated in the second paragraph under this section in the House report.

The Secretary of State is directed to include in the certification on corruption required by subsection (a)(2)(B) a description of steps taken by the Government of Afghanistan to combat corruption and prosecute individuals alleged to be involved in illegal activities in Afghanistan. The Department of State and USAID should continue to ensure that projects implemented by organizations requiring security in Afghanistan have security personnel who are properly trained and equipped and are cost effective.

Subsection (a)(4) makes funds available for an endowment to empower women and girls in Afghanistan. The Secretary of State and USAID Administrator, as appropriate, are directed to consult with the appropriate congressional committees prior to obligating funds for such purposes.

Nepal.—The agreement provides $43,038,000 under Economic Support Fund for assistance for Nepal, including to support ongoing earthquake recovery and reconstruction efforts, environmental conservation, conflict resolution, and activities to protect the rights and address the needs of Dalits and other marginalized groups.

Pakistan.—The agreement provides funds under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement for assistance for Pakistan for implementation of programs described in the CBJ, the intent of which is to assist in building an independent civilian justice system capable of conducting counterterrorism investigations and prosecutions.

The Act provides funds under Economic Support Fund, Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia, and International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement to enhance the recruitment, professionalism, and retention of women in the judiciary, police, and other security forces in South and Central Asia. The agreement provides not less than the fiscal year 2015 level for such purposes in Pakistan, which shall be made available through an open and competitive process.

Sec. 7045. Western Hemisphere (Modified)

United States Engagement in Central America.—Subsection (a) provides a framework for United States assistance to implement the United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America (the Strategy) in support of the Plan of the Alliance for Prosperity in the Northern Triangle of Central America (the Plan). The Act provides up to $750,000,000 for the Strategy, which is allocated according to the following table:

UNITED STATES STRATEGY FOR ENGAGEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Development Assistance:	
El Salvador	65,000
Guatemala	112,000
Honduras	93,000
Nicaragua	10,000
USAID Central America Regional	19,410
Subtotal	299,410

UNITED STATES STRATEGY FOR ENGAGEMENT IN CENTRAL AMERICA—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Country/Program	Budget Authority
Economic Support Fund:	
Central America Regional Security Initiative	126,500
Other Regional—Economic Opportunity	7,000
Other Regional—Prosperity and Governance	50,000
Subtotal	183,500
Foreign Military Financing Program:	
Belize	1,000
Costa Rica	1,400
El Salvador	1,900
Guatemala	1,740
Honduras	4,500
Panama	2,125
State Western Hemisphere Regional	13,000
Subtotal	25,665
International Military Education and Training:	
Belize	250
Costa Rica	425
El Salvador	1,000
Guatemala	775
Honduras	750
Panama	725
Subtotal	3,925
Global Health Programs—USAID:	
Guatemala	13,000
Subtotal	13,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement:	
Central America Regional Security Initiative	222,000
DNA Forensic Technology	*[4,000]*
Guatemala Police Sexual Assault Units	*[3,000]*
International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala	*[7,500]*
Subtotal	222,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs:	
Panama	500
Subtotal	500
Overseas Private Investment Corporation:	
Regional	2,000
Subtotal	2,000
Total, United States Strategy for Engagement in Central America	750,000

The agreement does not include funds for cash transfer assistance or major infrastructure projects. It is expected that, if supported as part of the Plan, such projects would be financed by El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and other donors, including international development banks.

The Act withholds from obligation 75 percent of assistance made available for each of the central governments of El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras unless the Secretary of State certifies and reports that such government is taking effective steps to meet certain requirements, and requires the Secretary to suspend assistance for such central government that has not made sufficient progress in meeting such requirements. Such withholding and any suspension of funds should apply to each country individually, so

that the failure of one country to meet the requirements does not adversely affect another.

The agreement provides $7,500,000 for a United States contribution to the International Commission Against Impunity in Guatemala (CICIG), and provides the authority to obligate funds made available for the Central America Regional Security Initiative after consultation with, and subject to the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations to support international commissions against impunity in Honduras and El Salvador, if such commissions are established. To receive funds appropriated by this Act or prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, such commissions should have investigatory and prosecutorial independence and authorities comparable to CICIG.

The agreement endorses the recommendation in the House and Senate reports to transfer up to $15,000,000 from Development Assistance to the Inter-American Foundation.

The Secretary of State, in coordination with the USAID Administrator, is directed to develop a plan for monitoring and evaluation of programs funded by this Act and prior Acts making appropriations for the Department of State, foreign operations, and related programs, to implement the Strategy. Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Department of State and USAID are directed to consult with the appropriate congressional committees on such plan and provide a progress report and initial results not later than September 30, 2016.

The Secretary of State is directed to include in the report required by subparagraph (3)(B) (relating to clause (xii)) an assessment of the economic investment conditions in El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras, and a description of outstanding commercial disputes, including the confiscation of real property, between United States entities and the governments of such countries.

In addition to the reporting requirement regarding lessons learned from the Merida Initiative and Plan Colombia included in the Introduction of the Senate report, the Secretary of State is directed to include lessons learned with regard to law enforcement and counternarcotics activities.

Colombia.—In accordance with subsection (b), 19 percent of the funds appropriated under Foreign Military Financing Program that are made available for assistance for Colombia may be obligated only if the Secretary of State certifies and reports to the Committees on Appropriations that: (1) cases involving members of the Colombian military who have been credibly alleged to have violated human rights, including those in positions with command authority who ordered or covered up such crimes, are subject only to civilian jurisdiction, the Colombian military is cooperating with civilian authorities in such cases, and military officers credibly alleged to have committed gross violations of human rights are removed from positions with command authority until the completion of judicial proceedings and appropriately punished if convicted; (2) the Government of Colombia is upholding its international obligations by holding accountable persons responsible for crimes against humanity, war crimes, and other gross violations of human rights, and is not offering amnesty to such persons; and (3) the Government of

Colombia is continuing to dismantle illegal armed groups, taking effective steps to protect the rights of human rights defenders, journalists, trade unionists, and other social activists, and respecting the rights and territory of indigenous and Afro-Colombian communities.

The Secretary of State, in coordination with the Attorney General, is expected to continue to work with the Government of Colombia to extradite fugitives wanted by the United States, in accordance with applicable agreements between the two countries.

Prior to the obligation of funds made available by this Act for counternarcotics programs and law enforcement activities in Colombia, and after consultation with the Government of Colombia, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a report to the appropriate congressional committees describing the Government of Colombia's revised counternarcotics strategy, the costs associated with such strategy and the winding down of the aerial eradication program, and a description of the support to be provided by the Department of State for counternarcotics and law enforcement activities during fiscal year 2016 and subsequent fiscal years. Such funds shall be made available on a cost-matching basis to the maximum extent practicable in order to sustain the commitment of the Government of Colombia to counternarcotics programs and are subject to the regular notification procedures of the Committees on Appropriations.

Haiti.—The agreement does not include language in the Senate bill regarding assistance provided to the Haitian National Police. The Secretary of State and the USAID Administrator, as appropriate, are directed to take appropriate steps to ensure that such assistance made available by this Act for the Government of Haiti is not controlled by, or otherwise under the influence of, any private organization or individual.

Sec. 7048. United Nations (Modified)

The Secretary of State, in coordination with the United States Mission to the UN, should seek United States assessment rates for the UN regular budget and international peacekeeping activities that are favorable to the United States.

Not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on UN policies and processes to combat corruption and eliminate waste, fraud, and abuse at the UN and affiliated agencies, including recent actions taken by the Office of Internal Oversight Services. The Secretary of State is encouraged to use existing authorities, including the withholding of bilateral economic assistance, as appropriate, to further accountability, transparency, and other reforms at the United Nations.

Sec. 7056. Consular Immunity (New)

Sec. 7057. United States Agency for International Development Management (Modified)

Sec. 7058. Global Health Activities (Modified)

Sec. 7060. Sector Allocations (Modified)

Funds for certain sectors are allocated according to the following table:

SECTOR ALLOCATIONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program	Budget Authority
Basic Education	800,000
Higher Education	225,000
Biodiversity Conservation	265,000
Wildlife Trafficking	80,000
Food Security and Agricultural Development	1,000,600
Microenterprise and Microfinance	265,000
Trafficking in Persons	60,000
Reconciliation Programs	26,000
Water and Sanitation	400,000

Funds for certain bilateral environment programs are allocated according to the following table:

ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Program/Activity	Budget Authority
Andean Amazon	20,000
Brazilian Amazon	10,500
Central Africa Regional Program for the Environment	39,400
USAID	*[21,900]*
United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	*[17,500]*
Lacey Act	2,000
Mayan Biosphere—Department of Interior	1,000
Toxic Chemicals	5,000
USFWS	5,500
Migratory Bird Conservation	*[500]*
United States Forest Service	5,000
Waste Recycling	5,000

The Act includes not less than $80,000,000 to combat wildlife poaching and trafficking, of which not less than $10,000,000 shall be made available for programs to combat rhinoceros poaching and shall be used primarily for site-based anti-poaching activities to address immediate requirements. Funds are provided to support regional wildlife enforcement networks, including $1,000,000 to support the Wildlife Enforcement Network Southern Africa; address consumer demand, including in Asia; strengthen law enforcement, including to address significant needs for training and equipment; and enhance regional cooperation and anti-trafficking networks. These programs shall include monitoring and evaluation mechanisms to ensure funds are used for the intended purposes, and to measure the outcomes of such assistance, including the number and type of prosecutions, trends in wildlife population sizes, and the effectiveness of demand reduction campaigns. Not later than 45 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, USAID Administrator, and Director of the USFWS are directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations on the uses of funds for these purposes. The Secretary of State is further directed to update the report required in the joint explanatory statement accompanying Public Law 113–76, including how funds are being used to implement the National Strategy for Combating Wildlife Trafficking. The Secretary of State is directed to include country and

program funding levels for combating wildlife poaching and trafficking in the fiscal year 2017 CBJ.

The agreement includes $5,000,000 for the United States Forest Service (USFS) in addition to funds otherwise made available by USAID for USFS biodiversity conservation activities, which shall be in amounts not less than fiscal year 2014.

The agreement provides not less than $72,000,000 for programs and activities to combat trafficking in persons internationally, including funds for assistance, as allocated according to the following table:

TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Development Assistance	9,800
Economic Support Fund	11,200
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	39,000

The agreement includes $12,000,000 under Diplomatic and Consular Programs for the Office to Monitor and Combat Trafficking in Persons, Department of State. The agreement provides $5,000,000 to support a multi-faceted approach to combat human trafficking in Guatemala pursuant to section 7060(f) of this Act. Pursuant to the Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000, as amended by Public Law 113–4, $5,000,000 of the funds made available under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement shall be made available for child protection compacts.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on obligations and expenditures of all fiscal year 2015 funds managed by the Department of State and USAID to combat human trafficking and forced labor. The report shall include funding by program, project, and activity and describe the management structure at the Department of State and USAID used to program such funds.

Sec. 7063. Countries Impacted by Significant Refugee Populations or Internally Displaced Persons (New)

The agreement includes language in section 7063 modified from that proposed in section 7081 of the Senate bill, except the Secretary of State is directed to submit the report required in section 7081(b) in the manner described in such section. In lieu of the information required in section 7081(b)(3), the Secretary of the Treasury is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations, not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, on the implications for country access to World Bank and other concessional lending and grants if the World Bank were to modify its per capita income categories to reflect the impact of significant refugee populations and internally displaced persons on host communities.

Not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act, the CEO of the MCC is directed to submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations on the number of middle income countries that would become eligible for MCC compacts, and any other implications for MCC operations and programs of such updated World Bank per capita income categories.

Sec. 7069. Independent States of the Former Soviet Union (Modified)

Ukraine.—The agreement provides not less than $658,185,000 for assistance for Ukraine, and authority for loan guarantees is provided under section 7034(o) of this Act.

Funds in this Act for assistance for Ukraine are allocated according to the following table:

UKRAINE

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Global Health Programs—USAID	6,100
Global Health Programs—State	25,515
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	525,000
International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement	10,000
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining, and Related Programs	3,670
International Military Education and Training	2,900
Foreign Military Financing Program	85,000
Total	658,185

Sec. 7070. Russia (Modified)

Sec. 7071. International Monetary Fund (Modified)

Sec. 7072. Special Defense Acquisition Fund (Modified)

Sec. 7073. Countering Foreign Fighters and Violent Extremist Organizations (New)

The Act includes language similar to that contained in the House and Senate bills regarding security threats and challenges posed by foreign fighters, violent extremists, and violent extremist organizations.

For the purposes of this section, the term "violent extremist organization" means a foreign organization that, pursuant to United States law, is determined to be an organization that engages in terrorist activity (as defined in section 212(a)(3)(B) of the Immigration and Nationality Act), including an organization that is designated by the Secretary of State as a foreign terrorist organization under section 219 of such Act.

For the purposes of subsection (a)(2) the term "de-radicalization" includes rehabilitation and reintegration programs.

Not later than 90 days after the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of State, in consultation with the heads of other relevant Federal agencies, as appropriate, is directed to submit to the appropriate congressional committees an assistance and cooperation strategy for programs to implement the objective described in subsection (a), in classified form if necessary, which shall include a description of: (1) the specific goals and objectives for such programs, and an explanation of the methodology to be used in determining such goals and objectives, on a country-by-country and programmatic basis, and in establishing baselines for determining programmatic success; (2) the coordinating mechanisms between agencies to improve program efficiency and effectiveness; (3) the coordinating mechanisms for programs to counter terrorism and violent extremism; and (4) the procedures and mechanism for end-use monitoring, vetting procedures, and oversight of security sector and civilian assistance made available to implement the strategy.

The Secretary of State shall submit the proposed funding levels for programs described under paragraphs (a)(1) and (2) concurrently with the 653(a) report.

Congressional notifications submitted pursuant to subsection (c)(3) shall indicate the specific goals and objectives to be supported through the proposed obligation of funds.

Sec. 7076. Budget Documents (Modified)

The Act modifies subsection (a) to clarify that certain funding level changes to programs, projects, and activities that are included in operating plans are subject to notification requirements.

The regional security initiatives to be addressed in the spend plans required by subsection (b)(1)(B) shall include: the Caribbean Basin Security Initiative; the Central America Regional Security Initiative; the Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership; the Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism; the West Africa Regional Security Initiative; the Global Peace Operations Initiative, including Africa Contingency Operations Training and Assistance; the African Peacekeeping Rapid Response Partnership; the Africa Conflict Stabilization and Border Security program; the African Military Education Program; the Africa Maritime Security Initiative; the Security Governance Initiative; the Africa Regional Counter-Terrorism Fund; the Counterterrorism Partnerships Fund; the Regional Security Initiative; the Africa Capacity for Immediate Response to Crisis; and the Southeast Asia Maritime Security Law Enforcement Initiative.

Sec. 7077. Reports and Records Management (New)

The Act does not include language in the Senate bill regarding the termination of reports. The Department of State and USAID are directed to provide a list of obsolete reports proposed to be terminated during fiscal year 2017, and such list should be limited to reports under the jurisdiction of the Subcommittee on State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs or reports required by prior appropriations Acts.

Subsection (c)(1)(A) is not intended to prohibit the funding of Department of State or USAID cloud server capabilities.

The GAO shall submit the completed assessment required under subsection (c)(3) to the Secretary of State, the USAID Administrator, and the Committees on Appropriations.

Sec. 7078. Global Internet Freedom (Modified)

The Secretary of State should prioritize Internet freedom programs that seek to counter restrictive Internet laws and policies, including working with local civil society organizations to support policies to promote Internet freedom, in countries with governments that have adopted, or are considering, laws or policies that restrict Internet access and content.

Funds in the Act for Internet freedom programs are allocated according to the following table:

INTERNET FREEDOM

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Democracy Fund (Department of State)	13,000
Economic Support Fund	14,275
Near East Regional Democracy	*[9,000]*

INTERNET FREEDOM—Continued

[Budget authority in thousands of dollars]

Account	Budget Authority
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	4,725
Democracy Fund (USAID)	3,500
International Broadcasting Operations	15,000
Total, Internet Freedom	50,500

Sec. 7081. Country Focus and Selectivity (New)

The Act includes language modified from the Senate bill regarding country focus and selectivity. The intent of this provision is to decrease country dependency on United States foreign assistance and to encourage self-sufficiency through programs to strengthen economic development, security, and stability. However, bilateral and security assistance to certain countries serve abiding strategic purposes, and a transition plan for such a country should acknowledge this interest.

Subsection (a) requires a transition plan in any country assistance strategy developed after the date of enactment of this Act, and such plan should identify end goals and options for winding down bilateral economic and security assistance. The Secretary of State, in consultation with the USAID Administrator, is directed to develop and distribute guidelines to appropriate personnel for implementation of this subsection.

The Secretary is directed to consult with the Committees on Appropriations prior to initiating a targeted transition on the country selection process, the proposed period of transition, and the percentage reduction in new obligations.

Sec. 7082. United Nations Population Fund (Modified)

The Act does not include the following general provisions from the fiscal year 2015 Act (division J of Public Law 113–235), which have been discontinued or combined with other sections: sections 7010, 7056, 7061, 7064, 7065, 7072, 7080, 7083, 7084, 7085.

TITLE VIII—OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS/ GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS

DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR PROGRAMS

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The Act provides an additional $2,561,808,000 for Diplomatic and Consular Programs, of which $1,966,632,000 is for WSP, for the extraordinary costs of operations and security in Afghanistan, Pakistan, Iraq, areas of unrest, and high threat and high risk posts, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

Within the total, up to $595,176,000 is for operations, of which up to $15,000,000 may be made available for Conflict Stabilization Operations for overseas response related to reconstruction and stabilization assistance, and up to $10,000,000 may be transferred to other agencies to support operations in, and assistance for, Afghan-

istan. The Secretary of State is directed to include in the operating plan required by section 7076(a) of this Act a description of any funds transferred to other agencies in support of Afghanistan operations, including projected transfer amounts and the number of staff supported by each agency, and operating levels for Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The Act provides an additional $66,600,000 for Office of Inspector General at the Department of State, of which $56,900,000 is for the Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction, and is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

EMBASSY SECURITY, CONSTRUCTION, AND MAINTENANCE

The Act provides an additional $747,851,000 for Embassy Security, Construction, and Maintenance, of which $735,201,000 is for WSU, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

CONTRIBUTIONS TO INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Act provides an additional $101,728,000 for Contributions to International Organizations for the extraordinary costs of UN missions in Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, and Somalia, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACEKEEPING ACTIVITIES

The Act provides an additional $1,794,088,000 for Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities for international peacekeeping activities in Africa and the Near East, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

RELATED AGENCY

BROADCASTING BOARD OF GOVERNORS

INTERNATIONAL BROADCASTING OPERATIONS

The Act provides an additional $10,700,000 for International Broadcasting Operations for the extraordinary costs of United States international broadcasting to Afghanistan, Pakistan, Syria, and Iraq, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

OPERATING EXPENSES

The Act provides an additional $139,262,000 for Operating Expenses for the extraordinary costs of operations in Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

INTERNATIONAL DISASTER ASSISTANCE

The Act provides an additional $1,919,421,000 for International Disaster Assistance for the extraordinary costs of the United States response to international disasters and crises, including those resulting from conflict, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

TRANSITION INITIATIVES

The Act provides an additional $37,000,000 for Transition Initiatives for the extraordinary costs of assistance for conflict countries and countries emerging from conflict, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA. Funds under this heading may be used in a similar manner to funds made available under title III.

COMPLEX CRISES FUND

The Act provides an additional $20,000,000 for Complex Crises Fund for the extraordinary costs of addressing security and stabilization requirements in conflict countries, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

The Department of State and USAID are directed to ensure proper implementation of such funds, consistent with prior fiscal years.

ECONOMIC SUPPORT FUND

The Act provides an additional $2,422,673,000 for Economic Support Fund for the extraordinary costs of assistance for countries, including Afghanistan, Pakistan, and Iraq, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

ASSISTANCE FOR EUROPE, EURASIA AND CENTRAL ASIA

The Act provides an additional $438,569,000 for Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

MIGRATION AND REFUGEE ASSISTANCE

The Act provides an additional $2,127,114,000 for Migration and Refugee Assistance for the extraordinary costs to respond to refugee crises overseas, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS CONTROL AND LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Act provides an additional $371,650,000 for International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement for the extraordinary costs

of assistance for countries, including Afghanistan and Pakistan, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

NONPROLIFERATION, ANTI-TERRORISM, DEMINING AND RELATED PROGRAMS

The Act provides an additional $379,091,000 for Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs for the extraordinary costs of anti-terrorism programs, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

The Act provides an additional $469,269,000 for Peacekeeping Operations for the extraordinary cost of peacekeeping requirements, including the United States share of assessed contributions of UN Operations in Somalia, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO THE PRESIDENT

FOREIGN MILITARY FINANCING PROGRAM

The Act provides an additional $1,288,176,000 for Foreign Military Financing Program for the extraordinary costs of assistance for countries, including to counter Russian Federation aggression and influence, which is designated for OCO/GWOT pursuant to BBEDCA.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 8001. Additional Appropriations

This section clarifies that amounts appropriated by this title are in addition to amounts appropriated or otherwise made available in this Act for fiscal year 2016.

Sec. 8002. Extension of Authorities and Conditions

This section requires that the authorities and conditions applicable to funding elsewhere in this Act are applicable to funds in this title.

Sec. 8003. Transfer Authority

Subsection (a)(1) provides authority for the Secretary of State to transfer funds appropriated by this title in this Act under Transition Initiatives, Complex Crises Fund, Economic Support Fund, and Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia between such headings. Subsection (a)(2) provides authority for the Secretary of State to transfer funds appropriated by this title in this Act under International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement, Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related Programs, Peacekeeping Operations, and Foreign Military Financing Program between such headings. Subsection (a)(3) includes transfer authorities related to International Disaster Assistance and Migration and Refugee Assistance.

Subsection (b) provides authority for the Secretary of State to transfer funds appropriated by this title in this Act under Foreign Military Financing Program in an amount that shall not exceed $15,000,000 to the Global Security Contingency Fund for programs in the Europe and Eurasia region.

Subsection (c) requires that any transfers pursuant to subsection (a) may only be exercised to address contingencies.

Subsection (d) requires that the transfer authority provided by subsections (a) and (b) is subject to prior consultation with, and the regular notification procedures of, the Committees on Appropriations.

TITLE IX—OTHER MATTERS

MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE

INTERNATIONAL MONETARY PROGRAMS

UNITED STATES QUOTA, INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The Act provides an increase in the United States quota in the International Monetary Fund in the amount that is the dollar equivalent of 40,871,800,000 Special Drawing Rights. Funds are designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of BBEDCA and shall only be available if the President designates such amount and the amount rescinded from the New Arrangements to Borrow as an emergency requirement and transmits such designation to the Congress.

LOANS TO THE INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND

DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION OF FUNDS)

The Act permanently rescinds the dollar equivalent of 40,871,800,000 Special Drawing Rights. Funds are designated by the Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of BBEDCA and shall only be rescinded if the President designates such amount as an emergency requirement and transmits such designation to the Congress.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Sec. 9001. Limitations on and Expiration of Authority with Respect to the New Arrangements to Borrow.

Sec. 9002. Acceptance of Amendments to Articles of Agreement; Quota Increase.

Sec. 9003. Report on Methodology Used for Congressional Budget Office Cost Estimates.

Sec. 9004. Required Consultations with Congress in Advance of Consideration of Exceptional Access Lending.

Sec. 9005. Repeal of Systemic Risk Exemption to Limitations to Access Policy of the International Monetary Fund.

Sec. 9006. Annual Report on Lending, Surveillance, or Technical Assistance Policies of the International Monetary Fund.

Sec. 9007. Report on Improving United States Participation in the International Monetary Fund.

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TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND RELATED AGENCY					
Department of State					
Administration of Foreign Affairs					
Diplomatic and consular programs	4,332,524	4,768,452	4,193,702	-138,822	-574,750
Worldwide security protection	2,128,115	2,327,137	1,428,468	-699,647	-898,669
International Chancery Center	533	743	743	+210	---
Total, Diplomatic and consular programs	6,461,172	7,096,332	5,622,913	-838,259	-1,473,419
Capital investment fund	56,400	66,400	66,400	+10,000	---
Office of Inspector General	73,400	82,400	72,700	-700	-9,700
Educational and cultural exchange programs	589,900	623,079	590,900	+1,000	-32,179
Representation expenses	8,030	8,446	8,030	---	-416
Protection of foreign missions and officials	30,036	29,807	30,036	---	+229
Embassy security, construction, and maintenance	822,755	785,097	785,097	-37,658	---
Worldwide security upgrades	1,240,500	1,300,000	688,799	-551,701	-611,201
Total, Embassy security	2,063,255	2,085,097	1,473,896	-589,359	-611,201
Emergencies in the diplomatic and consular service	7,900	7,900	7,900	---	---
Repatriation Loans Program Account:					
Direct loans subsidy	1,300	1,300	1,300	---	---
Payment to the American Institute in Taiwan	30,000	30,341	30,000	---	-341
Payment to the Foreign Service Retirement and					

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Disability Fund	158,900	158,900	158,900	---	---
Total, Administration of Foreign Affairs	9,480,293	10,190,002	8,062,975	-1,417,318	-2,127,027
International Organizations					
Contributions to international organizations, current year assessment	1,399,151	1,540,029	1,344,458	-54,693	-195,571
Contributions for international peacekeeping activities, current year assessment	2,118,891	2,930,223	666,574	-1,452,317	-2,263,649
Total, International Organizations	3,518,042	4,470,252	2,011,032	-1,507,010	-2,459,220
International Commissions					
International Boundary and Water Commission, United States and Mexico:					
Salaries and expenses	44,707	47,281	45,307	+600	-1,974
Construction	29,000	28,400	28,400	-600	---
Total, Boundary and Water Commission	73,707	75,681	73,707	---	-1,974
American sections, international commissions	12,561	12,330	12,330	-231	---
International fisheries commissions	36,681	32,054	36,681	---	+4,627
Total, International commissions	122,949	120,065	122,718	-231	+2,653

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Related Agency					
Broadcasting Board of Governors					
International broadcasting operations	726,567	741,436	734,087	+7,520	-7,349
Broadcasting capital improvements	4,800	10,000	4,800	---	-5,200
Total, Broadcasting Board of Governors	731,367	751,436	738,887	+7,520	-12,549
Related Programs					
The Asia Foundation	17,000	12,000	17,000	---	+5,000
United States Institute of Peace, Operating expenses	35,300	36,987	35,300	---	-1,687
Center for Middle Eastern-Western dialogue	83	96	96	+13	---
Eisenhower Exchange Fellowship program	400	400	400	---	---
Israeli Arab scholarship program	26	13	13	-13	---
East-West Center	16,700	10,800	16,700	---	+5,900
National Endowment for Democracy	135,000	103,450	170,000	+35,000	+66,550
Total, Related programs	204,509	163,746	239,509	+35,000	+75,763
Other Commissions					
Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad					
Salaries and expenses	644	676	676	+32	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Commission on International Religious Freedom					
Salaries and expenses	3,500	3,500	3,500	---	---
Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe					
Salaries and expenses	2,579	2,579	2,579	---	---
Congressional-Executive Commission on the People's Republic of China					
Salaries and expenses	2,000	2,000	2,000	---	---
United States - China Economic and Security Review Commission					
Salaries and expenses	3,500	3,500	3,500	---	---
Total, title I, Department of State and Related Agency	14,069,383	15,707,756	11,187,376	-2,882,007	-4,520,380

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TITLE II - ADMINISTRATION OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
US Agency for International Development (USAID)					
Operating expenses, USAID	1,090,836	1,360,000	1,143,614	+52,778	-216,386
Capital Investment Fund	130,815	203,326	168,300	+37,485	-35,026
Office of Inspector General, USAID	54,285	63,000	66,000	+11,715	+3,000
Total, title II, Administration of Foreign Assistance	1,275,936	1,626,326	1,377,914	+101,978	-248,412
TITLE III - BILATERAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
Global Health Programs:					
U.S. Agency for International Development	2,783,950	2,755,000	2,833,450	+49,500	+78,450
Department of State	5,670,000	5,426,000	5,670,000	---	+244,000
(Global fund contribution)	(1,350,000)	(1,100,000)	(1,350,000)	---	(+250,000)
Total, Global Health Programs	8,453,950	8,181,000	8,503,450	+49,500	+322,450

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Development assistance	2,507,001	2,999,694	2,780,971	+273,970	-218,723
Transfer out	(-40,000)	(-40,000)	(-40,000)	---	---
Total, Development Assistance	2,507,001	2,999,694	2,780,971	+273,970	-218,723
International disaster assistance	560,000	931,000	874,763	+314,763	-56,237
Transition initiatives	47,000	67,600	30,000	-17,000	-37,600
Complex Crises fund	20,000	30,000	10,000	-10,000	-20,000
Development Credit Authority:					
(By transfer)	(40,000)	(40,000)	(40,000)	---	---
Administrative expenses	8,120	9,200	8,120	---	-1,080
Economic Support Fund	2,632,529	3,952,161	1,896,315	-736,214	-2,055,846
Democracy Fund	130,500	---	150,500	+20,000	+150,500
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia	---	---	491,119	+491,119	+491,119
Department of State					
Migration and refugee assistance	931,886	1,634,595	931,886	---	-702,709
United States Emergency Refugee and Migration Assistance Fund	50,000	50,000	50,000	---	---
Total, Department of State	981,886	1,684,595	981,886	---	-702,709
Independent Agencies					
Peace Corps	379,500	410,000	410,000	+30,500	---
Millenium Challenge Corporation	899,500	1,250,000	901,000	+1,500	-349,000

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Inter-American Foundation	22,500	18,100	22,500	---	+4,400
United States African Development Foundation	30,000	26,000	30,000	---	+4,000
Total, Independent Agencies	1,331,500	1,704,100	1,363,500	+32,000	-340,600
Department of the Treasury					
International Affairs Technical Assistance	23,500	28,000	23,500	---	-4,500
Total, title III, Bilateral economic assistance	16,695,986	19,587,350	17,114,124	+418,138	-2,473,226
Appropriations	(16,695,986)	(19,587,350)	(17,114,124)	(+418,138)	(-2,473,226)
(By transfer)	(40,000)	(40,000)	(40,000)	---	---
TITLE IV - INTERNATIONAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE					
Department of State					
International narcotics control and law enforcement	853,055	967,771	894,821	+41,766	-72,950
Nonproliferation, anti-terrorism, demining and related programs	586,260	609,334	506,381	-79,879	-102,953
Peacekeeping operations	144,993	430,200	131,361	-13,632	-298,839

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Funds Appropriated to the President					
International Military Education and Training.....	106,074	111,715	108,115	+2,041	-3,600
Foreign Military Financing Program:					
Grants:					
Israel.....	3,100,000	3,100,000	3,100,000	---	---
Egypt.....	1,300,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	---	---
Other.....	614,109	766,542	337,522	-276,587	-429,020
Limitation on Administrative Expenses.....	(63,945)	(70,000)	(75,000)	(+11,055)	(+5,000)
Total, Foreign Military Financing Program.	5,014,109	5,166,542	4,737,522	-276,587	-429,020
Total, title IV, Security assistance.....	6,704,491	7,285,562	6,378,200	-326,291	-907,362
TITLE V - MULTILATERAL ASSISTANCE					
Funds Appropriated to the President					
International Organizations and Programs.....	344,170	315,000	339,000	-5,170	+24,000

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
International Financial Institutions					
World Bank Group					
Clean Technology Fund	184,630	170,680	170,680	-13,950	---
Strategic Climate Fund	49,900	59,620	49,900	---	-9,720
The International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD):					
Contribution to the IBRD paid in capital	186,957	192,920	186,957	---	-5,963
(Limitation on callable capital)	(2,928,991)	(2,928,991)	(2,928,991)	---	---
Global Environment Facility	136,563	168,263	168,263	+31,700	---
Subtotal, IBRD	323,520	361,183	355,220	+31,700	-5,963
Contribution to the International Development Association	1,287,800	1,290,600	1,197,128	-90,672	-93,472
Multilateral debt relief initiative	---	111,000	---	---	-111,000
Total, World Bank Group	1,845,850	1,993,083	1,772,928	-72,922	-220,155
Contribution to the Enterprise for the Americas Multilateral Investment Fund	3,378	---	---	-3,378	---

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Contribution to the Inter-American Development Bank paid in capital	102,020	102,020	102,020	---	---
(Limitation on callable capital)	(4,098,795)	(4,098,795)	(4,098,795)	---	---
Total, Inter-American Development Bank	102,020	102,020	102,020	---	---
Contribution to the Asian Development Fund	104,977	166,086	104,977	---	-61,109
Asian development bank paid in capital	106,586	5,608	5,608	-100,978	---
(Limitation on callable capital)	(2,558,049)	---	---	(-2,558,049)	---
Contribution to the African Development Bank:					
Paid in capital	32,418	34,118	34,118	+1,700	---
(Limitation on callable capital)	(507,861)	(507,861)	(507,861)	---	---
Contribution to the African Development Fund	175,668	227,500	175,668	---	-51,832
Multilateral debt relief initiative	---	13,500	---	---	-13,500
Total, African Development Bank	208,086	275,118	209,786	+1,700	-65,332
North American Development Bank	---	45,000	10,000	+10,000	-35,000
(Limitation on callable capital)	---	(255,000)	(255,000)	(+255,000)	---
Contribution to the International Fund for Agricultural Development	30,000	31,930	31,930	+1,930	---
Global agriculture and food security program	---	43,000	43,000	+43,000	---

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Contribution to the Green Climate Fund	---	150,000	---	---	-150,000
Total, International Financial Institutions	2,400,897	2,811,845	2,280,249	-120,648	-531,596
Total, title V, Multilateral assistance	2,745,067	3,126,845	2,619,249	-125,818	-507,596
(Limitation on callable capital)	(10,093,696)	(7,790,647)	(7,790,647)	(-2,303,049)	---
TITLE VI - EXPORT AND INVESTMENT ASSISTANCE					
Export-Import Bank of the United States					
Administrative expenses	106,250	117,700	106,250	---	-11,450
Inspector General	5,750	6,000	6,000	+250	---
Offsetting collections	-1,208,750	-540,000	-640,000	+568,750	-100,000
Total, Export-Import Bank of the United States	-1,096,750	-416,300	-527,750	+569,000	-111,450
Overseas Private Investment Corporation					
Noncredit account:					
Administrative expenses	62,787	83,500	62,787	---	-20,713
Insurance fees and other offsetting collections	-350,000	-353,000	-353,000	-3,000	---
Subtotal	-287,213	-269,500	-290,213	-3,000	-20,713

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Program account	25,000	20,000	20,000	-5,000	---
Total, Overseas Private Investment Corporation	-262,213	-249,500	-270,213	-8,000	-20,713
Funds Appropriated to the President					
Trade and Development Agency	60,000	73,700	60,000	---	-13,700
Total, title VI, Export and investment assistance	-1,298,963	-592,100	-737,963	+561,000	-145,863
TITLE VII - GENERAL PROVISIONS					
Export Import Bank - Unexpended (Rescission) (Sec. 7082)	-30,000	---	---	+30,000	---
Special immigrant visa proposal sec. 7034(o)	---	22,000	---	---	-22,000
Amendment to Vietnam Education Foundation Act (Sec. 7086)	4,000	---	---	-4,000	---
Total, title VII, General Provisions	-26,000	22,000	---	+26,000	-22,000

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TITLE VIII - OVERSEAS CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS / GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM (OCO/GWOT)					
Diplomatic and consular programs (OCO/GWOT)	1,350,803	1,507,422	2,561,808	+1,211,005	+1,054,386
(Worldwide security protection) (OCO/GWOT)	(989,706)	(1,067,963)	(1,966,632)	(+976,926)	(+898,669)
(Transfer to other agencies)	(-35,000)	(-10,000)	(-10,000)	(+25,000)	---
Conflict stabilization operations (OCO/GWOT)	15,000	---	---	-15,000	---
Office of Inspector General (OCO/GWOT)	56,900	56,900	66,600	+9,700	+9,700
Embassy security, construction, and maintenance (OCO/GWOT)	260,800	134,800	747,851	+487,051	+613,051
Contributions to int'l organizations (OCO/GWOT)	74,400	---	101,728	+27,328	+101,728
Contributions for International Peacekeeping Activities, current year assessment (OCO/GWOT)	---	---	1,794,088	+1,794,088	+1,794,088
Peace Operations Response Mechanism (OCO/GWOT)	---	150,000	---	---	-150,000
Broadcasters board of governors (OCO/GWOT)	10,700	---	10,700	---	+10,700
Operating expenses of USAID (OCO/GWOT)	125,464	65,000	139,262	+13,798	+74,262
International Disaster Assistance (OCO/GWOT)	1,335,000	810,000	1,919,421	+584,421	+1,109,421
Transition Initiatives (OCO/GWOT)	20,000	---	37,000	+17,000	+37,000
Complex Crises fund (OCO/GWOT)	30,000	---	20,000	-10,000	+20,000
Economic Support Fund (OCO/GWOT)	2,114,266	2,183,330	2,422,673	+308,407	+239,343
Assistance for Europe, Eurasia and Central Asia (OCO/GWOT)	---	---	438,569	+438,569	+438,569
Migration and Refugee assistance (MRA) (OCO/GWOT)	2,127,114	819,000	2,127,114	---	+1,308,114
International narcotics control and law enforcement (OCO/GWOT)	443,195	226,000	371,650	-71,545	+145,650

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Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining and Related programs (NADR) (OCO/GWOT)	99,240	390,000	379,091	+279,851	-10,909
Peacekeeping Operations (PKO) (OCO/GWOT)	328,698	65,000	469,269	+140,571	+404,269
Foreign Military Financing program (OCO/GWOT)	866,420	640,000	1,288,176	+421,756	+648,176
Total, Title VIII, OCO/GWOT	9,258,000	7,047,452	14,895,000	+5,637,000	+7,847,548
TITLE IX - OTHER MATTERS					
Multilateral Assistance					
International Monetary Program /1					
International Monetary fund quota increase	---	295,000	---	---	-295,000
International Monetary fund quota increase (emergency)	---	---	1,180,000	+1,180,000	+1,180,000
(Rescission of emergency appropriations)	---	-1,180,000	-1,180,000	-1,180,000	---
Subtotal	---	-885,000	---	---	+885,000
Administration of Foreign Affairs /2					
Diplomatic and Consular Programs (emergency)	36,420	---	---	-36,420	---

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United States Agency for International Development					
Operating Expenses, USAID (emergency)	19,037	---	---	-19,037	---
Office of Inspector General, USAID (emergency)	5,626	---	---	-5,626	---
Bilateral Economic Assistance					
Global Health Programs (emergency)	312,000	---	---	-312,000	---
International Disaster Assistance (emergency)	1,436,273	---	---	-1,436,273	---
Economic Support Fund (emergency)	711,725	---	---	-711,725	---
International Security Assistance					
Nonproliferation, Anti-terrorism, Demining, and Related Programs (emergency)	5,300	---	---	-5,300	---
Total, Title IX, Other Matters	2,526,381	-885,000	---	-2,526,381	+885,000
Emergency appropriations	(2,526,381)	---	(1,180,000)	(-1,346,381)	(+1,180,000)

1/ Funds for International Monetary Program included in Title X of S. 1725

2/ FY2015 enacted funds provided for Ebola response and preparedness

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Grand Total	51,950,281	52,926,191	52,833,900	+883,619	-92,291
Appropriations	(40,195,900)	(47,058,739)	(37,938,900)	(-2,257,000)	(-9,119,839)
Emergency appropriations	(2,526,381)	(-1,180,000)	---	(-2,526,381)	(+1,180,000)
Overseas contingency operations	(9,258,000)	(7,047,452)	(14,895,000)	(+5,637,000)	(+7,847,548)
Rescissions	(-30,000)	---	---	(+30,000)	---
Rescission of emergency funding	---	(-1,180,000)	(-1,180,000)	(-1,180,000)	---
(By transfer)	(40,000)	(40,000)	(40,000)	---	---
(Transfer out)	(-40,000)	(-40,000)	(-40,000)	---	---
(Limitation on administrative expenses)	(63,945)	(70,000)	(75,000)	(+11,055)	(+5,000)
(Limitation on callable capital)	(10,093,696)	(7,790,647)	(7,790,647)	(-2,303,049)	---

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DIVISION L—TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

TITLE I

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Secretary, $108,750,000, of which not to exceed $2,734,000 shall be available for the immediate Office of the Secretary; not to exceed $1,025,000 shall be available for the immediate Office of the Deputy Secretary; not to exceed $20,609,000 shall be available for the Office of the General Counsel; not to exceed $9,941,000 shall be available for the Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy; not to exceed $13,697,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs; not to exceed $2,546,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs; not to exceed $25,925,000 shall be available for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration; not to exceed $2,029,000 shall be available for the Office of Public Affairs; not to exceed $1,737,000 shall be available for the Office of the Executive Secretariat; not to exceed $1,434,000 shall be available for the Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization; not to exceed $10,793,000 shall be available for the Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response; and not to exceed $16,280,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Information Officer: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation is authorized to transfer funds appropriated for any office of the Office of the Secretary to any other office of the Office of the Secretary: *Provided further*, That no appropriation for any office shall be increased or decreased by more than 5 percent by all such transfers: *Provided further*, That notice of any change in funding greater than 5 percent shall be submitted for approval to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $60,000 shall be for allocation within the Department for official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, excluding fees authorized in Public Law 107–71, there may be credited to this appropriation up to $2,500,000 in funds received in user fees: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided in this Act shall be available for the position of Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs: *Provided further*, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit

to Congress the final Comprehensive Truck Size and Weight Limits Study, as required by section 32801 of Public Law 112–141.

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

For necessary expenses related to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology, $13,000,000, of which $8,218,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, to be available until expended, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training: *Provided further*, That any reference in law, regulation, judicial proceedings, or elsewhere to the Research and Innovative Technology Administration shall continue to be deemed to be a reference to the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology of the Department of Transportation.

NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

For capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure, $500,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation shall distribute funds provided under this heading as discretionary grants to be awarded to a State, local government, transit agency, or a collaboration among such entities on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant impact on the Nation, a metropolitan area, or a region: *Provided further*, That projects eligible for funding provided under this heading shall include, but not be limited to, highway or bridge projects eligible under title 23, United States Code; public transportation projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code; passenger and freight rail transportation projects; and port infrastructure investments (including inland port infrastructure and land ports of entry): *Provided further*, That the Secretary may use up to 20 percent of the funds made available under this heading for the purpose of paying the subsidy and administrative costs of projects eligible for Federal credit assistance under chapter 6 of title 23, United States Code, if the Secretary finds that such use of the funds would advance the purposes of this paragraph: *Provided further*, That in distributing funds provided under this heading, the Secretary shall take such measures so as to ensure an equitable geographic distribution of funds, an appropriate balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural areas, and the investment in a variety of transportation modes: *Provided further*, That a grant funded under this heading shall be not less than $5,000,000 and not greater than $100,000,000: *Provided further*, That not more than 20 percent of the funds made available under this heading may be awarded to projects in a single State: *Provided further*, That the Federal share of the costs for which an expenditure is made under this heading shall be, at the option of the recipient, up to 80 percent: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall give priority to projects that require a contribution of Federal funds in order to complete an overall financing package: *Provided further*, That not less than 20 percent of the funds provided under this heading shall be for projects located in rural areas: *Provided further*, That for projects located in rural areas, the

minimum grant size shall be $1,000,000 and the Secretary may increase the Federal share of costs above 80 percent: *Provided further*, That projects conducted using funds provided under this heading must comply with the requirements of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United States Code: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall conduct a new competition to select the grants and credit assistance awarded under this heading: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may retain up to $20,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading, and may transfer portions of those funds to the Administrators of the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, the Federal Railroad Administration and the Maritime Administration, to fund the award and oversight of grants and credit assistance made under the National Infrastructure Investments program.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPITAL

For necessary expenses for upgrading and enhancing the Department of Transportation's financial systems and re-engineering business processes, $5,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2017.

CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVES

For necessary expenses for cyber security initiatives, including necessary upgrades to wide area network and information technology infrastructure, improvement of network perimeter controls and identity management, testing and assessment of information technology against business, security, and other requirements, implementation of Federal cyber security initiatives and information infrastructure enhancements, implementation of enhanced security controls on network devices, and enhancement of cyber security workforce training tools, $8,000,000, to remain available through September 30, 2017.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

For necessary expenses of the Office of Civil Rights, $9,678,000.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, RESEARCH, AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for conducting transportation planning, research, systems development, development activities, and making grants, to remain available until expended, $8,500,000: *Provided*, That of such amount, $2,500,000 shall be for necessary expenses to establish an Interagency Infrastructure Permitting Improvement Center (IIPIC) that will implement reforms to improve interagency coordination and the expediting of projects related to the permitting and environmental review of major transportation infrastructure projects including one-time expenses to develop and deploy information technology tools to track project schedules and metrics and improve the transparency and accountability of the permitting process: *Provided further*, That there may be transferred to this appropriation, to remain available until expended, amounts from other Federal agencies for expenses incurred under this heading for IIPIC activities not related to transportation infrastructure: *Pro-*

vided further, That the tools and analysis developed by the IIPIC shall be available to other Federal agencies for the permitting and review of major infrastructure projects not related to transportation only to the extent that other Federal agencies provide funding to the Department as provided for under the previous proviso.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

For necessary expenses for operating costs and capital outlays of the Working Capital Fund, not to exceed $190,039,000 shall be paid from appropriations made available to the Department of Transportation: *Provided*, That such services shall be provided on a competitive basis to entities within the Department of Transportation: *Provided further*, That the above limitation on operating expenses shall not apply to non-DOT entities: *Provided further*, That no funds appropriated in this Act to an agency of the Department shall be transferred to the Working Capital Fund without majority approval of the Working Capital Fund Steering Committee and approval of the Secretary: *Provided further*, That no assessments may be levied against any program, budget activity, subactivity or project funded by this Act unless notice of such assessments and the basis therefor are presented to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations and are approved by such Committees.

MINORITY BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAM

For the cost of guaranteed loans, $336,000, as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 332: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed $18,367,000.

In addition, for administrative expenses to carry out the guaranteed loan program, $597,000.

MINORITY BUSINESS OUTREACH

For necessary expenses of Minority Business Resource Center outreach activities, $3,084,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 49 U.S.C. 332, these funds may be used for business opportunities related to any mode of transportation.

PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

In addition to funds made available from any other source to carry out the essential air service program under 49 U.S.C. 41731 through 41742, $175,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That in determining between or among carriers competing to provide service to a community, the Secretary may consider the relative subsidy requirements of the carriers: *Provided further*, That basic essential air service minimum requirements shall not include the 15-passenger capacity requirement under subsection 41732(b)(3) of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That

none of the funds in this Act or any other Act shall be used to enter into a new contract with a community located less than 40 miles from the nearest small hub airport before the Secretary has negotiated with the community over a local cost share: *Provided further*, That amounts authorized to be distributed for the essential air service program under subsection 41742(b) of title 49, United States Code, shall be made available immediately from amounts otherwise provided to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration: *Provided further*, That the Administrator may reimburse such amounts from fees credited to the account established under section 45303 of title 49, United States Code.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

SEC. 101. None of the funds made available in this Act to the Department of Transportation may be obligated for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation to approve assessments or reimbursable agreements pertaining to funds appropriated to the modal administrations in this Act, except for activities underway on the date of enactment of this Act, unless such assessments or agreements have completed the normal reprogramming process for Congressional notification.

SEC. 102. Notwithstanding section 3324 of title 31, United States Code, in addition to authority provided by section 327 of title 49, United States Code, the Department's Working Capital Fund is hereby authorized to provide payments in advance to vendors that are necessary to carry out the Federal transit pass transportation fringe benefit program under Executive Order 13150 and section 3049 of Public Law 109–59: *Provided*, That the Department shall include adequate safeguards in the contract with the vendors to ensure timely and high-quality performance under the contract.

SEC. 103. The Secretary shall post on the Web site of the Department of Transportation a schedule of all meetings of the Credit Council, including the agenda for each meeting, and require the Credit Council to record the decisions and actions of each meeting.

SEC. 104. In addition to authority provided by section 327 of title 49, United States Code, the Department's Working Capital Fund is hereby authorized to provide partial or full payments in advance and accept subsequent reimbursements from all Federal agencies for transit benefit distribution services that are necessary to carry out the Federal transit pass transportation fringe benefit program under Executive Order No. 13150 and section 3049 of Public Law 109–59: *Provided*, That the Department shall maintain a reasonable operating reserve in the Working Capital Fund, to be expended in advance to provide uninterrupted transit benefits to Government employees, provided that such reserve will not exceed one month of benefits payable: *Provided further*, that such reserve may be used only for the purpose of providing for the continuation of transit benefits, provided that the Working Capital Fund will be fully reimbursed by each customer agency for the actual cost of the transit benefit.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses of the Federal Aviation Administration, not otherwise provided for, including operations and research activities related to commercial space transportation, administrative expenses for research and development, establishment of air navigation facilities, the operation (including leasing) and maintenance of aircraft, subsidizing the cost of aeronautical charts and maps sold to the public, lease or purchase of passenger motor vehicles for replacement only, in addition to amounts made available by Public Law 112–95, $9,909,724,000 of which $7,922,000,000 shall be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, of which not to exceed $7,505,293,000 shall be available for air traffic organization activities; not to exceed $1,258,411,000 shall be available for aviation safety activities; not to exceed $17,800,000 shall be available for commercial space transportation activities; not to exceed $760,500,000 shall be available for finance and management activities; not to exceed $60,089,000 shall be available for NextGen and operations planning activities; not to exceed $100,880,000 shall be available for security and hazardous materials safety; and not to exceed $206,751,000 shall be available for staff offices: *Provided*, That not to exceed 2 percent of any budget activity, except for aviation safety budget activity, may be transferred to any budget activity under this heading: *Provided further*, That no transfer may increase or decrease any appropriation by more than 2 percent: *Provided further*, That any transfer in excess of 2 percent shall be treated as a reprogramming of funds under section 405 of this Act and shall not be available for obligation or expenditure except in compliance with the procedures set forth in that section: *Provided further*, That not later than March 31 of each fiscal year hereafter, the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration shall transmit to Congress an annual update to the report submitted to Congress in December 2004 pursuant to section 221 of Public Law 108–176: *Provided further*, That the amount herein appropriated shall be reduced by $100,000 for each day after March 31 that such report has not been submitted to the Congress: *Provided further*, That not later than March 31 of each fiscal year hereafter, the Administrator shall transmit to Congress a companion report that describes a comprehensive strategy for staffing, hiring, and training flight standards and aircraft certification staff in a format similar to the one utilized for the controller staffing plan, including stated attrition estimates and numerical hiring goals by fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the amount herein appropriated shall be reduced by $100,000 per day for each day after March 31 that such report has not been submitted to Congress: *Provided further*, That funds may be used to enter into a grant agreement with a nonprofit standard-setting organization to assist in the development of aviation safety standards: *Provided further*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for new applicants for the second career training program: *Provided further*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the Federal Aviation Administration

to finalize or implement any regulation that would promulgate new aviation user fees not specifically authorized by law after the date of the enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, as offsetting collections, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, foreign authorities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred in the provision of agency services, including receipts for the maintenance and operation of air navigation facilities, and for issuance, renewal or modification of certificates, including airman, aircraft, and repair station certificates, or for tests related thereto, or for processing major repair or alteration forms: *Provided further*, That of the funds appropriated under this heading, not less than $154,400,000 shall be for the contract tower program, including the contract tower cost share program: *Provided further*, That none of the funds in this Act for aeronautical charting and cartography are available for activities conducted by, or coordinated through, the Working Capital Fund: *Provided further*, That not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Administrator shall review and update the agency's "Community Involvement Manual" related to new air traffic procedures, public outreach and community involvement: *Provided further*, That the Administrator shall complete and implement a plan which enhances community involvement techniques and proactively addresses concerns associated with performance based navigation projects: *Provided further*, That the Administrator shall transmit, in electronic format, the community involvement manual and plan to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation not later than 180 days after enactment of this Act.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for acquisition, establishment, technical support services, improvement by contract or purchase, and hire of national airspace systems and experimental facilities and equipment, as authorized under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code, including initial acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; engineering and service testing, including construction of test facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant; construction and furnishing of quarters and related accommodations for officers and employees of the Federal Aviation Administration stationed at remote localities where such accommodations are not available; and the purchase, lease, or transfer of aircraft from funds available under this heading, including aircraft for aviation regulation and certification; to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund, $2,855,000,000, of which $470,049,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2016, and $2,384,951,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, for expenses incurred in the establishment, improvement, and modernization of national airspace systems: *Provided further*, That no later than

March 31, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to the Congress an investment plan for the Federal Aviation Administration which includes funding for each budget line item for fiscal years 2017 through 2021, with total funding for each year of the plan constrained to the funding targets for those years as estimated and approved by the Office of Management and Budget: *Provided further*, That the amount herein appropriated shall be reduced by $100,000 per day for each day after March 31 that such report has not been submitted to Congress.

RESEARCH, ENGINEERING, AND DEVELOPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses, not otherwise provided for, for research, engineering, and development, as authorized under part A of subtitle VII of title 49, United States Code, including construction of experimental facilities and acquisition of necessary sites by lease or grant, $166,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That there may be credited to this appropriation as offsetting collections, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources, which shall be available for expenses incurred for research, engineering, and development.

GRANTS-IN-AID FOR AIRPORTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For liquidation of obligations incurred for grants-in-aid for airport planning and development, and noise compatibility planning and programs as authorized under subchapter I of chapter 471 and subchapter I of chapter 475 of title 49, United States Code, and under other law authorizing such obligations; for procurement, installation, and commissioning of runway incursion prevention devices and systems at airports of such title; for grants authorized under section 41743 of title 49, United States Code; and for inspection activities and administration of airport safety programs, including those related to airport operating certificates under section 44706 of title 49, United States Code, $3,600,000,000, to be derived from the Airport and Airway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the funds under this heading shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the obligations for which are in excess of $3,350,000,000 in fiscal year 2016, notwithstanding section 47117(g) of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That none of the funds under this heading shall be available for the replacement of baggage conveyor systems, reconfiguration of terminal baggage areas, or other airport improvements that are necessary to install bulk explosive detection

systems: *Provided further,* That notwithstanding section 47109(a) of title 49, United States Code, the Government's share of allowable project costs under paragraph (2) for subgrants or paragraph (3) of that section shall be 95 percent for a project at other than a large or medium hub airport that is a successive phase of a multi-phased construction project for which the project sponsor received a grant in fiscal year 2011 for the construction project: *Provided further,* That notwithstanding any other provision of law, of funds limited under this heading, not more than $107,100,000 shall be obligated for administration, not less than $15,000,000 shall be available for the Airport Cooperative Research Program, not less than $31,000,000 shall be available for Airport Technology Research, and $5,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available and transferred to "Office of the Secretary, Salaries and Expenses" to carry out the Small Community Air Service Development Program: *Provided further*, That in addition to airports eligible under section 41743 of title 49, such program may include the participation of an airport that serves a community or consortium that is not larger than a small hub airport, according to FAA hub classifications effective at the time the Office of the Secretary issues a request for proposals.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 110. None of the funds in this Act may be used to compensate in excess of 600 technical staff-years under the federally funded research and development center contract between the Federal Aviation Administration and the Center for Advanced Aviation Systems Development during fiscal year 2016.

SEC. 111. None of the funds in this Act shall be used to pursue or adopt guidelines or regulations requiring airport sponsors to provide to the Federal Aviation Administration without cost building construction, maintenance, utilities and expenses, or space in airport sponsor-owned buildings for services relating to air traffic control, air navigation, or weather reporting: *Provided*, That the prohibition of funds in this section does not apply to negotiations between the agency and airport sponsors to achieve agreement on "below-market" rates for these items or to grant assurances that require airport sponsors to provide land without cost to the FAA for air traffic control facilities.

SEC. 112. The Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration may reimburse amounts made available to satisfy 49 U.S.C. 41742(a)(1) from fees credited under 49 U.S.C. 45303 and any amount remaining in such account at the close of that fiscal year may be made available to satisfy section 41742(a)(1) for the subsequent fiscal year.

SEC. 113. Amounts collected under section 40113(e) of title 49, United States Code, shall be credited to the appropriation current at the time of collection, to be merged with and available for the same purposes of such appropriation.

SEC. 114. None of the funds in this Act shall be available for paying premium pay under subsection 5546(a) of title 5, United States Code, to any Federal Aviation Administration employee unless such employee actually performed work during the time corresponding to such premium pay.

SEC. 115. None of the funds in this Act may be obligated or expended for an employee of the Federal Aviation Administration to purchase a store gift card or gift certificate through use of a Government-issued credit card.

SEC. 116. The Secretary shall apportion to the sponsor of an airport that received scheduled or unscheduled air service from a large certified air carrier (as defined in part 241 of title 14 Code of Federal Regulations, or such other regulations as may be issued by the Secretary under the authority of section 41709) an amount equal to the minimum apportionment specified in 49 U.S.C. 47114(c), if the Secretary determines that airport had more than 10,000 passenger boardings in the preceding calendar year, based on data submitted to the Secretary under part 241 of title 14, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 117. None of the funds in this Act may be obligated or expended for retention bonuses for an employee of the Federal Aviation Administration without the prior written approval of the Assistant Secretary for Administration of the Department of Transportation.

SEC. 118. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available under this Act or any prior Act may be used to implement or to continue to implement any limitation on the ability of any owner or operator of a private aircraft to obtain, upon a request to the Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration, a blocking of that owner's or operator's aircraft registration number from any display of the Federal Aviation Administration's Aircraft Situational Display to Industry data that is made available to the public, except data made available to a Government agency, for the noncommercial flights of that owner or operator.

SEC. 119. None of the funds in this Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more than nine political and Presidential appointees in the Federal Aviation Administration.

SEC. 119A. None of the funds made available under this Act may be used to increase fees pursuant to section 44721 of title 49, United States Code, until the FAA provides to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a report that justifies all fees related to aeronautical navigation products and explains how such fees are consistent with Executive Order 13642.

SEC. 119B. None of the funds in this Act may be used to close a regional operations center of the Federal Aviation Administration or reduce its services unless the Administrator notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 90 full business days in advance.

SEC. 119C. None of the funds appropriated or limited by this Act may be used to change weight restrictions or prior permission rules at Teterboro airport in Teterboro, New Jersey.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

Not to exceed $425,752,000, together with advances and reimbursements received by the Federal Highway Administration, shall be obligated for necessary expenses for administration and operation of the Federal Highway Administration. In addition, not to exceed $3,248,000 shall be transferred to the Appalachian Regional Commission in accordance with section 104 of title 23, United States Code.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

Funds available for the implementation or execution of Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs authorized under titles 23 and 49, United States Code, and the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act shall not exceed total obligations of $42,361,000,000 for fiscal year 2016: *Provided*, That the Secretary may collect and spend fees, as authorized by title 23, United States Code, to cover the costs of services of expert firms, including counsel, in the field of municipal and project finance to assist in the underwriting and servicing of Federal credit instruments and all or a portion of the costs to the Federal Government of servicing such credit instruments: *Provided further*, That such fees are available until expended to pay for such costs: *Provided further*, That such amounts are in addition to administrative expenses that are also available for such purpose, and are not subject to any obligation limitation or the limitation on administrative expenses under section 608 of title 23, United States Code.

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For the payment of obligations incurred in carrying out Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs authorized under title 23, United States Code, $43,100,000,000 derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), to remain available until expended.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 120. (a) For fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of Transportation shall—

(1) not distribute from the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways—

(A) amounts authorized for administrative expenses and programs by section 104(a) of title 23, United States Code; and

(B) amounts authorized for the Bureau of Transportation Statistics;

(2) not distribute an amount from the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways that is equal to the unobligated balance of amounts—

(A) made available from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs for previous fiscal years the funds for which are allocated by the Secretary (or apportioned by the Secretary under sections 202 or 204 of title 23, United States Code); and

(B) for which obligation limitation was provided in a previous fiscal year;

(3) determine the proportion that—

(A) the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways, less the aggregate of amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection; bears to

(B) the total of the sums authorized to be appropriated for the Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs (other than sums authorized to be appropriated for provisions of law described in paragraphs (1) through (11) of subsection (b) and sums authorized to be appropriated for section 119 of title 23, United States Code, equal to the amount referred to in subsection (b)(12) for such fiscal year), less the aggregate of the amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection;

(4) distribute the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways, less the aggregate amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2), for each of the programs (other than programs to which paragraph (1) applies) that are allocated by the Secretary under the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act and title 23, United States Code, or apportioned by the Secretary under sections 202 or 204 of that title, by multiplying—

(A) the proportion determined under paragraph (3); by

(B) the amounts authorized to be appropriated for each such program for such fiscal year; and

(5) distribute the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways, less the aggregate amounts not distributed under paragraphs (1) and (2) and the amounts distributed under paragraph (4), for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs that are apportioned by the Secretary under title 23, United States Code (other than the amounts apportioned for the National Highway Performance Program in section 119 of title 23, United States Code, that are exempt from the limitation under subsection (b)(12) and the amounts apportioned under sections 202 and 204 of that title) in the proportion that—

(A) amounts authorized to be appropriated for the programs that are apportioned under title 23, United States Code, to each State for such fiscal year; bears to

(B) the total of the amounts authorized to be appropriated for the programs that are apportioned under title 23, United States Code, to all States for such fiscal year.

(b) EXCEPTIONS FROM OBLIGATION LIMITATION.—The obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways shall not apply to obligations under or for—

(1) section 125 of title 23, United States Code;

(2) section 147 of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1978 (23 U.S.C. 144 note; 92 Stat. 2714);

(3) section 9 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1981 (95 Stat. 1701);

(4) subsections (b) and (j) of section 131 of the Surface Transportation Assistance Act of 1982 (96 Stat. 2119);

(5) subsections (b) and (c) of section 149 of the Surface Transportation and Uniform Relocation Assistance Act of 1987 (101 Stat. 198);

(6) sections 1103 through 1108 of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (105 Stat. 2027);

(7) section 157 of title 23, United States Code (as in effect on June 8, 1998);

(8) section 105 of title 23, United States Code (as in effect for fiscal years 1998 through 2004, but only in an amount equal to $639,000,000 for each of those fiscal years);

(9) Federal-aid highway programs for which obligation authority was made available under the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (112 Stat. 107) or subsequent Acts for multiple years or to remain available until expended, but only to the extent that the obligation authority has not lapsed or been used;

(10) section 105 of title 23, United States Code (as in effect for fiscal years 2005 through 2012, but only in an amount equal to $639,000,000 for each of those fiscal years);

(11) section 1603 of SAFETEA–LU (23 U.S.C. 118 note; 119 Stat. 1248), to the extent that funds obligated in accordance with that section were not subject to a limitation on obligations at the time at which the funds were initially made available for obligation; and

(12) section 119 of title 23, United States Code (but, for each of fiscal years 2013 through 2016, only in an amount equal to $639,000,000).

(c) REDISTRIBUTION OF UNUSED OBLIGATION AUTHORITY.—Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary shall, after August 1 of such fiscal year—

(1) revise a distribution of the obligation limitation made available under subsection (a) if an amount distributed cannot be obligated during that fiscal year; and

(2) redistribute sufficient amounts to those States able to obligate amounts in addition to those previously distributed during that fiscal year, giving priority to those States having large unobligated balances of funds apportioned under sections 144 (as in effect on the day before the date of enactment of Public Law 112–141) and 104 of title 23, United States Code.

(d) APPLICABILITY OF OBLIGATION LIMITATIONS TO TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH PROGRAMS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Except as provided in paragraph (2), the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highways shall apply to contract authority for transportation research programs carried out under—

(A) chapter 5 of title 23, United States Code; and

(B) title VI of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act.

(2) EXCEPTION.—Obligation authority made available under paragraph (1) shall—

(A) remain available for a period of 4 fiscal years; and

(B) be in addition to the amount of any limitation imposed on obligations for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs for future fiscal years.

(e) REDISTRIBUTION OF CERTAIN AUTHORIZED FUNDS.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 30 days after the date of distribution of obligation limitation under subsection (a), the Secretary shall distribute to the States any funds (excluding funds authorized for the program under section 202 of title 23, United States Code) that—

(A) are authorized to be appropriated for such fiscal year for Federal-aid highway programs; and

(B) the Secretary determines will not be allocated to the States (or will not be apportioned to the States under section 204 of title 23, United States Code), and will not be available for obligation, for such fiscal year because of the imposition of any obligation limitation for such fiscal year.

(2) RATIO.—Funds shall be distributed under paragraph (1) in the same proportion as the distribution of obligation authority under subsection (a)(5).

(3) AVAILABILITY.—Funds distributed to each State under paragraph (1) shall be available for any purpose described in section 133(b) of title 23, United States Code.

SEC. 121. Notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, funds received by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics from the sale of data products, for necessary expenses incurred pursuant to chapter 63 of title 49, United States Code, may be credited to the Federal-aid highways account for the purpose of reimbursing the Bureau for such expenses: *Provided*, That such funds shall be subject to the obligation limitation for Federal-aid highway and highway safety construction programs.

SEC. 122. Not less than 15 days prior to waiving, under his or her statutory authority, any Buy America requirement for Federal-aid highways projects, the Secretary of Transportation shall make an informal public notice and comment opportunity on the intent to issue such waiver and the reasons therefor: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall provide an annual report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on any waivers granted under the Buy America requirements.

SEC. 123. None of the funds in this Act to the Department of Transportation may be used to provide credit assistance unless not less than 3 days before any application approval to provide credit assistance under sections 603 and 604 of title 23, United States Code, the Secretary of Transportation provides notification in writing to the following committees: the House and Senate Committees

on Appropriations; the Committee on Environment and Public Works and the Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs of the Senate; and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives: *Provided*, That such notification shall include, but not be limited to, the name of the project sponsor; a description of the project; whether credit assistance will be provided as a direct loan, loan guarantee, or line of credit; and the amount of credit assistance.

SEC. 124. Section 127 of title 23, United States Code, is amended—

(1) in each of subsections (a)(11)(A) and (B) by striking "through December 31, 2031", and

(2) by inserting at the end the following:

"(t) VEHICLES IN IDAHO.—A vehicle limited or prohibited under this section from operating on a segment of the Interstate System in the State of Idaho may operate on such a segment if such vehicle–

"(1) has a gross vehicle weight of 129,000 pounds or less;

"(2) other than gross vehicle weight, complies with the single axle, tandem axle, and bridge formula limits set forth in subsection (a); and

"(3) is authorized to operate on such segment under Idaho State law.".

SEC. 125. (a) A State or territory, as defined in section 165 of title 23, United States Code, may use for any project eligible under section 133(b) of title 23 or section 165 of title 23 and located within the boundary of the State or territory any earmarked amount, and any associated obligation limitation, provided that the Department of Transportation for the State or territory for which the earmarked amount was originally designated or directed notifies the Secretary of Transportation of its intent to use its authority under this section and submits a quarterly report to the Secretary identifying the projects to which the funding would be applied. Notwithstanding the original period of availability of funds to be obligated under this section, such funds and associated obligation limitation shall remain available for obligation for a period of 3 fiscal years after the fiscal year in which the Secretary of Transportation is notified. The Federal share of the cost of a project carried out with funds made available under this section shall be the same as associated with the earmark.

(b) In this section, the term "earmarked amount" means—

(1) congressionally directed spending, as defined in rule XLIV of the Standing Rules of the Senate, identified in a prior law, report, or joint explanatory statement, which was authorized to be appropriated or appropriated more than 10 fiscal years prior to the fiscal year in which this Act becomes effective, and administered by the Federal Highway Administration; or

(2) a congressional earmark, as defined in rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives identified in a prior law, report, or joint explanatory statement, which was authorized to be appropriated or appropriated more than 10 fiscal years prior to the fiscal year in which this Act becomes effective, and administered by the Federal Highway Administration.

(c) The authority under subsection (a) may be exercised only for those projects or activities that have obligated less than 10 percent of the amount made available for obligation as of the effective date of this Act, and shall be applied to projects within the same general geographic area within 50 miles for which the funding was designated, except that a State or territory may apply such authority to unexpended balances of funds from projects or activities the State or territory certifies have been closed and for which payments have been made under a final voucher.

(d) The Secretary shall submit consolidated reports of the information provided by the States and territories each quarter to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

SEC. 126. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the amount that the Secretary sets aside for fiscal year 2016 under section 130(e)(1) of title 23, United States Code, for the elimination of hazards and the installation of protective devices at railway-highway crossings shall be $350,000,000.

FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in the implementation, execution and administration of motor carrier safety operations and programs pursuant to section 31110(a)–(c) of title 49, United States Code, and section 4134 of Public Law 109–59, as amended by Public Law 112–141, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, $267,400,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account), together with advances and reimbursements received by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, the sum of which shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That funds available for implementation, execution or administration of motor carrier safety operations and programs authorized under title 49, United States Code, shall not exceed total obligations of $267,400,000 for "Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs" for fiscal year 2016, of which $9,000,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2018, is for the research and technology program, and of which $34,545,000, to remain available for obligation until September 30, 2018, is for information management: *Provided further*, That $1,000,000 shall be made available for commercial motor vehicle operator grants to carry out section 4134 of Public Law 109–59, as amended by Public Law 112–141, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out sections 31102, 31104(a), 31106, 31107, 31109, 31309, 31313 of title 49, United States Code, and sections 4126 and 4128 of Public Law 109–59, as amended by Public Law 112–141, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, $313,000,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That funds available for the implementation or execution of motor carrier safety programs shall not exceed total obligations of $313,000,000 in fiscal year 2016 for "Motor Carrier Safety Grants"; of which $218,000,000 shall be available for the motor carrier safety assistance program, $30,000,000 shall be available for commercial driver's license program improvement grants, $32,000,000 shall be available for border enforcement grants, $5,000,000 shall be available for performance and registration information system management grants, $25,000,000 shall be available for the commercial vehicle information systems and networks deployment program, and $3,000,000 shall be available for safety data improvement grants: *Provided further*, That, of the funds made available herein for the motor carrier safety assistance program, $32,000,000 shall be available for audits of new entrant motor carriers.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 130. (a) Funds appropriated or limited in this Act shall be subject to the terms and conditions stipulated in section 350 of Public Law 107–87 and section 6901 of Public Law 110–28.

(b) Section 350(d) of the Department of Transportation and Related Agencies Appropriation Act, 2002 (Public Law 107–87) is hereby repealed.

SEC. 131. The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration shall send notice of 49 CFR section 385.308 violations by certified mail, registered mail, or another manner of delivery, which records the receipt of the notice by the persons responsible for the violations.

SEC. 132. None of the funds limited or otherwise made available under this Act, or any other Act, hereafter, shall be used by the Secretary to enforce any regulation prohibiting a State from issuing a commercial learner's permit to individuals under the age of eighteen if the State had a law authorizing the issuance of commercial learner's permits to individuals under eighteen years of age as of May 9, 2011.

SEC. 133. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act or any other Act may be used to implement, administer, or enforce sections 395.3(c) and 395.3(d) of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, and such section shall have no force or effect on submission of the final report issued by the Secretary, as required by section 133 of division K of Public Law 113–235, un-

less the Secretary and the Inspector General of the Department of Transportation each review and determine that the final report—

(1) meets the statutory requirements set forth in such section; and

(2) establishes that commercial motor vehicle drivers who operated under the restart provisions in effect between July 1, 2013, and the day before the date of enactment of such Public Law demonstrated statistically significant improvement in all outcomes related to safety, operator fatigue, driver health and longevity, and work schedules, in comparison to commercial motor vehicle drivers who operated under the restart provisions in effect on June 30, 2013.

SEC. 134. None of the funds limited or otherwise made available under the heading "Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs" may be used to deny an application to renew a Hazardous Materials Safety Program permit for a motor carrier based on that carrier's Hazardous Materials Out-of-Service rate, unless the carrier has the opportunity to submit a written description of corrective actions taken, and other documentation the carrier wishes the Secretary to consider, including submitting a corrective action plan, and the Secretary determines the actions or plan is insufficient to address the safety concerns that resulted in that Hazardous Materials Out-of-Service rate.

SEC. 135. None of the funds made available by this Act or previous appropriations Acts under the heading "Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs" shall be used to pay for costs associated with design, development, testing, or implementation of a wireless roadside inspection program until 180 days after the Secretary of Transportation certifies to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that such program does not conflict with existing non-Federal electronic screening systems, create capabilities already available, or require additional statutory authority to incorporate generated inspection data into safety determinations or databases, and has restrictions to specifically address privacy concerns of affected motor carriers and operators: *Provided*, That nothing in this section shall be construed as affecting the Department's ongoing research efforts in this area.

SEC. 136. Section 13506(a) of title 49, United States Code, is amended:

(1) in subsection (14) by striking "or";

(2) in subsection (15) by striking "." and inserting "; or"; and

(3) by inserting at the end, "(16) the transportation of passengers by 9 to 15 passenger motor vehicles operated by youth or family camps that provide recreational or educational activities.".

SEC. 137. (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 31112(c)(5) of title 49, United States Code, is amended—

(1) by striking "Nebraska may" and inserting "Nebraska and Kansas may"; and

(2) by striking "the State of Nebraska" and inserting "the relevant state".

(b) CONFORMING AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—Section 31112(c) of such title is amended—

(1) by striking the subsection designation and heading and inserting the following:

"(c) SPECIAL RULES FOR WYOMING, OHIO, ALASKA, IOWA, NEBRASKA, AND KANSAS.—";

(2) by striking "; and" at the end of paragraph (3) and inserting a semicolon; and

(3) by striking the period at the end of paragraph (4) and inserting "; and".

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

For expenses necessary to discharge the functions of the Secretary, with respect to traffic and highway safety authorized under chapter 301 and part C of subtitle VI of title 49, United States Code, $152,800,000, of which $20,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2017.

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of 23 U.S.C. 403, and chapter 303 of title 49, United States Code, $142,900,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account) and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution of programs the total obligations for which, in fiscal year 2016, are in excess of $142,900,000, of which $137,800,000 shall be for programs authorized under 23 U.S.C. 403 and $5,100,000 shall be for the National Driver Register authorized under chapter 303 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That within the $142,900,000 obligation limitation for operations and research, $20,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017, and shall be in addition to the amount of any limitation imposed on obligations for future years.

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in carrying out provisions of 23 U.S.C. 402, 404, and 405, and section 4001(a)(6) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, to remain available until expended, $573,332,000, to be derived from the Highway Trust Fund (other than the Mass Transit Account): *Provided*, That none of the funds in this Act shall be available for the planning or execution

of programs the total obligations for which, in fiscal year 2016, are in excess of $573,332,000 for programs authorized under 23 U.S.C. 402, 404, and 405, and section 4001(a)(6) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, of which $243,500,000 shall be for "Highway Safety Programs" under 23 U.S.C. 402; $274,700,000 shall be for "National Priority Safety Programs" under 23 U.S.C. 405; $29,300,000 shall be for "High Visibility Enforcement Program" under 23 U.S.C. 404; $25,832,000 shall be for "Administrative Expenses" under section 4001(a)(6) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act: *Provided further*, That none of these funds shall be used for construction, rehabilitation, or remodeling costs, or for office furnishings and fixtures for State, local or private buildings or structures: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $500,000 of the funds made available for "National Priority Safety Programs" under 23 U.S.C. 405 for "Impaired Driving Countermeasures" (as described in subsection (d) of that section) shall be available for technical assistance to the States: *Provided further*, That with respect to the "Transfers" provision under 23 U.S.C. 405(a)(1)(G), any amounts transferred to increase the amounts made available under section 402 shall include the obligation authority for such amounts: *Provided further*, That the Administrator shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations of any exercise of the authority granted under the previous proviso or under 23 U.S.C. 405(a)(1)(G) within five days.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 140. An additional $130,000 shall be made available to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, out of the amount limited for section 402 of title 23, United States Code, to pay for travel and related expenses for State management reviews and to pay for core competency development training and related expenses for highway safety staff.

SEC. 141. The limitations on obligations for the programs of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration set in this Act shall not apply to obligations for which obligation authority was made available in previous public laws but only to the extent that the obligation authority has not lapsed or been used.

SEC. 142. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to obligate or award funds for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's National Roadside Survey.

SEC. 143. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to mandate global positioning system (GPS) tracking in private passenger motor vehicles without providing full and appropriate consideration of privacy concerns under 5 U.S.C. chapter 5, subchapter II.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

SAFETY AND OPERATIONS

For necessary expenses of the Federal Railroad Administration, not otherwise provided for, $199,000,000, of which $15,900,000 shall remain available until expended.

RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary expenses for railroad research and development, $39,100,000, to remain available until expended.

RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING PROGRAM

The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to issue direct loans and loan guarantees pursuant to sections 501 through 504 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–210), as amended, such authority to exist as long as any such direct loan or loan guarantee is outstanding. *Provided*, That pursuant to section 502 of such Act, as amended, no new direct loans or loan guarantee commitments shall be made using Federal funds for the credit risk premium during fiscal year 2016.

RAILROAD SAFETY GRANTS

For necessary expenses related to railroad safety grants, $50,000,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $25,000,000 shall be available to carry out 49 U.S.C. 20167, as in effect the day before the enactment of the Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act of 2015 (division A, title XI of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act); and not to exceed $25,000,000 shall be made available to carry out 49 U.S.C. 20158.

OPERATING GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make quarterly grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation, in amounts based on the Secretary's assessment of the Corporation's seasonal cash flow requirements, for the operation of intercity passenger rail, as authorized by section 101 of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (division B of Public Law 110–432), as in effect the day before the enactment of the Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act of 2015 (division A, title XI of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act), $288,500,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the amounts available under this paragraph shall be available for the Secretary to approve funding to cover operating losses for the Corporation only after receiving and reviewing a grant request for each specific train route: *Provided further,* That each such grant request shall be accompanied by a detailed financial analysis, revenue projection, and capital expenditure projection justifying the Federal support to the Secretary's satisfaction: *Provided further*, That not later than 60 days after enactment of this Act, the Corporation shall transmit, in electronic format, to the Secretary and the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations the annual budget, business plan, the 5-Year Financial Plan for fiscal year 2016 required under section 204 of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 and the comprehensive fleet plan for all Amtrak rolling stock: *Provided further,* That the budget, business plan and the 5-Year Financial Plan shall include annual information on the maintenance, refurbishment, replacement, and expansion for all Amtrak rolling stock consistent with the comprehensive fleet plan: *Provided fur-*

ther, That the Corporation shall provide monthly performance reports in an electronic format which shall describe the work completed to date, any changes to the business plan, and the reasons for such changes as well as progress against the milestones and target dates of the 2012 performance improvement plan: *Provided further,* That the Corporation's budget, business plan, 5-Year Financial Plan, semiannual reports, monthly reports, comprehensive fleet plan and all supplemental reports or plans comply with requirements in Public Law 112–55: *Provided further,* That none of the funds provided in this Act may be used to support any route on which Amtrak offers a discounted fare of more than 50 percent off the normal peak fare: *Provided further,* That the preceding proviso does not apply to routes where the operating loss as a result of the discount is covered by a State and the State participates in the setting of fares.

CAPITAL AND DEBT SERVICE GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

To enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation for capital investments as authorized by sections 101(c), 102, and 219(b) of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (division B of Public Law 110–432), as in effect the day before the enactment of the Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act of 2015 (division A, title XI of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act), $1,101,500,000, to remain available until expended, of which not to exceed $160,200,000 shall be for debt service obligations as authorized by section 102 of such Act: *Provided*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, not less than $50,000,000 shall be made available to bring Amtrak-served facilities and stations into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act: *Provided further*, That after an initial distribution of up to $200,000,000, which shall be used by the Corporation as a working capital account, all remaining funds shall be provided to the Corporation only on a reimbursable basis: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, up to $50,000,000 may be used by the Secretary to subsidize operating losses of the Corporation should the funds provided under the heading "Operating Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation" be insufficient to meet operational costs for fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may retain up to one-half of 1 percent of the funds provided under this heading to fund the costs of project management and oversight of activities authorized by subsections 101(a) and 101(c) of division B of Public Law 110–432, of which up to $500,000 may be available for technical assistance for States, the District of Columbia, and other public entities responsible for the implementation of section 209 of division B of Public Law 110–432: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall approve funding for capital expenditures, including advance purchase orders of materials, for the Corporation only after receiving and reviewing a grant request for each specific capital project justifying the Federal support to the Secretary's satisfaction: *Provided further*, That except as otherwise provided herein, none of the funds under this heading may be used to subsidize operating losses of the

Corporation: *Provided further*, That none of the funds under this heading may be used for capital projects not approved by the Secretary of Transportation or on the Corporation's fiscal year 2016 business plan: *Provided further*, That in addition to the project management oversight funds authorized under section 101(d) of division B of Public Law 110–432, the Secretary may retain up to an additional $3,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading to fund expenses associated with implementing section 212 of division B of Public Law 110–432, including the amendments made by section 212 to section 24905 of title 49, United States Code: *Provided further*, That Amtrak shall conduct a business case analysis on capital investments that exceed $10,000,000 in life-cycle costs: *Provided further*, That each contract for a capital acquisition that exceeds $10,000,000 in life-cycle costs shall state that funding is subject to the availability of appropriated funds provided by an appropriations Act.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

SEC. 150. The Secretary of Transportation may receive and expend cash, or receive and utilize spare parts and similar items, from non-United States Government sources to repair damages to or replace United States Government owned automated track inspection cars and equipment as a result of third-party liability for such damages, and any amounts collected under this section shall be credited directly to the Safety and Operations account of the Federal Railroad Administration, and shall remain available until expended for the repair, operation and maintenance of automated track inspection cars and equipment in connection with the automated track inspection program.

SEC. 151. None of the funds provided to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation may be used to fund any overtime costs in excess of $35,000 for any individual employee: *Provided*, That the President of Amtrak may waive the cap set in the previous proviso for specific employees when the President of Amtrak determines such a cap poses a risk to the safety and operational efficiency of the system: *Provided further*, That the President of Amtrak shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations each quarter of the calendar year on waivers granted to employees and amounts paid above the cap for each month within such quarter and delineate the reasons each waiver was granted: *Provided further,* That the President of Amtrak shall report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations by March 1, 2016, a summary of all overtime payments incurred by the Corporation for 2015 and the three prior calendar years: *Provided further*, That such summary shall include the total number of employees that received waivers and the total overtime payments the Corporation paid to those employees receiving waivers for each month for 2015 and for the three prior calendar years.

SEC. 152. Of the unobligated balances of funds available to the Federal Railroad Administration from the "Railroad Research and Development" account, $1,960,000 is permanently rescinded: *Provided*, That such amounts are made available to enable the Sec-

retary of Transportation to assist Class II and Class III railroads with eligible projects pursuant to sections 501 through 504 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 (Public Law 94–210), as amended: *Provided further*, That such funds shall be available for applicant expenses in preparing to apply and applying for direct loans and loan guarantees: *Provided further*, That these funds shall remain available until expended.

SEC. 153. Of the unobligated balances of funds available to the Federal Railroad Administration, the following funds are hereby rescinded: $5,000,000 of the unobligated balances of funds made available to fund expenses associated with implementing section 212 of division B of Public Law 110–432 in the Capital and Debt Service Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation account of the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015; and $14,163,385 of the unobligated balances of funds made available from the following accounts in the specified amounts—"Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation", $267,019; "Next Generation High-Speed Rail", $4,944,504; "Rail Line Relocation and Improvement Program", $2,241,385; and "Safety and Operations", $6,710,477: *Provided*, That such amounts are made available to enable the Secretary of Transportation to make grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation as authorized by section 101(c) of the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act of 2008 (division B of Public Law 110–432) for state-of-good-repair backlog and infrastructure improvements on Northeast Corridor shared-use infrastructure identified in the Northeast Corridor Infrastructure and Operations Advisory Commission's approved 5-year capital plan: *Provided further*, That these funds shall remain available until expended and shall be available for grants in an amount not to exceed 50 percent of the total project cost, with the required matching funds to be provided consistent with the Commission's cost allocation policy.

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

For necessary administrative expenses of the Federal Transit Administration's programs authorized by chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, $108,000,000, of which not more than $6,500,000 shall be available to carry out the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 5329 and not less than $1,000,000 shall be available to carry out the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 5326: *Provided*, That none of the funds provided or limited in this Act may be used to create a permanent office of transit security under this heading: *Provided further*, That upon submission to the Congress of the fiscal year 2017 President's budget, the Secretary of Transportation shall transmit to Congress the annual report on New Starts, including proposed allocations for fiscal year 2017.

TRANSIT FORMULA GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

For payment of obligations incurred in the Federal Public Transportation Assistance Program in this account, and for payment of obligations incurred in carrying out the provisions of 49 U.S.C. 5305, 5307, 5310, 5311, 5312, 5314, 5318, 5329(e)(6), 5335, 5337, 5339, and 5340, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, and section 20005(b) of Public Law 112–141, and section 3006(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, $10,400,000,000, to be derived from the Mass Transit Account of the Highway Trust Fund and to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That funds available for the implementation or execution of programs authorized under 49 U.S.C. 5305, 5307, 5310, 5311, 5312, 5314, 5318, 5329(e)(6), 5335, 5337, 5339, and 5340, as amended by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, and section 20005(b) of Public Law 112–141, and section 3006(b) of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act, shall not exceed total obligations of $9,347,604,639 in fiscal year 2016.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

For necessary expenses to carry out 49 U.S.C. 5309, $2,177,000,000, to remain available until expended.

GRANTS TO THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

For grants to the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority as authorized under section 601 of division B of Public Law 110–432, $150,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation shall approve grants for capital and preventive maintenance expenditures for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority only after receiving and reviewing a request for each specific project: *Provided further*, That prior to approving such grants, the Secretary shall certify that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority is making progress to improve its safety management system in response to the Federal Transit Administration's 2015 safety management inspection: *Provided further*, That prior to approving such grants, the Secretary shall certify that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority is making progress toward full implementation of the corrective actions identified in the 2014 Financial Management Oversight Review Report: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall determine that the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority has placed the highest priority on those investments that will improve the safety of the system before approving such grants: *Provided further*, That the Secretary, in order to ensure safety throughout the rail system, may waive the requirements of section 601(e)(1) of title VI of Public Law 110–432 (112 Stat. 4968).

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

SEC. 160. The limitations on obligations for the programs of the Federal Transit Administration shall not apply to any authority under 49 U.S.C. 5338, previously made available for obligation, or to any other authority previously made available for obligation.

SEC. 161. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated or limited by this Act under the heading "Fixed Guideway Capital Investment" of the Federal Transit Administration for projects specified in this Act or identified in reports accompanying this Act not obligated by September 30, 2020, and other recoveries, shall be directed to projects eligible to use the funds for the purposes for which they were originally provided.

SEC. 162. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any funds appropriated before October 1, 2015, under any section of chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, that remain available for expenditure, may be transferred to and administered under the most recent appropriation heading for any such section.

SEC. 163. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, none of the funds made available in this Act shall be used to enter into a full funding grant agreement for a project with a New Starts share greater than 60 percent.

SEC. 164. (a) LOSS OF ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in subsection (b), none of the funds in this or any other Act may be available to advance in any way a new light or heavy rail project towards a full funding grant agreement as defined by 49 U.S.C. 5309 for the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas if the proposed capital project is constructed on or planned to be constructed on Richmond Avenue west of South Shepherd Drive or on Post Oak Boulevard north of Richmond Avenue in Houston, Texas.

(b) EXCEPTION FOR A NEW ELECTION.—The Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas, may attempt to construct or construct a new fixed guideway capital project, including light rail, in the locations referred to in subsection (a) if—

(1) voters in the jurisdiction that includes such locations approve a ballot proposition that specifies routes on Richmond Avenue west of South Shepherd Drive or on Post Oak Boulevard north of Richmond Avenue in Houston, Texas; and

(2) the proposed construction of such routes is part of a comprehensive, multi-modal, service-area wide transportation plan that includes multiple additional segments of fixed guideway capital projects, including light rail for the jurisdiction set forth in the ballot proposition. The ballot language shall include reasonable cost estimates, sources of revenue to be used and the total amount of bonded indebtedness to be incurred as well as a description of each route and the beginning and end point of each proposed transit project.

SEC. 165. Of the unobligated amounts made available for fiscal year 2012 or prior fiscal years to carry out the discretionary bus and bus facilities and new fixed guideway capital projects programs under 49 U.S.C. 5309 and the discretionary job access and reverse commute program under section 3037 of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century, $25,397,797 is hereby rescinded.

SEC. 166. Until September 15, 2016, the Secretary may not enforce regulations related to charter bus service under part 604 of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, for any transit agency that, during fiscal year 2008 was both initially granted a 60-day period to come into compliance with part 604, and then was subsequently granted an exception from said part: *Provided*, That notwithstanding 49 U.S.C. 5323(t), such transit agency may receive its allocation of urbanized area formula funds apportioned in accordance with 49 U.S.C. 5336.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation is hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to the Corporation, and in accord with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of the Government Corporation Control Act, as amended, as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the Corporation's budget for the current fiscal year.

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

(HARBOR MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND)

For necessary expenses to conduct the operations, maintenance, and capital asset renewal activities of those portions of the St. Lawrence Seaway owned, operated, and maintained by the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, $28,400,000, to be derived from the Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund, pursuant to Public Law 99–662.

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

MARITIME SECURITY PROGRAM

For necessary expenses to maintain and preserve a U.S.-flag merchant fleet to serve the national security needs of the United States, $210,000,000, to remain available until expended.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

For necessary expenses of operations and training activities authorized by law, $171,155,000, of which $22,000,000 shall remain available until expended for maintenance and repair of training ships at State Maritime Academies, and of which $5,000,000 shall remain available until expended for National Security Multi-Mission Vessel design for State Maritime Academies and National Security, and of which $2,400,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for the Student Incentive Program at State Maritime Academies, and of which $1,200,000 shall remain available until expended for training ship fuel assistance payments, and of which $18,000,000 shall remain available until expended for facilities maintenance and repair, equipment, and capital improvements at the United States Merchant Marine Academy, and of which $3,000,000 shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for Maritime Environment and Technology Assistance grants,

contracts, and cooperative agreement, and of which $5,000,000 shall remain available until expended for the Short Sea Transportation Program (America's Marine Highways) to make grants for the purposes provided in title 46 sections 55601(b)(1) and 55601(b)(3): *Provided*, That amounts apportioned for the United States Merchant Marine Academy shall be available only upon allotments made personally by the Secretary of Transportation or the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs: *Provided further*, That the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent and the Director of the Office of Resource Management of the United States Merchant Marine Academy may not be allotment holders for the United States Merchant Marine Academy, and the Administrator of the Maritime Administration shall hold all allotments made by the Secretary of Transportation or the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs under the previous proviso: *Provided further*, That 50 percent of the funding made available for the United States Merchant Marine Academy under this heading shall be available only after the Secretary, in consultation with the Superintendent and the Maritime Administrator, completes a plan detailing by program or activity how such funding will be expended at the Academy, and this plan is submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That not later than January 12, 2016, the Administrator of the Maritime Administration shall transmit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations the annual report on sexual assault and sexual harassment at the United States Merchant Marine Academy as required pursuant to section 3507 of Public Law 110–417.

ASSISTANCE TO SMALL SHIPYARDS

To make grants to qualified shipyards as authorized under section 54101 of title 46, United States Code, as amended by Public Law 113–281, $5,000,000 to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall issue the Notice of Funding Availability no later than 15 days after enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That from applications submitted under the previous proviso, the Secretary of Transportation shall make grants no later than 120 days after enactment of this Act in such amounts as the Secretary determines: *Provided further*, That not to exceed 2 percent of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for necessary costs of grant administration.

SHIP DISPOSAL

For necessary expenses related to the disposal of obsolete vessels in the National Defense Reserve Fleet of the Maritime Administration, $5,000,000, to remain available until expended.

MARITIME GUARANTEED LOAN (TITLE XI) PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized, $8,135,000, of which $5,000,000 shall remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs, including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of

1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That not to exceed $3,135,000 shall be available for administrative expenses to carry out the guaranteed loan program, which shall be transferred to and merged with the appropriations for "Operations and Training", Maritime Administration.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

SEC. 170. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, in addition to any existing authority, the Maritime Administration is authorized to furnish utilities and services and make necessary repairs in connection with any lease, contract, or occupancy involving Government property under control of the Maritime Administration: *Provided*, That payments received therefor shall be credited to the appropriation charged with the cost thereof and shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That rental payments under any such lease, contract, or occupancy for items other than such utilities, services, or repairs shall be covered into the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts.

SEC. 171. None of the funds available or appropriated in this Act shall be used by the United States Department of Transportation or the United States Maritime Administration to negotiate or otherwise execute, enter into, facilitate or perform fee-for-service contracts for vessel disposal, scrapping or recycling, unless there is no qualified domestic ship recycler that will pay any sum of money to purchase and scrap or recycle a vessel owned, operated or managed by the Maritime Administration or that is part of the National Defense Reserve Fleet: *Provided*, That such sales offers must be consistent with the solicitation and provide that the work will be performed in a timely manner at a facility qualified within the meaning of section 3502 of Public Law 106–398: *Provided further*, That nothing contained herein shall affect the Maritime Administration's authority to award contracts at least cost to the Federal Government and consistent with the requirements of 54 U.S.C. 308704, section 3502, or otherwise authorized under the Federal Acquisition Regulation.

PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

For necessary operational expenses of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, $21,000,000: *Provided*, That no later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation shall initiate a rulemaking to expand the applicability of comprehensive oil spill response plans, and shall issue a final rule no later than one year after the date of enactment of this Act.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY

For expenses necessary to discharge the hazardous materials safety functions of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration, $55,619,000, of which $7,570,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That up to $800,000 in fees collected under 49 U.S.C. 5108(g) shall be deposited in the

general fund of the Treasury as offsetting receipts: *Provided further*, That there may be credited to this appropriation, to be available until expended, funds received from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training, for reports publication and dissemination, and for travel expenses incurred in performance of hazardous materials exemptions and approvals functions.

PIPELINE SAFETY

(PIPELINE SAFETY FUND)

(OIL SPILL LIABILITY TRUST FUND)

For expenses necessary to conduct the functions of the pipeline safety program, for grants-in-aid to carry out a pipeline safety program, as authorized by 49 U.S.C. 60107, and to discharge the pipeline program responsibilities of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, $146,623,000, of which $22,123,000 shall be derived from the Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund and shall remain available until September 30, 2018; and of which $124,500,000 shall be derived from the Pipeline Safety Fund, of which $59,835,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That not less than $1,058,000 of the funds provided under this heading shall be for the One-Call state grant program: *Provided further,* That not less than $1,000,000 of the funds provided under this heading shall be for the finalization and implementation of rules required under section 60102(n) of title 49, United States Code, and section 8(b)(3) of the Pipeline Safety, Regulatory Certainty, and Job Creation Act of 2011 (49 U.S.C. 60108 note; 125 Stat. 1911).

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS

(EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)

For necessary expenses to carryout 49 U.S.C. 5128(b), $188,000, to be derived from the Emergency Preparedness Fund, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That notwithstanding the fiscal year limitation specified in 49 U.S.C. 5116, not more than $28,318,000 shall be made available for obligation in fiscal year 2016 from amounts made available by 49 U.S.C. 5116(h), and 5128(b) and (c): *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 49 U.S.C. 5116(h)(4), not more than 4 percent of the amounts made available from this account shall be available to pay administrative costs: *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available by 49 U.S.C. 5116(h), 5128(b), or 5128(c) shall be made available for obligation by individuals other than the Secretary of Transportation, or his or her designee: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding 49 U.S.C. 5128(b) and (c) and the current year obligation limitation, prior year recoveries recognized in the current year shall be available to develop a hazardous materials response training curriculum for emergency responders, including response activities for the transportation of crude oil, ethanol and other flammable liquids by rail, consistent with National Fire Protection Association standards, and to make such training available through an electronic format: *Provided further*, That the prior year recov-

eries made available under this heading shall also be available to carry out 49 U.S.C. 5116(a)(1)(C) and 5116(i).

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of the Inspector General to carry out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, $87,472,000: *Provided*, That the Inspector General shall have all necessary authority, in carrying out the duties specified in the Inspector General Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 3), to investigate allegations of fraud, including false statements to the government (18 U.S.C. 1001), by any person or entity that is subject to regulation by the Department of Transportation: *Provided further*, That the funds made available under this heading may be used to investigate, pursuant to section 41712 of title 49, United States Code: (1) unfair or deceptive practices and unfair methods of competition by domestic and foreign air carriers and ticket agents; and (2) the compliance of domestic and foreign air carriers with respect to item (1) of this proviso.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Surface Transportation Board, including services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, $32,375,000: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, not to exceed $1,250,000 from fees established by the Chairman of the Surface Transportation Board shall be credited to this appropriation as offsetting collections and used for necessary and authorized expenses under this heading: *Provided further*, That the sum herein appropriated from the general fund shall be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis as such offsetting collections are received during fiscal year 2016, to result in a final appropriation from the general fund estimated at no more than $31,125,000.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SEC. 180. During the current fiscal year, applicable appropriations to the Department of Transportation shall be available for maintenance and operation of aircraft; hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; purchase of liability insurance for motor vehicles operating in foreign countries on official department business; and uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902).

SEC. 181. Appropriations contained in this Act for the Department of Transportation shall be available for services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for an Executive Level IV.

SEC. 182. None of the funds in this Act shall be available for salaries and expenses of more than 110 political and Presidential appointees in the Department of Transportation: *Provided*, That none of the personnel covered by this provision may be assigned on temporary detail outside the Department of Transportation.

SEC. 183. (a) No recipient of funds made available in this Act shall disseminate personal information (as defined in 18 U.S.C. 2725(3)) obtained by a State department of motor vehicles in connection with a motor vehicle record as defined in 18 U.S.C. 2725(1), except as provided in 18 U.S.C. 2721 for a use permitted under 18 U.S.C. 2721.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the Secretary shall not withhold funds provided in this Act for any grantee if a State is in noncompliance with this provision.

SEC. 184. Funds received by the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Railroad Administration from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for expenses incurred for training may be credited respectively to the Federal Highway Administration's "Federal-Aid Highways" account and to the Federal Railroad Administration's "Safety and Operations" account, except for State rail safety inspectors participating in training pursuant to 49 U.S.C. 20105.

SEC. 185. None of the funds in this Act to the Department of Transportation may be used to make a loan, loan guarantee, line of credit, or grant unless the Secretary of Transportation notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 3 full business days before any project competitively selected to receive a discretionary grant award, any discretionary grant award, letter of intent, loan commitment, loan guarantee commitment, line of credit commitment, or full funding grant agreement totaling $750,000 or more is announced by the department or its modal administrations from—

(1) any discretionary grant or federal credit program of the Federal Highway Administration including the emergency relief program;

(2) the airport improvement program of the Federal Aviation Administration;

(3) any program of the Federal Railroad Administration;

(4) any program of the Federal Transit Administration other than the formula grants and fixed guideway modernization programs;

(5) any program of the Maritime Administration; or

(6) any funding provided under the headings "National Infrastructure Investments" in this Act:

Provided, That the Secretary gives concurrent notification to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations for any "quick release" of funds from the emergency relief program: *Provided further*, That no notification shall involve funds that are not available for obligation.

SEC. 186. Rebates, refunds, incentive payments, minor fees and other funds received by the Department of Transportation from travel management centers, charge card programs, the subleasing of building space, and miscellaneous sources are to be credited to appropriations of the Department of Transportation and allocated to elements of the Department of Transportation using fair and equitable criteria and such funds shall be available until expended.

SEC. 187. Amounts made available in this or any other Act that the Secretary determines represent improper payments by the Department of Transportation to a third-party contractor under a fi-

nancial assistance award, which are recovered pursuant to law, shall be available—

(1) to reimburse the actual expenses incurred by the Department of Transportation in recovering improper payments; and

(2) to pay contractors for services provided in recovering improper payments or contractor support in the implementation of the Improper Payments Information Act of 2002: *Provided*, That amounts in excess of that required for paragraphs (1) and (2)—

(A) shall be credited to and merged with the appropriation from which the improper payments were made, and shall be available for the purposes and period for which such appropriations are available: *Provided further*, That where specific project or accounting information associated with the improper payment or payments is not readily available, the Secretary may credit an appropriate account, which shall be available for the purposes and period associated with the account so credited; or

(B) if no such appropriation remains available, shall be deposited in the Treasury as miscellaneous receipts: *Provided further*, That prior to the transfer of any such recovery to an appropriations account, the Secretary shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations of the amount and reasons for such transfer: *Provided further*, That for purposes of this section, the term "improper payments" has the same meaning as that provided in section 2(d)(2) of Public Law 107–300.

SEC. 188. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, if any funds provided in or limited by this Act are subject to a reprogramming action that requires notice to be provided to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, transmission of said reprogramming notice shall be provided solely to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, and said reprogramming action shall be approved or denied solely by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Transportation may provide notice to other congressional committees of the action of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on such reprogramming but not sooner than 30 days following the date on which the reprogramming action has been approved or denied by the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

SEC. 189. None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act may be used by the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation to charge or collect any filing fee for rate or practice complaints filed with the Board in an amount in excess of the amount authorized for district court civil suit filing fees under section 1914 of title 28, United States Code.

SEC. 190. Funds appropriated in this Act to the modal administrations may be obligated for the Office of the Secretary for the costs related to assessments or reimbursable agreements only when such amounts are for the costs of goods and services that are purchased to provide a direct benefit to the applicable modal administration or administrations.

SEC. 191. The Secretary of Transportation is authorized to carry out a program that establishes uniform standards for developing and supporting agency transit pass and transit benefits authorized under section 7905 of title 5, United States Code, including distribution of transit benefits by various paper and electronic media.

SEC. 192. The Department of Transportation may use funds provided by this Act, or any other Act, to assist a contract under title 49 U.S.C. or title 23 U.S.C. utilizing geographic, economic, or any other hiring preference not otherwise authorized by law, except for such preferences authorized in this Act, or to amend a rule, regulation, policy or other measure that forbids a recipient of a Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration grant from imposing such hiring preference on a contract or construction project with which the Department of Transportation is assisting, only if the grant recipient certifies the following:

(1) that except with respect to apprentices or trainees, a pool of readily available but unemployed individuals possessing the knowledge, skill, and ability to perform the work that the contract requires resides in the jurisdiction;

(2) that the grant recipient will include appropriate provisions in its bid document ensuring that the contractor does not displace any of its existing employees in order to satisfy such hiring preference; and

(3) that any increase in the cost of labor, training, or delays resulting from the use of such hiring preference does not delay or displace any transportation project in the applicable Statewide Transportation Improvement Program or Transportation Improvement Program.

This title may be cited as the "Department of Transportation Appropriations Act, 2016".

TITLE II

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

For necessary salaries and expenses for Executive Offices, which shall be comprised of the offices of the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Adjudicatory Services, Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Public Affairs, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships, $13,800,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed $25,000 of the amount made available under this heading shall be available to the Secretary for official reception and representation expenses as the Secretary may determine.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICES

For necessary salaries and expenses for Administrative Support Offices, $559,100,000, of which $79,000,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Financial Officer; $94,500,000 shall be available for the Office of the General Counsel; $207,600,000 shall be available for the Office of Administration; $56,300,000 shall be

available for the Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer; $51,500,000 shall be available for the Office of Field Policy and Management; $17,200,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer; $3,300,000 shall be available for the Office of Departmental Equal Employment Opportunity; $4,500,000 shall be available for the Office of Strategic Planning and Management; and $45,200,000 shall be available for the Office of the Chief Information Officer: *Provided*, That funds provided under this heading may be used for necessary administrative and non-administrative expenses of the Department of Housing and Urban Development, not otherwise provided for, including purchase of uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902; hire of passenger motor vehicles; and services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109: *Provided further,* That notwithstanding any other provision of law, funds appropriated under this heading may be used for advertising and promotional activities that directly support program activities funded in this title: *Provided further,* That the Secretary shall provide the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations quarterly written notification regarding the status of pending congressional reports: *Provided further,* That the Secretary shall provide in electronic form all signed reports required by Congress.

PROGRAM OFFICE SALARIES AND EXPENSES

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Public and Indian Housing, $205,500,000.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Community Planning and Development, $104,800,000.

HOUSING

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Housing, $375,000,000.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Policy Development and Research, $23,100,000.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, $72,000,000.

OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes, $7,000,000.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

There is hereby established in the United States Treasury, pursuant to section 7(f) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(f)), a working capital fund for the Department of Housing and Urban Development (referred to in this paragraph as the "Fund"): *Provided*, That amounts transferred to the Fund under this heading shall be available for Federal shared services used by offices and agencies of the Department, and for such portion of any office or agency's printing, records management, space renovation, furniture, or supply services as the Secretary determines shall be derived from centralized sources made available by the Department to all offices and agencies and funded through the Fund: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available in this title for salaries and expenses under the headings "Executive Offices", "Administrative Support Offices", "Program Office Salaries and Expenses", and "Government National Mortgage Association", the Secretary shall transfer to the Fund such amounts, to remain available until expended, as are necessary to fund services, specified in the first proviso, for which the appropriation would otherwise have been available, and may transfer not to exceed an additional $10,000,000, in aggregate, from all such appropriations, to be merged with the Fund and to remain available until expended for use for any office or agency: *Provided further*, That amounts in the Fund shall be the only amounts available to each office or agency of the Department for the services, or portion of services, specified in the first proviso: *Provided further*, That with respect to the Fund, the authorities and conditions under this heading shall supplant the authorities and conditions provided under section 7(f) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act.

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

For activities and assistance for the provision of tenant-based rental assistance authorized under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) ("the Act" herein), not otherwise provided for, $15,628,525,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2015 (in addition to the $4,000,000,000 previously appropriated under this heading that shall be available on October 1, 2015), and $4,000,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2016: *Provided*, That the amounts made available under this heading are provided as follows:

(1) $17,681,451,000 shall be available for renewals of expiring section 8 tenant-based annual contributions contracts (including renewals of enhanced vouchers under any provision of law authorizing such assistance under section 8(t) of the Act) and including renewal of other special purpose incremental vouchers: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law, from amounts provided under this paragraph and any

carryover, the Secretary for the calendar year 2016 funding cycle shall provide renewal funding for each public housing agency based on validated voucher management system (VMS) leasing and cost data for the prior calendar year and by applying an inflation factor as established by the Secretary, by notice published in the Federal Register, and by making any necessary adjustments for the costs associated with the first-time renewal of vouchers under this paragraph including tenant protection, HOPE VI, and Choice Neighborhoods vouchers: *Provided further*, That in determining calendar year 2016 funding allocations under this heading for public housing agencies, including agencies participating in the Moving To Work (MTW) demonstration, the Secretary may take into account the anticipated impact of changes in targeting and utility allowances, on public housing agencies' contract renewal needs: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided under this paragraph may be used to fund a total number of unit months under lease which exceeds a public housing agency's authorized level of units under contract, except for public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration, which are instead governed by the terms and conditions of their MTW agreements: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall, to the extent necessary to stay within the amount specified under this paragraph (except as otherwise modified under this paragraph), prorate each public housing agency's allocation otherwise established pursuant to this paragraph: *Provided further*, That except as provided in the following provisos, the entire amount specified under this paragraph (except as otherwise modified under this paragraph) shall be obligated to the public housing agencies based on the allocation and pro rata method described above, and the Secretary shall notify public housing agencies of their annual budget by the latter of 60 days after enactment of this Act or March 1, 2016: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may extend the notification period with the prior written approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration shall be funded pursuant to their MTW agreements and shall be subject to the same pro rata adjustments under the previous provisos: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may offset public housing agencies' calendar year 2016 allocations based on the excess amounts of public housing agencies' net restricted assets accounts, including HUD held programmatic reserves (in accordance with VMS data in calendar year 2015 that is verifiable and complete), as determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration shall also be subject to the offset, as determined by the Secretary, excluding amounts subject to the single fund budget authority provisions of their MTW agreements, from the agencies' calendar year 2016 MTW funding allocation: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall use any offset referred to in the previous two provisos throughout the calendar year to prevent the termination of rental assistance for families as the result of insufficient funding, as determined by the Secretary, and to avoid or re-

duce the proration of renewal funding allocations: *Provided further*, That up to $75,000,000 shall be available only: (1) for adjustments in the allocations for public housing agencies, after application for an adjustment by a public housing agency that experienced a significant increase, as determined by the Secretary, in renewal costs of vouchers resulting from unforeseen circumstances or from portability under section 8(r) of the Act; (2) for vouchers that were not in use during the previous 12-month period in order to be available to meet a commitment pursuant to section 8(o)(13) of the Act; (3) for adjustments for costs associated with HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD–VASH) vouchers; and (4) for public housing agencies that despite taking reasonable cost savings measures, as determined by the Secretary, would otherwise be required to terminate rental assistance for families as a result of insufficient funding: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall allocate amounts under the previous proviso based on need, as determined by the Secretary;

(2) $130,000,000 shall be for section 8 rental assistance for relocation and replacement of housing units that are demolished or disposed of pursuant to section 18 of the Act, conversion of section 23 projects to assistance under section 8, the family unification program under section 8(x) of the Act, relocation of witnesses in connection with efforts to combat crime in public and assisted housing pursuant to a request from a law enforcement or prosecution agency, enhanced vouchers under any provision of law authorizing such assistance under section 8(t) of the Act, HOPE VI and Choice Neighborhood vouchers, mandatory and voluntary conversions, and tenant protection assistance including replacement and relocation assistance or for project-based assistance to prevent the displacement of unassisted elderly tenants currently residing in section 202 properties financed between 1959 and 1974 that are refinanced pursuant to Public Law 106–569, as amended, or under the authority as provided under this Act: *Provided*, That when a public housing development is submitted for demolition or disposition under section 18 of the Act, the Secretary may provide section 8 rental assistance when the units pose an imminent health and safety risk to residents: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may only provide replacement vouchers for units that were occupied within the previous 24 months that cease to be available as assisted housing, subject only to the availability of funds: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this paragraph, $5,000,000 may be available to provide tenant protection assistance, not otherwise provided under this paragraph, to residents residing in low vacancy areas and who may have to pay rents greater than 30 percent of household income, as the result of: (A) the maturity of a HUD-insured, HUD-held or section 202 loan that requires the permission of the Secretary prior to loan prepayment; (B) the expiration of a rental assistance contract for which the tenants are not eligible for enhanced voucher or tenant protection assistance under existing law; or (C) the expiration of affordability restrictions accompanying a mortgage or preservation

program administered by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That such tenant protection assistance made available under the previous proviso may be provided under the authority of section 8(t) or section 8(o)(13) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f(t)): *Provided further*, That any tenant protection voucher made available from amounts under this paragraph shall not be reissued by any public housing agency, except the replacement vouchers as defined by the Secretary by notice, when the initial family that received any such voucher no longer receives such voucher, and the authority for any public housing agency to issue any such voucher shall cease to exist: *Provided further*, That the Secretary, for the purpose under this paragraph, may use unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryovers, remaining from amounts appropriated in prior fiscal years under this heading for voucher assistance for nonelderly disabled families and for disaster assistance made available under Public Law 110–329;

(3) $1,650,000,000 shall be for administrative and other expenses of public housing agencies in administering the section 8 tenant-based rental assistance program, of which up to $10,000,000 shall be available to the Secretary to allocate to public housing agencies that need additional funds to administer their section 8 programs, including fees associated with section 8 tenant protection rental assistance, the administration of disaster related vouchers, Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing vouchers, and other special purpose incremental vouchers: *Provided*, That no less than $1,640,000,000 of the amount provided in this paragraph shall be allocated to public housing agencies for the calendar year 2016 funding cycle based on section 8(q) of the Act (and related Appropriation Act provisions) as in effect immediately before the enactment of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 (Public Law 105–276): *Provided further*, That if the amounts made available under this paragraph are insufficient to pay the amounts determined under the previous proviso, the Secretary may decrease the amounts allocated to agencies by a uniform percentage applicable to all agencies receiving funding under this paragraph or may, to the extent necessary to provide full payment of amounts determined under the previous proviso, utilize unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryovers, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under this heading from prior fiscal years, excluding special purpose vouchers, notwithstanding the purposes for which such amounts were appropriated: *Provided further*, That all public housing agencies participating in the MTW demonstration shall be funded pursuant to their MTW agreements, and shall be subject to the same uniform percentage decrease as under the previous proviso: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this paragraph shall be only for activities related to the provision of tenant-based rental assistance authorized under section 8, including related development activities;

(4) $107,074,000 for the renewal of tenant-based assistance contracts under section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National

Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013), including necessary administrative expenses: *Provided*, That administrative and other expenses of public housing agencies in administering the special purpose vouchers in this paragraph shall be funded under the same terms and be subject to the same pro rata reduction as the percent decrease for administrative and other expenses to public housing agencies under paragraph (3) of this heading;

(5) $60,000,000 for incremental rental voucher assistance for use through a supported housing program administered in conjunction with the Department of Veterans Affairs as authorized under section 8(o)(19) of the United States Housing Act of 1937: *Provided*, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall make such funding available, notwithstanding section 204 (competition provision) of this title, to public housing agencies that partner with eligible VA Medical Centers or other entities as designated by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, based on geographical need for such assistance as identified by the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs, public housing agency administrative performance, and other factors as specified by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs: *Provided further*, That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may waive, or specify alternative requirements for (in consultation with the Secretary of the Department of Veterans Affairs), any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development administers in connection with the use of funds made available under this paragraph (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), upon a finding by the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective delivery and administration of such voucher assistance: *Provided further*, That assistance made available under this paragraph shall continue to remain available for homeless veterans upon turn-over; and

(6) the Secretary shall separately track all special purpose vouchers funded under this heading.

HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

Unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under this heading, the heading "Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing" and the heading "Project-Based Rental Assistance", for fiscal year 2016 and prior years may be used for renewal of or amendments to section 8 project-based contracts and for performance-based contract administrators, notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds were appropriated: *Provided,* That any obligated balances of contract authority from fiscal year 1974 and prior that have been terminated shall be rescinded: *Provided further,* That amounts heretofore recaptured, or recaptured during the current fiscal year, from section 8 project-

based contracts from source years fiscal year 1975 through fiscal year 1987 are hereby rescinded, and an amount of additional new budget authority, equivalent to the amount rescinded is hereby appropriated, to remain available until expended, for the purposes set forth under this heading, in addition to amounts otherwise available.

PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND

For the Public Housing Capital Fund Program to carry out capital and management activities for public housing agencies, as authorized under section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g) (the "Act") $1,900,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of law or regulation, during fiscal year 2016, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may not delegate to any Department official other than the Deputy Secretary and the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing any authority under paragraph (2) of section 9(j) regarding the extension of the time periods under such section: *Provided further*, That for purposes of such section 9(j), the term "obligate" means, with respect to amounts, that the amounts are subject to a binding agreement that will result in outlays, immediately or in the future: *Provided further*, That up to $3,000,000 shall be to support ongoing Public Housing Financial and Physical Assessment activities: *Provided further*, That up to $1,000,000 shall be to support the costs of administrative and judicial receiverships: *Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading, not to exceed $21,500,000 shall be available for the Secretary to make grants, notwithstanding section 204 of this Act, to public housing agencies for emergency capital needs including safety and security measures necessary to address crime and drug-related activity as well as needs resulting from unforeseen or unpreventable emergencies and natural disasters excluding Presidentially declared emergencies and natural disasters under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) occurring in fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That of the amount made available under the previous proviso, not less than $5,000,000 shall be for safety and security measures: *Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading $35,000,000 shall be for supportive services, service coordinator and congregate services as authorized by section 34 of the Act (42 U.S.C. 1437z–6) and the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (25 U.S.C. 4101 et seq.): *Provided further*, That of the total amount made available under this heading, $15,000,000 shall be for a Jobs-Plus initiative modeled after the Jobs-Plus demonstration: *Provided further*, That the funding provided under the previous proviso shall provide competitive grants to partnerships between public housing authorities, local workforce investment boards established under section 117 of the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, and other agencies and organizations that provide support to help public housing residents obtain employment and increase earnings: *Provided further*, That applicants must demonstrate the ability to provide services to residents, partner with workforce investment boards, and leverage service dollars: *Provided further*, That the

Secretary may allow public housing agencies to request exemptions from rent and income limitation requirements under sections 3 and 6 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 as necessary to implement the Jobs-Plus program, on such terms and conditions as the Secretary may approve upon a finding by the Secretary that any such waivers or alternative requirements are necessary for the effective implementation of the Jobs-Plus initiative as a voluntary program for residents: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall publish by notice in the Federal Register any waivers or alternative requirements pursuant to the preceding proviso no later than 10 days before the effective date of such notice: *Provided further*, That for funds provided under this heading, the limitation in section 9(g)(1) of the Act shall be 25 percent: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may waive the limitation in the previous proviso to allow public housing agencies to fund activities authorized under section 9(e)(1)(C) of the Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall notify public housing agencies requesting waivers under the previous proviso if the request is approved or denied within 14 days of submitting the request: *Provided further*, That from the funds made available under this heading, the Secretary shall provide bonus awards in fiscal year 2016 to public housing agencies that are designated high performers: *Provided further*, That the Department shall notify public housing agencies of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND

For 2016 payments to public housing agencies for the operation and management of public housing, as authorized by section 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(e)), $4,500,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

For competitive grants under the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (subject to section 24 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v), unless otherwise specified under this heading), for transformation, rehabilitation, and replacement housing needs of both public and HUD-assisted housing and to transform neighborhoods of poverty into functioning, sustainable mixed income neighborhoods with appropriate services, schools, public assets, transportation and access to jobs, $125,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That grant funds may be used for resident and community services, community development, and affordable housing needs in the community, and for conversion of vacant or foreclosed properties to affordable housing: *Provided further,* That the use of funds made available under this heading shall not be deemed to be public housing notwithstanding section 3(b)(1) of such Act: *Provided further,* That grantees shall commit to an additional period of affordability determined by the Secretary of not fewer than 20 years: *Provided further*, That grantees shall undertake comprehensive local planning with input from residents and the community, and that grantees shall provide a match in State, local, other Federal or private funds: *Provided further*, That grantees may include local governments, tribal entities, public housing

authorities, and nonprofits: *Provided further,* That for-profit developers may apply jointly with a public entity: *Provided further*, That for purposes of environmental review, a grantee shall be treated as a public housing agency under section 26 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437x), and grants under this heading shall be subject to the regulations issued by the Secretary to implement such section: *Provided further,* That of the amount provided, not less than $75,000,000 shall be awarded to public housing agencies: *Provided further,* That such grantees shall create partnerships with other local organizations including assisted housing owners, service agencies, and resident organizations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall consult with the Secretaries of Education, Labor, Transportation, Health and Human Services, Agriculture, and Commerce, the Attorney General, and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to coordinate and leverage other appropriate Federal resources: *Provided further*, That no more than $5,000,000 of funds made available under this heading may be provided to assist communities in developing comprehensive strategies for implementing this program or implementing other revitalization efforts in conjunction with community notice and input: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall develop and publish guidelines for the use of such competitive funds, including but not limited to eligible activities, program requirements, and performance metrics: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances, including recaptures, remaining from funds appropriated under the heading "Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing (HOPE VI)" in fiscal year 2011 and prior fiscal years may be used for purposes under this heading, notwithstanding the purposes for which such amounts were appropriated.

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY

For the Family Self-Sufficiency program to support family self-sufficiency coordinators under section 23 of the United States Housing Act of 1937, to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of assistance under sections 8(o) and 9 of such Act with public and private resources, and enable eligible families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency, $75,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That the Secretary may, by Federal Register notice, waive or specify alternative requirements under sections b(3), b(4), b(5), or c(1) of section 23 of such Act in order to facilitate the operation of a unified self-sufficiency program for individuals receiving assistance under different provisions of the Act, as determined by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That owners of a privately owned multifamily property with a section 8 contract may voluntarily make a Family Self-Sufficiency program available to the assisted tenants of such property in accordance with procedures established by the Secretary: *Provided further*, That such procedures established pursuant to the previous proviso shall permit participating tenants to accrue escrow funds in accordance with section 23(d)(2) and shall allow owners to use funding from residual receipt accounts to hire coordinators for their own Family Self-Sufficiency program.

NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS

For the Native American Housing Block Grants program, as authorized under title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA) (25 U.S.C. 4111 et seq.), $650,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2020: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996, to determine the amount of the allocation under title I of such Act for each Indian tribe, the Secretary shall apply the formula under section 302 of such Act with the need component based on single-race census data and with the need component based on multi-race census data, and the amount of the allocation for each Indian tribe shall be the greater of the two resulting allocation amounts: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, $3,500,000 shall be contracted for assistance for national or regional organizations representing Native American housing interests for providing training and technical assistance to Indian housing authorities and tribally designated housing entities as authorized under NAHASDA: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under the previous proviso, not less than $2,000,000 shall be made available for a national organization as authorized under section 703 of NAHASDA (25 U.S.C. 4212): *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this heading, $2,000,000 shall be to support the inspection of Indian housing units, contract expertise, training, and technical assistance in the training, oversight, and management of such Indian housing and tenant-based assistance: *Provided further*, That of the amount provided under this heading, $2,000,000 shall be made available for the cost of guaranteed notes and other obligations, as authorized by title VI of NAHASDA: *Provided further*, That such costs, including the costs of modifying such notes and other obligations, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to subsidize the total principal amount of any notes and other obligations, any part of which is to be guaranteed, not to exceed $17,452,007: *Provided further*, That the Department will notify grantees of their formula allocation within 60 days of the date of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, notwithstanding section 302(d) of NAHASDA, if on January 1, 2016, a recipient's total amount of undisbursed block grants in the Department's line of credit control system is greater than three times the formula allocation it would otherwise receive under this heading, the Secretary shall adjust that recipient's formula allocation down by the difference between its total amount of undisbursed block grants in the Department's line of credit control system on January 1, 2016, and three times the formula allocation it would otherwise receive: *Provided further*, That grant amounts not allocated to a recipient pursuant to the previous proviso shall be allocated under the need component of the formula proportionately among all other Indian tribes not subject to an adjustment: *Provided further*, That the two previous provisos shall not apply to any Indian tribe that would otherwise receive a formula allocation of less than $8,000,000: *Provided further*, That to take effect, the three previous provisos do not require issuance or amendment of

any regulation, and shall not be construed to confer hearing rights under any section of NAHASDA or its implementing regulations.

INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

For the cost of guaranteed loans, as authorized by section 184 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992 (12 U.S.C. 1715z–13a), $7,500,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such costs, including the costs of modifying such loans, shall be as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That these funds are available to subsidize total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, up to $1,190,476,190, to remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That up to $750,000 of this amount may be for administrative contract expenses including management processes and systems to carry out the loan guarantee program.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

For carrying out the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS program, as authorized by the AIDS Housing Opportunity Act (42 U.S.C. 12901 et seq.), $335,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, except that amounts allocated pursuant to section 854(c)(3) of such Act shall remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall renew all expiring contracts for permanent supportive housing that initially were funded under section 854(c)(3) of such Act from funds made available under this heading in fiscal year 2010 and prior fiscal years that meet all program requirements before awarding funds for new contracts under such section: *Provided further*, That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

For assistance to units of State and local government, and to other entities, for economic and community development activities, and for other purposes, $3,060,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018, unless otherwise specified: *Provided*, That of the total amount provided, $3,000,000,000 is for carrying out the community development block grant program under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended ("the Act" herein) (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.): *Provided further*, That unless explicitly provided for under this heading, not to exceed 20 percent of any grant made with funds appropriated under this heading shall be expended for planning and management development and administration: *Provided further*, That a metropolitan city, urban county, unit of general local government, or Indian tribe, or insular area that directly or indirectly receives funds under this heading may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all or any portion of such funds to another such entity in exchange for any other funds, credits or non-Federal considerations, but must use such funds for activities eligible under title I of the Act: *Provided further*, That notwithstanding section 105(e)(1) of the Act, no

funds provided under this heading may be provided to a for-profit entity for an economic development project under section 105(a)(17) unless such project has been evaluated and selected in accordance with guidelines required under subparagraph (e)(2): *Provided further*, That none of the funds made available under this heading may be used for grants for the Economic Development Initiative ("EDI") or Neighborhood Initiatives activities, Rural Innovation Fund, or for grants pursuant to section 107 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5307): *Provided further*, That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading $60,000,000 shall be for grants to Indian tribes notwithstanding section 106(a)(1) of such Act, of which, notwithstanding any other provision of law (including section 204 of this Act), up to $4,000,000 may be used for emergencies that constitute imminent threats to health and safety.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN GUARANTEES PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

Subject to section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, during fiscal year 2016, commitments to guarantee loans under section 108 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5308), any part of which is guaranteed, shall not exceed a total principal amount of $300,000,000, notwithstanding any aggregate limitation on outstanding obligations guaranteed in subsection (k) of such section 108: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall collect fees from borrowers, notwithstanding subsection (m) of such section 108, to result in a credit subsidy cost of zero for guaranteeing such loans, and any such fees shall be collected in accordance with section 502(7) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That all unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under this heading are hereby permanently rescinded.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

For the HOME Investment Partnerships program, as authorized under title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, as amended, $950,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided,* That notwithstanding the amount made available under this heading, the threshold reduction requirements in sections 216(10) and 217(b)(4) of such Act shall not apply to allocations of such amount: *Provided further,* That the requirements under provisos 2 through 6 under this heading for fiscal year 2012 and such requirements applicable pursuant to the "Full-Year Continuing Appropriations Act, 2013", shall not apply to any project to which funds were committed on or after August 23, 2013, but such projects shall instead be governed by the Final Rule titled "Home Investment Partnerships Program; Improving Performance and Accountability; Updating Property Standards" which became effective on such date: *Provided further*, That with respect to funds made

available under this heading pursuant to such Act and funds provided in prior and subsequent appropriations acts that were or are used by community land trusts for the development of affordable homeownership housing pursuant to section 215(b) of such Act, such community land trusts, notwithstanding section 215(b)(3)(A) of such Act, may hold and exercise purchase options, rights of first refusal or other preemptive rights to purchase the housing to preserve affordability, including but not limited to the right to purchase the housing in lieu of foreclosure: *Provided further,* That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocation within 60 days of enactment of this Act.

SELF-HELP AND ASSISTED HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

For the Self-Help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program, as authorized under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996, as amended, $50,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That of the total amount provided under this heading, $10,000,000 shall be made available to the Self-Help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program as authorized under section 11 of the Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996, as amended: *Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading, $35,000,000 shall be made available for the second, third, and fourth capacity building activities authorized under section 4(a) of the HUD Demonstration Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C. 9816 note), of which not less than $5,000,000 shall be made available for rural capacity building activities: *Provided further*, That of the total amount provided under this heading, $5,000,000 shall be made available for capacity building by national rural housing organizations with experience assessing national rural conditions and providing financing, training, technical assistance, information, and research to local nonprofits, local governments and Indian Tribes serving high need rural communities: *Provided further*, That an additional $5,700,000, to remain available until expended, shall be for a program to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled or low-income veterans as authorized under section 1079 of Public Law 113–291.

HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

For the Emergency Solutions Grants program as authorized under subtitle B of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; the Continuum of Care program as authorized under subtitle C of title IV of such Act; and the Rural Housing Stability Assistance program as authorized under subtitle D of title IV of such Act, $2,250,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018: *Provided*, That any rental assistance amounts that are recaptured under such Continuum of Care program shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That not less than $250,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for such Emergency Solutions Grants program: *Provided further*, That not less than $1,918,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for such Continuum of Care and Rural Housing Stability Assistance programs:

Provided further, That up to $7,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available for the national homeless data analysis project: *Provided further*, That all funds awarded for supportive services under the Continuum of Care program and the Rural Housing Stability Assistance program shall be matched by not less than 25 percent in cash or in kind by each grantee: *Provided further*, That for all match requirements applicable to funds made available under this heading for this fiscal year and prior years, a grantee may use (or could have used) as a source of match funds other funds administered by the Secretary and other Federal agencies unless there is (or was) a specific statutory prohibition on any such use of any such funds: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall establish system performance measures for which each continuum of care shall report baseline outcomes, and that relative to fiscal year 2015, under the Continuum of Care competition with respect to funds made available under this heading, the Secretary shall base an increasing share of the score on performance criteria: *Provided further*, That none of the funds provided under this heading shall be available to provide funding for new projects, except for projects created through reallocation, unless the Secretary determines that the continuum of care has demonstrated that projects are evaluated and ranked based on the degree to which they improve the continuum of care's system performance: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall prioritize funding under the Continuum of Care program to continuums of care that have demonstrated a capacity to reallocate funding from lower performing projects to higher performing projects: *Provided further*, That all awards of assistance under this heading shall be required to coordinate and integrate homeless programs with other mainstream health, social services, and employment programs for which homeless populations may be eligible: *Provided further*, That with respect to funds provided under this heading for the Continuum of Care program for fiscal years 2013, 2014, 2015, and 2016 provision of permanent housing rental assistance may be administered by private nonprofit organizations: *Provided further,* That any unobligated amounts remaining from funds appropriated under this heading in fiscal year 2012 and prior years for project-based rental assistance for rehabilitation projects with 10-year grant terms may be used for purposes under this heading, notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds were appropriated: *Provided further*, That all balances for Shelter Plus Care renewals previously funded from the Shelter Plus Care Renewal account and transferred to this account shall be available, if recaptured, for Continuum of Care renewals in fiscal year 2016: *Provided further*, That the Department shall notify grantees of their formula allocation from amounts allocated (which may represent initial or final amounts allocated) for the Emergency Solutions Grant program within 60 days of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That up to $33,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be to implement projects to demonstrate how a comprehensive approach to serving homeless youth, age 24 and under, in up to 10 communities, including at least four rural communities, can dramatically reduce youth homelessness: *Provided further*, That such projects shall be eligible for renewal under the Continuum of Care

program subject to the same terms and conditions as other renewal applicants: *Provided further*, That up to $5,000,000 of the funds appropriated under this heading shall be available to provide technical assistance on youth homelessness, and collection, analysis, and reporting of data and performance measures under the comprehensive approaches to serve homeless youth, in addition to and in coordination with other technical assistance funds provided under this title: *Provided further*, That youth aged 24 and under seeking assistance under this heading shall not be required to provide third party documentation to establish their eligibility under 42 U.S.C. 11302(a) or (b) to receive services: *Provided further*, That unaccompanied youth aged 24 and under or families headed by youth aged 24 and under who are living in unsafe situations may be served by youth-serving providers funded under this heading: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may use amounts made available under this heading for the Continuum of Care program to renew a grant originally awarded pursuant to the matter under the heading "Department of Housing and Urban Development—Permanent Supportive Housing" in chapter 6 of title III of the Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2008 (Public Law 110–252; 122 Stat. 2351) for assistance under subtitle F of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11403 et seq.): *Provided further*, That such renewal grant shall be awarded to the same grantee and be subject to the provisions of such Continuum of Care program except that the funds may be used outside the geographic area of the continuum of care.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

PROJECT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

For activities and assistance for the provision of project-based subsidy contracts under the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.) ("the Act"), not otherwise provided for, $10,220,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2015 (in addition to the $400,000,000 previously appropriated under this heading that became available October 1, 2015), and $400,000,000, to remain available until expended, shall be available on October 1, 2016: *Provided*, That the amounts made available under this heading shall be available for expiring or terminating section 8 project-based subsidy contracts (including section 8 moderate rehabilitation contracts), for amendments to section 8 project-based subsidy contracts (including section 8 moderate rehabilitation contracts), for contracts entered into pursuant to section 441 of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11401), for renewal of section 8 contracts for units in projects that are subject to approved plans of action under the Emergency Low Income Housing Preservation Act of 1987 or the Low-Income Housing Preservation and Resident Homeownership Act of 1990, and for administrative and other expenses associated with project-based activities and assistance funded under this paragraph: *Provided further*, That of the total amounts provided under this heading, not to exceed $215,000,000 shall be available for performance-based contract administrators for section 8 project-based assistance, for carrying out 42 U.S.C. 1437(f): *Provided further*,

That the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may also use such amounts in the previous proviso for performance-based contract administrators for the administration of: interest reduction payments pursuant to section 236(a) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–1(a)); rent supplement payments pursuant to section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s); section 236(f)(2) rental assistance payments (12 U.S.C. 1715z–1(f)(2)); project rental assistance contracts for the elderly under section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959 (12 U.S.C. 1701q); project rental assistance contracts for supportive housing for persons with disabilities under section 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013(d)(2)); project assistance contracts pursuant to section 202(h) of the Housing Act of 1959 (Public Law 86–372; 73 Stat. 667); and loans under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959 (Public Law 86–372; 73 Stat. 667): *Provided further*, That amounts recaptured under this heading, the heading "Annual Contributions for Assisted Housing", or the heading "Housing Certificate Fund", may be used for renewals of or amendments to section 8 project-based contracts or for performance-based contract administrators, notwithstanding the purposes for which such amounts were appropriated: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, upon the request of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, project funds that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project subject to a section 8 project-based Housing Assistance Payments contract that authorizes HUD or a Housing Finance Agency to require that surplus project funds be deposited in an interest-bearing residual receipts account and that are in excess of an amount to be determined by the Secretary, shall be remitted to the Department and deposited in this account, to be available until expended: *Provided further*, That amounts deposited pursuant to the previous proviso shall be available in addition to the amount otherwise provided by this heading for uses authorized under this heading.

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

For amendments to capital advance contracts for housing for the elderly, as authorized by section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, as amended, and for project rental assistance for the elderly under section 202(c)(2) of such Act, including amendments to contracts for such assistance and renewal of expiring contracts for such assistance for up to a 1-year term, and for senior preservation rental assistance contracts, including renewals, as authorized by section 811(e) of the American Housing and Economic Opportunity Act of 2000, as amended, and for supportive services associated with the housing, $432,700,000 to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided*, That of the amount provided under this heading, up to $77,000,000 shall be for service coordinators and the continuation of existing congregate service grants for residents of assisted housing projects: *Provided further*, That amounts under this heading shall be available for Real Estate Assessment Center inspections and inspection-related activities associated with section 202 projects: *Provided further*, That the Secretary may waive the provisions of section 202 governing the terms and conditions of project

rental assistance, except that the initial contract term for such assistance shall not exceed 5 years in duration: *Provided further*, That upon request of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, project funds that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project subject to a section 202 project rental assistance contract, and that upon termination of such contract are in excess of an amount to be determined by the Secretary, shall be remitted to the Department and deposited in this account, to be available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further*, That amounts deposited in this account pursuant to the previous proviso shall be available, in addition to the amounts otherwise provided by this heading, for amendments and renewals: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds transferred to or appropriated under this heading shall be available for amendments and renewals notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds originally were appropriated.

HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

For amendments to capital advance contracts for supportive housing for persons with disabilities, as authorized by section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013), for project rental assistance for supportive housing for persons with disabilities under section 811(d)(2) of such Act and for project assistance contracts pursuant to section 202(h) of the Housing Act of 1959 (Public Law 86–372; 73 Stat. 667), including amendments to contracts for such assistance and renewal of expiring contracts for such assistance for up to a 1-year term, for project rental assistance to State housing finance agencies and other appropriate entities as authorized under section 811(b)(3) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Housing Act, and for supportive services associated with the housing for persons with disabilities as authorized by section 811(b)(1) of such Act, $150,600,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019: *Provided,* That amounts made available under this heading shall be available for Real Estate Assessment Center inspections and inspection-related activities associated with section 811 projects: *Provided further*, That, in this fiscal year, upon the request of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, project funds that are held in residual receipts accounts for any project subject to a section 811 project rental assistance contract and that upon termination of such contract are in excess of an amount to be determined by the Secretary shall be remitted to the Department and deposited in this account, to be available until September 30, 2019: *Provided further*, That amounts deposited in this account pursuant to the previous proviso shall be available in addition to the amounts otherwise provided by this heading for amendments and renewals: *Provided further*, That unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds transferred to or appropriated under this heading shall be used for amendments and renewals notwithstanding the purposes for which such funds originally were appropriated.

HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE

For contracts, grants, and other assistance excluding loans, as authorized under section 106 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, as amended, $47,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, including up to $4,500,000 for administrative contract services: *Provided*, That grants made available from amounts provided under this heading shall be awarded within 180 days of enactment of this Act: *Provided further,* That funds shall be used for providing counseling and advice to tenants and homeowners, both current and prospective, with respect to property maintenance, financial management/literacy, and such other matters as may be appropriate to assist them in improving their housing conditions, meeting their financial needs, and fulfilling the responsibilities of tenancy or homeownership; for program administration; and for housing counselor training: *Provided further*, That for purposes of providing such grants from amounts provided under this heading, the Secretary may enter into multiyear agreements as appropriate, subject to the availability of annual appropriations.

RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE

For amendments to contracts under section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965 (12 U.S.C. 1701s) and section 236(f)(2) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–1) in State-aided, noninsured rental housing projects, $30,000,000, to remain available until expended: *Provided*, That such amount, together with unobligated balances from recaptured amounts appropriated prior to fiscal year 2006 from terminated contracts under such sections of law, and any unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated under this heading after fiscal year 2005, shall also be available for extensions of up to one year for expiring contracts under such sections of law.

PAYMENT TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING FEES TRUST FUND

For necessary expenses as authorized by the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5401 et seq.), up to $10,500,000, to remain available until expended, of which $10,500,000 is to be derived from the Manufactured Housing Fees Trust Fund: *Provided*, That not to exceed the total amount appropriated under this heading shall be available from the general fund of the Treasury to the extent necessary to incur obligations and make expenditures pending the receipt of collections to the Fund pursuant to section 620 of such Act: *Provided further*, That the amount made available under this heading from the general fund shall be reduced as such collections are received during fiscal year 2016 so as to result in a final fiscal year 2016 appropriation from the general fund estimated at zero, and fees pursuant to such section 620 shall be modified as necessary to ensure such a final fiscal year 2016 appropriation: *Provided further*, That for the dispute resolution and installation programs, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may assess and collect fees from any program participant: *Provided further*, That such collections shall be deposited into the Fund, and the Secretary, as provided herein, may use such collections, as well as fees collected

under section 620, for necessary expenses of such Act: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding the requirements of section 620 of such Act, the Secretary may carry out responsibilities of the Secretary under such Act through the use of approved service providers that are paid directly by the recipients of their services.

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to guarantee single family loans insured under the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund shall not exceed $400,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That during fiscal year 2016, obligations to make direct loans to carry out the purposes of section 204(g) of the National Housing Act, as amended, shall not exceed $5,000,000: *Provided further*, That the foregoing amount in the previous proviso shall be for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities in connection with sales of single family real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly insured under the Mutual Mortgage Insurance Fund: *Provided further*, That for administrative contract expenses of the Federal Housing Administration, $130,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided further*, That to the extent guaranteed loan commitments exceed $200,000,000,000 on or before April 1, 2016, an additional $1,400 for administrative contract expenses shall be available for each $1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan commitments (including a pro rata amount for any amount below $1,000,000), but in no case shall funds made available by this proviso exceed $30,000,000.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to guarantee loans insured under the General and Special Risk Insurance Funds, as authorized by sections 238 and 519 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–3 and 1735c), shall not exceed $30,000,000,000 in total loan principal, any part of which is to be guaranteed, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided,* That during fiscal year 2016, gross obligations for the principal amount of direct loans, as authorized by sections 204(g), 207(l), 238, and 519(a) of the National Housing Act, shall not exceed $5,000,000, which shall be for loans to nonprofit and governmental entities in connection with the sale of single family real properties owned by the Secretary and formerly insured under such Act.

GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

GUARANTEES OF MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

New commitments to issue guarantees to carry out the purposes of section 306 of the National Housing Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1721(g)), shall not exceed $500,000,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided,* That $23,000,000 shall be available for necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Government National Mortgage Association: *Provided further,* That to

the extent that guaranteed loan commitments exceed $155,000,000,000 on or before April 1, 2016, an additional $100 for necessary salaries and expenses shall be available until expended for each $1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan commitments (including a pro rata amount for any amount below $1,000,000), but in no case shall funds made available by this proviso exceed $3,000,000: *Provided further,* That receipts from Commitment and Multiclass fees collected pursuant to title III of the National Housing Act, as amended, shall be credited as offsetting collections to this account.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

For contracts, grants, and necessary expenses of programs of research and studies relating to housing and urban problems, not otherwise provided for, as authorized by title V of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 (12 U.S.C. 1701z–1 et seq.), including carrying out the functions of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development under section 1(a)(1)(i) of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1968, and for technical assistance, $85,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That with respect to amounts made available under this heading, notwithstanding section 204 of this title, the Secretary may enter into cooperative agreements funded with philanthropic entities, other Federal agencies, or State or local governments and their agencies for research projects: *Provided further*, That with respect to the previous proviso, such partners to the cooperative agreements must contribute at least a 50 percent match toward the cost of the project: *Provided further*, That for non-competitive agreements entered into in accordance with the previous two provisos, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall comply with section 2(b) of the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–282, 31 U.S.C. note) in lieu of compliance with section 102(a)(4)(C) with respect to documentation of award decisions: *Provided further*, That prior to obligation of technical assistance funding, the Secretary shall submit a plan, for approval, to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on how it will allocate funding for this activity.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

For contracts, grants, and other assistance, not otherwise provided for, as authorized by title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended by the Fair Housing Amendments Act of 1988, and section 561 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, as amended, $65,300,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided,* That notwithstanding 31 U.S.C. 3302, the Secretary may assess and collect fees to cover the costs of the Fair Housing Training Academy, and may use such funds to provide such training: *Provided further*, That no funds made available under this heading shall be used to lobby the executive or legislative branches of the Federal Government in connection with a spe-

cific contract, grant, or loan: *Provided further*, That of the funds made available under this heading, $300,000 shall be available to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for the creation and promotion of translated materials and other programs that support the assistance of persons with limited English proficiency in utilizing the services provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES

LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION

For the Lead Hazard Reduction Program, as authorized by section 1011 of the Residential Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction Act of 1992, $110,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2017, of which $20,000,000 shall be for the Healthy Homes Initiative, pursuant to sections 501 and 502 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970 that shall include research, studies, testing, and demonstration efforts, including education and outreach concerning lead-based paint poisoning and other housing-related diseases and hazards: *Provided*, That for purposes of environmental review, pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) and other provisions of the law that further the purposes of such Act, a grant under the Healthy Homes Initiative, or the Lead Technical Studies program under this heading or under prior appropriations Acts for such purposes under this heading, shall be considered to be funds for a special project for purposes of section 305(c) of the Multifamily Housing Property Disposition Reform Act of 1994: *Provided further*, That of the total amount made available under this heading, $45,000,000 shall be made available on a competitive basis for areas with the highest lead paint abatement needs: *Provided further*, That each recipient of funds provided under the previous proviso shall contribute an amount not less than 25 percent of the total: *Provided further*, That each applicant shall certify adequate capacity that is acceptable to the Secretary to carry out the proposed use of funds pursuant to a notice of funding availability: *Provided further*, That amounts made available under this heading in this or prior appropriations Acts, and that still remain available, may be used for any purpose under this heading notwithstanding the purpose for which such amounts were appropriated if a program competition is undersubscribed and there are other program competitions under this heading that are oversubscribed.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND

For the development of, modifications to, and infrastructure for Department-wide and program-specific information technology systems, for the continuing operation and maintenance of both Department-wide and program-specific information systems, and for program-related maintenance activities, $250,000,000, shall remain available until September 30, 2017: *Provided*, That any amounts transferred to this Fund under this Act shall remain available until expended: *Provided further*, That any amounts transferred to this Fund from amounts appropriated by previously enacted appropria-

tions Acts may be used for the purposes specified under this Fund, in addition to any other information technology purposes for which such amounts were appropriated.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

For necessary salaries and expenses of the Office of Inspector General in carrying out the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, $126,000,000: *Provided*, That the Inspector General shall have independent authority over all personnel issues within this office.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

SEC. 201. Fifty percent of the amounts of budget authority, or in lieu thereof 50 percent of the cash amounts associated with such budget authority, that are recaptured from projects described in section 1012(a) of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Amendments Act of 1988 (42 U.S.C. 1437 note) shall be rescinded or in the case of cash, shall be remitted to the Treasury, and such amounts of budget authority or cash recaptured and not rescinded or remitted to the Treasury shall be used by State housing finance agencies or local governments or local housing agencies with projects approved by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for which settlement occurred after January 1, 1992, in accordance with such section. Notwithstanding the previous sentence, the Secretary may award up to 15 percent of the budget authority or cash recaptured and not rescinded or remitted to the Treasury to provide project owners with incentives to refinance their project at a lower interest rate.

SEC. 202. None of the amounts made available under this Act may be used during fiscal year 2016 to investigate or prosecute under the Fair Housing Act any otherwise lawful activity engaged in by one or more persons, including the filing or maintaining of a nonfrivolous legal action, that is engaged in solely for the purpose of achieving or preventing action by a Government official or entity, or a court of competent jurisdiction.

SEC. 203. Sections 203 and 209 of division C of Public Law 112–55 (125 Stat. 693–694) shall apply during fiscal year 2016 as if such sections were included in this title, except that during such fiscal year such sections shall be applied by substituting "fiscal year 2016" for "fiscal year 2011" and for "fiscal year 2012" each place such terms appear, and shall be amended to reflect revised delineations of statistical areas established by the Office of Management and Budget pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3504(e)(3), 31 U.S.C. 1104(d), and Executive Order No. 10253.

SEC. 204. Except as explicitly provided in law, any grant, cooperative agreement or other assistance made pursuant to title II of this Act shall be made on a competitive basis and in accordance with section 102 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (42 U.S.C. 3545).

SEC. 205. Funds of the Department of Housing and Urban Development subject to the Government Corporation Control Act or section 402 of the Housing Act of 1950 shall be available, without regard to the limitations on administrative expenses, for legal services on a contract or fee basis, and for utilizing and making payment for services and facilities of the Federal National Mortgage Association, Government National Mortgage Association, Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation, Federal Financing Bank, Federal Reserve banks or any member thereof, Federal Home Loan banks, and any insured bank within the meaning of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 1811–1).

SEC. 206. Unless otherwise provided for in this Act or through a reprogramming of funds, no part of any appropriation for the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be available for any program, project or activity in excess of amounts set forth in the budget estimates submitted to Congress.

SEC. 207. Corporations and agencies of the Department of Housing and Urban Development which are subject to the Government Corporation Control Act are hereby authorized to make such expenditures, within the limits of funds and borrowing authority available to each such corporation or agency and in accordance with law, and to make such contracts and commitments without regard to fiscal year limitations as provided by section 104 of such Act as may be necessary in carrying out the programs set forth in the budget for 2016 for such corporation or agency except as hereinafter provided: *Provided*, That collections of these corporations and agencies may be used for new loan or mortgage purchase commitments only to the extent expressly provided for in this Act (unless such loans are in support of other forms of assistance provided for in this or prior appropriations Acts), except that this proviso shall not apply to the mortgage insurance or guaranty operations of these corporations, or where loans or mortgage purchases are necessary to protect the financial interest of the United States Government.

SEC. 208. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall provide quarterly reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations regarding all uncommitted, unobligated, recaptured and excess funds in each program and activity within the jurisdiction of the Department and shall submit additional, updated budget information to these Committees upon request.

SEC. 209. The President's formal budget request for fiscal year 2017, as well as the Department of Housing and Urban Development's congressional budget justifications to be submitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives and the Senate, shall use the identical account and sub-account structure provided under this Act.

SEC. 210. A public housing agency or such other entity that administers Federal housing assistance for the Housing Authority of the county of Los Angeles, California, and the States of Alaska, Iowa, and Mississippi shall not be required to include a resident of public housing or a recipient of assistance provided under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 on the board of directors or a similar governing board of such agency or entity as re-

quired under section (2)(b) of such Act. Each public housing agency or other entity that administers Federal housing assistance under section 8 for the Housing Authority of the county of Los Angeles, California and the States of Alaska, Iowa and Mississippi that chooses not to include a resident of public housing or a recipient of section 8 assistance on the board of directors or a similar governing board shall establish an advisory board of not less than six residents of public housing or recipients of section 8 assistance to provide advice and comment to the public housing agency or other administering entity on issues related to public housing and section 8. Such advisory board shall meet not less than quarterly.

SEC. 211. No funds provided under this title may be used for an audit of the Government National Mortgage Association that makes applicable requirements under the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990 (2 U.S.C. 661 et seq.).

SEC. 212. (a) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, subject to the conditions listed under this section, for fiscal years 2016 and 2017, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may authorize the transfer of some or all project-based assistance, debt held or insured by the Secretary and statutorily required low-income and very low-income use restrictions if any, associated with one or more multifamily housing project or projects to another multifamily housing project or projects.

(b) PHASED TRANSFERS.—Transfers of project-based assistance under this section may be done in phases to accommodate the financing and other requirements related to rehabilitating or constructing the project or projects to which the assistance is transferred, to ensure that such project or projects meet the standards under subsection (c).

(c) The transfer authorized in subsection (a) is subject to the following conditions:

(1) NUMBER AND BEDROOM SIZE OF UNITS.—

(A) For occupied units in the transferring project: The number of low-income and very low-income units and the configuration (i.e., bedroom size) provided by the transferring project shall be no less than when transferred to the receiving project or projects and the net dollar amount of Federal assistance provided to the transferring project shall remain the same in the receiving project or projects.

(B) For unoccupied units in the transferring project: The Secretary may authorize a reduction in the number of dwelling units in the receiving project or projects to allow for a reconfiguration of bedroom sizes to meet current market demands, as determined by the Secretary and provided there is no increase in the project-based assistance budget authority.

(2) The transferring project shall, as determined by the Secretary, be either physically obsolete or economically nonviable.

(3) The receiving project or projects shall meet or exceed applicable physical standards established by the Secretary.

(4) The owner or mortgagor of the transferring project shall notify and consult with the tenants residing in the transferring project and provide a certification of approval by all appropriate local governmental officials.

(5) The tenants of the transferring project who remain eligible for assistance to be provided by the receiving project or projects shall not be required to vacate their units in the transferring project or projects until new units in the receiving project are available for occupancy.

(6) The Secretary determines that this transfer is in the best interest of the tenants.

(7) If either the transferring project or the receiving project or projects meets the condition specified in subsection (d)(2)(A), any lien on the receiving project resulting from additional financing obtained by the owner shall be subordinate to any FHA-insured mortgage lien transferred to, or placed on, such project by the Secretary, except that the Secretary may waive this requirement upon determination that such a waiver is necessary to facilitate the financing of acquisition, construction, and/or rehabilitation of the receiving project or projects.

(8) If the transferring project meets the requirements of subsection (d)(2), the owner or mortgagor of the receiving project or projects shall execute and record either a continuation of the existing use agreement or a new use agreement for the project where, in either case, any use restrictions in such agreement are of no lesser duration than the existing use restrictions.

(9) The transfer does not increase the cost (as defined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, as amended) of any FHA-insured mortgage, except to the extent that appropriations are provided in advance for the amount of any such increased cost.

(d) For purposes of this section—

(1) the terms "low-income" and "very low-income" shall have the meanings provided by the statute and/or regulations governing the program under which the project is insured or assisted;

(2) the term "multifamily housing project" means housing that meets one of the following conditions—

(A) housing that is subject to a mortgage insured under the National Housing Act;

(B) housing that has project-based assistance attached to the structure including projects undergoing mark to market debt restructuring under the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Housing Act;

(C) housing that is assisted under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, as amended by section 801 of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act;

(D) housing that is assisted under section 202 of the Housing Act of 1959, as such section existed before the enactment of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act;

(E) housing that is assisted under section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act; or

(F) housing or vacant land that is subject to a use agreement;

(3) the term "project-based assistance" means—

(A) assistance provided under section 8(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937;

(B) assistance for housing constructed or substantially rehabilitated pursuant to assistance provided under section 8(b)(2) of such Act (as such section existed immediately before October 1, 1983);

(C) rent supplement payments under section 101 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1965;

(D) interest reduction payments under section 236 and/or additional assistance payments under section 236(f)(2) of the National Housing Act;

(E) assistance payments made under section 202(c)(2) of the Housing Act of 1959; and

(F) assistance payments made under section 811(d)(2) of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act;

(4) the term "receiving project or projects" means the multifamily housing project or projects to which some or all of the project-based assistance, debt, and statutorily required low-income and very low-income use restrictions are to be transferred;

(5) the term "transferring project" means the multifamily housing project which is transferring some or all of the project-based assistance, debt, and the statutorily required low-income and very low-income use restrictions to the receiving project or projects; and

(6) the term "Secretary" means the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

(e) PUBLIC NOTICE AND RESEARCH REPORT.—

(1) The Secretary shall publish by notice in the Federal Register the terms and conditions, including criteria for HUD approval, of transfers pursuant to this section no later than 30 days before the effective date of such notice.

(2) The Secretary shall conduct an evaluation of the transfer authority under this section, including the effect of such transfers on the operational efficiency, contract rents, physical and financial conditions, and long-term preservation of the affected properties.

SEC. 213. (a) No assistance shall be provided under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f) to any individual who—

(1) is enrolled as a student at an institution of higher education (as defined under section 102 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002));

(2) is under 24 years of age;

(3) is not a veteran;

(4) is unmarried;

(5) does not have a dependent child;

(6) is not a person with disabilities, as such term is defined in section 3(b)(3)(E) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437a(b)(3)(E)) and was not receiving assistance under such section 8 as of November 30, 2005; and

(7) is not otherwise individually eligible, or has parents who, individually or jointly, are not eligible, to receive assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f).

(b) For purposes of determining the eligibility of a person to receive assistance under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), any financial assistance (in excess of amounts received for tuition and any other required fees and charges) that an individual receives under the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1001 et seq.), from private sources, or an institution of higher education (as defined under the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1002)), shall be considered income to that individual, except for a person over the age of 23 with dependent children.

SEC. 214. The funds made available for Native Alaskans under the heading "Native American Housing Block Grants" in title II of this Act shall be allocated to the same Native Alaskan housing block grant recipients that received funds in fiscal year 2005.

SEC. 215. Notwithstanding the limitation in the first sentence of section 255(g) of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715z–20(g)), the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may, until September 30, 2016, insure and enter into commitments to insure mortgages under such section 255.

SEC. 216. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, in fiscal year 2016, in managing and disposing of any multifamily property that is owned or has a mortgage held by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, and during the process of foreclosure on any property with a contract for rental assistance payments under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 or other Federal programs, the Secretary shall maintain any rental assistance payments under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 and other programs that are attached to any dwelling units in the property. To the extent the Secretary determines, in consultation with the tenants and the local government, that such a multifamily property owned or held by the Secretary is not feasible for continued rental assistance payments under such section 8 or other programs, based on consideration of (1) the costs of rehabilitating and operating the property and all available Federal, State, and local resources, including rent adjustments under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 ("MAHRAA") and (2) environmental conditions that cannot be remedied in a cost-effective fashion, the Secretary may, in consultation with the tenants of that property, contract for project-based rental assistance payments with an owner or owners of other existing housing properties, or provide other rental assistance. The Secretary shall also take appropriate steps to ensure that project-based contracts remain in effect prior to foreclosure, subject to the exercise of contractual abatement remedies to assist relocation of tenants for imminent major threats to health and safety after written notice to and informed consent of the affected tenants and use of other available remedies, such as partial abatements or receivership. After disposition of any multifamily property described under this section, the contract and allowable rent levels on such properties shall be subject to the requirements under section 524 of MAHRAA.

SEC. 217. The commitment authority funded by fees as provided under the heading "Community Development Loan Guarantees Program Account" may be used to guarantee, or make commit-

ments to guarantee, notes, or other obligations issued by any State on behalf of non-entitlement communities in the State in accordance with the requirements of section 108 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974: *Provided*, That any State receiving such a guarantee or commitment shall distribute all funds subject to such guarantee to the units of general local government in non-entitlement areas that received the commitment.

SEC. 218. Public housing agencies that own and operate 400 or fewer public housing units may elect to be exempt from any asset management requirement imposed by the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in connection with the operating fund rule: *Provided*, That an agency seeking a discontinuance of a reduction of subsidy under the operating fund formula shall not be exempt from asset management requirements.

SEC. 219. With respect to the use of amounts provided in this Act and in future Acts for the operation, capital improvement and management of public housing as authorized by sections 9(d) and 9(e) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(d) and (e)), the Secretary shall not impose any requirement or guideline relating to asset management that restricts or limits in any way the use of capital funds for central office costs pursuant to section 9(g)(1) or 9(g)(2) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g(g)(1), (2)): *Provided*, That a public housing agency may not use capital funds authorized under section 9(d) for activities that are eligible under section 9(e) for assistance with amounts from the operating fund in excess of the amounts permitted under section 9(g)(1) or 9(g)(2).

SEC. 220. No official or employee of the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall be designated as an allotment holder unless the Office of the Chief Financial Officer has determined that such allotment holder has implemented an adequate system of funds control and has received training in funds control procedures and directives. The Chief Financial Officer shall ensure that there is a trained allotment holder for each HUD sub-office under the accounts "Executive Offices" and "Administrative Support Offices," as well as each account receiving appropriations for "Program Office Salaries and Expenses", "Government National Mortgage Association—Guarantees of Mortgage-Backed Securities Loan Guarantee Program Account", and "Office of Inspector General" within the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

SEC. 221. The Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development shall, for fiscal year 2016, notify the public through the Federal Register and other means, as determined appropriate, of the issuance of a notice of the availability of assistance or notice of funding availability (NOFA) for any program or discretionary fund administered by the Secretary that is to be competitively awarded. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, for fiscal year 2016, the Secretary may make the NOFA available only on the Internet at the appropriate Government web site or through other electronic media, as determined by the Secretary.

SEC. 222. Payment of attorney fees in program-related litigation shall be paid from the individual program office and Office of General Counsel salaries and expenses appropriations. The annual budget submission for the program offices and the Office of General

Counsel shall include any such projected litigation costs for attorney fees as a separate line item request. No funds provided in this title may be used to pay any such litigation costs for attorney fees until the Department submits for review a spending plan for such costs to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

SEC. 223. The Secretary is authorized to transfer up to 10 percent or $4,000,000, whichever is less, of funds appropriated for any office under the heading "Administrative Support Offices" or for any account under the general heading "Program Office Salaries and Expenses" to any other such office or account: *Provided*, That no appropriation for any such office or account shall be increased or decreased by more than 10 percent or $4,000,000, whichever is less, without prior written approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall provide notification to such Committees three business days in advance of any such transfers under this section up to 10 percent or $4,000,000, whichever is less.

SEC. 224. The Disaster Housing Assistance Programs, administered by the Department of Housing and Urban Development, shall be considered a "program of the Department of Housing and Urban Development" under section 904 of the McKinney Act for the purpose of income verifications and matching.

SEC. 225. (a) The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall take the required actions under subsection (b) when a multifamily housing project with a section 8 contract or contract for similar project-based assistance:

(1) receives a Real Estate Assessment Center (REAC) score of 30 or less; or

(2) receives a REAC score between 31 and 59 and:

(A) fails to certify in writing to HUD within 60 days that all deficiencies have been corrected; or

(B) receives consecutive scores of less than 60 on REAC inspections.

Such requirements shall apply to insured and noninsured projects with assistance attached to the units under section 8 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f), but do not apply to such units assisted under section 8(o)(13) (42 U.S.C. 1437f(o)(13)) or to public housing units assisted with capital or operating funds under section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437g).

(b) The Secretary shall take the following required actions as authorized under subsection (a):

(1) The Secretary shall notify the owner and provide an opportunity for response within 30 days. If the violations remain, the Secretary shall develop a Compliance, Disposition and Enforcement Plan within 60 days, with a specified timetable for correcting all deficiencies. The Secretary shall provide notice of the Plan to the owner, tenants, the local government, any mortgagees, and any contract administrator.

(2) At the end of the term of the Compliance, Disposition and Enforcement Plan, if the owner fails to fully comply with such plan, the Secretary may require immediate replacement of project management with a management agent approved by the Secretary, and shall take one or more of the following ac-

tions, and provide additional notice of those actions to the owner and the parties specified above:

(A) impose civil money penalties;

(B) abate the section 8 contract, including partial abatement, as determined by the Secretary, until all deficiencies have been corrected;

(C) pursue transfer of the project to an owner, approved by the Secretary under established procedures, which will be obligated to promptly make all required repairs and to accept renewal of the assistance contract as long as such renewal is offered; or

(D) seek judicial appointment of a receiver to manage the property and cure all project deficiencies or seek a judicial order of specific performance requiring the owner to cure all project deficiencies.

(c) The Secretary shall also take appropriate steps to ensure that project-based contracts remain in effect, subject to the exercise of contractual abatement remedies to assist relocation of tenants for imminent major threats to health and safety after written notice to and informed consent of the affected tenants and use of other remedies set forth above. To the extent the Secretary determines, in consultation with the tenants and the local government, that the property is not feasible for continued rental assistance payments under such section 8 or other programs, based on consideration of (1) the costs of rehabilitating and operating the property and all available Federal, State, and local resources, including rent adjustments under section 524 of the Multifamily Assisted Housing Reform and Affordability Act of 1997 ("MAHRAA") and (2) environmental conditions that cannot be remedied in a cost-effective fashion, the Secretary may, in consultation with the tenants of that property, contract for project-based rental assistance payments with an owner or owners of other existing housing properties, or provide other rental assistance. The Secretary shall report semi-annually on all properties covered by this section that are assessed through the Real Estate Assessment Center and have physical inspection scores of less than 30 or have consecutive physical inspection scores of less than 60. The report shall include:

(1) The enforcement actions being taken to address such conditions, including imposition of civil money penalties and termination of subsidies, and identify properties that have such conditions multiple times; and

(2) Actions that the Department of Housing and Urban Development is taking to protect tenants of such identified properties.

SEC. 226. None of the funds made available by this Act, or any other Act, for purposes authorized under section 8 (only with respect to the tenant-based rental assistance program) and section 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 et seq.), may be used by any public housing agency for any amount of salary, including bonuses, for the chief executive officer of which, or any other official or employee of which, that exceeds the annual rate of basic pay payable for a position at level IV of the Executive Schedule at any time during any public housing agency fiscal year 2016.

SEC. 227. None of the funds in this Act may be available for the doctoral dissertation research grant program at the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

SEC. 228. Section 24 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437v) is amended—

(1) in subsection (m)(1), by striking "fiscal year" and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting "fiscal year 2016."; and

(2) in subsection (o), by striking "September" and all that follows through the period at the end and inserting "September 30, 2016.".

SEC. 229. None of the funds in this Act provided to the Department of Housing and Urban Development may be used to make a grant award unless the Secretary notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations not less than 3 full business days before any project, State, locality, housing authority, tribe, nonprofit organization, or other entity selected to receive a grant award is announced by the Department or its offices.

SEC. 230. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to require or enforce the Physical Needs Assessment (PNA).

SEC. 231. None of the funds made available by this Act nor any receipts or amounts collected under any Federal Housing Administration program may be used to implement the Homeowners Armed with Knowledge (HAWK) program.

SEC. 232. None of the funds made available in this Act shall be used by the Federal Housing Administration, the Government National Mortgage Administration, or the Department of Housing and Urban Development to insure, securitize, or establish a Federal guarantee of any mortgage or mortgage backed security that refinances or otherwise replaces a mortgage that has been subject to eminent domain condemnation or seizure, by a State, municipality, or any other political subdivision of a State.

SEC. 233. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to terminate the status of a unit of general local government as a metropolitan city (as defined in section 102 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5302)) with respect to grants under section 106 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 5306).

SEC. 234. Amounts made available under this Act which are either appropriated, allocated, advanced on a reimbursable basis, or transferred to the Office of Policy Development and Research in the Department of Housing and Urban Development and functions thereof, for research, evaluation, or statistical purposes, and which are unexpended at the time of completion of a contract, grant, or cooperative agreement, may be deobligated and shall immediately become available and may be reobligated in that fiscal year or the subsequent fiscal year for the research, evaluation, or statistical purposes for which the amounts are made available to that Office subject to reprogramming requirements in section 405 of this Act.

SEC. 235. Subsection (b) of section 225 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 12755) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: "Such 30-day waiting period is not required if the grounds for the termination or refusal to renew involve a direct threat to the safety of the tenants or employees of the housing, or an imminent and serious threat to the

property (and the termination or refusal to renew is in accordance with the requirements of State or local law).".

SEC. 236. None of the funds under this title may be used for awards, including performance, special act, or spot, for any employee of the Department of Housing and Urban Development who is subject to administrative discipline in fiscal year 2016, including suspension from work.

SEC. 237. The language under the heading "Rental Assistance Demonstration" in the Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2012 (Public Law 112–55) is amended:

(1) In proviso eighteen, by inserting "for fiscal year 2012 and hereafter," after "*Provided further*, That"; and

(2) In proviso nineteen, by striking ", which may extend beyond fiscal year 2016 as necessary to allow processing of all timely applications,".

SEC. 238. Section 526 (12 U.S.C. 1735f–4) of the National Housing Act is amended by inserting at the end of subsection (b):

"(c) The Secretary may establish an exception to any minimum property standard established under this section in order to address alternative water systems, including cisterns, which meet requirements of State and local building codes that ensure health and safety standards.".

SEC. 239. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall increase, pursuant to this section, the number of Moving to Work agencies authorized under section 204, title II, of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, 1996 (Public Law 104–134; 110 Stat. 1321) by adding to the program 100 public housing agencies that are designated as high performing agencies under the Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) or the Section Eight Management Assessment Program (SEMAP). No public housing agency shall be granted this designation through this section that administers in excess of 27,000 aggregate housing vouchers and public housing units. Of the agencies selected under this section, no less than 50 shall administer 1,000 or fewer aggregate housing voucher and public housing units, no less than 47 shall administer 1,001-6,000 aggregate housing voucher and public housing units, and no more than 3 shall administer 6,001–27,000 aggregate housing voucher and public housing units. Of the 100 agencies selected under this section, five shall be agencies with portfolio awards under the Rental Assistance Demonstration that meet the other requirements of this section, including current designations as high performing agencies or such designations held immediately prior to such portfolio awards. Selection of agencies under this section shall be based on ensuring the geographic diversity of Moving to Work agencies. In addition to the preceding selection criteria, agencies shall be designated by the Secretary over a 7-year period. The Secretary shall establish a research advisory committee which shall advise the Secretary with respect to specific policy proposals and methods of research and evaluation for the demonstration. The advisory committee shall include program and research experts from the Department, a fair representation of agencies with a Moving to Work designation, and independent subject matter experts in housing policy research. For each cohort of agencies receiving a

designation under this heading, the Secretary shall direct one specific policy change to be implemented by the agencies, and with the approval of the Secretary, such agencies may implement additional policy changes. All agencies designated under this section shall be evaluated through rigorous research as determined by the Secretary, and shall provide information requested by the Secretary to support such oversight and evaluation, including the targeted policy changes. Research and evaluation shall be coordinated under the direction of the Secretary, and in consultation with the advisory committee, and findings shall be shared broadly. The Secretary shall consult the advisory committee with respect to policy changes that have proven successful and can be applied more broadly to all public housing agencies, and propose any necessary statutory changes. The Secretary may, at the request of a Moving to Work agency and one or more adjacent public housing agencies in the same area, designate that Moving to Work agency as a regional agency. A regional Moving to Work agency may administer the assistance under sections 8 and 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437f and g) for the participating agencies within its region pursuant to the terms of its Moving to Work agreement with the Secretary. The Secretary may agree to extend the term of the agreement and to make any necessary changes to accommodate regionalization. A Moving to Work agency may be selected as a regional agency if the Secretary determines that unified administration of assistance under sections 8 and 9 by that agency across multiple jurisdictions will lead to efficiencies and to greater housing choice for low-income persons in the region. For purposes of this expansion, in addition to the provisions of the Act retained in section 204, section 8(r)(1) of the Act shall continue to apply unless the Secretary determines that waiver of this section is necessary to implement comprehensive rent reform and occupancy policies subject to evaluation by the Secretary, and the waiver contains, at a minimum, exceptions for requests to port due to employment, education, health and safety. No public housing agency granted this designation through this section shall receive more funding under sections 8 or 9 of the United States Housing Act of 1937 than it otherwise would have received absent this designation. The Secretary shall extend the current Moving to Work agreements of previously designated participating agencies until the end of each such agency's fiscal year 2028 under the same terms and conditions of such current agreements, except for any changes to such terms or conditions otherwise mutually agreed upon by the Secretary and any such agency and such extension agreements shall prohibit any statutory offset of any reserve balances equal to 4 months of operating expenses. Any such reserve balances that exceed such amount shall remain available to any such agency for all permissible purposes under such agreement unless subject to a statutory offset. In addition to other reporting requirements, all Moving to Work agencies shall report financial data to the Department of Housing and Urban Development as specified by the Secretary, so that the effect of Moving to Work policy changes can be measured.

SEC. 240. (a) AUTHORITY.—Subject to the conditions in subsection (d), the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may author-

ize, in response to requests received in fiscal years 2016 through 2020, the transfer of some or all project-based assistance, tenant-based assistance, capital advances, debt, and statutorily required use restrictions from housing assisted under section 811 of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act (42 U.S.C. 8013) to other new or existing housing, which may include projects, units, and other types of housing, as permitted by the Secretary.

(b) CAPITAL ADVANCES.—Interest shall not be due and repayment of a capital advance shall not be triggered by a transfer pursuant to this section.

(c) PHASED AND PROPORTIONAL TRANSFERS.—

(1) Transfers under this section may be done in phases to accommodate the financing and other requirements related to rehabilitating or constructing the housing to which the assistance is transferred, to ensure that such housing meets the conditions under subsection (d).

(2) The capital advance repayment requirements, use restrictions, rental assistance, and debt shall transfer proportionally from the transferring housing to the receiving housing.

(d) CONDITIONS.—The transfers authorized by this section shall be subject to the following conditions:

(1) the owner of the transferring housing shall demonstrate that the transfer is in compliance with applicable Federal, State, and local requirements regarding Housing for Persons with Disabilities and shall provide the Secretary with evidence of obtaining any approvals related to housing disabled persons that are necessary under Federal, State, and local government requirements;

(2) the owner of the transferring housing shall demonstrate to the Secretary that any transfer is in the best interest of the disabled residents by offering opportunities for increased integration or less concentration of individuals with disabilities;

(3) the owner of the transferring housing shall continue to provide the same number of units as approved for rental assistance by the Secretary in the receiving housing;

(4) the owner of the transferring housing shall consult with the disabled residents in the transferring housing about any proposed transfer under this section and shall notify the residents of the transferring housing who are eligible for assistance to be provided in the receiving housing that they shall not be required to vacate the transferring housing until the receiving housing is available for occupancy;

(5) the receiving housing shall meet or exceed applicable physical standards established or adopted by the Secretary; and

(6) if the receiving housing has a mortgage insured under title II of the National Housing Act, any lien on the receiving housing resulting from additional financing shall be subordinate to any federally insured mortgage lien transferred to, or placed on, such housing, except that the Secretary may waive this requirement upon determination that such a waiver is necessary to facilitate the financing of acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the receiving housing.

(e) PUBLIC NOTICE.—The Secretary shall publish a notice in the Federal Register of the terms and conditions, including criteria for the Department's approval of transfers pursuant to this section no later than 30 days before the effective date of such notice.

SEC. 241. (a) Of the unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under the heading "General and Special Risk Program Account", and for the cost of guaranteed notes and other obligations under the heading "Native American Housing Block Grants", $12,000,000 is hereby permanently rescinded.

(b) All unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining from funds appropriated to the Department of Housing and Urban Development under the headings "Rural Housing and Economic Development", and "Homeownership and Opportunity for People Everywhere Grants" are hereby permanently rescinded.

SEC. 242. Funds made available in this title under the heading "Homeless Assistance Grants" may be used by the Secretary to participate in Performance Partnership Pilots authorized in an appropriations Act for fiscal year 2016 as initially authorized under section 526 of division H of Public Law 113–76 and extended under section 524 of division G of Public Law 113–235: *Provided*, That such participation shall be limited to no more than 10 continuums of care and housing activities to improve outcomes for disconnected youth.

SEC. 243. With respect to grant amounts awarded under the heading "Homeless Assistance Grants" for fiscal years 2015 and 2016 for the Continuum of Care (CoC) program as authorized under subtitle C of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, costs paid by program income of grant recipients may count toward meeting the recipient's matching requirements, provided the costs are eligible CoC costs that supplement the recipients CoC program.

SEC. 244. With respect to funds appropriated under the "Community Development Fund" heading for formula allocation to states pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5306(d), the Secretary shall permit a jurisdiction to demonstrate compliance with 42 U.S.C. 5305(c)(2)(A) if it had been designated as majority low- and moderate-income pursuant to data from the 2000 decennial Census and it continues to have economic distress as evidenced by inclusion in a designated Rural Promise Zone or Distressed County as defined by the Appalachian Regional Commission. This section shall apply to any such state funds appropriated under such heading under this Act, in each fiscal year from 2017 through 2020, and under prior appropriation Acts (with respect to any such allocated but uncommitted funds available to any such state).

This title may be cited as the "Department of Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Act, 2016".

TITLE III

RELATED AGENCIES

ACCESS BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For expenses necessary for the Access Board, as authorized by section 502 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, $8,023,000: *Provided*, That, notwithstanding any other provision of law, there may be credited to this appropriation funds received for publications and training expenses.

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Federal Maritime Commission as authorized by section 201(d) of the Merchant Marine Act, 1936, as amended (46 U.S.C. 307), including services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109; hire of passenger motor vehicles as authorized by 31 U.S.C. 1343(b); and uniforms or allowances therefor, as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 5901–5902, $25,660,000: *Provided*, That not to exceed $2,000 shall be available for official reception and representation expenses.

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation to carry out the provisions of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended, $24,499,000: *Provided*, That the Inspector General shall have all necessary authority, in carrying out the duties specified in the Inspector General Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 3), to investigate allegations of fraud, including false statements to the government (18 U.S.C. 1001), by any person or entity that is subject to regulation by the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: *Provided further*, That the Inspector General may enter into contracts and other arrangements for audits, studies, analyses, and other services with public agencies and with private persons, subject to the applicable laws and regulations that govern the obtaining of such services within the National Railroad Passenger Corporation: *Provided further*, That the Inspector General may select, appoint, and employ such officers and employees as may be necessary for carrying out the functions, powers, and duties of the Office of Inspector General, subject to the applicable laws and regulations that govern such selections, appointments, and employment within the Corporation: *Provided further*, That concurrent with the President's budget request for fiscal year 2017, the Inspector General shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a budget request for fiscal year 2017 in similar format and substance

to those submitted by executive agencies of the Federal Government.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

For necessary expenses of the National Transportation Safety Board, including hire of passenger motor vehicles and aircraft; services as authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109, but at rates for individuals not to exceed the per diem rate equivalent to the rate for a GS–15; uniforms, or allowances therefor, as authorized by law (5 U.S.C. 5901–5902), $105,170,000, of which not to exceed $2,000 may be used for official reception and representation expenses. The amounts made available to the National Transportation Safety Board in this Act include amounts necessary to make lease payments on an obligation incurred in fiscal year 2001 for a capital lease.

NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

For payment to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation for use in neighborhood reinvestment activities, as authorized by the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation Act (42 U.S.C. 8101–8107), $135,000,000, of which $5,000,000 shall be for a multi-family rental housing program: *Provided*, That in addition, $40,000,000 shall be made available until expended to the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation for mortgage foreclosure mitigation activities, under the following terms and conditions:

(1) The Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation (NRC) shall make grants to counseling intermediaries approved by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) (with match to be determined by NRC based on affordability and the economic conditions of an area; a match also may be waived by NRC based on the aforementioned conditions) to provide mortgage foreclosure mitigation assistance primarily to States and areas with high rates of defaults and foreclosures to help eliminate the default and foreclosure of mortgages of owner-occupied single-family homes that are at risk of such foreclosure. Other than areas with high rates of defaults and foreclosures, grants may also be provided to approved counseling intermediaries based on a geographic analysis of the Nation by NRC which determines where there is a prevalence of mortgages that are risky and likely to fail, including any trends for mortgages that are likely to default and face foreclosure. A State Housing Finance Agency may also be eligible where the State Housing Finance Agency meets all the requirements under this paragraph. A HUD-approved counseling intermediary shall meet certain mortgage foreclosure mitigation assistance counseling requirements, as determined by NRC, and shall be approved by HUD or NRC as meeting these requirements.

(2) Mortgage foreclosure mitigation assistance shall only be made available to homeowners of owner-occupied homes with

mortgages in default or in danger of default. These mortgages shall likely be subject to a foreclosure action and homeowners will be provided such assistance that shall consist of activities that are likely to prevent foreclosures and result in the long-term affordability of the mortgage retained pursuant to such activity or another positive outcome for the homeowner. No funds made available under this paragraph may be provided directly to lenders or homeowners to discharge outstanding mortgage balances or for any other direct debt reduction payments.

(3) The use of mortgage foreclosure mitigation assistance by approved counseling intermediaries and State Housing Finance Agencies shall involve a reasonable analysis of the borrower's financial situation, an evaluation of the current value of the property that is subject to the mortgage, counseling regarding the assumption of the mortgage by another non-Federal party, counseling regarding the possible purchase of the mortgage by a non-Federal third party, counseling and advice of all likely restructuring and refinancing strategies or the approval of a work-out strategy by all interested parties.

(4) NRC may provide up to 15 percent of the total funds under this paragraph to its own charter members with expertise in foreclosure prevention counseling, subject to a certification by NRC that the procedures for selection do not consist of any procedures or activities that could be construed as a conflict of interest or have the appearance of impropriety.

(5) HUD-approved counseling entities and State Housing Finance Agencies receiving funds under this paragraph shall have demonstrated experience in successfully working with financial institutions as well as borrowers facing default, delinquency and foreclosure as well as documented counseling capacity, outreach capacity, past successful performance and positive outcomes with documented counseling plans (including post mortgage foreclosure mitigation counseling), loan workout agreements and loan modification agreements. NRC may use other criteria to demonstrate capacity in underserved areas.

(6) Of the total amount made available under this paragraph, up to $2,000,000 may be made available to build the mortgage foreclosure and default mitigation counseling capacity of counseling intermediaries through NRC training courses with HUD-approved counseling intermediaries and their partners, except that private financial institutions that participate in NRC training shall pay market rates for such training.

(7) Of the total amount made available under this paragraph, up to 5 percent may be used for associated administrative expenses for NRC to carry out activities provided under this section.

(8) Mortgage foreclosure mitigation assistance grants may include a budget for outreach and advertising, and training, as determined by NRC.

(9) NRC shall continue to report bi-annually to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations as well as the Senate Banking Committee and House Financial Services Committee on its efforts to mitigate mortgage default.

UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

OPERATING EXPENSES

For necessary expenses (including payment of salaries, authorized travel, hire of passenger motor vehicles, the rental of conference rooms, and the employment of experts and consultants under section 3109 of title 5, United States Code) of the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness in carrying out the functions pursuant to title II of the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act, as amended, $3,530,000.

TITLE IV

GENERAL PROVISIONS—THIS ACT

SEC. 401. None of the funds in this Act shall be used for the planning or execution of any program to pay the expenses of, or otherwise compensate, non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings funded in this Act.

SEC. 402. None of the funds appropriated in this Act shall remain available for obligation beyond the current fiscal year, nor may any be transferred to other appropriations, unless expressly so provided herein.

SEC. 403. The expenditure of any appropriation under this Act for any consulting service through a procurement contract pursuant to 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 pursuant to existing law.

SEC. 404. (a) None of the funds made available in this Act may be obligated or expended for any employee training that—

(1) does not meet identified needs for knowledge, skills, and abilities bearing directly upon the performance of official duties;

(2) contains elements likely to induce high levels of emotional response or psychological stress in some participants;

(3) does not require prior employee notification of the content and methods to be used in the training and written end of course evaluation;

(4) contains any methods or content associated with religious or quasi-religious belief systems or "new age" belief systems as defined in Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Notice N–915.022, dated September 2, 1988; or

(5) is offensive to, or designed to change, participants' personal values or lifestyle outside the workplace.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict, or otherwise preclude an agency from conducting training bearing directly upon the performance of official duties.

SEC. 405. Except as otherwise provided in this Act, none of the funds provided in this Act, provided by previous appropriations Acts to the agencies or entities funded in this Act that remain available for obligation or expenditure in fiscal year 2016, or provided from any accounts in the Treasury derived by the collection

of fees and available to the agencies funded by this Act, shall be available for obligation or expenditure through a reprogramming of funds that—

(1) creates a new program;

(2) eliminates a program, project, or activity;

(3) increases funds or personnel for any program, project, or activity for which funds have been denied or restricted by the Congress;

(4) proposes to use funds directed for a specific activity by either the House or Senate Committees on Appropriations for a different purpose;

(5) augments existing programs, projects, or activities in excess of $5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less;

(6) reduces existing programs, projects, or activities by $5,000,000 or 10 percent, whichever is less; or

(7) creates, reorganizes, or restructures a branch, division, office, bureau, board, commission, agency, administration, or department different from the budget justifications submitted to the Committees on Appropriations or the table accompanying the explanatory statement accompanying this Act, whichever is more detailed, unless prior approval is received from the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations: *Provided*, That not later than 60 days after the date of enactment of this Act, each agency funded by this Act shall submit a report to the Committees on Appropriations of the Senate and of the House of Representatives to establish the baseline for application of reprogramming and transfer authorities for the current fiscal year: *Provided further*, That the report shall include—

(A) a table for each appropriation with a separate column to display the prior year enacted level, the President's budget request, adjustments made by Congress, adjustments due to enacted rescissions, if appropriate, and the fiscal year enacted level;

(B) a delineation in the table for each appropriation and its respective prior year enacted level by object class and program, project, and activity as detailed in the budget appendix for the respective appropriation; and

(C) an identification of items of special congressional interest.

SEC. 406. Except as otherwise specifically provided by law, not to exceed 50 percent of unobligated balances remaining available at the end of fiscal year 2016 from appropriations made available for salaries and expenses for fiscal year 2016 in this Act, shall remain available through September 30, 2017, for each such account for the purposes authorized: *Provided*, That a request shall be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations for approval prior to the expenditure of such funds: *Provided further*, That these requests shall be made in compliance with reprogramming guidelines under section 405 of this Act.

SEC. 407. No funds in this Act may be used to support any Federal, State, or local projects that seek to use the power of eminent domain, unless eminent domain is employed only for a public use: *Provided*, That for purposes of this section, public use shall not be

construed to include economic development that primarily benefits private entities: *Provided further*, That any use of funds for mass transit, railroad, airport, seaport or highway projects, as well as utility projects which benefit or serve the general public (including energy-related, communication-related, water-related and waste-water-related infrastructure), other structures designated for use by the general public or which have other common-carrier or public-utility functions that serve the general public and are subject to regulation and oversight by the government, and projects for the removal of an immediate threat to public health and safety or brownfields as defined in the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act (Public Law 107–118) shall be considered a public use for purposes of eminent domain.

SEC. 408. 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 appropriations Act.

SEC. 409. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available to pay the salary for any person filling a position, other than a temporary position, formerly held by an employee who has left to enter the Armed Forces of the United States and has satisfactorily completed his or her period of active military or naval service, and has within 90 days after his or her release from such service or from hospitalization continuing after discharge for a period of not more than 1 year, made application for restoration to his or her former position and has been certified by the Office of Personnel Management as still qualified to perform the duties of his or her former position and has not been restored thereto.

SEC. 410. No funds appropriated pursuant to this Act may be expended by an entity unless the entity agrees that in expending the assistance the entity will comply with sections 2 through 4 of the Act of March 3, 1933 (41 U.S.C. 10a–10c, popularly known as the "Buy American Act").

SEC. 411. No funds appropriated or otherwise made available under this Act shall be made available to any person or entity that has been convicted of violating the Buy American Act (41 U.S.C. 10a–10c).

SEC. 412. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used for first-class airline accommodations in contravention of sections 301–10.122 and 301–10.123 of title 41, Code of Federal Regulations.

SEC. 413. (a) None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to approve a new foreign air carrier permit under sections 41301 through 41305 of title 49, United States Code, or exemption application under section 40109 of that title of an air carrier already holding an air operators certificate issued by a country that is party to the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement where such approval would contravene United States law or Article 17 bis of the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement.

(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit, restrict or otherwise preclude the Secretary of Transportation from granting a foreign air carrier permit or an exemption to such an air carrier where

such authorization is consistent with the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement and United States law.

SEC. 414. None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to send or otherwise pay for the attendance of more than 50 employees of a single agency or department of the United States Government, who are stationed in the United States, at any single international conference unless the relevant Secretary reports to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least 5 days in advance that such attendance is important to the national interest: *Provided*, That for purposes of this section the term "international conference" shall mean a conference occurring outside of the United States attended by representatives of the United States Government and of foreign governments, international organizations, or nongovernmental organizations.

SEC. 415. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Federal Transit Administration to implement, administer, or enforce section 18.36(c)(2) of title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, for construction hiring purposes.

SEC. 416. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used in contravention of the 5th or 14th Amendment to the Constitution or title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

SEC. 417. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used by the Department of Transportation, the Department of Housing and Urban Development, or any other Federal agency to lease or purchase new light duty vehicles for any executive fleet, or for an agency's fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011.

SEC. 418. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used in contravention of subpart E of part 5 of the regulations of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (24 CFR part 5, subpart E, relating to restrictions on assistance to noncitizens).

SEC. 419. None of the funds made available by this Act may be used to provide financial assistance in contravention of section 214(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980 (42 U.S.C. 1436a(d)).

SEC. 420. For an additional amount for "Community Planning and Development, Community Development Fund", $300,000,000, to remain available until expended, for necessary expenses for activities authorized under title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5301 et seq.) related to disaster relief, long-term recovery, restoration of infrastructure and housing, and economic revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas resulting from a major disaster declared in 2015 pursuant to the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) related to the consequences of Hurricane Joaquin and adjacent storm systems, Hurricane Patricia, and other flood events: *Provided*, That funds shall be awarded directly to the State or unit of general local government at the discretion of the Secretary: *Provided further*, That prior to the obligation of funds a grantee shall submit a plan to the Secretary for approval detailing the proposed use of all funds, including criteria for eligibility and how the use of these funds will address long-term recovery and restoration of infrastructure and housing and economic

revitalization in the most impacted and distressed areas: *Provided further*, That such funds may not be used for activities reimbursable by, or for which funds are made available by, the Federal Emergency Management Agency or the Army Corps of Engineers: *Provided further*, That funds allocated under this heading shall not be considered relevant to the non-disaster formula allocations made pursuant to section 106 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5306): *Provided further*, That a State or subdivision thereof may use up to five percent of its allocation for administrative costs: *Provided further*, That in administering the funds under this heading, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development may waive, or specify alternative requirements for, any provision of any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers in connection with the obligation by the Secretary or the use by the recipient of these funds (except for requirements related to fair housing, nondiscrimination, labor standards, and the environment), if the Secretary finds that good cause exists for the waiver or alternative requirement and such waiver or alternative requirement would not be inconsistent with the overall purpose of title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding the preceding proviso, recipients of funds provided under this heading that use such funds to supplement Federal assistance provided under section 402, 403, 404, 406, 407, or 502 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.) may adopt, without review or public comment, any environmental review, approval, or permit performed by a Federal agency, and such adoption shall satisfy the responsibilities of the recipient with respect to such environmental review, approval or permit: *Provided further*, That, notwithstanding section 104(g)(2) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5304(g)(2)), the Secretary may, upon receipt of a request for release of funds and certification, immediately approve the release of funds for an activity or project assisted under this heading if the recipient has adopted an environmental review, approval or permit under the preceding proviso or the activity or project is categorically excluded from review under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.): *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall publish via notice in the Federal Register any waiver, or alternative requirement, to any statute or regulation that the Secretary administers pursuant to title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 no later than five days before the effective date of such waiver or alternative requirement: *Provided further*, That of the amounts made available under this section, up to $1,000,000 may be transferred to "Program Office Salaries and Expenses, Community Planning and Development" for necessary costs, including information technology costs, of administering and overseeing funds made available under this heading: *Provided further*, That amounts provided under this section shall be designated by Congress as being for disaster relief pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SEC. 421. Effective as of December 4, 2015, and as if included therein as enacted, section 1408 of the Fixing America's Surface

Transportation Act (Public Law 114–94) is amended by adding at the end the following:

"(c) APPLICABILITY.—The amendment made by subsection (b) shall apply to projects to repair or reconstruct facilities damaged as a result of a natural disaster or catastrophic failure described in section 125(a) of title 23, United States Code, occurring on or after October 1, 2015.".

This division may be cited as the "Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2016".

[CLERK'S NOTE: Reproduced below is the material relating to division L contained in the Explanatory Statement regarding H.R. 2029, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2016.[1]]

DIVISION L—TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016

CONGRESSIONAL DIRECTIVES

The language and allocations set forth in the House report (House Report 114–129) and the Senate report (Senate Report 114–75) should be complied with unless specifically addressed to the contrary in this division or explanatory statement. Report language included by the House, which is not changed by this explanatory statement, and the Senate report language, which is not changed by this explanatory statement, is a result of the 2016 appropriations agreement. The explanatory statement, while repeating some report language for emphasis, does not intend to negate the language referred to above unless expressly provided herein. In cases where the House or the Senate has directed the submission of a report, such report is to be submitted to both the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations. The Department of Transportation and the Department of Housing and Urban Development are directed to notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations seven days prior to the announcement of a new program or authority. Any reprogramming requests must be submitted to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations no later than June 30, 2016.

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $108,750,000 for the salaries and expenses of the Office of the Secretary. The agreement includes funding by office as specified below, and offices are to manage staffing levels within the amounts provided. Funds are available for transfer between all offices under certain conditions.

Immediate Office of the Secretary	$2,734,000
Immediate Office of the Deputy Secretary	1,025,000
Office of the General Counsel	20,609,000
Office of the Under Secretary for Transportation Policy	9,941,000
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs	13,697,000
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Government Affairs	2,546,000
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration	25,925,000

[1] The Explanatory Statement was submitted for printing in the Congressional Record on December 17, 2015 by Mr. Rogers of Kentucky, Chairman of the House Committee on Appropriations. The Statement appears on pages H9693–H10471 of Books II and III.

Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs	2,029,000
Office of the Executive Secretariat	1,737,000
Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization	1,434,000
Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response	10,793,000
Office of the Chief Information Officer	16,280,000

Comprehensive truck size and weight limits study.—The agreement includes a provision that requires the Secretary to transmit to Congress the final Comprehensive Truck Size and Weight Limits Study, as mandated by MAP–21, within 60 days of enactment of this Act. The Department of Transportation released a Technical Report in June which examined six alternate truck configurations. The Transportation Research Board (TRB) has acknowledged that the Department's efforts to conduct the study are hampered by data limitations; however, according to the TRB peer-review committee, the technical report lacks a consistent and complete quantitative summary of the evaluations of the alternative configuration scenarios and presents impact estimates using inconsistent units of measure which prevents the reader from weighing costs, benefits, and trade-offs. The TRB committee notes possible instances of bias, assumptions, and possible misinterpretation of data in the report. The Committees view the Technical Report, particularly the Department's misrepresentation of the data limitations, as an unsatisfactory document that makes no progress on meeting the Department's responsibilities under the MAP–21 mandate.

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

The agreement provides $13,000,000 for the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Research and Technology.

NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

The agreement provides $500,000,000 for capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure, commonly known as the "TIGER" program. Funds are available for highway and bridge projects; transit projects; passenger and freight rail projects; and port, inland port, and land ports of entry projects. The Secretary is reminded to consider worthy transportation projects in suburban areas when meeting geographical requirements. The agreement does not include funds for planning activities.

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT CAPITAL

The agreement provides $5,000,000 for the financial management capital program.

CYBER SECURITY INITIATIVES

The agreement provides $8,000,000 for departmental cyber security initiatives.

OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

The agreement provides $9,678,000 for the Office of Civil Rights.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides $8,500,000 for planning, research and development activities, of which $2,500,000 is for the establishment of an Interagency Infrastructure Permitting Improvement Center

(IIPIC). Bill language is included to allow for the transfer of funds to this account from other Federal agencies utilizing the services of the IIPIC.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

The agreement limits expenditures for working capital fund activities to $190,039,000.

MINORITY BUSINESS RESOURCE CENTER PROGRAM

The agreement provides a total appropriation of $933,000 for the minority business center program: $336,000 for the cost of guaranteed loans and $597,000 for the administrative expenses of the program. The bill limits loans to $18,367,000.

MINORITY BUSINESS OUTREACH

The agreement provides $3,084,000 for minority business outreach.

PAYMENTS TO AIR CARRIERS

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $175,000,000 for payments to air carriers. In addition to these funds, the program will receive approximately $108,000,000 in overflight fees pursuant to the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012.

The agreement includes a provision that allows amounts authorized for the essential air service program to be immediately available from resources of the Federal Aviation Administration and allows such resources to be reimbursed from collected overflight fees.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

Section 101 prohibits funds available to the Department of Transportation from being obligated for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation to approve assessments or reimbursable agreements pertaining to funds appropriated to the modal administrations, except for activities underway on the date of enactment of his Act, unless such assessments or agreements have completed the normal reprogramming process for Congressional notification.

Section 102 allows the Department of Transportation Working Capital Fund to provide payments in advance to vendors for the Federal transit pass fringe benefit program.

Section 103 requires the Secretary of Transportation to post on the Web a schedule of all Credit Council meetings, agendas, and meeting minutes.

Section 104 allows the Department of Transportation Working Capital Fund to provide full or partial payments in advance and accept reimbursements from Federal agencies for transit benefit distribution services.

FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement includes $9,909,724,000 for the operations of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Of the total amount provided, $7,922,000,000 is to be derived from the airport and airway trust fund. Funds are distributed in the bill by budget activity.

The following table compares the agreement to the levels proposed in the budget request by activity:

	Budget Request	Agreement
Air Traffic Organization	$7,505,293,000	$7,505,293,000
Aviation Safety	1,258,411,000	1,258,411,000
Commercial Space Transportation	18,144,000	17,800,000
Finance and management	764,621,000	760,500,000
NextGen and operations planning	60,582,000	60,089,000
Staff offices	207,099,000	206,751,000
Security and Hazardous Materials Safety	100,880,000	100,880,000
Total	$9,915,000,000	$9,909,724,000

Operations funding.—The agreement includes the full budget request for the air traffic organization, aviation safety, and security and hazardous materials safety. The agreement includes reductions of less than two percent from commercial space activities, and less than one percent from finance and management, NextGen planning, and staff offices. These reductions are taken without prejudice. The agreement funds overall FAA operations at 99.95 percent of the budget request to ensure the highest possible level of air traffic services, for both general and commercial aviation. The agreement also fully supports FAA's efforts to hire over 1,500 controllers in fiscal year 2016, and the FAA is directed to make the investments necessary to enhance its controller hiring capabilities to meet its fiscal year 2016 hiring goals.

Contract towers.—The agreement provides $154,400,000 for the contract tower program.

Aviation noise impacts.—During floor consideration of H.R. 2577, a variety of amendments were offered in both chambers related to FAA air traffic procedures and, in particular, the noise that those procedures create in neighborhood communities. FAA must take a more proactive role in engaging communities that are impacted by these new departure and arrival procedures, especially when the agency chooses to utilize a categorical exclusion as part of the environmental review process. The agreement does not include provisions related to specific communities, but rather includes broad language requiring FAA to update its community involvement manual and implementation plan. Improved community outreach is one part of the solution. Investments in new technologies that will reduce noise and other environmental impacts caused by aircraft are equally important. In that regard, the agreement continues to include robust funding for the Continuous Lower Energy, Emissions and Noise (CLEEN) program.

Organization delegation authorization.—The FAA is directed to continue its efforts to more fully utilize organization designation

authorization (ODA) for aircraft certification processes, while improving ODA risk-based oversight and workforce training. FAA is directed to provide a progress report on its improvements to ODA processes no later than 180 days after enactment.

Pathfinder program/commercial airports.—The agreement supports FAA's Pathfinder program and encourages the FAA to expand the program to include a commercial airport, in conjunction with the UAS center for excellence as evaluator. A letter report is requested on findings related to such expansion no later than 180 days after enactment.

Pathfinder program/electric utilities.—The agreement encourages FAA to consider including electric utility companies in the Pathfinder program to increase the understanding of the role unmanned aerial systems can play in supporting disaster recovery and ensuring the resiliency of the electric grid.

FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement includes $2,855,000,000 for FAA facilities and equipment. Of the total amount available, $470,049,000 is available until September 30, 2016 and $2,384,951,000 is available until September 30, 2018. The agreement includes language directing FAA to transmit a five-year capital investment plan to Congress no later than March 31, 2016, and reduces funding by $100,000 for each day the capital investment plan is late.

The following table provides a breakdown of the agreement by program:

Program	Request	Agreement
Activity 1—Engineering, Development, Test and Evaluation		
Advanced Technology Development and Prototyping	21,300,000	21,300,000
NAS Improvement of System Support Laboratory	1,000,000	1,000,000
William J. Hughes Technical Center Facilities	19,050,000	19,050,000
William J. Hughes Technical Center Infrastructure Sustainment	12,200,000	12,200,000
Separation Management Portfolio	26,500,000	31,500,000
Improved Surface/TFDM Portfolio	17,000,000	17,000,000
On Demand NAS Portfolio	11,000,000	11,000,000
Environment Portfolio	1,000,000	1,000,000
Improved Multiple Runway Operations Portfolio	8,000,000	8,000,000
NAS Infrastructure Portfolio	11,000,000	11,000,000
NextGen Support Portfolio	10,000,000	10,000,000
Performance Based Navigation & Metroplex Portfolio	13,000,000	13,000,000
Total Activity 1	151,050,000	156,050,000
Activity 2—Air Traffic Control Facilities and Equipment		
a. En Route Programs:		
En Route Automation Modernization (ERAM)—System Enhancements and Tech Refresh	79,400,000	79,400,000
En Route Communications Gateway (ECG)	2,650,000	2,650,000
Next Generation Weather Radar (NEXRAD)—Provide	6,500,000	6,500,000
Air Route Traffic Control Center (ARTCC) & Combined Control Facility (CCF) Building Improvements	74,200,000	74,200,000
Air Traffic Management (ATM)	13,700,000	13,700,000
Air/Ground Communications Infrastructure	9,750,000	11,750,000
Air Traffic Control En Route Radar Facilities Improvements	5,810,000	5,810,000
Voice Switching and Control System (VSCS)	9,900,000	9,900,000
Oceanic Automation System	20,000,000	20,000,000

Program	Request	Agreement
Next Generation Very High Frequency Air/Ground Communications (NEXCOM)	43,600,000	43,600,000
System-Wide Information Management	37,400,000	37,400,000
ADS–B NAS Wide Implementation	45,200,000	184,600,000
Windshear Detection Service	5,200,000	5,200,000
Collaborative Air Traffic Management Technologies WP2 & WP3	9,800,000	14,770,000
Time Based Flow Management Portfolio	42,600,000	42,600,000
ATC Beacon Interrogator (ATCBI)—Sustainment	1,000,000	1,000,000
NextGen Weather Processors	7,000,000	7,000,000
Airborne Collision Avoidance System X (ACASX)	10,800,000	10,800,000
Data Communications in Support of NG Air Transportation System	234,900,000	234,900,000
Subtotal En Route Programs	659,410,000	805,780,000
b. Terminal Programs:		
Airport Surface Detection Equipment—Model X (ASDE–X)	13,500,000	13,500,000
Terminal Doppler Weather Radar (TDWR)—Provide	4,900,000	4,900,000
Standard Terminal Automation Replacement System (STARS) (TAMR Phase 1)	81,100,000	81,100,000
Terminal Automation Modernization/Replacement Program (TAMR Phase 3)	159,350,000	159,350,000
Terminal Automation Program	7,700,000	7,700,000
Terminal Air Traffic Control Facilities—Replace	45,500,000	45,500,000
ATCT/Terminal Radar Approach Control (TRACON) Facilities—Improve	58,990,000	58,990,000
Terminal Voice Switch Replacement (TVSR)	6,000,000	6,000,000
NAS Facilities OSHA and Environmental Standards Compliance	39,600,000	39,600,000
Airport Surveillance Radar (ASR–9)	3,800,000	3,800,000
Terminal Digital Radar (ASR–11) Technology Refresh and Mobile Airport Surveillance Radar (MASR)	9,900,000	9,900,000
Runway Status Lights	24,170,000	24,170,000
National Airspace System Voice System (NVS)	53,550,000	53,550,000
Integrated Display System (IDS)	23,300,000	23,300,000
Remote Monitoring and Logging System (RMLS)	4,700,000	4,700,000
Mode S Service Life Extension Program (SLEP)	16,300,000	16,300,000
Surveillance Interface Modernization	23,000,000	23,000,000
National Air Space (NAS) Voice Recorder Program (NVRP)	3,000,000	3,000,000
Integrated Terminal Weather System (ITWS)	5,400,000	5,400,000
Flight and Interfacility ATC Data Interface Modernization (FIADIM)	9,000,000	9,000,000
Subtotal Terminal Programs	592,760,000	592,760,000
c. Flight Service Programs:		
Aviation Surface Observation System (ASOS)	8,000,000	8,000,000
Future Flight Services Program	3,000,000	3,000,000
Alaska Flight Service Facility Modernization (AFSFM)	2,650,000	2,650,000
Weather Camera Program	1,000,000	1,000,000
Subtotal Flight Service Programs	14,650,000	14,650,000
d. Landing and Navigational Aids Program:		
VHF Omnidirectional Radio Range (VOR) with Distance Measuring Equipment (DME)	4,500,000	4,500,000
Instrument Landing System (ILS)—Establish	7,000,000	7,000,000
Wide Area Augmentation System (WAAS) for GPS	80,600,000	107,200,000
Runway Visual Range (RVR) and Enhanced Low Visibility Operations (ELVO)	6,000,000	6,000,000
Approach Lighting System Improvement Program (ALSIP)	3,000,000	3,000,000
Distance Measuring Equipment (DME)	3,000,000	3,000,000
Visual NAVAIDS—Establish/Expand	2,000,000	2,000,000
Instrument Flight Procedures Automation (IFPA)	3,371,000	3,371,000
Navigation and Landing Aids—Service Life Extension Program (SLEP)	3,000,000	3,000,000
VASI Replacement—Replace with Precision Approach Path Indicator	5,000,000	5,000,000
GPS Civil Requirements	27,000,000	15,000,000
Runway Safety Areas—Navigational Mitigation	30,000,000	30,000,000
Subtotal Landing and Navigational Aids Programs	174,471,000	189,071,000
e. Other ATC Facilities Programs:		
Fuel Storage Tank Replacement and Management	18,700,000	18,700,000
Unstaffed Infrastructure Sustainment	39,640,000	39,640,000

Program	Request	Agreement
Aircraft Related Equipment Program	9,000,000	9,000,000
Airport Cable Loop Systems—Sustained Support	12,000,000	12,000,000
Alaskan Satellite Telecommunications Infrastructure (ASTI)	12,500,000	12,500,000
Facilities Decommissioning	6,000,000	6,000,000
Electrical Power Systems—Sustain/Support	124,970,000	125,000,000
FAA Employee Housing and Life Safety Shelter System Service	2,500,000	2,500,000
Energy Management and Compliance (EMC)	2,000,000	2,000,000
Child Care Center Sustainment	1,600,000	1,600,000
FAA Telecommunications Infrastructure	1,000,000	1,000,000
Subtotal Other ATC Facilities Programs	229,910,000	229,940,000
Total Activity 2	1,671,201,000	1,832,201,000
Activity 3—Non-Air Traffic Control Facilities and Equipment		
a. Support Equipment:		
Hazardous Materials Management	26,400,000	26,400,000
Aviation Safety Analysis System (ASAS)	20,200,000	20,200,000
Logistics Support Systems and Facilities (LSSF)	4,000,000	4,000,000
National Air Space (NAS) Recovery Communications (RCOM)	12,000,000	12,000,000
Facility Security Risk Management	15,000,000	15,000,000
Information Security	12,000,000	12,000,000
System Approach for Safety Oversight (SASO)	18,900,000	18,900,000
Aviation Safety Knowledge Management Environment (ASKME)	7,500,000	7,500,000
Aerospace Medical Equipment Needs (AMEN)	2,500,000	2,500,000
System Safety Management Portfolio	17,000,000	17,000,000
National Test Equipment Program	4,000,000	4,000,000
Mobile Assets Management Program	4,800,000	4,800,000
Aerospace Medicine Safety Information Systems (AMSIS)	3,000,000	3,000,000
Tower Simulation System (TSS) Technology Refresh	7,000,000	7,000,000
Subtotal Support Equipment	154,300,000	154,300,000
b. Training, Equipment and Facilities:		
Aeronautical Center Infrastructure Modernization	15,200,000	15,200,000
Distance Learning	1,500,000	1,500,000
Subtotal Training, Equipment and Facilities	16,700,000	16,700,000
Total Activity 3	171,000,000	171,000,000
Activity 4—Facilities and Equipment Mission Support		
a. System Support and Services:		
System Engineering and Development Support	35,000,000	35,000,000
Program Support Leases	46,700,000	46,700,000
Logistics and Acquisition Support Services	11,000,000	11,000,000
Mike Monroney Aeronautical Center Leases	18,800,000	18,800,000
Transition Engineering Support	19,200,000	19,200,000
Technical Support Services Contract (TSSC)	23,000,000	23,000,000
Resource Tracking Program (RTP)	4,000,000	4,000,000
Center for Advanced Aviation System Development (CAASD)	60,000,000	60,000,000
Aeronautical Information Management Program	5,000,000	5,000,000
Cross Agency NextGen Management	3,000,000	3,000,000
Total Activity 4	225,700,000	225,700,000
Activity 5—Personnel and Related Expenses		
Personnel and Related Expenses	470,049,000	470,049,000
Activity 6—Sustain ADS–B services and Wide Area Augmentation Services (WAAS) GEOs		
ADS–B services and WAAS GEOs	166,000,000	*

Program	Request	Agreement
Total	2,855,000,000	2,855,000,000

*Funding is provided directly to ADS–B and WAAS GEO program lines.

Engineering, development, test and evaluation (activity 1).—The agreement reiterates expectations to better understand how funding in the engineering, development, test and evaluation activity has advanced specific NextGen programs for enhancing capacity and reducing flight delays. The Inspector General is directed to examine how these investments are managed and what specific outcomes have been achieved to improve the Nation's air transportation system.

NextGen-separation management portfolio.—The agreement supports the continued advancement of space-based automatic dependent surveillance-broadcast (ADS–B) technology as a means to enhance safety and increase capacity, and provides $15,000,000 for this purpose within the NextGen-separation management portfolio program. FAA is directed to provide an update to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 60 days of enactment on its efforts to advance the space-based ADS–B program, including information on the status of a final investment decision for the program.

RESEARCH, ENGINEERING AND DEVELOPMENT

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $166,000,000 for the FAA's research, engineering, and development activities.

The agreement provides the following levels for specific programs:

Program	Request	Agreement
Fire Research & Safety	6,643,000	6,000,000
Propulsion & Fuel Systems	3,034,000	2,034,000
Advanced Materials/Structural Safety	3,625,000	7,409,000
Aircraft Icing/Digital System Safety	6,920,000	5,500,000
Continued Air Worthiness	8,987,000	8,987,000
Aircraft Catastrophic Failure Prevention Research	1,433,000	1,433,000
Flightdeck/Maintenance/System Integration Human Factors	9,947,000	5,000,000
Safety System Management	6,063,000	6,063,000
Air Traffic Control/Technical Operations Human Factors	5,995,000	5,410,000
Aeromedical Research	10,255,000	8,467,000
Weather Research	18,253,000	15,031,000
Unmanned Aircraft Systems Research	9,635,000	17,635,000
NextGen—Alternative Fuels for General Aviation	5,833,000	7,000,000
Total Safety	**96,623,000**	**95,969,000**
NextGen—Wake Turbulence	8,680,000	8,541,000
NextGen—Air Ground Integration	8,875,000	8,000,000
NextGen—Weather Technology in the Cockpit	4,116,000	4,048,000
Commercial Space (in FY 15 buried in NextGen Air Ground Integration per FY 14 congressional language)	3,000,000	2,000,000
Total Economic Competiveness	**24,671,000**	**22,589,000**
Environment & Energy	15,061,000	16,074,000
NextGen Environmental Research—Aircraft Technologies, Fuels and Metrics	23,823,000	25,823,000
Environmental Sustainability	**38,884,000**	**41,897,000**
System Planning and Resource Management	2,377,000	2,100,000

Program	Request	Agreement
WJHTC Lab Facilities	3,445,000	3,445,000
Mission Support	**5,822,000**	**5,545,000**
Total	**166,000,000**	**166,000,000**

Unmanned aerial systems (UAS).—The agreement includes $17,635,000 for unmanned aircraft systems research, an increase of $8,000,000 above the budget request. Within this increase, $3,000,000 is provided to help meet FAA's UAS research goals of system safety and data gathering, aircraft certification, command and control link challenges, control station layouts and certification, sense and avoid, and environmental impacts; and $5,000,000 is provided for the center of excellence on unmanned aerial systems, for a total of $5,500,000 for the center. It is expected that UAS flight operations conducted as part of center of excellence research be performed at one or more of the six UAS test sites selected for UAS research and airspace integration.

Environmental sustainability.—The agreement includes $41,897,000 for research related to environmental sustainability, an increase of $3,013,000 above the budget request. The total level of funding supports the CLEEN program as well as the center of excellence for alternative jet fuels and environment. The FAA is directed to use the increase in funding for the center of excellence, resulting in a total of $10,513,000 for the center.

GRANTS IN AID FOR AIRPORTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(AIRPORT AND AIRWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes an obligation limitation of $3,350,000,000 and a liquidating cash appropriation of $3,600,000,000. Within the obligation limitation, the agreement provides not more than $107,100,000 for administrative expenses, no less than $15,000,000 for the airport cooperative research program, and no less than $31,000,000 for airport technology research.

Small community air service development program.—The agreement includes $5,000,000 under the obligation limitation to continue the small community air service development program (SCASDP) and directs the FAA to transfer these funds to the Office of the Secretary salaries and expenses appropriation. The agreement includes a provision that allows the participation of an airport that serves a community or consortium that is not larger than a small hub airport according to FAA hub classifications at the time the Secretary issues a request for proposals.

Cost share.—The agreement includes a provision that allows small airports to continue contributing five percent of the total cost for unfinished phased projects that were underway prior to the passage of the FAA Modernization and Reform Act of 2012.

Section 110 allows no more than 600 technical staff-years at the Center for Advanced Aviation Systems Development.

Section 111 prohibits funds for adopting guidelines or regulations requiring airport sponsors to provide FAA "without cost" building construction or space.

Section 112 allows reimbursement for fees collected and credited under 49 U.S.C. 45303.

Section 113 allows reimbursement of funds for providing technical assistance to foreign aviation authorities to be credited to the operations account.

Section 114 prohibits funds for Sunday premium pay unless work was actually performed on a Sunday.

Section 115 prohibits funds in the Act from being used to buy store gift cards with Government issued credit cards.

Section 116 allows all airports experiencing the required level of boardings through charter and scheduled air service to be eligible for funds under 49 U.S.C. 47114(c).

Section 117 prohibits funds from being obligated or expended for retention bonuses for FAA employees without prior written approval of the DOT Assistant Secretary for Administration.

Section 118 requires the Secretary to block the display of an owner or operator's aircraft registration number in the Aircraft Situational Display to Industry program upon the request of an owner or operator.

Section 119 prohibits funds for salaries and expenses of more than nine political and Presidential appointees in the FAA.

Section 119A prohibits funds to increase fees under 49 U.S.C. 44721 until the FAA provides a report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations that justifies all fees related to aeronautical navigation products and explains how such fees are consistent with Executive Order 13642.

Section 119B requires FAA to notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least 90 days before closing a regional operations center or reducing the services provided.

Section 119C prohibits funds from being used to change weight restrictions or prior permission rules at Teterboro Airport in New Jersey.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

LIMITATION ON ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement limits obligations for the administrative expenses of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to $425,752,000. In addition, the agreement provides $3,248,000 above this limitation for the administrative expenses of the Appalachian Regional Commission in accordance with 23 U.S.C. 104.

FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAYS

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement limits obligations for the federal-aid highways program to $42,361,000,000 in fiscal year 2016.

Alternate design/alternate bid procurement.—The agreement acknowledges that FHWA has satisfied the directive in Senate Report 114–75 related to alternate design/alternate bid procurement methods and does not direct additional action.

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides a liquidating cash appropriation of $43,100,000,000, which is available until expended, to pay the outstanding obligations of the various highway programs at the levels provided in this Act and prior appropriations acts.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Section 120 distributes the federal-aid highways program obligation limitation.

Section 121 allows funds received by the Bureau of Transportation Statistics from the sale of data products to be credited to the federal-aid highways account.

Section 122 provides requirements for any waiver of Buy America requirements.

Section 123 prohibits funds from being used to provide credit assistance under sections 603 and 604 of title 23, United States Code, unless the Secretary of Transportation notifies the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations, the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works, the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure at least three days prior to credit application approval.

Section 124 modifies title 23, United States Code, to remove the sunset date on two federal truck weight exemptions and to add an additional exemption to federal truck weight limitations for the State of Idaho.

Section 125 authorizes states to repurpose certain previously authorized funding amounts to new projects that are eligible under the surface transportation program and located within a similar geographic area.

Section 126 modifies title 23 to increase the highway safety improvement program set-aside for highway-railroad grade crossings to $350,000,000.

FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY OPERATIONS AND PROGRAMS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement includes a liquidation of contract authorization and a limitation on obligations of $267,400,000 for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA). Of this limitation, $9,000,000 is for research and technology programs and will remain available for obligation until September 30, 2018, $34,545,000 is for information management and shall be available until September 30, 2018, and $1,000,000 is for commercial motor vehicle operator's grants.

Under the agreement, the Department of Transportation Office of Inspector General is directed to conduct an audit within five years addressing issues related to the effectiveness and efficiency of FMCSA's execution and compliance with the cross-border long-haul trucking program.

Natural gas vehicle regulations.—The agreement does not include an expectation that DOT clarify and address the ability of bus manufacturers to continue to deploy buses that have roof-top mounted compressed natural gas cylinders. The agreement does not require the Secretary to issue further guidance on rules that restrict access to bridges and tunnels in the case of alternative fueled vehicles.

MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides a liquidating cash appropriation and a limitation on obligations of $313,000,000 for motor carrier safety grants. The agreement allocates the total grant funding as follows:

Program	*Funding*
Motor carrier safety assistance program	$218,000,000
Commercial driver's license program improvement grants	30,000,000
Border enforcement grants program	32,000,000
Performance and registration information system management grants	5,000,000
Commercial vehicle information systems and networks deployment program	25,000,000
Safety data improvement grants	3,000,000

Of the $218,000,000 provided for the motor carrier safety assistance program, the agreement provides $32,000,000 for audits of new entrant motor carriers.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL MOTOR CARRIER SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Section 130 subjects funds appropriated in this Act to the terms and conditions of section 350 of Public Law 107–87 and section

6901 of Public Law 110–28, and repeals Section 350(d) of Public Law 107–87.

Section 131 requires FMCSA to send notice of 49 CFR section 385.308 violations by certified mail, registered mail, or some other manner of delivery which records receipt of the notice by the persons responsible for the violations.

Section 132 prohibits funding provided under the Act from being used to enforce any regulation prohibiting a state from issuing a commercial learner's permit to individuals under the age of eighteen if state law authorized such issuance as of May 9, 2011.

Section 133 suspends a portion of the hours of service regulation unless the Secretary and the Inspector General find that the final report meets all statutory requirements and establishes improved outcomes.

Section 134 prohibits funds from being used to deny an application to renew a hazardous materials safety permit unless a carrier has the opportunity to present their own corrective actions and the Secretary determines such actions are insufficient.

Section 135 prohibits funds from being used for a wireless roadside inspection program until 180 days after the Secretary makes specific certifications to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

Section 136 clarifies that certain commercial regulations unrelated to safety are not applicable to small passenger carriers that serve youth or family camps.

Section 137 provides a limited agricultural exemption for trucks during harvest months in Kansas.

NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $152,800,000 from the general fund for operations and research. Of this amount, $20,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017.

The agreement includes up to 35 FTE for no more than 70 new positions in the Office of Defects Investigation.

OPERATIONS AND RESEARCH

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides a liquidating cash appropriation and an obligation limitation of $142,900,000, to remain available until expended, which reflects the authorized level of contract authority. Of the total, $137,800,000 is provided for the programs authorized under 23 U.S.C. 403, and $5,100,000 is for the National Driver Register. Of the total amount provided under this heading, $20,000,000 shall remain available until September 30, 2017 and shall be in addition to any limitation imposed on obligations in future fiscal years.

The agreement includes $6,500,000 for a high visibility enforcement paid-media campaign in the area of highway-rail grade crossing safety and $11,700,000 for highway safety research.

HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides a liquidating cash appropriation and an obligation limitation of $573,332,000 for highway traffic safety grants, to remain available until expended. The agreement does not repurpose any funding under this heading for operations and research activities. The agreement allocates funding as follows:

Highway safety programs (section 402)	$243,500,000
National priority safety programs (section 405)	274,700,000
Administrative expenses	25,832,000
High visibility enforcement program (section 404)	29,300,000
Total:	$573,332,000

The agreement includes $5,494,000 for in-vehicle alcohol detection device research.

The agreement continues a provision which prohibits certain construction and furnishing activities and which limits technical assistance to States to $500,000 of the funds made available for impaired driving countermeasures under 23 U.S.C. 405(d). The agreement allows for the transfer of funds within the grant programs consistent with 23 U.S.C. 405(a)(1)(G) and requires NHTSA to notify the House and Senate Appropriations Committees of the exercise of this authority within five days.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—NATIONAL HIGHWAY TRAFFIC SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

Section 140 provides funding for travel and related expenses for state management reviews and highway safety core competency development training.

Section 141 exempts obligation authority made available in previous public laws from the obligation limitations set for the current year.

Section 142 prohibits funds in the Act for the National Roadside Survey.

Section 143 prohibits funds from being used to mandate global positioning systems in private vehicles without consideration of privacy concerns.

FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION

SAFETY AND OPERATIONS

The agreement provides $199,000,000 for safety and operations of the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA). Of the funds provided, $15,900,000 is available until expended. The agreement supports the annualization of fiscal year 2015 safety personnel, provides $1,000,000 for up to 16 grade crossing managers and up to four trespass prevention managers, funds safety staff for the safe

transport of energy products (STEP), and passenger rail inspectors. In addition, the agreement includes funds to conduct a study to identify techniques, strategies and policies that would facilitate the development of international rail projects, including cross border travel, as referenced in House Report 114–129. FRA is directed to provide its findings to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 18 months from enactment.

RAILROAD RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides $39,100,000 for railroad research and development.

RAILROAD REHABILITATION AND IMPROVEMENT FINANCING PROGRAM

The agreement authorizes the Secretary to issue notes or other obligations pursuant to section 501 through 504 of P.L. 94–210. The agreement prohibits new direct loans or loan guarantee commitments using Federal funds for the credit risk premium during fiscal year 2016.

RAILROAD SAFETY GRANTS

The agreement provides $50,000,000 for railroad safety grants, of which not to exceed $25,000,000 is for railroad safety infrastructure improvements and not to exceed $25,000,000 is for railroad safety technology grants. The agreement also requires the Secretary to give priority consideration for safety technology grants to projects that efficiently provide the greatest level of public safety while supporting entities that demonstrate financial need.

THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION (AMTRAK)

The agreement provides a total of appropriation of $1,390,000,000 for Amtrak in the traditional account structure: operating grants and capital and debt service grants. This is the structure authorized prior to enactment of the Passenger Rail Reform and Investment Act (PRRIA) of 2015. PRRIA 2015 restructures Amtrak into two new accounts: Northeast Corridor grants and the national network. The agreement directs Amtrak and FRA to submit a detailed congressional budget justification consistent with the new structure to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations for fiscal year 2017.

The agreement directs Amtrak to provide a report on the status of state contracts and payments related to section 209 of the Passenger Rail Improvement and Investment Act of 2008 no later than March 1, 2016.

OPERATING GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

The agreement provides $288,500,000 in quarterly operating grants to Amtrak, based on the Secretary's assessment of Amtrak's seasonal cash flow requirements, and provides that funds remain available until expended. Before approving funding to cover operating losses, the agreement requires the Secretary to review a grant request for each specific train route. The agreement prohibits Amtrak from discounting tickets at more than 50 percent off the

normal peak fare, unless the operating loss due to the discounted fare is covered by a state and the state participates in the setting of the fares.

CAPITAL AND DEBT SERVICE GRANTS TO THE NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

The agreement provides $1,101,500,000 for capital and debt service grants to Amtrak, to remain available until expended. Within the funds provided, the agreement includes up to $160,200,000 for Amtrak's debt service payments, and not less than $50,000,000 for investments to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. In addition, the agreement provides for an initial distribution of $200,000,000 for a working capital account, allows the Secretary to use up to $50,000,000 for operating subsidy grants to Amtrak should its operating losses in fiscal year 2016 exceed amounts provided under the previous heading, and conditions the Secretary's approval of grants for capital expenditures upon the receipt and review of a grant request for each specific capital project justifying the Federal support to the Secretary's satisfaction.

The agreement allows the Secretary to retain up to one-half of one percent of the funds provided to Amtrak for oversight of both operating activities and capital expenditures. The agreement also allows the Secretary to retain up to $3,000,000, in addition to available carryover balances, to fund the costs associated with implementing section 212 of division B of Public Law 110–432, the Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act (PRIIA). It also allows up to $500,000 to be available for technical assistance to states, the District of Columbia, and public entities responsible for implementing section 209 of PRIIA.

The agreement directs Amtrak to conduct a business case analysis on capital investments that exceed $10,000,000 in life-cycle costs and directs that these capital acquisition contracts state that funding is subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION (INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

Section 150 allows the safety and operations account to receive and use cash or spare parts to repair and replace damaged track inspection cars.

Section 151 limits overtime to $35,000 per employee. The agreement allows Amtrak's president to waive this restriction for specific employees for safety or operational efficiency reasons. Amtrak's president is required to delineate the reasons for granting such waiver, provide quarterly reports on cap waivers granted, and amounts paid above the cap for each month. The agreement also requires Amtrak's president to provide an annual report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations by March 1, 2016, that summarizes Amtrak's total overtime expenses incurred by the corporation in 2015 and the two prior years, and the number of employees receiving overtime cap waivers and total overtime payments resulting from waivers by month of the 2015 calendar year and the three prior calendar years.

Section 152 rescinds $1,960,000 in railroad research and development funds and makes these funds available to the Secretary to as-

sist Class II and Class III Railroads for applicant expenses in preparing to apply and applying for direct loans, and loan guarantees for projects eligible under sections 501 through 504 of P.L. 94–210.

Section 153 rescinds $19,163,385 in unobligated funds and makes these funds available to the Secretary for grants to Amtrak for shared use infrastructure on the Northeast Corridor identified in the Northeast Corridor Operations Advisory Commission's 5-year capital plan. Grants shall not exceed 50 percent of the total project cost, and matching funds shall be consistent with the Commission's cost allocation policy.

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

The agreement provides $108,000,000 for the administrative expenses of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), of which not more than $6,500,000 is for the safety office and $1,000,000 is for asset management activities. Staffing levels are to be determined by funding levels under this heading. FTA is directed to follow the process for informing the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on full funding grant agreement notifications consistent with prior years with the exception of alternative analysis evaluations, and include appropriation information through fiscal year 2020.

TRANSIT FORMULA GRANTS

(LIQUIDATION OF CONTRACT AUTHORIZATION)

(LIMITATION ON OBLIGATIONS)

(HIGHWAY TRUST FUND)

The agreement limits obligations from the Mass Transit Account for transit formula grants to $9,347,604,639 as authorized by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. Funds are to be distributed as authorized. Further, the agreement provides $10,400,000,000 for the liquidation of contract authority.

CAPITAL INVESTMENT GRANTS

The bill appropriates $2,177,000,000 for new fixed-guideway projects. Of the funds provided, $1,250,000,000 is for projects with signed full funding grant agreements (FFGAs), $50,000,000 is available for core capacity projects, $22,000,000 is available for oversight activities, $353,000,000 is available for the proposed small starts projects, and $5,000,000 is for a new expedited project delivery pilot authorized in the FAST Act.

The agreement provides a total of $497,000,000 for projects anticipated to enter into a signed full funding grant agreement in 2016. Of the project slate that was originally proposed in the fiscal year 2016 budget request, one project was formally withdrawn from consideration by the sponsor. Of the amount set aside for new full funding grant agreements, the agreement provides a total of $200,000,000 for the two proposed projects in California, $100,000,000 for the on-going project in Maryland, $92,000,000 for the project in Colorado, and $100,000,000 for the project in Texas.

The remaining funds are available to continue support for the Minnesota project as FTA and the sponsor complete the review and evaluation processes.

GRANTS TO THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY

The agreement provides $150,000,000 to carry out section 601 of division B of Public Law 110–432 to remain available until expended. FTA and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority are directed to update the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations quarterly on the progress made to address audit and NTSB issues.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

Section 160 exempts previously made transit obligations from limitations on obligations.

Section 161 allows funds provided in this Act for fixed guideway capital investment projects that remain unobligated by September 30, 2020 be available for projects eligible to use the funds for the purposes for which they were originally provided.

Section 162 allows for the transfer of appropriations made prior to October 1, 2015 from older accounts to be merged into new accounts with similar current activities.

Section 163 limits FTA to signing full funding grant agreements with a new starts share of 60 percent or less.

Section 164 prohibits funds in this Act from being used to advance a specific transit line in Harris County, Texas without benefit of a local election.

Section 165 rescinds $25,397,797 in prior year bus and bus facility funds.

Section 166 exempts an area in Washington State from enforcement of the charter bus rule.

SAINT LAWRENCE SEAWAY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

(HARBOR MAINTENANCE TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $28,400,000 for the operations, maintenance and capital asset renewal program of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation (SLSDC). The SLSDC is directed to submit an annual report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations on its asset renewal program activities by April 30, 2016. The SLSDC is allowed to utilize prior year unobligated funds to initiate the hands-free mooring system installation at the Snell Lock.

MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

MARITIME SECURITY PROGRAM

The agreement provides the full authorized level of $210,000,000 for the Maritime Security Program.

OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

The agreement provides a total of $171,155,000 for the Maritime Administration's (MARAD) operations and training account.

For the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (USMMA), the bill provides a total of $82,500,000. Of the funds provided, $64,500,000 is for Academy operations and $18,000,000 is for capital asset management activities, of which $15,000,000 is for the renovation of Gibbs Hall and $3,000,000 is for maintenance, repairs and equipment. The USMMA may use prior year unobligated funds for other capital asset improvements.

The agreement provides a total of $33,600,000 for the state maritime academies, of which $3,000,000 is for direct payments, $2,400,000 is for student incentive payments, $22,000,000 is for schoolship maintenance and repair, $5,000,000 is for the design of a new common schoolship, and $1,200,000 is for fuel assistance.

Finally, the agreement provides a total of $55,055,000 for MARAD headquarters, regional offices, and maritime program expenses. Of the amount, $3,000,000 is for the Maritime Environmental and Technical Assistance Program and $5,000,000 is for the short sea shipping program.

ASSISTANCE TO SMALL SHIPYARDS

The agreement provides $5,000,000 for grants to small shipyards.

SHIP DISPOSAL

The agreement provides $5,000,000 for the disposal of obsolete vessels of the National Defense Reserve Fleet.

MARITIME GUARANTEED LOAN (TITLE XI) PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement provides a total of $8,135,000 for the Title XI program, of which $5,000,000 is for the cost of guaranteeing new loans and $3,135,000 is to be transferred to MARAD's operations and training account for administrative expenses. The Administrator is directed to process the pending applications expeditiously.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS—MARITIME ADMINISTRATION

Section 170 authorizes MARAD to furnish utilities and services and make necessary repairs in connection with any lease, contract, or occupancy involving Government property under control of MARAD, and allow payments received to be credited to the Treasury and remain available until expended.

Section 171 prohibits a fee-for-service contract for vessel disposal, scrapping or recycling unless a qualified domestic ship recycler will pay for the vessel.

PIPELINE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY ADMINISTRATION

OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

The agreement provides $21,000,000 for the necessary operational expenses of the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA).

Small scale liquefaction facilities.—The Secretary is directed to evaluate and report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 60 days of enactment of this Act on the feasibility of an alternative risk-based compliance regime for the siting of small-scale liquefaction facilities that generate and package liquefied natural gas for use as a fuel or delivery to consumers by non-pipeline modes of transportation. In evaluating such alternative risk-based compliance regime, the Secretary should consider the value of adopting quantitative risk assessment methods, the benefit of incorporating modern industry standards and best practices, including the provisions in the 2013 edition of the National Fire Protection Association Standard 59A, and the need to encourage the use of the best available technology.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SAFETY

The agreement provides $55,619,000 for the agency's hazardous materials safety functions. Of this amount, $7,570,000 shall be available until September 30, 2018, and $800,000 in fees collected under 49 U.S.C. 5108(g) shall be deposited in the general fund as offsetting receipts. Funds made available until September 30, 2018 are for long-term research and development contracts.

The agreement provides increases necessary to support annualization of additional FTE added in fiscal year 2015 as well as increases for research contracts associated with the safe transport of energy products. No funding is provided for increases requested to support phase two of the risk management framework.

PIPELINE SAFETY

(PIPELINE SAFETY FUND)

(OIL SPILL LIABILITY TRUST FUND)

The agreement provides $146,623,000 for pipeline safety. Of that amount, $22,123,000 is derived from the oil spill liability trust fund, to remain available until September 30, 2018, and $124,500,000 is derived from the pipeline safety fund, of which $59,835,000 is available until September 30, 2018. The agreement provides not less than $1,058,000 for the one-call state grant program. The agreement includes a provision which provides that not less than $1,000,000 shall be for finalization and implementation of certain regulatory activities required by law.

The agreement includes $12,000,000 for research and development, of which up to $2,000,000 is for the pipeline safety research competitive academic agreement program. The agreement also includes $44,894,000 for state pipeline safety grants, and $1,500,000 for state damage prevention grants.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS GRANTS

(EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS FUND)

The agreement provides $188,000, derived from the emergency preparedness fund and available until September 30, 2017, and an obligation limitation of $28,318,000 for emergency preparedness grants. The agreement provides PHMSA the authority to use prior year carryover and recaptures to develop a hazardous materials re-

sponse training curriculum for emergency responders, and to carry out activities authorized by 46 U.S.C. 5116(a)(1)(C) and 5116(i). Further, the amount of funding provided under this account that is available for administrative costs is increased from 2 percent to 4 percent.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $87,472,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Inspector General.

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $32,375,000 for salaries and expenses of the Surface Transportation Board. The agreement permits the collection of up to $1,250,000 in user fees to be credited to this appropriation. The agreement provides that the general fund appropriation be reduced on a dollar-for-dollar basis by the actual amount collected in user fees to result in a final appropriation from the general fund estimated at no more than $31,125,000.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Section 180 provides authorization for DOT to maintain and operate aircraft, hire passenger motor vehicles and aircraft, purchase liability insurance, buy uniforms, or allowances therefor.

Section 181 limits appropriations for services authorized by 5 U.S.C. 3109 to the rate permitted for an Executive Level IV.

Section 182 prohibits more than 110 political and Presidential appointees in DOT and restricts the detailing of these personnel outside of DOT.

Section 183 prohibits recipients of funds in this Act from disseminating personal information obtained by state DMVs in connection to motor vehicle records with an exception.

Section 184 stipulates that revenue collected by FHWA and FRA from States, counties, municipalities, other public authorities, and private sources for training be transferred into specific accounts within the agency with an exception.

Section 185 prohibits DOT from using funds for grants of $750,000 or more from FHWA, FAA, FRA, FTA, MARAD or "National Infrastructure Investments", unless DOT gives a 3-day advance notice to Congress. Also requires notice of any "quick release" of funds from FHWA's emergency relief program, and prohibits notifications from involving funds not available for obligation.

Section 186 allows funds received from rebates, refunds, and similar sources to be credited to appropriations of DOT.

Section 187 allows amounts from improper payments to a third party contractor that are lawfully recovered by DOT to be made available to cover expenses incurred in recovery of such payments.

Section 188 requires that reprogramming actions have to be approved or denied by the House and Senate Committees on Appro-

priations, and reprogramming notifications shall be transmitted solely to the Appropriations Committees.

Section 189 caps the amount of fees the Surface Transportation Board can charge or collect for rate or practice complaints filed with the Board at the amount authorized for district court civil suit filing fees.

Section 190 allows funds appropriated to modal administrations to be obligated for the Office of the Secretary for costs related to assessments only when such funds provide a direct benefit to that modal administration.

Section 191 allows the use of the Working Capital Fund to carry out the Federal Transit Pass program.

Section 192 prohibits the use of funds to implement any geographic, economic, or other hiring preference not otherwise authorized by law, unless certain requirements are met related to availability of local labor, displacement of existing employees, and delays in transportation plans.

TITLE II—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

HUD shall deliver all outstanding and past due reports within 30 days of enactment of this Act. If the Department anticipates missing a reporting deadline, HUD shall notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least 15 days prior to the deadline and shall include with that notification an estimated completion date. In the event HUD unexpectedly misses a reporting deadline or misses a revised completion date on a report that is already past due, the Department shall deliver to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a revised estimate of when the report will be delivered.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES

The agreement includes $13,800,000 for the salaries and expenses for Executive Offices which shall be comprised of seven offices including Offices of the Secretary, Deputy Secretary, Adjudicatory Services, Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, Public Affairs, Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization, and the Center for Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships. The agreement includes a provision limiting official reception and representation expenses to no more than $25,000.

Telework and Alternative Work Schedules.—The Committee directs HUD to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 120 days of enactment of this Act on measures the Department can take to enable Department managers to effectively manage their telework and alternative work staff so that no critical duties go unmet. This report should also include an identification of any barriers, including statutory or regulatory barriers, to improved performance and customer service under telework and alternative work schedules.

ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT OFFICES

The agreement provides $559,100,000 for Administrative Support Offices. Funds are provided as follows:

Office of the Chief Financial Officer	$79,000,000
Office of the General Counsel	94,500,000
Office of Administration	207,600,000
Office of the Chief Human Capital Officer	56,300,000
Office of Field Policy and Management	51,500,000
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer	17,200,000
Office of Departmental Equal Employment Opportunity	3,300,000
Office of Strategic Planning and Management	4,500,000
Office of the Chief Information Officer	45,200,000
Total	$559,100,000

The agreement includes full funding for the promise zone initiative as well as funding for the administration of the housing trust fund program. The agreement does not include funding for expansion of the Department's grants modernization initiative.

New core and shared services.—The Department is not expected to implement new core at the direction of the Office of the Chief Information Officer and the agreement does not transfer personnel and non-personnel resources related to new core to the Office of the Chief Information Officer. However, the Chief Financial Officer and Chief Information Officer are expected to collaborate on the successful implementation of new core. The Department is directed to provide the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations with an update on new core at the end of each quarter of fiscal year 2016 that includes a detailed description of the functionalities deployed and the associated number of requirements remaining to be implemented, a list of risks and issues with associated mitigation strategies and anticipated closure dates, estimated and actual lifecycle costs, current and projected shared service agreement transaction volume and cost data, cost reductions achieved through the new operating model, the status of organization change management activities, a list of the activities planned and completed business process re-engineering efforts, related staff reorganizations and reallocations, and the total number of HUD employees impacted by role, location, and organization.

PROGRAM OFFICE SALARIES AND EXPENSES

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

The agreement provides $205,500,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Public and Indian Housing.

Housing quality standards.—The agreement directs HUD to implement a single inspection protocol for public housing and voucher units in fiscal year 2016.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The agreement provides $104,800,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Community Planning and Development.

While the agreement does not exclude funding for the Office of Economic Resilience, no funding is provided for the hiring of new positions or the backfilling of any vacant positions in that office.

The agreement only funds activities within that office that are consistent with those conducted in fiscal year 2015.

HOUSING

The agreement provides $375,000,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Housing.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

The agreement provides $23,100,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Policy Development and Research.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

The agreement provides $72,000,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

Additional resources provided above the fiscal year 2015 funding level shall be prioritized toward technical assistance to grantees for compliance and implementation efforts associated with the new affirmatively furthering fair housing rule.

OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES

The agreement provides $7,000,000 for the salaries and expenses for the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes.

WORKING CAPITAL FUND

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

The agreement includes a new account entitled "Working Capital Fund" and provides the Secretary with the authority to transfer amounts provided in this title for salaries and expenses, except those for the Office of Inspector General, to this account for the purpose of funding centralized activities. The Department is required to centralize and fund from this account any shared service agreements executed between HUD and another federal agency. In addition, HUD is provided with the legal authority to centralize and fund from this account printing, records management, space renovation, furniture, and supply services at the discretion of the Secretary. However, the Committee expects that, prior to exercising discretion to centrally fund an activity, the Secretary shall have established transparent and reliable unit cost accounting for the offices and agencies of the Department that use the activity and shall have adequately trained staff within each affected office and agency on resource planning and accounting processes associated with the centralization of funds to this account. Further, prior to centralizing either furniture or space renovation, the Committee directs the Department to deliver a comprehensive, multi-year real property improvement plan which details all planned space realignments, capital improvements, maintenance requirements, and other costs associated with carrying out HUD's most recent strategic plan including any elements of the General Service Administration (GSA) study on the Weaver Building that HUD plans to include as part of its Reimbursable Work Agreement with GSA, and including any space realignments planned in conjunction with the Administration's "Freeze the Footprint" initiative. Prior to exer-

cising its authority to transfer funds for activities beyond what is required for shared service agreements, the Committee expects HUD to establish a clear execution plan for centralizing the additional activities and to properly vet that plan with the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations prior to transferring such funds into the Working Capital Fund.

HUD shall include in its annual operating plan a detailed outline of its plans for transferring budgetary resources to the Working Capital Fund in fiscal year 2016. The agreement does not include direction from the House report regarding reductions in HUD staff to offset the cost of outsourcing transaction work through shared service agreements. The agreement does not include direction from the House report for HUD to include a transfer plan in its annual operating plan or to report on future amendments to such plan.

PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

TENANT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $19,628,525,000 for all tenant-based Section 8 activities under the Tenant-Based Rental Assistance Account. Language is included designating funds provided as follows:

Activity	Agreement
Voucher Renewals	$17,681,451,000
Tenant Protection Vouchers	130,000,000
Administrative Fees	1,650,000,000
HUD–VASH Incremental Vouchers	60,000,000
Section 811 Vouchers	107,074,000

The agreement provides funding for the full voucher renewal need (100 percent renewal), based on revised estimates from the Department that reflects more accurate and updated data since the submission of the budget request.

The agreement includes language allowing the Secretary to take into account anticipated impact of changes in income targeting and utility allowances in determining funding allocations. The agreement includes a provision requiring the notification of obligations to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) 60 days after enactment of this Act or by March 1, 2016.

The agreement includes language that allows the Secretary to consider PHAs' net restricted assets (NRA) balances when determining allocations.

The agreement includes $60,000,000 for new vouchers under the HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program (HUD–VASH).

The agreement does not include new, incremental Family Unification Program (FUP) vouchers or related direction on the new FUP vouchers.

HOUSING CERTIFICATE FUND

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

The agreement includes language allowing unobligated balances in the Housing Certificate Fund to be used for renewal of or amendments to section 8 project-based contracts and for performance-based contract administrators.

PUBLIC HOUSING CAPITAL FUND

The agreement provides $1,900,000,000 for the Public Housing Capital Fund. The agreement provides up to $3,000,000 for Public Housing Financial and Physical Assessment activities, not to exceed $21,500,000 for emergency capital needs, of which not less than $5,000,000 is for safety and security measures, $35,000,000 for supportive services, service coordinators and congregate services, and up to $15,000,000 for the Jobs-Plus Pilot initiative.

The agreement prohibits HUD from requiring or enforcing the physical needs assessment (PNA), but does not prohibit HUD from continuing to make the PNA available as a useful tool, and encourages PHAs to utilize this resource to help assess the physical quality of their public housing stock.

The agreement does not include direction regarding the establishment of capital reserves.

PUBLIC HOUSING OPERATING FUND

The agreement provides $4,500,000,000 for the Public Housing Operating Fund.

CHOICE NEIGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE

The agreement provides $125,000,000 for the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative. The agreement includes language requiring that at least $75,000,000 be made available to Public Housing Authorities, and provides up to $5,000,000 to assist communities in developing strategies for implementing the program in conjunction with community notice and input.

FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY

The agreement provides $75,000,000 for the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) program to support service coordinators who serve residents in both the public housing and voucher programs. Language is included which allows participation by residents of project-based rental assistance units.

NATIVE AMERICAN HOUSING BLOCK GRANTS

The agreement provides $650,000,000 for Native American housing block grants, to remain available until September 30, 2020. The agreement provides $3,500,000 for training and technical assistance, with no less than $2,000,000 for a national organization as designated under NAHASDA. The agreement provides $2,000,000 for inspections, contracting expertise, training, and technical assistance by HUD or its designee; and $2,000,000 to subsidize a loan level of $17,452,007 under title VI of NAHASDA.

The agreement includes language to withhold formula allocation funding from any grantee that has an unexpended balance greater than three times its formula allocation, unless the grantee's formula allocation is less than $8,000,000. HUD is directed to collect data from Indian Housing Plan submissions on new program activities that are undertaken due to this language.

INDIAN HOUSING LOAN GUARANTEE FUND PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement provides $7,500,000, to remain available until expended, to subsidize a loan level of $1,190,476,190.

COMMUNITY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONS WITH AIDS

The agreement provides $335,000,000 for the housing opportunities for persons with AIDS program, to remain available until September 30, 2017, except for amounts allocated pursuant to 854(c)(3) which are available until September 30, 2018. The agreement includes a provision that requires HUD to renew all expiring supportive housing contract commitments made in fiscal year 2010 and prior years that meet all program requirements before awarding funds for any new contract commitments.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND

The agreement provides $3,060,000,000 for the community development fund, to remain available until September 30, 2018. Of the total, the agreement provides $3,000,000,000 in formula funding and $60,000,000 for Indian tribes, of which up to $4,000,000 is available for imminent health and safety emergencies.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT LOAN GUARANTEES PROGRAM ACCOUNT

(INCLUDING RESCISSION)

The agreement does not provide a credit subsidy for this program, but instead provides the authority to collect fees from borrowers adequate to result in a subsidy cost of zero. The agreement also provides an aggregate limitation of no more than $300,000,000 in section 108 loan guarantees.

The agreement permanently rescinds unobligated balances of funds previously appropriated under this heading.

HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

The agreement provides $950,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2019, for the Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) program. The agreement includes a new provision that permits certain community land trusts to hold and exercise purchase options, rights of first refusal, or other preemptive rights to purchase housing to preserve affordability.

SELF-HELP AND ASSISTED HOMEOWNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM

The agreement provides $55,700,000 for this account, of which $50,000,000 of the total shall remain available until September 30, 2018 in the following amounts and for the following purposes: $10,000,000 for the Self-Help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program; $35,000,000 for the second, third and fourth capacity building activities authorized under section 4(a) of the HUD Demonstration Act of 1993, of which not less than $5,000,000 shall be for rural capacity building activities; and $5,000,000 for capacity building activities by national organizations with expertise in rural housing development. The remaining $5,700,000 is available until

expended for a program to rehabilitate and modify homes of disabled or low-income veterans as authorized under section 1079 of Public Law 113–291.

HOMELESS ASSISTANCE GRANTS

The agreement provides $2,250,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 2018, for homeless assistance grants. Of the amount provided, not less than $250,000,000 is for the emergency solutions grants program; not less than $1,918,000,000 is for continuum of care and rural housing stability assistance programs; up to $7,000,000 is for the national homeless data analysis project; up to $33,000,000 is for projects in up to ten communities to demonstrate how a comprehensive approach to serving homeless youth can reduce youth homelessness; and up to $5,000,000 is for technical assistance on youth homelessness.

The agreement includes three new provisions which clarify HUD's responsibilities under existing law with respect to the measurement of system performance for each continuum of care and the incorporation of performance evaluation into resource allocation and prioritization.

The agreement includes two new provisions to clarify application of existing law with respect to the homeless youth third-party documentation requirement and eligibility for service within projects funded under this heading. Under the agreement, the Secretary is directed to ensure that incentives created through the continuum of care application process fairly balance priorities for different populations, including youth, families, veterans, and people experiencing chronic homelessness.

The agreement does not require the Department to identify the amount and source of funding HUD will allocate to the performance partnership pilot program within 45 days of enactment but the Department is required to report to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 90 days of enactment of this Act on how the Department will strategically align within the program, HUD's role in grantee criteria and selection processes, and what will be HUD's role in oversight and accountability for its contributions.

The agreement includes a new provision that allows the Secretary to renew shelter plus care grants originally funded with 2008 emergency appropriations under similar terms and conditions.

HOUSING PROGRAMS

PROJECT-BASED RENTAL ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $10,220,000,000 for project-based rental assistance activities, of which not to exceed $215,000,000 is for performance-based contract administrators. The agreement also provides an advance appropriation of $400,000,000 to be made available on October 1, 2016. The agreement allows the Secretary to use project funds held in residual receipt accounts, unobligated balances, including recaptures, and carryover for program activities.

Oversight of property owners.—The agreement modifies the semiannual report required by the Senate report to be a single report

to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations within 87 days of enactment.

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY

The agreement provides $432,700,000 for the section 202 program to be available until September 30, 2019, of which up to $77,000,000 shall be for service coordinators and existing congregate service grants. The appropriation plus $20,300,000 in carryover balances and residual receipts fully funds all renewals and amendments of project based rental assistance contracts, senior preservation rental assistance contracts, service coordinators, and existing congregate service grants. The agreement does not use funding previously provided for an elderly project rental assistance demonstration program to offset the appropriation, nor does it provide additional funding for any elderly project rental assistance demonstration program.

HOUSING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The agreement provides $150,600,000 for the section 811 program to be available until September 30, 2019. The funding level, in addition to $1,400,000 in residual receipts, recaptures and unobligated balances, fully supports all project based rental assistance contract renewals and amendments. The agreement does not allow the Secretary to use these resources for any other purpose than renewals and amendments, including for any new competitions for project rental assistance to state housing finance agencies.

HOUSING COUNSELING ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $47,000,000 for housing counseling assistance, including up to $4,500,000 for administrative contract services, to remain available until September 30, 2017. The agreement requires the Secretary to award grants within 180 days of enactment of this Act, and allows the Secretary to enter into multiyear grant agreements, subject to the availability of annual appropriations.

RENTAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE

The agreement provides $30,000,000 for the rental housing assistance program and allows HUD to use funds, including unobligated balances and recaptured amounts, for one year contract extensions.

PAYMENT TO MANUFACTURED HOUSING FEES TRUST FUND

The agreement provides $10,500,000 for authorized activities, of which $10,500,000 is to be derived from the Manufactured Housing Fees Trust Fund.

FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION

MUTUAL MORTGAGE INSURANCE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement establishes a limitation of $400,000,000,000 on commitments to guarantee single-family loans during fiscal year 2016, and provides that such commitment authority shall be avail-

able until September 30, 2017. The agreement also provides $130,000,000 for administrative contract expenses, and provides an additional $1,400 for administrative contract expenses up to $30,000,000, for each $1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan commitments, if guaranteed loan commitment levels exceed $200,000,000,000 by April 1, 2016.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL RISK PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement establishes a $30,000,000,000 limitation on multifamily and specialized loan guarantees during fiscal year 2016, and provides that such commitment authority shall be available until September 30, 2017.

GOVERNMENT NATIONAL MORTGAGE ASSOCIATION

GUARANTEES OF MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES

LOAN GUARANTEE PROGRAM ACCOUNT

The agreement establishes a limitation of up to $500,000,000,000 for new commitments during fiscal year 2016, which shall be available until September 30, 2017. The agreement also provides $23,000,000 for salaries and expenses for the Government National Mortgage Association during fiscal year 2016. The agreement increases salaries and expenses by $100 for each $1,000,000 in additional guaranteed loan commitments, up to a cap of $3,000,000, if guaranteed loan commitments exceed $155,000,000,000 by April 1, 2016.

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH

RESEARCH AND TECHNOLOGY

The agreement provides $85,000,000 for research and technology activities, and technical assistance.

The agreement provides $10,000,000 for both on-going and new research, demonstrations, and evaluations. HUD is directed to provide at least $2,000,000 for grants to design housing for the disabled, $400,000 for an evaluation of energy performance contracts in public housing, $1,000,000 for Jobs-Plus outcomes tracking, $900,000 to assess HUD technical assistance to program grantees, $2,500,000 for homeless youth program evaluations conducted in partnership with the Department of Health and Human Services, and $2,000,000 for homeless youth research activities authorized under section 345 of the Runaway Homeless Youth Act.

The agreement provides a total of $25,000,000 under this heading for technical assistance, of which at least $5,000,000 is for training public housing agencies on finance and governance.

Further, as requested, $41,500,000 is provided for various housing market surveys and $8,500,000 is for other research support, studies and partnerships.

FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY

FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITIES

The agreement provides $65,300,000 for fair housing activities, of which $39,200,000 is for the Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP), $24,300,000 is for the Fair Housing Assistance Program, $1,500,000 is for the National Fair Housing Training Academy, and $300,000 is for translated materials. Of the funds available for FHIP, not less than $7,450,000 is available for education and outreach programs.

OFFICE OF LEAD HAZARD CONTROL AND HEALTHY HOMES

LEAD HAZARD REDUCTION

The agreement provides $110,000,000 for lead hazard control and healthy homes programs. Of the total, $20,000,000 is provided for healthy homes program activities, and $45,000,000 is to be made available on a competitive basis for areas with the highest lead abatement needs.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY FUND

The agreement provides $250,000,000 for the Information Technology Fund available until September 30, 2017. The Department is directed to initiate retirement plans for its obsolete and inefficient information technology systems. Within 180 days of enactment of this Act, HUD shall submit comprehensive strategic plans for: retiring the HUDCAPS system, developing a grants modernization system, and completing the development and implementation of the NGMS system. Further, HUD may not implement any new modules or releases of the new core project in fiscal year 2016. The House and Senate Committees on Appropriations direct GAO to continue to evaluate the Department's efforts and plans to update its IT infrastructure.

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

The agreement provides $126,000,000 for the necessary expenses of the Office of Inspector General.

GENERAL PROVISIONS—DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

(INCLUDING TRANSFER OF FUNDS)

(INCLUDING RESCISSIONS)

Section 201 splits overpayments evenly between Treasury and State HFAs.

Section 202 prohibits funds from being used to investigate or prosecute lawful activities under the Fair Housing Act.

Section 203 corrects anomalies in the HOPWA formula affecting New York, New Jersey, and North Carolina.

Section 204 requires any grant or cooperative agreement to be made on a competitive basis, unless otherwise provided, in accord-

ance with Section 102 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989.

Section 205 relates to the availability of funds for services and facilities for GSEs and others subject to the Government Corporation Control Act and the Housing Act of 1950.

Section 206 prohibits the use of funds in excess of the budget estimates, unless provided otherwise.

Section 207 relates to the expenditure of funds for corporations and agencies subject to the Government Corporation Control Act.

Section 208 requires the Secretary to provide quarterly reports on uncommitted, unobligated, recaptured, and excess funds in each departmental program and activity.

Section 209 requires the Administration's budget and HUD's budget justifications for fiscal year 2017 be submitted in the identical account and sub-account structure provided in this Act.

Section 210 exempts PHA Boards in Alaska, Iowa, Mississippi and the County of Los Angeles from certain public housing resident representation requirements. Affected entities under this section are reminded of their requirement to maintain a tenant advisory board, as prescribed under this section. HUD is required to ensure compliance with this requirement and should take enforcement actions if this requirement is not fulfilled.

Section 211 exempts GNMA from certain requirements of the Federal Credit Reform Act of 1990.

Section 212 authorizes HUD to transfer debt and use agreements from an obsolete project to a viable project, provided that no additional costs are incurred and other conditions are met.

Section 213 sets forth requirements for Section 8 voucher assistance eligibility and includes consideration for persons with disabilities.

Section 214 distributes Native American Housing Block Grants to the same Native Alaskan recipients as in fiscal year 2005.

Section 215 authorizes the Secretary to insure mortgages under Section 255 of the National Housing Act.

Section 216 instructs HUD on managing and disposing of any multifamily property that is owned or held by HUD.

Section 217 allows the Section 108 loan guarantee program to guarantee notes or other obligations issued by any State on behalf of non-entitlement communities in the State.

Section 218 allows PHAs that own and operate 400 or fewer units of public housing to be exempt from asset management requirements.

Section 219 restricts the Secretary from imposing any requirements or guidelines relating to asset management that restrict or limit the use of capital funds for central office costs, up to the limit established in QHWRA.

Section 220 requires that no employee of the Department shall be designated as an allotment holder unless the CFO determines that such employee has received certain training.

Section 221 requires the Secretary to publish all notice of funding availability that is competitively awarded on the internet for fiscal year 2016.

Section 222 limits attorney fees and requires the Department to submit a spend plan to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

Section 223 allows the Secretary to transfer up to 10 percent of funds or $4,000,000, whichever is less, appropriated under the headings "Administrative Support Offices" or "Program Office Salaries and Expenses" to any other office funded under such headings.

Section 224 allows the Disaster Housing Assistance Programs to be considered a program of HUD for the purpose of income verifications and match requirements.

Section 225 requires HUD to take certain actions against owners receiving rental subsidies that do not maintain safe properties.

Section 226 places a salary and bonus limit on public housing agency officials and employees.

Section 227 prohibits the use of funds for the doctoral dissertation research grant program at HUD.

Section 228 extends the HOPE VI program to September 30, 2016.

Section 229 requires the Secretary to notify the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations at least 3 full business days before grant awards are announced.

Section 230 prohibits funds to be used to require or enforce the Physical Needs Assessment (PNA).

Section 231 prohibits the use of funds to implement the Homeowners Armed with Knowledge (HAWK) program.

Section 232 prohibits funds for HUD financing of mortgages for properties that have been subject to eminent domain.

Section 233 prohibits the use of funds to terminate the status of a unit of general local government as a metropolitan city with respect to grants.

Section 234 allows funding for research, evaluation, and statistical purposes that is unexpended at the time of completion of the contract, grant, or cooperative agreement to be reobligated for additional research.

Section 235 modifies safety-related termination criteria for the HOME Investment Partnerships program.

Section 236 prohibits funds to be used for financial awards for employees subject to administrative discipline.

Section 237 modifies the Rental Assistance Demonstration included in the fiscal year 2012 appropriations Act.

Section 238 modifies Section 526 of the National Housing Act to permit exceptions for alternative water systems that meet requirements of State and local building codes that ensure health and safety standards.

Section 239 extends existing contract terms, expands the number of PHAs that may participate in the Moving-to-Work program, and establishes an advisory committee and an advisory component. Rigorous research contains a quantitative component, a control or comparison group, and may incorporate qualitative study. For the purposes of this section, rigorous research methodologies include: randomized experiments, natural experiments, well-matched comparison group studies and quasi-experimental methods found in studies published in peer-reviewed social science journals.

Section 240 allows HUD to authorize the transfer of existing subsidies and liabilities from obsolete housing for persons with disabilities to housing that complies with local Olmstead requirements.

Section 241 rescinds $12,000,000 in unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, from "General and Special Risk Program Account" and "Native American Housing Block Grants", and rescinds all unobligated balances, including recaptures and carryover, remaining in "Rural Housing and Economic Development" and "Homeownership and Opportunity for People Everywhere Grants".

Section 242 authorizes the Secretary on a limited basis to use funds available under the "Homeless Assistance Grants" heading to participate in the multiagency Performance Partnership Pilots program.

Section 243 allows program income as an eligible match for 2015 and 2016 Continuum of Care funds.

Section 244 modifies grantee compliance requirements under the Community Development Fund heading for rural promise zone jurisdictions and certain other economically distressed communities.

TITLE III—RELATED AGENCIES

ACCESS BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $8,023,000 for the salaries and expenses of the Access Board.

FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $25,660,000 for the salaries and expenses of the Federal Maritime Commission, of which not more than $2,000 may be available for official reception and representation expenses. Of the funds provided, not less than $527,637 is available for the Office of Inspector General.

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $24,499,000 for the Office of Inspector General for Amtrak.

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

SALARIES AND EXPENSES

The agreement provides $105,170,000 for the salaries and expenses of the National Transportation Safety Board.

NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

PAYMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD REINVESTMENT CORPORATION

The agreement provides $175,000,000 for the Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation (NRC), of which $135,000,000 is for the core program, including $5,000,000 for the multifamily rental housing program. Of the total provided, $40,000,000 is for the National Foreclosure Mitigation Counseling (NFMC) program. The agreement allows up to 5 percent of NFMC funds to be used for administrative expenses to carry out foreclosure mitigation activities.

UNITED STATES INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS

OPERATING EXPENSES

The agreement provides $3,530,000 for operating expenses of the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH).

In addition to the directives included in House Report 114–129, USICH is directed to continue supporting federal collaboration and implementation of the federal strategic plan to prevent and end homelessness. The Council shall balance its fulfillment of directives included in House Report 114–129 with the continuation of core responsibilities such as establishing common definitions of homelessness across programs, consolidating federal data, and increasing federal collaboration to target affordable housing and homeless resources to high-need families and individuals, including special populations such as veterans, victims of domestic violence, persons with HIV, and youth.

TITLE IV—GENERAL PROVISIONS, THIS ACT

Section 401 prohibits pay and other expenses for non-Federal parties intervening in regulatory or adjudicatory proceedings.

Section 402 prohibits obligations beyond the current fiscal year and prohibits transfers of funds unless expressly so provided herein.

Section 403 limits consulting service expenditures in procurement contracts to those contained in the public record.

Section 404 prohibits employee training not directly related to the performance of official duties.

Section 405 specifies requirements for reprogramming funds.

Section 406 provides that fifty percent of unobligated balances for salaries and expenses may remain available for certain purposes, subject to the approval of the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations.

Section 407 prohibits the use of funds for any project that seeks to use the power of eminent domain, unless eminent domain is employed only for a public use.

Section 408 prohibits funds from being transferred to any department, agency, or instrumentality of the U.S. Government, except where transfer authority is provided in this Act.

Section 409 prohibits funds in this Act from being used to permanently replace an employee intent on returning to his or her past occupation after completion of military service.

Section 410 prohibits funds in this Act from being used unless the expenditure is in compliance with the Buy American Act.

Section 411 prohibits funds from being appropriated or made available to any person or entity that has been convicted of violating the Buy American Act.

Section 412 prohibits funds for first-class airline accommodations in contravention of sections 301–10.122 and 301–10.123 of title 41 CFR.

Section 413 prohibits funds from being used for the approval of a new foreign air carrier permit or exemption application if that approval would contravene United States law or Article 17 bis of the U.S.-E.U.-Iceland-Norway Air Transport Agreement.

Section 414 restricts the number of employees that agencies funded in this Act may send to international conferences.

Section 415 prohibits funds from being used by the Federal Transit Administration to implement, administer, or enforce section 18.36(c)(2) of title 49, U.S.C. for construction hiring purposes.

Section 416 prohibits funds from being used in contravention of the 5th or 14th Amendment to the Constitution or title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

Section 417 prohibits funds from being used to lease or purchase new light duty vehicles for any executive fleet or an agency's fleet inventory, except in accordance with Presidential Memorandum—Federal Fleet Performance, dated May 24, 2011.

Section 418 prohibits the use of funds in contravention of subpart E of part 5 of the regulations of the Secretary of HUD, relating to restrictions on assistance to noncitizens.

Section 419 prohibits the use of funds in contravention of section 214(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1980, regarding conditions for financial assistance.

Section 420 provides an additional $300,000,000 in disaster funds for "Community Planning and Development, Community Development Fund" for communities that experienced a disaster in 2015.

Section 421 amends the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act to apply the emergency relief federal cost share methodology in effect at the time of the disaster.

DIVISION L -- TRANSPORTATION, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2016
(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
TITLE I - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION					
Office of the Secretary					
Salaries and expenses	105,000	113,657	108,750	+3,750	-4,907
Immediate Office of the Secretary	(2,696)	---	(2,734)	(+38)	(+2,734)
Immediate Office of the Deputy Secretary	(1,011)	---	(1,025)	(+14)	(+1,025)
Office of the General Counsel	(19,900)	---	(20,609)	(+709)	(+20,609)
Office of the Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy	(9,800)	---	(9,941)	(+141)	(+9,941)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs	(12,500)	---	(13,697)	(+1,197)	(+13,697)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Governmental Affairs	(2,500)	---	(2,546)	(+46)	(+2,546)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration	(25,365)	---	(25,925)	(+560)	(+25,925)
Office of Public Affairs	(2,000)	---	(2,029)	(+29)	(+2,029)
Office of the Executive Secretariat	(1,714)	---	(1,737)	(+23)	(+1,737)
Office of Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilization	(1,414)	---	(1,434)	(+20)	(+1,434)
Office of Intelligence, Security, and Emergency Response	(10,600)	---	(10,793)	(+193)	(+10,793)
Office of the Chief Information Officer	(15,500)	---	(16,280)	(+780)	(+16,280)
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Innovative Finance (legislative proposal)	---	---	---	---	---

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	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Research and Technology	13,000	14,582	13,000	---	-1,582
National Infrastructure Investments	500,000	1,250,000	500,000	---	-750,000
Infrastructure Permitting Center	---	4,000	---	---	-4,000
Financial Management Capital	5,000	5,000	5,000	---	---
Cyber Security Initiatives	5,000	8,000	8,000	+3,000	---
DATA Act Compliance	---	3,000	---	---	-3,000
U.S. Digital Services	---	9,000	---	---	-9,000
Office of Civil Rights	9,600	9,678	9,678	+78	---
Transportation Planning, Research, and Development	6,000	10,019	8,500	+2,500	-1,519
Working Capital Fund	(181,500)	---	(190,039)	(+8,539)	(+190,039)
Minority Business Resource Center Program	925	933	933	+8	---
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(18,367)	---	(18,367)	---	(+18,367)
Small and Disadvantaged Business Utilizaton and Outreach /Minority Business Outreach	3,099	4,518	3,084	-15	-1,434
Safe Transport of Oil	---	5,000	---	---	-5,000
Payments to Air Carriers (Airport & Airway Trust Fund)	155,000	175,000	175,000	+20,000	---
Total, Office of the Secretary	802,624	1,612,387	831,945	+29,321	-780,442

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Federal Aviation Administration					
Operations	9,740,700	9,915,000	9,909,724	+169,024	-5,276
Air traffic organization	(7,396,654)	(7,505,293)	(7,505,293)	(+108,639)	---
Aviation safety	(1,218,458)	(1,258,411)	(1,258,411)	(+39,953)	---
Commercial space transportation	(16,605)	(18,114)	(17,800)	(+1,195)	(-314)
Finance and management	(756,047)	(764,621)	(760,500)	(+4,453)	(-4,121)
NextGen	(60,089)	(60,582)	(60,089)	---	(-493)
Security and Hazardous Materials Safety	---	(100,880)	(100,880)	(+100,880)	---
Staff offices	(292,847)	(207,099)	(206,751)	(-86,096)	(-348)
Facilities and Equipment (Airport & Airway Trust Fund)	2,600,000	2,855,000	2,855,000	+255,000	---
Research, Engineering, and Development (Airport & Airway Trust Fund	156,750	166,000	166,000	+9,250	---
Grants-in-Aid for Airports (Airport and Airway Trust Fund)(Liquidation of contract authorization)	(3,200,000)	(3,500,000)	(3,600,000)	(+400,000)	(+100,000)
(Limitation on obligations)	(3,350,000)	(2,900,000)	(3,350,000)	---	(+450,000)
Administration	(107,100)	(107,100)	(107,100)	---	---
Airport cooperative research program	(15,000)	(15,000)	(15,000)	---	---
Airport technology research	(29,750)	(31,000)	(31,000)	(+1,250)	---
Small community air service development program	(5,500)	---	(5,000)	(-500)	(+5,000)
Rescission of contract authority	-260,000	---	---	+260,000	---

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(Amounts in thousands)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Pop-up contract authority	130,000	---	---	-130,000	---
Total, Federal Aviation Administration	12,367,450	12,936,000	12,930,724	+563,274	-5,276
Limitations on obligations	(3,350,000)	(2,900,000)	(3,350,000)	---	(+450,000)
Total budgetary resources	(15,717,450)	(15,836,000)	(16,280,724)	(+563,274)	(+444,724)
Federal Highway Administration					
Limitation on Administrative Expenses	(426,100)	(442,248)	(429,000)	(+2,900)	(-13,248)
Federal-Aid Highways (Highway Trust Fund):					
(Liquidation of contract authorization)	(40,995,000)	(50,807,248)	(43,100,000)	(+2,105,000)	(-7,707,248)
(Limitation on obligations)	(40,256,000)	(50,068,248)	(42,361,000)	(+2,105,000)	(-7,707,248)
Fixing and Accelerating Surface Transportation					
(Liquidation of contract authorization)	---	(500,000)	---	---	(-500,000)
(Limitation on obligations)	---	(500,000)	---	---	(-500,000)
(Exempt contract authority)	(739,000)	(739,000)	(739,000)	---	---
Total, Federal Highway Administration	---	---	---	---	---
Limitations on obligations	(40,256,000)	(50,568,248)	(42,361,000)	(+2,105,000)	(-8,207,248)
Exempt contract authority	(739,000)	(739,000)	(739,000)	---	---
Total budgetary resources	(40,995,000)	(51,307,248)	(43,100,000)	(+2,105,000)	(-8,207,248)

	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Request	Final Bill	Final Bill vs FY 2015	Final Bill vs Request
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration					
Motor Carrier Safety Operations and Programs (Highway Trust Fund)(Liquidation of contract authorization)..	(271,000)	(329,180)	(267,400)	(-3,600)	(-61,780)
(Limitation on obligations).....	(271,000)	(329,180)	(267,400)	(-3,600)	(-61,780)
Motor Carrier Safety Grants (Highway Trust Fund) (Liquidation of contract authorization).....	(313,000)	(339,343)	(313,000)	---	(-26,343)
(Limitation on obligations).....	(313,000)	(339,343)	(313,000)	---	(-26,343)
Total, Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.....	---	---	---	---	---
Limitations on obligations.....	(584,000)	(668,523)	(580,400)	(-3,600)	(-88,123)
Total budgetary resources.....	(584,000)	(668,523)	(580,400)	(-3,600)	(-88,123)
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration					
Operations and Research (general fund).....	130,000	179,000	152,800	+22,800	-26,200

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Operations and Research (Highway Trust Fund)					
(Liquidation of contract authorization).....	(138,500)	(152,000)	(142,900)	(+4,400)	(-9,100)
(Limitation on obligations).....	(138,500)	(152,000)	(142,900)	(+4,400)	(-9,100)
Subtotal, Operations and Research.....	268,500	331,000	295,700	+27,200	-35,300
Highway Traffic Safety Grants (Highway Trust Fund)					
(Liquidation of contract authorization).....	(561,500)	(577,000)	(573,332)	(+11,832)	(-3,668)
(Limitation on obligations).....	(561,500)	(577,000)	(573,332)	(+11,832)	(-3,668)
Highway safety programs (23 USC 402).....	(235,000)	(241,146)	(243,500)	(+8,500)	(+2,354)
National priority safety programs (23 USC 405)..	(272,000)	(278,705)	(274,700)	(+2,700)	(-4,005)
High visibility enforcement.....	(29,000)	(29,000)	(29,300)	(+300)	(+300)
Administrative expenses.....	(25,500)	(28,149)	(25,832)	(+332)	(-2,317)
Total, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.....	130,000	179,000	152,800	+22,800	-26,200
Limitations on obligations.....	(700,000)	(729,000)	(716,232)	(+16,232)	(-12,768)
Total budgetary resources.....	(830,000)	(908,000)	(869,032)	(+39,032)	(-38,968)

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Federal Railroad Administration					
Safety and Operations	186,870	203,800	199,000	+12,130	-4,800
Railroad Research and Development	39,100	39,250	39,100	---	-150
Railroad Safety Grants	---	---	50,000	+50,000	+50,000
Rail Service Improvement Program	---	2,325,000	---	---	-2,325,000
National Railroad Passenger Corporation:					
Operating Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation	250,000	---	288,500	+38,500	+288,500
Capital and Debt Service Grants to the National Railroad Passenger Corporation	1,140,000	---	1,101,500	-38,500	+1,101,500
Current Rail Passenger Service	---	2,450,000	---	---	-2,450,000
Subtotal	1,390,000	2,450,000	1,390,000	---	-1,060,000
Administrative Provisions					
Rail Safety Grants	10,000	---	---	-10,000	---
Rail unobligated balances (rescission) (Sec. 152)	---	---	-1,960	-1,960	-1,960
RRIF application expenses (Sec. 152)	---	---	1,960	+1,960	+1,960
Rail unobligated balances (rescission) (Sec. 153)	---	---	-19,163	-19,163	-19,163
Northeast Corridor Capital grants (Sec. 153)	---	---	19,163	+19,163	+19,163
Total, Federal Railroad Administration	1,625,970	5,018,050	1,678,100	+52,130	-3,339,950

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Federal Transit Administration					
Administrative Expenses	105,933	114,400	108,000	+2,067	-6,400
Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program	---	25,000	---	---	-25,000
Transit Formula Grants (Hwy Trust Fund, Mass Transit Account (Liquidation of contract authorization)	(9,500,000)	(13,800,000)	(10,400,000)	(+900,000)	(-3,400,000)
(Limitation on obligations)	(8,595,000)	(13,800,000)	(9,347,605)	(+752,605)	(-4,452,395)
Fixing and Acceleration Surface Transportation (Liquidation of contract authorization)	---	(500,000)	---	---	(-500,000)
(Limitation on obligations)	---	(500,000)	---	---	(-500,000)
Transit Research	33,000	---	---	-33,000	---
Technical Assistance and Training	4,500	---	---	-4,500	---
Transit Research and Training	---	60,000	---	---	-60,000
Rapid-Growth Area Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Program (liquidation of contract authorization)	---	(500,000)	---	---	(-500,000)
(limitation on obligations)	---	(500,000)	---	---	(-500,000)
Capital Investment Grants	2,120,000	3,250,000	2,177,000	+57,000	-1,073,000

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Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Capital and Preventive Maintenance	150,000	150,000	150,000	---	---
Administrative Provisions					
Rescission (Sec. 166)	-121,546	---	-25,398	+96,148	-25,398
Total, Federal Transit Administration	2,291,887	3,599,400	2,409,602	+117,715	-1,189,798
Limitations on obligations	(8,595,000)	(14,800,000)	(9,347,605)	(+752,605)	(-5,452,395)
Total budgetary resources	(10,886,887)	(18,399,400)	(11,757,207)	(+870,320)	(-6,642,193)
Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation					
Operations and Maintenance (Harbor Maintenance Trust Fund)	32,042	36,400	28,400	-3,642	-8,000
Maritime Administration					
Maritime Security Program	186,000	211,000	210,000	+24,000	-1,000
Operations and Training	148,050	184,637	171,155	+23,105	-13,482
Assistance to Small Shipyards	---	---	5,000	+5,000	+5,000
Ship Disposal	4,000	8,000	5,000	+1,000	-3,000

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Maritime Guaranteed Loan (Title XI) Program Account:					
Administrative expenses	3,100	3,135	3,135	+35	---
Guaranteed loans subsidy	---	---	5,000	+5,000	+5,000
Total, Maritime Administration	341,150	406,772	399,290	+58,140	-7,482
Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration					
Operational Expenses:					
General Fund	22,225	22,500	21,000	-1,225	-1,500
Pipeline Safety Fund (transfer out)	(-1,500)	(-1,500)	---	(+1,500)	(+1,500)
Subtotal	22,225	22,500	21,000	-1,225	-1,500
Hazardous Materials Safety:					
General Fund	52,000	64,254	55,619	+3,619	-8,635
Special Permit and Approval Fees	---	-6,000	---	---	+6,000
Subtotal	52,000	58,254	55,619	+3,619	-2,635

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Pipeline Safety:					
General Fund	---	1,500	---	---	-1,500
Pipeline Safety Fund	124,500	152,104	124,500	---	-27,604
Oil Spill Liability Trust Fund	19,500	19,500	22,123	+2,623	+2,623
Pipeline Safety Design Review Fund	2,000	2,000	---	-2,000	-2,000
Pipeline Safety information grants (by transfer)	(1,500)	(1,500)	---	(-1,500)	(-1,500)
Subtotal	146,000	175,104	146,623	+623	-28,481
Subtotal, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration	220,225	255,858	223,242	+3,017	-32,616
Pipeline safety user fees	-124,500	-152,104	-124,500	---	+27,604
Pipeline Safety Design Review fee	-2,000	-2,000	---	+2,000	+2,000
Emergency Preparedness Grants:					
Limitation on emergency preparedness fund	(28,318)	(28,318)	(28,318)	---	---
(Emergency preparedness fund)	(188)	(188)	(188)	---	---
Total, Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration	93,725	101,754	98,742	+5,017	-3,012
Office of Inspector General					
Salaries and Expenses	86,223	87,472	87,472	+1,249	---

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Surface Transportation Board					
Salaries and Expenses	31,375	32,499	32,375	+1,000	-124
Offsetting collections	-1,250	-1,250	-1,250	---	---
Total, Surface Transportation Board	30,125	31,249	31,125	+1,000	-124
Total, title I, Department of Transportation	17,801,196	24,008,484	18,648,200	+847,004	-5,360,284
Appropriations	(18,183,992)	(24,015,734)	(18,695,971)	(+511,979)	(-5,319,763)
Rescissions	(-121,546)	---	(-46,521)	(+75,025)	(-46,521)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-260,000)	---	---	(+260,000)	---
Offsetting collections	(-1,250)	(-7,250)	(-1,250)	---	(+6,000)
(By transfer)	(1,500)	(1,500)	---	(-1,500)	(-1,500)
(Transfer out)	(-1,500)	(-1,500)	---	(+1,500)	(+1,500)
Limitations on obligations	(53,485,000)	(69,665,771)	(56,355,237)	(+2,870,237)	(-13,310,534)
Total budgetary resources	(71,286,196)	(93,674,255)	(75,003,437)	(+3,717,241)	(-18,670,818)

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TITLE II - DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT					
Management and Administration					
Executive Offices	14,500	14,646	13,800	-700	-846
Administration Support Offices	518,100	577,861	559,100	+41,000	-18,761
Program Office Salaries and Expenses:					
Public and Indian Housing	203,000	210,002	205,500	+2,500	-4,502
Community Planning and Development	102,000	112,115	104,800	+2,800	-7,315
Housing	379,000	397,174	375,000	-4,000	-22,174
Policy Development and Research	22,700	23,907	23,100	+400	-807
Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity	68,000	81,132	72,000	+4,000	-9,132
Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes	6,700	7,812	7,000	+300	-812
Subtotal	781,400	832,142	787,400	+6,000	-44,742
Total, Management and Administration	1,314,000	1,424,649	1,360,300	+46,300	-64,349
Public and Indian Housing					
Tenant-based Rental Assistance:					
Renewals	17,486,000	18,333,816	17,681,451	+195,451	-652,365
Tenant protection vouchers	130,000	150,000	130,000	---	-20,000
Administrative fees	1,530,000	2,020,037	1,650,000	+120,000	-370,037
Incremental rental vouchers	---	277,000	---	---	-277,000
Incremental family unification vouchers	---	20,000	---	---	-20,000

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Sec. 811 mainstream voucher renewals	83,160	107,643	107,074	+23,914	-569
Veterans affairs supportive housing	75,000	---	60,000	-15,000	+60,000
Special purpose vouchers	---	215,000	---	---	-215,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-20,000)	---	---	(+20,000)
Subtotal (available this fiscal year)	19,304,160	21,123,496	19,628,525	+324,365	-1,494,971
Advance appropriations	4,000,000	4,000,000	4,000,000	---	---
Less appropriations from prior year advances	-4,000,000	-4,000,000	-4,000,000	---	---
Total, Tenant-based Rental Assistance appropriated in this bill	19,304,160	21,123,496	19,628,525	+324,365	-1,494,971
Rental Assistance Demonstration	---	50,000	---	---	-50,000
Public Housing Capital Fund	1,875,000	1,970,000	1,900,000	+25,000	-70,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-15,000)	---	---	(+15,000)
Drug elimination (rescission)	-1,101	---	---	+1,101	---
Public Housing Operating Fund	4,440,000	4,600,000	4,500,000	+60,000	-100,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-18,000)	---	---	(+18,000)
Choice Neighborhoods	80,000	250,000	125,000	+45,000	-125,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-2,000)	---	---	(+2,000)
Family Self-Sufficiency	75,000	85,000	75,000	---	-10,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-1,000)	---	---	(+1,000)
Native American Housing Block Grants	650,000	660,000	650,000	---	-10,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-5,000)	---	---	(+5,000)
Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grant	9,000	---	---	-9,000	---
Indian Housing Loan Guarantee Fund Program Account	7,000	8,000	7,500	+500	-500
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(744,047)	(1,269,841)	(1,190,476)	(+446,429)	(-79,365)

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Native Hawaiian Loan Guarantee Fund Program Account...	100	---	---	-100	---
(Limitation on guaranteed loans).....	(16,130)	---	---	(-16,130)	---
Total, Public and Indian Housing.....	26,439,159	28,746,496	26,886,025	+446,866	-1,860,471
Community Planning and Development					
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS.....	330,000	332,000	335,000	+5,000	+3,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out).....	---	(-3,000)	---	---	(+3,000)
Community Development Fund:					
CDBG formula.....	3,000,000	2,800,000	3,000,000	---	+200,000
Indian CDBG.....	66,000	80,000	60,000	-6,000	-20,000
Subtotal.....	3,066,000	2,880,000	3,060,000	-6,000	+180,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out).....	---	(-20,000)	---	---	(+20,000)
Youth Build (rescission).....	-460	---	---	+460	---
Community Development Loan Guarantees (Section 108):					
(Limitation on guaranteed loans).....	(500,000)	(300,000)	(300,000)	(-200,000)	---
HOME Investment Partnerships Program.....	900,000	1,060,000	950,000	+50,000	-110,000
Transfer from Housing Trust Fund.....	---	---	---	---	---
Transformation Initiative (transfer out).....	---	(-8,000)	---	---	(+8,000)
Subtotal.....	900,000	1,060,000	950,000	+50,000	-110,000

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Self-help and Assisted Homeownership Opportunity Program	50,000	---	55,700	+5,700	+55,700
Homeless Assistance Grants	2,135,000	2,480,000	2,250,000	+115,000	-230,000
Brownfields (rescission)	-2,913	---	---	+2,913	---
Total, Community Planning and Development	6,477,627	6,752,000	6,650,700	+173,073	-101,300
Housing Programs					
Project-based Rental Assistance:					
Renewals	9,520,000	10,545,000	10,405,000	+885,000	-140,000
Contract administrators	210,000	215,000	215,000	+5,000	---
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-20,000)	---	---	(+20,000)
Subtotal (available this fiscal year)	9,730,000	10,760,000	10,620,000	+890,000	-140,000
Advance appropriations	400,000	400,000	400,000	---	---
Less appropriations from prior year advances	-400,000	-400,000	-400,000	---	---
Total, Project-based Rental Assistance appropriated in this bill	9,730,000	10,760,000	10,620,000	+890,000	-140,000
Housing for the Elderly	420,000	455,000	432,700	+12,700	-22,300
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-3,000)	---	---	(+3,000)
Housing for Persons with Disabilities	135,000	177,000	150,600	+15,600	-26,400
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-1,000)	---	---	(+1,000)
Housing Counseling Assistance	47,000	60,000	47,000	---	-13,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-1,000)	---	---	(+1,000)

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Rental Housing Assistance	18,000	30,000	30,000	+12,000	---
Manufactured Housing Fees Trust Fund	10,000	11,000	10,500	+500	-500
Offsetting collections	-10,000	-11,000	-10,500	-500	+500
Total, Housing Programs	10,350,000	11,482,000	11,280,300	+930,300	-201,700
Federal Housing Administration					
Mutual Mortgage Insurance Program Account:					
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(400,000,000)	(400,000,000)	(400,000,000)	---	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(20,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	(-15,000)	---
Offsetting receipts	-7,951,000	-7,003,000	-7,003,000	+948,000	---
Proposed offsetting receipts (HECM)	-36,000	-97,000	-97,000	-61,000	---
Additional offsetting receipts (Pres. Sec. 244)	---	-29,000	---	---	+29,000
Administrative contract expenses	130,000	174,000	130,000	---	-44,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-1,000)	---	---	(+1,000)
General and Special Risk Program Account:					
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(30,000,000)	(30,000,000)	(30,000,000)	---	---
(Limitation on direct loans)	(20,000)	(5,000)	(5,000)	(-15,000)	---
Offsetting receipts	-876,000	-657,000	-657,000	+219,000	---
Rescission	-10,000	---	---	+10,000	---
Total, Federal Housing Administration	-8,743,000	-7,612,000	-7,627,000	+1,116,000	-15,000

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Government National Mortgage Association					
Guarantees of Mortgage-backed Securities Loan Guarantee Program Account:					
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(500,000,000)	(500,000,000)	(500,000,000)	---	---
Administrative expenses	23,000	28,320	23,000	---	-5,320
Offsetting receipts	-94,000	-118,000	-118,000	-24,000	---
Offsetting receipts	-742,000	-747,000	-747,000	-5,000	---
Proposed offsetting receipts (HECM)	-28,000	-21,000	-21,000	+7,000	---
Additional contract expenses	1,000	1,000	1,000	---	---
Total, Gov't National Mortgage Association	-840,000	-856,680	-862,000	-22,000	-5,320
Policy Development and Research					
Research and Technology	72,000	50,000	85,000	+13,000	+35,000
Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity					
Fair Housing Activities	65,300	71,000	65,300	---	-5,700
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-1,000)	---	---	(+1,000)
Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes					
Lead Hazard Reduction	110,000	120,000	110,000	---	-10,000
Transformation Initiative (transfer out)	---	(-1,000)	---	---	(+1,000)
Information Technology Fund	250,000	334,000	250,000	---	-84,000

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Office of Inspector General	126,000	129,000	126,000	---	-3,000
Transformation Initiative	---	---	---	---	---
(by transfer)	---	(120,000)	---	---	(-120,000)
General Provisions					
Unobligated balances (Sec. 241) (rescission)	---	---	-14,000	-14,000	-14,000
Total, title II, Department of Housing and Urban Development	35,621,086	40,640,465	38,310,625	+2,689,539	-2,329,840
Appropriations	(40,972,560)	(44,923,465)	(42,578,125)	(+1,605,565)	(-2,345,340)
Rescissions	(-14,474)	---	(-14,000)	(+474)	(-14,000)
Advance appropriations	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	---	---
Offsetting receipts	(-9,727,000)	(-8,672,000)	(-8,643,000)	(+1,084,000)	(+29,000)
Offsetting collections	(-10,000)	(-11,000)	(-10,500)	(-500)	(+500)
(by transfer)	---	120,000	---	---	-120,000
(transfer out)	---	-120,000	---	---	+120,000
(Limitation on direct loans)	(40,000)	(10,000)	(10,000)	(-30,000)	---
(Limitation on guaranteed loans)	(931,260,177)	(931,569,841)	(931,490,476)	(+230,299)	(-79,365)

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TITLE III - OTHER INDEPENDENT AGENCIES					
Access Board	7,548	8,023	8,023	+475	---
Federal Housing Finance Agency, Office of Inspector General (legislative proposal)	---	50,000	---	---	-50,000
Offsetting collections (legislative proposal)	---	-50,000	---	---	+50,000
Federal Maritime Commission	25,660	27,387	25,660	---	-1,727
National Railroad Passenger Corporation Office of Inspector General	23,999	24,499	24,499	+500	---
National Transportation Safety Board	103,981	105,170	105,170	+1,189	---
Neighborhood Reinvestment Corporation	185,000	182,300	175,000	-10,000	-7,300
United States Interagency Council on Homelessness	3,530	3,530	3,530	---	---
Total, title III, Other Independent Agencies	349,718	350,909	341,882	-7,836	-9,027
TITLE IV - GENERAL PROVISIONS - THIS ACT					
Community Development Fund (disaster relief category)(Sec. 420)	---	---	300,000	+300,000	+300,000

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Grand total	53,772,000	64,999,858	57,600,707	+3,828,707	-7,399,151
Appropriations	(59,506,270)	(69,340,108)	(61,615,978)	(+2,109,708)	(-7,724,130)
Rescissions	(-136,020)	---	(-60,521)	(+75,499)	(-60,521)
Rescissions of contract authority	(-260,000)	---	---	(+260,000)	---
Advance appropriations	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	(4,400,000)	---	---
Disaster relief category	---	---	(300,000)	(+300,000)	(+300,000)
Offsetting receipts	(-9,727,000)	(-8,672,000)	(-8,643,000)	(+1,084,000)	(+29,000)
Offsetting collections	(-11,250)	(-68,250)	(-11,750)	(-500)	(+56,500)
(by transfer)	1,500	121,500	---	-1,500	-121,500
(transfer out)	-1,500	-121,500	---	+1,500	+121,500
(Limitation on obligations)	(53,485,000)	(69,665,771)	(56,355,237)	(+2,870,237)	(-13,310,534)
Total budgetary resources	(107,257,000)	(134,665,629)	(113,955,944)	(+6,698,944)	(-20,709,685)